PREFACE

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The Scientific Program was organized by the RuPAC 2006 Scientific Program Committee chaired by A.N. Skrinsky, BINP, Novosibirsk. The Conference lasted four days; the poster session took place simultaneously with the Conference. 64 oral presentations and 116 posters were presented; there were 27 Foreign participants, 56 from Russian Federation and CIS, 7 from Novosibirsk (except BINP) and about 140 participants from Budker INP, i.e. about 230 in total. The foreign participants were from the USA (Muons. Inc., FNAL, ORNL, Jefferson Laboratory, BNL), Republic of Korea (EB Tech), Germany (Forschungszentrum Juelich GmbH, GSI, Leibniz Institute of Polymer Research, DELTA, Dortmund University), Canada (CLS), China (Institute of Modern Physics), Switzerland (CERN), Italy (LNF INFN), the Ukraine (NSC KIPT Kharkov, Institute of Applied Physics, Kiev), Belarus (BSU IAPP, BSU RINP), Poland (INCT), the UK (RHUL, CCLRC) and also from Dubna, Kiev, Kharkov, Moscow, Minsk, Novosibirsk, Obninsk, Protvino, Rostov, St.-Petersburg, Tomsk and Troitsk.

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