

## *JMR* Launches Electronic Submission Database

In April, Materials Research Society's *Journal of Materials Research (JMR)* launched a Web-based manuscript submission and tracking system called Global Editor. *JMR* is one of the pioneer users of this system, which facilitates the submission and review process for authors and referees.

This system enables authors to send their manuscripts, figures, and contact information to the journal through the Internet. Moreover, authors who submit their manuscripts electronically will be able to connect to the system at any time to check on the status of their manuscript.

The introduction of Global Editor

promises to further reduce the length of the journal's review process, as manuscripts and reviews will be sent electronically between the *JMR* office and Principal Editors and reviewers worldwide. Reviewers and editors will then be able to submit their recommendations online.

Editor-in-Chief Robert Frankenthal is enthusiastic about the journal's entrance into the world of electronic publication. *JMR* began its migration by making abstracts of all volumes available online for the general public at [www.mrs.org/publications/jmr/jmra](http://www.mrs.org/publications/jmr/jmra). Frankenthal said, "This site also provides *JMR* subscribers with the benefit of online access to the

complete texts of volumes published from 1996 through the current issue."

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