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Medicinal Chemistry of Neglected and Tropical Diseases: Advances in the Design and Synthesis of Antimicrobial Agents consolidates and describes modern drug discovery and development approaches currently employed to identify effective chemotherapeutic agents for the treatment of Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) from a medicinal chemistry perspective. Chapters are designed to cater to the needs of medicinal chemists who work with chemotherapeutic developments for NTDs, as well as serve as a guide to budding medicinal chemists who wish to work in this area. It will introduce rational drug design approaches adopted in designing chemotherapeutics and validated targets available for the purpose. This handbook and ready reference presents a combination of statistical, information-theoretic, and data analysis methods to meet the challenge of designing empirical models involving molecular descriptors within bioinformatics. The topics range from investigating information processing in chemical and biological networks to studying statistical and information-theoretic techniques for analyzing chemical structures to employing data analysis and machine learning techniques for QSAR/QSPR. The high-profile international author and editor team ensures excellent coverage of the topic, making this a must-have for everyone working in chemoinformatics and structure-oriented drug design.

This volume details several important databases and data mining tools. Data Mining Techniques for the Life Sciences, Second Edition guides readers through archives of macromolecular three-dimensional structures, databases of protein-protein interactions, thermodynamics information on protein and mutant stability, "Kbdock" protein domain structure

database, PDB\_REDO databank, erroneous sequences, substitution matrices, tools to align RNA sequences, interesting procedures for kinase family/subfamily classifications, new tools to predict protein crystallizability, metabolomics data, drug-target interaction predictions, and a recipe for protein-sequence-based function prediction and its implementation in the latest version of the ANNOTATOR software suite. Written in the highly successful Methods in Molecular Biology series format, chapters include introductions to their respective topics, lists of the necessary materials and reagents, step-by-step, readily reproducible laboratory protocols, and tips on troubleshooting and avoiding known pitfalls. Authoritative and cutting-edge, *Data Mining Techniques for the Life Sciences, Second Edition* aims to ensure successful results in the further study of this vital field.

This book discusses a broad range of basic and advanced topics in the field of protein structure, function, folding, flexibility, and dynamics. Starting with a basic introduction to protein purification, estimation, storage, and its effect on the protein structure, function, and dynamics, it also discusses various experimental and computational structure determination approaches; the importance of molecular interactions and water in protein stability, folding and dynamics; kinetic and thermodynamic parameters associated with protein-ligand binding; single molecule techniques and their applications in studying protein folding and aggregation; protein quality control; the role of amino acid sequence in protein aggregation; muscarinic acetylcholine receptors, antimuscarinic drugs, and their clinical significances. Further, the book explains the current understanding on the therapeutic importance of the enzyme dopamine beta hydroxylase; structural dynamics and motions in molecular motors; role of cathepsins in controlling degradation of extracellular matrix during disease states; and the important

structure-function relationship of iron-binding proteins, ferritins. Overall, the book is an important guide and a comprehensive resource for understanding protein structure, function, dynamics, and interaction.

*Advances in Peptide and Peptidomimetic Design Inspiring Basic Science and Drug Discovery* is a book dedicated to Prof. Victor J. Hruby on the occasion of his 80th birthday. This book includes twenty contributions from authors representing diverse multidisciplinary fields of scientific expertise, and is focused on the extraordinary potential of peptides and peptidomimetics as a surging therapeutic modality and as tools for basic research and technology development.

This book is dedicated to the field of conductive polymers, focusing on electrical interactions with biological systems. It addresses the use of conductive polymers as the conducting interface for electrical communications with the biological system, both in vitro and in vivo. It provides an overview on the chemistry and physics of conductive polymers, their useful characteristics as well as limitations, and technologies that apply conductive polymers for medical purposes. This groundbreaking resource addresses cytotoxicity and tissue compatibility of conductive polymers, the basics on electromagnetic fields, and commonly used experimental methods. Readers will also learn how cells are cultured in vitro with conductive polymers, and how conductive polymers and living tissues interact electrically. Throughout the contents, chapter authors emphasize the importance of conductive polymers in biomedical engineering and their potential applications in medicine.

