



Dear Coleopterists Society member,

We are extremely pleased to announce that beginning March 2026, *The Coleopterists Bulletin* and *The Coleopterists Society Patricia Vaurie Series Monographs* will participate in a pilot “Subscribe to Open” (S2O) program through our publishing partner, BioOne. S2O is a publishing model that provides a practical path to making our new content Open Access (OA) while safeguarding the subscription revenue that The Coleopterists Society relies upon to fulfill its mission.

What does this mean for our authors and readers? If BioOne’s annual offer is successful—meaning that subscribers continue to support the cost-effective collection as in the past—then current-year digital content of our two titles (along with 70 other participating titles) will be made OA and freely available to any user worldwide. If not enough subscribers renew, then content will remain behind a paywall as in the past. The offer will recur annually throughout this three-year pilot; we expect to know around January of each year whether that year’s articles will be OA.

Please note that S2O only applies to current-year content. For example, if BioOne’s S2O offer is successful in this first year, only the 2026 volume of the *Bulletin* will be opened. All archival issues will remain gated on BioOne (and JSTOR) and available only to institutional subscribers and to The Coleopterists Society members as an exclusive benefit. Any articles made OA via the offer will remain OA in perpetuity.

Throughout this pilot program, *Bulletin* author publishing charges will remain the same for members of The Coleopterists Society (\$10 per page + \$15 per color page in print), a phenomenal bargain for an OA journal.

We are proud to be one of 54 society and independent presses participating in BioOne’s pilot, marking the largest number of nonprofit publishers under a single S2O offer to date. For further information about S2O, other publisher participants, and the libraries supporting this endeavor, please visit the BioOne [S2O webpage](#).

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