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Advancing Frontiers in Biological and Biomedical Sciences

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Abstract

Background: The biological and biomedical sciences are experiencing an unprecedented era of discovery, driven by technological convergence that is reshaping our understanding of life and disease. This transformation holds profound implications for global health, disease management, and the development of sustainable biotechnologies.

Recent Advances: Major breakthroughs include the expansion of CRISPR technologies beyond genome editing into diagnostics, biosensing, and live-cell imaging; the integration of multi-omics data with artificial intelligence for systems-level understanding; and the clinical maturation of immunotherapies, nanomedicines, and regenerative medicine approaches. Single-cell and spatial technologies are revealing cellular heterogeneity with remarkable resolution, while real-world data and digital health platforms are accelerating translational research.

Key Challenges: Despite these advances, significant obstacles remain. These include the translation of fundamental discoveries into robust clinical applications, the ethical deployment of AI in healthcare with attention to algorithmic bias, the establishment of equitable global access to advanced therapies, and the development of regulatory frameworks that can keep pace with technological innovation.

Future Directions: The next decade will witness deeper integration of biological and computational sciences, the emergence of foundation models capable of integrating multimodal patient data, and the maturation of sustainable biotechnology for green manufacturing. Success will depend on fostering interdisciplinary collaboration, strengthening global research partnerships, and developing governance frameworks that balance innovation with responsibility.

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1. Introduction

The biological and biomedical sciences encompass the systematic investigation of living systems, from molecular mechanisms to organismal physiology and population health. This vast intellectual domain forms the scientific foundation for medicine, biotechnology, agriculture, and environmental sustainability. The scope of modern research extends from deciphering the genetic code to engineering synthetic biological systems, from understanding cellular heterogeneity to predicting population-level disease dynamics ^[1].

The historical evolution of modern life sciences research has been characterised by successive revolutions in technology and concept. The discovery of the DNA double helix in 1953 inaugurated the molecular biology era, while the completion of the Human Genome Project in 2003 marked the transition to genomics-enabled biology. More recently, the development of CRISPR-Cas9 for genome editing, the application of artificial intelligence to protein structure prediction, and the maturation of single-cell technologies have fundamentally altered what is possible in biological research ^[2]. Each technological advance has opened new frontiers while simultaneously revealing the complexity that remains to be understood.

The importance of these advances for global health, disease management, and biotechnology cannot be overstated. The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated how fundamental research on mRNA biology and viral pathogenesis could be translated into life-

saving vaccines within months, saving millions of lives and enabling economic recovery [3]. Similarly, advances in cancer immunotherapy have transformed outcomes for patients with previously untreatable malignancies, while progress in gene therapy offers hope for individuals with devastating genetic disorders. Beyond human health, biological research underpins innovations in sustainable agriculture, biomanufacturing, and environmental remediation that are essential for addressing climate change and resource scarcity [4].

The rationale for advancing interdisciplinary integration has never been stronger. The most exciting frontiers lie at the intersections of traditional disciplines: biology with engineering, computation with medicine, materials science with therapeutics. This convergence requires researchers to transcend traditional boundaries and collaborate across fields that have historically operated in silos. The emerging paradigm is one in which biological questions are addressed through the lens of systems thinking, quantitative analysis, and design principles borrowed from engineering.

This review provides a comprehensive examination of the advancing frontiers in biological and biomedical sciences. It explores emerging technologies that are driving discovery, innovations that are transforming clinical practice, and the translational pathways that connect laboratory findings to patient benefit. The review also considers the collaborative frameworks, ethical considerations, and future challenges that will shape the trajectory of the field over the coming decade.

2. Emerging Technologies in Biological Sciences

The current acceleration in biological discovery is driven by a suite of powerful technologies that are transforming how researchers investigate living systems. These technologies span the entire spectrum from molecular manipulation to systems-level analysis.

CRISPR and advanced genome editing technologies have evolved far beyond their initial applications in gene knockout. Recent developments have expanded the CRISPR toolkit to encompass molecular diagnostics, biosensing, transcriptional regulation, molecular imaging, protein interaction mapping, and single-cell analysis. Emerging CRISPR-based diagnostics harness the collateral cleavage activity of Cas enzymes for rapid, field-deployable nucleic acid detection, with applications ranging from infectious disease surveillance to cancer mutation testing. Advanced biosensors extend CRISPR's capabilities to detect ions, metabolites, and proteins by integrating synthetic biology

components, while catalytically inactive Cas proteins enable precise gene regulation and live-cell imaging of nucleic acids. The integration of CRISPR technologies with artificial intelligence, spatial omics, and microfluidics promises to further amplify their impact across biomedical research.

