## **Preface**

Rapid advances in the field of Organic Chemistry have resulted over the last two decades in a growing number of high quality publications. Many of which cannot be published in a timely fashion because of limited number of publication journals with the result that publications of important and urgent nature are often delayed by a year or more. There was, therefore, an acute need of a journal which would publish important mini-reviews rapidly. "Mini-Reviews in Organic Chemistry" is thus being launched to meet this need. Mini-Reviews in Organic Chemistry will cover various dimensions of organic chemistry including synthesis, bioorganic, medicinal, natural products, organometallic, supramolecular,



molecular recognition, and physical organic chemistry. The emphasis will be on publishing quality papers very rapidly. The mini-reviews will be processed rapidly taking the full advantage of internet technology for both the submission and review of manuscripts. I am sure the journal is essential reading to all organic chemists in both academia and industry. There will be four issues of this journal published in 2004. The publication frequency of the journal will increase gradually in the years to come. The internationally eminent editorial board including such eminent authorities as A. Attygalle, N. Berova, W. Boland, H. Budzikiewicz, T.R. Burke, R. Caple, Y. Chapleur, D. Crich, H.M.L. Davies, W. Donaldson, K.M. Doxsee, C.J. Easton, El S.H. El Ashry, S.V. Evans, C.G. Frost, F. Fulop, M. Harmata, R.G. Harvey, J.W. Herndon, A.H. Hoveyda, N.S. Isaacs, C.W. Jefford, G. Jenner, Z. Kelman, A.D. Kinghorn, D.G.I. Kingston, G. Kirsch, W. Kitching, A. Krief, M.E. Kuehne, S.V. Ley, C.-J. Li, R.J. Linhardt, H.-w. Liu, J. Meinwald, M. Miyazawa, S. Mobashery, C.J. Moody, K. Mori, P. Neri, T. Okuda, F.L. Ortiz, H.M.I. Osborn, L.A. Paquette, B.S. Paulsen, P. Potier, S.G. Pyne, E. Roeder, V.M. Rotello, T.K. Sawyer, R.R. Schmidt, P.H. Seeberger, M. Sekine, G. Sello, M.A. Sierra, I.P. Smoliakova, B.B. Snider, K. Soai, T. Sugai, M.D. Threadgill, P. Vogel, P.G. Wang, R.M. Williams, Z.J. Witczak, Y. Yamamoto and K.P. Zeller will undoubtedly guide me in the editorial responsibilities and ensure the very highest standards.

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I keenly look forward to the wide acceptance of this new journal by the community of organic chemists.

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