

Editorial

**50th VOLUME OF JMM-B:
FIRST FIFTY YEARS OF CONTINUOUS PUBLISHING ACTIVITIES**

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Journal of Mining and Metallurgy, Section B: Metallurgy is celebrating 50th anniversary this year and our 50th volume will be published during 2014. Therefore, we would like to remind our readers to important details for JMM-B development and also, to emphasize the role of some important persons who gave significant contribution to actual picture of our Journal.

Technical Faculty in Bor, University of Belgrade has been publishing the journal called *Journal of Mining and Metallurgy* since 1965 – named in Serbian as *Zbornik radova* (1965-1977) and *Glasnik rudarstva i metalurgije* (1977-1997) [1]. The founder and first editor of the journal in the period 1965-1977 was Prof. dr Predrag Nikolić (Fig.1) [1]. The second editor of the journal since 1977 up to 2012, was Prof. dr Živan Živković (Fig.2), who continued with successful publishing activities and up to 1997, this journal was of major national importance in the field of mining, metallurgy and related fields in Yugoslavia [1].

On the initiative of Prof. Dr Živan Živković, in 1997 *Journal of Mining and Metallurgy* was transformed into an international medium for the

publication of work on the theory and practice of mining and metallurgy. The journal continued to be published under its previous name, but in two sections – *Section A: Mining* (ISSN: 1450-5359; Co-Editors: Prof. dr Zoran Marković 1997-2010 and Prof. dr Milan Trumić 2010-2012; Technical Editors: dr Darko Grujičić 1997-2001, Prof. dr Ivan Mihajlović 2001-2007, dr Jovica Sokolović since 2007) and *Section B: Metallurgy* (ISSN: 1450-5339; Co-Editor: Prof. dr Dragana Živković 1997-2012; Technical Editors: dr Darko Grujičić 1997-2001, Prof. dr Ivan Mihajlović 2001-2007, dr Ljubiša Balanović since 2007). Since 2012, Prof. dr Živan Živković was appointed as Honorary Editor, while Prof. dr Dragana Živković became new JMM-B Editor-in-Chief.

From the very beginning, *Journal of Mining and Metallurgy, Section B: Metallurgy* (or *JMM-B*) was strongly supported by many well known scientists all over the world, who accepted to join the Editorial Board to strengthen it by their international reputation and/or to contribute with publication of papers. Let us mention here just some of our great friends who believed in JMM-B idea from the start – first



Figure 1. Prof. dr Predrag Nikolić, founder and first editor of *Journal of Mining and Metallurgy* in the period 1965-1977.



Figure 2. Prof. dr Živan Živković, Editor-in-Chief of *Journal of Mining and Metallurgy* in the period 1977-2012

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members of the JMM-B Editorial Board as an international journal in 1997: Prof. dr Jaroslav Šestak, Prof. dr Riccardo Ferro, Prof. dr Zbigniew Moser, Prof. dr Kuo Chih Chou, Prof. dr Iwao Katayama, Prof. dr Rumen Dimitrov, as well as many other dear friends and colleagues who joined afterwards and helped a lot to build this journal and to become what it is nowadays.

Starting from the number 43 (1) in 2007, *Journal of Mining and Metallurgy Section B: Metallurgy* appeared on THOMSON REUTERS extended SCI list (Science Citation Index Expanded), Journal

Citation Reports/Science Edition and Materials Science Citation Index (Fig.3). Since then, journal ranking has been constantly increasing, so it appeared at the Journal Citation Report (JCR) list, also [2]. First impact factor was obtained in 2009 (IF 0.548), with position 29/70 in the scientific field *Metallurgy and Metallurgical Engineering*, while for 2012 IF was improved to 1.435 with position 12/76 in mentioned scientific field. Also, in 2012 JMM-B was evaluated for the first time in the category of five-year period – with IF of 1.309 and position 15/76. The ranking trend of JMM-B for the period 2009-2012 is shown in Table 1. [2].

