



First Circular and Call for Abstracts

On **October 6-8, 2021** the A. V. Zhirmunsky National Scientific Center of Marine Biology, Far Eastern Branch, Russian Academy of Sciences (the NSCMB FEB RAS) and the Primorsky Aquarium – Branch of the NSCMB FEB RAS will jointly hold an international scientific conference in Vladivostok, Russia

Marine Biology in the 21st Century: Achievements and Development Outlook (in Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Birth of Academician Alexey V. Zhirmunsky)

The conference will be held to mark the Year of Science and Technology in the Russian Federation (2021), the Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030) (<https://oceandecade.org/>), the 50th anniversary of the Institute of Marine Biology, now called the A. V. Zhirmunsky National Scientific Center of Marine Biology (2020) (<http://www.imb.dvo.ru/index.php/en/we-are-50>), and the 5th anniversary of the Primorsky Aquarium's opening (2021).

The conference aims to enhance scientific and professional contacts, to coordinate the development of marine scientific research and to increase the spread of knowledge on marine biology.

The conference agenda is scheduled to include the following sessions:

- I. History of marine biology research and establishment of the Institute of Marine Biology in Vladivostok;
- II. Marine ecology and functioning of ecosystems and communities, research on physiology and adaptations of marine organisms;
- III. Biodiversity in coastal marine and deep-sea habitats;
- IV. Molecular genetic and cytological research on marine organisms;
- V. Biochemistry, marine pharmacology and biotechnologies;
- VI. Animal collection management, captive conservation, scientific research and environmental education in public aquariums.

The conference is expected to be attended – live or online - by leading Russian marine biologists and international scientists; if Covid-19 restrictions are lifted, the organizing committee will assist foreign participants in obtaining documents for entry into the Russian Federation. The session dedicated to the operation of public aquariums will be conducted at the Primorsky Aquarium.

The conference languages are Russian and English. *The number of oral presentations is limited, and mainly they are supposed to be delivered by invited speakers and to provide a survey of current trends, achievements and development prospects for the areas of marine biology listed in the conference agenda. The organizing committee reserves the right to reject abstracts with preference for oral presentations or to propose allocating them to a poster session.*

It is planned that one or two special **sessions will be run in English**, with foreign scientists taking part in them online or in person (the latter will depend on the pandemic situation).

If you wish to participate in the conference, please email your completed **Registration Form** and **abstract** to the conference organizing committee at nscmb-conference@mail.ru no later than **June 15, 2021**.

Notification of acceptance or rejection of the abstract will be sent directly to all submitters by email within 7 days of the receipt date (if you fail to receive our notification, please send us your completed Registration Form and abstract again).

Abstract formatting guidelines: Abstracts must not exceed two pages and should be submitted in English. Your document must be in a MS Word format, with margins set at 1 inch (25 mm) from top, bottom and sides, Times New Roman font size 12 and single line spacing. Abstracts should start with the title followed below by the author's full name (for instance, Igor P. Petrov, or John A. Brown) and the affiliation (for example, Institute of Biology RAS, Moscow 100100, Russia, e-mail). For multiple affiliations, use superscript numerals. Illustrations and lists of references are not allowed.

An accepted abstract will be published only if the presenting author participates in the conference.

Participants whose presentations will be found most interesting will then be invited to submit a full-paper version for publication in a special issue of the *Russian Journal of Marine Biology*.

Additional logistical details will be provided for nonresidents and international participants in the second circular.

Further information on the conference will be available on the A. V. Zhirmunsky National Scientific Center of Marine Biology (<http://www.imb.dvo.ru/>) and the Primorsky Aquarium (<http://primocean.ru/>) websites in due course. Stay tuned, and check the websites for updates.

Important deadlines:

June 15, 2021 – registration and abstract submission deadline

July 15, 2021 - notification of acceptance/rejection deadline



Primorsky Aquarium on Russky Island



A.V. Zhirmunsky National Scientific Center of Marine Biology FEB RAS

Conference Venue and Accommodation

The conference will take place in the main building of the NSCMB FEB RAS (17 Palchevskogo St.) and at the Primorsky Aquarium (25 Akademika Kasyanova St., Russky Island).

The information about room allocation for oral and poster sessions will be given in further circulars and in an advance conference program.

Participants are responsible for booking hotel accommodations during their stay in Vladivostok. Hotel reservation information can be found at www.booking.com and www.tripadvisor.com.

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