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Preface

This volume is a collection of 11 papers that touch mainly on two relevant issues concerning heterogeneous catalysis by fine particle systems. The first six papers concern environmental and general applications using fine particle systems and the last five are devoted to total and partial oxidation by fine particle systems. These papers were some of the 19 oral contributions delivered at the 28th Meeting of the Fine Particle Society held at the Grand Kempinsky Hotel, Dallas, Texas, USA, from 1 to 3 April 1998.

The organizing committee and the editorial board thank very much their host, the Fine Particle Society, for contributing to this symposium by giving an opportunity to fine particle scientists and catalysis scientists to meet together, a not too frequent occurrence. To our knowledge, this was the first time that catalysis constituted a specific symposium within the framework of the meetings of this society.

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