BOOK REVIEW

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The articles grouped in the second volume of this series comprise the material presented at the 6th., 7th. and 8th. annual meetings on Tracer Methodology, held respectively in November 1962, March 1963 and November 1963. The fact that back-reviews of this kind might tend to become rapidly outdated is largely compensated for in the present book by several interesting features :

- 1. It brings within its scope, information which is otherwise scattered throughout the literature and which therefore often fails to reach all those whom it might interest.
- 2. The authors, although working in fields sometimes far apart, have sufficiently stressed the general and practical aspects of their work to ensure that the text is readable and understandable by every scientist.
- 3. Several papers deal with a few fundamental aspects of tracer methodology and hence contribute to the general knowledge and development of this branch of science.

In summary it may be said that the present book offers a pleasant reading in contrast with many ultra-specialized publications, and allows an interesting confrontation of the viewpoints of authorized people concerned with the preparation of labelled compounds, their counting and their applications in the fields of biochemistry, pharmacology, endocrinology and experimental medicine.

It might be worth mentioning that the aims of the present journal closely coincide with those of the book reviewed above.

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