*Brockelmann's History of the Arabic Written Tradition* offers bio-bibliographic information about works written in Arabic and their authors, with an emphasis on manuscripts from the

classical period. This originally multivolume reference work is divided in chronologically organized sections, which are subdivided by literary genre. Individual entries typically consist of a biographical section and a list of the author's works in manuscript and print, with references to secondary literature. The "Brockelmann", now also available in English, is an indispensable research tool for anyone working on the Islamic world in general and the Middle East in particular.

As the title indicates, this unique resource is a manual on comparative linguistics, with the examples taken exclusively from Semitic languages. It is an innovative volume that recalls the earlier tradition of textbooks of comparative philology, which, however, exclusively treated Indo-European languages. It is suited for students with at least a year of a Semitic language. By far the largest component of the book are the nine wordlists that provide the data to be manipulated by the student. Says reviewer Peter Daniels, the wordlists "constitute a unique resource for all of comparative linguistics--a considerable quantity of uniform data from a host of related languages. They would be useful for any class in comparative linguistics, not just for those interested specifically in Semitic." Scattered throughout the text are 25 exercises based on the wordlists that provide a good introduction to the methods of comparativists. Also included are paradigms of the phonological systems of ten Semitic languages as well as Coptic and a form of Berber. A bibliography that guides the student into further reading in Semitic linguistics completes the volume.

An interdisciplinary bioinformatics science aims to develop methodology and analysis tools to explore large-volume of biological data using conventional and modern computer science, statistics, and mathematics, as well as pattern recognition,

reconstruction, machine learning, simulation and iterative approaches, molecular modeling, folding, networking, and artificial intelligence. Written by international team of life scientists, this Bioinformatics book provides some updates on bioinformatics methods, resources, approaches, and genome analysis tools useful for molecular sciences, medicine and drug designs, as well as plant sciences and agriculture. I trust chapters of this book should provide advanced knowledge for university students, life science researchers, and interested readers on some latest developments in the bioinformatics field.

We are delighted to introduce Proceedings of the 3rd International Symposium On Religious Life (ISRL 2020). This conference has brought academicians, researchers, developers and practitioners around the world. In collaboration with Indonesian Consortium for Religious Studies (ICRS) and Indonesian Institute of Sciences (LIPI), the Agency for Research, Development and Training of the Ministry of Religious Affairs (MoRA) convened bi-annual symposium with the following main theme: “Religious Life, Ethics and Human Dignity in the Disruptive Era”. The 3rd ISRL highlighted the role of religion and ethics in the disruptive era that erode human values, civility, and dignity. In the processes of development and technological revolution, religion can play an essential role in providing spiritual, moral, and ethical guidance. In the context of the Covid-19 pandemic, religion is perceived in two ways: on the one hand, some faith communities have been willfully negligent and become ‘super-spreaders’ of the

dangerous virus by defying stay-at-home orders. Yet, on the other hand, religion has also galvanized its adherents to support economically vulnerable and marginalized communities affected by the lockdown and social restrictions. Likewise, in democratization, religion gives society the necessary dynamic thrust to maintain its vibrancy, resiliency, and sustainability. This Symposium is therefore expected to delve into the complexity of how religion, religious values and faith communities confront the contemporary challenges to uphold ethics and human dignity. We strongly believe that ISRL conference provides a good forum for all academicians, researcher, developers and practitioners to discuss all religious Life, ethics and human dignity. We also expect that the future ISRL conference will be as successful and stimulating, as indicated by the contributions presented in this volume.

