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This volume deals with the uses of radioisotopes and other forms of nuclear energy in the biological sciences. Most of the material presented here is a series of reviews of already published material. However, the writers, the reviewers, and the editors all appear to be leaders and pioneers in applying nuclear energy to biological problems; consequently the information is quite useful.

One important function this book serves is to bring to the attention of biologists some of the kinds of problems that can be approached and solved with radioisotopes. More important than this perhaps, is that here one can become acquainted with a variety of useful techniques in handling and using radioisotopes and in evaluating results of research.

It would seem that Chapter 8, which is the last and deals with "The Use of Radioisotopes in Biochemistry" is too brief, being only five pages in length. This seems to be an extremely short presentation for so important a phase of biological research.

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