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## EDITORS' NOTE

In this issue of *Beiträge zur Tabakforschung International/Contributions to Tobacco Research* we are pleased to notify our readers that the Advisory Board of the Journal has been enlarged by the following reputed tobacco scientists:

- ▶ Dr Nicolas Baskevitch, Allonnes Cedex, France
- Dr Marcos Pery Campos, Bayreuth, Germany
- Professor Dr Aglika Edreva, Sofia, Bulgaria
- ► Dr John H. Lauterbach, Macon, GA, USA.

We are convinced that their broad and deep knowledge in different areas of tobacco science will help us to maintain our high standard.

We are also pleased and proud that Dr Richard Baker, a very active member of the BTI Advisory Board has been honored by the 2006 Lifetime Achievement Award at the 60th Tobacco Science Research Conference in Montreal, Canada. The honorific speech for Richard Baker held by Dr Thomas Perfetti is published in this issue (pp. 256–257).

Finally, we would like to thank Dr Bernd Brümmer (Bayreuth, Germany) for his commitment as a member of the Advisory Board of the Journal for six years (2001–2006). Bernd Brümmer retired from his position at British American Tobacco in Bayreuth, Germany, last year. We regret that he has requested to also resign from the Advisory Board of *Beiträge zur Tabakforschung International*. We wish Bernd Brümmer all the best for his future activities.

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