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Preface

This volume of *Transition Metal Chemistry Surveys* includes articles which finalize our present coverage of the 1994 literature as well as begin coverage of work reported during 1995. This volume sees an article covering the coordination chemistry of vanadium, one of the metals that has been neglected from this series for a number of years.

We continue to provide readers with a representative coverage of the literature rather than a comprehensive one. Most reviewers have focused on the more accessible journals, and have used a variety of databases to facilitate their literature searches. As always, we apologize to those authors whose work is omitted but the current expansion of research areas means that these reviews can no longer be comprehensive if we are to maintain a reasonable page length for each volume. Our remit to reviewers is to exclude organometallic compounds but the not uncommon overlap between pure coordination and organometallic compounds, particularly for the early d-block metals, does mean that a number of organometallic complexes have been included. Some reviewers have chosen to include cluster compounds which bear ligands of interest to the coordination chemist.

A list of abbreviations is included at the end of the volume, and readers should note that the varied nomenclature in the literature means that is impossible for us to adhere strictly to the IUPAC rules.

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