## Foreword

This is the first issue of a new publication series at Norsk Polarinstitutt — *Polar Research*. It will include original, scientific papers of up to 30 type-written pages in the field of polar research, and in such disciplines as geology, biology, glaciology, meteorology, oceanography, solid earth geophysics, etc. Brief communications of 3—5 typewritten pages will be included as a "Notes" section.

Polar Research will be a periodicum, appearing with 2—3 issues per year, depending upon the access of satisfactory manuscripts. We plan to offer quick publication of good quality in a series distributed to polar research institutions all over the world.

The series will be in English and directed to the same type of readers as Skrifter which is our series for scientific monographs. Manuscripts received will be considered by the Editorial Board, after consulation with at least one referee outside the Institute.

Polar Research will be printed in 1000 copies and exchanged for scientific literature of about 250 institutions around the world. Subscriptions may be ordered from Universitetsforlaget.

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