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The 65th birthday of Karl Jug

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This special issue of Theoretical Chemistry Accounts is dedicated to Karl Jug, who celebrated his 65th birthday last year. We are convinced that Theoretical Chemistry Accounts, formerly known as *Theoretica Chimica Acta*, is the best place for this tribute for the very good reason that he was the head of the editorial department from 1965 to 1967.

His scientific career, extending over more than 35 years, will be reviewed by Joachim Heidberg, a long time colleague and friend since the early days in the group of Hermann Hartmann at the Universität Frankfurt am Main. For 30 years, Karl Jug was affiliated with the Universität Hannover. During these years, he educated an impressive number of students in theoretical chemistry, sometimes under difficult circumstances. Several of them are contributing authors in this issue. Many guest scientists from all over the world have visited his research group for shorter or longer periods. The influence of Karl Jug in many fields of theoretical and computational chemistry, as well as his vivid contacts with research groups all over the world, are reflected by the contributions in this special issue. They cover a broad area of modern quantum chemistry, demonstrating the wide range of his interests. The present collection of papers is a token of appreciation from all of us – colleagues, students and friends. Happy birthday once again – and many more exciting years.