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Organic Electronic Spectral Data, Volume XXVIII, 1986. Edited by JOHN P. PHILLIPS, DALLAS BATES, HENRY FEUER, and B.S. THYAGARAGAN, Wiley-Interscience, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., 605 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10158. 1992. xiii+937 pp. 15×23.5 cm. \$165.00. ISBN: 0-471-58588-2.

This volume continues the listing of uv and visible spectra of organic compounds, and the spectra of approximately 15,000 compounds are included in this volume. Although a relatively small proportion of spectra are those of natural products, the listing remains helpful as a source of spectra of model compounds and analogues. The major problem with a compilation of this type is that it can only be searched by composition. It is thus relatively easy to find the spectrum of a particular known compound but much harder to locate compounds having a particular spectrum. However, even with this shortcoming, the compilation is valuable and is recommended for library purchase.

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