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### A User's Guide to Vacuum Technology

J. F. O'Hanlon

414 pp. Wiley, New York, 1980. \$24.95

For a large variety of reasons, the uses of vacuum environments for various scientific, engineering and industrial applications are increasing dramatically, and it is expected that this trend will continue at an ever-accelerating rate. To most users of vacuum equipment, the production, measurement and manipulation of vacua are of secondary importance, only worthy of study when something goes awry. Often the reasons that vacuum systems develop problems are related to improper selection of materials or components and/or improper practice. Due to increasingly sophisticated requirements for vacuum-related enterprises, there is need for practical information that positions one to select and operate vacuum equipment rationally. A User's Guide to Vacuum Technology provides this information, in a clearly written, practical way.

The book is divided into five main sections. The first of these covers the elements of the kinetic theory of gases needed to understand gas flow and transport phenomena. The treatment gives a good physical picture of the elements required to understand how vacuum systems work along with the main equations required to do routine vacuum-related computations.

The second section covers vacuum measurements of all kinds (total pressure gauges and residual gas analyzers). The basic physics of the various instruments is explained simply, and many practical tips are offered, particularly on techniques for leak detection. The third section covers the behavior of materials in vacuum. Again, much practical information is included after a section on the fundamentals of how gases are removed from solids in vacuum. The fourth section describes the principal types of mechanical, diffusion and entrainment pumps in a very clear fashion.

The final section is perhaps the most valuable one in the book. While numerous books contain what is in the first four sections, little has been published in book form about the construction and operation of complete systems. This section covers complete pumping systems for high and ultrahigh vacua and for those that utilize high inlet-gas flows (for example, plasma processes). It contains a wealth of practical material bearing on the selection of a complete pumping system for a particular application and on the proper use of each system to ensure reliable, trouble-free operation. It also includes a chapter analyzing the economics of pumping systems, which complements the technical considerations for system selection. There are also useful appendices.

In general, the book is an ideal reference and handbook for scientists, engineers and technicians who use vacuum technology but who are not vacuum specialists. It is also an excellent resource for anyone who must select a complete vacuum system for a particular application.

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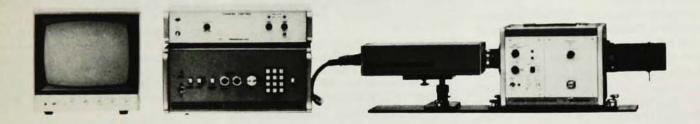
#### Organic Molecular Crystals: Their Electronic States

E. A. Silinsh

406 pp. Springer, New York, 1980 (Russian ed., 1978). \$54.50

The study of the organic solid state has enjoyed a renaissance during recent years both because of the increased technological applications of organic solids and because these materials constitute ideal systems to test the limitations of traditional energy band models caused by disorder and by the quasione-dimensional nature of polymers and certain charge-transfer salts. A central issue is the specification of the conditions under which charge carriers injected into organic solids are described by extended "Bloch" states as opposed to localized "trap" states. Edgar Silinsh, the author of Organic Molecular Crystals, has made significant contributions to this topic with his demonstration of the predominant role

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of trap states associated with structural defects in space-charge-limited conduction in homomolecular van der Waals crystals and films. This book contains a comprehensive account of his work on this topic carried out during the past decade and makes his results readily available for the first time in English.

Organic Molecular Crystals is translated by J. Eiduss of a revised version of a 1978 Russian monograph by Silinsh. The literature references have been updated through early 1980. The major subjects considered by the author are the electrostatics of charges in dielectric crystals, the nature of structural defects in van der Waals crystals, the generation of localized trap states by these defects, and the experimental consequences of such trap states on exciton spectroscopy and charge carrier space-charge-limited transport. His examination of structural defects and exciton spectroscopy is confined to planar aromatic hydrocarbons, with heavy emphasis on anthracene. A generous sampling of data and analyses of space-charge-limited conduction includes a consideration of several heterocyclic species as well as aromatic hydrocarbons.

As Silinsh himself stresses, this monograph is a personal account of his own work rather than a review or text. Citations of the contributions of others are often incomplete, and these contributions are rarely discussed in depth or incorporated in figures and tables. In spite of the generality of its title, the book does not include any systematic consideration of topics like thermal motions and thermodynamic properties. Moreover, many of the interpretations and concepts advanced by the author are subjects of controversy. Hence, the monograph is not well suited for use as a text even at the graduate level. Its primary audience is professionals working on transport in organic solids. For this group the monograph is a useful and convenient synopsis of the author's contributions to the subject: contributions which are considerable in both breadth and importance and which previously were largely unavailable in the English literature.

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