### CORRESPONDENCE

In order to facilitate an exchange of ideas and opinions a correspondence section is included in the Journal. It is hoped that this will create a forum for discussion of matters of general glycoconjugate interest. Comments, both positive and negative, regarding this Journal are also welcomed, to enable us to cater for the requirements of our readers.

I very much appreciate your intention to include more general sections in your journal. For your information I will mail to you the next "Rundschreiben" to members of the German Study Group thus keeping you informed about activities in our country.

I read with great delight the second issue of GJ and was impressed by both the quality of the content and the lay-out. We hope to be able to contribute to the growing success of GJ.

Referring to Jerzy Koscielak's letter [Glycoconjugate J (1984) 1:104], I should like to support his opinion. In my opinion, and J.K. has given the arguments, it is preferable to have a list of abbreviations at the beginning, or - in case there is no space available - at the end of the manuscript.

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Many thanks for the gratis copy of Glycoconjugate Journal. It looks very good and may I congratulate you on its production and clear lay-out. The only criticism I had was the lack of headings on each page - useful when flicking through. Unfortunately, financial crises are biting deep and I see little chance of getting it in our libraries here at the moment. Nevertheless I wish you luck with the venture and trust it soon gets "advertising" space in Current Contents.

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Thank you for your comments and good wishes. I wonder if a heading on each page is necessary, since the first page of each article is easily found via the contents page on the back cover. Such headings also take a little time to prepare, and can require up to 5% of the available text space. I anticipate that Glycoconjugate J will soon appear in various indexing systems.

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I am amazed at how quickly our article appeared in your journal and at the quality of the publication. Thank you for the care you have taken with the proofing of our article. I have decided from looking over the contents of the other articles that this is a journal that belongs in our lab to peruse routinely.

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Thank you for your encouragement. Proof-reading at the Editorial Office is not our policy, but rather has so far been necessary to enable us to keep a publication schedule. When we have settled into an acceptable routine all article will gladly be sent to the authors for final proof-reading!

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### Neuronal Plasticity and Gangliosides. Mantova, Italy. May 29-31, 1985.

*Information:* G Tettamanti, Dipartimento di Chimica e Biochimica Medica, Via Saldini 50, 20133 Milan, Italy.

## INTERLEC 7 - Seventh International Lectin Meeting. Brussels, Belgium. August 18-23, 1985.

*Information:* E Van Driessche, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Paardenstraat 65, B-1640 Sint-Genesius-Rode, Belgium.

# 13th International Congress of Biochemistry. Amsterdam, The Netherlands. August 25-30, 1985.

*Information:* 13th International Congress of Biochemistry, Organisatie Bureau Amsterdam, Europaplein, 1078 GZ Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

# Eighth International Symposium on Glycoconjugates. Houston, Texas, U.S.A. September 8-13, 1985.

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