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## At the start of the 6<sup>th</sup> volume

As planned, all four issues appeared in 2006. In addition, the journal was accepted by both Inspec and PsychINFO, thus increasing the awareness of the domain of gerontechnology in both the scientific and technological community.

The observant reader may have noticed that *Gerontechnology Quarterly Journal* looks different this time. We are proud to announce that we changed the typesetting tool from Scribus to Adobe's InDesign and the font from Lucida Sans to Optima™ (page 57). Our thanks go to ir. Cor E.E. Pernot Eurling, who has been performing the typesetting from issue 2 of volume 2 onward.

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Special thanks go to the guest editors from the UK who compiled two design issues: 5(1) on 'Designing computer technologies with older people' by Anna Dickinson (University of Dundee) and Guy Dewsbury (Lancaster University), and 5(3) on 'Universal design' by Gill Whitney and Suzette Keath from Middlesex University.

In total 71 manuscripts were reviewed, of which 38 (54%) have been rejected. Starting January 1, 2007, two new editors have strengthened the organisation. We are grateful to Anna Dickinson and William Kearns for accepting the invitation.

And, last but not least, the instructions for authors have been updated; please use the new version on the journal's website ([www.gerontechjournal.net](http://www.gerontechjournal.net)).

We wish you an interesting and pleasant reading of the first issue of volume 6. In 2007 we hope to receive many good and interesting manuscripts; in particular we would welcome manuscripts that study interactions between older adults and robots or other intelligent machines. The editors also wish you health, happiness, and prosperity during 2007 and beyond.

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