Multi-omics integration has emerged as a powerful strategy for understanding biological complexity. The simultaneous analysis of genomic, transcriptomic, proteomic, and metabolomic data from the same samples enables researchers to construct comprehensive molecular portraits of health and disease. Recent advances in computational methods have improved the ability to integrate these disparate data types and extract meaningful biological insights [5]. Systems biology approaches leverage these multi-omics datasets to build predictive models of cellular behaviour, revealing emergent properties that cannot be understood by studying individual molecules in isolation.

Systems biology and computational modelling provide the frameworks for interpreting complex biological data. By representing biological processes as networks of interacting components, researchers can simulate system behaviour and generate testable hypotheses. These approaches have proven particularly valuable in drug discovery, where computational models can predict drug-target interactions and identify potential off-target effects before experimental testing [6].

Synthetic biology and bioengineering platforms represent the application of engineering principles to biological design. Researchers can now construct genetic circuits that perform logic operations, produce therapeutic molecules in response to disease biomarkers, or implement feedback control systems that maintain cellular homeostasis. Biofoundries combine automation, standardised genetic parts, and design-build-test-learn cycles to accelerate the engineering of biological systems for applications ranging from sustainable chemical production to living therapeutics [4].

Single-cell technologies and spatial biology have revolutionised the resolution at which biological systems can be studied. Single-cell RNA sequencing enables the characterisation of cellular heterogeneity within tissues, revealing rare cell populations and transitional states that were previously invisible. Spatial transcriptomics adds the critical dimension of tissue architecture, mapping gene expression onto anatomical structures and revealing cell-cell interactions that drive tissue function [7]. These technologies are transforming understanding of development, disease, and therapeutic response.

Table 1: Emerging Technologies in Biological Sciences

Technology	Scientific Principle	Major Applications	Current Limitations
CRISPR Genome Editing	RNA-guided nucleases for precise DNA modification	Gene therapy, functional genomics, crop improvement	Off-target effects; delivery challenges <i>in vivo</i>
CRISPR Diagnostics	Collateral cleavage activity of Cas enzymes for signal amplification	Pathogen detection, mutation testing, biosensing	Quantitative accuracy; multiplexing capability
Multi-Omics Integration	Combined analysis of molecular layers	Biomarker discovery, systems biology, precision medicine	Computational complexity; standardisation
Systems Biology	Network modelling of biological interactions	Drug discovery, pathway analysis, predictive modelling	Parameter uncertainty; validation requirements
Synthetic Biology	Engineering of genetic circuits and biological systems	Cell factories, living therapeutics, biosensors	Complexity of biological context; biocontainment
Single-Cell Technologies	Profiling of individual cells	Cellular heterogeneity, rare cell types, developmental trajectories	Cost; throughput; data analysis challenges
Spatial Biology	Mapping molecular data onto tissue architecture	Tumour microenvironment, neuroscience, development	Resolution; multiplexing; data integration

3. Innovations in Biomedical Sciences

The translation of fundamental biological discoveries into clinical applications has yielded remarkable innovations that are transforming patient care across multiple domains.

Precision medicine and personalised therapeutics represent a fundamental shift from one-size-fits-all approaches to treatments tailored to individual patients based on their genetic makeup, molecular profiles, and clinical characteristics. Recent advances in tumour therapy illustrate this paradigm, with the development of antibody-drug conjugates that function as molecular 'snipers' to deliver cytotoxic payloads specifically to cancer cells while sparing healthy tissues. The integration of genomic profiling into clinical decision-making enables the selection of therapies most likely to benefit individual patients, improving outcomes while reducing unnecessary toxicity^[8].

Regenerative medicine and stem cell technologies offer the potential to repair or replace damaged tissues and organs. Advances in induced pluripotent stem cells have enabled the generation of patient-specific cells for disease modelling and therapeutic applications. Recent progress in directed differentiation protocols has produced increasingly sophisticated cell types for transplantation, including pancreatic beta cells for diabetes and dopaminergic neurons for Parkinson's disease^[9]. Concurrently, nanostructured scaffolds have advanced regenerative medicine by supporting stem cell differentiation, modulating cellular microenvironments, and enhancing tissue repair.

