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LETTER FROM THE ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Welcome to the fifth issue of Proceedings of the VLDB Endowment (PVLDB) Volume 5. This issue contains nine papers, one from the Experiments-and-Analysis Track and eight from the Research Track. Together, they span a wide range of topics, including clustering, filtering of duplicate updates in information networks, similarity search, performance tuning, queries over probabilistic databases, and a variety of problems over large graphs including path finding, proximity search, and dense-subgraph search. These papers were reviewed in a journal-style process of review and revision that includes monthly year-round submission cycles. All papers appearing in Volume 5 will be presented at the VLDB 2012 Conference, to be held in Istanbul, Turkey, August 27-31, 2012.

I thank the authors for their excellent papers. Our review process depends on the tireless efforts of the PVLDB Review Board (program committee) who not only review submissions but also provide valuable feedback in the revision process. I thank them for their hard work. It is a pleasure to work with an outstanding set of editorial colleagues: the Editor-in-Chief (program committee chair), Associate Editors (PC co-chairs), and Proceedings Chairs.

With five issues of this volume of PVLDB published and more fine papers in the pipeline, we know this year's VLDB Conference will be outstanding and I hope you are making plans to join us in Istanbul in August!

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