The Letter from the Editor

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It is with our deep regrets that we inform you of the death of Professors Genji Jimbo and Naoya Yoshioka. Professor Jimbo passed away on Thursday, May 27, 1999 (the pancreas cancer) and Professor Yoshioka on Friday, September 10, 1999 (the lungs cancer). We have been very surprised and so sorry to hear their sudden death.

On behalf of the KONA editorial committee, we all lament their death and extend our condolences heartily.

The passing of Professors Jimbo and Yoshioka, the pride of our academic fields, is a great loss to us all. Their accomplishments being so well-known worldwide, and their influences on their junior colleagues so deep, their death is truly a great loss.

We are greatly thankful to them for their enormous contributions to the publication of KONA journal since the first issue. Both of them were the chartered members of the Council of Powder Technology, Japan and the Board of Hosokawa Powder Technology Foundation. They also experienced the President of the CPT and the chairman of the KONA Editorial Committee.

More importantly, we have lost friends and respected colleagues who have left each of us with many fond memories. We would like to pay our respects to their achievements here anew. May they rest in peace.

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