

Editorial

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This year, EMBnet.journal has changed the way it publishes articles to a more agile model, to adapt to the rapidly transforming digital publishing arena. Once submitted via the Open Journal System, articles are sent for peer review and are published as soon as possible after acceptance. All articles are published online, and a complete volume is produced and archived at the end of the year.

In this way, we strive to produce a journal that lives up to its motto, "Bioinformatics in Action". We will, during 2015, invite all our previous authors and encourage new ones to submit contributions to the journal: we accept full research and education articles, as well as technical reports and reviews of new software, databases and books. The Editorial Board welcomes our readers to a new decade with one of the oldest publications in the field of bioinformatics.

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