

RICHARD SKALAK, NEW TECHNICAL EDITOR, JOURNAL OF BIOMECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Richard Skalak will take over as Technical Editor of the JOURNAL OF BIOMECHANICAL ENGINEERING, November 1, 1983.

Professor Richard Skalak is a native New Yorker and received his B.S., C. E., and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University. He has been teaching in the Department of Civil

Engineering and Engineering Mechanics since receiving his C.E. degree and is now James Kip Finch Professor of Engineering Mechanics. He is also Director of the Bioengineering Institute of Columbia University. Professor Skalak has worked in both fluid and solid mechanics. He spent a year at Cambridge University as a post-doctoral fellow to study turbulence. In 1967, he spent a year at the Department of Anatomy in the University of Gothenburg, Sweden as a post-doctoral fellow working with Dr. P.-I. Branemark on blood flow. Since that time, he has continued research in biomechanics, including studies of rheology of blood and single blood cells with Dr. Shu Chien, studies of lung elasticity with Dr. G. Turino, and studies of growth with Dr. M. L. Moss. He is a Fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Academy of Mechanics. He is a past chairman of the Applied Mechanics Division of ASME and was also chairman of the Engineering Mechanics Division of ASCE. He is currently a member of the Executive Committee of the Bioengineering Division of ASME and a director of the Biomedical Engineering Society. He has served previously as an Associate Editor of the JOURNAL OF BIOMECHANICAL ENGINEERING, the *Journal of Applied Mechanics*, and the *Journal of the International Society of Biorheology*. He is a member of several ASME and ASCE Committees. Professor Skalak lives in New Jersey where he and his wife Anna have raised four children. His son Tom is studying bioengineering at the University of California, San Diego.