

## Editorial

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# New Beginnings

The *Journal of Neutron Research* has a new owner, IOS Press of Amsterdam, who have been very welcoming to the journal. IOS Press is an independent publisher that focuses on specialised scientific areas. Neutron scattering is certainly one such area, so the acquisition of *JNR* by IOS is a good match and we look forward to a relaunched journal serving our community.

There is no other journal that covers this field and therefore it is a resource that we, as a community, should, in my view, nurture. That requires a continuous flow of papers, and to this end we have appointed a new Editorial Board consisting of a good number of younger people, covering the majority of technical areas concerning neutrons. As time goes on we shall add to this number so that we have finally around 20 on the Board. We also believe in the importance of having a broad global distribution of editors. In this way we hope to attract papers on the subject from neutron sources both large and small that often never see the light of day and that are lost to the wider community.

With the inevitable slow enhancement of neutron sources, for financial and political reasons, the main progress in measuring capability – and hence scientific progress – comes from instrumental and software upgrades. We shall emphasise these areas in our call for papers. Of course advances in neutron sources and moderators will still be very welcome. We plan to be a home for the publication of key papers from workshops with guest editors being responsible for the commissioning and refereeing process. Suggestions are welcome, either to me or to any of the Editorial Board. We would be delighted to publish review papers, and will commission them regularly. We recognise however that the writing of a review is a serious commitment, but reviews serve a very important function and we therefore strongly encourage them.

You will notice that *JNR* also has a new livery, building upon the previous visual identity, but more striking and with greater impact we feel. Furthermore a *JNR* website is launched at [www.neutronresearch.com](http://www.neutronresearch.com). We hope that this will generate a more interactive environment.

In the end, the journal sinks or swims depending upon the submission of papers. For this the community itself plays a leading role. My role and that of the Editorial Board is to facilitate that process but we can only succeed with the willingness of the community. Let's wish the relaunched journal Good Luck!

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