



## Letter from the Editor

Four distinguished researchers have recently joined the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Testing and Evaluation*.

**Dr. Marcelo M. Hirschler**, a consultant, is an international authority on technical and legal fire issues, and has been active in developing fire safety standards. He has published over 250 technical articles in this area, and four books. He is an associate editor of the journal *Fire and Materials*, and serves on the editorial boards of three other journals.

**Dr. Edward J. Kitka, Jr.**, FMC Corporation, is an analytical chemist specializing in liquid chromatography. He is active with the ACS, AOAC, AIC, and ASTM, and is currently serving as chairman of E19 on Chromatography.

**Dr. Andrew W. Phelps**, University of Dayton Research Institute, is a materials scientist with a background in geosciences and solid state studies. He has had broad experience with the modern tools for materials characterization.

**Dr. Thomas Varga**, Technische Universität Wien, is a mechanical engineer with considerable industrial experience in materials testing. Professor Varga is currently head of the university's Institute for Testing and Research in Materials Technology.

We welcome them to the *Journal*.

*Dr. Donald R. Petersen*  
*Editor-in-Chief*