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PREFACE

Indonesian Aquaculture Journal (IAJ) has published high-quality research articles for 20 years and the current 2025 edition is IAJ Volume 20. The IAJ 2025 volumes are funded by the Politeknik Kelautan dan Perikanan Sidoarjo in the fiscal year of 2025. All published articles have gone through a complete cycle of the evaluation process by the Editorial Board, Reviewers, and Editorial Office.

Since 2016, the IAJ has made a significant improvement in managing and evaluating publication through the online Open Journal Systems (OJS). Some minor changes were introduced in IAJ including:

1. A written description of p-ISSN and e-ISSN at the bottom of the cover skin page, title page, and table of contents
2. Additional sheets for the list of reviewers, focus & scope of IAJ and Indexing Information
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These changes are described in the preface texts of each issue.

The Volume 20 Number 2, 2025 presents ten research articles: Moringa leaf simplicia enchanced health status and immune response of tilapia against *Edwardsiella tarda* infection; Optimization of mustika common carp culture to increase fish farmers' income in Bangkinang, Kampar: a productivity and economic analysis; Effect of negative redox potential of dry sediment on the infectivity of *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*, growth and health status of pacific whiteleg shrimp; Image processing method to detect the position of vannamei shrimp in muddy waters; A review of technological developments in shrimp aquaculture production; The relationship of the water parameter to the growth and the carrageenan quality of *Kappaphycus alvarezii* (doty) doty ex P.C. Silva (1996) in Belopa, Luwu Regency, Indonesia; Impact of protein and probiotic supplementation on immunity and survival of *Clarias gariepinus* under pathogen challenge in aquaculture; Production performance and financial analysis of glass eel (*Anguilla bicolor*) nursery at different stocking densities using RAS; Characterzation of endogenous bacteria as potential probiotics in larval rearing of yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*); Enhancing protein utilization and growth performance in striped catfish with cinnamaldehyde and optimized energy-to-protein ratios.

These scientific papers are expected to contribute to and fill the gap of the body of knowledge in the field of aquaculture. Most importantly, the information contained in the current publication can make a significant impact on the decision making of policy makers and managers to manage and develop aquaculture in Indonesia and worldwide. As the Editor-in-Chief, I would like to extend a sincere gratitude to the contri-buting researchers in this volume.

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