

## PREFACE

The purpose of the summer meeting of the Society For Free Radical Research (European Region) "Bioreductive Activation of Quinoid Compounds: Chemical, Biochemical, and Toxicological Aspects" was to bring together radiation chemists, biological chemists and toxicologists to discuss the chemical reactions involving quinoid compounds and related free radical species. The meeting took place at the Arrhenius Laboratory, University of Stockholm, Sweden, June 18-21, 1989. Many of the contributors prepared manuscripts on this occasion, and these reflect to a large extent the agenda of the conference. The manuscripts have been peer-reviewed as regular papers. It is our hope that during this conference the status of many chemical reactions of quinone has been clarified and a significant step forward has been taken in understanding their roles in normal biological and pathological processes.

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