Preface

This volume of RIMS Kôkyûroku Bessatsu is a collection of fourteen selected research articles contributed by the presenters of the RIMS workshop "Theory of singularities of smooth mappings and around it", which was held at the Research Institute for Mathematical Sciences (RIMS), Kyoto University from November 25 through November 29, 2013.

The aim of the workshop was not only to overview recent developments in singularity theory and related topics, but also to enrich international collaboration in this field. There were given 18 oral presentations and 5 poster presentations. It is our pleasure that this volume collects 14 contributions from the presenters. Amongst more than 50 participants, there were more than 10 foreign participants.

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