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Introduction

This special issue is devoted to papers from the meeting on Combinatorics, Probability and Computing, held at the Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut in Oberwolfach from 29 October 2006 to 4 November 2006. Like most conferences at Oberwolfach, this was an exciting and stimulating occasion; we were treated to numerous excellent talks, many of which provoked a great deal of interest and discussion among the participants.

We are delighted to be able to publish this collection of papers in *Combinatorics, Probability and Computing*, and we thank all the authors and the referees for their co-operation at all stages of the process.

As this collection was going to press, we learned that the third organizer of this meeting, Professor Ingo Wegener, had passed away. Ingo was our friend and colleague; we are devastated by his death on 26th November 2008. This volume is dedicated to him.

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