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## Accepted: Java ostracod MS: minor revision

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Dear all,

I am very glad to tell you our JCB MS is accepted for publication!

I appreciate your great help throughout the project!

I will get back to you when I received the author proof.

Thanks again and best regards,

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> Best regards,

> Moriaki

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> 2018年10月30日(火) 9:41 Moriaki Yasuhara <moriakiyasuhara@gmail.com>:

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>> Dear all,

>> It's good news our MS submitted for J Crustacean Biology had positive decision.

>> It's minor revision and I can revise the MS quickly (I think).

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>> By the way, an issue is the page charge. It's 120 UD\$ per page.

>> So it could be more than 1000 USD in total. It's not negligible amount.

>> This can be waived up to 12 pages, if half of the authors become the

>> member of the Crustacean Society.

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>> I and Hokuto can join. Since we have 8 authors in total, we need two more.

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>> It's 35 US\$ for students and 100 US\$ for others (you can join online):

>> <https://birenheide.com/tcs/membership/membership.php>

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>> I am wondering if any (two) of you could help me by becoming the

>> crustacean society members.

>> It will reduce the publication cost significantly.

>> I appreciate your positive reply.

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>> Best,

>> Moriaki

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>> Ref.: Your submission (JCB-2073)

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>> Dear Dr. Yasuhara,

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>> I am writing with reference to your manuscript "Neogene marine

>> ostracod diversity and faunal composition in Java, Indonesia:

>> Indo-Australian Archipelago biodiversity hotspot, Pliocene diversity

>> jump, and species versus genus" (JCB-2073), which you have submitted

>> to Journal of Crustacean Biology. We have meanwhile received reviews

>> for this manuscript and I would like to ask you to revise it following

> > the comments at the bottom of this message. Considering that the  
> > requested changes are fairly minor, I would be grateful if you could  
> > return a revised version of this article by 20 November, earlier if  
> > possible. Should you require more time, please let us know in advance.

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> > Your manuscript does follow our format and style but I'm attaching  
> > Instructions to Authors for any additional information you might need.

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> > I look forward to receiving the revised article.

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> > Yours sincerely,

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> > Peter Castro, Ph.D.  
> > Editor-in-Chief  
> > Journal of Crustacean Biology

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> > Reviewer #1: General Comments

> > This paper provides a useful preliminary perspective on the evolution  
> > of marine biodiversity in the Indonesian Archipelago. The data  
> > suggests increased biodiversity in marine Ostracoda from the Miocene  
> > to Pliocene, although as correctly pointed out by the authors, this  
> > may in part, be an artefact of differential preservation of ostracod  
> > biofacies. The Miocene - Pliocene represents a period of time when  
> > substantial paleo-morphological changes occurred across the seaways of  
> > this region due to the collision of the Indo-Australian and Eurasian  
> > plates. This no doubt impacted the geographical extent of marine  
> > shelf seabed environments. Some comment may thus be warranted, on the  
> > role that tectonics might have played in driving environmental and  
> > biodiversity change in this region during this time. Overall the  
> > paper is well written and well illustrated, and provides new data, and  
> > a new perspective on the development of a globally significant marine  
> > biodiversity hotspot.

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> > Specific Comments

> > 1. Figure 3 presents a critical piece of faunal data for this paper,  
> > which underpins the main conclusions. It might therefore be  
> > appropriate to expand on the taxonomic composition and palaeoecology  
> > of the studied faunas in more detail in the 'results' section.

> > 2. No mention is made of modern ostracod faunal studies in this region  
> > (e.g. by Titterton and Whatley, Warne and Whatley, Dewi, Mostafawi  
> > etc). These might make useful biodiversity comparisons with the  
> > fossil data presented in this paper.

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> > Reviewer #2: I have reviewed the manuscript, titled "Neogene marine  
> > ostracod diversity and faunal composition in Java, Indonesia:  
> > Indo-Australian Archipelago biodiversity hotspot, Pliocene diversity  
> > jump, and species versus genus" by Shi, Yasuhara and collaborators,  
> > submitted to the Journal of Crustacean Biology.

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> > In this manuscript, the authors analyze ostracod assemblages from nine  
> > outcrop samples collected from Java Island to test a Pliocene  
> > diversity increase that has been documented in different marine and  
> > terrestrial animal groups in multiple regions around the world.

