

New Editor of *Journal of Applied Crystallography*

This issue marks my retirement as Editor of the *Journal of Applied Crystallography*, a task I accepted in 1999. I will from now on concentrate on my work as Editor-in-chief of the IUCr Journals.

It is a pleasure to welcome Professor Anke R. Pyzalla as the new Editor of *Journal of Applied Crystallography*. Professor Pyzalla is a director of the Max-Planck-Institut für Eisenforschung, Düsseldorf, Germany. Professor Pyzalla is experienced in editorial matters, and her research covers the analysis of microstructure by diffraction methods and electron microscopy; texture and residual stress analyses in structural components; characterization and optimization of welds; and steel metallurgy.

I am convinced that together with our committed team of Co-editors, Professor Pyzalla will assure continued top performance and success of *Journal of Applied Crystallography*, one of the most highly cited crystallography journals and, according to a recent analysis (<http://www.eigenfactor.org>), ranked number one in terms of cost-effectiveness in its field.

With all good wishes to our new Editor.

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