

Preface

Dear reader,

This special issue of the 'Bulgarian Chemical Communications' contains most of the studies, presented during the 10th Chemistry Conference (10CC) that was held on 9-11 October 2016, in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. The conference was organized by the Faculty of Chemistry at the Plovdiv University "Paisii Hilendarski". The program included plenary lectures of two of the Doctor Honoris Causa of the University of Plovdiv - Prof. Dr. Antonio Canals from the University of Alicante, Spain and Corresponding member of the Bulgarian Academy of Science Prof. DSc Dimitar Tzalev, from the Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski". Plenary lectures had also invited speakers from the University of Oxford, UK - Prof. Mark Moloney, from the Technical University, Vienna, Austria - Prof. Erwin Rosenberg, from the University of Alicante, Spain - Prof. Francisco Alonso, from the IAEA Environment Laboratories – Dr. Emilia Vassileva and from Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski" Prof. Vasil Simeonov. The presentations of the invited keynote speakers in different research fields along with the participation of prominent Bulgarian scientists working together with colleagues from leading International Institutes was highly appreciated by all present.

The conference was attended by 167 participants from 6 countries – Bulgaria, Turkey, Spain, UK, Austria, and Monaco. There were presented 26 oral presentations in three different sections: Section I – Analytical chemistry, Theoretical chemistry and Physical chemistry (9); Section II – Organic chemistry and Food chemistry (8); Section III - Inorganic chemistry, New methods and materials, Chemistry and education (9). There were 87 poster presentations also. The significant attendance of more than 50 young scientists, researchers and PhD students indisputably added to the one of the most important conference mission. The continuous communication during the session days, also, provided valuable opportunities to the attendees to share knowledge and exchange experience and confer on the latest developments in the field of chemistry research and technologies in the corresponding areas of interest.

The Organizing Committee of the conference thanks this journal for the help in publishing the full text articles and for the chance given to the conference's participants to meet the wide audience.

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