

## Editorial

### *Insect Systematics & Evolution* introduces subject issues

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From 2010 onwards *Insect Systematics & Evolution* will occasionally publish subject issues. Articles in these issues will focus on a selected taxonomic group of insects/arachnids but they may also be targeted on new methods or other aspects of insect systematics. For its new subject issues *Insect Systematics & Evolution* especially welcomes papers with a strong phylogenetic component but taxonomic revisions will also be considered. The current issue (41/2) is the first subject issue of *Insect Systematics & Evolution* and focuses on Hemipteran systematics. It comprises two systematic articles on assassin bugs (Reduviidae) and two on semiaquatic bugs (Gerromorpha).

It is a nice coincidence that Dr. Niels Møller Andersen, the long-time editor of *Insect Systematics & Evolution* from 1983 until his sudden death in 2004, and the world authority on Gerromorpha, has influenced two of the articles in the current issue. Firstly, he collaborated on a comprehensive taxonomic revision within the Malagasy riffle bugs (Veliidae), which has now been completed by Dr. Polhemus. Secondly, a significant fossil of Miocene velvet water bugs (Hebridae) is named in his honour by Drs Garrouse and Nel (the illustration of the new species can be found on the front cover of this issue).

It is hoped that this issue will mark the start of a long and successful series of subject issues in *Insect Systematics & Evolution*.

Lars Krogmann  
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