2019 Editor's Choice Award and Editor's Choice Articles

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The editorial committee of the *Journal of Ethology* awards a prize for the best paper published in the journal, the Editor's Choice Award, every year. In addition, the committee selects certain outstanding papers as Editor's Choice articles. I am very pleased to announce the award winner and the list of the Editor's Choice articles for 2019.

Editor's Choice Award

Naoko Irie, Mariko Hiraiwa-Hasegawa, and Nobuyuki Kutsukake (2019) Unique numerical competence of Asian elephants on the relative numerosity judgment task (Volume 37, Issue 1, pp 111–115).

The authors demonstrate that Asian elephants' sense of numerosity differs from that of African elephants, and is similar to that of humans. The editorial committee considered the paper astonishing, since it reveals the diversity and convergence of numerical sense among different animals, using an ingenious study method. The committee also recognized the considerable social response to the paper.

Editor's Choice Articles

Ayami Sekizawa, Shin G. Goto, and Yasuhiro Nakashima (2019) A nudibranch removes rival sperm with a disposable spiny penis (Volume 37, Issue 1, pp 21–29).

Masaru Hasegawa and Nobuyuki Kutsukake (2019) Kin selection and reproductive value in social mammals (Volume 37, Issue 2, pp 139–150).

Grete E. Wilson-Henjum, Jacob R. Job, Megan F. McKenna, Graeme Shannon, and George Wittemyer (2019) Alarm call modification by prairie dogs in the presence of juveniles (Volume 37, Issue 2, pp 167–174).

Jumpei Uematsu, Masayuki Hayashi, Hiroyuki Shimoji, Michel-Olivier Laurent Salazar, and Kazuki Tsuji (2019) Context-dependent aggression toward non-nestmates in the ant *Diacamma* sp. from Japan (Volume 37, Issue 3, pp 259–264).

Kohji Takahashi and Reiji Masuda (2019) Nurture is above nature: nursery experience determines habitat preference of red sea bream *Pagrus major* juveniles (Volume 37, Issue 3, pp 317–323).

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