## **Commercial Announcements**

#### Data Aquisition and Analysis

Discovery software automates data acquisition, transformation and reduction. Included in the package are commonly used data transformation and signal processing calculations such as integration, differentiation, autocorrelation, smoothing, windowing, calculation of area under a curve, range, variance, mean, standard deviation, slope and FFT. Runs on an IBM PC with a hard disk.

Cyborg Corp., 55 Chapel Street, Newton, MA 02158, U.S.A. (617) 964–9020.

#### Data Collection, Display, Editing

Insight provides for automatic collection, display and graphic comparison of input from chromatographs, mass spectrometers, scintillation counters, NMR and ESR spectrometers and spectrophotometers. This interactive, menudriven system for VAX computers allows data points to be displayed on the screen and edited interactively, and permits removal of anomalous data points.

Chesapeake Software Inc., Brandywood Plaza, Suite 221, 2500 Grubb Road, Wilmington, DE 19810, U.S.A. (302) 475–5229.

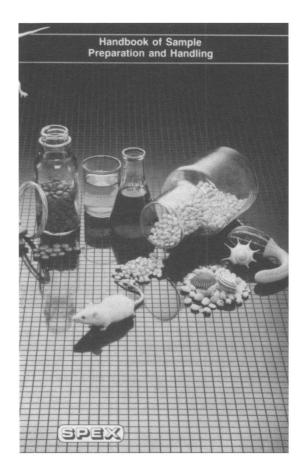
### Chemical Directory on Optical Disk

Fraser Williams: The Fine Chemicals Directory, a rapid means of locating American or European suppliers of any chemical or compound needed for research, is now available on compact optical disk (CDROM). The yearly subscription includes the data base and MicroBASIS\* search and retrieval software, a user's guide, software documentation, two updates, a supplementary manual and telephone support. Part of Digital Equipment Corporation's CDROM Database Publications series, the Chemicals Directory optical disk can be read on a CD Reader manufactured by Digital for the MicroVAX I and II, VAXstation II, IBM PC, IBM PC-AT and IBM PC-XT computers (MSDOS V2.10 or later). Contact your local Digital sales office or call (800) 343-4040 for technical assistance or Fast Order Hotline at (800) 258-1710 for more information on both the CD Reader and the Chemicals Directory. A CD Reader for the Rainbow personal computer is available from Tecmar, Inc.; call (216) 349-0600 for further information. The cost of the CD Reader is under \$2300, and the cost of the data base under \$1200. The optical disks are in UNI-FILE format, developed by Digital specifically to ensure optical disk compatability among different computer systems. The use of UNI-FILE guarantees that the same optical disk will work on all of the computers listed above. Lotus Development Corporation, 3M Corporation and Tecmar Inc. have announced support of the UNI-FILE standard. The optical disk adheres to the Philips/Sony recording standard.

# Handbook of Sample Preparation and Handling

A new Handbook of Sample Preparation and Handling for spectroscopy has been published by Spex Industries, Inc. of Edison, N.J. The 120-page handbook addresses many of the problems encountered with inhomogeneous or otherwise unmanagable samples prior to spectroscopic analysis. Techniques, helpful hints, and useful tricks are contained as well as a complete list of the company's products. Section 1 is devoted to three facets of sample preparation: pulverizing and blending, pressing and pelletizing, and flux fusion. The second section describes techniques and products, by field of spectroscopy including XRF, optical emission, fluorescence, and Raman spectroscopy.

Spex Industries Inc., 3880 Park Ave., Edison, N.J. 08820, U.S.A. 1-800-522-7739 or 201-549-7144.



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#### Data Book

- Enlarged and revised for Sets 1–35
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- Mineral Name

Since its inception almost 50 years ago, the Powder Diffraction File has always been well served in the area of mineral species. In 1974 the first special mineral based publication was produced, this being in the form of a book of minerals containing about 2,600 selected patterns in numerical sequence. A supplement to this edition was produced in 1981. In 1980 an alphabetically ordered data book was produced followed by a group data book in 1983. Each of these products has proven very popular both with the community of mineralogists as well as others involved in general qualitative phase identification.

The International Centre for Diffraction Data is now pleased to announce a new Mineral Powder Diffraction File containing about 2,700 species represented by 3,400 patterns. This selection includes about 850 new patterns added since 1980. This revision of the mineral file has been produced by the Editors of the International Centre for Diffraction Data in cooperation with the Minerals Subcommittee, and has been further guided by nomenclature recommendations of the International Mineralogical Association.

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The Search Manual supplied with the new Data Book is based on the latest Hanawalt search/matching techniques including special provisions for finding patterns recorded using the Debye-Scherrer technique and data from highly oriented materials.

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