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From the Editor-in-Chief...

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Dear Colleagues

Welcome to the *Journal of Oleo Science* !

During the first three days of the New year 2007, there was a calm atmosphere in neighborhood. I felt the time passed more slowly than usual. As I took a walk through a street where many houses had New Year's pine decorations, I found myself more curious about everything like children this year. We, Japanese have the Year of wild Boar according to the signs of zodiac, and I got various types of boars printed on the New Year's cards. And I enjoyed every one of them.

First of all, I would like to thank all the contributors for their excellent articles last year.

As Editor-in-Chief, I think that it is important for us to aim at the following four pillars in developing the *JOS* further also this year. They are Globalization (scientific knowledge and technology on global level), Originality(ability to make creative and inventive study), Ability(ability as a chemist to solve various scientific problems) and Charity(cultivation of human nature that can contribute to a society through science).

The *Japan Oil Chemists' Society* was registered officially as a public service organization with the objective of “contributing to the advancement of science and technology on oils and fats, natural products, surfactants, petrochemicals, biochemicals and related substances through working to bring members of the society close together”. The *JOCS* is a society, not a college. So, any researcher who is interested in our purport is able to participate in the *JOCS*. And the *JOS* will welcome from you a paper on the following five fields:

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- a. Oils and Fats
- b. Detergents and Interface Science
- c. Biochemistry and Biotechnology
- d. Chemistry and Organic Synthesis
- e. General Subjects

We, the *JOS* are willing to accept different kinds of reports of science and technology. Even if an original paper is impossible, you are always free to send us a review only. It's to promote further progress and survive in this field. We are looking forward to your passionate and budding reports and reviews from many countries.

As you know, the *JOS* launched as an international periodical journal of the *JOCS* for Oleo Science in December 2000 , and went online in July 2001, and finally started free on-line system, "OPEN ACCESS" this year. You are free to get access to us. Please visit website on-line *JOS* !! Hopefully, I believe the online *JOS* be to promote further progress of the research on Oleo Science and to exchange much more information among global researchers. Our ideal is that the *JOS* will be known as an international journal.

Lastly, I would like to express my special thanks to everyone that involved in creating and editing the *JOS*. You have all been incredibly helpful and this journal could not exist without you. It's my great pleasure to end up my foreword with asking of you your warm support and contribution to the "*Journal of Oleo Science*".

Let's keep our fingers crossed that the *Japan Oil Chemists' Society* will flourish forever.

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