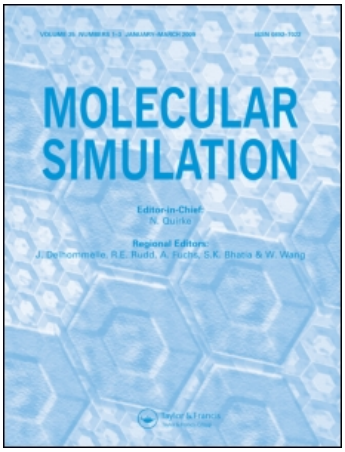

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EDITORIAL

Molecular simulation is increasingly being used as a research tool in the study of complex chemical and biological systems. This fast developing role challenges the simulation community to verify and extend the methodologies and hardware to keep pace. In view of the importance of recognising and addressing these issues the annual conference of the UK Science and Engineering Research Council Collaborative Computational Project 5 (CCP5) held last December at Downing College, University of Cambridge was devoted to the topic of Challenges in Molecular Simulation. The conference organisers were Dr R.M. Lynden-Bell (Cambridge University) and Professor C.R.A. Catlow (Royal Institution). The meeting considered challenges in areas such as biological and pharmaceutical molecules, glasses, surfaces, pores and polymers. The papers in this issue constitute a selection from those presented at Cambridge.

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