## Dalton Transactions web theme issue: CO<sub>2</sub> at metal centres

Methods for decreasing excess atmospheric  $CO_2$ , for example by eliminating  $CO_2$  from gas-streams during air purification processes, are high on the environmental agenda. The chemistry of carbon dioxide at metal centres through the co-ordination of  $CO_2$  or by reacting  $CO_2$  with metal complexes to prepare carbon containing derivatives may hold some of the answers.

This timely web theme issue, guest edited by Dr. Roger Guilard, Professor of Chemistry at the University of Bourgogne in Dijon, France addresses exactly this topic. With contributed articles printed in regular issues of *Dalton Transactions* and collected online on a dedicated webpage, this first web theme issue from a series to appear in *Dalton Transactions* hails a new age in dynamic and flexible special issue publishing.

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Study of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration by various materials

Catalytic synthesis using  $CO_2$  as a building block

CO<sub>2</sub> as a building block for supramolecular assemblies

Chemistry of CO<sub>2</sub> inspired by nature

Metal assisted catalytic reactions in compressed CO<sub>2</sub> Activation of CO<sub>2</sub> *via* formation of metal– CO<sub>2</sub> complexes or insertion into metal– heteroatom bonds

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