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Phycotoxins are a diverse group of poisonous substances produced by certain seaweed and algae in marine and fresh waters. They are important to the scientific community for many reasons, the most obvious being that they pose food safety issues, and regularly monitoring the presence of these compounds in foods requires a large investment. Phycotoxins: Chemistry and Biochemistry, second edition presents the most updated information available on phycotoxins. Major emphases are given to chemistry and biochemistry, and origins, mechanisms of action, toxicology and analytical methodology are also