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Editorial

Sitting here in Southampton on a cold March day it is delightful to think back to last summer and the Santa María Workshop on Supramolecular Chemistry that was held from 1–5 July 2002 at Santa María beach in Cuba. The conference was organized by Roberto Cao with the help of Alex Fragoso and team from Universidad de La Habana and covered all aspects of Supramolecular Chemistry with a special emphasis on the chemistry of cyclodextrins. Both the science and the surroundings were excellent and made for a stimulating and enjoyable meeting with

a relaxed and friendly Cuban atmosphere (see Vally D'Souza's photo galleries at <http://enzyme.umsl.edu/~cuba/index.html>). This special issue of *Supramolecular Chemistry* is devoted to the meeting and contains a variety of contributions including polymer chemistry, cyclodextrin chemistry, anion complexation and inorganic self-assembly.

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