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FOREWORD

This volume contains papers presented in the Macromolecular Chemistry Section of the XXII International Congress of Pure and Applied Chemistry held in Sydney from August 20-27, 1969. The Congress was sponsored by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) and the Australian Academy of Science and held concurrently with the XII International Conference on Coordination Chemistry. The Divisions of Macromolecular Science, Physical Chemistry, and Inorganic Chemistry of IUPAC were represented.

The theme of the Macromolecular Chemistry Section was "Polymerization Kinetics and the Physical Properties of Polymers." There were sessions devoted to "Graft Polymerization" and to "Polyelectrolytes."

The Macromolecular Chemistry Section of the IUPAC Congress took the place of the Australian Polymer Symposium which is normally held annually by the Polymer Division of the Royal Australian Chemical Institute. The organization of this section of the IUPAC Congress was undertaken by executive members of the Polymer Division.

Dr. H. A. J. Battaerd of ICIANZ Central Research Laboratories, Ascot Vale, Victoria, was the organizer responsible for the session on Graft Polymerization and Professor D. O. Jordan of the Department of Physical and Inorganic Chemistry, University of Adelaide, South Australia, was the organizer for the session on Polyelectrolytes. The chairman of the organizing Committee for the entire IUPAC Congress was Professor I. G. Ross of the Department of Chemistry, School of General Studies, Australian National University, Canberra.

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