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Foreword

Initiation of the editorial collaboration between the Japan Society for Composite Materials and the Korea Society for Composite Materials

Since the appearance of its first issue in 1991, *Advanced Composite Materials* has been serving as the official journal of the Japan Society for Composite Materials (JSCM), and providing as well an international forum for those around the world who are actively working in the field of composite materials and their related areas. The number of contributions from outside Japan has risen considerably in the past few years, indicating increasing international attraction to the Journal.

As a result of the success of this publication, the JSCM received a proposition from the Korea Society for Composite Materials (KSCM) for editorial collaboration on the Journal by the two societies. The JSCM and the KSCM came to an agreement in October, 2005 on moving on to the joint editing operations starting in January, 2006. The JSCM thereby welcomes the KSCM to the editorial panel.

Advanced Composite Materials will serve as the leading medium for promoting the advancement of the field of composite materials, as well as being the official English language journal of both the JSCM and the KSCM. I would like to ask both the current and potential subscribers and authors of the Journal to fully utilize its competence for promoting the research, development, and application fields of composite materials.

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In commemoration of the startup of this joint editorial collaboration, two contributed articles by the former presidents of both Societies follow.