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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

As the world continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, we have struggled to return to our “normal” daily activities and routines, or at least to achieve a “new normal.” We were forced to cancel our 2020 Annual Meeting, which was to be held in March in Riverside. One consequence of this cancellation was that paper and poster authors were unable to present their research publicly in 2020. Since many of our members rely on the *Proceedings* to publish their research without having to go through an arduous and typically very long review process, the decision was made to go forward with the 2020 issue with papers that had already been submitted for presentation at the meeting prior to the cancellation being announced at almost the last minute (we kept hoping!).

This problem was supposed to be remedied in 2021, but as the pandemic was not finished with us yet, it became necessary to have a virtual meeting rather than in person, so attendance was down. We were able to “pull it off” fairly successfully, but there did not seem to be much enthusiasm – perhaps due to pandemic fatigue – for presenters to submit their papers to the *Proceedings* for 2021 (only two papers were actually submitted). As a result, the SCA did not produce what would have been Volume 35 (2021), so this issue is Volume 35 (2022), creating a gap year in the series. Within this volume are the two papers that were submitted for publication in 2021, per an agreement I made with the authors last year. I think you will enjoy this issue of the *Proceedings*, which represents the tenacity of our membership through some difficult years.

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