

Editorial

Best *Geosynthetics International* Paper for 2007

We are delighted to announce the best papers in Volume 14 (2007) selected by the Editor and the Editorial Board Chairman based on votes by the Editorial Board Members. In this competition the Editor and Editorial Board Chairman did not vote and papers co-authored by the Editor were not eligible. This year we had the special result of three papers tied for 'Best *Geosynthetics International* Paper for 2007' and three papers tied for second place. This outcome reflects the uniformly high quality of the papers published in the journal. The 'Best *Geosynthetics International* Paper for 2007' awards go to:

Take, W. A., Chappel, M. J., Brachman, R. W. I. & Rowe, R. K. (2007). Quantifying geomembrane wrinkles using aerial photography and digital image processing. *Geosynthetics International*, **14**, No. 4, 219–227

Kongkitkul, W. & Tatsuoka, F. (2007). A theoretical framework to analyse the behaviour of polymer geosynthetic reinforcement in temperature-accelerated creep tests. *Geosynthetics International*, **14**, No. 1, 23–38

and

Kongkitkul, W., Tatsuoka, F. & Hirakawa, D. (2007). Creep rupture curve for simultaneous creep deformation and degradation of geosynthetic reinforcement. *Geosynthetics International*, **14**, No. 4, 189–200.

The following papers were tied for second choice and thus receive honourable mention as 'one of the best papers published in *Geosynthetics International* in 2007'. They are:

Lange, K., Rowe, R. K. & Jamieson, H. (2007). Metal retention in geosynthetic clay liners following permeation by different mining solutions. *Geosynthetics International*, **14**, No. 3, 178–187

Abdullah, C. H. & Edil, T. B. (2007). Behaviour of geogrid-reinforced load transfer platforms for embankment on rammed aggregate piers. *Geosynthetics International*, **14**, No. 3, 141–153

and

Smith, M. & Filz, G. (2007). Axisymmetric numerical modeling of a unit cell in geosynthetic-reinforced, column-supported embankments. *Geosynthetics International*, **14**, No. 1, 13–22.

We thank the members of the Editorial Board for participating in the best paper selection process, and congratulate the authors of these excellent papers. Each paper reflects the high standards of the journal, and is an important contribution to our geosynthetics discipline.

R. J. Bathurst, Editor

J. P. Giroud, Chairman of the Editorial Board