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Editor’s Foreword

It is heartening to learn that the countless hours spent by the authors, the publisher and editorial personnel during the past four years are being rewarded by steady, ever-increasing use of the Progress in Experimental Tumor Research series by cancer researchers throughout the world. It seems expedient at this time to re-evaluate the editorial philosophy of the series with this twofold purpose in mind: 1. to maintain, or better still, to accelerate this gratifying pace of dissemination of useful knowledge, and 2. to render even greater service to the scientific community. Here are our conclusions:

The basic editorial policy of Progress in Experimental Tumor Research remains as valid today as it was in 1960, and we shall continue to publish ‘monographic presentations at short intervals, in fast-moving segments of experimental tumor research, by authors who are active in these areas.’ We shall continue to include ‘the historical background for such work, as well as extrapolations and speculations for which space would not be available in regular journals’.

The selection of subject matter and new authors will henceforth be based on the suggestions of past authors who have contributed to the series. These investigators, numbering more than seventy, are among the best informed individuals in the field of cancer research and their forecasts of trends will be the most valid ones obtainable. As the series progresses, this group of experts will grow and the roots of its advice will thus become increasingly broad and comprehensive.

Since more material than could be published in one book came in for the original Volume V, the present work will be followed within weeks by Volume VI (see Table of Contents, page 308) and from now on, whenever possible, two volumes will appear each year. The added burden imposed by this accelerated publication schedule is cheerfully accepted by the publisher, our editorial assistant, Mrs. Mary Miller, and the editor, in the hope of offering an even more useful service to those who are committed to the important task of cancer research.

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