



# Publisher's Note: *Entomology*—A New Open Access Journal

Giulia Stefanelli , Enric Sayas and Shu-Kun Lin \*

MDPI, St. Alban-Anlage 66, CH-4052 Basel, Switzerland; giulia.stefanelli@mdpi.com (G.S.); enric.sayas@mdpi.com (E.S.)

\* Correspondence: lin@mdpi.com

MDPI has been publishing *Insects* (ISSN: 2075-4450) [1] since 2010. After careful consideration, we have decided to launch a companion journal *Entomology* (ISSN: 2813-0502) [2], an open access journal to address more basic and fundamental entomology studies.

*Entomology*, from the ancient Greek “ἔντομον (entomon)” — “insect” and “-λογία (-logia)” — “study of” [3], is the scientific study of insects.

Insects are among the oldest and most numerous animals on Earth [4]. They play a prominent role in human activities and we need expand our scientific knowledge in the wake of the recent climate change, which threatens to critically affect their lifecycle and population [5].

However, what is an insect? Traditionally, this has not been a simple question to ask. Insects are related to other common animals such as crabs, crayfish, spiders, millipedes, centipedes and scorpions; they all belong to the Arthropoda phylum and as such, they share some common characteristics. Insects, though, differ from the rest of the arthropods because they present three pairs of legs, three segmented distinct body parts (head, abdomen and thorax), compound eyes and one pair of antennae [6].

*Entomology* aims to address fundamental research on other arthropods, such as arachnids, myriapods and crustaceans. It aims to be a central forum for researchers in fundamental entomology, with emphasis on insect systematics; phylogeny and evolution; paleoentomology; and technical entomology. Cross-cutting contributions on topics as diverse as molecular genetics; behavior; neuroscience; biomechanics; biochemistry; physiology; developmental biology; and ecology will also be welcome.

*Entomology* will be published on a quarterly basis with the support of our Editorial Board Members. We will ensure a rigorous yet fast peer-review process to provide a rapid and scientifically accurate dissemination of research. We would like to invite all researchers involved in related studies to submit their new discoveries and to join the Editorial Board to help us develop *Entomology* into a successful and well-established journal.

**Conflicts of Interest:** The authors declare no conflict of interest.

## References

1. *Insects* Home Page. Available online: <https://www.mdpi.com/journal/insects> (accessed on 26 November 2021).
2. *Entomology* Home Page. Available online: <https://www.mdpi.com/journal/entomology> (accessed on 26 November 2021).
3. Liddell, H.G.; Scott, R. *A Greek-English Lexicon*; Oxford University Press: Oxford, UK, 1980; ISBN 0-19-910207-4.
4. Chapman, A.D. *Numbers of Living Species in Australia and the World*; Australian Biological Resources Study: Canberra, Australia, 2009; pp. 1–80. ISBN 978-0-642-56861-8.



**Citation:** Stefanelli, G.; Sayas, E.; Lin, S.-K. Publisher's Note: *Entomology*—A New Open Access Journal. *Arthropoda* **2023**, *1*, 1–2. <https://doi.org/10.3390/arthropoda1010001>

Received: 29 November 2021  
Accepted: 30 November 2021  
Published: 7 December 2021



**Copyright:** © 2021 by the authors. Licensee MDPI, Basel, Switzerland. This article is an open access article distributed under the terms and conditions of the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) license (<https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/>).

5. Bale, J.S.; van Lenteren, J.C.; Bigler, F. Biological control and sustainable food production. *Philos. Trans. R. Soc. B* **2008**, *363*, 761–776. [[CrossRef](#)] [[PubMed](#)]
6. Kjer, K.M.; Simon, C.; Yavorskaya, M.; Beutel, R.G. Progress, pitfalls and parallel universes: A history of insect phylogenetics. *J. R. Soc. Interface* **2016**, *13*, 121. [[CrossRef](#)] [[PubMed](#)]

**Disclaimer/Publisher's Note:** The statements, opinions and data contained in all publications are solely those of the individual author(s) and contributor(s) and not of MDPI and/or the editor(s). MDPI and/or the editor(s) disclaim responsibility for any injury to people or property resulting from any ideas, methods, instructions or products referred to in the content.