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> > They focus their research in the Indo-Pacific Islands is likely  
> > because this region is known for their high diversity, and their  
> > present work builds upon a recently published manuscript in the  
> > Journal of Biogeography, by some of the same researchers, in the  
> > western Pacific marginal seas. In their most recent work (this paper),  
> > the authors found that their ostracod data set from Java revealed a  
> > significant increase in diversity from the middle Miocene to the  
> > Pliocene at the genus and species levels that they attribute as  
> > supporting the so called Pliocene diversity jump hypothesis. However,  
> > the authors also point out that their data set is rather small (only 9  
> > samples) and they found significant differences in depositional  
> > environments between the Miocene (shallow marine) and Pliocene  
> > (shallow marine to deep sea) samples, that may contribute to the  
> > diversity difference observed.

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> > General comments:

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> > I will start by recommending that the authors reduce the length of the  
> > title. It is extremely too long right now, and tries to cover every  
> > detail of the paper.

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> > I would like to see more background on the term "Pliocene Diversity  
> > Jump hypothesis". Is it a formal name? Where does this term come from?  
> > Who proposed it? Does it only apply to the tropical regions - (as it  
> > seems to be suggested in the manuscript)?

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> > - The authors indicate that much less is known about the diversity of  
> > the Indo-Pacific region compared to the 'relatively well-investigated  
> > tropical western Atlantic'. Are there studies on ostracods from the  
> > Atlantic region where the Pliocene diversity jump has been  
> > well-established?

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> > Specific comments:

> > The paragraphs between lines 155 and 162 could be rephrased. The two  
> > initial sentences are almost identical, and they can be edited into  
> > one sentence. The 3rd sentence could be moved to the end of the  
> > paragraph so that the NMDS results are kept together.

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> > Line 184: The species of *Bradleya* shown in the plate closely resembles  
> > *Bradleya andamanae*, which is known from relatively shallower waters  
> > (~70 to 500) in the eastern and central Indian Ocean (for example, see  
> > Benson 1972).

> > Also, the genus *Agrenocythere* (also deep sea) is not mentioned here. I  
> > think it could be added too.

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> > Table 1. The SEDIMENT column does not show consistent information for  
> > every sample. Some samples have only lithologic description (for  
> > example 'calcareous silty clay'), while others have paleoenvironment  
> > (shallow marine), but incomplete or semi-uninformative lithologic  
> > information. Please add both pieces of information to all samples (if  
> > available).

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> > Figure 3. The genus *Agrenocythere* is misspelled in the GENUS diagram  
> > (Fig 3B: *Agrenocythereis*)

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> > Other minor comments:

> > Line 57: and 'the' before 'relatively'  
> > Line 62: I think the reference to Yasuhara et al (2017) should be  
> > corrected to say 2017b  
> > Lines 71, 74: I think the references to Yasuhara et al (2017) should  
> > be corrected to say 2017b  
> > Line 145: correct 'dominant' to 'dominated'  
> > Lines 181-182: a better wording for this sentence could be: " ... were  
> > probably deposited under very shallow marine conditions."  
> > Line 202: add 'to' as shown: '... are much more similar to each other ...'  
> > Line 208: replace 'more' for 'better' at the beginning of the line.  
> > Line 212: correct the verb 'know'. It should be 'known'.  
> > Line 239: what do the authors mean by 'individual and classic ... studies'?  
> > Lines 240-241: I think all the studies by van den Bold are from the  
> > Caribbean region. Although yes it is the western Atlantic, I think the  
> > Caribbean region should be specified  
> > Line 247: delete 'than each other'  
> > Line 248: replace 'more' for 'better'

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Cheers,  
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I will do proof read in charge, but please let me know if you find any error.

One important thing is, please check if your name and affiliation are correct in the proof.

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> 2018年12月16日(日) 13:11 Moriaki Yasuhara <moriakiyasuhara@gmail.com>:

>>  
>> Dear all,  
>> I am very glad to tell you our JCB MS is accepted for publication!  
>> I appreciate your great help throughout the project!  
>> I will get back to you when I received the author proof.  
>> Thanks again and best regards,  
>> Moriaki  
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>> 2018年11月15日(木) 8:31 Moriaki Yasuhara <moriakiyasuhara@gmail.com>:

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>>> Dear all,  
>>> I have just revised and re-submitted our MS as attached.

