

## International Union of Crystallography

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### Thirteenth General Assembly and International Congress of Crystallography

The Thirteenth General Assembly of the IUCr and the Thirteenth International Congress of Crystallography will be held in Hamburg, Federal Republic of Germany, at the Congress Centrum Hamburg, under the sponsorship of the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft and Freie und Hansestadt Hamburg, 9–18 August 1984. Registration will begin on Wednesday 8 August. The Congress will open on Thursday 9 August and sessions will continue until Saturday 18 August.

The scientific programme will include invited general lectures, invited oral papers and open Commission Meetings. Most contributed papers will be presented in poster sessions. Commercial and non-commercial apparatus will be exhibited and crystallographic data file demonstrations are planned. The Congress will cover recent advances in all aspects of crystallography.

Professor H. Saalfeld is Chairman of the Organizing Committee, and Professor U. Bonse is Chairman of the Programme Committee.

Accommodation reservations will be arranged by a special travel agency. A limited number of student dormitories and camping facilities may be available. Detailed information will be given in the second circular. The first circular has recently been issued.

The second circular with a call for papers, more details of the programme, and general arrangements and registration forms will be distributed in the Autumn of 1983. Those wishing to receive these circulars should write to:

Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker,  
Abteilung Tagungen,  
Postfach 90 04 90,  
D-6000 Frankfurt/Main 90,  
Federal Republic of Germany.

#### Associated meetings

At present the following meetings are being considered.

1. A *Symposium on Neutron Scattering* will be held on 6–8 August at the Hahn-Meitner-Institut, Berlin. Organization: Professor W. Saenger, Institut für Kristallographie, Frei Universität Berlin, 1000 Berlin 33, Federal Republic of Germany. Programme: Dr M. S. Lehmann, Institut Laue-Langevin, Avenue des Martyrs, BP 156, 38042 Grenoble, France.

2. An *International Summer School on Crystallographic Computing* is planned for 30 July–8 August at the Max-Planck-Institut für Kohleforschung, Mülheim/Ruhr. Organizing Committee: Professor H. Burzlaff, Professor C. Kruger, Professor G. Sheldrick. Information can be obtained from Professor H. Burzlaff, Institut für Angewandte Physik, Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Loewenichstrasse 22, D-8520 Erlangen, Federal Republic of Germany.

3. A *Symposium on Small-Angle Scattering and Related Methods* will be held on 20–23 August at DESY, Hamburg. Organization: Professor H. Stührmann, c/o EMBL, DESY,

Notkestrasse 85, D-2000 Hamburg 52, Federal Republic of Germany (together with Professor P. W. Schmidt, Columbia, Mo, USA).

4. A *Symposium on Metals and Intermetallic Compounds* is planned for 20–24 August at the Technische Hochschule Aachen. Information can be obtained from Professor W. Bronger, Institut für Anorganische Chemie der Technische Hochschule Aachen, Templergraben 55, D-5100 Aachen, Federal Republic of Germany.

5. An *International Summer School on Symmetry-Related Crystal Structures: Group-Subgroup Relations* is planned for 20–24 August. Location will be in the western region of the Federal Republic of Germany. For further information write to Professor W. Klee, Institut für Kristallographie der Universität, Postfach 63 80, D-7500 Karlsruhe, Federal Republic of Germany.

#### Paul Niggli Symposium

The Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Kristallographie has announced that the *Paul Niggli-Symposium über geometrische Kristallographie und ihre morphologisch-stereochemischen Anwendungen* will be held on 6–7 August in Zürich. Further information can be obtained from Professor W. Nowacki, Mineralogisch-Petrographisches Institut der Universität, Balzerstrasse 1, CH-3012 Bern, Switzerland.

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### Current Crystallographic Books 1970 through 1981

The December 1982 issue of *Journal of Applied Crystallography* [*J. Appl. Cryst.* (1982), **15**, 640–676] includes a new comprehensive booklist, commissioned by the IUCr and edited by the Book Review Editor, John H. Robertson. Dr Robertson has written the following note about the list:

Anyone with an interest in seeing the total range of currently available books on crystallography, and virtually all topics connected with crystallography, can take advantage of the new booklist. It is published not as a separate booklet, but in the *Journal of Applied Crystallography* (*JAC*). *JAC* can be found, of course, in any good library.

