



## Preface

This special issue of the *Journal of Inclusion Phenomena and Macrocyclic Chemistry* contains short review articles and full papers selected from some of the invited lectures, as well as oral and poster presentations, at the 11th International Cyclodextrin Symposium, held in Reykjavik, Iceland between May 5th and 8th 2002.

This symposium was the eleventh of a consecutive series held every other year. The first one was organized by Professor Szejtli in Budapest, Hungary (1982), and the second one by Professor Nagai in Tokyo, Japan (1984). The following symposia were held in Lancaster (Dr. Davies, 1986), Munich (Dr. Huber, 1988), Paris (Professor Duchêne, 1990), Chicago (Dr. Hedges, 1992), Tokyo (Professor Nagai, 1994), Budapest (Professor Szejtli, 1996), Santiago de Compostela (Professor Torres Labandeira, 1998), Ann Arbor (Dr. Schmid, 2000) and then in Reykjavik (2002). The aim of these meetings has been to enhance scientific understanding of cyclodextrins, to promote technological advances within the field of cyclodextrins and to encour-

age cooperation between scientists from the various different disciplines and backgrounds.

We wish to thank the international scientific advisors for their encouragement and all our sponsors for their financial support. We would also like to thank all the presenters for their lectures and posters, as well as other participants for creating an exciting and stimulating symposium.

The next symposium, the 12th International Cyclodextrin Symposium, will be held on May 16th through May 19th 2004 in Montpellier, France. Professor Dominique Duchêne, Université Paris-sud, will organize that meeting. We hope to meet you all again in France.

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