Emerging and Reemerging Viral Pathogens: Applied Virology Approaches Related to Human, Animal and Environmental Pathogens, Volume Two presents new research information on viruses and their impact on the scientific community. It provides a reference book on certain viruses in humans, animals and vegetal, along with a comprehensive discussion on interspecies interactions. The book then looks at the drug, vaccine and bioinformatical strategies that can be used against these viruses, giving the reader a clear understanding of transmission. The book's end goal is to create awareness that the appearance of newly transmissible pathogens is a global risk that requires shared/adoptable policies for prevention and control. Covers most

emerging viral disease in humans, animals and plants Provides the most advanced tools and techniques in molecular virology and the modeling of viruses Creates awareness that the appearance of new transmissible pathogens is a global risk Highlights the need to adopt shared policies for the prevention and control of infectious diseases

This volume provides an overview of the current successes as well as pitfalls and caveats that are hindering the design of membrane proteins. Divided into six parts, chapters detail membrane transporter, FoldX force field, protein stability, G-Protein Coupled Receptors (GPCR) structures, transmembrane helices, membrane molecular dynamics (MD) simulations, pH-dependent protonation states, membrane permeability, and passive transport. Written in the highly successful Methods in Molecular Biology series format, chapters include introductions to their respective topics, lists of the necessary materials and reagents, step-by-step, readily reproducible laboratory protocols, and tips on troubleshooting and avoiding known pitfalls. Authoritative and cutting-edge, Computational Design of Membrane Proteins aims to ensure successful results in the further study of this vital field.

Vijay Krishna's 2e of Auction Theory improves upon his 2002 bestseller with a new chapter on package and position auctions as well as end-of-chapter questions and chapter notes. Complete proofs and new material about collusion complement Krishna's ability to reveal the basic facts of each theory in a style that is clear, concise,

and easy to follow. With the addition of a solutions manual and other teaching aids, the 2e continues to serve as the doorway to relevant theory for most students doing empirical work on auctions. Focuses on key auction types and serves as the doorway to relevant theory for those doing empirical work on auctions New chapter on combinatorial auctions and new analyses of theory-informed applications New chapter-ending exercises and problems of varying difficulties support and reinforce key points This volume contains a comprehensive overview of peptide-lipid interactions by leading researchers. The first part covers theoretical concepts, experimental considerations, and thermodynamics. The second part presents new results obtained through site-directed EPR, electron microscopy, NMR, isothermal calorimetry, and fluorescence quenching. The final part covers problems of biological interest, including signal transduction, membrane transport, fusion, and adhesion. Key Features \* world-renowned experts \* state-of-the-art experimental methods \* monolayers, bilayers, biological membranes \* theoretical aspects and computer simulations \* rafts \* synaptic transmission \* membrane fusion \* signal transduction

This volume details basic and advanced protocols for both stages of protein engineering: the library design phase and the identification of improved variants by screening and selection. Chapters focus on enzyme engineering using rational and semi-rational approaches. Written in the highly successful Methods in Molecular Biology series format, chapters include introductions to their respective topics, lists of



the necessary materials and reagents, step-by-step, readily reproducible laboratory protocols, and tips on troubleshooting and avoiding known pitfalls. Authoritative and cutting-edge, Protein Engineering: Methods and Protocols aims to aid scientists in the planning and performance of their experiments. The chapter 'Functional Analysis of Membrane Proteins Produced by Cell-Free Translation' is open access under a CC BY 4.0 license via [link.springer.com](https://link.springer.com).

Free energy constitutes the most important thermodynamic quantity to understand how chemical species recognize each other, associate or react. Examples of problems in which knowledge of the underlying free energy behaviour is required, include conformational equilibria and molecular association, partitioning between immiscible liquids, receptor-drug interaction, protein-protein and protein-DNA association, and protein stability. This volume sets out to present a coherent and comprehensive account of the concepts that underlie different approaches devised for the determination of free energies. The reader will gain the necessary insight into the theoretical and computational foundations of the subject and will be presented with relevant applications from molecular-level modelling and simulations of chemical and biological systems. Both formally accurate and approximate methods are covered using both classical and quantum mechanical descriptions. A central theme of the book is that the wide variety of free energy calculation techniques available today can be understood as different implementations of a few basic principles. The book is aimed at

a broad readership of graduate students and researchers having a background in chemistry, physics, engineering and physical biology.

