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This issue of *Materials Research* contains twenty four articles, including a session with eleven papers about carbon materials, selected from submissions in the period 2007-2008. The rejected/accepted ratio continues to fluctuate at around 40-50%. Several articles are being reviewed at present.

And the good news is: *Materials Research* has been accepted by Thomson Reuters for the following products beginning with volume 11(1) 2008: *Science Citation Index-Expanded (SCIE)* including the *Web of Science*, *ISI Alerting Service* and *Materials Science Citation Index (MSCI)*. These are the most traditional article databases and allow one to search articles by title, keyword, author name, or affiliation, and also show article citations. Beyond any doubt, with this new indexation *Materials Research* became much more attractive to all kinds of authors.

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Our electronic submission system has been operational since June 2008. We seize this opportunity to invite the members of the editorial board, authors and readers of *Materials Research* to submit their next paper at: <http://matres.submitcentral.com.br>. We hope to further decrease the publication time with the online submission system.

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| A     | National      | Multidisciplinary     |
| A     | National      | Chemistry             |
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| B     | International | Engineering III       |
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