

# INTRODUCTION

## Life Sciences

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Last July, the British Pharmacological Society, the Physiological Society and the Biochemical Society held a highly successful 5-day meeting in Glasgow, entitled simply Life Sciences 2007. The 61 themed sessions ranged extensively over the territory of biomedical sciences, with distinguished invited speakers from all over the world. Many of the presentations were concerned with mainstream pharmacological topics, and the speakers responded very generously to the invitation from BJP's Editors to write up their presentations for publication as short review articles—so generously and promptly that we are able to publish this bumper Special Issue of the journal devoted entirely to Life Sciences 2007.

The 44 review articles in this issue not only cover the length and breadth of pharmacology but they also scale the heights, in the sense that they reflect the latest thinking by many of the leading researchers. A real treasure trove for students, teachers and researchers, which we are sure will justify its space on many pharmacologists' bookshelves.

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