



Editor's note

Robert Peter Gale has recently resigned his position as co-editor of Bone Marrow Transplantation because of his work commitments in other areas. We will miss his counsel and his contributions greatly. Bob has been a leader in the haemopoietic stem cell transplant field for as long as many of us can remember. He was a member of the team that originally put UCLA on the map as a major national and international centre of transplant expertise. One of his greatest achievements was to collaborate closely with Mortimer Bortin in modernising the International Bone Marrow Transplant Registry, of which he served as Chairman for 17 years. Together they transformed the Registry from a data collection agency into one of the leading academic influences in haematology whose scientific reliability is today accepted automatically worldwide. When the planning for Bone Marrow Transplantation started in 1985, he was the obvious choice as co-editor and I was delighted when he accepted my invitation to help launch the new journal. He has been an active and effective contributor until now and we hope to continue to benefit from his innovative ideas and thoughtful advice in the future.

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