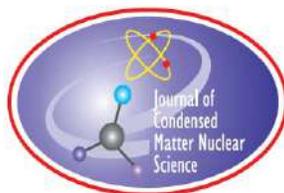


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PREFACE

It is my pleasure to introduce the second volume of *The Journal of Condensed Matter Nuclear Science*. We are now 20 years after the birth of this new scientific field. More and more data prove that the effect is real and scientifically demonstrated. Gradually, the scientific community and the media at large are opening up to this reality. How much more time will be necessary in order to get full acceptance? Nobody knows. But we are on the correct trajectory.

This journal is a community one; the sort of journal found in any research field. It is destined to be read by specialists. It is the place where new data can be shown, and theories speculated upon. In this journal, we do not need to try to prove the existence of cold fusion in every article; we take it for granted that the effect is real. We bring data, observations or ideas: some are excellent and of great interest, others are less important. However, my 40 years of research experience have taught me that you never know at a given time what is important and what is not. A simple observation one day described in a paper may be important for someone else who has seen a similar fact, and never published it. A half-developed theory might give ideas to another theoretician to improve his own work.

The Journal of Condensed Matter Nuclear Science has two major difficulties hindering its growth. On one hand, it is tempting to publish good, solid data or theories in well-known refereed journals, which is quite understandable. On the other hand, almost every year there is an international conference and local workshops that help exchange information between scientists and allow publications in the proceedings of these meetings. Therefore, there is not much room for more papers to be published in *The Journal of Condensed Matter Nuclear Science*.

Interestingly, since we have an all electronics journal, we do not have the constraints of the printed ones. We basically have no page limitation, and it is very possible to publish here extended versions of papers published in proceedings, with the great advantage that it is an easily accessible journal, since downloading is free of charge.

I wish to thank the authors and the referees for their contributions.

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