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$IN\ MEMORY\ OF$ KAJ ULRIK LINDERSTRØM-LANG

He was the kind of "giant" of whom Claude Bernard (1865, translation by Green, 1957, p. 41) had written, "Each great man belongs to his time and can come only at his proper moment, in the sense that there is a necessary and ordered sequence in the appearance of scientific discoveries. Great men may be compared to torches shining at long intervals, to guide the advance of science. They light up their time, either by discovering unexpected and fertile phenomena which open up new paths and reveal unknown horizons, or by generalizing acquired scientific facts and disclosing truths which their predecessors had not perceived. If each great man makes the science which he vitalizes take a long step forward, he never presumes to fix its final boundaries, and he is necessarily destined to be outdistanced and left behind by the progress of successive generations. Great men have been compared to giants upon whose shoulders pygmies have climbed, who nevertheless see further than they. This simply means that science makes progress subsequently to the appearance of great men, and precisely because of their influence. The result is that their successors know many more scientific facts than the great men themselves had in their day. But a great man is, none the less still a great man, that is to say.—a giant."



Preface

The preface to Volume I included a definition of the scope of the treatment of the techniques presented and certain points of view that apply to this volume as well. In his foreword to these two volumes, Heinz Holter, like Robert R. Bensley before him, emphasized the ultimate responsibility of the worker to employ these techniques with critical consideration. Usually, the individual analytical method has been developed for a specific use, and when it is applied to another, e.g., in which a different kind of sample is employed, appropriate adjustments are often required, and the discrimination of the analyst must be exercised.

A reflection of the greater development and use of spectrophotometric techniques, compared to others, is found in the greater proportion of this volume devoted to them. Fluorometric techniques are being used increasingly to replace certain spectrophotometric ones, largely because of the greater sensitivity of the former, but the number of the latter described to date is still far greater. Commercial availability of instrumentation is an important factor in determining the use of a technique. The early emphasis on titrimetric methods was diminished to a great degree by the introduction of photoelectric apparatus, which made spectrophotometric methods relatively simple and convenient.

In this volume, certain earlier titrimetric methods are given, even though subsequent spectrophotometric or other methods for analysis of the same constituent are also presented. Laboratories in many parts of the world are variously equipped, and the simpler titrimetric apparatus can often provide means for reliable and accurate analysis when other equipment is not at hand, and, apart from this, the titrimetric technique is sometimes the one of choice.

Although this volume is devoted to chemical techniques, flame photometric and microbiological techniques are also included because they offer unique opportunities of providing quantitative data of interest for histo- and cytochemical investigation within their own limited areas of application. This extension of the subject mat-

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ter is feasible since these techniques have been exploited relatively little as yet and they can be included without making the volume too unwieldy.

A sincere attempt has been made to bring the methods up-to-date as far as possible. An occasional paper that would have been included appeared after the manuscript was completed, but the methods given are a rather complete selection of those considered by the writer to be the more important of those described to 1963.

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Unit Abbreviations

ml	10^{-3} liter	hr	hour
μl	10 ⁻⁶ liter	min	minute
mμl	10 ⁻⁹ liter	sec	second
μμΙ	10^{-12} liter	ер	10^{-2} poise
gal	gallon	amp	ampere
g	gram	mamp	10^{-3} ampere
mg	10^{-3} gram	μamp	10^{-6} ampere
μg	10^{-6}gram	μF	10^{-6} farad
$m\mu g$	10 ⁻⁹ gram	mv	10^{-3} volt
$\mu\mu g$	10^{-12}gram	Kev	10^3 electron volts
lb	pound	$\mathrm{M}\Omega$	10 ⁶ ohm (megohm)
OZ	ounce	$\mu\Omega$	10 ⁻⁶ ohm
d.c.	direct current	M	molar
a.c.	alternating current	mM	10^{-3} molar
rpm	revolutions per	N	normal
1	minute	eq	equivalent
emf	electromotive force	meq	10 ^{−3} equivalent
m	meter	p.p.m.	parts per million
$^{\mathrm{cm}}$	10^{-2} meter	conc.	concentrated
mm	10^{-3} meter	dil.	dilute
μ	10^{-6} meter	soln.	solution
$m\mu$	10^{-9} meter	sp. gr.	specific gravity
A	10^{-10} meter (Ang-	d	density
	strom unit)	C.P.	chemically pure
diam.	diameter	h.p.	horse power
vol.	volume	m.p.	melting point
in.	inch	b.p.	boiling point
ft	foot	E	extinction
STP	standard tempera-	N.A.	numerical aperture
	ture and pressure	rel.	relative
abs.	absolute	approx.	approximate
yr	year	std. dev.	standard deviation

All temperatures are given in degrees centigrade.

If not otherwise indicated, all solutions are understood to be aqueous.

If not otherwise indicated, the term alcohol refers to 95% ethyl alcohol.

Compound Abbreviations

ATP adenosine triphosphate ADP adenosine diphosphate AMP adenosine monophosphate PP pyrophosphate G-1-P glucose-1-phosphate G-6-P glucose-6-phosphate G-1, 6-DP glucose-1, 6-diphosphate 6-PG 6-phosphogluconate F-6-P fructose-6-phosphate HDP fructose-1, 6-diphosphate MDH malic dehydrogenase LDH lactic dehydrogenase GDH glutamic dehydrogenase 6-PGDH 6-phosphogluconate dehydrogenase G-6-PDH glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase GAPDH glyceraldehyde phosphate dehydrogenase PGK phosphoglycerokinase CoA coenzyme A CoQ coenzyme Q PN pyridine nucleotide reduced pyridine nucleotide PNH DPN diphosphopyridine nucleotide DPNH reduced diphosphopyridine nucleotide TPN triphosphopyridine nucleotide TPNH reduced triphosphopyridine nucleotide trichloroacetic acid TCA deoxyribonucleic acid DNA ribonucleic acid RNA NT neotetrazolium chloride INT iodonitrotetrazolium chloride

N-benzovl-L-tyrosine p-nitroanilide

British Anti Lewisite

BAL

BTNA

COMPOUND ABBREVIATIONS

DNFB dinitrofluorobenzene
QH 3-quinolylhydrazine
GSSG oxidized glutathione
GSH reduced glutathione
Tris tris (hydroxymethyl) aminomethane
P-H phenolate-hypochlorite

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