Editorial

The Journal of Flow Injection Analysis Vol.1, No.1 was published on June, 1984. The first Editor-in-Chief was Professor Nobuhiko Ishibashi(Kyushu University) and there were two reviews, two original papers and the FIA Bibliography(1)which consists of a list of 51 papers in the first issue. Since then, Journal of FIA has been published biannually in June and December. In 1986, "The growth of published papers on flow injection analysis" by Professors E.H. Hansen and J. Ruzicka (University of Denmark) and "Some thoughts about FIA in 1986" by K.K. Stewart (Verginia State University) were contributed. In 1987, Professors A.S. Attiyat (Yarmouk University) and Gary D. Christian (University of Washington) submitted the first original manuscripts. The editors were was very grateful to receive contributions from foreign countries because they can further enhance the quality and quantity of material published in this journal. Since then, many manuscripts from foreign countries have been contributed. I am sure the reader remember "Flow Analysis V" held in Kumamoto, Japan, August 21-24, 1991. At that time, we missed the chairman, Professor N. Ishibashi very much. In 1993, "The memorial issue for the late Professor N. Ishibashi" was edited by Professor H. Wada (Nagoya Institute of Technology). Since 1996, this journal has been edited by Professor T. Kawashima (Tsukuba University) and this year, Vol.15, No.1 and 2 of the journal will be published. I am pleased to be able to congratulate the editorial staff on the continued development of the journal. From now on, we wish to have a number of original papers and reviews which provide a more retrospective view of the subject and we invite you to write to us with any ideas for the development of the journal of FIA.

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