

CHANGE OF JOURNAL NAME

TROPICAL NATURAL HISTORY

Dear distinguished member,

The Natural History Journal of Chulalongkorn University began almost 10 years ago in 2001. During this period it has published many reports on the natural history of the fauna and flora of Southeast Asia including plants, animals, protists and also geology. Within the nine volumes, 18 issues, and two supplements 105 original research articles have been published. A search of the ISI index reveals more than 400 citations from our journal. In 2009 we were asked by SCOPUS to consider indexing the journal in their system. This is an important benchmark that the journal has attained and it reflects a strong research contribution to science. However, indexing with SCOPUS requires that the name of the journal be changed to reflect the international breadth of the contributions to world natural history. The discussion within the editorial board, including Dr. Harold Voris, Dr. Hidetoshi Ota, Dr. Sergei Golovatch, Dr. Henrik Enghoff and myself, initially selected the new name as “*Southeast Asian Natural History*”, but subsequently the name “*Tropical Natural History*” has been adopted to allow for future contributions on natural history studies from throughout the New and Old World tropics.

Volume 10(1) will be the official first issue under the new journal name, Tropical Natural History. We will continue to publish all articles and notes relating to natural history but now more broadly from all of the tropics. Thus, I am now pleased to invite all researchers and students to send manuscripts regarding their research in the tropics. As one part of the upcoming policy, the printed version and online version will run in parallel. The current URL of the Journal is <http://nhjcu.openhealtharchives.org>. With these changes we hope to do our best to elevate the quality of the journal.

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