Dear Colleagues,

With the advent of digital publication, the manner of scientific content generation, access and distribution have been rapidly transformed. As the leading scientific publisher of the country, the Indian Academy of Sciences strives to keep pace with the emerging trends in publishing, and provides free digital access to all its content. In the past few years, we have observed a rising demand for online publications.

The *Journal of Genetics*, published by the Indian Academy of Sciences, covers all the areas of genetics and evolution, including molecular genetics and molecular evolution. We intend to enhance the visibility as well as the credibility of the journal. We hope that this can be accomplished by (i) being selective in accepting papers representing work of significance, (ii) ensuring that the presentation of work in a manuscript is lucid and accessible, and (iii) making manuscript processing efficient and transparent. In this context, we are pleased to inform that catering to the requirements of its vast readership, the *Journal of Genetics* has adopted the ‘continuous article publication’ (CAP) mode since 1 January 2019. The *Journal of Genetics* which was till now a quarterly publication will now publish the peer-reviewed and accepted articles online in final citable form as and when the article are processed. The CAP mode of publication is expected to bridge the existing time gap between accepted article and its publication, and provide rapid access to complete citable articles (and supplementary data) within the shortest time frame possible.

The transit to CAP mode comes with a minor remodelling of the structure of the journal. Under the CAP mode, each article will be assigned the page numbers independent of others (starting from 1), and each online article will be completely citable following the reference style: JGEN (volume number) (unique ID with DOI of the article). While the present ‘Online Resources (OR)’ category will be retained as ‘Resources’ on par with other existing categories under the CAP mode, the list of ‘backlog’ of articles and the list of ‘forthcoming articles’ will virtually disappear. This implies that the readers will henceforth not have to wait until an issue is printed to mention publication details in the references. Hence, the CAP mode of publication will aid us to do away with the concept of print ‘issues’ (four issues in a year). However, in order to meet the commitment of the Academy/Springer to fulfill the requirements of their respective subscribers, the articles published online in CAP mode will be clustered category-wise and printed (including ‘Resources’), during March, June, September and December of a calendar year.

With these changes in *Journal of Genetics*, we hope that many researchers will consider this journal as a platform for publishing their important works in genetics and evolution.

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