

***Science Bulletin*: entering a new era**

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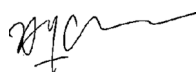
I am delighted to welcome you to the first issue of *Science Bulletin*. Starting from this issue, *Chinese Science Bulletin* will be officially re-launched as *Science Bulletin*. *Chinese Science Bulletin* has been the only SCI-indexed multidisciplinary English scientific journal in China, with a long and prestigious history of publishing high-quality research papers. Building on the outstanding past success of *Chinese Science Bulletin*, the new editorial team of *Science Bulletin* seeks to continue to expand the international readership, influence, and quality of the journal.

Science Bulletin will be published semi-monthly. While continuing to focus on publishing studies with high impact and broadest significance, the journal will offer editorial improvements and more diverse contents to assist readers to capture the most seminal work in Life and Medical Sciences, Chemistry, Materials Science, Engineering Sciences, Earth Sciences, Physics, and Astronomy. To reach our goal of growing into a leading scientific journal, 123 top scientists worldwide have been recruited to the new editorial team, which is well balanced to reflect priorities for the journal as well as areas of expertise where submissions are received and distributed. Changes have also been made in the categories for submissions and the number of Associate Editors to enhance editorial expertise and efficiencies. Along with the establishment of a new Editorial Board, we will also be applying a higher standard in accepting papers for publication. Furthermore, our Editors will do their best to reduce the time it takes to review and publish submissions so that *Science Bulletin* will truly be a rapid publication journal.

I agree with Dr. Marcia McNutt, Editor-in-Chief of *Science*, that “Scientific journals should be more than just a place where papers are parked”. I would like to see that in the near future, *Science Bulletin* will become a key part of the rapid advancement of science. With this in mind, one of the priorities of *Science Bulletin* is to help build connections between authors and the scientific community. Aside from Articles, Reviews and Letters, the journal will also publish Research Highlights, Comments, Correspondence, and News & Views. This inaugural issue features Research Articles and Reviews from all six subject areas covered by the journal, along with other contents including reports on the progress of cancer genome study and one-dimensional nanomaterials, comments on the monitoring of infectious diseases in China, highlights of the recent published work on the potential applications of smart designed nanoparticles in cancer surgery etc. In the News & Views section, you will read about the conceptual designs for the globe’s most advanced circular colliders. Through all these efforts, I hope *Science Bulletin* could provide a reliable platform for scientists to exchange their ideas about significant events that influence science and scientists.

With this opportunity, I would like thank our authors, reviewers and readers for your attention and support. My sincere thanks also extend to the Editorial Board, as well as the Editorial Staff, for their vision and dedication. Finally, on behalf of the editorial team of *Science Bulletin*, I invite outstanding scientists from every corner of the world to publish your innovative research with *Science Bulletin*.

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