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Editor's Message

I am honored to take over as Chief Editor of the Israel Journal of Entomology (IJE) for Volume 43 (2013) that is dedicated to Dr. Alexander Shalom Tahori. I took over in April 2013 and have processed most of the manuscripts in this volume. Being new at the editorship of this journal I have had some learning curves. I am planning to get the IJE published on time while still going through a peer-review process. Also I will be making some basic changes to try to keep up with the changing times. One of these changes is that all new species will need to be registered in ZooBank and that registration cited in the manuscript. An additional change that we plan to make is to have the IJE provide authors with the possibility of having their papers published online, as a kind of "early view or preview". This refers to those manuscripts that have passed the peer-review and editorial review processes, and have been accepted for electronic publication.

These can be officially cited with a Digital Object Identifier (DOI) number, therefore, actually published before the printed hardcopy of each volume is printed/published. We ultimately intend to establish an impact factor for the IJE and to increase the coverage of papers treating all aspects of the science of entomology. See the Instructions for Authors for details that must be followed by submitting authors.

I want to thank Drs. Amnon Freidberg and Netta Dorchin who have been helping me during this transition. I have asked the 2013 Editorial Board to continue for 2014 and all have agreed. Also Drs. Freidberg and Yair Ben-Dov have agreed to join this Board; I may ask others to join. I would like to thank the many anonymous reviewers that helped with this volume as well as the 2013 IJE Editorial Board. Dr. Freidberg has been especially helpful in planning the 2014 volume. I would like to take this opportunity to deeply thank Dr. Freidberg for his profound and tireless dedication over more than two decades editing IJE. I may not be the "younger force" that he referred to in his Editor's Message in volume 41-42, but I hope to provide some new perspectives coming from a somewhat different academic culture.

Also I am pleased that my first IJE volume is dedicated to the late Alexander Tahori who was especially helpful to me in 1980 during my job interview at the International Center for Insect Physiology and Ecology, Nairobi, Kenya.

David Furth
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