GLC of carbohydrate glycolipids, and GLC of long chain nitrogen bases.

The chapter on sterols and steroids (139 pages) deals primarily with TLC, and data are presented clearly in tabular form for a most comprehensive list including many steroids currently on the market. The chapter on bile acids (130 pages) provides a highly detailed description of GLC methodology including experimental methodology for "Filling of Columns" and "Formation of Derivatives." The chapter on prostaglandins (51 pages) succinctly covers all chromatographic methods with emphasis on metabolites and extraction. The section on carbohydrate glycolipid GLC (37 pages) includes many common sugars as well as detailed methodology for synthesizing derivatives. The section on long chain nitrogen bases (11 pages) provides detailed procedures for cleavage, derivative formation, and GLC.

Knowledge of chromatographic methodology is often critical in many pharmaceutical, biological, and synthetic research projects. The detailed information and experimental methodology presented in this book should provide a most useful source to the pharmaceutical scientist. It is highly recommended to those involved in research as well as development of compounds in the classes covered.

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Pharmacology of Marihuana. Vols. 1 and 2. Edited by MONIQUE C. BRAUDE and STEPHEN SZARA. Raven, 1140 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036, 1976. 458 pp. 16.5 × 24.5 cm. Price \$50.00 (two volumes).

This two-volume set represents the proceedings of the International Conference sponsored by the National Institute on Drug Abuse in Savannah, Ga., December 3–6, 1974.

These books contain a total of nine parts. The first part offers general background information, and the last part deals with the therapeutic potential. In the remaining seven parts, comprehensive research data are presented, including chemical and metabolic aspects; cellular, immunological, hormonal, autonomic, and neuropharmacological effects; behavioral pharmacology; related drug interactions; effects on genetics and reproduction; and the long-term effects of marihuana.

The data from both preclinical and clinical research are presented. Respiratory and cardiovascular effects are discussed in Part IV under Autonomic Effects. It is rather surprising that only a small portion of the text is devoted to these aspects, considering the complex effects of Δ^9 -tetrahydrocannabinol on the cardiovascular and respiratory systems, including interference with the reflexogenic mechanisms. The discussion on p. 287, Cardiovascular Effects, has very little to do with the cardiovascular system and deals mostly with bronchodilator effects.

The primary means of self-administration of marihuana is by inhalation, but little information is presented in these texts concerning its acute and/or chronic effects on pulmonary hemodynamics. Such information would have been useful, especially since therapeutic value has been implicated for marihuana in bronchial asthma. These limitations perhaps emphasize the urgent need for further research in these areas. In this respect, these books serve a useful purpose in documenting what is known and what is not.

Marihuana and its constituents are highly complex and possess numerous pharmacological properties; the National Institute on Drug Abuse performed an extremely useful service in comprehensively presenting this material. Dr. Braude and Dr. Szara should be commended for excellence in designing the symposium and editing the proceedings. These books will be extremely useful for researchers and clinicians concerned with research on marihuana.

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