

Modern Trends in Inorganic Chemistry

Foreword

The series of symposia on 'Modern Trends in Inorganic Chemistry' (MTIC), which began in 1985 at the Indian Association for Cultivation of Science, Calcutta has evolved into a forum for the Inorganic Chemistry fraternity of the country to meet every two years and discuss the current status and future projections of research in various frontier areas of Inorganic Chemistry, both at the national and international levels. The meeting held at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore during January 18–20, 2000 was the first in the new millennium and the eighth in the series (MTIC-VIII). It was jointly hosted by the Department of Inorganic and Physical Chemistry, Indian Institute of Science and the Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, Jakkur, Bangalore.

This special issue of the journal contains papers based on the invited lectures delivered at the Symposium. Apart from oral presentations, the Conference had a rich and extensive poster programme, and the abstracts of these posters are also included in this issue. The topics covered span a wide range in the field of Inorganic Chemistry including some emerging interdisciplinary areas.

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