

EUREM '88

9th European Conference on Electron Microscopy
September 4-9, 1988
York, England

All aspects of electron microscopy; special emphasis on new instrumentation. Contact: Congress Secretariat, The Royal Microscopical Society, 37/38 St. Clements, Oxford OX4 1AJ, England

Crystal Structure, Microstructure, and Properties of Minerals and Ceramic Materials
September 7-9, 1988

Bochum, Federal Republic of Germany

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The 1988 World Materials Congress
September 24-30, 1988

Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

Contact: Conference Registrar, Metals Park, Ohio 44073, U.S.A.

Eastern Analytical Symposium
October 2-7, 1988

New York Hilton Hotel,
New York, NY

Diffraction of Polymers
November 30, 1988

London, England

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1989

40th Pittsburgh Conference and Exposition
March 6-10, 1989
Atlanta, Georgia

3rd International Congress of ICAM
May 14-17, 1989

Montreal, Canada

This meeting was postponed from 1987 and will now take place in 1989 as part of the Annual Canadian Geology/Mineralogy meeting.

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28th International Geological Congress
July 9-19, 1989

Washington, DC, U.S.A.

12 International Congress on X-ray Optics and Microanalysis

August 28-September 1, 1989

Krakow, Poland

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General Announcements

Possible Reductions in Radiation Dose Limits?

The International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) at its two week meeting at Como (Italy) last September received a petition with 800 signatures (including two Nobel laureates) urging a reduction in radiation dose limits for occupational workers from the present 50 millisieverts per year to one fifth of this value. *Nature* (Sept. 10). The reduction was urged on the basis of recently revised estimates of the probable levels of radiation exposure at Hiroshima and Nagasaki. No decisions on changes are expected for another six months until further discussions have been held.

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