

EDITORIAL

New features in the *British Journal of Nutrition*

This new volume of the Journal opens with an appreciation of the life and works of Hamish Munro, one of the founders of our present understanding of mammalian protein metabolism. It has been written by Professor John Waterlow, who might himself also lay claim to this title.

It marks the start of the inclusion of what the Editors hope will be a variety of additional types of article in the Journal. We shall begin to feature review articles, and we aim by the next volume to have one review in most issues. There will also be occasional additional items, such as editorials commenting on articles of particular interest, and book reviews. The editorial team are well aware, of course, that the Nutrition Society already publishes authoritative reviews in both *Nutrition Research Reviews* and *Proceedings of the Nutrition Society*, and we will be working closely with the Editors of those two journals to ensure even coverage of developments in nutritional science. At least some of the reviews to appear in the Journal will raise controversies, and, I hope, provoke lively correspondence. In passing I would point out that the quality of the review articles published in our sister journal, the *Proceedings of the Nutrition Society*, has led to a rapid rise in its impact factor from 1.29 to 1.85 within one year in the latest figures available from the Institute for Scientific Information (1995).

Like most new ventures this one will gather momentum over the first few months. Its success can only be judged by the readers, and I shall be pleased to receive readers' comments on what they like or dislike about new features. Of course, I shall also be pleased to receive offers of articles which readers may wish to contribute.

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