

Editorial

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Welcome to the new look *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology* which is now being published by Springer. As you probably know Springer has a long history of publishing in mathematics, and specifically in mathematical biology hence I think this will be a good partnership for both Springer and the Society. Under Springer, the journal will increase the number of pages published per year, as well as install a manuscript tracking system to speed up publication of articles. Papers will be published Online First in full text via Springerlink, Springer's electronic journal platform, which can presently be accessed by around 5000 institutions worldwide. Papers will be assigned DOI numbers when they are published online allowing them to be citable.

Another new feature includes submission of ancillary materials, such as video, illustrations, data sets, etc. which may be submitted for online publication with your article. These materials are subject to review and approval of the editorial staff, and should be included with article submission.

As we all know, Mathematical Biology is one of the fastest growing fields in science today. As evidence of that, the submission rate to the *Bulletin* has doubled over the past four years. In order to reduce publication times the *Bulletin* will now be published eight times a year. The healthy state of the journal is due in no small part to the previous Editor, Lee Segel. He was one of the founder members of modern Mathematical Biology and contributed seminal research in a number of diverse areas. Simultaneously, the *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology* became one of the main journals in the area under his editorship. In recognition of Lee's immense contribution to the field Springer has kindly offered to fund a series of prizes in his memory linked to papers published in the journal. There will be three prize categories: best original research student paper (awarded every two years); best original research paper (awarded every two years); best review paper (awarded every three years).

This is an exciting time for the journal and I look forward to working with the Springer team.