



### Contributions to Biotechnology and Pharmaceutical Biotechnology During the Pandemic: The COVID-19 Experience

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### FRAGMENTS OF THE PANDEMIC: A COLLABORATIVE ANALYSIS OF BIOETHICS AND BIOTECHNOLOGY

One of the achievements of the collective book I am reviewing is its ability to act as multiple texts in one. It is both a collaborative work between students and teachers and a narrative that gathers experiences and testimonies from pandemic times while simultaneously providing a valuable source of biotechnological and ethical reflections coming straight from the research world.

Aída Sterin Prync and Adriana Carlucci masterfully take on the complex task of coordinating diverse voices and opinions, ensuring that the final result is not merely a collection of unconnected writings but a manual with a fluid and coherent reading experience.

The book has two parts. The first one presents a series of writings focused on the diagnosis and treatment of COVID-19. However, one in particular deserves special attention: the work of Alejandro Trombert titled “*The Pandemic and the Future of Bioethics.*” In this text, the

author successfully reflects on the crucial role that ethics committees must play in decision-making related to health, emphasizing their relevance in times of crisis.

The second part of the book is made up of a series of interviews with prominent figures from the biotechnological field who played key roles during the pandemic. By giving them a voice, the book enables us to start piecing together the puzzle of one of the most intricate periods in human history.

This exercise, on the one hand, seeks to understand what happened and how the challenges were overcome, while on the other, it invites us to undertake the necessary work of mourning for those who could not survive this major global crisis. Ultimately, it marks a significant step toward contemplating humanistic scientific and technological models, which are crucial for navigating the diverse challenges humanity may encounter in the future.

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