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Editorial note

This Journal is now entering its fifth volume. It has found its way to the specialists in the new and growing field of high energy density physics which is spearheaded by intense LASER AND PARTICLE BEAMS. Contributions have been received from most leading laboratories and from wide spread groups[†] presenting several important "firsts". This is a good reason to thank the community involved for support and the Associate Editors, the members of the Editorial Board and the Publishers.

Special thanks are due to Dr. T. P. Donaldson who mastered the difficult initial years, not only by taking on the task of managing the final preparation of the papers and the interaction with the printers but also establishing all the necessary routines for the new organization. After having done this work on a part-time basis, his increased commitments no longer allow him sufficient time to continue.

The functions of Dr. Donaldson will be taken over by Professor George H. Miley who becomes Managing Editor while continuing as Associate Editor for the USA. We thank Professor Miley for his readiness to accept this position from volume 5 part 3 (1987) onwards and are very pleased to announce this to readers and contributors.

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