EDITORIAL

In this issue of Biorheology the first part of the Proceedings of the Second International Congress of Biorheology is published. The remaining parts will appear in subsequent issues and are intended to be completed during this year.

The April 1975 issue contained the abstracts of all scientific papers and of the communications presented at the three symposia of this Congress. The proceedings of two of these symposia appear in this (and the subsequent) issue(s), while the "Symposium on Cytoplasmic Streaming and Amoeboid Movement" will be published in Mechanochemistry.

The Symposium on "New Approaches to the Rheological Characterization of Biological Materials" has Harry Goldsmith, Montreal, Canada, as Guest Editor, while Frank Meyer, Rehovot, Israel, is the Guest Editor of the Symposium on "Glycoprotein and Proteoglycan Based Systems".

Several participants who presented free communications at the Congress have chosen not to publish their presentations in Biorheology, mainly because of the restrictions in the number of pages, figures and tables requested for Congress Papers by the Publishers and by us.

The present issue is dedicated to Syoten Oka, a Co-Editor of the Journal since its foundation and the fourth recipient of the Poiseuille Gold Medal Award. This issue also contains details of the Poiseuille Award Ceremony and a report on the activities of the Society by G. V. F. Seaman, Secretary General of the International Society of Biorheology.

An Editorial Meeting, sponsored by the Publishers of Biorheology, took place during the Congress. It was chaired by A. L. Copley and among the participants were the Acting Co-Editor-in-Chief and members of the Board of Editors and of the Honorary Editorial Advisory Board. The fourteen participants of this meeting discussed editorial policies and practices, as well as ways to increase contributions which will maintain the high standards of our Journal, as well as to increase the circles of readers and subscribers to Biorheology. The generous support of the publisher Mr. I. R. Maxwell and of Mr. G. F. Richards, Managing Director of Pergamon Press, in the publication of the Proceedings of the Second International Congress of Biorheology was praised by the participants of this Editorial Meeting.

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His Excellency Professor Ephraim Katzir, President of Israel, addressing members of the Second International Congress of Biorheology at the reception he gave at his official residence in Jerusalem on 1 January, 1975.

Group picture of some of the Congress participants taken in front of the Wix Auditorium, The Weizmann Institute of Science.