The depletion of fossil resources and an ever-growing human population create an increasing demand for the development of sustainable processes for the utilization of renewable resources. As autotrophic microorganisms offer numerous metabolic pathways for the fixation of carbon dioxide and the metabolic utilization of light, electricity and inorganic energy donors, they are expected to play a pivotal role in an emerging carbon neutral society. This text-book presents the metabolic principles of autotrophy and current efforts for their utilization in biotechnology, including photoautotrophic, chemolithoautotrophic and electroautotrophic organisms. It outlines how modern molecular biology and process engineering create technologies that allow to use industrial off-gases and inorganic energy for the synthesis of bio-based plastics, materials and other chemical products. The text-book is ideally suited for students in advanced graduate and master courses and offers a reference for PhD students, engineers, chemists, biologists and all with an interests in biotechnology and renewable resources.

"In the opening chapter of An Introduction to Molecular Dynamics, the method of statistical geometry, based on the construction of a Voronoi polyhedral, is applied

to the pattern recognition of atomic environments and to the investigation of the local order in molecular dynamics-simulated materials. Next, the authors discuss the methodology of bimolecular simulations and their advancements, as well as their applications in the field of nanoparticle-biomolecular interactions. The theory of molecular dynamics simulation and some of the recent molecular dynamics methods such as steered molecular dynamics, umbrella sampling, and coarse-grained simulation are also discussed. The use of auxiliary programs in the cases of modified cyclodextrins is discussed. Additionally, results from molecular dynamics studies on cases of inclusion compounds of molecules of different sizes and shapes encapsulated in the same host cyclodextrin have been examined and compared. In closing, the authors discuss the methodology of molecular dynamics simulation with a non-constant force field. In the context of molecular simulations, the term "force field" refers to a set of equations and parameters for the calculation of forces acting on the particles of the system and its potential energy"--

The entire village was in an uproar when the news spread that Laltu had beaten up Yuvaraj. How dare a Dom boy thrash the gauntia's nephew, a Teli? The Telis set out to seek revenge by breaking Laltu's limbs. Conscious of the plight of the Dalits and the lower castes, and hoping to improve their lot, Laltu leads an

uprising against the upper castes. Does he succeed? Or is he silenced and crushed by caste power? Set in a remote village in the Kalahandi district of Odisha, the story draws from the real, lived experiences of the region's Dalits. *Bheda*, the first Odia Dalit novel, is not only a poignant tale of rebellion and betrayal, it is also a record of the caste atrocities and cultural politics that have defined India.

This book provides up-to-date information on bioinformatics tools for the discovery and development of new drug molecules. It discusses a range of computational applications, including three-dimensional modeling of protein structures, protein-ligand docking, and molecular dynamics simulation of protein-ligand complexes for identifying desirable drug candidates. It also explores computational approaches for identifying potential drug targets and for pharmacophore modeling. Moreover, it presents structure- and ligand-based drug design tools to optimize known drugs and guide the design of new molecules. The book also describes methods for identifying small-molecule binding pockets in proteins, and summarizes the databases used to explore the essential properties of drugs, drug-like small molecules and their targets. In addition, the book highlights various tools to predict the absorption, distribution, metabolism, excretion (ADME) and toxicity (T) of potential drug candidates. Lastly, it reviews

in silico tools that can facilitate vaccine design and discusses their limitations. This book provides an update on sigma receptors, and summarizes recent advances in the medicinal chemistry, molecular biology, and cell biology of sigma receptors. It describes the functional effects mediated by these receptors and the potential clinical implications of these actions. The information is put in a historical perspective. This provides a launching point from which future studies and research directions can easily be developed.

Protein Structure deals with the chemistry and physics of biologically important molecules—the proteins—particularly the determination of the structure of various proteins, their thermodynamics, their kinetics, and the mechanisms of different reactions of individual proteins. The book approaches the study of protein structure in two ways: firstly, by determining the general features of protein structure, the overall size, and shape of the molecule; and secondly, by investigating the molecule internally along with the various aspects of the internal configuration of protein molecules. It describes in detail experimental methods for determining protein structure in solution, such as the hydrodynamic method, the thermodynamic optical method, and the electrochemical method. The book then explains the results of experiments carried out on insulin, lysozyme, and ribonuclease. The text notes that the experiments, carried out on native and

denatured proteins as well as on derivatives prepared by chemical modification (e.g., by methylation, iodination, acetylation, etc.), can lead to greater understanding of secondary and tertiary structures of proteins of known sequence. The book is suitable for biochemists, micro-biologists, cellular researchers, or investigators involved in protein structure and other biological sciences related to muscle physiologists, geneticists, enzymologists, or immunologists.

