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Expediting Publication of Communications to the Editor

As the interface between chemistry and pharmacology, medicinal chemistry is the beneficiary of many of the recent advances in biology, computer science, and instrumental methods. This is an exciting period, as interlocking applications of these advances provide new tools for research on biologically active compounds. In an effort to provide rapid publication of important research advances in emerging areas of medicinal chemistry, we have expedited the processing of communications with a publication goal of 12 weeks from receipt of the manuscript. This will be accomplished by expediting the review process and by moving the communications section to the rear of the Journal. Our editorial office has already taken steps to accelerate manuscript review, and the Journals Department in Columbus will shorten the processing time by moving the Communications section to the back of the Journal starting in January 1991. For detailed information on submission of Communications you are referred to the *Notice to Authors* in the January 1991 issue of this Journal.

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