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I. FOREWORD

The contents of this issue of the Soybean Genetics Newsletter covers a wide variety of special aspects of soybean research. Your attention is called especially to the reports of the germplasm advisory committee, and the report of the northern soybean germplasm collection. The burgeoning, in the field of soybean research, of the relatively new science of electrophoresis has necessitated a reappraisal of rules of nomenclature, and even a renaming of some of the genes whose existence has been verified by electrophoresis. This year, the soybean genetics committee discussed and decided on changes in nomenclature. Their report is to be found in this issue, with the rule changes underlined.

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