

The Commission also reviewed other activities, including a comprehensive list of terms, the 2nd edition of the "Purple Book", and a history of the Commission since its creation.

In preparation for discussion of the IUPAC restructuring project at the Division level, the project was examined in considerable detail. The main concern expressed by all members was the possible loss of continuity, considered essential in nomenclature work. Therefore, it was unanimously resolved to support the continuation of this Commission in its present form.

Maximo Baron
Secretary, IUPAC Commission on Macromolecular Nomenclature IV.1

Commission on Agrochemicals and the Environment (VI.4)

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Twenty-one members of the Commission on Agrochemicals and the Environment (VI.4) met for three days during the General Assembly in Berlin. Meetings for the next three years will be in Taichung (2000) in association with a workshop, Brisbane (2001), and Basel (2002).

The Commission discussed fourteen projects at various stages from proposed to completed and ready for publication. It is current practice for the whole Commission to review the recommendations from each project before publication. It is not clear who will have this role once the commissions disappear. The recommendations could hardly be IUPAC recommendations if they are sent for external review because the expertise will no longer reside in IUPAC.

Extended summaries of reports, previously published in *Pure and Applied Chemistry*, have been published in *Pesticide Science*. The Commission web site is running, with full copies of recent papers from *Pure and Applied Chemistry* and *Chemistry International* available. An active *Glossary of Terms* has been established.

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Commission on Nomenclature, Properties, and Units (C-NPU) (VII.C.1)

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The main focus of this meeting was on harmonization of current projects of this commission with the new structure being implemented by the Union. Most of the ongoing projects will be finished during this biennium; however, some of them, like the C-NPU Internet web site, which is a core project for this Commission, are ongoing activities. The Commission brought this point to the attention of the Division during the Division meeting in Berlin.

It is a clear commitment of the C-NPU to participate actively in the new projects proposed for the Chemistry and Human Health Division, contributing to the nomenclature, according to the interdisciplinary character of these broad projects. A new interdivisional project was proposed on the use of the NPU concept system for properties in the field of environmental chemistry. The project will be prepared by the collaborative effort of the two divisions, including A. Kallner, J. H. Duffus, and W. R. Külpmann.

The composition of the C-NPU for the biennium 2000–2001 will be as follows:

Titular Members (TMs): Urban Forsum (Chairman), Pedro Soares de Araujo (Secretary), Antonin Jabor, Wolf R. Külpmann, and Gunnar Nordin. There is still one open position for TM, and a candidate will be proposed after further consultation.

Associate Members (AMs): Xavier Fuentes-Arderiu, J. Gilbert Hill, Desmond Kenny, Eugeny V. Yurtov, Henrik Olesen, and René Dybkaer.

It was agreed that C-NPU would meet twice a year during the 2000–2001 biennium in order to maintain its current productivity.

Pedro Soares de Araujo
Secretary, IUPAC Commission on Nomenclature, Properties, and Units VII.C.1