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Journal of Cetacean Research and Management becomes Open Access

I am pleased to announce that the IWC's peer-reviewed *Journal of Cetacean Research and Management*, in keeping with the IWC's philosophy of making the best scientific information available to all, has now become an open access online journal. All past volumes and special issues can be accessed and downloaded through the IWC website. Future volumes and issues will be uploaded as they become available.

In addition, the original IWC publication series which was published from 1950-1998, *Reports of the International Whaling Commission*, has been converted to electronic format and is available to download along with its associated special issue series.

The series that began with the 1998 annual report, *Annual Report of the International Whaling Commission* has been available on the website for some time.

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This progress is part of the major ongoing efforts to make all of the IWC's documents since its inception, published and unpublished, available for download through the IWC website. The considerable number already available can be found by clicking on the 'Archives' drop-down tab on the IWC home page.

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