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PREFACE

This book was developed from the proceedings of the Advanced Biomass Science and Technology for Bio-Based Products Symposium held in Beijing, China, May 23-25, 2007. The symposium was designed to provide a forum for researchers, producers, and consumers of biomass and bio-based products; to exchange information and ideas; and to stimulate new research and development related to biomass science and bio-based products.

The major subject matter areas covered in the book include supercritical fluid applications, liquefaction of woody biomass, rapid assessment techniques, nanotechnology, physical and chemical modification of biomass, bio-based products, and biofuel/bioenergy. In addition to the oral presentations devoted to those topics, a number of presentations were given as poster presentations. Papers based on both oral and poster presentations have been included in these proceedings, subject to peer review.

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