Editorial

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As all our readers and authors should know, the number of submissions received by the *Rock Mechanics and Rock Engineering* Journal has been increasing steadily. The consequence is that the number of articles accepted for publication and published online ahead of print (see the “Online First” on our website) has also increased. Therefore, the delay between online and print publication of the articles has increased.

Due to this and in accordance with the Publisher, the June, July, and August issues of this year comprised 28 articles instead of the usual 20. With this September issue and up to the end of the year, the articles printed will be raised to 40 to further reduce the time span between online

publication of an article and its print publication. We are confident that our readers and authors will appreciate this decision.

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