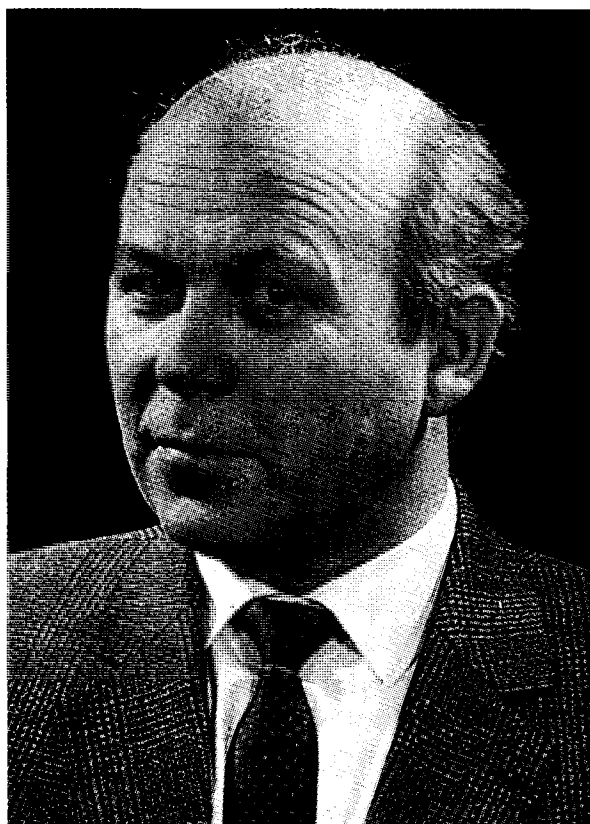


Editorial



Professor Herbert Schumann

Our highly esteemed colleague Herbert Schumann, chair professor of Inorganic Chemistry at the Techni-

sche Universität Berlin, celebrates his 60th birthday on August 6 this year. As a Regional Editor of the *Journal of Organometallic Chemistry*, it is my privilege to dedicate to him on this occasion a specifically arranged volume of our journal — which has also been Herbert Schumann's journal since he began his scientific career around the time when volume 1 was underway. A fair number of his friends and colleagues take this chance to recognize Herbert Schumann's contributions to the organometallic literature and community. Although his scientific activities cover a broad range of topics, his name is connected particularly with the area of organolanthanoid chemistry. Beyond that, he has always been open to tackle specific problems of inorganic and organometallic chemistry, be it based on pure scientific interest or because of industrial relevance. As a bright student of his former mentor Max Schmidt, the strongest driving force of Schumann's dedication for chemistry is the love to create new compounds of unusual structures and properties. Hundreds of new compounds have been synthesized in his laboratories. The organometallic community sends all the best birthday wishes to Berlin, hoping that Herbert Schumann will continue to be a successful researcher and an enthusiastic academic teacher. We hope that he will further be among the most productive authors of the *Journal of Organometallic Chemistry*. Congratulations on the 60th birthday!

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