Records publications acquired from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka, by the U.S. Library of Congress Offices in New Delhi, India, and Karachi, Pakistan.

This tutorial book features an augmented selection of the material presented at the GI-Dagstuhl Research Seminar on Human-Centered Visualization Environments, HCVE 2006, held in Dagstuhl Castle, Germany in March 2006. It presents eight tutorial lectures that are the thoroughly cross-reviewed and revised versions of the summaries and findings presented and discussed at the seminar.

The Design and Development of Novel Drugs and Vaccines: Principles and Protocols presents both in silico methods and experimental protocols for vaccine and drug design and development, critically reviewing the most current research

and emphasizing approaches and technologies that accelerate and lower the cost of product development. Sections review the technologies and approaches used to identify, characterize and establish a protein as a new drug and vaccine target, cover several molecular methods for in vitro studies of the desired target, and present various physiological parameters for in vivo studies. The book includes preclinical trials and research, along with information on FDA approval. Covers both in silico methods and experimental protocols for vaccine and drug development in a single, accessible volume Offers a holistic accounting of how developments in bioinformatics and large experimental datasets can be used in the development of vaccines and drugs Shows researchers the entire gamut of current therapies, ranging from computational inputs to animal studies Reviews the most current, cutting-edge research available on vaccine and drug design and development

Preceded by Quantitative methods in health care management / Yasar A. Ozcan. 2nd ed. c2009.

This is a comprehensive introduction to Landau-Lifshitz equations and Landau-Lifshitz-Maxwell equations, beginning with the work by Yulin Zhou and Boling Guo in the early 1980s and including most of the work done by this Chinese group led by Zhou and Guo since. The book focuses on aspects such as the

existence of weak solutions in multi dimensions, existence and uniqueness of smooth solutions in one dimension, relations with harmonic map heat flows, partial regularity and long time behaviors. The book is a valuable reference book for those who are interested in partial differential equations, geometric analysis and mathematical physics. It may also be used as an advanced textbook by graduate students in these fields.

Proteins lie at the heart of almost all biological processes and have an incredibly wide range of activities. Central to the function of all proteins is their ability to adopt, stably or sometimes transiently, structures that allow for interaction with other molecules. An understanding of the structure of a protein can therefore lead us to a much improved picture of its molecular function. This realisation has been a prime motivation of recent Structural Genomics projects, involving large-scale experimental determination of protein structures, often those of proteins about which little is known of function. These initiatives have, in turn, stimulated the massive development of novel methods for prediction of protein function from structure. Since model structures may also take advantage of new function prediction algorithms, the first part of the book deals with the various ways in which protein structures may be predicted or inferred, including specific treatment of membrane and intrinsically disordered proteins. A detailed consideration of



current structure-based function prediction methodologies forms the second part of this book, which concludes with two chapters, focusing specifically on case studies, designed to illustrate the real-world application of these methods. With bang up-to-date texts from world experts, and abundant links to publicly available resources, this book will be invaluable to anyone who studies proteins and the endlessly fascinating relationship between their structure and function.

This detailed book gathers a broad collection of experimental approaches to assist researchers in setting up different methods to investigate protein conformational disorders. Beginning with a section on assays focusing on biophysical approaches to study protein (mis)folding, the volume continues with sections on cellular and proteostasis assays as well as assays for protein folding correction and recovery, combining methods such as thermal shift assays, in silico improvement of protein solubility, and compound screening, an important area of research as it may open avenues for therapeutic strategies. Written for the highly successful Methods in Molecular Biology series, chapters include introductions to their respective topics, lists of the necessary materials and reagents, step-by-step, readily reproducible laboratory protocols, and tips for troubleshooting and avoiding known pitfalls. Authoritative and practical, *Protein Misfolding Diseases: Methods and Protocols* serves as an ideal guide for

researchers seeking to advance our knowledge of protein conformational disorders.

