The Editorial Board of The Journal of Investigative Dermatology is pleased to present this supplement on the furocoumarin compounds and their effects on melanin pigmentation, as presented at the Brook Lodge Invitational Symposium on the Psoralens, sponsored by The Upjohn Company, Kalamazoo, Michigan, March 27–28, 1958.

Aside from a simple grouping of papers in which there is necessarily an overlapping of disciplines, no organization or arrangement of the material is attempted. There is, therefore, considerable repetition of historical review and there are several restatements of the known chemistry of the furocoumarins and the physics of solar irradiation.

The Editorial Board regrets that because of the large amount of material and the lack of space it is unable to publish the stimulating discussion which this symposium provided.

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