

FOREWORD

The IVth International Symposium on Flow Cytometry which was held in Voss June 4.-8., 1979, represents a continuation of the earlier international symposia on Pulse-Cytophotometry which were held in Nijmegen in 1974, Münster 1975 and Vienna 1977.

The aim of the symposium was to cover the current application of flow cytometry in clinical and biological research. A series of experts from different countries were invited to give survey lectures on different topics, and in addition there was a large number of original scientific contributions.

The present volume includes most of the papers presented at the symposium. It gives a survey of a rapidly expanding field, and shows that the technique is finding new and interesting applications.

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