>> > I hope this will be accepted soon!  
>> > I appreciate your continuous support.  
>> > Best regards,  
>> > Moriaki  
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>> > 2018年10月30日(火) 9:41 Moriaki Yasuhara <[moriakiyasuhara@gmail.com](mailto:moriakiyasuhara@gmail.com)>:  
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>> > > Dear all,  
>> > > It's good news our MS submitted for J Crustacean Biology had positive decision.  
>> > > It's minor revision and I can revise the MS quickly (I think).  
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>> > > By the way, an issue is the page charge. It's 120 UD\$ per page.  
>> > > So it could be more than 1000 USD in total. It's not negligible amount.  
>> > > This can be waived up to 12 pages, if half of the authors become the  
>> > > member of the Crustacean Society.  
>> > >  
>> > > I and Hokuto can join. Since we have 8 authors in total, we need two more.  
>> > >  
>> > > It's 35 US\$ for students and 100 US\$ for others (you can join online):  
>> > > <https://birenheide.com/tcs/membership/membership.php>  
>> > >  
>> > > I am wondering if any (two) of you could help me by becoming the  
>> > > crustacean society members.  
>> > > It will reduce the publication cost significantly.  
>> > > I appreciate your positive reply.  
>> > >  
>> > > Best,  
>> > > Moriaki  
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>> > > Ref.: Your submission (JCB-2073)  
>> > >  
>> > > Dear Dr. Yasuhara,  
>> > >  
>> > > I am writing with reference to your manuscript "Neogene marine  
>> > > ostracod diversity and faunal composition in Java, Indonesia:  
>> > > Indo-Australian Archipelago biodiversity hotspot, Pliocene diversity  
>> > > jump, and species versus genus" (JCB-2073), which you have submitted  
>> > > to Journal of Crustacean Biology. We have meanwhile received reviews  
>> > > for this manuscript and I would like to ask you to revise it following  
>> > > the comments at the bottom of this message. Considering that the  
>> > > requested changes are fairly minor, I would be grateful if you could  
>> > > return a revised version of this article by 20 November, earlier if  
>> > > possible. Should you require more time, please let us know in advance.  
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>> > >  
>> > > I look forward to receiving the revised article.  
>> > >  
>> > > Yours sincerely,

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>> > Peter Castro, Ph.D.

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>> > Reviewer #1: General Comments

>> > This paper provides a useful preliminary perspective on the evolution  
>> > of marine biodiversity in the Indonesian Archipelago. The data  
>> > suggests increased biodiversity in marine Ostracoda from the Miocene  
>> > to Pliocene, although as correctly pointed out by the authors, this  
>> > may in part, be an artefact of differential preservation of ostracod  
>> > biofacies. The Miocene - Pliocene represents a period of time when  
>> > substantial paleo-morphological changes occurred across the seaways of  
>> > this region due to the collision of the Indo-Australian and Eurasian  
>> > plates. This no doubt impacted the geographical extent of marine  
>> > shelf seabed environments. Some comment may thus be warranted, on the  
>> > role that tectonics might have played in driving environmental and  
>> > biodiversity change in this region during this time. Overall the  
>> > paper is well written and well illustrated, and provides new data, and  
>> > a new perspective on the development of a globally significant marine  
>> > biodiversity hotspot.

>> >

>> > Specific Comments

>> > 1. Figure 3 presents a critical piece of faunal data for this paper,  
>> > which underpins the main conclusions. It might therefore be  
>> > appropriate to expand on the taxonomic composition and palaeoecology  
>> > of the studied faunas in more detail in the 'results' section.  
>> > 2. No mention is made of modern ostracod faunal studies in this region  
>> > (e.g. by Titterton and Whatley, Warne and Whatley, Dewi, Mostafawi  
>> > etc). These might make useful biodiversity comparisons with the  
>> > fossil data presented in this paper.

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>> > Reviewer #2: I have reviewed the manuscript, titled "Neogene marine  
>> > ostracod diversity and faunal composition in Java, Indonesia:  
>> > Indo-Australian Archipelago biodiversity hotspot, Pliocene diversity  
>> > jump, and species versus genus" by Shi, Yasuhara and collaborators,  
>> > submitted to the Journal of Crustacean Biology.

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>> > In this manuscript, the authors analyze ostracod assemblages from nine  
>> > outcrop samples collected from Java Island to test a Pliocene  
>> > diversity increase that has been documented in different marine and  
>> > terrestrial animal groups in multiple regions around the world.

