

**EDITORIAL:  
SOFTWARE SURVEY SECTION**

The introduction of the new Software Survey Section to BIOCHEMICAL PHARMACOLOGY is to encourage the open exchange of information on software programs unique to our professional field. With the rapid penetration of computers into academic and industrial institutions has come a parallel increase in the number of scientists and researchers designing their own software. The existence of much of this software remains unknown to even those of us who could most benefit from its use. We believe that it is of vital importance to our readers that such information be made available. We believe also that a professional journal is the best place to share such information. Your contribution would be most welcome.

The questionnaire on the following pages is designed to assist you in reporting on software that you may have developed or be in the process of developing. By completing this form, your information will reach thousands of your colleagues who may benefit from your work and may possibly offer suggestions for further enhancements to your software. Please complete the enclosed form and return it to:

Dr. David Stagg, Director  
Biomedical Computing Unit  
Yale School of Medicine  
333 Cedar Street  
P.O. Box 3333  
New Haven, CT 06510

We do not intend to review or comment on the contents of the questionnaire. It will be published as is in order to expedite the information cycle process. I would welcome any comments you may have.



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## SOFTWARE DESCRIPTION FORM

Title of software package: \_\_\_\_\_

It is:  Application program  Utility  Other \_\_\_\_\_Specific area \_\_\_\_\_  
(e.g. Thermodynamics, Inventory Control)

Software developed for [name of computer(s)] \_\_\_\_\_

in [language(s)] \_\_\_\_\_

to run under [operating system] \_\_\_\_\_

and is available in the following media:

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Size \_\_\_\_\_ Density \_\_\_\_\_ Character set \_\_\_\_\_

Distributed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Minimum hardware configuration required: \_\_\_\_\_

Required memory: \_\_\_\_\_ User training required:  Yes  NoDocumentation:  None  Minimal  Self-documenting  
 Extensive external documentationSource code available:  Yes  NoLevel of development:  Design complete  Coding complete  
 Fully operational  Collaboration would be welcomedIs software being used currently?  Yes  No  
If yes, how long? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many sites? \_\_\_\_\_Contributor is available for user inquiries:  Yes  NoProgram available without charge:  Yes  No

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[This Software Description Form may be photocopied without permission]

Description of what software does [200 words]:

Potential users: \_\_\_\_\_

Fields of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of contributor: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reference No. [Assigned by Journal Editor] \_\_\_\_\_

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[The information below is not for publication.]

Would you like to have your program:

- Reviewed?     Yes     No     Not at this time
- Marketed and distributed?     Yes     No     Not at this time