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**JCHAS Editor's Report
Spring 2016
(San Diego ACS Meeting)
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Pipeline

At the Boston meeting, I announced that we would be reducing the number of columns and increasing manuscripts in each issue with the goal of column elimination sometime in the future. Decreasing the “editorial content” (e.g. columns) is being done in order to make our application for a Thompson-Reuters Impact Factor later in 2016 or 2017 more favorable.

We have reduced our columns to five: Editorial (Elston), News&Views (Langerman), Process Safety (Hendershot), Toxic Tips (Luttrell, 3x/year) and Upcoming Events (Doemeny). We are looking to phase out Toxic Tips by the end of 2016 and moving toxicology discussions to peer-reviewed, “review-like” material.

We have increased from 4 manuscripts per issue to 5-7 manuscripts per issue. We are currently filing the January/February 2017 issue. In addition, we have a dedicated issue to the 25th Anniversary of the Laboratory Standard that is full. A hearty “Thanks” and “Well Done!” to Pete Reinhart and Lou DiBerardinis for organizing that symposium!

Assistant Editor (for Business Continuity)

Stefan Wawczniecki has volunteered as our Assistant Editor and is in training to handle manuscripts.

The SCOPUS challenge

The SCOPUS challenge that was discussed at the last Executive Committee Meeting and at the Boston Editorial Board Breakfast is still being worked upon. A letter has been drafted to the SCOPUS Business Unit and we have not yet had any response from them.