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Preface

It has already become a tradition that every two years the Japanese–Polish Joint Seminar on Material Analysis takes place alternately in Poland and Japan. This scientific Seminar is devoted to the presentation and the discussion of the recent achievements on micro and nano analysis of the modern materials performed in Japanese, Polish and other cooperating laboratories. The 11th Polish–Japanese Joint Seminar on Micro and Nano Analysis was held in medieval Crusader castle in Polish town Gniew and was organized by Institute of Physics of the Polish Academy of Sciences in collaboration with Kyushu University, Committee of Metallurgy of the Polish Academy of Sciences, Section of Metallography and Metal Physics and Polish Society for Microscopy. The Seminar gathered 80 participants from Japan, Slovakia, Germany, UK, France, Italy, USA, Netherlands and Poland.

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