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A Word From The Editor

We wish to call the attention of our readers to the papers from the session, "The Role of Adhesion in Biocompatibility", a part of the program of the Eighth Annual Meeting of The Adhesion Society held in February, 1985, which appear in this issue. Dr. Robert E. Baier, of The State University of New York at Buffalo, was the organizer and Chairman of that session.

The publication of these papers is a part of our continuing effort to bring to THE JOURNAL OF ADHESION papers such as these which, though they deal mainly with the subject of adhesion, would normally be published in a journal dealing in papers covering a broader, more general, subject matter—in this case, one of the "bio" journals.

We think that there are benefits to be gained by publishing such papers in THE JOURNAL OF ADHESION. Firstly, the authors of these papers exhibit their work to a new (to them) readership of "specialists" in adhesion (our readers) and this can provide them with a new route to the establishment of some most useful, enlightening and rewarding interactions with these specialists. Secondly, our present readership of specialists is made aware of a new and developing area in which adhesion is important and this, in turn, can provide them with new opportunities.

We hope that organizers of sessions and symposia in which adhesion is a central theme in a broader area of work, particularly if it is a developing area, will see the benefits of the approach which we have outlined above and will consider bringing their papers to us for publication.

We would welcome them.

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