

## BOOK REVIEW

M. H. BRIGGS (editor): **Advances in Steroid Biochemistry and Pharmacology**. Academic Press London and New York (1970). Vol. 1, 517 pp., Vol. 2, 477 pp.

These two volumes contain the most recent developments in fundamental and applied research concerning a wide variety of problems, such as: steroids and sterols in arthropods, marine invertebrates and plants; steroid biosynthesis; the effect of steroid hormones in target tissues; production of androgens in women; steroids in nidation and in the foeto-placental unit; metabolic effects of steroid contraceptives; comparative aspects of the adrenocortical hormones; steroid determination in cancer and automation of steroid analyses.

These books will be of interest to endocrinologists, biochemists, gynaecologists and physiologists, serving as a very useful document for those working in fundamental research and for advanced students.

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