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# Research Article Preface introducing the journal

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# 1. Introduction

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International Organizing Committee of AROB and was co-operated by the Santa Fe Institute (USA), others. The old AROB-symposium expanded much by absorbing much new knowledge and technologies into it. This history and character of the former AROB symposiums are passed on the current ICAROB conference and to this journal. The future of the ICAROB is brilliant from a point of view of yielding new technologies to human society in the 21st century.

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