
Editorial

As it was timely announced, *Revista de la Sociedad Química de México* becomes, from this year 2005, the *Journal of the Mexican Chemical Society* [1] (www.jmcs.org.mx). Through a remarkable trajectory, *Rev. Soc. Quím. Méx.* registered from its foundation in 1957, part of the development of the chemical sciences in our country by means of publishing research articles, educative accounts, technical reports, comments on industrial innovations, announcements, and contributions on the history and development of the chemical sciences, among many other aspects. Following previous editorial agreements, *Rev. Soc. Quím. Méx.* preferently published peer-reviewed scientific articles throughout the years. In the search of major international diffusion, *J. Mex. Chem. Soc.* will publish exclusively scientific articles on chemistry in its broad context, as well as reviews in the areas where the authors have a significant scientific contribution. The *Boletín de la Sociedad Química de México*, which starts its publication this 2005, will cover the aspects regarding technical reports, comments, and accounts, among other aspects of interest for the students and professionals of chemistry. The topics on teaching and learning processes are covered by our sister journal *Educación Química*.

This new period of the journal and the diversity of the research areas in chemistry required additional members for the Editorial Board and the integration of an Advisory Editorial Board. On behalf of the members of the Mexican Chemical Society and the Editors of *J. Mex. Chem. Soc.*, I have the pleasure to welcome doctores Cecilio Álvarez-

Toledano, Luis Echevoyen, Miguel Ángel García-Garibay, Ignacio González, Heinrich Nöth, Keith Pannell and Juvencio Robles, as new members of either the Editorial or the Advisory Editorial Board. To Eduardo Díaz Torres, Carl Djerassi, Federico García Jiménez, Angel Guzmán Sánchez, Joaquín Palacios Alquisira and Elvira Santos de Flores, we express our sincere gratitude for their generous collaboration and service as members of the Editorial Board of the *Rev. Soc. Quím. Méx.* during the last years.

This year, an electronic platform for the reception, evaluation and tracking of the articles submitted to the *J. Mex. Chem. Soc.* will be installed and the journal is available by the web (www.jmcs.org.mx). The *J. Mex. Chem. Soc.* will continue with the policy of publishing special issues agreed by the Editorial Board, and the second issue of this year will be published as a joint issue with the *Journal of the Brazilian Chemical Society* (www.sbq.org.br/jbcs). Despite of the many and complex challenges that developing countries face, the *J. Mex. Chem. Soc.* (former *Rev. Soc. Quím. Méx.*) will continue serving as a means of expression for the chemical research, to promote the culture and scientific tradition, with the final objective of helping the educative and social development of Mexico and the region.

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