

PREFACE

The aim of this volume, as with previous volumes in the series (see the cumulative index, p. 255), is to provide a reasonably comprehensive coverage of the coordination chemistry of the d -transition metal elements. The reviews in this volume (the third to survey 1982) cover publications which appeared during late 1981 and 1982, using primary journals and Volumes 96 and 97 of *Chemical Abstracts* as the sources for the information. The scope and organisation of the reviews remains unchanged, and I continue to encourage authors to highlight areas of especial interest and relevance to the chemistry of their individual elements.

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