Preface

Special Issue on the Asian Symposium on Materials & Processing 2012

The 3rd Asian Symposium on Materials & Processing (ASMP 2012) was held from August 30 and 31, 2012, at the beautiful campus of Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai, India, as an international activity of Indian Institute of Technology Madras and the Materials and Processing (M&P) Division of JSME.

The purpose of ASMP 2012 was to bring together scientists and engineers from academic and industrial institutions to discuss state-of-the-art developments on all aspects related to processing, manufacturing, properties and mechanics of advanced materials. About 190 participants from all over the world, mainly from Asian countries, joined and contributed to active discussion and friendly communication during all the conference. The conference was successfully concluded by gathering a lot of excellent papers from various fields of engineering and science.

The special issue consists of 18 papers that were selected from the conference papers by the editorial committee, which was specially organized to review and select the importance and qualities of the papers.

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