
Editorial

Every 2 years the IUPAC-sponsored Symposium on Photochemistry takes place, which attracts a very large and representative body of photochemists from North America, Europe, Japan and elsewhere. In July 1984 the tenth such symposium was held in Interlaken, Switzerland, under the chairmanship of Professor David Whitten (Rochester, NY, U.S.A.) for the international organizing committee. The academic sessions consisted of more than 300 contributions; most of these were presented in poster format, and there were a selected number of plenary lectures and invited talks. Several workshops also took place, dealing with especially topical subjects.

This issue of the *Journal of Photochemistry* contains papers presented as invited talks at the symposium. Although certain areas are not represented, the broad compass of "photochemistry" is evident from the variety of topics covered in these papers and the experimental techniques employed, as is the healthy state of photochemical research. We thank the organizing committee for giving us the opportunity to publish this collection of papers.

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