
Editorial

The reception of manuscripts dealing with classical heterocyclic chemistry has continued to increase in 2006, generating a huge pressure on both the referees and the editors. In turn, this has led to irritating delays in the treatment of the manuscripts. In order to solve this problem and to refocus our journal on its assigned domain, we have decided to install a two-step selection procedure. Starting in October 2006, the manuscripts are first examined by the editors who decide whether their content is compatible with the scientific policy of the journal. If so, the manuscripts are then submitted to a classical refereeing procedure. In so doing, we hope to rapidly

reduce the current backlog and to completely refocus the journal by the end of 2007.

On the positive side, 2006 has seen the publication of our first thematic issues on boron chemistry and main group chemistry in Russia. These high-quality issues will help us to attract new authors and to improve our impact. As a result, the size of the journal is growing and we hope to be able to increase its frequency in the near future.

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