

Preface

This volume contains a selection of symposium papers presented at the 25th Biennial Meeting of the Philosophy of Science Association, which took place in Atlanta, Georgia, on November 3–5, 2016. Forty-eight symposium proposals were submitted for consideration, from which the program committee selected 30 for inclusion in the program—leading to more than 120 papers presented in symposia at the meeting. This volume contains 37 of those papers. A previous volume devoted to PSA 2016 contributed papers was published in December 2017. C. Kenneth Waters’s presidential address will appear in a future issue of the journal.

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