EDITORIAL COMMENT

This issue, completing volume 2 of *Seed Science Research*, contains examples of the different disciplines which make up modern research in basic seed science. At the same time it exemplifies the distinctive role held by this journal in bringing together original research papers on fundamental studies in seed biology and in providing a unique forum in its topical reviews for the discussion of concepts and progress in the science of seeds

There are gratifying signs that the scientific community recognizes the special value of the journal and the place that it occupies in the support and presentation of research on seeds By mid-October the number of papers submitted to the journal in 1992 was already well in excess of that for the whole of 1991 Subscriptions are also increasing so there are good indications that *Seed Science Research* is becoming established as an important publication outlet in the field. Our aim is to develop further this journal as a medium for rapid publication of research papers and reviews of the highest standard in basic aspects of seed science. To achieve this task we rely on the authors, referees (the review board and others) and production staff. Our thanks and appreciation are extended to them all for their contributions in 1992.

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