Editorial: Hello, Goodbye

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I regret to inform our readers that this is the final issue of *Brain Cell Biology*. It seems that the first issue of *BCB* appeared only yesterday; in fact, it has been less than 2 years since *BCB* first appeared. Over this time, *BCB* has made steady progress toward its goal of becoming a primary source for research into the cellular and molecular biology of the nervous system. We have published many cutting-edge articles that have advanced this field and the recent special issue on "*Optogenetic probes of neuronal function and circuitry*" promises to be a landmark in this area of research. The all-too-brief lifespan of *BCB* recalls a line from the classic Beatles song *Hello, Goodbye*: "You say goodbye and I say hello". It seems that our journal is saying "goodbye" just at the moment it was really starting to say "hello" to its audience.

In saying "goodbye", it is important to acknowledge the contributions of those who contributed to *BCB*. Certainly everyone on our Editorial Board is to be thanked for providing excellent scientific

leadership. These editors and the reviewers that they selected are to be commended for their exceptionally fair treatment of articles that were submitted to *BCB*. None of our authors ever complained of unfair editorial treatment, a remarkable record that is entirely consistent with our goal of making *BCB* a journal where decisions were made solely on the basis of scientific merit. Finally, we are exceptionally grateful both to the authors who submitted their articles to *BCB* and to the readers who made production of *BCB* worthwhile.

I will miss reading *BCB* and expect that many others will as well. Fortunately, *BCB* articles will continue to be accessible online. This means that *BCB* will continue to be read and cited, thereby providing an on-going legacy for our journal.

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