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## PERMISSION REQUEST

Dear Patrick Webster,

We are preparing a work tentatively titled "A new molecular phylogeny of salps (Tunicata: Thalicea: Salpida) and the evolutionary history of their colonial architecture", by Alejandro Damian-Serrano, Marc Hughes, and Kelly R. Sutherland which is a new research article for the journal of Integrative Organismal Biology. The work is scheduled for publication by Oxford University Press (OUP) in October 2023.

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