'Dendritic growth' (Pomeau & Ben Amar) does not contain a single picture of a dendrite. Your reviewer suspects, however, that the book was not written for practising crystal growers but only for statistical physicists. A quick flip through the references confirms this: there are a dozen references to the *Physical Review* for every one to the *Journal of Crystal Growth*!

Notwithstanding this criticism, the book is a powerful contribution to the theory of the kinetics and the dynamical stability of crystal-growth processes. In particular, the treatments of the roughening transition by Nozière and of kinetic roughening by Krug & Spohn extend understanding of these topics significantly.

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## **Books Received**

The following books have been received by the Editor. Brief and generally uncritical notices are given of works of marginal crystallographic interest; occasionally, a book of fundamental interest is included under this heading because of difficulty in finding a suitable reviewer without great delay.

Crystallography in modern chemistry. A resource book of crystal structures. By Thomas C. W. Mak and Gong-Du Zhou. Pp. xiii + 1323. New York: John Wiley, 1992. Price \$136.00. ISBN 0-471-54702-6. A review of this book, by Jenny P. Glusker, has been published in the June 1993 issue of *Acta Crystallographica* Section B, pages 576-578.

Mineralization in the British Isles. Edited by R. A. D. PATTRICK and D. A. POLY. Pp. xii + 499. London: Chapman and Hall, 1993. Price £49.95. ISBN 0-412-31200-X. The book aims to provide, in a single volume, up-to-date reviews of all the major ore provinces of the British Isles.