

**Biology.** The company was bought by the Schering-Plough Corp. about 1 year later. The venture proceeded to generate multiple candidates for drug development much faster than expected.

In *The Golden Helix*, the author draws extensively on his own experiences at DNAX and other biotech companies, e.g., ALZA, Genentech, Amgen, Chiron, and Regeneron, to provide an insider's view of the biotechnology industry—past, present, and future. Science is a part of this book, but primary focus is on people—scientists, managers, executives, and administrators. Particular attention is directed toward general issues that affect the conduct of science, particularly liaisons and conflicts between academia and industry.

This is both an educating and fascinating book for all who are interested in science and business; it provides an inspiring and entertaining inside story for those who have witnessed the biotechnology revolution.

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**Diazo Chemistry.** By Heinrich Zollinger. VCH Verlagsgesellschaft mbH, Weinheim, Germany. **I. Aromatic and Heteroaromatic Compounds.** 1994. xiii

+ 453 pp. 17.5 × 24.5 cm. ISBN 3-527-29213-6. DM 198.00; **II. Aliphatic, Inorganic and Organometallic Compounds.** 1995. xvi + 522 pp. 17.5 × 24.5 cm. ISBN 3-527-29222-5. DM 174.00. Set ISBN 3-527-29328-0. DM 348.00.

This two-volume set describes the chemistry of diazo compounds which are so versatile and of such importance as both reaction intermediates and reagents in organic synthesis. Volume I is devoted to aromatic and heteroaromatic diazo compounds. Volume II treats aliphatic, inorganic, and organometallic diazo compounds. In these two volumes the renowned author describes the structure, preparation, and reaction of diazo compounds, their applications in organic synthesis, the kinetics and mechanisms of diazotizations, and metal complexes with diazo and diazonium compounds. Both volumes are critical and well referenced and are written in a clear and readable style. References up to the year of publication are included.

Medicinal chemists and others concerned with the synthesis of novel structures will find these two volumes a source of useful, well researched information and ideas. Access via institutional libraries is recommended.

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