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PREFACE

These proceedings provide a recent summary of solar variability as determined by a number of different measures. In addition to observational material, there are papers on the interpretation of observations for the various sections. There are papers on the variation in total solar irradiance, its modeling and theoretical interpretation; this meeting is missing the latest results from the RCBM experiments on the variation in solar irradiance. A paper on the variation in the UV flux at Earth is presented. These variations are of particular interest to terrestrial atmospheric effects. A paper dealing with variations in global properties such as solar radius, orientation and rotation. A fourth section deals with variations in convection and magnetic fields. The second chapter is from a workshop on solar induced variations in the middle atmosphere of the earth. It is unfortunate due to time and geographical distances that so few papers were received from this session. I wish to thank the referees for their work in quickly reviewing the manuscripts for which they were responsible. We should be grateful to the organizers of this symposium, who were R. Vaithen, P. Foukal, J. M. Harvey, F. James and myself. Special thanks are due to the chairman of the organizing committee, G. Prohlick, for his energy and dedication.

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