

EDITORIAL

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We are pleased to present the first issue of volume twentieth nine of the international *Journal of Sciences, I.R. of Iran*. We would like to thank our respected researchers and authors for their submission of original research works to this journal and kindly invite others to present their articles in all areas of basic sciences.

At the outset, it is necessary to wish our respected researchers and readers a happy and prosperous New Year.

We send our journal to many scientists and researchers all over the world, but we would like to become acquainted with others in these fields of basic science. We would like to kindly request and call your attention to introduce this journal to your colleagues and associates who have not seen it. Please invite them on our behalf to visit our homepage and to send in their research articles or send us their address and we will be happy to send them this journal.

The main goals of our journal -by which published quarterly and distributed internationally- are to publish the latest, valuable scientific researches of basic sciences including biology, chemistry, geology, physics, mathematics and statistics.

We are deeply pleased that we have been able to publish this journal mainly on time, during the last twenty-nine years, hoping to continue this affair through the forthcoming years. Therefore and fortunately, the publication of this journal becoming an important part of the scientific research field of our country.

During last twenty-nine years, we have received more than 3325 scientific articles written by scientists from our country and other parts of the world. We have published 109 issues so far, totally 1112 articles including 218 articles – corresponding to 19.60 % of total published articles – from the scientists of other countries including (by their frequency order) England, India, USA, Pakistan, Australia, Nigeria, Japan, Canada, Germany, France, Jordan, Russia, Hungary, Belgium, The Netherlands, China, Greece, Sweden, Romania, Italy, Czech Republic, Namibia, Egypt, Scotland, Morocco, Azerbaijan, Taiwan and Portugal. Out of 218 above-mentioned articles, the most percentage of each of these countries belonged to India, England and USA, which were 16.97%, 16.51% and 11.92%, respectively (Table 1).

Also among the 1112 published articles, the percentage of Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, Statistics, Geology and Physics were 28.95, 25.35, 21.85, 13.93, and 9.89, respectively (Table 2).

A total of 2213 articles (corresponding to 66.56% of total received papers) have been rejected and the reviewers have accepted 33.44% of the total received articles.

In the past twenty-nine years, the editorial board in addition to some extraordinary meetings has held 385 meetings and we have received thousands of encouraging letters from across the world by which their comments and constructive criticisms have been very heart-warming and beneficial.

We are greatly pleased that for the process of evaluation of the articles, we are honor by the valuable cooperation and assistance of hundreds of distinguished referees both inside and outside the country, to whom we are deeply grateful.

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Table 1. A brief history of 218 previously published foreign articles

Name of Countries	Number of published articles	Percentage
India	37*	16.97
U.K.	36	16.51
U.S.A.	26	11.92
Australia, Pakistan	16*	7.33
Germany	15	6.10
Nigeria, Canada	11*	5.04
Japan	9	4.12
France	5	2.29
Italy	4	1.83
Jordan, Azerbaijan	3 *	1.37
Russia, Belgium, The Nether Land, Hungary, New Zealand and Portugal	2 *	0.91
China, Greece, Sweden, Romania, , Slovak Republic, Namibia, Egypt, Scotland, Morocco, South Africa, Spain, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan	1 *	0.45
Total	218	100

* From each country

Table 2. Number of published articles according to their subjects

Subject	Number of published articles	Percentage
Chemistry	322	28.95
Biology	282	25.35
Mathematics and Statistics	243	21.85
Geology	155	13.93
Physics	110	9.89
Total	1112	100

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The journal's home page (<http://jsciences.ut.ac.ir>) works from 2004 including all published abstracts as well as full texts from spring 2001, subscription forms and instruction for authors. Submission manuscript is acceptable Online.

To conclude, once again, we would like to thank all our dear researchers, authors and all distinguished colleagues and scientists of basic Sciences who have done their best to provide a good journal and like always, we eagerly await your research articles, suggestions, and constructive criticisms. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further information. With salutations to everyone, everywhere who use their knowledge for humanity and the oppressed. Moreover, all those who labor for the sake of truth and righteousness. May God almighty grant us to continue this service in an appropriate and sincere manner.

Best Wishes