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The Journal of Medicinal Chemistry Becomes a Biweekly Publication in 1992

As a fledgling bimonthly publication in the 1960s, the Journal of Medicinal Chemistry reflected the state of medicinal chemistry during that period. The maturation of medicinal chemistry into a full-fledged discipline during the following decade was accompanied by the conversion of this Journal to a monthly publication in 1971. In the past 20 years since that change, the number of pages published annually in J. Med. Chem. has nearly tripled. In view of this increase and the desire of the editors to provide more rapid service to our readers and contributors, 1992 will witness a shift to a biweekly publication of this Journal. The forthcoming change means that the acceptance-to-publication time of manuscripts should be shortened by 2 weeks. This is particularly relevant for the rapid dissemination of preliminary reports on important findings of novel and timely significance in the form of Communications to the Editor.

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