

John H. Thomas and Nigel O. Weiss, *Sunspots: Theory and Observations*,
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This book contains the proceedings of an excellent specialist workshop on sunspots. It is unusual in that it contains only invited reviews, and that these were carefully improved in an informal refereeing procedure; in addition, the editors supply an extensive, well-documented overview of the field by way of an introduction. The result has more the character of a high-level textbook than of a meeting report; it will have longer-lived value than most other proceedings. It represents a welcome update to the classic monograph on sunspots by Bray and Loughhead and belongs in every astrophysics library.

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