

Dear Readers,

2010 marks my last year as the NZMS Editor. I have been in this role since 2002 and many changes have taken place to the magazine during this time. Up until 2002 we still produced a hard copy of the magazine that was posted out to individual members. In 2003 we switched to an electronic version at a large cost saving to the NZMS. In 2005 we merged with *NZ BioScience*, the official magazine of the *New Zealand Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology*. *NZ BioScience* is a journal geared to the scientific community interested in the biological sciences. The scope is wide ranging; and the Editor Mike Blake welcomes articles on essentially any topic of potential interest. I encourage you to submit any articles to Mike at nzbioscience@wbn.co.nz. Four issues of the magazine are published a year and the magazine is sent out to all members from both Societies. The magazine can also be found on our website: <http://www.nzms.org.nz/NZBiosciences/Backissues.html>.

Dr Nick Heng, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Otago will take over the role of NZMS Editor and I am certain he will bring new ideas and enthusiasm to the role and ensure our readers get value out of the magazine. Of course your input is essential and I encourage you to support Nick by providing newsworthy items for the magazine. These items can also be sent to our regional editors:

Ronan O'Toole, Victoria University of Wellington
Ian McDonald, Waikato University, Hamilton
Susan Turner, University of Auckland, Auckland
Justin O'Sullivan, Massey university, Albany Campus, Auckland
Jack Heinemann, Canterbury University, Christchurch
Steve Flint, Massey University, Palmerston North
Stephanie Watson, ESR, Porirua

See you at the NZMS meeting in Auckland and best wishes for the festive season!
Greg Cook