

## Editors' Note

The world is on the threshold of a revolution in biology that will in the future provide its inhabitants with novel and virtually unlimited biological resources in every sphere: medicine and health, food and agriculture, industrial chemicals and mining, energy and the environment.

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