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Preface

In August 2002, the Eleventh International Conference on Biological Inorganic Chemistry (ICBIC 11) was transferred unexpectedly to Cairns, Australia. Both the ICBIC 11 International Advisory Committee and the Local Organising Committee thank Dan Meyerstein and Israel Pecht for their advice at that difficult time. We also thank the International Organising Committee of the ICBICs for their wisdom and, in particular, David Garner, Harry Gray, Ken Karlin, Claudio Luchinat and Helmut Sigel.

The Cairns Convention Centre located in the tropical paradise of Cairns was chosen as the venue for ICBIC 11 for its world class reputation and providing a gateway to the Great Barrier Reef and World Heritage Rainforest. The scientific program of the meeting comprises lectures and posters covering all aspects of biological inorganic chemistry reflecting its breadth, interdisciplinary nature and exciting new developments within the field. There are 8 plenary lectures and 120 invited lectures arranged in three parallel sessions. Furthermore, there will be two poster sessions displaying a total of 284 posters and a workshop preceding the conference. In addition to the scientific program, we hope delegates will take the opportunity to visit the Great Barrier Reef and the World Heritage Rainforest.

We are grateful to the Society of Biological Inorganic Chemistry for financial support which was crucial for the successful transfer of the conference to Cairns, Australia, and has allowed significant registration discounts for postdoctoral and postgraduate students. In addition, support from the Royal Australian Chemical Institute, James Cook University and the University of Queensland has underwritten the participation of local colleagues.

We thank the international community of biological inorganic chemists for rallying to this Conference. As the following abstracts confirm, we have an outstanding program. ICBIC 11 will be a worthy successor to the joyous anniversary celebrations of ICBIC 10 in Florence.

We wish you all a stimulating conference.

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