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PREFACE

This special issue contains 69 papers selected from manuscripts submitted for the proceeding of Korea-Japan Joint Forum 2003 (KJF2003) through the peer review process. A series of KJFs on organic materials for electronics and photonics have been held annually since 1989, and KJF2003 was held at Pusan National University, Busan, Korea on September 28–October 1, 2003. From the importance of the research topic, the number of contribution to KJF tends to increase, and in KJF2003, 2 plenary and 11 invited lectures, 14 oral presentations and 199 poster presentations were given. There were 179 participants from Korea side and 44 from Japanese side. Some of the presentations were based on the collaborative researches between two countries, indicating the KJFs have been actually promoting the research activities in the relevant field. Discussion and information exchange through the forum were really invaluable and useful, and I believe that the participants spent a good time in Busan.

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