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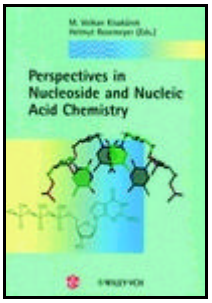

The chemistry of nucleosides and nucleic acids is a rapidly developing field. Many of the most important recent advances in medicinal chemistry have occured in this field with the development of novel nucleoside- and nucleotide-based antiviral and antitumor drugs. New synthesis strategies involving novel protecting groups have helped spur progress in drug-development and genome-sequencing research.

This volume, comprised of contributions written by internationally recognized experts, covers cutting-edge developments in current nucleoside and nucleic acid research. The most recent synthesis innovations, including combinatorial approaches, spectroscopy and structural studies, thermodynamic and computational investigations, stability assessments, and medicinal applications are presented. Synthetic, physical, organic, bioorganic, and medicinal chemists working on all aspects of nucleoside and nucleic acid research will value this comprehensive state-of-the-art overview.

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