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Guest Editor's Foreword

International Conferences (Electronic Processes in Organic Materials) (ICEPOM) are organized periodically in the different regions of Ukraine to improve the international cooperation of scientists in the field of organic materials. Prof. Martin Pope is the initiator of these conferences series.

The 7th International Conference (Electronic Processes in Organic Materials) (ICEPOM-7) has been held in Lviv (Ukraine) on May 26–30, 2008.

The objective of the conference is to discuss physical phenomena and processes in organic materials and at their interfaces with other materials as well as prospects of their practical applications.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

- 1. Energy structure of organic composites, processes of photogeneration, transport and recombination of charge carriers;
- 2. Electronic processes at interfaces of organic materials to metals, as well as biological, organic, inorganic media and nanostructures;
- 3. Electro-optic processes in confined liquid crystals;
- 4. Electronic processes within polymer composites and nanostructures;
- 5. Nonlinear properties of organic structures and composites;
- 6. Novel organic materials and technologies for technical application and medicine;
- 7. Plastic solar cells based on composites and heterostructures;
- 8. Physical aspects of composites application (LEDs, sensors, recording media, etc.).

More than 100 scientists from 12 European countries, US, and Japan presented their reports to the Conference. Eight plenary and three poster sessions were held.

Special sessions on novel organic materials, including nanostructures and nanocomposites, were presented at ICEPOM-7.

The participants of the Conference agreed to continue the series of conferences, holding a next meeting (ICEPOM-8) in Ukraine on May-June, 2011.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, we thank the conference sponsors: European Office of Aerospace R&D, MCLC and Taylor and Francis Group, Science-Technical Center "Microelectronics", International Corporation "Mettler Toledo", and Society for Information Display (SID).

We thank also all organizations and institutions which supported the Conference, including the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Institute of Physics of the NAS of Ukraine, and US Air Force Research Laboratory.

Their support helped the ICEPOM-7 conference to be held on such a high level.

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