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Spelling of sulfur

The new (1990) edition of IUPAC's *Nomenclature of Inorganic Chemistry* contains a table of IUPAC-approved names 'for use in the English language'. These include 'caesium', 'aluminium' and 'sulfur' (spellings as given here). There is increasing use of the 'f' rather than the 'ph' spelling for sulfur in English publications, in particular, the English language versions of ISO and European Standards, and those British Standards that implement ISO standards verbatim. Furthermore, there is no good etymological basis for preferring the 'ph' spelling. In view of these considerations, the Royal Society of Chemistry's Nomenclature Committee has recently recommended that RSC change to using the 'f' spelling in all of its publications. This recommendation will be implemented for RSC's primary journals in 1992.

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