

Editorial Statement

Since its launch in 1976, Food Chemistry has become one of the leading journals covering all chemical aspects of Food Science and Technology. In 1992, the journal was further substantially strengthened by establishing a separate Analytical Methods section within the journal. This was achieved by incorporating the successful Journal of Micronutrient Analysis as the new section in Food Chemistry, with the late Dr Rob Macrae (formerly editor of Journal of Micronutrient Analysis) as its editor. Papers covering all aspects of the analysis of foods were included together with a bibliography of key published papers in the field.

Last year the Analytical Methods section was renamed the Analytical, Nutritional and Clinical Methods section and its scope widened. Papers relating to the analysis of foods including additives and contaminants will continue to be published, but the determination of analytes for nutritional and clinical purposes will also be included. Additionally, papers reporting results of collaborative studies, novel techniques, automated procedures, quality assurance including the preparation and characterization of reference materials, will be published. More emphasis will be placed on the development of new, or modification of existing procedures and inclusion of sufficient data from real samples to validate the method. The list of board members have been reviewed accordingly, and new members have been

appointed to reflect the wider interests of this section, as well as general food chemistry. These include Dr Henk van den Berg (TNO Nutrition & Food Research Institute, The Netherlands), Dr Laurence Castle (CSL Food Science Laboratory, UK), Ian Lumley (Laboratory of the Government Chemist, UK), Dr Willy Schüep (Hoffman La Roche, Switzerland) and Dr Wayne Wolf (Nutrient Data Laboratory, USA), and for the general section Prof. P. F. Fox (University College of Cork, Republic of Ireland), Dr M. Jenner (University of Reading, UK), Prof. M. Mathlonthi (University of Reims, France), Dr S. Porretta (Experimental Station for the Food Preserving Industry, Parma, Italy), Prof. F. Shahidi (Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada) and Dr F. B. Whitfield (CSIRO Food Research Laboratory, North Ryde, Australia).

The journal will also continue to publish peer reviewed research papers on all aspects of general food chemistry, including structural changes in molecules during processing and storage of foods, and chemistry relating to food microbiological, sensory, nutritional and physiological effects. It will include reviews and occasional special issues of refereed conference proceedings. An additional category of 'Rapid Communications' is reserved for especially relevant new/novel work as selected by the editors.

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