

Editorial

Memorial volume 2 for Reinhard Remane

The present issue of *Cicadina* is the second and final part of Reinhard Remane's memorial volume, the first part of which was published one and a half years ago. It includes 7 papers on taxonomy, ecology and faunistics of leafhoppers and planthoppers as well as an obituary for Elke Freese who passed away in February 2012.

As we announced on our last annual meeting in Homburg/Efze in 2011 our journal *Cicadina* will be published online from volume 13 onwards and will be accessible worldwide free of charge. This will certainly raise its impact and meet modern trends in international publishing. Members of the association "AK Zikaden Mitteleuropas e. V." will receive a printed free copy as before.

During editorial processing of submitted manuscripts reviewers had a very controversial discussion about K.G.A. Hamilton's paper on the phylogeny of Fulgoromorpha, and in particular, its taxonomic implications. All supraspecific categories such as genus, tribe, family, order, etc. are artificial, and therefore, nothing but drawers in a vast cabinet that has been built for enabling us to sort and relocate units for all kinds of biological questions. The practice of attributing such a category to a certain species group which is more or less likely to constitute a monophylum will always be a matter of subjectiveness. This principle was also taught by Reinhard Remane, and therefore, we decided to accept the paper in order to stimulate a wider discussion about a reclassification of Fulgoromorpha. The future will show if the ideas presented here will be adopted, rejected or modified.

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