

Gunnar E. Carlsson, New Editor

The Editor-in-Chief of *Acta Odontologica Scandinavica* is appointed by the Foundation's Board of Directors for 3 years. Reappointment may take place once without advertising the position. The bylaws of the Foundation recommend that the position of Editor alternates among the member countries, Finland, Denmark, Norway, and Sweden.

Several extremely well qualified applicants for the position of Editor of *Acta Odontologica Scandinavica* were reviewed at the Board Meeting on 24 August 1990. Professor, odont. dr. Gunnar E. Carlsson, Faculty of Odontology, University of Gothenburg, was appointed Editor of the journal from Volume 50, 1992. Papers have now been accepted which will fill Volume 49, 1991. All future papers submitted for publication in *Acta Odontologica Scandinavica* must therefore now be mailed to Professor G. E. Carlsson, Faculty of Odontology, University of Gothenburg, Box 33070, S-400 33 Gothenburg, Sweden.

Gunnar E. Carlsson is a member and past chairman of the Board of Directors of the Foundation *Acta Odontologica Scandinavica*. He has published extensively and has vast experience as Associate Editor of *Acta*, editor of textbooks, and referee for *Acta* and other scientific journals. He is also an efficient dental administrator. Thus, Dr. Carlsson is superbly qualified to edit *Acta Odontologica Scandinavica*, which strives to make dental research in Scandinavia known to an international forum.

Scandinavian dental research is well recognized internationally, which is stimulating and challenging to the Editor. *Acta Odontologica Scandinavica* is a relatively small journal, but it has an excellent worldwide

distribution. Articles in *Acta* are frequently quoted in the scientific dental literature. The journal has a sound economic basis. Thus, the starting point for Dr. Carlsson is good, but dentistry is at present in a state of flux in many countries, which makes a small scientific dental journal easily vulnerable. I wish Dr. Carlsson every success in his endeavors to carry on the traditions of *Acta Odontologica Scandinavica*.

Looking back on 15 years of editing *Acta Odontologica Scandinavica*, I should like to acknowledge the valuable work done by the referees. The advice and guidance of these individual experts are indispensable to the success of any journal. It should be recognized that the quality of any journal is a reflection of the quality of the referees.

I should also like to thank Bente Rohde Try for her devoted administrative efforts as Assistant Editor during the past 15 years.

During the early part of my term as Editor the Associate Editors were actively engaged in solving policy matters related to the publication of *Acta*. However, during the major part of the last 15 years, these contributions have focused on the scientific aspects of the journal, and their activity as referees has been greatly appreciated.

The collaboration with Universitetsforlaget AS (Norwegian University Press) has been excellent since they took over the publication and distribution of *Acta* in 1982. The Editor and the Assistant Editor acknowledge the administrative support of the entire staff of Universitetsforlaget. We should also like to thank the Norwegian Dental Association for providing office facilities and secretarial support during the past 15 years.

Ivar A. Mjör
Editor