

## Editorial

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This special issue of Theoretical Chemistry Accounts is dedicated to Jacopo Tomasi, who will be seventy this year.

It is nearly impossible to overestimate the influence Jacopo has had in the development of several fields of theoretical chemistry and the contribution he has given to the progress of a number of research groups (including mine) in Italy and abroad. Most of these aspects are shortly reviewed in the biography by Maurizio Persico, one of the outstanding Jacopo's former students (and now full professor in Theoretical Chemistry), which opens this issue. Next, more than 80 friends and coworkers of Jacopo have contributed the papers

included in this issue, which cover a broad area of contemporary theoretical chemistry.

The very high level of these contributions is in itself a tribute to the career of Jacopo Tomasi. I wish just to add my personal thanks to Jacopo for the many illuminating discussions I had with him during the years and for his continuous support to my personal and scientific life. I am sure Jacopo will continue to play his leading role in the theoretical chemistry community for a long time to come, and it is a pleasure to extend to him, on behalf of all the contributors, our best wishes for his first seventy years.