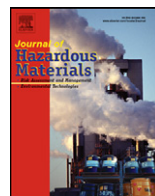




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Publisher's note

The Publisher would like to announce a number of changes to the *Journal of Hazardous Material* Board of Editors.

At the end of 2009, Merv Fingas will retire from the board. Merv joined the board in August 2003. Over the years, he has handled an ever increasing number of submissions in step with the Journal's growth, managing an impressive—and unprecedented—workload. Merv was also instrumental in the adjudication of several ethical matters in recent years.

We would like to thank Merv sincerely for his contribution to *Journal of Hazardous Materials* over the last six years, in terms of both editorial work and advising the development of the Journal. We look forward to continuing our collaboration with Merv as an editorial board member of the Journal.

Prof. Gianluca Li Puma has joined the board as of 1 September 2009. Gianluca received his Laurea from the University of Palermo (Italy), his MPhil from Bath University (UK) and his PhD from the Hong Kong University of Science & Technology, all in Chemical Engineering. He is currently an Associate Professor in Department of Chemical and Environmental Engineering at the University of Nottingham (UK). He leads "Photocatalysis and Photoreaction Engineering" research in the fields of environmental nanocatalysis, advanced oxidation processes, indoor air purification, water

treatment and purification, solar energy conversion and solar engineering. He is author of 136 publications in peer-reviewed international journals and conference proceedings. He is a member of the editorial boards of *Journal of Advanced Oxidation Technologies* (Associate Editor) and *International Journal of Photoenergy*, as well as several international conference organizing committees.

Prof. Andrew Daugulis has joined the board as of 1 October 2009. Andrew received his MSc from the University of Western Ontario and his PhD from Queen's University, both in chemical engineering. Andrew is currently Professor of Chemical Engineering at Queen's University and cross-appointed as Professor of Microbiology and Immunology. He is holder of the Queen's Research Chair in Biochemical and Cell Culture Engineering. Andrew is the author of 150 scientific articles published in international peer-reviewed journals, as well as a number of book chapters and patents. He is a member of the editorial boards of *Biodegradation* and *Biotechnology Letters*. He is also a paid consultant to numerous multinational companies and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in the areas of environmental remediation, bioenergy, and bioprocessing.

We welcome Prof. Li Puma and Prof. Daugulis to the Board of Editors and look forward to collaborating with them on the Journal.