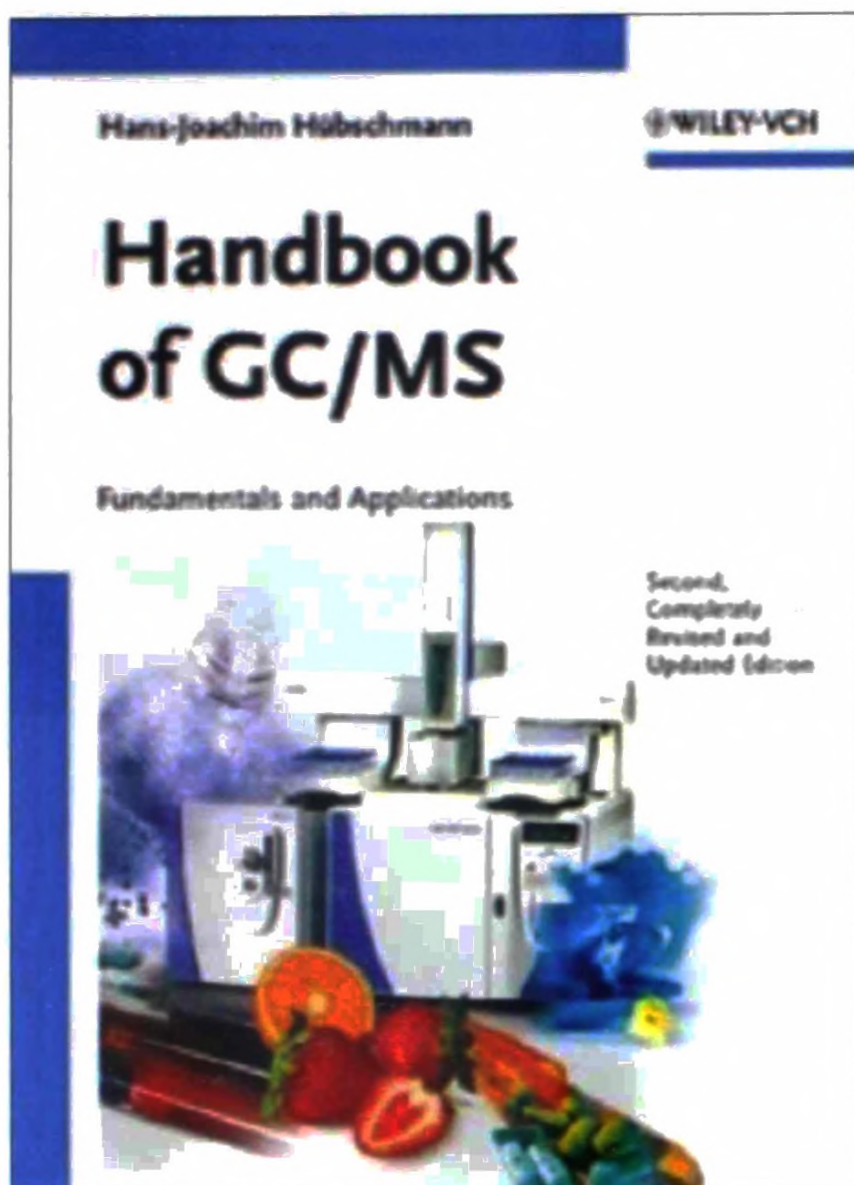


## BOOK REVIEWS

### HANDBOOK OF GC/MS – FUNDAMENTALS AND APPLICATIONS SECOND, COMPLETELY REVISED AND UPDATED EDITION



by Hans-Joachim Hübschmann  
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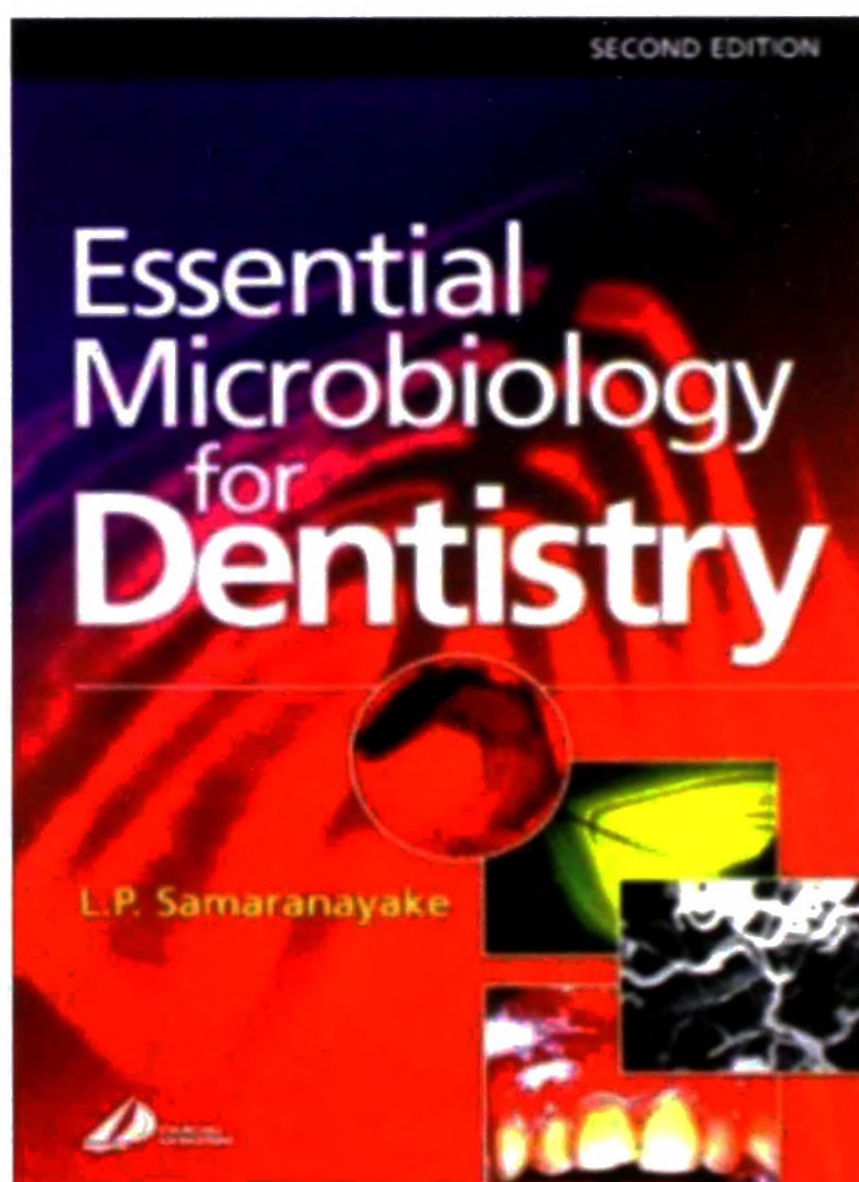
This is the first comprehensive reference work for GC/MS. It offers broad coverage, from sample preparation to the evaluation of MS data, including library searches. Fundamentals, techniques and applications are described.

A large part of the book is devoted to numerous examples for GC/MS applications in environmental, food, pharmaceutical and clinical analysis. These proven examples come from the daily practice of various laboratories.

The book also features a glossary of terms and a substance index that helps reader to find information for his particular analytical problem.

The author presents in a consistent and clear style his experience from numerous user workshops which he has organized. This is a thoroughly revised and updated English edition based on an edition which was highly successful in Germany.

### ESSENTIAL MICROBIOLOGY FOR DENTISTRY SECOND EDITION



by L. P. Samaranayake  
Churchill Livingstone Publishers, UK  
ISBN: 0-443-06461-X

This is a popular textbook which is ideal for the dental students, dental researchers and for those who are interested in dentistry and other related aspects such as microbiology and immunology.

At the beginning, the book describes general microbiological features of bacteria, viruses and how they cause human infections. The book focuses on the basic immunology followed by mechanisms of disease. The major infections of each organ system are discussed with emphasis on those that are most relevant to dentistry. The book specifically focuses on the microbial interactions in the orofacial region. Finally the book focuses on the cross-infection and control relevant to dentistry.

Using illustrations and colour photographs the book provides a concise coverage of all aspects of the microbiology that are relevant to dentistry.

