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Editorial

Current Trends in Organophosphorus Chemistry

Lying at the interface between organic and organometallic chemistry, organophosphorus chemistry is generally perceived from the outside as a specialized domain, of relatively limited interest for molecular chemistry in general. Thus, we felt the need to present to a wider audience the flurry of activity currently taking place in this area. The Journal of Organometallic Chemistry is a logical place for that purpose since numerous applications of organophosphorus species in transition metal chemistry are presently known. Apart from biochemistry and solid state chemistry which are, in essence, too far removed from the core of the journal, we have tried to cover most of the aspects of current research in organophosphorus chemistry. Since the 50 manuscripts of this symposium in print were collected and analyzed over only nine months, it will be of no surprise to the reader that many of our well-known colleagues could not contribute. However, as it is, we feel that this volume represents a good cross-section of the research currently being pursued in our field. We hope that it will be well-received and will stimulate new collaborations between organophosphorus and organometallic chemists.

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