

Editorial

The idea of founding this Journal occurred to a restricted number of authoritative researchers working in Inorganic Chemistry, in the wake of the upsurge of interest in this field in the sixties.

The aim was to provide a means for disseminating valuable chemical information with a selective policy. The editorial activity proper was substantiated by a number of international symposia which proved highly instrumental in shaping this policy. Very soon it became evident that an extension of scope and an increase in publication frequency were necessary due to the success of the Journal. This success was based on worldwide authorship and readership combined with active and high level collaboration from the Editorial Board. Therefore, a reorganization was in order, and a very happy choice involved the taking over of publication duties by Elsevier Sequoia S.A.—a well known, highly professional international company backed up by long-term experience in scientific publishing. This new venture has allowed monthly publication of ICA and, more recently, an extension of the Journal's scope to include separate Letter and Bioinorganic Chemistry Sections.

After about a decade we have now reached the 50th Volume, which is a token of continuing improvement in both scientific level and printing quality.

This special Jubilee Issue presents the contributions of some leaders in the field who have kindly accepted our invitation to celebrate this achievement by expounding their most recent findings in their active research.

I wish to thank all Members of the Editorial Board, the Referees, the Authors, the Readers and personnel of the Editorial and Publishing Staffs who, by their involvement, have made all this possible.

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