EDITORIAL

At the meeting of the General Assembly of the Croatian Chemical Society, held in July 2005, I was appointed Editor-in-Chief of *Croatica Chemica Acta*, as successor to Professor Nenad Trinajstić who retired from this function. A new Editorial Board was also elected. Our aim is to continue the policy of former editors but also to introduce some improvements. It is our task to ensure high standards of published articles, to speed up the reviewing of submitted manuscripts and their publication. To achieve these targets, we will preferably use the electronic form of communication. The journal will be published in both the hard copy format and in an electronic version.

Croatica Chemica Acta will remain a journal covering all fields of chemistry and publishing articles of general significance. We will keep the new format introduced by the former editor N. Trinajstić and will continue publishing four issues per year. In general, two special issues per year will be devoted to a certain field of chemistry, selected conferences and also, as a Festschrift, to selected distinguished members of our community who significantly contributed to the science of chemistry and also to the Croatian Chemical Society.

In addition to Original scientific articles, we will publish Conference papers, Letters to the Editor, Data banks, Preliminary communications, Conference papers, Notes, Authors' reviews, Reviews, and also invited Feature articles. The manuscripts should be written in English and will be reviewed internationally by specialists in the field. We will keep the policy to have Abstracts both in English and Croatian. *Croatica Chemica Acta* will publish reports of the Croatian Chemical Society and in some cases Essays devoted to distinguished chemists who contributed significantly to Croatian science.

Croatica Chemica Acta was founded in 1927. During the decades it changed its scope and name; Arhiv za kemiju i farmaciju (Archives of Chemistry and Pharmacy) (1927-1937), Arhiv za kemiju i tehnologiju (Archives of Chemistry and Technology) (1938-1940), Kemijski vjesnik (Chemistry Newsletter) (1941-1943), Arhiv za kemiju (Archives of Chemistry) (1946–1955), and finally Croatica Chemica Acta (1956-). The former Editors-in-Chief were Professors Vladimir Njegovan (1927-1933), Franjo Hanaman (1934-1939), Stanko Miholić (1939-1940), Mladen Deželić (1941–1943), Stanko Miholić (1946–1952), Božo Težak (1952-1980), Siniša Maričić (1980-1984), Vladimir Simeon (1985-1994) and Nenad Trinajstić (1994-2005). Croatica Chemica Acta has become an internationally recognized scientific journal referred to by selective international secondary publications and databases, i.e., it is included in Current Contents, Science Citation Index, Chemical Abstracts, Cambridge Structural Database System, Elsevier Data Base, etc.

As the new Editor-in-Chief, I feel responsible to continue the work of my predecessors and to ensure the future of *Croatica Chemica Acta* as a respected scientific journal of high standards. I am grateful to the former editors, from whom I have learned a lot about the editorial work and policies, namely to Professor Vladimir Simeon and Professor Nenad Trinajstić who proposed me for this function. I expect their collaboration in our future work. I would also like to express my gratitude to all former Editors and Editorial Boards who have helped establish *Croatica Chemica Acta* as a respectable international chemistry journal.

Croatica Chemica Acta is open to all chemists in the World and we are inviting our colleagues from all countries to submit their articles to our journal.

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