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In memoriam

Obituary for James D. Watson (1928–2025)

James D. Watson, renowned molecular biologist and Honorary Member of the Editorial Board of Electronic Journal of Biotechnology, passed away on November 6, 2025. He was internationally recognized for his foundational contributions to the discovery of the structure of DNA, work that transformed modern biology and laid the groundwork for contemporary genetics and biotechnology.

Throughout his career, Dr. Watson held leading roles in major scientific institutions, most notably at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory (CSHL), published influential research, and contributed to the development of innovative scientific programs as the Human Genome Project. His association with Electronic Journal of Biotechnology, reflected his long-standing commitment to advancing rigorous research and supporting scholarly communication in the life sciences.

He is survived by his wife Liz, sons Rufus and Duncan, as well as colleagues, students, and a global scientific community that benefited from his work and leadership. His legacy remains embedded in the molecular understanding of life that shapes research and education today.

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