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The *Twelfth Symposium on Separation Science and Technology for Energy Applications* was held in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, October 14–18, 2001. Symposia in this series are held every two years and attract approximately 100 participants. This symposium was held only little more than a month after the unfortunate events of September 11, 2001, which affected air travel for many who anticipated coming to the symposium, but attendance was still close to 100. Everyone associated with the symposium deeply appreciated those who were able to come and participate in the symposium at this unusual and difficult time. All papers submitted for the symposium were reviewed, and this issue contains those that were accepted in time for publication and represents approximately 40% of the papers presented.

The Symposium was organized by the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, the U.S. Department of Energy, and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (Separations Division). The following individuals played key roles in organizing and running the symposium.

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The next symposium in this series will be held in Gatlinburg during October 2003.

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