

books received

The following books have been received by the Editor. Brief and generally uncritical notices are given of works of marginal crystallographic interest; occasionally, a book of fundamental interest is included under this heading because of difficulty in finding a suitable reviewer without great delay.

Phosphorus 2000. Chemistry, biochemistry & technology. By D. E. C. Corbridge. Amsterdam: Elsevier, 2000, pp. x + 1258. Price NLG 1095, EU 496.89, US \$ 573.50. ISBN 0-444-82550-9.

This encyclopedic volume 'has been adapted from the fifth edition of *Phosphorus: An outline of its chemistry, biochemistry & technology* (1995), to which corrections,

book reviews

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major rearrangements of text, and many additions have been made'. Phosphorus chemistry is treated 'as a major branch of science in its own right – displacing the outmoded and frequently inappropriate concepts of "organic" and "inorganic" branches of chemistry... inherited from earlier centuries'.

Direct phasing in crystallography. By Carmelo Giacovazzo. **IUCr Monographs on Crystallography** No. 8. Oxford: IUCr/Oxford Science Publications, 1999. Pp. xxiii + 767. Price US \$140.00. ISBN 0-19-850072-6.

A review of this book, by Chris Gilmore, has been published in the September 2000 issue of *Acta Crystallographica Section A*, page 509.

Diffraction des rayonnements. Par Jean Protas. Paris: Dunod Editeur, 1999. Pp. xiv + 308. Prix FF 235. ISBN 2 10 004144 4.

A review of this book, by Cervais Chapuis, has been published in the September 2000 issue of *Acta Crystallographica Section A*, page 510.