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This issue of *Materials Research* includes 22 articles selected from regular submissions in the period 2003-2005. Most of these papers were submitted in electronic format, and were then e-mailed to two referees each, the reviews were received by e-mail; and it all worked quite well. Thus the procedures necessary to assemble the present issue were largely carried out via e-mail.

We are now implementing a software system for **on-line submissions** with obvious advantages to authors and editors. The next issue of *Mat. Res.* will also be composed of regular articles. Forty six articles are being reviewed at present. In parallel, we will be processing and selecting papers presented in a biomaterials conference, COLAOB

(**Congresso latinoamericano de órgãos artificiais e biomateriais**) to be held in August, 2006.

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