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Preface

The XX Jubilee International School on Physics of Semiconducting Compounds "Jaszowiec 1991" was held in the *GWAREK* and *BARBARA* hotels in Jaszowiec between the 27th and the 31st of May 1991, and was organized by the Institute of Physics, Polish Academy of Sciences and by the Faculty of Physics of Warsaw University. About 100 invitations have been sent out to Polish physicists working abroad to participate in the School. Although only relatively few of them were able to come to Jaszowiec the School was attended by about 220 participants, much larger number than the previous year. During the School 19 invited talks were presented by distinguished Colleagues from both Poland and abroad. The additional lecture was given by Jerzy Bernholc on "hot topic" of Carbon C_{60} . From 118 submitted and accepted original contributions, only about the half was accepted by the Program Committee for publication, basing on the content of submitted abstracts. These papers were reviewed by the Program Committee and they are published in the Proceedings, consisting of this and the following issue of the *Acta Physica Polonica A*.

For the second time, the annual *Leonard Sosnowski stipend* for the best physics student specializing in solid state physics, kindly donated by the Polish physicists working in the USA, was handed. This year winner was Mr. Jakub Tworzydło from Warsaw University.

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