## 'HERBAL DRUGS - A MODERN APPROACH TO UNDERSTAND THEM BETTER, 2011

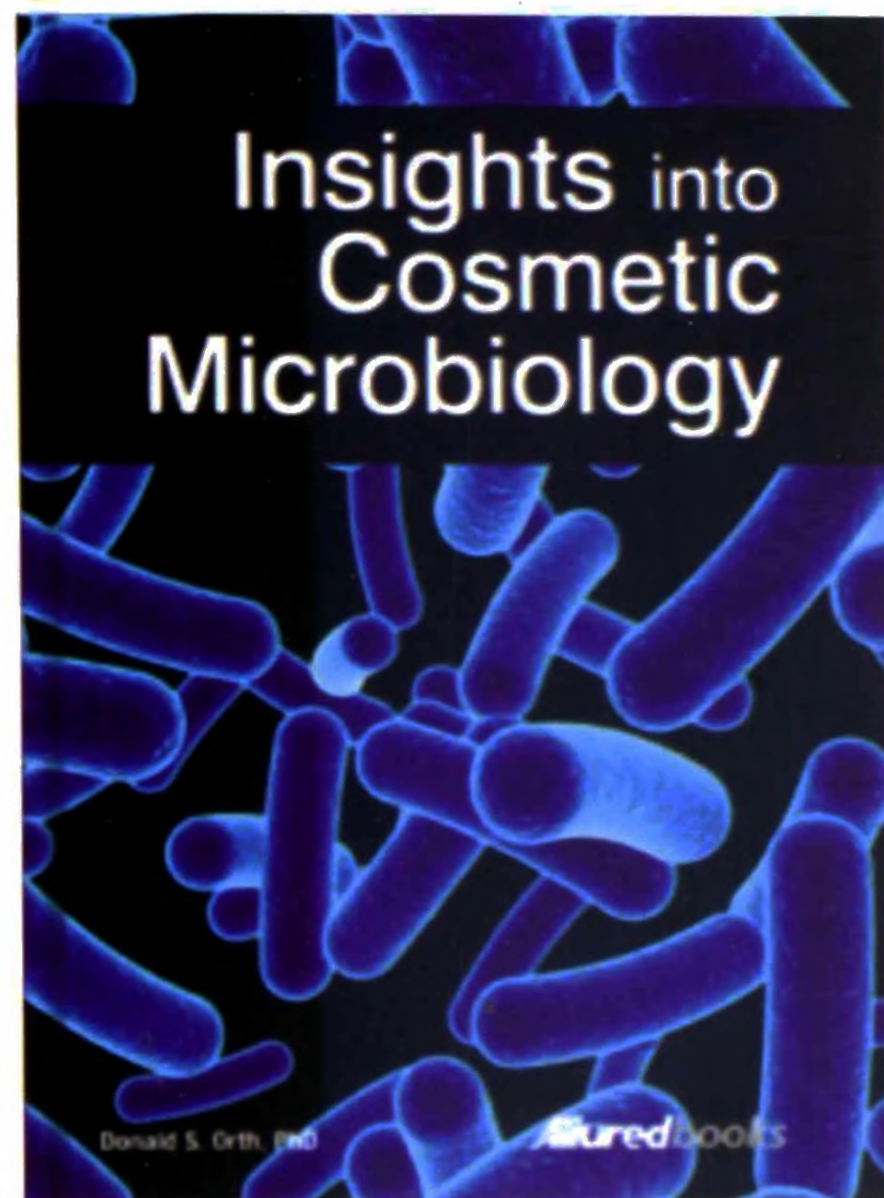
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**Published by NCBA , (UK)**

This book is a robust attempt to furnish the latest scientific information for any multidisciplinary research team engaged in plant drug research. It focuses on the roots of research in medicinal plants, highlights some of the striking features of commonly known metabolites, and presents a few of the newer aspects of herbal research. The utility of the book lies in its versatility through which it has covered a wide spectrum of research activities in the field of herbal drugs.

## INSIGHTS INTO COSMETIC MICROBIOLOGY

*Author : Donald S. Orth*  
*ISBN : 978-1-932633-62-7*  
*Publisher: Allured Business Media, USA*



Cosmetic microbiology plays an essential role in product development, plant sanitation, product testing and research. Manufacturers continue to have microbiological issues with product preservation, house organisms, deionized water quality and contaminated batches of product. This book illustrates the proper way to deal with these issues.

Within the pages of this book, the requirement of microbial growth and the principles of preservation are presented to give the reader an understanding of what is needed to control microbial growth in the manufacturing plant, as well as in the products. Microbial injury is discussed to let people know that metabolically-injured microorganisms may not be recovered from product samples using routine plating techniques and what may be done to recover these microorganisms during product release testing so they do not suddenly appearing in shipped.

# DIGEST MAIL BAG

## **Extracts from Letter 1**

Dear Dr Wijesekera

*I was immensely pleased to read your warm and personal article about Finn in Natural Products Digest.*

*Finn would have been proud and happy to hear your acknowledgement of his scientific and personal support to developing countries with emphasis in Sri Lanka. The island and its people always held a special place in his heart.*

*I hope we can keep in touch*

*Warm regards to you and your wife*

*Ilse Grebe Sandberg*

## **Extracts from Letter 2**

Dear Dr Wijesekera

*I am presently High Commissioner in Malaysia, having being pulled out of retirement to serve the country .*

*I wonder whether you would recall our meeting at the home of Dr Brendon Gooneratne and his wife some years ago. My reason for writing to you is to obtain a copy of a study done on Heenbovitia which was published in a copy of the Link Digest some years ago.*

*I do sincerely hope that your archival section would be able to recover this*

*Yours sincerely  
K Godage.*

## **Response**

Your Excellency K Godage,

*Thank you for your letter. Yes, of course I do recall our meeting some years ago.*

*I am herewith sending you a copy of the issue containing the article you requested, and also the address of the author of the article, Dr Ira Thabrew. I am sure she will give you more details of the research done on this plant. I am also sending you a copy of the latest issue of the Link Digest. If you so wish we could*

*send you future copies as well for the edification of any others who might be interested.*

*With best regards  
R O B Wijesekera.*

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