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POLYMER PROCESSING AND PROPERTIES. Edited by G. Astarita and L. Nicolais. Plenum Press, New York and London, 1984. 447 pp. (US\$69.50).

This volume contains the proceeding of the European Meeting on Polymer Processing and Properties, which was held in Capri, Italy on June 13–16, 1983. The meeting was organized by the Italian Society of Rheology and the Polymer Engineering Laboratory of the Engineering School of the University of Naples.

It contains 44 papers, divided into five parts as follows:

- Part One: Processing: Shaping Operations
 - Part Two: Processing: Operations Other than Shaping
 - Part Three: Relationships Between Processing and Properties
 - Part Four: Properties of Polymeric Materials
 - Part Five: Structural Modeling of Polymer Properties
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POLYIMIDES. Synthesis, Characterization and Applications—Volumes 1 and 2. Edited by K. L. Mittal. Plenum Press, New York and London, 1984. The volumes total 1,182 pp. (US\$89.50 each volume).

The papers contained in these two volumes are the proceedings of the First Technical Conference on Polyimides: Synthesis, Characterization and Applications, sponsored by the Mid-Hudson Section of the Society of Plastics Engineers and held at Ellenville, NY, U.S.A., November 10–12, 1982.

The two volumes contain a total of 71 papers, divided into five parts as follows:

Volume 1

Part I: Synthesis and Properties (13 papers)

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Volume 2

Part III: Mechanical Properties (5 papers)

Part IV: Microelectronic Applications (16 papers)

Part V: Aerospace and Other Applications (10 papers)

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METAL-CONTAINING POLYMERIC SYSTEMS, edited by J. E. Sheats, C. E. Carraher, Jr. and C. U. Pittman, Jr. Plenum Press, New York and London, 1984. 523 pp. (US\$79.50).

The book is an expanded version of the papers presented at the 4th. Symposium on Organometallic Polymers at the National Meeting of the American Chemical Society in Washington, DC in August, 1983.

It contains 26 papers, with no division into sections of related interest. A selection of titles follows:

Metal-Containing Polymers: An Introduction; Ferrocene Polymers; Polymer-Bound Bimetallic Complexes as Surface Reactants; Biological Activities of Monomeric and Polymeric Derivatives of *cis*-Dichlorodiamine-Platinum II; Nuclear Magnetic Resonance as a Probe of Organic Conductors; Polymers Containing Polynuclear Cobalt and Iron Carbonyl Complexes; Metal-Chelate Polymers:

Structural/Property Relationships as a Function of the Metal Ion; Polymeric Bipyridines as Chelating Agents and Catalysts; Synthesis, Characterization and Applications of Rare Earth Metal Ion Chelating Polymers; Moisture-Crosslinkable Silane-Grafted Polyolefins.

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