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Preface

It is a pleasure for me to write a few words about this special issue of the BBRC honoring I.C. Gunsalus. In the mid-1950s, as a graduate student in organic chemistry at the University of Illinois, I took one of my first courses in biochemistry from Gunny. In 1959, when I was a postdoctoral with Konrad Bloch, we greeted with great excitement a very innovative, rapid publication journal, BBRC. Gunny and David Bonner, Paul Berg, Bernard Horecker, and Howard Schachman were the founding editors. Others joined the editorial board and others left. But Gunny remained for 44 years—surely a record for any journal editor. And so, in recognition of Gunny's achievements in science and on the editorial board, it is a great pleasure to present this special issue of BBRC, which was expertly put together by Minor Coon and Steve Sligar.

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