brings with it a new set of problems, but one hopes that they are more survivable than the last ones. Replacement of old processes by new ones is common in the chemical industry, and through ingenuity we ensure a constant regeneration of our technological basis.

As a supplement to teaching, this book is excellent. The authors have taken care to give a summary at the end of each chapter, as well as a list of important concepts, and a selection of exercises that well exemplify the material in the chapter. As a stand-alone text, I would find this difficult unless the class were specifically focused on this part of industrial chemistry. The technical production is rather simple. There are no color graphics, and the reaction schemes and figures are very basic. There are a few typographical issues, but what text is free of them? Not surprisingly, given the background of the authors, aspects of the pharmaceutical and fine-chemical process industries are not covered. However, industrial chemistry of the sort described here can provide many more colorful stories and spectacular examples of how the principles of organic chemistry lead to good manufacturing practices. Who knows—perhaps another book is in the offing? In any case, don’t wait, Green and Wittcoff is a great book to have on the shelf now.

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rial work. Also, the book could have been improved by including two or three introductory chapters to give readers with only limited previous knowledge some understanding of the nature and strategies of protein crystallography in pharmaceutical research. However, parts of the book will certainly be very useful for specialists in the area of structure-based drug design, provided that they do not expect to find here a more method-orientated collection of articles.

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