

EDITORIAL

REORGANIZATION OF THE JOURNAL OF BIORHEOLOGY

When *BIORHEOLOGY* began publication in 1962 it was a quarterly typeset journal which contributed to make the new science better known. A Society of Biorheology did not yet exist and it thus served also to make the new science, which we founded, more widely recognized. Following the organization of the International Society of Hemorheology in 1966 and thereafter of Biorheology in 1969, our journal became its official organ, and three years ago it became a bi-monthly publication.

Last year we and the Publishers thought it advantageous to convert the typeset journal into one for rapid publication from camera ready texts. In our proposal we were fully supported by the Council of the International Society of Biorheology. This necessitated a larger number of Editors, each one of whom would have complete authority to accept or reject papers with the usual advice of at least two referees. In the past, it was not specified how long an invited Editor should serve. Also it became necessary to relieve the heavy burden on us Editors-in-Chief who have hitherto attended to the great majority of submitted communications and to maintain the vitality of Biorheology by the influx of new Editors.

We decided to have twelve Editors, scattered throughout the world. Six of the existing Editors have agreed to serve for 3 more years, while the remaining six new Editors have been asked to serve for 6 years. We Editors-in-Chief will no longer act as Editors for any Paper or Brief Communication, but confine our activities as Editors to Letters to the Editors-in-Chief.

As Editors-in-Chief we also shall continue to direct editorial policy, invite review articles by authors of special distinction, initiate and edit book reviews, invite reports on scientific meetings, decide about news for publication, advise the Publishers concerning advertisements, and, of course, maintain direct contact both with the International Society of Biorheology and with the Publishers to whom we are responsible.

The Instructions to Authors in each issue of Biorheology will give detailed information for presentation necessary for offset printing. There will be no proofs. From now on Papers and Brief Communications should be sent directly to any Editor of the authors' choice. An Editor in turn may send a communication to such other Editor as he sees fit.

With this issue two of our Editors G. Bugliarello of New York City and L. Reid formerly of London, England, now of Boston, U.S.A., complete their activities as Editors. We and the Publishers are most grateful to those who served *BIORHEOLOGY* so well.

The six Editors who will serve three more years are: M. Joly, Paris, France; N. Kamiya, Osaka, Japan; S. Oka, formerly Tokyo, now Osaka, Japan; G. V. F. Seaman, Portland, U.S.A.; A. Silberberg, Rehovot, Israel and V. I. Vorob'ev, Leningrad, U.S.S.R.

It is a tribute to our eight Editors who together with us established for *BIORHEOLOGY* a good reputation in the scientific community.

We welcome our six new Editors who will begin their activities with the February 1978 (Volume 15, No. 1) issue. They are: E. Fukada, Saitama, Japan; Y. C. B. Fung, La Jolla, U.S.A.; H.-L. Goldsmith, Montreal, Canada; R. D. Harkness, London, England; H. Schmid-Schönbein, Aachen, Federal Republic of Germany; and H. Wayland, Pasadena, U.S.A.

We are convinced that our Editors and Authors will continue to maintain the standing of *BIORHEOLOGY* as a significant international scientific journal.

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