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Guest Editors' Foreword

International Conferences «Electronic Processes in Organic Materials» (ICEPOM) are organized periodically in the different regions of Ukraine to improve the international cooperation of scientists in the field of organic materials. Prof. Martin Pope is the initiator of these conferences series.

The 8th International Conference «Electronic Processes in Organic and Inorganic Materials» (ICEPOM-8) has been held in “Synyogora Residence”, Ivano-Frankivsk Region, Ukraine on May 17–22, 2010.

By the proposition of Conference co-organizers from Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University, the scientific agenda of ICEPOM-8 Conference has been widened by including the inorganic materials. Thus, the objective of the present conference was to discuss the physical phenomena and the processes in organic and inorganic materials, as well as prospects of their practical applications.

ICEPOM-8 SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

1. Electronic processes at interfaces of organic materials and metals, as well as those in biological, organic, and inorganic media;
2. Electrooptic processes in confined liquid crystals;
3. Thin film structures and their application;
4. Electronic processes within nanostructures and polymer composites;
5. Nonlinear properties of nanostructures, polymer composites, NLO information recording;
6. Novel materials, structures, and technologies;
7. Physics and technology of solar cells, LEDs, FETs, sensors.

More than 100 scientists from 14 European countries and the USA presented their reports at the Conference. Seven plenary and three poster sessions were held.

Special sessions on novel materials, including nanostructures and nanocomposites, were presented at ICEPOM-8.

The participants of the Conference agreed to continue the series of conferences, holding a next meeting (ICEPOM-9) in Ukraine on May–June, 2012.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, we thank the conference sponsor: Taylor and Francis Group.

We thank also all organizations and institutions which supported the Conference, including the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Institute of Physics of the NAS of Ukraine, Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, State Fund of Fundamental Researches of Ukraine, Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University.

Their support helped the ICEPOM-8 Conference to be held on such a high level in the times of the economic crisis.

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