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This is the first issue of 2011 and I have good expectation that *Materials Research* will have a very productive year. Looking back, during last year 87 articles were published in the four issues of Vol. 13; these articles were produced by 344 authors from 13 countries, 80% from Brazil. These numbers are consistent with previous volumes reflecting the good regularity that allowed the indexation of *Materials Research* in the ISI database; however, if we want to achieve a continuous increase in the impact factor it is necessary to increase the international exposure of *Materials Research*.

With this objective in mind, I am pleased to announce two important changes in the routine of *MatRes*.

For the first time, the 20 regular articles published in this issue have appeared ahead of print at SciELO (www.scielo.br/mr). From now on, the articles will appear in the SciELO page as soon as their final edited versions are finished by our editorial office. Authors can help us by speeding up the final revision of the accepted articles and by promptly answering the queries of the editorial office. Also, as soon as the article is posted at the SciELO webpage the authors will receive a warning by e-mail, and therefore can easily disseminate their work.

The second important novelty is the incorporation of the DOI (digital object identifier) number in the articles of *Materials Research*. The DOI number will appear initially in the Abstract of the ahead of print article (which is posted separately in the SciELO webpage), and then, in the final electronic article published at SciELO and in the printed version.

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