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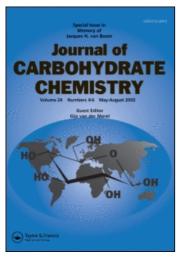
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EDITORIAL

With this issue begins the second decade of publication of the *Journal of Carbohydrate Chemistry*. The first issue of the Journal was published in 1982 amid expectations that basic research in carbohydrate chemistry would continue to grow and that there existed a genuine need for a new carbohydrate journal that would be concerned primarily with the chemistry of monosaccharides and oligosaccharides. I am delighted to say that those expectations of ten years ago have been realized. Carbohydrate chemistry is playing an ever increasing role in biology and medicine while industrial uses of carbohydrates continue to expand. Over the past ten years continued growth of the Journal is a testament to its acceptance by the international carbohydrate community. While maintaining standards for quality scientific publication, the Journal has grown from a modest three issues (350 pages) in 1982 to six issues (1100 pages) in 1991 to a planned eight issue volume in 1992.

As the second decade begins, the Journal will on a regular basis publish manuscripts concerned with the chemistry of carbohydrate polymers (polysaccharides and glycoconjugates). We have had many requests from authors for expansion of the Journal offerings to include carbohydrate polymer chemistry and we look forward now to doing just that. However, it is our intention to maintain this Journal as a chemistry journal and leave the biochemical aspects of carbohydrate polymers for more appropriate publications.

In order to meet the growing editorial demands of the Journal, and in particular those demands associated with the carbohydrate polymers area, I am happy to announce that Dr. Johannis P. Kamerling, Utrecht University, The Netherlands is joining the Journal as a Regional Editor (see inside cover for complete address). Dr. Kamerling brings to the Journal a wealth of experience in the carbohydrate field and standards of scientific excellence.

I want to take the opportunity at this time to thank my colleagues and current Regional Editors, Dr. Akira Hasegawa, Dr. Joachim Thiem, Dr. Gerard Descotes, Dr. Robert Giuliano and Dr. T. Bruce Grindley, and to former Regional Editors Dr. Roger Binkley and Dr. David Baker for all the hard work they have done to make this Journal a quality scientific publication. Also, many thanks to the members of the Editorial Board and to the many authors worldwide who have contributed high quality research papers to the Journal. The success that we have enjoyed and look forward to continuing in the next decade is due to the efforts of many.

Donald E. Kiely Editor