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It is both a pleasure and a priviledge to announce that Dr Richard F. Mould, the internationally known scientist, author and editor, has kindly agreed to become the Co-Editor of *NOWOTWORY Journal of Oncology*. His editorial skills and experience will support the journal at a very important time in its development now that it is a truly international oncological journal.

Edward Towpik



Dr Richard F. Mould was awarded an Honours BSc in Physics from Manchester University, an MSc in Nuclear Physics from London University and a PhD in Cancer Statistics from the Institute of Cancer Research, London University. For 30 years he was employed in the United Kingdom's National Health Service, retiring as Director of Medical Physics & of The Cancer Registry at the Westminster Hospital, London. Previously he had worked at the Royal Marsden Hospital, London: where he wrote several papers with the famous radiotherapist of that time, Dr Manuel Lederman. Since retiring from the NHS in 1990 Dr Mould has worked as an independent Scientific Consultant travelling worldwide presenting Basic Medical Statistics Courses for radiation oncologists, editing conference proceedings, acting as a consultant to the World Health Organisation and the International Atomic Energy Agency and in the UK as a medico-legal expert. He has written some 100 papers and 50 books.

He is an Honorary Member of the Royal College of Radiologists and holds Fellowships of the Institute of Physics, Institute of Mathematics, Institute of Statisticians, and Institute of Physics & Engineering in Medicine. He has also been made an Honorary Colonel of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, USA, for services to cancer education in the University of Louisville.

His books include *Introductory Medical Statistics* which is now in its 3rd edition [1998] following its first publication in 1976 and subsequent Spanish and Japanese editions, *Radiotherapy Treatment Planning* [1985] which went into two editions, *Cancer Statistics* [1983], *Mould's*

Medical Anecdotes Omnibus Edition [1996] and A Century of X-Rays & Radioactivity in Medicine [1993]. His recent Chernobyl Record [May 2000] is the definitive and extremely well illustrated book on the catastrophe. He quotes his major scientific interests as the Chernobyl accident, the life of Marie Sklodowska-Curie, cancer epidemiology, prediction modelling of long-term survival rates in cancer, and currently, depleted uranium and the Gulf & Balkan War syndrome.

He has travelled widely, including visits in Poland to Warsaw, Krakow, Malbork, Frombork, Gdansk and Auschwitz and has collaborated in 1998 with Dr Edward Towpik for the *Memorial Issue of Marie Sklodowska-Curie* which was published by *Nowotwory*. In December 1998 the *British Journal of Radiology* [volume 71, pages 1229-1254] published his review article entitled *The Discovery of Radium n 1898 by Maria Sklodowska-Curie and Pierre Curie with Commentary on their Life and Times*.

His most recent work has this year been published in the journal *Physics in Medicine & Biology* [2002; 42: 3893-3924] and described two new prediction models he has devised: Tobacco Cancer Risk and Absolute Cancer Cure models. These could be a significant advance in obtaining earlier results of cancer-specific survival rates than using the standard Kaplan-Meier method and because of their significance they are summarised in the *Varia Statistica* section of this issue of *Nowotwory*.