Symmetry – An International and Interdisciplinary Scientific Open Access Journal

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As the publisher of MDPI journals, I am pleased to launch Symmetry (ISSN 2073-8994), an international and interdisciplinary open access scientific journal.

Twenty years ago, a journal entitled Symmetry – An Interdisciplinary and International Journal was launched by VCH Publishers, Inc. in New York, with Professor Istvan Hargittai as Editor-in-Chief. I submitted a paper which was processed by Professor Sven J. Cyvin from The University of Trondheim – The Norwegian Institute of Technology. The paper was accepted and scheduled for publication in the printed issue 4 of volume 1, 1990. I still keep a copy of the galley proofs. However, the publication of this journal was terminated after just the release of the first issue of volume 1, and this paper was finally published elsewhere [1].

Symmetry related topics have been always my research interest [2-4]. In the journal Entropy [5], several symmetry related papers and several book reviews on symmetry related books [6-8] have been published and a special issue “Symmetry and Entropy” was published [9] with Professor Joe Rosen [10,11] serving as the Guest Editor. We are extremely pleased to be able to finally launch this journal after many years of careful planning.

With the strong leadership of active scholars, including noted physicists and chemists on the editorial board, I firmly believe that this journal will become a leading forum for related studies.

References and Notes


9. The special issue “Symmetry and Entropy” was guest edited by Dr. Joe Rosen; website: http://www.mdpi.com/journal/entropy/special_issues/symmetry_entropy.


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