

Recent IUPAC Recommendations

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1. 'Compendium of Chemical Terminology' (the Gold Book), a 456-page volume published by Blackwell in 1987, which collects definitions appearing in IUPAC recommendations published up to the end of 1985.
2. 'Quantities, Units and Symbols in Physical Chemistry' (the Green Book), a 134-page volume published by Blackwell in 1988, superseding the 'Manual of Symbols and Terminology for Physicochemical Quantities and Units' published in 1979.
3. 'Compendium of Analytical Nomenclature' (the Orange Book), a 280-page volume published by Blackwell in 1987, superseding the 1978 edition.
4. 'Nomenclature of Prenols', *Pure Appl. Chem.*, 1987, **59**, 683.
5. 'Use of Abbreviations for Names of Polymeric Substances', *Pure Appl. Chem.*, 1987, **59**, 691.
6. 'Nomenclature of Tetrapyrroles', *Pure Appl. Chem.*, 1987, **59**, 779.
7. 'Nomenclature and Symbols for Folic Acid and Related Compounds', *Pure Appl. Chem.*, 1987, **59**, 833.
8. 'A Descriptive Classification of the Electron Spectroscopies', *Pure Appl. Chem.*, 1987, **59**, 1343.
9. 'Nomenclature of Polyanions', *Pure Appl. Chem.*, 1987, **59**, 1529.

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