

EDITORIAL

“Ornithological Science”, the new English publication from Japan

Ornithological Science has evolved from the Japanese Journal of Ornithology, which was composed of both English and Japanese papers and was published four issues; numbers 50 volumes last year. Twenty-five years ago, when I joined the society, many papers were written in Japanese. However, in recent years most of them are written in English. This marked a great change in our society and an outstanding growth in a new generation of Japanese ornithologists. We felt now was a good opportunity to divide the journal into two parts: English and Japanese. This is the first issue of the English addition.

Ornithological Science will be published twice a year. It includes special features, original articles, reviews, short communications, and commentaries on all aspects of ornithology. All papers will be critically reviewed by at least two referees. If accepted, submissions will be published in a high quality format without a long delay.

I hope that this new journal will have be of international caliber and will contain high quality papers of ornithology from not only Japan but also other Eastern and/or South-Eastern Asian nations. Of course, we would be glad to receive papers from other parts of the world. In keeping with our aims, we have invited powerful Advisory Board members from Asian, European, Australian, and North American countries listed on the back cover.

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