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Foreword

If I easily agreed to preface this second edition of the “Who is Who in Thermal Analysis and Calorimetry”, it was essentially because I consider it as a valuable tool at the service of our community. Ten years ago indeed, when Dr. Judit Simon and Prof. György Liptay’s had the idea of the first edition, I must confess that I had no precise idea of its possible usefulness; but this is not any more the case since I experienced a number of situations when one could draw a real benefit from such a book:

- If you are a conference organizer (which necessarily happens for a few of us and is always a more demanding job than expected!) you find the book helpful for the selection of invited lecturers.
- Also, when you are chairing a session and want to introduce a lecturer warmly and properly, the corresponding page of the Who is Who provides you with all the desired material; and, as we know, introducing a lecturer nicely makes him feel better and allows him to deliver his lecture with more pleasure ... not only for him but also for the audience!
- When you receive a request or proposal from a member of our community whom you still do not know much, having a look at his picture and page makes the contact more friendly and adequate.
- If you happen to set up a Committee or Working Group and wish it to be truly international (like in ICTAC), this book makes it easier to involve people from other countries and continents; the same if you wish to start any other type of international collaboration.
- In the more common case when you simply have a glance at the whole book, it favors your acquaintance of scientists whom you may have heard about or even already met: this allows to know each other better and develop tighter links.
- All this tends to build up a family spirit in our community and make the work in our area more enjoyable.

All reasons of interest above apply of course to the new edition, whose justification is the normal renewal of our vivid community, since about two-thirds of the scientists listed here were not in the previous edition!

I also wish to stress that the two Editors of this second edition are themselves full members of our Thermal Analysis and Calorimetry community: Prof. Gyorgy Liptay as the Editor of an original and well-known Atlas of Thermoanalytical Curves in five volumes, as the organizer of the seventh ESTAC Symposium (in Balatonfüred 1998) and as the recipient of the ICTAC Distinguished Service Award in 2008. Dr. Imre Miklós Szilágyi, as the recipient of the ICTAC—PerkinElmer Young Scientist Award in 2008 and, more recently, as the Editor of one of the two main journals devoted to our field of science.

Finally, the scientists appearing in this Who is Who are entitled to have two prides: that, well-deserved, of having been selected for publication of their picture and CV, but also that of being members of a vivid community for whom this book will be a helpful tool.

I therefore wish to thank the Editors for their initiative and for the nice work done, and to encourage the readers to keep the book in a good place for easy access in their office!

Prof. Dr. Jean Rouquerol
(ICTAC President 2000–2006)

Preface

The success of the first “Who is Who in Thermal Analysis and Calorimetry” book (2004) encouraged us that after a decade we publish a broadened, second edition. After the pioneers of thermal analysis, now the second generation of thermal analysts is about to retire. Sadly, some of the previous outstanding scientists have passed away. Parallely, in the recent decade a great deal of young researchers have joined thermal analysis. In addition, there has been a large change in the publication and scientometric trends, and the research infrastructure and data evaluation have also developed continuously.

The broadening of thermal analysis is clearly marked by that while in the first edition ca. 240 researchers were presented, now ca. 340 of them are featured in the present, second edition. 60–70 % of the people presented in the book are new names, compared to the first edition, which clearly shows the generation change in thermal analysis. The distribution of scientists from the various countries has also changed.

The selection of the candidates was based on the outstanding publication activity in thermal analysis, professional activity, awards, etc. To find suitable candidates for the book, the authors have consulted the regional and associate editors of the Journal of Thermal Analysis and Calorimetry and several other well-known scientists in thermal analysis. Their contribution is highly appreciated and acknowledged: S.R. Bharadwaj, J. Blumm, G. Bruni, P. Budrugaec, É.T.G. Cavalheiro, E.L. Charsley, V.A. Drebuschak, J. Dweck, M. Feist, E. Füglein, C. Giancola, K. Györiová, J. Hanss, W.B. Hu, M. Jemal, L. Judovits, T. Kaljuvee, M.F. Kotkata, M.V. Kök, M. Lalia-Kantouri, V.P. Lehto, M. Liška, V. Logvinenko, D.M. Lőrinczy, B.V. L’vov, T.M.R. Maria, A. Małeckı, J.D. Menczel, A. Michnik, S.C. Mojumdar, C.G. Mothé, R. Ozao, B. Pacewska, L.A. Pérez-Maqueda, A. Rotaru, J. Rouquerol, P. Šimon, P. Šulcová, J.J. Sunol, P.J. van Ekeren, S. Vecchio Cipriotti, S. Yariv, Z.W. Yu, M.I. Zaki. The help of D. Hunyadi in arranging parts of the manuscript is acknowledged.

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