crobial corrosion and its mitigation through microorganisms. These review articles have been contributed by microbiologists, botanists, plant pathologists, food technologists and chemical engineers.

The book is well illustrated with line drawings and graphs. A few photographs would have increased the quality of the book. The book in general is edited well and there are very few typographical errors. Some of the articles

are of great value to readers and a few are of general nature. The book does not include articles on free living nitrogen fixing organisms other than cyanobacteria, bio-gas technology, and use of microbes for the production of industrially important products like organic acids, vitamins, vaccines. etc. Such chapters would have enhanced the value of the book.

The book will be useful to teachers and students of microbiology. The edi-

tors deserve compliments for bringing out this useful publication. Although a little expensive this publication is a welcome addition to the microbiology literature.

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Errata

Biotechnological potential of naturally occurring and laboratory-grown *Microcystis* in biosorption of Ni²⁺ and Cd²⁺

L. C. Rai, Sarita Singh and Subhashree Pradhan [Curr. Sci., 1998, 74, 461–464]

On page 461, column 2, para 3, line 3, the temperature printed as 29 ± 20 °C should read 29 ± 2 °C.

Review of acid rain potential in India: Future threats and remedial measures

Manju Mohan and Sanjay Kumar [Curr. Sci., 1998, 75, 579-593]

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