Editorial

This is the last issue of volume 6 of *Biodegradation*. It has appeared long before the end of 1995. Due to a number of circumstances a large number of accepted manuscripts had piled up at the beginning of 1995. The publication time of a number of manuscripts has been too long. We have therefore decided to publish volume 6 as rapidly as possible. We apologize to the authors for the delay in the publication of their valued manuscripts. Volume 7 will consist of 6 issues, of which 2 will still appear in 1995. In this way we hope to shorten the publication time. We hope that these measures will encourage potential authors to submit manuscripts to *Biodegradation*. *Biodegradation* covers a broad field. We have noticed that the number of submitted manuscripts in the field of biotransformation and manuscripts on genetic aspects of biodegradation is relatively low. Also manuscripts in these fields are very welcome. I hope these measures will further increase the attractiveness of Biodegradation for the publication of your papers in this blooming field of research.

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