



Asymmetry Indexes, Behavioural Instability and the Characterization of Behavioural Patterns

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The aim of this special issue is to collect a series of articles which propose the analysis of sequential behavior utilizing the indexes commonly applied for the estimation of developmental instability (fluctuating asymmetry, directional asymmetry and antisymmetry) for the estimation of the degree of “Behavioral Instability”. Deviations from symmetry will be interpreted in ecological and evolutionary terms, where the cost and benefits of changes of the degree of behavioral instability will be analyzed in terms of costs and benefits and its evolutionary significance. Multidisciplinary approaches (theoretical and computational, experimental and empirical approaches) will be presented to validate the proposed approach and to pave the way for future investigation in the novel field of what is best described as behavioral instability.

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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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