

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



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Note that our continued coverage depends on maintaining our commitment to the highest possible publishing standards. Now that contributions are going to be indexed, I am confident that the Journal of Plastination will attract more high-quality submissions from all round the world, reflecting the significance of plastination in research and education, and the truly global reach of the technology.

In this issue, we present two papers discussing aspects of education, a paper on the bacteriological safety of plastinates, and two papers on alternative techniques of tissue preservation from institutions in countries where access to the necessary resources for *bona fide* plastination is likely to be challenging.

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Philip J Addis". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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References

1. <https://www.elsevier.com/en-gb/solutions/scopus>