It is sometimes quite useful to have a document of this kind at hand, on one's desk, for reference. Copies of this new booklist can be obtained from the Chester office of the IUCr; however, as photocopying is nowadays so efficient and routinely available, the IUCr would prefer crystallographers who have such equipment in their institutions to *make their own copies*, if that is reasonably convenient. The Chester office will gladly supply copies to those who cannot easily make their own—in the developing, or third-world countries, particularly.

This new booklist is the successor to Helen Megaw's list (of about 1965, up-dated about 10 years ago by Michael Woolfson). This new list has about 1200 entries. It differs

from previous lists in having the books classified into some 30 or so subject areas, rendering it much less tedious to consult, and in the use of various type-faces, making it rather easy for a comparatively casual user to scan up and down the pages to pick out what is interesting in his or her own

speciality. The period covered is the decade 1970–1981, with a sprinkling of 1982 titles included. Incidentally, one book that's *not* in the list (because it has appeared only recently) is a reprint of the famous James classic. *Optical Principles of X-ray Diffraction*.

## Notes and News

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### COSTED Travel Fellowship Programme

COSTED, the Committee on Science and Technology in Developing Countries of the International Council of Scientific Unions, initiated in 1974 a travel fellowship programme to help young scientists from developing countries participate in international conferences, workshops and training programmes. The scientific areas chosen for support are those in keeping with the scientific priorities of developing countries. The travel fellowship programmes are restricted to scientists below 35 years of age and the following conditions must be met:

1. The applicant must have a permanent job in a developing country to which he can return after the visit is completed.

2. The applicant must have had a paper accepted at an international conference, OR the applicant must have been accepted as a participant in the international training workshop.

#### *Guidelines for applicants*

Applications must be sent in duplicate at least three months before the scheduled date of the seminar/workshop/training programme in order to allow enough time for the application to be processed. All applications must be sent to the Scientific Secretary, COSTED, Physics Department, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras 600 036 [Telephone 414543, Telex TECHMAS-MS(041) 7362]. Applications may be made on plain paper but must be accompanied by the following documents:

(a) A brief *curriculum vitae* giving details of research interests, publications and experience. The age of the applicant must be clearly indicated.

(b) A statement (one page) on how the fellowship is likely to help expand the scope of his work when he returns home.

(c) A letter indicating acceptance of a paper submitted by the applicant to a conference or selection of the candidate for an international workshop/training programme. (This partly transfers the responsibility of judging the quality of the candidates to the sponsors.)

(d) Names and addresses of two professional scientists who are willing to act as referees. (Letters of assessment should be sent by the referees directly to the COSTED

Secretariat at the address given above.) If possible, one of the referees should be a senior scientist in the candidate's field in his home country and the other the Director/Convenor of the conference/workshop/training programme.

(e) An estimate of travel costs on the basis of low-cost economy fares. Candidates who have secured some travel assistance from other organizations will be given preference. No other expenses such as registration fees, local *per diem* expenses *etc.* will be provided by COSTED.

It should also be noticed that:

(a) There will be no restriction as to the country to be visited by the Fellows.

(b) Fellowships will not be available for candidates to participate in programmes in their own countries.

(c) Fellowships will not be available for any programme which is of more than three months' duration.

Candidates will be informed of their selection or otherwise within one month of their application.

#### *Guidelines for organizers of international conferences/training programmes/workshops*

COSTED provides support to international organizations to enable scientists from developing countries to participate in their programmes. To obtain support from COSTED an organization must meet the following general criteria:

(a) The organizers should involve COSTED as a co-sponsor of the activity.

(b) Applications received by the organizing committee should be considered with reference to the conditions and general guidelines given above and a list of candidates in order of priority sent to COSTED. The list should also include estimated travel costs. The final selection will be made on the basis of the number of applications received and their geographical distribution.

(c) Candidates selected for joint COSTED Organizing Committee awards will be provided with 50% of their travel costs by COSTED and 50% by the organizer.

(d) COSTED's contribution to travel costs will be sent to the organizers who will distribute either the money or the tickets to candidates who finally participate in the workshop/seminar.

Further information may be obtained from the Scientific Secretary, COSTED, Physics Department, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras 600 036, India.