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Publisher's note

We are pleased to announce that Professor H. Thomas Karnes, Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, has agreed to join the team of Editors as of 1 July 2003.

Professor Karnes holds degrees in Analytical Chemistry, Clinical Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Sciences. He received his Ph.D. in 1984 and joined the faculty at VCU that same year. Professor Karnes directs a research group whose interests include: capillary separations, luminescence detection techniques, mass spectroscopy, post-column immunoreaction detectors and laser induced luminescence detection for biopharmaceutical analysis. He has served on a variety of expert panels in the area of validation and control of analytical methods. He is active in various pharmaceutical sciences organizations and has served as a consultant for various aspects of analytical research and development. Professor Karnes has published approximately 100 research papers and a variety of book chapters and editorials during his career. He is a Fellow of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists and a recipient of the association's analytical Research Achievement Award.

We are sure you will all join us in welcoming Professor Karnes to this position, in which he will no doubt make significant contribution to further strengthening the high reputation of the Journal.