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Title: Hitch-Hiking Motion of Multiple Bionic Robotic Remoras with Enhanced Multimodal Locomotion

Paper Type: Regular paper

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Comments to the Author:

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Technical Editor: 2 Comments to the Author:

The authors have improved the manuscript by following the reviewers' comments.

EIC Notes:

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Reviewer: 1

WHAT ARE THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THIS PAPER: 1. A novel bionic robotic remora is developed to realize complex hitch-hiking motions.

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Reviewer: 2

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