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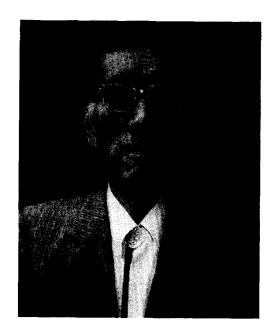
The papers in this issue of Catalysis Today were presented at the Post Conference Symposium of TOCAT 2 on "The Impact of Computers on Catalyst Research and Development". The meeting was held August 28–30, 1994, in Matsushima, Japan. It was organized under the auspices of the Association for Computer Applications to Catalyst Research, the Catalysis Society of Japan, in honor of Professor Yukio Yoneda, who opened up the field with his pioneering work on the application of computers to catalysts.

A primary objective of the symposium was to show the importance of computer-assisted science and engineering in a variety of areas, from basic science to industrial applications. By merging the vast experience of early pioneers with the fresh ideas of young adepts in the discipline, a successful meeting and a stimulating atmosphere were created which we believe will have a significant impact on the development of catalytic research.

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