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**Editorial**

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**Introduction**

The article submission continues to increase, putting more demand on the work of voluntary referees and I think that those contemplating a submission might be interested to see what *instructions* referees are given. It is certainly frustrating for the Editor that some authors appear not to read the simple [Author Guidelines](#) on preparing bibliographical references. If you intend to submit a paper to *Webology*, please read the [Author Guidelines](#).

**Articles in This Issue**

For this issue, we have two papers and an interview. The two refereed papers deal with quite different areas.

Jack M. Maness: *Library 2.0 Theory: Web 2.0 and Its Implications for Libraries*. This article deals with issues around "Library 2.0". This paper posits four elements for *Library 2.0*: it is user-centered; it is a multi-media experience; it is socially rich; and it is communally innovative. It is finally concluded that "*library 2.0* is not about searching, but finding; not about access, but sharing. *Library 2.0* recognizes that human beings do not seek and utilize information as individuals, but as communities." [Wikipedia](#) defines *Library 2.0* as "a loosely defined model for a modernized form of library service that reflects a transition within the library world in the way that services are delivered to users. The concept of *Library 2.0* borrows from that of Web 2.0 and follows some of the same underlying philosophies." [Jenny Levine](#) & Michael Stephens provide the "*Library 2.0 Reading List*", which is interesting for further studies. [Jaime Chamorro](#), Kathleen Gilroy, Jenny Levine & Michael Stephens are publishing a blog at <http://library2.0.alablog.org> which is also useful.

Satish Kanamadi & B.D. Kumbar: *Web-Based Services Expected from Libraries: A Case Study of Management Institutes in Mumbai City*. This paper discusses the library portals and the web-based library services, defining a web portal as a "website for a specific audience that aggregates an array of content and provides an array of services." A library portal is a gateway (doorway) or entrance that provides access to other sources of scholarly information on the Web. It is concluded that the library portal reflects the strengths and weaknesses of the library effectively. It is the library portal that is being called as the "*Mirror of the Library*".

Yazdan Mansourian: *Chemoinformatics and the World Wide Web: An Interview with Professor Peter Willett*. This is an interview, carried out at the University of Sheffield, with Professor Willett. The interview is mainly about the "*Chemoinformatics*." The emergence of the Web has revolutionized the way scholarly information can be exchanged. However, Professor Willett said that, "I do not think that the emergence of the Web has made very much difference to *chemoinformatics*, at least as I study it." Professor Willett explains his ideas about the *Chemoinformatics* and answers a few questions to explain his views as a

researcher and a web user. He argued that "the *chemoinformatics* is closer to chemistry than to information science."

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