

Preface

Volume 34 of the Specialist Periodical Reports on NMR comprises a comprehensive account of the relevant literature appearing between June 2003 and May 2004. A change in the coverage of Paramagnetic NMR has been put into place. This topic has been covered biennially by Professor R.R. Sharp for the past ten years and I wish to express my gratitude to him for his thorough and interesting reports, the last of which appears in the present volume. In recent years the main developments in paramagnetic NMR have related to contrast agents used in NMR imaging studies. Thus it has been decided that a separate chapter covering this topic is no longer warranted and in future volumes NMR studies on paramagnetic species will be included in other chapters such as those on NMR imaging, applications of nuclear shielding and nuclear relaxation in fluids.

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