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Editorial

Special Issue on Organic–Inorganic Nanocomposite Materials

For those of you who are working in the area of nanocomposite materials, I would like to draw your attention to the announcement elsewhere in this issue of an upcoming (in 2001) special issue on “Organic–Inorganic Nanocomposite Materials”. This special issue will be coedited by two of our Associate Editors, Hellmut Eckert and Mike Ward, and will feature Short Reviews on selected topics in the subject area, as well as Articles and Communications reporting significant new findings in this area. Hellmut and Mike will be writing to a number of individuals to request their participation as authors of reviews for this special issue. In addition, unsolicited contributions of all three types (Reviews, Articles, and Communications) are encouraged, although we ask those who are interested in contributing a Review to this issue to contact either Helmut or Mike in advance to avoid potential overlaps in topics.

I would also like to announce the appointment of Jim Crivello of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute as a “full-time” Associate Editor for *Chemistry of Materials*. Actually, Jim has been serving as an Associate Editor since 1999; however, prior to this month, his duties have mainly consisted of filling in for the Editor during extended travel or vacations. Due to a 30% increase in the number of papers submitted to our offices in 2000, it has become necessary to appoint another “full-time” Associate Editor, and Jim has graciously agreed to step in and assume this role.

As usual, our Troy, NY, office will remain the central receiving point for all manuscript submissions, including those submitted for the special issue, except for our authors in Europe. These authors have the option of sending their papers to either the Troy office or the office of Dr. Hellmut Eckert at the University of Münster in Germany.

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