

BOOK REVIEW

INOSITOL LIPIDS and Transmembrane Signalling edited by M. J. Berridge and R. H. Michel published by The Royal Society, 6 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AG, England, 1988, 39.50 UK 42.00 elsewhere.

This hardcover book comprises two hundred pages and contains fourteen papers which were presented at a Royal Society meeting held on December 2 and 3, 1987.

The field covered by this book is probably of fundamental and increasing importance to any scientist concerned with a complete understanding of the molecular action of a number of drugs. Thus for the academic or industrial scientist with specialized interest in biochemical pharmacology this book is strongly recommended.

As with any Proceedings there are some papers which are more seminal than others. However, the general level of contribution is high. The editors and publisher are to be congratulated on producing a hard-cover Proceedings (which appears to be commendably free of typographical errors) in less than a year from the date of the conference. For a specialized book of this type the price is very reasonable.

Although this is unlikely to be a book which many readers will peruse in detail from cover to cover it is likely to be of considerable value in many industrial and academic laboratories and libraries.

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