

EDITORIAL

ACTA BOTANICA BRASILICA n° 1(1) came out in January 1987, and was enthusiastically welcomed by the members of the Brazilian Botany Society (SBB). This had been planned to be a semestral publication, but n° 1(2) was delayed despite the Editor-in Chief's will and perhaps due to the juvenile stage of the journal. I believe our readers and the SBB members can understand this beginning.

The Editorial Staff and the Editors designed this publication to be divided into three sections: 1 — Mini-Review; 2 — Original Articles; 3 — thesis and Dissertation Summaries. This last section, as far as I know, is an original idea, and aims at reviving the young botanists' dissertations and theses from University shelves. The first two fascicles of Volume 1 are divided in this way; the two reviews, nine original papers and considerable number of thesis and dissertation summaries to some extent mirror the state — of-the-art of Botany in Brazil.

There will be another Editor-in-Chief for the next volume, who shall consolidate the quality and periodicity of the journal of the SBB. Number 2(1) is already under way, so the task has been carried out in part. The perspectives are enormous, and there will be a lot of work for the new Editor-in-Chief. The limits of the Brazilian borders will certainly be overcome, and ACTA BOTANICA BRASILICA will then join the group of renowned publications around the world. The collaboration of many is necessary for this to be accomplished; there has been such collaboration on the part of the Associate Editor, the Editorial Staff and the busy referees.

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