



## Preface

Professor Hassan S. El Khadem, one of the founding members of the Editorial Board of *Carbohydrate Research*, celebrated his 80th birthday this year, and this issue includes a collection of papers dedicated to him, authored by former students and associates.

Hassan El Khadem earned doctorates from both the Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule (ETH), Zurich, and Imperial College, London. During his tenure as head of the Chemistry Department at the University of Alexandria in Egypt he became internationally recognized as the major authority on the hydrazone deriva-

tives of the sugars. Later, in the USA, he held positions at Michigan Technological University and subsequently at American University in Washington, DC. He has contributed many papers to this journal, including one in 1964, in the very first issue, and another as recently as 2002, and he served for many years on the Advisory Board.

The Editors of *Carbohydrate Research* join with the authors of the papers in extending their appreciation and good wishes to Professor El Khadem on this occasion.