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Drawing together contributions from a diverse group of international
experts in the field, this collection of papers examines the biology and
pathology of elastin at the molecular level. Topics include the structure,
ultrastructure and function of elastin; elastin regulation; elastin's role in
aging, lung development and disease and atherosclerosis; as well as
related aspects of pharmacology and nutrition.
