

Editorial

This issue of *Materials Research* comprises 25 regular articles and 14 selected papers presented in the 4th Technical Meeting of Materials Science and Technology Post-Graduation Program of UNESP, POSMAT, which occurred from 13 to 14th of March 2014, at the Technological Park of Sorocaba, SP, Brazil. With approximately 180 participants, the meeting promoted an environment of interaction and integration for researchers, students and industries members.

In addition to the post-graduation members there was also the participation of, foreign invited researchers; Dr. Francesco Fracassi from Bari University, Dr. Takao Hanawa from Tokyo Dental and Medical University, Dr. Vadym Prysiaznyi from Czech Republic and Dr. Nirmal Divaku from India; reporting the most recent scientific findings in their groups and their expertise's on the technological innovation processes.

Companies, devoted to material applications, also participated showing their experiences, expectations and needs regarding the development of new materials. Therefore, in addition to the presentation and discussion of scientific results, the event created a communication path between the university and the productive sector allowing the establishment of new interactions.

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