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EDITORIAL: SOFTWARE SURVEY SECTION

The introduction of the new Software Survey Section to <u>INSECT SCIENCE AND ITS</u> <u>APPLICATION</u> is to encourage the open exchange of information on software programmes unique to our professional field. With the rapid penetration of computers into academic and industrial institutions has come a parallel increase in the number of scientists and researchers designing their own software. The existence of much of this software remains unknown even to those of us who could most benefit from its use. We believe that it is of vital importance to our readers that such information be made available. We also believe that a professional journal is the best place to share such information. Your contribution would be most welcome.

The questionnaire on the following pages is designed to assist you in reporting on software that you may have developed or be in the process of developing. By completing this form, your information will reach thousands of your colleagues who may benefit from your work and may possibly offer suggestions for further enhancements to your software. Please complete the enclosed form and return it to:

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We do not intend to review or comment on the contents of the questionnaire. It will be published as is in order to expedite the information cycle process. I would welcome any comments you may have.