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This issue of *Materials Research* contains articles selected from regular submissions in the period 2006 - 2007, and a number of papers that were carefully selected from hundreds presented at the 17<sup>th</sup> CBECIMAT (Brazilian Congress of Materials Science and Engineering) held in Iguazu Falls, Brazil, November 2006. The review process for all these papers was done via internet: papers submitted in electronic format were e-mailed to two referees each and the review reports were received by e-mail. All the procedures necessary to assemble the present issue were thus carried out via e-mail. Dozens of regular articles are being reviewed at present. Articles presented at the annual meeting of the Associação Brasileira de Metalurgia e Materiais (ABM) in 2006 are now under evaluation.

We should emphasize once more that we do not publish conference proceedings; instead we judiciously select papers presented at different conferences, which are viewed by our team as important sources of articles for thematic or regular issues. Pre-selected conference papers are analyzed by two referees of *Materials Research* using the same criteria applied for the regular papers.

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