EDITORIAL

European Polymer Journal continues to show a rise in the number of submitted manuscripts. We plan to expand EPJ in 1992 to increase the number of good papers and to reduce the interval between acceptance of a manuscript and its actual publication.

Whilst our major objective is to publish full papers of high quality on work that has not been published elsewhere, we also publish short communications. This section of *EPJ* permits rapid publication of a preliminary report of new work in progress, or of an article on a limited subject which the author does not propose to advance further. Manuscripts intended as short communications should be written in English and should not exceed four pages in total length in camera-ready format.

We are pleased to announce the publication of critical reviews in addition to full papers and short communications. We start in this issue of *EPJ* with a survey of *Polyphosphazenes* for which significant and exciting developments have been published recently. It must be stressed that the introduction of occasional review articles is an extension of *EPJ*, so there will be no effect on the publication of papers and communications. With the growth in research activity in polymer science, there is a need for the compilation of reviews of many published papers. A critical review in which the essential information has been carefully selected and condensed provides an effective way of keeping informed on advances in a field. The editors welcome suggestions from readers and authors on reviews of new developments in polymer science.

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