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A Symposium on Crystal Structure and Chemical Bonding

Twente, The Netherlands, 3-6 August 1971

The Netherlands National Committee for Crystallography (F.O.M.R.E.) is arranging a symposium on Crystal Structure and Chemical Bonding from 3 to 6 August 1971 at the Technological University, Twente, Enschede, The Netherlands. Topics to be covered will include structure analysis and molecular spectroscopy, intermolecular forces, electron densities, the accuracy of results, the general theory of bonding and interactions, and the comparison of results of different methods. Registration will be accepted until 1 February 1971, but the total number of participants will have to be limited to 150.

Inquires should be addressed to the organizing secretary, Dr A. Schuyff, Laboratory for Crystal Chemistry, University of Utrecht, Utrecht, The Netherlands.

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have been published recently by the ICSU Abstracting Board and may be purchased from the ICSU AB Secretariat, 17 rue Mirabeau, Paris 16e, France. The title of one publication, *Tentative List of Publications of ICSU Scientific Unions, Special and Scientific Committees and Commissions of ICSU, Year 1969, and Corrections and Additions to the 1968 List*, is self-explanatory. The other publication, entitled *Survey of the Activities of the ICSU Scientific Unions, Special and Scientific Committees and Commissions of ICSU in the Field of Scientific Information during the Year 1969*, presents information under the following headings: Name of union, commission, committee, or working group; President/chairman (name and address); Secretary (name and address); Members (names and countries); Date of creation; Periodicity of meetings; and publication of minutes of meetings. A general description is given of the activities and a listing of 1969 publications. Particular attention is given to those bodies dealing with the following topics: notations, symbols, units, nomenclature, terminology, standards, bibliographies, abstracts, review articles, classification, and publication of data.

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