

EDITORIAL

With the first issue of this year, *Agronomie* has turned into *Agronomie: Agriculture & Environment*, setting aside the *Plant Genetics and Breeding* section. The challenge was then to be able to fill up the whole journal with good enough papers in order to not affect its volume and its scientific level. This goal has been reached thanks to the publication of two thematic issues: “Greenhouses, Environment and Quality of the Products” and “Symbiotic Nitrogen Fixation in Mediterranean Areas” (double issue). In 2002 we will follow the same line with the publication of 3 thematic issues.

In the domain of agriculture and its links with the environment it is rather difficult to publish quite quick, short, innovative contributions. I have therefore decided with the Editorial Board to introduce in 2002 a new section devoted to “**Scientific Notes**”. This section will be reserved for innovative contributions from the domains covered by *Agronomie: Agriculture & Environment*. Each note will be limited to 2 printed pages of the journal corresponding to around 12000 characters, including spaces. Each note will comprise a title in English and, if possible, its translation in French, and no abstract but the key words (5 maximum). One figure and one table are accepted under the condition that they can be included in the 2 printed pages. The number of references is limited to 5.

The review and the publication processes for these notes will be accelerated in order to be able to include them practically, when they are accepted, into the issue in print, including the thematic issues.

I hope that this evolution of *Agronomie: Agriculture & Environment* will contribute to improving its interest for the international scientific community.

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