Publication and dating of the journals forming the *Annals and Magazine of Natural History* and the *Journal of Natural History*

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Abstract

Pagination and dates of publication for almost 2,000 separate issues of the journals that formed the *Annals and Magazine of Natural History* and the *Journal of Natural History* are presented. These journals include: *Magazine of Natural History* (1828–1840), *Magazine of Zoology and Botany* (1836–1838), *Annals of Natural History* (1838–1840), the *Annals and Magazine of Natural History* (1841–1967), and the *Journal of Natural History* (1967–date).

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Introduction

Accurate dates of publication are essential in biology for ascertaining priority in publication with regard to descriptions of new taxa. Research on the dating and pagination of a full set of the *Annals of Magazine of Natural History*, its forerunners and successor, the