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Dear Primatologists,

The journal *Neotropical Primates* wishes to appoint new Associate Editors. This is part of our plan to expand the influence of the journal through increasing the number of articles per year, decreasing time to publication, and regularizing issue publication. Our goal is to provide authors with an excellent publication option for platyrrhine conservation research that will help with their career advancement, and as such, strengthen the research community and improve conservation outcomes.

*Neotropical Primates* is a journal of the Neotropical Section of the IUCN (International Union for the Conservation of Nature) SSC (Species Survival Commission) Primate Specialist Group. It is a multidisciplinary and multilingual forum devoted to the dissemination of current primatological research that furthers the goals of platyrrhine conservation. *Neotropical Primates* is unique among primatology journals for its exclusive focus on Platyrrhini, and it is notable in that it is completely non-profit, open access, and requires no subscription or page fees. Manuscripts can be submitted in Spanish, Portuguese or English, with abstracts welcomed in local indigenous languages. We are committed to working in collaboration with the various primatological societies that focus on Platyrrhini, with a recent special issue [NP 26\(2\)](#) in collaboration with the Brazilian Primatological Society (SBPr) and an upcoming issue in collaboration with the Latin American Society of Primatology (SLAPrim). Another goal of our journal is to work toward decolonizing journal practices. You can find more information about the journal [Neotropical Primates here](#) or go to:

<https://primate.socgen.ucla.edu/index.php/multivitaminic/about/submissions>

Associate Editors will be responsible for up to six new manuscripts per year. Due to revisions and resubmissions this means that they may handle several manuscripts at a time. Associate Editors invite reviews, request revisions, assess revised manuscripts and make a recommendation concerning acceptance or rejection to the Editor-in-Chief, who makes the final decisions.

*Neotropical Primates* considers full manuscripts (up to 25 pages including references) on Taxonomy, Systematics, Genetics/Genomics (but not biomedical research), Biogeography, Ecology and Conservation; these are sent out for review by experts in the respective fields. We also consider shorter communications (up to 12 pages including references), that may include natural history articles on behavior, as well as information on new species, primate surveys and range extensions. These may be studies with small sample size, or study period, or that confirm previous findings, albeit with a different species or population. These shorter communications are generally reviewed by the editors themselves. *Neotropical Primates* also serves as a newsletter, and News and Book Reviews editor Dr. Brenda Solórzano works with submissions about forthcoming events or

reports on events, such as conferences, theses and workshops, as well as book reviews.

Manuscript submissions vary in quality, some requiring only minor revisions, while others take several revisions (and sometimes extensive editing) before the good data that they contain are clearly presented and communicated. We aim to provide timely and constructive feedback on all manuscripts. We are also committed to publishing student research and consider ourselves mentors for early-career stage researchers who publish in our journal.

Further duties for associate editors include:

- acting as ambassadors for the journal
- supporting and promoting the journal
- seeking out the best authors and best work and actively encouraging diverse submissions
- attending and contributing to occasional editorial board meetings and email discussions

In recruiting new Associate Editors, we hope to complement the profile of the existing Editors in terms of language, theoretical and geographic expertise, and taxonomic interest. We also aim to reflect the international nature of the journal and to continue to improve diversity, in terms of geographic, cultural and racial diversity and gender equity. We strongly encourage applications from women, individuals from groups that are underrepresented in science and that improve our international representation.

If you are interested in this role, please send a CV and a cover letter to the Editor-In-Chief, Dr. Jessica Lynch ([jwlynx@g.ucla.edu](mailto:jwlynx@g.ucla.edu)) explaining why you are interested, and why you consider yourself a good candidate for the role. Please include your experience reviewing and editing manuscripts. Editing experience is preferred but not essential, as this is an excellent opportunity to develop your skills. We are interested in having career stage diversity amongst our editors.

Any appointment will be made on a one-year basis initially.

Sincerely,

Jessica, Bruna, Júlio César, Liliana, Erwin, Eckhard, Anita, and Brenda