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The topic of High Temperature Coatings is one that is motivated by the increasing need for improved surface characteristics from a wide range of materials without compromising bulk characteristics such as mechanical performance. An example of this is the current thrust toward achieving higher operating temperature in industrial gas turbine engine components through use of thermal barrier coatings in high temperature gradient areas such as on turbine nozzles and blades. The specific materials topics covered in this symposium include: Thermal Barrier Coatings, Interdiffusion of Coatings, Metallic/Intermetallic Coatings, and Oxidation and Ceramic Coatings. Thus this time in addition to being concerned with the adherence of thermal barrier coatings and the oxidation resistance of metallic coatings, one group of papers was concerned with interdiffusion and microstructural changes that occur in metallic coatings during service.

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