
EDITORIAL



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It is our pleasure to bring you this special issue of JMEP, with selected papers from “Innovation in Processing of Light Metals for Transportation Industries: A Symposium in Honor of Prof. C. (Ravi) Ravindran,” held during MS&T’14 in Pittsburgh, PA, October 12-16, 2014.

The symposium recognized and honored Prof. Ravindran’s lifetime contribution to the fundamental advancements in the fields of materials science, metal processing, and non-ferrous metallurgy, as well as his exemplary service to the materials community internationally.

During the symposium, outstanding presentations by international speakers from Canada, India, USA, Germany, Australia, and Malaysia demonstrated that Prof. Ravindran’s work has made a global impact. Throughout the symposium, there were numerous occasions where speakers spontaneously shared their thoughts, encounters, and personal experiences in working with Prof. Ravindran. Honorable guests, like ASM President Dr. Sunniva Collins, IIM President Prof. K. Chattopadhyay, and many others thanked Prof. Ravindran for his inspiration, friendship, and mentoring.

We hope you will find the following papers of great interest, as they represent a selection of the diverse topics covered in the symposium.

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