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Editorial

It is a privilege to write the introduction to the first issue of the new-style *Proceedings A*. The relaunched journal takes a leap forward with high quality papers of a cross-disciplinary nature, with greater emphasis to be given to the fast publication of shorter papers, and with many more papers from authors worldwide.

The changes, designed to assist both authors and readers, will bring more top research into the journal, already considered to be the publication of choice for the interdisciplinary international dissemination of lively and topical research in the physical sciences. The subject coverage will be wider and the journal's appeal will be broader. The Editorial Office received many high quality papers before the new arrangements were finalized, and these will appear in the next few issues. The response has been very encouraging.

The work of the Editorial Board, the Regional Editors, and Bruce Goatly, Chris Purdon and Jonathan Wainwright of the Royal Society has been invaluable. I look forward to receiving many interesting papers in the near future.

John Enderby
Editor

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