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I had the privilege of visiting in 1981

Preface

This series of books on biotechnology of *Medicinal and Aromatic Plants* is being compiled to provide a survey of the literature focussing on recent information and the state of the art in tissue culture and the in vitro production of secondary metabolites. This book, *Medicinal and Aromatic Plants IX*, like the previous eight volumes published in 1988, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1994, and 1995, is unique in its approach. It comprises 24 chapters dealing with the distribution, importance, conventional propagation, micropropagation, tissue culture studies and the in vitro production of important medicinal and pharmaceutical compounds in various species of *Agave*, *Anthemis*, *Aralia*, *Blackstonia*, *Catha*, *Catharanthus*, *Cephalocereus*, *Clerodendron*, *Coronilla*, *Cyanara*, *Gloeophyllum*, *Liquidambar*, *Marchantia*, *Mentha*, *Onosma*, *Paeonia*, *Parthenium*, *Petunia*, *Phyllanthus*, *Populus*, *Portulaca*, *Sandersonia*, *Serratula*, *Scoparia*, and *Thapsia*. This book is tailored to the needs of advanced students, teachers, and research scientists in the field of pharmacy, plant tissue culture, phytochemistry, biomedical engineering, and plant biotechnology in general.

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