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Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Biology of (1→3)-β-Glucans and Related Polysaccharides

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KEY FEATURES:

* Topics of medical relevance include detailing the glucans' interactions with the immune system and research for cancer therapy applications

* Web resource links allow scientists to explore additional beta glucan research

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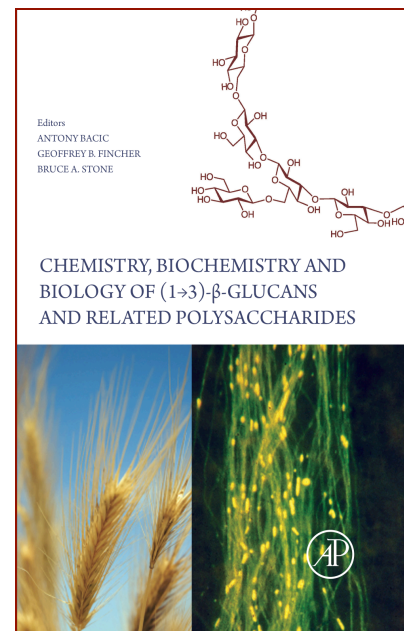
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