

Foreword

The pattern set in previous volumes has been continued, although increasing activity in several areas has required more selectivity on the part of Reporters. The year under review has in general been one of consolidation with few major advances. However, it did see the start of publication of the new 'Kosolapoff' replacing the first edition¹ which has been an essential hand-book for all organophosphorus chemists since it appeared in 1950. Now edited jointly by Gennady Kosolapoff and Ludwig Maier the new edition,² so far in four volumes, is a worthy successor to its one-volume predecessor.

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¹ G. M. Kosolapoff, 'Organophosphorus Compounds', Wiley, New York, 1950.

² 'Organic Phosphorus Compounds', ed. G. M. Kosolapoff and L. Maier, Wiley-Interscience, New York, 1973, vol. 1—4.

