

### Book review

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*Gmelin Handbook of Inorganic Chemistry*, 8th Edition, *F Perfluorohalogenoorgano Compounds of Main Group Elements, Part 9, Aliphatic and Aromatic Nitrogen Compounds (Conclusion)*. Springer-Verlag, 1981, DM 603.00, 223 pages.

This volume written by Professor Alois Haas, Bochum, completes the series on the perfluorohalogenoorgano compounds of the Main Group elements and extends the coverage of aliphatic and aromatic compounds of nitrogen to include compounds in which nitrogen is bonded to S, Se, P, As, B, Si, Ge, Sn, Li, K, Cs and Hg. Compounds containing an azaalkene group and pseudohalogeno residues e.g. (CN, NC, NCO, NCS, and NCN) are discussed and there is a section dealing with tertiary amines. The literature is comprehensively covered up to the end of 1975 and this volume marks the inception of presentation in English.

The high quality of production of this series of Volumes is maintained and the preparative and spectroscopic information is clearly set out as is the extremely useful 40 pages Formula Index for Parts 7, 8 and 9. This volume is strongly recommended to all workers in the field but the price will surely restrict its purchase to institution libraries.

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