Table 1. JMM-B ranking in Journal Citation Report list for period 2009 - 2012 [2]

Year	2009	2010	2011	2012
Impact factor	0.548	1.294	1.317	1.435
Sci.field - Metallurgy & Metallurgical Engineering	29/70	12/76	14/75	12/76

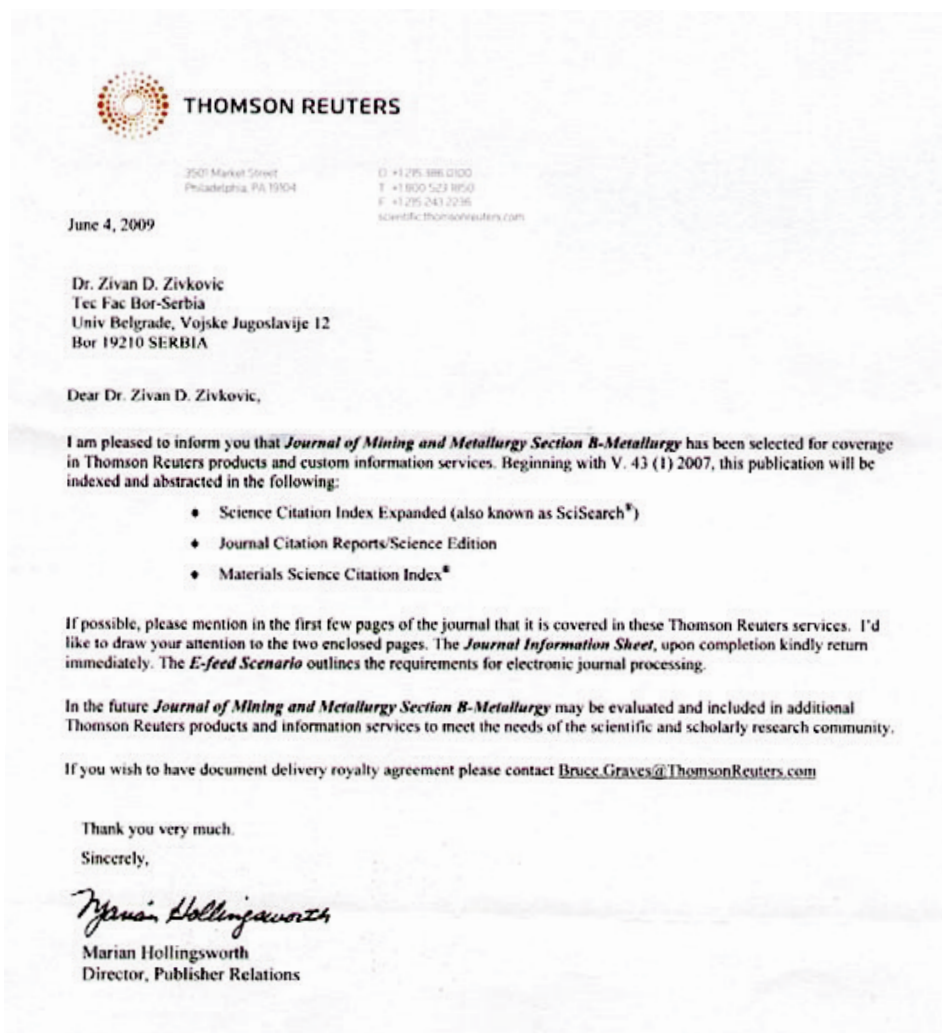


Figure 3. Letter from Thompson Reuters with the information that JMM-B is indexed and abstracted by SCI Expanded, JCR and MSCI list since the issue 43 (1) (2007)

Besides mentioned index databases, JMM-B has already been indexed and abstracted in different Index Databases: Elsevier Bibliographic Database, Chemical Abstracts, Scopus, KOBSON, DOAJ - Directory of Open Access Journals, EBSCO Publishing, and by Cabell's Directories and All-Russian institute of Scientific and Technical Information ВИНТИ [3].

Numerous submissions and interesting topics from different areas of metallurgy, metallurgical engineering and metallic materials confirm that basic concept of *Journal of Mining and Metallurgy, Section B: Metallurgy* – publishing of high quality articles in the scope of actual theory and practice of metallurgy and related fields – is still valid, presenting a good foundation and frame wide enough to continue further in future. Towards new issues, new friends in our JMM-B 'family', wider readers audience, and - next jubilee!

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