

Editorial

Earlier this year, after lengthy discussions, the editors of *Cognitive Science* and *Cognition and Brain Theory* decided to merge the two journals to form a new, enlarged *Cognitive Science*, beginning with the current volume.

For the past few years there had been an increasing convergence between the aims and content of *Cognitive Science* and the journal, *Cognition and Brain Theory* (CBT). Though the field has been steadily growing, it is still fairly modest and the result has been a growing overlap in readers, authors, and editorial board members of the two journals.

Conversations between the senior editors of *CBT* and *Cognitive Science* produced unanimous agreement: The growth of cognitive science as a developing multidisciplinary enterprise would be better served by a single, comprehensive journal, than by two competing journals whose contributors, audience, and mandate were so intertwined.

A number of changes accompany the merger:

- The Senior Editors of the journal now are John R. Anderson, Michael A. Arbib, Martin H. Ringle, and Edward E. Smith. David L. Waltz will serve as Executive Editor.
- The advisory boards of each journal have been dissolved and a new board is being established.
- Materials from philosophy and brain theory—which have been well represented in *CBT*—will receive greater attention than in former issues of *Cognitive Science*.
- The Book Reviews, Critical Discussions, and Theoretical Notes sections of *Cognition and Brain Theory* will be incorporated into *Cognitive Science*.
- The size of the journal will be expanded to 500 pages per volume per year.

The combined journal will be published by Ablex and current subscribers to *CBT* will receive renewal information directly from the publisher. Cognitive Science Society members will continue to receive the journal along with Society membership.

All of us who have been involved in the preparations for this merger share the hope that the consolidation of resources will result in a publication which is greater than the sum of its parts. We welcome your comments, suggestions, and criticisms, as well as your submissions for publication.

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