

Amendment to Publishing Agreement

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This Amendment ("**Amendment**") amends the Publishing Agreement ("**Agreement**") which was made on 2 June 2017 and effective 1 January 2018 and which was made between

Springer Nature Switzerland AG (previously Springer International Publishing AG)
Gewerbstrasse 11, 6330 Cham, Switzerland
(the "**Publisher**")

on the one hand

and, jointly,

Plant Science and Biodiversity Centre, Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS), Dúbravská cesta 9, SK-84551, Bratislava, Slovak Republic

represented by:
Anna Bérešová, Director, Plant Science and Biodiversity Centre, SAS

and

Institute of Zoology, Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS), Dúbravská cesta 9, SK-84551 Bratislava, Slovak Republic

represented by:
Dušan Žitňan, Director, Institute of Zoology, SAS

and

Institute of Molecular Biology, Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS), Dúbravská cesta 21, SK-84551 Bratislava, Slovak Republic

represented by:
Eva Kutejová, Director, Institute of Molecular Biology, SAS

(jointly, the "**Organisations**")

on the other hand

with respect to the publication entitled *Biologia* (the "**Journal**"), and shall be effective as of 1 January 2022 (the "**Effective Date**").

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, the Publisher and the Organisations agree to the following amendments to the Agreement:

1. Clause 16.a of the Agreement shall be void and replaced by the following new clause:

This Publishing Agreement shall become effective as of January 1st, 2018 and upon final signature by the parties and remain in force through the conclusion of the 2024 Subscription

Year (the "Term"). For the avoidance of doubt, Subscription Years shall be deemed to end on the later of (i) December 31 of that Subscription Year and (ii) the date on which the last issue of that year's volume shall have been published.

2. The following clause shall be added to the Agreement:

Articles published on or after 1st January 2022 shall contain the following copyright statement: '©Plant Science and Biodiversity Centre, Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS), Institute of Zoology, Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS), Institute of Molecular Biology, Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS) {year}'

3. All other statements and provisions of the Agreement remain unaffected.
4. As the Agreement this Amendment and any dispute or claim arising out of it or in connection with it shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Switzerland and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Zug, Switzerland.

Signed, for and on behalf of Springer Nature Switzerland AG, by

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Vice President

Signing Date

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Eric Schmitt
Managing Director

Signing Date

Signed, for and on behalf of the Organisations, by

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