

## REVIEWS

**European Pharmacopoeia, Volume II.** Published under the direction of the Council of Europe (Partial Agreement) in accordance with the Convention on the Elaboration of a European Pharmacopoeia. *Maisonneuve S. A., 57-Sainte-Ruffine, France, 1971.* (U. S. distributor: Rittenhouse, 1706 Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia, PA 19103) xxi + 542 pp. 16 × 24.5 cm.

Although the path to developing a pharmacopoeia common to the eight collaborating countries has not been smooth, the publication of the second volume of the "European Pharmacopoeia" is a significant step. Particular problems that were dealt with while preparing this volume were the methods of biological assays, the use of reference substances, and the procedure to be followed for revising monographs.

The style of presentation remains essentially the same as in the first volume; an expanded table of contents has been prepared as well as a cumulative index for both volumes. Corrections to the first volume are also included.

While numerous other additions and modifications have been made, the obvious importance of this volume is the large number of monographs it contains. It is apparent that much of the groundwork for common European drug specifications has now been laid.

Staff Review ■

**Monographs on Drugs—Drugs and Driving.** By GERALD MILNER. S. Karger AG, Medical and Scientific Publishers, Arnold-Brocklin-Strasse 25, CH-400 Basel 11, Switzerland, 1972. xi + 124 pp. 17 × 24.5 cm. Price \$7.50.

The purpose of this new series is to serve as a compendium of the literature on a specialized topic. Particular emphasis will be given to the medical, biological, and social consequences stemming from the misuse and therapeutic use of drugs.

This book is divided into three major parts generally discussing drug interactions as they affect driving, research on drugs and driving, and a general discussion and related problems.

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**Manual of Medical Therapeutics, 20th Edition.** Edited by MICHAEL GEOFFREY ROSENFELD. Little, Brown, 34 Beacon St., Boston, MA 02106, 1971. ix + 476 pp. 14 × 22 cm. Price \$7.50.

This book was originally developed in the early 1940's as a guide to a course in medical therapeutics given to fourth-year medical students at Washington University medical school. It has been revised regularly to reflect new information, drugs, and techniques.

In this edition, the chapters on renal disease, pulmonary disease, antibiotics and infectious diseases, chemotherapy of malignant diseases, and arthritis have been extensively revised and contain material not previously discussed in this book.

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**Hallucinogenic Drugs.** By F. CHRISTINE BROWN. Charles C Thomas, 301-327 E. Lawrence Ave., Springfield, IL 62703, 1972. ix + 154 pp. 16 × 23.5 cm. Price \$10.50.

Pharmacological and psychological properties of the various groups of hallucinogenic compounds are discussed. The following groups of drugs are covered: phenylalkylamines, lysergic acid derivatives, indoles, marijuana, piperidyl benzilate esters, and minor hallucinogens. The best known derivatives of each class are given and the relationships between compounds of similar and dissimilar structures are compared.

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## NOTICES

*Health of the Nation Conference Proceedings, March 21 through April 8, 1971.* Edited by HAKIM MOHAMMED SAID. The Institute of Health & Tibbi Research, Pakistan, 1972. 505 pp. 21.5 × 27.5 cm. Price \$26.50.

*Limbic System Mechanisms and Autonomic Function.* Edited by CHARLES H. HOCKMAN. Charles C Thomas, 301-327 E. Lawrence Ave., Springfield, IL 62703, 1972. 294 pp. 17 × 25.5 cm. Price \$28.50.

*Encyclopedia of Industrial Chemical Analysis, Volume 15.* Edited by F. D. SNELL and L. S. ETTRE. Wiley, 605 Third Ave., New York, NY 10016, 1972. 574 pp. 18 × 25 cm. Price \$35.00 subscription, \$45.00 single copy.

*Hormonal Contraception.* By JURGEN HALLER. Geron-X, Inc., Box 1108, Los Altos, CA 94022, 1972. 314 pp. 15 × 23 cm. Price \$13.00.

*Problèmes Actuels de Biochimie Appliquée.* Edited by MAURICE-LOUIS GIRARD. Masson et Cie, 120 Boulevard Saint-Germain, Paris VI<sup>e</sup>, France, 1972. 268 pp. 16 × 24 cm. Price 98 fr. (French)

*The Bile Acids, Chemistry, Physiology, and Metabolism, Volume 1: Chemistry.* Edited by P. P. NAIR and D. KRITCHEVSKY. Plenum, 227 West 17th St., New York, NY 10011, 1971. 372 pp. 15 × 23 cm. Price \$19.50.

*Organophosphorus Chemistry, Volume 3, Specialist Periodical Reports.* Reported by S. TRIPPETT, The Chemical Society, Burlington House, London, W1V 0BN, England, 1972. 303 pp. 13.5 × 21.5 cm. Price £7.00.

*Microbial Pathogenicity in Man and Animals, Twenty-Second Symposium of the Society for General Microbiology Held at Imperial College London.* Edited by H. SMITH and J. H. PEARCE. Cambridge University Press, American Branch, 32 E. 57th St., New York, NY 10022, 1972. 541 pp. 14.5 × 23 cm. Price \$18.50.

*Perspectives in Neuropharmacology, A Tribute to Julius Axelrod.* Edited by SOLOMON H. SNYDER. Oxford University Press, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016, 1971. xi + 404 pp. 14.5 × 23 cm. Price \$17.50.

## NEW JOURNALS

*Seminars in Drug Treatment.* Edited by JOSEPH R. DiPALMA and BENJAMIN CALESNICK. Grune & Stratton, Inc., 111 Fifth Ave., New York, NY 10003, 1971. 17 × 25.5 cm. (Published quarterly, \$17.50 per year).