## ICSSP'13 secretary's preface

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The International Conference on Solid State Physics (ICSSP'13) was held December 01–06, 2013 at the University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan. ICSSP'13 was a huge success drawing around 250 participants from 11 countries. The conference was divided into 29 oral sessions and 3 poster sessions. A total of 227 papers have been accepted for the conference out of which 152 were oral. Sol–Gel Science and Technology is an important part of the Nanotechnology researches being presently performed. Some of the conference papers in this field were carefully selected and are being published in this Special Issue of Journal of Sol–Gel Science and Technology after a thorough review.

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