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Foreword

International Conferences on Electronic Processes in Organic Materials (ICEPOM) are organized periodically in the various places of Ukraine aiming to enforce and promote the international collaboration of researchers in the field of organic materials. Prof. Martin Pope is the initiator of these conference series.

The 9th International Conference on Electronic Processes in Organic Materials (ICEPOM-9) was held in Lviv, Ukraine on May 20–24, 2013.

The mission of the Conference is to bring together the scientific community working in the interdisciplinary field of organic semiconductors and organic/inorganic heterogeneous systems to discuss and share their ideas in a friendly and encouraging atmosphere.

ICEPOM-9 SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

1. Electronic processes at interfaces of organic materials with metals, as well as biological, organic, and inorganic media;
2. Electro-optic processes in liquid crystal-based heterogeneous systems;
3. Thin film structures and their application;
4. Electronic processes in nanostructures and polymer composites;
5. Nonlinear properties of polymer composites, nanostructures, NLO information recording;
6. Novel materials, structures and technologies;
7. Physics and technology of organic solar cells, LEDs, FETs, sensors.

More than 100 scientists from sixteen European countries and the United States presented their reports at the Conference. Eight plenary and three poster sessions were held.

Special sessions on mainstream in organic electronics, novel materials, including nanostructures and composites, were presented at ICEPOM-9.

The participants of the Conference agreed to continue the series of conferences, holding a next jubilee meeting (ICEPOM-10) in Ukraine on May–June 2015.

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

We thank also all organizations and institutions that supported the Conference, including the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Institute of Physics of the NAS of Ukraine, National University “Lviv Polytechnic,” and Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv.

Their support helped the ICEPOM-9 Conference to be held on such a high level in the times of the rigorous budget austerity after the economic crisis.

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