Buku ini menjadi sarana berbagi hal-hal praktis untuk melaksanakan riset dinamika molekul guna menyediakan target virtual untuk penemuan dan rancangan obat berbasis struktur. Buku ini disampaikan secara naratif sebagai komplemen dari publikasi-publikasi ilmiah yang terkait serta sebagai sarana menyampaikan berbagai faktor ekstrinsik yang kurang tepat untuk dipublikasikan di jurnal ilmiah. Buku ini akan menjadi lebih berdampak bagi pembaca jika pembaca sudah membaca buku “Rancangan Obat dan Penapisan Virtual Berbasis Struktur” dengan ISBN:978-602-5607-52-3 dan “Rancangan Obat Berbantuan Komputer: Peptida Rantai Pendek Sebagai Antikolinesterase” dengan ISBN:978-623-7379-20-1. Buku ini ditulis dengan sudut pandang orang pertama dengan maksud berbagi pengalaman ilmiah maupun faktor-faktor eksternal dalam penelitian-penelitian terkait yang sulit tersampaikan pada forum maupun jurnal-jurnal ilmiah. Buku ini diharapkan memperkaya khasanah disiplin ilmu Kimia Medisinal di Indonesia.

Knowledge about protein tertiary structure can guide experiments, assist in the understanding of structure-function relationships, and aid the design of new therapeutics for disease. Homology modeling is an *in silico* method that predicts

the tertiary structure of an amino acid sequence based on a homologous experimentally determined structure. In, *Homology Modelling: Methods and Protocols* experts in the field describe each homology modeling step from first principles, provide case studies for challenging modeling targets and describe methods for the prediction of how other molecules such as drugs can interact with the protein. Written in the highly successful *Methods in Molecular Biology*<sup>TM</sup> series format, the chapters include the kind of detailed description and implementation advice that is crucial for getting optimal results in the laboratory. Thorough and intuitive, *Homology Modelling: Methods and Protocols* guides scientists in the available homology modeling methods.

This volume presents a diverse collection of methodologies used to study various problems at the protein sequence and structure level. The chapters in this book look at issues ranging from broad concepts like protein space to specifics like antibody modeling. Topics include point mutations, gene duplication, de novo emergence of new genes, pairwise correlated mutations, ancestral protein reconstruction, homology modelling, protein stability and dynamics, and protein-protein interactions. The book also covers a wide range of computational approaches, including sequence and structure alignments, phylogenies, physics-based and mathematical approaches, machine learning, and more. Written in the

highly successful Methods in Molecular Biology series format, chapters include introductions to their respective topics, lists of the necessary materials and prerequisites, step-by-step, readily reproducible computational protocols (using command line or graphical user interfaces, sometimes including computer code), and tips on troubleshooting and avoiding known pitfalls. Cutting-edge and authoritative, Computational Methods in Protein Evolution is a valuable resource that offers useful workflows and techniques that will help both novice and expert researchers working with proteins computationally.

This book provides a comprehensive overview of modern computer-based techniques for analyzing the structure, properties and dynamics of biomolecules and biomolecular processes. It is organized in four main parts; the first one deals with methodology of molecular simulations; the second one with applications of molecular simulations; the third one introduces bioinformatics methods and the use of experimental information in molecular simulations; the last part reports on selected applications of molecular quantum mechanics. This second edition has been thoroughly revised and updated to include the latest progresses made in the respective field of research.

While most textbooks on bioinformatics focus on genetic algorithms and treat protein structure prediction only superficially, this course book assumes a novel and unique focus. Adopting a didactic approach, the author explains all the current methods in

terms of their reliability, limitations and user-friendliness. She provides practical examples to help first-time users become familiar with the possibilities and pitfalls of computer-based structure prediction, making this a must-have for students and researchers.

