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## Editorial

# Introduction to Dr. Jerzy Leszczynski



Dr. Jerzy Leszczynski, a computational quantum chemist, is Professor of Chemistry and President's Distinguished Fellow at Jackson State University. Dr. Leszczynski attended the Technical University of Wroclaw in Wroclaw, Poland where he obtained his M.S. (1972) and Ph.D. (1975) degrees. Two areas of his research contributions are most notable: investigations on DNA fragments and the devel-

opment of novel techniques for the investigation of the properties and toxicity of nanomaterials.

Dr. Leszczynski has served as referee for more than 50 journals and has published approximately 800 refereed papers and over 60 book chapters. He has given over 900 presentations, with more than 200 of these being invited presentations. His papers have been cited about 18,000 times and, according to the Web of Science, his Hirsh Index is 61. He is a recipient of the White House Millennium Award for Teaching and Research Excellence in Mathematics, Science, and Engineering. Other selected awards include: Member of the European Academy of Sciences, 2002; Guest Professorship, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Shanghai, 2002; Honorary Doctorate, Dnipropetrovsk National University, 2003; Honorary Professorship, Wroclaw University of Technology, 2004; Member, European Academy of Sciences, Arts and Humanities, 2004; Award for Research Collaboration on Investigations of Interactions in Molecular Complexes and Active Centers of Enzymes, Polish Minister of Science and Higher Education, 2006; Maria Skłodowska-Curie's Medal (awarded to prominent chemists working permanently abroad), Polish Chemical Society, 2007; USA Presidential Award for Excellence in

Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring, 2009; Honorary Professorship, Chongqing Normal University, 2012; Professorship bestowed on him by the President of the Polish Republic, 2010; Award of the Academic Council of the Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine, 2013; Guest Professor, Jiangnan University, China, 2014.

Since 1992, Dr. Leszczynski has been the chairman of the organizing committee of the Annual International Conference Series on Current Trends in Computational Chemistry, and since 2001, he has been chairman of the organizing committee of the Southern Schools on Computational Chemistry and Material Sciences Series. Dr. Leszczynski has served as the editor of 36 books including: "Computational Chemistry: Reviews of Current Trends" (World Scientific); "Challenges and Advances in Computational Chemistry and Physics" (Springer); "Practical Aspects of Computational Chemistry" (Springer); "Handbook of Computational Chemistry" (Springer); and "Lecture Notes in Chemistry" (Springer). He is also the editor and/or member of the editorial board of eight journals.

On behalf of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Food and Drug Analysis, we are honored to publish the invited article by Dr. Leszczynski entitled "Amino Substituted Nitrogen Heterocycle Ureas as KDR Inhibitors: Performance of Structure–Activity Relationship Approaches". We hope you will enjoy this interesting article.

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