

Editorial

Chromatography is Alive and Well

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It is my great pleasure to serve as the first editor-in-chief for *Chromatography*, and welcome you all to the readership. This journal will enable us to communicate our findings in “open access” while maintaining the very high scientific requirements of the few other journals that are focused on the type of science that we all find so very interesting. It is safe to say that chromatographic separations are the single most heavily used techniques in the larger field of analytical chemistry, whether applied or fundamental. Without chromatography, we would struggle to answer many of the pressing scientific questions of our time, and without improvements and advancements we will still struggle to probe more deeply into the challenges of the future. Whether it is for better understanding and characterization of starting materials and products, qualitative determination of unknowns in important matrices, quantification of the materials that impact our lives, or the discovery of the emerging compounds of the future, chromatography is the science that ties our various research fields together.

We are fortunate to live in a world where communication is changing and adapting at a very rapid pace. Speed of publication and high quality science are what we are dedicated to providing. This journal will allow for more rapid dissemination of our work and findings, through traditional papers, rapid communications, special issues devoted to specific conferences and techniques, and extensive editing possibilities.

I encourage all of you to consider sending *Chromatography* your next paper submission and see how we do. We are committed to rapid turnaround and exceptional visibility. I also encourage all of you to let me and the other editors know how we can continue to improve. Please reach out to us anytime. I look forward to seeing all of you in the pages of *Chromatography* and anywhere else that we are able to meet.