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PREFACE

This issue is devoted to papers presented at the 4th International Conference on Unconventional Photoactive Solids (UPS) that was held at the IBM Almaden Research Center in San Jose, California October 15–18, 1989. The first UPS conference was held in Mitwitz, West Germany in 1982. The second conference was held in Cleveland, Ohio and the third, known as the Emil Warburg Conference on Unconventional Photoactive Solids, was held at Schloss Elmau, West Germany in 1987. The UPS conference has become a major international forum for work in the general areas of photochemistry and photophysics in the solid state. The unique aspect of the conference has been the range of material intensive topics and experimental work presented. It has become a conference noted for developing interaction and communication across traditionally separated research areas.

The 5th UPS conference will be held in Okazaki, Japan on October 13–17 in 1991. The conference chairman for the 5th conference will be Professor Hiroo Inokuchi from the Institute for Molecular Science in Okazaki. The 6th conference will be held in Belgium in 1993, place and date will be announced. The chairman of the 6th conference is Professor Franz C. DeSchryver of Catholic University, Lueven, Belgium.

This is the first time that the proceedings of the UPS conference have been published. The conference speakers were invited but not required to contribute a manuscript. I am grateful to all who participated in the conference and offer my special thanks to those who chose to publish their work in this volume.

C. Grant Willson, Chairman
4th International Conference on Unconventional Photoactive Solids