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The End of Communications in Biometry of Science

With the end of 2016, after over 10 years of existence, *Communications in Biometry and Crop Science* (CBCS) has been closed. This editorial is the last voice of the Journal.

What can I say? When we launched the journal back in 2006, we hoped it would become a recognized, important journal that links crop science and biometry. We struggled through these years to achieve this aspiration, and to some extent we succeeded. Some of the published papers focused on crop science, other focused on biometry, while still others linked crop science and biometry. Some described experimental results while others presented scientific stories about data, methods, experiments, and knowledge. Including this editorial, CBCS has published 121 articles:

- 84 original articles,
- 11 software tricks and tips,
- 8 notes,
- 8 editorials,
- 5 review articles,
- 3 articles from the Teaching corner, and
- 2 book reviews.

I am not going to point out which particular CBCS articles I loved most, but I believe that some of them were fantastic. And I am sure that some will gain their place in the history of development of the science.

As with any closed journal, CBCS stops publishing new articles. But it will never die. Thanks to what it has published, the Journal will live and continue its contribution to science for a very, very long time. I will be watching this contribution with much interest, and I invite you to join me.

Under these circumstances, it's difficult for me to find appropriate words to say farewell; I don't know how to say thank you and good bye. It's like standing at the train station, watching how your close friend goes away, and knowing that you will never meet again; what can you say then? I'll remember you? I'll miss you? Whatever you say will change nothing. Whatever you say will be mere words.

Simply put, then: My grateful thanks to everyone who has contributed to the journal, including its previous Editors-in-Chief (Drs Manjit Kang and Edzard van Santen), members of the Editorial Board, authors, and reviewers. Thank you all.