



# Crustacean Studies

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## GUIDE FOR AUTHORS

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- \*\* Quick response
- \*\* Rapid peer review
- \*\* Early view (Online first)

### Types of paper

1. **Original research articles/ Regular papers:** Original research articles should include significant experimental or theoretical results suitable for publication. Authors should write in a clear and concise manner including essential data for their final conclusions and may up to 7500 words in length.
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### *Online document*

Froese R & Pauly D (2020). Fishbase. World Wide Web electronic publication, version (12/2019). Retrieved from <http://www.fishbase.org>. Accessed 20 December 2020.

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