

Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Dear Colleagues,

A new year is approaching and as usual we are publishing the final issue of the Mongolian Journal of Chemistry for 2022. When we publish the Mongolian Journal of Chemistry, I always think what needs to be written in the Preface for some days and usually list what we have achieved within the year. This year, I have decided to list a summary of the achievements of the Mongolian Journal of Chemistry since 2010. The New Year beckons and in my place will be a new Editor-in-Chief due to my increased commitments elsewhere. Search for the new Editor-in-Chief will start soon.

In 2010 when I was working as a Senior Research Fellow at Curtin University in Australia, a journal list was issued by the Australian Research Council (ARC) which outlined what it would consider to be peer reviewed journals. It was disappointing to find that only 3 Mongolian journals related to international relations and biology were listed. This inspired me to create a journal covering chemistry and materials science that would be included in the ARC list. Since, then the Proceedings of the Institute of Chemistry and Chemical Technology, Mongolian Academy of Sciences was re-branded into the Mongolian Journal of Chemistry and I have had a very strong involvement in the Journal's business.

In 2011, the successful application for an ISSN number showed the intention to be internationally recognized as a scientific serial. Our journal's success has related with the Journals Online project supported by the INASP (International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications). Here I must express our thanks to Mr. L.Gantulga (Manager of Mongolia Journals Online) and Academician T.Galbaatar and INASP staffs for their help and support during the incubation and development periods of the Mongolian Journal of Chemistry.

Since then, the journal has made many achievements to be proud of, the journal was the first from Mongolia to be internationally recognized through being listed in EBSCO Discovery service, DOAJ, Chemical Abstracts Service and Scopus databases. The journal's CiteScore is improving every year and for this year we expect the CiteScore to be over 1.0 with every confidence that it will continue to increase every year. My sincere hope is to see the Mongolian Journal of Chemistry ranked among the best journals in chemistry and materials science fields initially in the Asia and Pacific region but ultimately globally.

Although this year has been very challenging among the scientific community in the World with reduced science funding caused by the Pandemic and Geopolitical instability, we still received many high-quality scientific papers. This year's issue comprises 8 papers including a new feature of Open discussion which is intended to encourage debate between academics. The authors of the published papers were from Mongolia, Russia, China and Australia and over 70% of the submitted papers were from foreign countries indicating that the Mongolian Journal of Chemistry become true international journal. At present the acceptance rate of the journal is around 30% which is considered typical for higher quality journals.

Finally, I want to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to all of the people who have helped run the journal through all stages of development, Mongolian Academy of Sciences, Editorial board members, reviewers, technical editors and authors for their brilliant work.

My sincere thanks also to fellow Editors, Dr. S.Enkhtuul and Dr. N.Erdenechimeg for their tireless work, well done my friends.

All potential authors should submit their paper drafts same as before via the journal's web page <https://www.mongoliajol.info/index.php/MJC/about/submissions> or to the e-mail address monjourchem@mas.ac.mn.

With best regards,

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