

Editorial

Two Years of Life for a New Journal: *Compounds*

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The present year marked the third year of *Compounds* (ISSN 2673-6918), which was born in 2021 with the aim of providing a platform for the communication of scientific achievements in the field of the synthesis, characterization, and properties of chemical compounds from both a theoretical point of view as experimental [1,2].

During 2022, we published 18 research articles, 2 brief communications, 7 review articles and 6 editorial articles in four issues, published in March, June, September, and December (representing an increase of 135%; see Figure 1).

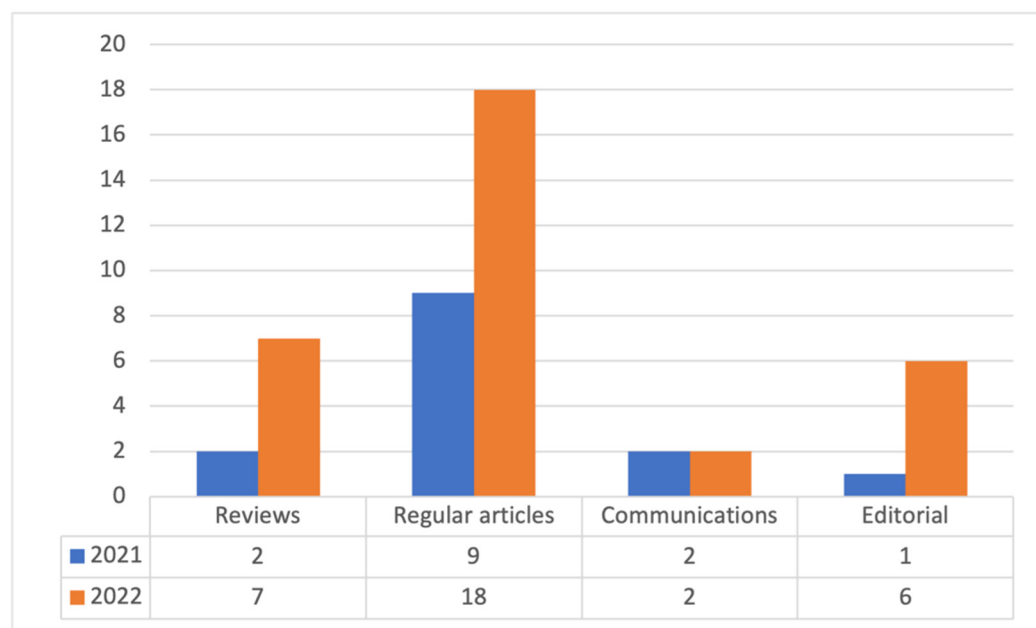


Figure 1. Evolution of publications in *Compounds* during its first two years.

During its first two years, the articles published in *Compounds* were viewed more than 60,000 times, which demonstrates the impact that our journal is amassing among the scientific community. These data stem from article metrics available on the MDPI publishing platform, where multiple requests originating from the same IP address are counted as one view/download. On the other hand, according to Crossref, the articles that we have published already have fifty citations.

We should also note that ten Special Numbers have been published, to which authors will still be able to offer contributions during 2023 (Table 1). In addition, a Special Issue of reprints was published (ISBN 978-3-0365-5987-2 and 978-3-0365-5988-9, respectively, for the physical book and its electronic version) [3].



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Table 1. Special Issues Open for Submissions.

Special Issue	Submission Deadline	Website
Polymeric Substrates Modification with Biobased Functional Compounds	31 July 2023	[4]
(Bio)molecules from Natural Extracts: An Infinite World of Opportunities	31 July 2023	[5]
Organic Compounds with Biological Activity	30 September 2023	[6]
Cyclodextrins: Structure, Properties and Applications	31 October 2023	[7]
Computer Modeling, Machine Learning, and Artificial Intelligence in Chemistry	31 December 2023	[8]
Feature Papers in <i>Compounds</i> (2022–2023)	31 December 2023	[9]

This year, we also launched the section containing the Editor's Choice Articles [10], based on the recommendations of the scientific editors of MDPI journals from around the world. In this process, the editors select a small number of articles recently published in the journal that they believe will be of particular interest for the readers or particular value in the respective research area. The aim is to provide a snapshot of some of the most exciting work published in the journal, covering various research areas. This year, 12 articles were selected for this section. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the authors and invite them to continue to provide contributions to *Compounds* [11–22].

Another noteworthy development is the international expansion of *Compounds*, including the diversification of the geographical origins of the authors who participated this year (see Figure 2). This is another significant achievement.

**Figure 2.** Geographic distribution of the authors who participated in *Compounds* during the past two years.

Although *Compounds* already appears on different indexing and abstracting services and platforms, as well as different content aggregators, we also seek to promote our journal's inclusion within the different journal ranking lists.

Furthermore, our objective continues to be to improve *Compounds* in order to consolidate it as a high-quality journal and reference magazine in the field of multidisciplinary chemistry, fostering a forum through which researchers can publish, debate and disseminate cutting-edge achievements in chemistry. This is why, through this editorial article, on both my part and on behalf of the members of the Editorial Committee, I invite the

scientific community to continue to engage with and contribute to *Compounds*. Scientific articles, short communications, review articles and letters are welcome for submission to the journal. Likewise, I invite the scientific community to collaborate with us in the edition and publication of our Special Numbers, dedicated to topics that fall within the scope of the *Compounds*.

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