**Renin–Angiotensin**

A Centenary Symposium of the discovery of the renin–angiotensin system

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This book is based on a symposium held at the Wenner-Gren Research Centre to commemorate the centennial jubilee of the discovery of the renin–angiotensin system by Robert Tigerstedt. The symposium provided a forum for leading scientists from an international background to discuss the most recent advances in this important field of research. The resulting volume illustrates the far-reaching implications of the renin–angiotensin system in both physiology and medicine.

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