

Notice

Biolinguistics Editorial Team *

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It is easy to imagine what reflections on the year 2020 would look like. What makes it worse, though, is that for *Biolinguistics*—and in particular for me (Kleanthes)—the year could hardly have started worse. On 4 January 2020, Andreas Wadle passed away. Andy was my blood brother, one of my closest friends, for over 30 years. We first met at a fantasy and science fiction role-playing convention over 400 km from my hometown to which I hitch-hiked when I was 14 years old. Despite the distance, we became very close very quickly, and stayed very close even when distances grew further. We never lost touch, and while our mutual hobby interests may have faded over the years, we found other joint points of interest. Andy was also a gifted graphic designer. So it was Andy who first accompanied me on the design side when I started my CAT research group, the Cyprus Acquisition Team—and Andy also designed the logo for *Biolinguistics*, the original layout, and all artwork we had used over the years. *Andy, I love you.*

The year quickly brought about many changes that affected all of us. One change for *Biolinguistics* was the introduction of format-free initial submissions. That is, authors are now able to submit manuscripts without having to adhere to journal-specific formatting requirements. The only remaining requirements for initial submissions are that manuscripts include page and line numbers, are double spaced, and list references in a consistent manner. Another change was the new layout for published articles which now includes links to the authors' ORCIDs as well as an article's submission history. These changes are part of our efforts to streamline processes, presentation, and publication at *Biolinguistics*.

A small number of peer-reviewed articles were published this year, while others are still undergoing review and revision, and we expect a fuller volume 15 in 2021. Along the way, we achieved a milestone in 2020: Our 400th submission since the journal's founding. We are also completing the Special Issue on 'Biolinguistic Research in the 21st Century', guest-edited by Lluís Barceló-Coblijn and our Associate Editor Evelina Leivada. The first papers can already be downloaded as advance online publications from our website. Once complete, the entire special issue will be available this coming spring.

Lastly, behind the scenes the Editorial Team is also actively involved in efforts that seek to strengthen the growing worldwide efforts of platinum open

access journals such as *Biolinguistics* by actively cooperating in the efforts of the Free Journal Network (FJN). Hence, we are happy that our Associate Editor Patrick C. Trettenbrein has been elected to serve on the Board of Directors of FJN.

To continue our annual custom, we would like to express a big, heartfelt thank-you to all the reviewers who have served *Biolinguistics* throughout 2020, despite the many competing demands on their time in this tumultuous year. They are listed below by name (in alphabetical order). For everything else, we thank all our authors, readers, and supporters as well as the members of the *Biolinguistics* Advisory Board, the Editorial Board, and the Task Team for their participation and feedback, which is so crucial to the success of the journal. We appreciate your service to our scientific community.

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