

LIFE LINES

A. M. Manich, see *JALCA* 97, 294, 2002

M. D. de Castellar joined the CSIC in 1970 granted by the collaborative project USDA-CSIC on cotton fiber properties after reaching her MSc in Physics. In 1978 completed her PhD Thesis in Physics at the University of Barcelona. She was very active in developing new spinning processes at the CSIC Textile Department. In 1992 she joined the CSIC Ecotechnologies Department working in leather science and technology. The major contributions are related with the optical microscope and image analysis of leather and their application on the study of leather structure.

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Agustín Marsal, see *JALCA* 97, 294, 2002

Keyong Tang was trained in Leather Science & Engineering receiving Bachelor and Masters of Engineering degrees and a Ph.D degree and in Chemical Fibers. He has more than 18 years

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George Stockman, see *JALCA* 101, xxx, 2006

Dean T. Didato see *JALCA* 101, xxx, 2006

Elton Hurlow, see *JALCA* 100, xxx, 2006

Cheng-Kung Liu, see *JALCA* 94, 158, 1999

Nicholas P. Latona, see *JALCA* 96, 401, 2001

Peter H. Cooke, see *JALCA* 101, 330, 2006

NOTE FROM THE *JOURNAL* EDITOR

Dear Readers,

The cover page CONTENTS of our January 2007 issue, *JALCA* **102(1)**, contained an error in the listing of the authors for the manuscript starting on page 22. The correct author identifications should have been:

“Extraction of DNA from Leather and Applications to the Supply Chain 22
by A. Long, V. Addy and R. Loftus’

This manuscript and Lifelines contained within this January 2007 issue correctly identified the authors. I apologize for this error.

Our usual ABSTRACTS of patents and publications will not appear this month. We hope to be able to resume this service to our subscribers in the near future.

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Robert F. White
Journal Editor
