

The Society of Biology runs three awards for biology, biosciences and life sciences books. The awards celebrate outstanding biology books for the general reader, as well as exceptional undergraduate and postgraduate textbooks.

The following authors and books were celebrated in the 2014 Book Awards.

General biology book

Winner

Feral: Searching for Enchantment on the Frontiers of Rewilding

George Monbiot (Allen Lane)

Shortlist

Birds and People

Mark Cocker (Jonathan Cape, Vintage)

Paleofantasy: What Evolution Really Tells Us About Sex, Diet, and How We Live

Marlene Zuk (WW Norton Ltd)

The Cancer Chronicles

George Johnson (Bodley Head)

The Compatibility Gene

Daniel M Davis (Allen Lane)

Longlist

Culinary Herbs and Spices of the World

Ben-Erik Van Wyk (Royal Botanic Gardens)

Dispelling the Darkness: Voyage in the Malay Archipelago and the Discovery of Evolution by Wallace and Darwin

John van Wyhe (World Scientific)

Four Fields

Tim Dee (Jonathan Cape, Vintage)

Just Babies

Paul Bloom (Bodley Head)

The Man Who Plants Trees

Jim Robbins (Profile Books)

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Undergraduates textbook

Winner

Primer to the Immune Response

Tak W Mak, Mary Saunders and Bradley Jett (Elsevier)

Shortlist

Molecular Biology: Principles of Genome Function, 2nd edition

Nancy Craig, Rachel Green, Carol Greider, Gisela Storz, Cynthia Wolberger and Orna Cohen-Fix (Oxford University Press)

Zoo Animals: Behaviour, Management, and Welfare, 2nd edition

Geoff Hosey, Vicky Melfi, and Sheila Pankhurst (Oxford University Press)

Vertebrate Endocrinology, 5th edition

David Norris and James Carr (Elsevier)

Longlist

Bugs Rule! An Introduction to the World of Insects

Whitney Cranshaw and Richard Redak (Princeton University Press)

Human Reproductive Biology, 4th edition

Richard Jones and Kristin Lopez (Elsevier)

Pharmaceutics

Alekha Dash (Elsevier)

Wildlife Management and Conservation: Contemporary Principles and Practices

Paul R Krausman and James W Cain III (eds) (John Hopkins University Press)

Postgraduates textbook

Winner

Pheromones and Animal Behaviour

Tristram D Wyatt (Cambridge University Press)

Shortlist

Urban Ecology - The Science of Cities

Richard T T Forman (Cambridge University Press)

Evolutionary Biomechanics: Selection, Phylogeny, and Constraint

Graham Taylor and Adrian Thomas (Oxford University Press)

Plenty of Room for Biology at the Bottom: An Introduction to Bionanotechnology, 2nd edition

Ehud Gazit and Anna Mitraki (Imperial College Press)

Longlist

Advanced Textbook of Gene Transfer, Gene Therapy, and Gene Pharmacology

Daniel Scherman (Imperial College Press)

Aquatic Entomology

Jill Lancaster and Barbara J Downes (Oxford University Press)

Basic and Applied Bone Biology

David Burr and Matthew Allen Baskin (Elsevier)

Bioenergetics

Davis G Nicholls and Stuart J Ferguson (Elsevier)

Essential Readings in Evolutionary Biology

Francisco J Ayala and John C Avise (John Hopkins University Press)

Seeds, 2nd edition

Carol Baskin and Jerry Baskin (Elsevier)

Tundra-Taiga Biology

Robert M M Crawford (Oxford University Press)