

Preface: First European cyclodextrin conference

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This was the first conference in a biennial series of conferences organized under the auspices of the newly formed European Cyclodextrin Society. The aim of the meeting series is to provide an european platform for the enhancement of the scientific knowledge on cyclodextrins and to promote exploitation of their unique properties in various applications. We wish to encourage interaction and

collaboration between scientists from all fields of academia and industry.

We wish to thank all presenters for their invaluable contribution to the success of the conference and for making the event stimulating and enjoyable. Additionally, we wish to thank our sponsors for their financial support and the scientific advisors for their encouragement and valuable contributions.

The Second European Cyclodextrin Conference will be held October 2nd through October 4th 2011 in Asti, Italy, organized by Professor Francesco Trotta, University of Turin. We hope to see you again in Italy.

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