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The main objectives of the conference are to exchange practical and technical information and ideas among the various scientists and engineers working in microgravity fluid, thermal, biological, and materials sciences. The conference will address the cross-cutting aspects of microgravity science and technology, and provide a forum for the synthesis of knowledge that has been acquired in the past several years. It is intended to attempt to cover the growing interdisciplinary aspects of microgravity science and technology. As the result of the many low-earth-orbit experiments that have been conducted over the last 10–15 years, significant new insight has been provided into various physical phenomena under microgravity conditions. With long-term manned space missions planned for the near future, technical problems encompassing several of these disciplines have been envisioned. There is at present a need to provide direction to the various Space Agencies for microgravity research in which fluid flow and other transport processes form a common basis for many investigations.

The Chair of the Conference is S.S. Sadhal, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, USA. The Co-Chairs are V.K. Dhir, University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA, USA; R.W. Smith of Queens University, Kingston, Canada; H. Ohta, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan; and Naomi Chayen, Imperial College, London, UK.

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