

Editorial

It has not been the policy in this journal to present the reader with frequent editorial outpourings. In fact, over five years there have only been three, all relating to significant events in the progress of the journal. This fourth occasion I am using to inform readers that with the completion of the fifth (expanded) volume I am resigning as editor and handing over to my very capable co-editor for the past year, Dr A. T. Peters. Dr Peters and I have collaborated in one venture and another over many years and I have every confidence that the journal will continue to prosper and develop in his hands while I take a less direct role as a member of the Editorial Board.

When I agreed to edit *Dyes and Pigments* in 1979 I was certain of the need for a specialised journal of its kind but less sure of the likely response of readers and contributors. In the event, the reaction of both was excellent and we now have a truly international journal reflecting widespread and varied activity in the field of colouring matters. I am glad therefore to be able to hand over to Dr Peters an ongoing concern and to wish him well in the future.

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