## EDITORIAL

This issue of Clay Minerals is devoted entirely to papers presented at a conference on 'Mineral Diagenesis and Reservoir Quality - the Way Forward' held at the Department of Engineering, University of Cambridge on 26th and 27th March 1998. This meeting was the sixth in a series of very successful meetings at the University of Cambridge on the general theme of clay minerals and petroleum exploration and was again organized by Dr C.V. Jeans on behalf of the Clay Minerals Group under the auspices of the Mineralogical Society of Great Britain and Ireland, the Petroleum Exploration Society of Great Britain, the London Petrophysical Society and the Geological Society of London. Dr Jeans has also contributed an introduction to the issue.

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