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Fauziyah:

We have reached a decision regarding your submission to Biodiversitas Journal of Biological Diversity, "New data on morphometric variability of the horseshoe crab *Tachypleus gigas* (Xiphosura: Limulidae) from Banyuasin estuarine of South Sumatra, Indonesia".

Our decision is: Revisions Required

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Dear Authors,

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Thank you for your decision regarding the submission of our manuscript to the Biodiversitas. We confirm that this manuscript has been revised according to the reviewer's suggestions. We have highlighted the detailed changes in this revised manuscript in yellow.

Best regard

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