Preface to the Key Concept Series 2

We have published "Key Concepts of Science of Forms—Biological and Medical Fields" as a Special Issue of Forma, Vol. 27, 2012. It was composed of translations of some articles from the part of biology and medicine in the "Encyclopedia of Science of Forms" published in 2004 by Asakura Shoten Co. Ltd. This Encyclopedia has some other parts, such as physics, chemistry, geology, astronomy, mathematics and technology. In the present issue articles from physics and chemistry are picked up. However, the articles concerned to crystals are not included; a new issue for this field will be scheduled in future. Some translations are published as review articles because their contents are enriched by adding new topics.

Now, we hope that readers enjoy reading this special issue.

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