

Preface

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This special edition of *Applied Organometallic Chemistry* is based on contributions made to the XIIIth FECHEM Conference on Organometallic Chemistry held from 29 August to 3 September 1999 in Lisbon, Portugal.

Although the study of organometallic compounds has become a mature area of chemistry, the biannual conferences held by the Division of Organometallic Chemistry of the Federation of European Chemical Societies show that the scope of research in this field has widened considerably in recent years, treating organic derivatives of both Main Group and transition elements in the widest sense. To acknowledge the rapid progress being

made and to bring together the highly significant contributions at the Conference, the Editors of *Applied Organometallic Chemistry* have invited the authors to publish their papers in this special issue in the form of reviews, full papers or notes. Those manuscripts that cannot be included because of space limitations will appear in later editions of this journal.

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