

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

We have several new developments at *Radiocarbon* for this issue of December 2011. First, *Radiocarbon's* web presence has been updated, and we now have a modern resource, hosted by the University of Arizona Library's UAIR system (<https://journals.uair.arizona.edu/index.php/radiocarbon>). This allows submission of manuscripts online or "e-submission," review processing online, and also subscription renewals and other e-commerce. As we develop this site further, we expect to have other improvements.

Radiocarbon's impact factor has increased and is now competitive with major journals (2.703). We believe this is due to the increased frequency of publication and also an indication of the improved quality of papers. We also now host a number of important conference proceedings. An example is the next issue, the proceedings of the ^{14}C and Archaeology Conference, which was held in Paphos, Cyprus, in April 2011. The next Radiocarbon Conference (the 20th) will be held in Paris, hosted by colleagues from CNRS and CEA. The dates of the conference are July 9–13, 2012. I expect many will stay to enjoy Paris during the fireworks on July 14th.

As usual for the final issue of a year, we include laboratory contact information and updates. I note that the Groningen counter lab, which has existed since 1952, is now closed. As more and more small AMS facilities become available, it seems more and more of the grand old counter laboratories will move into history.

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