

action that results in both greater awareness of the state of our knowledge and the creative insights necessary to expand that state. It is surprising that cross-disciplinary innovation by exploitation of methods or approaches is not more widely employed, but perhaps not; most of us need help with developing creativity. Sadly, this volume offers little assistance. There are no essays to give structure to the volume or to introduce or to provide a conceptual context to the papers, and, in fact, the papers are not even grouped or discussed. Although *The Endocrine System and the Environment* is a good sourcebook of recent research, and valuable insofar as it serves as an introduction to a new and growing field, this volume does not serve as either a review of the important questions and state of our knowledge, or as much of a stimulus for further research. It is, rather, simply a collection of papers.—WILLIAM R. GARSTKA, Department of Biological Sciences, University of Alabama, Huntsville, AL 35899.

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