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Editorial

First Meeting of Electrochemistry and Electroanalytical Brazilian Society (SBEE)

The Electrochemistry and Electroanalytical Brazilian Society has organized its first event as a national forum for scientific and academic discussions. The meeting theme was "Environmental Challenges for a Sustainable Progress in the 21st Century" focused on the energy and environment subject aiming at discussing the Electrochemistry and Electroanalytical contributions in these areas. SBEE's goal is to hold meetings every two years on specific topics in order to promote greater interaction between members of society and researchers around subjects that are relevant to the progress of science and society in general. The SBEE board members and researchers of the University of São Paulo (USP) at Ribeirão Preto and of the Federal University of ABC (UFABC) organized the event that occurred on November 8th and 9th, 2018 in Ribeirão Preto (SP) at the campus of the University of São Paulo. There was a significant number of abstracts submitted, suggesting the need of periodic continuity of this topical meeting. In addition to the participation of renowned Brazilian researchers, guest speakers from France also attended this event. Indeed Prof. Mehmet A. Otturan, from University of Paris-EST, France presented "The use of new photoactive materials for treatment of organic pollutants"; continuing on this theme Prof. Romeu Rocha Filho (UFSCar/SP) presented the main actions to be taken in the construction of electrochemical reactors, presenting the plenary lecture "Hurdles to cross to make electrochemical oxidation a sustainable technology". Advances in the characterization of more active nanomaterials were presented by Prof. Teko Napporn from University of Poitiers, France "Gold Nanospheres in electrocatalysis: surface interaction with glucose" and Dr. Fabio Henrique Barros Lima (IQSC/USP) "Advances in the electrocatalysis of oxygen and carbon dioxide reduction".

Besides these, four plenary lectures from invited speakers the meeting had 148 inscriptions, 105 papers presented, being 25 oral presentations. Additionally, the meeting offered the opportunity for researchers publishing their peer-reviewed results in this special issue of Eclética Química Journal. We thank the authors and the reviewers for the suggestions and comments.

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