

Announcement No. 1

Workshop on processing of materials in space

The advent of the space shuttle—the reusable launch vehicle has opened up a number of possibilities of performing experiments in space. NASA many a time announce opportunities for scientists of various countries to participate and perform any new experiments using the space shuttle.

Interest has been evoked in India in the field of space processing of materials. The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and the Indian Institute of Science will be collaborating in organising a small Workshop in July-August 1979, to bring together scientists interested on the space processing of materials for detailed discussions. Scientists, who are interested in participating in this workshop are kindly requested to contact Dr S Ramaseshan.

Scientists interested in the processing of materials in space and who have ideas for performing such experiments in space are requested to get in touch with Dr S Ramaseshan, Head, Materials Science Division, National Aeronautical Laboratory, Bangalore 560 017.

Announcement No. 2

Winter School on Crystallographic Computing, Bangalore, India, 4-14 January 1980

This school is being organised by the Commission on Crystallographic Computing of the International Union of Crystallography in association with the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore. Possible topics to be dealt with include Patterson methods, direct methods, refinements, fast Fourier transforms, thermal vibrations, electron density measurements, microdensitometry, computer graphics, mini computers, molecular conformation, macromolecular crystallography, microprocessors and program packages. The school will consist of lectures and practical sessions. All instructions will be given in English. It is intended to publish the lectures presented at the school.

Further information about the school may be obtained from

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