

Editorial

The First Nine Years (2013-2021) of *Life: The Excitement of Biology*

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This is my annual summary of the major developments of *Life: The Excitement of Biology*, emphasizing 2021. I am writing this summary in November 2022. Between the pandemic, extensive field work during 2022, the multiple demands of my professional life, and others I have not been able to complete as many issues of *LEB* as I had intended. I take full responsibility for that. Felicitously, I have been receiving more papers for consideration for possible publication in *LEB* and that is good news.

As in the past, *Life: The Excitement of Biology*, fosters a creative atmosphere of innovation based on constructive feedback so that authors may improve their work. Whether the paper emphasizes molecular biology or ecosystemology, the goal remains the same, to bring science to all in a clear and well-illustrated form. Recently, thanks to an avid reader of *LEB*, the section “News from the Neighborhood” was created to collect stories of scientific interest that people bring to my attention. I am profoundly grateful to all who have helped me during the past decade and hope you will continue supporting this call.

I want to wholeheartedly thank the reviewers and Guest Editors who help me make *Life: The Excitement of Biology* possible. Wolf Printing of York, Pennsylvania (USA), printers of the hard copy version of *LEB*, and WordPress, carrier of the digital version of *Life: The Excitement of Biology* and their friendly and helpful online staff members deserve special recognition.

Please, feel free to spread the word about *Life: The Excitement of Biology* and its high quality, fast publication, and editorial helpfulness. I hope all of you join me in a wonderful voyage of discovery during years to come.

Sincerely and gratefully,

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