

## Preface

This issue of Catalysis Letters contains proceedings from a symposium on New Strategies for the Synthesis and Characterization of Catalysts which was held December 2–5, 1991 as part of the Materials Research Society Conference in Boston. The symposium included sessions devoted to highly dispersed metal clusters, zeolites and microporous materials, oxide catalysis, transient characterization methods, and electron microscopy. Financial support was provided by the NASA Sponsored Center for the Commercial Development of Space Power and Advanced Electronics, Mobil Research and Development, Exxon Research and Engineering, Allied Signal, General Motors, Amoco, and the American Chemical Society. Many exciting types of new catalytic materials were discussed along with continued advances in our understanding and application of established catalytic materials in a wide range of technologies. The excellent level of discussion and participation throughout this symposium clearly indicates that catalysis science remains a forefront discipline for applications of new materials science.

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