

## NEW CLINICAL SECTION

*Cancer Research* begins its *forty-second* volume with a new format. The journal is now divided into two major sections: Basic Sciences and Clinical Investigations. This change has been made in response to the recommendations of members of our Editorial Board, our readers, and contributors who have participated in the growth of clinical cancer research and who feel that the journal should play a larger role in the continued development of this trend by highlighting clinical papers. Although the submission of clinical papers has always been encouraged, their publication has been relatively obscured because of the large number of papers published in each issue. With the creation of a new section for clinical investigations, this important work will be given prominence, and we trust that clinical oncologists will consider *Cancer Research* as an optimal publication outlet for their research.

As in the past, articles that contribute new information relating to the management or treatment of cancer in humans or that increase our knowledge and understanding of the human disease will be considered for publication. These papers, as well as papers on cancer epidemiology, will be placed in the clinical section of the journal. Studies in which human-derived material was used, i.e., human cells, human cancer cell lines, human tumors, etc., will be published in the section on Basic Sciences; these articles will be identified in our table of contents by the use of an asterisk. Contributors will be asked to indicate if they wish their manuscripts to be included in the section devoted to Clinical Investigations; however, the final decision as to placement within the journal will be made at the discretion of the Editors. These new policies are outlined in the "Instructions for Authors" which appear in this issue.

We sincerely hope that a clearer identification of papers on both Basic Sciences and Clinical Investigations will be evidence of our commitment to excellence in the publication of all types of articles in the cancer field. Comments of readers on this alteration in journal format are welcome.

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