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Publisher's note

We are pleased to welcome Professor Detlef Schröder as Editor for the *International Journal of Mass Spectrometry*. Professor Helmut Schwarz will step down after almost two decades as Editor for the journal. To make this transition as smooth as possible, Professor Schwarz will stay on board as Editor to handle articles that were submitted to him until 1 January 2011.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Professor Schwarz for his work. Helmut Schwarz, Professor at the Institute of Chemistry, Technical University Berlin, in Germany has served as Editor since 1982.

We should like to thank him most sincerely for his invaluable input in bringing the journal to its present reputable status. Helmut's far reaching scientific and other activities in the academic world provided an inestimable impact for the journal. He has been perseverant in promoting quality work thus raising the journal's visibility and impact.

The new Editor, Professor Detlef Schröder is Group Leader for Physical-Organic Chemistry at the Institute of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry, Academy of Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic. His research interests include all facets of gas-phase ion chemistry, ranging from fundamental questions related with collision phenomena in atomic or diatomic systems via the investigation of reaction

mechanisms in organic and organometallic ions as well as the generation of elusive neutral species in the gas phase to transition-metal catalysis and model systems for complex real catalysts with either technological relevance or biochemical importance. Of particular interest are all variants of oxidation reactions, being them either those which involve main-group elements only or systems in which transition-metal mediated oxidation is crucial. Most recently he aims to find linkages between gas-phase chemistry and "real" chemical processes, which also forms the topic of an ERC Advanced Grant hold by DS.

He has been the author or co-author of more than 370 publications.

We are confident that he will contribute to the existing reputation of our journal and strengthen its position in the scientific community. We wish him every success and personal satisfaction in his new position.

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