Preface

The 14th International Meeting on Boron Chemistry (IMEBORON-XIV) was held in Niagara Falls, Canada in 2011 and was attended by 270 participants from 18 countries. The 19 articles in this month's *Pure and Applied Chemistry (PAC)* are derived from the research presented at the conference, which stimulated lively discussion and facilitated new collaborations.

The conference was divided into three sections representing organic, inorganic, and medicinal boron chemistry. The participants enjoyed the three plenary lectures from Profs. Holger Braunschweig, Fred Hawthorne, and Varinder K. Aggarwal as well as 141 oral and 111 poster presentations.

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We also thank all of the attendees and participants for their contributions, and look forward to IMEBORON-XV, which will be held in the Czech Republic in 2014.

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