

**Second Joint Conference
of
The European Society for Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation
The International Society of Clinical Hemorheology
The International Society of Biorheology**



Dear Colleague:

As you may be aware, because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the second Joint Meeting of the ESCHM, ISCH, and ISB, originally scheduled for September, 2020, in Fukuoka, Japan, has been postponed until July 2021 (<http://www.congre.co.jp/eschm-isch-isb2021>). Despite this interruption, the meeting organizers and editors of *Biorheology*, would like to offer an opportunity for you to engage with our research community by publishing your work in a special issue of *Biorheology*. We are determined to celebrate the meeting that we should have just had by publishing a Special Issue of *Biorheology* that includes the work you would have presented at the meeting in 2020. We thus invite you to submit an article for this special issue. Your manuscript may take the form of an original research article, a short or brief report, a current opinion or a review, as long as it deals broadly with the themes encompassed by the three societies that comprise the Joint Conference. Of course, should you wish to write in collaboration with other meeting participants, that will be great too. For further information on formatting please see the instructions to authors at the link provided at the bottom of this email.

As you no doubt already know, *Biorheology* is the official journal of the International Society of Biorheology and has published research and reviews on the deformation and flow properties of biological systems or materials for more than fifty years. The journal has a broad international outreach and is highly respected in its discipline, as well as in cross-disciplinary fields such as clinical hemorheology, microcirculation research and physiology.

Your submitted article will be subjected to our usual rigorous peer review process. However, we can assure you a rapid turnaround and global exposure of your work in the journal via our international publisher, IOS Press. All articles will be immediately posted on-line following

acceptance and typesetting.

Ideally, we would like to have this Special Issue available as soon as possible, and certainly before, or in time for our next three-Society meeting in July 2021. Hence we have established a submission deadline of 15 December 2020. If you intend to contribute a manuscript to this Special Issue, we would ask that you let us know your intent to submit a paper, what type of paper you intend to submit, a working title for your manuscript, and, if possible a brief description/summary of your paper or an abstract. That will make our planning of this Special Issue much easier and give us the opportunity to work with you to help you to submit your very best manuscript. Please send your letter of intent (with article title, type and short abstract) to either of the editors listed below. Submission of your article will be made through the journal submission system (see link in Guide to Authors below).

We look forward to hearing from you and receiving your contribution to this Special Issue.

Keep fit and healthy, and moreover, stay safe,

Best wishes,

Brian M. Cooke (brian.cooke@jcu.edu.au) and Herbert H. Lipowsky (hhl2@psu.edu)
Editors-in-Chief
Biorheology

Guide for Authors:

<https://www.iospress.nl/journal/biorheology/#submission-of-manuscripts>