>> >

>> > They focus their research in the Indo-Pacific Islands is likely  
>> > because this region is known for their high diversity, and their  
>> > present work builds upon a recently published manuscript in the  
>> > Journal of Biogeography, by some of the same researchers, in the  
>> > western Pacific marginal seas. In their most recent work (this paper),  
>> > the authors found that their ostracod data set from Java revealed a  
>> > significant increase in diversity from the middle Miocene to the  
>> > Pliocene at the genus and species levels that they attribute as  
>> > supporting the so called Pliocene diversity jump hypothesis. However,  
>> > the authors also point out that their data set is rather small (only 9  
>> > samples) and they found significant differences in depositional  
>> > environments between the Miocene (shallow marine) and Pliocene  
>> > (shallow marine to deep sea) samples, that may contribute to the  
>> > diversity difference observed.

>> >

>> >

>> > General comments:

>> >

>> > I will start by recommending that the authors reduce the length of the  
>> > title. It is extremely too long right now, and tries to cover every  
>> > detail of the paper.

>>>>

>>>> I would like to see more background on the term "Pliocene Diversity  
>>>> Jump hypothesis". Is it a formal name? Where does this term come from?  
>>>> Who proposed it? Does it only apply to the tropical regions - (as it  
>>>> seems to be suggested in the manuscript)?

>>>>

>>>> - The authors indicate that much less is known about the diversity of  
>>>> the Indo-Pacific region compared to the 'relatively well-investigated  
>>>> tropical western Atlantic'. Are there studies on ostracods from the  
>>>> Atlantic region where the Pliocene diversity jump has been  
>>>> well-established?

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>>>> Specific comments:

>>>> The paragraphs between lines 155 and 162 could be rephrased. The two  
>>>> initial sentences are almost identical, and they can be edited into  
>>>> one sentence. The 3rd sentence could be moved to the end of the  
>>>> paragraph so that the NMDS results are kept together.

>>>>

>>>> Line 184: The species of *Bradleya* shown in the plate closely resembles  
>>>> *Bradleya andamanae*, which is known from relatively shallower waters  
>>>> (~70 to 500) in the eastern and central Indian Ocean (for example, see  
>>>> Benson 1972).

>>>> Also, the genus *Agrenocythere* (also deep sea) is not mentioned here. I  
>>>> think it could be added too.

>>>>

>>>> Table 1. The SEDIMENT column does not show consistent information for  
>>>> every sample. Some samples have only lithologic description (for  
>>>> example 'calcareous silty clay'), while others have paleoenvironment  
>>>> (shallow marine), but incomplete or semi-uninformative lithologic  
>>>> information. Please add both pieces of information to all samples (if  
>>>> available).

>>>>

>>>> Figure 3. The genus *Agrenocythere* is misspelled in the GENUS diagram  
>>>> (Fig 3B: *Agrenocythereis*)

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>>>> Other minor comments:

>>>> Line 57: and 'the' before 'relatively'

>>>> Line 62: I think the reference to Yasuhara et al (2017) should be  
>>>> corrected to say 2017b

>>>> Lines 71, 74: I think the references to Yasuhara et al (2017) should  
>>>> be corrected to say 2017b

>>>> Line 145: correct 'dominant' to 'dominated'

>>>> Lines 181-182: a better wording for this sentence could be: "... were  
>>>> probably deposited under very shallow marine conditions."

>>>> Line 202: add 'to' as shown: '... are much more similar to each other ...'

>>>> Line 208: replace 'more' for 'better' at the beginning of the line.

>>>> Line 212: correct the verb 'know'. It should be 'known'.

>>>> Line 239: what do the authors mean by 'individual and classic ... studies'?

>>>> Lines 240-241: I think all the studies by van den Bold are from the  
>>>> Caribbean region. Although yes it is the western Atlantic, I think the  
>>>> Caribbean region should be specified

>>>> Line 247: delete 'than each other'

>>>> Line 248: replace 'more' for 'better'

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Dear Mr. Moriaki  
I just checked the MS, it's Ok.

Regards,  
Hita Pandita

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Dear all,

I saw some very minor formatting and label issues, which I have commented on the attached pdf.

Thank you for all your help; happy holidays everyone!

Caren

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Dear all,

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Thank you,

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Thanks Caren for spotting errors! I included most of them and submitting now.

Best,

Moriaki

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Thanks Hita!

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Dear all,  
Our paper just out online!!  
Thanks a lot for your help and support!  
Best,

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Dear Dr. Moriaki

Thanks for this paper. This paper will be useful for us, will develop the study of ostracoda in Indonesia.

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Dear all,

Thanks for the good news!

Best,  
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Thanks also for the good news!!!

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