



Dear readers of the *Hacettepe Journal of Biology and Chemistry*,

With the publication of first issue of the year 2009, the *Hacettepe Journal of Biology and Chemistry* is poised for continued growth, and there are many signs that point to a bright, vibrant future for this journal. First and foremost, we are excited to announce that we have published 3 issues in 2007 and 4 issues in 2008. We had a record 68 submissions with the contribution of 27 national universities, 3 foreign universities, one special hospital and one governmental foundation.

We are also excited to announce some additions to our editorial board. New to the board are people considered to be prospected young scientists in the field of chemistry and biology.

As the Journal begins its 39th year, we would like to acknowledge the support of readers, authors, and referees that makes such a long history possible. We thank you and encourage you to continue your interest and participation in this publication.

Thanks to everyone for your support and we look forward to a successful future for *Hacettepe Journal of Biology and Chemistry*.

Sincerely,

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