

Preface

Editing this Special Issue in honour of our friend and colleague, Jaroslav Šesták, with the appropriate theme of 'Thermal Studies Beyond 2000', has been a great pleasure. The enthusiasm of participants is evident in the large number of contributions and many other people expressed regret at not being able to contribute within the time limits necessary. Several contributors welcomed the opportunity to move a bit beyond the normal constraints to be provocative and speculative, with Jaroslav's characteristics and with the start of the new millennium in mind. We hope that these papers, especially, will arouse interest (and even controversy) and will be a fitting tribute to Jaroslav. We are grateful to Judit Simon and the Staff of the Journal for this opportunity and for their advice and encouragement. Without the help of the Referees listed, this Issue would not have been possible.

To Jaroslav himself go our very best wishes for better health and continued enthusiastic stimulation of so many areas of the thermal sciences. May your 7th decade outshine the preceding ones!



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