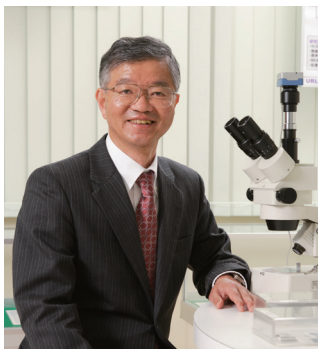


Editorial



The first issue of Sensors and Materials was published in 1988 by the editors, Professor Akira Kawabata, Professor Kiyoshi Takahashi, and Professor Kohji Toda, in collaboration with the Scientific Publishing Division of MYU.

It is my great pleasure to announce that from this year, the Journal will be published monthly in a new style (A4 size). Also, since 2015, it has provided an open access system to enhance the attraction of this international sensors journal. Sensors are one of the key devices in resolving the daunting global issues facing mankind, such as environmental, energy, health and disaster issues. In particular, recently the demand for the improvement of sensor devices and systems has become much greater owing to the development of the current information technology society (ITS). Also, electronics and information technology fields require not only large-scale integration (LSI) but also sensors and micro-electro mechanical systems (MEMS) devices including LSI, called “More than Moore”. Therefore, the role of this international journal has become more and more important from a global point of view. I am convinced that I will be able to carry on this great mission with this new publication style and the support of the Editorial Board composed of the Associate Editors, Professor Michael L. Reed, Professor Jürgen Wilde, and Professor Kiyoshi Toko, and forty other excellent researchers of worldwide recognition.

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