One of the most pressing tasks in biotechnology today is to unlock the function of each of the thousands of new genes identified every day. Scientists do this by analyzing and interpreting proteins, which are considered the task force of a gene. This single source reference covers all aspects of proteins, explaining fundamentals, synthesizing the latest literature, and demonstrating the most important bioinformatics tools available today for protein analysis, interpretation and prediction. Students and researchers of biotechnology, bioinformatics, proteomics, protein engineering, biophysics, computational biology, molecular modeling, and drug design will find this a ready reference for staying current and productive in this fast evolving interdisciplinary field. Explains all aspects of proteins including sequence and structure analysis, prediction of protein structures, protein folding, protein stability, and protein interactions Presents a cohesive and accessible overview of the field, using illustrations to explain key concepts and detailed exercises for students.

The contributed volume puts emphasis on a superior role of water in (bio)systems exposed to a mechanical stimulus. It is well known that water plays an extraordinary role in our life. It feeds mammalian or other organism after distributing over its whole

volume to support certain physiological and locomotive (friction-adhesion) processes to mention but two of them, both of extreme relevance. Water content, not only in the mammalian organism but also in other biosystems such as whether those of soil which is equipped with microbiome or the ones pertinent to plants, having their own natural network of water vessels, is always subjected to a force field. The decisive force field applied to the biosystems makes them biomechanically agitated irrespective of whether they are subjected to external or internal force-field conditions. It ought to be noted that the decisive mechanical factor shows up in a close relation with the space-and-time scale in which it is causing certain specific phenomena to occur. The scale problem, emphasizing the range of action of gravitational force, thus the millimeter or bigger force vs. distance scale, is supposed to enter the so-called macroscale approach to water transportation through soil or plants' roots system. It is merely related to a percolation problem, which assumes to properly inspect the random network architecture assigned to the biosystems invoked. The capillarity conditions turn out to be of prior importance, and the porous-medium effect has to be treated, and solved in a fairly approximate way. The deeper the scale is penetrated by a force-exerting and hydrated agent the more non-gravitational force fields manifest. This can be envisaged in terms of the corresponding thermodynamic (non-Newtonian) forces, and the phenomena of interest are mostly attributed to suitable changes of the osmotic pressure. In low Reynolds number conditions, thus in the (sub)micrometer distance-

scale zone, they are related with the corresponding viscosity changes of the aqueous, e.g. cytoplasmatic solutions, of semi-diluted and concentrated (but also electrolytic) characteristics. For example, they can be observed in articulating systems of mammals, in their skin, and to some extent, in other living beings, such as lizards, geckos or even insects. Through their articulating devices an external mechanical stimulus is transmitted from macro- to nanoscale, wherein the corresponding osmotic-pressure conditions apply. The content of the proposed work can be distributed twofold. First, the biomechanical mammalian-type (or, similar) systems with extraordinary relevance of water for their functioning will be presented, also including a presentation of water itself as a key physicochemical system/medium. Second, the suitably chosen related systems, mainly of soil and plant addressing provenience, will be examined thoroughly. As a common denominator of all of them, it is proposed to look at their hydrophobic and/or (de)hydration effects, and how do they impact on their basic mechanical (and related, such as chemo-mechanical or piezoelectric, etc.) properties. An additional tacit assumption employed throughout the monograph concerns statistical scalability of the presented biosystems which is equivalent to take for granted a certain similarity between local and global system's properties, mostly those of mechanical nature. The presented work's chapters also focus on biodiversity and ecological aspects in the world of animals and plants, and the related systems. The chapters' contents underscore the bioinspiration as the key landmark of the proposed monograph.

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Suitable for advanced undergraduates & postgraduates, this book provides a definitive guide to bioinformatics. It takes a conceptual approach & guides the reader from first principles through to an understanding of the computational techniques & the key algorithms.

Chance, Calculation and Life brings together 16 original papers from the colloquium of the same name, organized by the International Cultural Center of Cerisy in 2019. From mathematics to the humanities and biology, there are many concepts and questions related to chance. What are the different types of chance? Does chance correspond to a lack of knowledge about the causes of events, or is there a truly intrinsic and irreducible chance? Does chance preside over our decisions? Does it govern evolution? Is it at the origin of life? What part do chance and necessity play in biology? This book answers these fundamental questions by bringing together the clear and richly documented contributions of mathematicians, physicists, biologists and philosophers who make this book an incomparable tool for work and reflection.

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