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Introduction

Laser Applications in Life Sciences (LALS-2010) was held in Oulu, Finland, 9–11 June 2010. This conference belongs to a series of biannual conferences starting in the year 1986. The conference was jointly organized by Optoelectronics and Measurement Techniques Laboratory of the University of Oulu (Finland), International Laser Center of M.V. Lomonosov Moscow State University (Russia), and VTT - Technical Research Centre of Finland.

The LALS conference brings together scientists from east and west working on the frontiers of laser physics, spectroscopy, biophysics, and biochemistry, who share common interests in the given areas. The key topics of LALS-2010 were Nano-Biophotonics, Laser-Tissue Interactions, Laser Biomedical Diagnostics, Sensing, and Therapy, Single Cells and Molecules; Optical Trapping and Manipulation, THz Waves in Biophotonics, Vibrational Spectroscopy of Biological Systems, Molecular and Bio-Imaging, Laser Microscopies, and Novel Optical Devices for Biomedicine. In addition, two new topics were included in the LALS-2010 conference, namely, Printing Techniques and Their Applications in Biotechnology, and Symposium on Water in Bioenvironment: Spectroscopy and Simulation.

The conference was a great success. People from all continents contributed to the program. The largest number of participants in the history of the LALS conference series substantiates the necessity of continuing the series in the future. The papers presented at the conference and in this proceedings volume provide an excellent glimpse of the future and the current state of the art of this rapidly growing technology area.

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