



## Editor's Preface

# On Editorial Policy of KONA Powder and Particle Journal

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It is my great pleasure to introduce the latest issue of KONA Powder and Particle Journal No. 37 (2020). As a tradition of every issue, this issue blends review articles and original research papers which have passed a rigorous review process led by the Editorial Boards of Asia/Oceania, Europe/Africa, and America. The articles in this issue have been released as Advance Publication on J-STAGE (<https://www.jstage.jst.go.jp/browse/kona/>) since September 30, 2018. The entire issue is published on-line on the homepage of Hosokawa Powder Technology Foundation (<https://www.kona.or.jp/jp/journal/index.html>) and in 1,100 printed copies in January 2020.

It has always been our aim to deliver you the latest advancements in powder and particle technology, as we understand that powder and particles are inseparable from future manufacturing industry. Research related to powder and particles has spread across a wide spectrum, from ceramics, electronic materials, to food and pharmaceuticals. In-depth studies have been performed by researchers from diverse communities to understand the phenomena and processes concerning powder and particle technology. This trend is shown in the research papers on powder and particle technology, of which the numbers are dramatically increasing throughout the decades. These papers have been published not only in main traditional journals of powder and particle technology but also journals in engineering, basic sciences, pharmacy, and medicine.

Technological advances which enable the powder and particles to be smaller yet more complex (i.e., highly integrated, functional, and having hierarchical structures, etc.) should be well communicated to other researchers and industrial practitioners through high quality research papers and review articles. Review articles are especially important to fulfill the demands from researchers and engineers who are looking for reliable sources which summarize all this rapidly advancing research to understand the research trends, latest information, and future tasks in the specific subjects. *In this light, KONA Powder and Particle Journal aims to publish mainly review articles by the leading researchers.* We strongly encourage leading researchers who have been studying powder/particles with broad impacts to both scientific and industrial communities to contribute in our journal. Young researchers who received a Ph.D. degree on a topic closely related to powder/particles within several years are also welcome to contribute review articles based on their Ph.D. research.

Regardless of review articles and research papers, submission to KONA Powder and Particle Journal implies that all authors have read and complied with the Journal's policies on publication ethics. *We only accept the manuscript which has not been previously published, is not in press, and is not under consideration for publication elsewhere.* It is now possible to submit your manuscript online via Editorial Manager for KONA Online Paper Submission and



Paper Review System. For all further information, please go to the Journal's homepage on <http://www.kona.or.jp/journal/info.html>. Publication in KONA Powder and Particle Journal is free of charge for the authors.

On May 1<sup>st</sup> 2019, the Japan's Era name changed from Heisei to Reiwa, which means "beautiful harmony". I hope the change of era inspires us, as researchers, industrial practitioners, and editorial board of KONA Powder and Particle Journal, to strongly cooperate for the better advancements of powder and particle technology in a beautiful harmony.

## Reviewer Appreciation

I express our gratitude to the reviewers for the publication of this KONA Powder and Particle Journal. Thanks to the generous contributions of the volunteer reviewers as well as the interest of researchers in our journal, the number of submission to this journal is increasing after the registration on the major international journal platforms and its level is further improving. Because of the limited space of this annual journal, the number of papers published there is regrettably rather restricted. Therefore the papers of good quality need to be selected for the journal and further improved and refined by the reviewing.

The editorial team of KONA Journal would like to take this opportunity to gratefully acknowledge the reviewers here and deeply appreciate their valuable time and professional contributions to the KONA Journal. We apologize to any reviewer who may have inadvertently been omitted from this list. We are sincerely grateful to all who have been of any assistance to the publication of this journal.

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