

## ***Editorial note***

Dear Colleagues,

*Acta Biologica Cracoviensia Series Botanica* has a long and distinguished history. Its first four decades were associated with two very eminent botanists. The journal was founded in 1958 by Professor Maria Skalińska of the Chair of Plant Anatomy and Cytology (presently the Department of Plant Cytology and Embryology) of the Jagiellonian University, who edited it until 1977. She was followed by Professor Helena Wcisło, who served as Editor-in-Chief until 1996.

The publication of the second issue of *Acta Biologica Cracoviensia Series Botanica* for 2014 marks the end of my editorship of the journal, which began in 1996. Its present format also dates to that year. During this period we published 19 regular volumes (38–56), 31 issues, and 16 supplements containing abstracts of national and international meetings and conferences.

In passing the editorship to other hands I would like to express my gratitude to the members of the Editorial Board, the Section Editors and the reviewers, who have generously shared their time and expertise. My thanks to Dr. Maria Kościńska-Pająk (Secretary 1996–2006), Małgorzata Janik (Secretary 2007–2009), Dr. Monika Tuleja (Managing Editor), and Dr. Piotr Osyczka (Webmaster of the *ABCBotanica website*) for their conscientious work, and especially to Wojciech Marcinek (Technical Editor) and Michael Jacobs (Line Editor) for their excellent cooperation with the journal over the past 17 years. I also thank the Polish Academy of Sciences (Cracow Branch) as well as the Jagiellonian University, for decades of financial and administrative support.

My special thanks to the many authors who chose to publish the results of their studies in *ABCBotanica* through the years, with the hope that they will continue to disseminate their important findings through this publication. In broadening the scope of the journal we have had the pleasure of seeing more and more researchers engage with us. There is strong interest in *ABCBotanica* from authors and readers in many countries of Europe, Asia, the Middle East and elsewhere.

I wish the new Editor-in-Chief and his associates all success in their work on *ABCBotanica*.



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