

AT THE DOORSTEP INTO THE THIRD YEAR

With the publication of issue 3.2 in March 1993 the *Journal of Biomolecular NMR* has completed its second full year of operation. This seems to be a fitting moment for a brief review of the past and an outlook to the future.

When the *Journal of Biomolecular NMR* was first announced in 1991, its start was a logical consequence of many years of rapid growth in the use of NMR for structural studies of biological macromolecules. During the intervening two years this growth has continued, and, in line with the strong research performance in the field, it was gratifying to see a steady flow of high-quality manuscripts being submitted to the new Journal. It was therefore easy to adhere from the beginning to our most important goal of establishing a high level of quality of the work published. It is with much pride that we refer to the contents of the first twelve issues.

To maintain the high level of quality in the future, we will combine the experience gained during our first two years with new, additional activities. Thus, to ensure broad representation of the different areas of macromolecular NMR, we have added Drs. C.W. Hilbers, T.L. James, D. Neuhaus, G. Otting and G. Wagner to the Editorial Board. I would like to extend a warm welcome to the new Board members. We are all very happy that they have decided to join us in this venture and wish them a lot of satisfaction in their work with our Journal.

To highlight the broad impact of NMR studies with biological macromolecules in the life sciences, we have added a new category of publications, i.e., *Perspectives*, which will be solicited by personal invitation and will be published several times a year. The aim of *Perspectives* is to place research in the field of biomolecular NMR in perspective relative to other fields of research in biology, biochemistry, pharmacology and medicine. We expect that these *Perspectives*, of which the first one by S.W. Fesik appears in this issue, will be attractive for NMR spectroscopists and a wider public alike, and will thus contribute to the continued attraction of the Journal.

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