

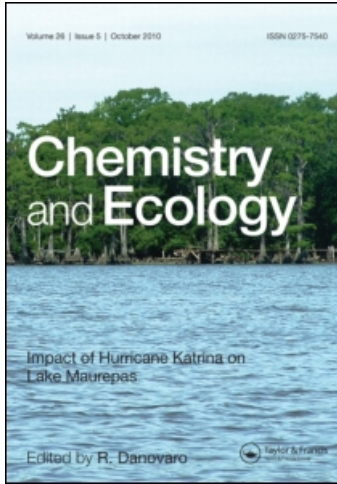
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DEDICATION AND OBITUARY

Michael Waldichuck
1923–1991



Dr. Michael Waldichuck, October 1989, 8th International Ocean Disposal Symposium, Dubrovnik, Croatia, Yugoslavia

This special issue of *Chemistry and Ecology*, which publishes selected papers present at the First International Ocean Pollution Symposium (IOPS), is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Michael (Mike) Waldichuck. An oceanographer of world-wide repute, Mike Waldichuck died on May 4, 1991 at his home in Vancouver, British Columbia. An outstanding marine scientist, Mike contributed to many far-reaching developments in marine science, particularly the understanding of the environmental fate and effects of marine pollutants, and their implications for marine fisheries. His publications were extensive and his audience (for example through his editorial role of the *Marine Pollution Bulletin*) attentive. He was a long standing member of the joint UN agencies' GESAMP group, serving as its chairman in 1970–1973, and was active in several working groups since its inception in 1969

until 1984. Many other international activities also benefitted from his wise counsel.

Mike was a staunch supporter of the IODS series since its very beginning, attending most of its meetings. Readers of this journal, and particularly the authors of the IOPS papers published here, will welcome the dedication of this special issue to the memory of a friend and colleague committed to the science of oceanography, especially the protection of fisheries and marine habitats. Many will miss his support and friendship, as well as his objectively scientific but sympathetic handling of politically difficult issues arising from conflicting national approaches to ocean management. Many will remember him as a gentle, kindly and sympathetic man whose scientific work provides a permanent reminder of his contribution to marine science.

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