

Letters

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Permission granted. We are pleased to see Science Dimension used as an educational tool. Ed.

Kudos

Although I don't like using superlatives, *Science Dimension* is the best science magazine I have read. It is neither too technical nor too popularistic — and some of the articles are downright brilliant because of their clear writing. Not only scientists want to understand what is happening in the world of science, a world that affects us all.

Oh yes, I definitely like the unilingual format.

Joan Kurisko

Thunder Bay, Ontario

Just a brief note to congratulate you and your staff on the excellent production of your first issue of *Science Dimension*. The articles are interesting and clearly written. The graphic design is outstanding.

D.E. Ryan

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Our first-year nursing students study the concept of cellular aberration. As a nursing teacher, I found the article "Distant Early Warning Protein" on oncomodulin (SD 1983:3 p. 28) informative and providing further illumination on cell receptor theory. It is gratifying to know the extent of research being carried out by NRC, and the positive implications this may have on prevention and treatment of Cancer.

"Cherries in the Pink... from the red" (SD 1983:3 p. 16) by John Jaffray is humorous and informative, especially in today's economic climate. The up-to-date information and excellent illustrations in Capsules is also informative. The photography and art work in *Science Dimension* stimulate one's interest. Thank you for an informative and helpful magazine on current research in science.

Lillian Williams

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My sincere compliments go to all the staff of *Science Dimension*, who do a great job at making current research in all the different facets of science so understandable. Being a graduating student in biology from university, I find no trouble in relating to articles within the fields of biology; yet, I also find articles in physics and chemistry equally intriguing, and written in a way that is easy to understand. And all this without any advertisements! Credit must also go to John Bianchi for his amusing cartoons and colourful illustrations. Keep up the good work!

Marc Kayem

Montreal, Quebec

Your publication is commendable. There is, however, one fault: it is too simple. *Science Dimension* would be



a far better magazine if the articles were written in greater detail.

Chris Giorshev

Scarborough, Ontario

Temperature problem

I am sure that you want *Science Dimension* to be 100 per cent accurate in every respect, but I am sorry to say that you did not quite make it with the issue Volume 15, No. 2.

On page 17 there are two references to thermodynamic temperatures as 3°K. Well, in 1968 the Conférence Générale de Poids et Mesures (CGPM) changed the unit of thermodynamic temperature from "degree kelvin (°K)" to "kelvin (K)." Now such a temperature would be expressed as "3K," read as "three kelvins." And, when we get close to absolute zero, we do speak of a temperature of so many millikelvins (mK).

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Oops! Ed.

High school guidance departments

I am happy to see a new format in *Science Dimension* magazine and your concern for science awareness in Canadian schools.

Because of your concern for educators' "unique and crucial role in guiding the scientists of tomorrow," I hope that you have the executive committee of the Ontario School Counsellors Association, as well as the guidance department in elementary and secondary schools on your mailing list.

Because of mutual concerns expressed by the Ontario Teachers' Federation over the last five years,