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Preface

This issue of *Australian Journal of Botany* sees the first in a new series of scholarly reviews to be called the 'Turner Reviews' in honour of John Stewart Turner, Ph.D. (Cantab.), FAA (1908–1991). John Turner was Professor of Botany and Plant Physiology at The University of Melbourne from 1938 to 1973. He was a foundation member of the Advisory Committee of the *Australian Journal of Botany*. The present Advisory Committee initiated the Turner Reviews in recognition of Turner's wide-reaching influences on several generations of botanists and conservationists in Australia (see Rowan and Ashton, this volume).

The Turner Reviews aim to provide critical, state-of-the-art evaluations that advance our knowledge in current, key areas of botanical research. The Turner Reviews will be commissioned by invitation, and will be numbered in sequence. A number of free reprints in a distinctive cover will be provided free of charge to authors.

A Reviews Subcommittee has been formed to select authors and to oversee the refereeing process. The members are Dr Peter Attiwill, Dr Marilyn Ball and Professor Byron Lamont. We would greatly appreciate advice and suggestions on prospective reviewers for this important new series.

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