

## **Editor's Notes**

We are highly pleased to publish the proceeding of 10<sup>th</sup> Iranian Congress of Biochemistry & 3<sup>rd</sup> International Congress of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (16-19 November 2009, Tehran, Iran) as the second supplement issue of the *Journal of the Iranian Chemical Society*, JICS.

The first issue of JICS was published in September 2004. From the first issue, JICS was indexed and abstracted in many scientific data bases such as Chemical Abstract, ISI Web of Science and Scopus. After two years, JICS celebrated its first inclusion in the *Journal Citation Reports*, *JCR*, with an expressive impact factor (IF) of 0.64, and in 2007, the IF was surprisingly doubled to 1.39. Now we are proud to announce that based on the recently released *JCR*, the impact factor of JICS has gone up from 1.39 in 2007 to 2.22 in 2008 placing this quarterly journal 38th among 125 journals under category of Multidisciplinary Chemistry.

In the last year, the number of submitted papers for publication was over 400 and the percentage of papers from abroad was over 50%, which proves the international character of JICS. About 30% of the submitted papers were accepted and published in the Journal. The main mission and commitment of JICS is publishing the results of high quality research, independently of the fact that those research results were produced in Iran or abroad.

JICS welcomes the receive of high quality original manuscripts in the field of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, dealing with experimental and theoretical research related to all branches of chemistry and biological chemistry, for publication in two 2010 special issues of the journal. It is the first step of Iranian Chemical Society to create the second journal in the future as an independent journal.

We sincerely thank all the authors for their contributions and the referees for their kind cooperation, and looking forward to receiving your valuable review and research papers describing novel results in all areas of chemical sciences.

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**&**  
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The 10<sup>th</sup> Iranian Congress of Biochemistry and the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Congress of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ICBMB) is being held at the Tehran University of Medical Sciences in Tehran, Iran, from 16 to 19 November 2009. This congress will host biochemists and other biomedical scientists from Iran and some other countries in the region, as well as other parts of the world. A comprehensive scientific program has been developed which spans over 4 days, including oral and poster presentations, industrial and commercial exhibitions, symposiums and satellite workshops. Special attempts have been made to facilitate presentations by a large number of young and talented Iranian scientists to present their research activities in various areas of biochemistry and molecular biology. Several well known international scientists with various backgrounds will also present their recent research activities during the congress.

The Biochemical Society of Islamic Republic of Iran (BSI) which was re-established in 1989 has organized nine biannual national conferences of biochemistry in recent years across the country. This is the third year that the national biochemistry congress is being held concurrently with an international congress of biochemistry and molecular biology by the society. More than 900 abstracts were submitted to the congress for oral and poster presentations. Among these, 799 abstracts have been selected for publication in the *Journal of Iranian Chemical Society (JICS)*. One hundred seventy one abstracts have been selected to be presented orally and 628 abstracts will be presented as posters.

As a reflection of the scientific and research interests and priorities within the fields of biochemistry and molecular biology in the country, this publication is hoped to become a useful book of reference for the congress participants and a memory of their participation in this scientific event.

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