liquid surfaces"; "Properties of monolayers"; "Reactions at liquid interfaces"; "Diffusion through interfaces"; and "Disperse systems and adhesion." As might be anticipated from authors who are well known for their outstanding work in colloid and surface chemistry, the material is soundly developed and written with authority, and the literature is well covered. The book, moreover, is unusually good as monographs in colloid chemistry go, in that the authors have taken pains to provide a fuller thermodynamic treatment than is commonly given.

Biologists and biophysicists will find much to interest them in chapters 4, 5, 6, and 7, which deal with phenomena that are characteristic of many biological systems, particularly of those in which diffusion across interfaces is important. Chemical engineers will find much that is of value in the chapters dealing with electrical effects, aerosols, emulsions, foaming, and friction.

References to the literature are collected at the end of each chapter, and the indexing is of a high quality. The line drawings used as illustrations are clean and attractive, but there are a few half-tones that leave something to be desired in crispness. I do not know whether this is due to the method of reproduction or to the quality of the original photographs.

The price of the book, \$14, is certainly high; regrettably, this is characteristic of most monographs these days. Despite its price I strongly recommend it to those readers who are interested in surface chemistry.

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