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Preface

In recent years the hybridoma technology has been applied to prepare monoclonal antibodies to a large variety of antigens. These reagents have been extensively utilized both in *in vitro* and *in vivo* studies.

The aim of the present volume is to provide the interested reader with information about the application of monoclonal antibodies in various areas. Each chapter contains updated and often unpublished information. Therefore we hope that this volume will be of interest not only to newcomers but also to experts in each research area discussed.

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