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Foreword

Flat panel displays (FPD) like TFT-LCD and Plasma Display Panel (PDP) have become an important industry. Information Display devices not only common HDTV's, monitor, notebook PC but also new mobile displays such as PDA, MP3P, PMP, navigation and game displays are rapidly introduced in the market. In view of this, Advanced Display Materials and Devices (ADMD) International Symposium has been held every other year in Japan and Korea from 1997.

At first the name was Liquid-Crystalline Materials and Devices (LCMD), since the display devices like PDP and OLED were not available for the consumers in 1997. In 2004 the name was changed to "Advanced Display Materials and Devices" (ADMD 2004 held at Hemeji in Japan during September 23–24, 2004) to include OLED and other advanced display devices in addition to TFT-LCD and PDP.

The 9th International Symposium on Advanced Display Materials and Devices (ADMD 2005) was held at Daegu in Korea during October 20–21, 2005. In ADMD 2005 which Professor Lee-Soon Park organized, 21 invited papers and 71 poster papers were presented by 165 participants from Japan, Korea and China.

ADMD 2005 was sponsored by the Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (S) (No. 16105004) from the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) under the auspices of the Japanese Liquid Crystal Society, The Society for Information Display, Korea Chapter, The Korean Society of Industrial Engineering Chemistry, Information and Electronic Materials Division.

The ADMD 2005 was organized successfully, which was owing to the help of many people: participants, reviewers of the papers submitted to this special issue and also to Ms Concetta Seminara-Kennedy, the Management Editor of this volume for minute editing.

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