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## Preface

Over the last decade there has been a tremendous increase in the basic information concerning the enzymology of purine and pyrimidine metabolism and in the development of new procedures for the study of this field. This volume attempts to cover the enzymes involved in the biosynthetic, the degradative, and the salvage pathways of purine and pyrimidine nucleotides. Both the purification methods and the properties of pertinent enzymes are presented. When possible, enzymes from eukaryotic as well as prokaryotic sources are included.

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