

Jubilee 40 th National Malacological Seminar

Kraków 15 - 18 April 2026

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Dear Colleagues, Dear Malacologists,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to participate in the **Jubilee 40th National Malacological Seminar**, which will be held on **15–18 April 2026 in Kraków, Poland**.

This special gathering of the malacological community will take place at the **Institute of Environmental Sciences, Jagiellonian University** (7 Gronostajowa Street, Jagiellonian University Campus).

Forms of Presentation

The scientific programme will include three types of presentations:

- **Oral presentations** (15 min + 5 min discussion)
- **Short communications** (5 min + 5 min discussion) — reserved exclusively for research plans, preliminary results, announcements, and scientific consultations
- **Posters**

Authors presenting posters will additionally introduce their contribution in the form of a single-slide presentation (a “poster flash presentation”) lasting no longer than one minute. This format offers an excellent opportunity to concisely and attractively encourage participants to visit their poster during the poster session.

Each presenting author may submit **one oral contribution** (either an oral presentation or a short communication) and **one poster**.

To best reflect the diversity of submitted topics, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to modify the form of presentation and to adjust the originally proposed duration accordingly, depending on the number and nature of the submissions received.

The official language of the Seminar is Polish; however, at least one session will be held in English to ensure accessibility for international participants.

Preliminary Programme

15 April – Arrival and registration
Institute of Environmental Sciences, Jagiellonian University
7 Gronostajowa Street

15–17 April – Scientific sessions
(including the General Assembly of the Polish Malacological Society)
Institute of Environmental Sciences, Jagiellonian University, 7 Gronostajowa Street

17 April – Conferment of Honorary Membership of the Polish Malacological Society upon Dr hab. Ewa Stworzewicz, Professor of the Institute of Systematics and Evolution of Animals, Polish Academy of Sciences
– Gala dinner
Jagiellonian University Centre for Nature Education, 5 Gronostajowa Street

18 April – Excursion:
“Shelters in Nowa Huta – Sendzimir Steelworks”, 1 Ujastek Street
<https://www.rawelin.org/rawelin/schrony-w-budynku-s-i-z>

Organizational Information

Registration Fee

- Honorary Members of the Polish Malacological Society: 0 PLN (0% VAT)
- Participants who formally confirmed their intention to attend the Malacological Seminar by 31 December 2025: 450 PLN (0% VAT)
- Other participants: 680 PLN (0% VAT)

The registration fee covers participation in the Seminar, conference materials, coffee breaks, and attendance at the gala dinner.

The excursion is optional and subject to an additional fee (30 PLN + 23% tax).

Lunches

A 90-minute lunch break is scheduled daily. Lunches are available at numerous canteens, cafés, and restaurants located on the Jagiellonian University Campus. A list of recommended venues is provided in the attached file “Lunches”.

Accommodation

Participants are kindly requested to arrange accommodation individually. Suggested lodging options near the Jagiellonian University Campus are listed in the attached file “Accommodation”.

Registration and Payment

Conference registration and payment should be completed online via:
<https://malacology.systemcoffee.pl/>

Deadline: 9 March 2026

Available payment methods: credit card, electronic bank transfer, or traditional bank transfer.

The number of participants is limited to 70 participants.

Abstract Submission

Conference abstracts should be submitted electronically to:

sm.krakow.2026@uj.edu.pl

Deadline: 9 March 2026

Polish-speaking participants are required to prepare abstracts in both Polish and English. English-speaking participants are required to submit abstracts in English only.

Instructions for Authors – Abstract Formatting Guidelines

1. The entire text must be prepared in Times New Roman, 12 pt font, with single line spacing.
2. The title must not end with a full stop; other punctuation marks are permitted.
3. The title should be separated from the author(s) by one blank line (Enter). The author(s) should be separated from the affiliation(s) by one blank line (Enter), and the affiliation(s) should be separated from the body of the abstract by one blank line (Enter). The title must be centered and written in bold.
4. The author's first name and surname should be written in small capitals; affiliations should be in italics. Italics may also be used for Latin species names.
5. The remaining text should be left-aligned; bold formatting should not be used.
6. In the case of authors representing different institutions, a superscript numeral should be placed after each surname (following a space). The corresponding numerals should precede the respective affiliations (in regular font, not superscript). A space should follow each numeral.
7. The surname of the presenting author should be underlined (Ctrl+U).
8. Paragraph formatting should not be applied within the abstract text. Paragraph divisions will be introduced only where a hard return (Enter) is used. Indentation and additional spacing between paragraphs are not permitted.
9. References, figures, diagrams, and hyperlinks should not be included in the abstract.
10. The length of the abstract (for each language version) must not exceed 1,500 characters including spaces.
11. The abstract should be prepared in a Word (.doc) file and saved according to the following format:
PRESENTATION_TYPE_SURNAME
12. Undergraduate and Master's students, as well as doctoral candidates presenting oral contributions or posters, are requested to indicate their status in the file name according to the following format:
PRESENTATION_TYPE_SURNAME_STUDENT
or
PRESENTATION_TYPE_SURNAME_PHD, respectively.
13. The following presentation formats are accepted: oral presentation, short communication, poster.

For any substantive questions regarding the scientific programme of the conference, please contact:

sm.krakow.2026@uj.edu.pl

For questions related to registration and payment, please contact the Conference Section of the Jagiellonian University Centre for Conferences and Continuing Education:

konferencje@uj.edu.pl

We warmly invite you to join us in celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Seminar, to exchange experiences, engage in inspiring discussions, and meet fellow enthusiasts of malacology.

With kind regards,

Organizing Committee of the 40th National Malacological Seminar

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