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## Editorial

*Liquid Crystals* was founded just one year ago, in January 1986, and now stands as the journal devoted solely to the publication of original research in the science and technology of liquid crystals. The journal has altered little since the first issue was published. Indeed the only change which the reader may notice is the increase in the size of each issue; this results from an increasing number of good papers and preliminary communications being submitted to the journal. These are subject to strict but constructive review, often by a member of our international Editorial Board. The time taken to publish a paper is kept to a minimum; on average it takes about six months from receipt to publication. The editors and publishers are committed to this publication time and reducing it if possible while maintaining the highest standards. It is our intention to have the work of our authors reach a wide audience and we are pleased to note that the circulation of the journal is growing at an encouraging rate, while its contents are abstracted by the major agencies.

It is clear from the papers published in the journal and elsewhere that the field of liquid crystals is still developing and producing surprises. We look forward to publishing the results of such developments in the coming years.

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