Immunotherapy has revolutionised cancer treatment through approaches that harness the power of the immune system. Chimeric antigen receptor (CAR)-T cells, engineered to recognise and eliminate cancer cells, have produced remarkable responses in haematologic malignancies and are now being refined for solid tumours. Immune checkpoint

inhibitors, which release the brakes on anti-tumour immune responses, have become standard treatments for multiple cancer types. Cancer vaccines, designed to stimulate immune responses against tumour-specific antigens, represent a growing area of investigation^[10].

Artificial intelligence and machine learning are transforming diagnostics and drug discovery. In diagnostic imaging, AI algorithms now match or exceed human performance in detecting abnormalities in radiographs, computed tomography scans, and pathology slides. In drug discovery, AI accelerates the identification of candidate molecules, predicts their properties, and designs compounds with optimised characteristics. Foundation models capable of integrating diverse data types—from genomic sequences to clinical notes—promise to provide comprehensive patient representations that inform clinical decision-making. For radiotherapy, AI-enabled online adaptive platforms can update treatment plans in real time based on daily imaging, improving tumour targeting while reducing toxicity to normal tissues.

Nanomedicine and targeted drug delivery systems leverage the unique properties of nanomaterials to address key challenges in therapeutics. The development of nanocarriers, including liposomes, polymeric nanoparticles, dendrimers, and metallic nanoparticles, has enabled precise drug delivery with enhanced bioavailability and reduced systemic toxicity. Recent innovations include synthetic high-density lipoprotein nanodiscs that function as 'artificial cell couriers', delivering chemotherapy while activating immune responses against tumours. These nanoscale innovations have also led to highly sensitive biosensors and imaging agents, significantly improving early disease detection and biomarker monitoring.

Table 2: Breakthrough Innovations in Biomedical Sciences

Innovation	Mechanism of Action	Clinical Applications	Developmental Stage
Antibody-Drug Conjugates	Targeted delivery of cytotoxic agents via monoclonal antibodies	Solid tumours, haematologic malignancies	Approved and in clinical trials
CAR-T Cell Therapy	Engineered T cells recognising tumour antigens	B-cell malignancies, multiple myeloma	Approved; expanding to solid tumours
Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors	Blockade of inhibitory receptors on T cells	Multiple cancer types	Widely approved
AI-Enabled Diagnostics	Machine learning analysis of medical images	Radiology, pathology, dermatology	Clinical implementation
AI-Adaptive Radiotherapy	Real-time treatment plan adaptation	Cancer radiotherapy	Early clinical adoption
Nanomedicine Platforms	Nanoparticle-based drug delivery	Cancer therapy, infectious diseases	Approved and investigational
Gene Therapies	Delivery of functional genes to replace defective copies	Genetic disorders, haemophilia, sickle cell disease	Multiple approvals

4. Translational Research and Clinical Integration

Translational research encompasses the continuum of activities that convert fundamental scientific discoveries into clinical applications that improve human health. This pathway, often described as 'bench to bedside', involves multiple stages, each with distinct challenges and requirements.

The bench-to-bedside research paradigm has evolved considerably in recent decades. Traditional linear models, in which discoveries in basic science laboratories were gradually developed into clinical applications, have given way to more complex, bidirectional frameworks. Insights from clinical observation now routinely inform basic

research, creating feedback loops that accelerate the pace of discovery and translation^[11].

Biomarker discovery and validation represent critical components of translational research. Biomarkers—molecular, cellular, or imaging indicators of normal or pathological processes—are essential for diagnosis, prognosis, treatment selection, and monitoring of therapeutic response. Successful biomarker translation requires early integration of regulatory strategy, clinical design, and patient input. If a biomarker determines patient eligibility for treatment or stratification within a trial, it may be considered a medical device under regulatory frameworks, triggering a full validation process that must be planned from the outset.

Digital health, wearable biosensors, and remote monitoring technologies are transforming the generation of clinical evidence. These tools enable continuous, real-world data collection that complements traditional clinical trial assessments. Wearable devices can capture physiological parameters, physical activity, and sleep patterns, providing rich datasets that reveal treatment effects in patients' daily lives. Remote monitoring facilitates decentralised clinical trials, reducing patient burden and enabling participation from diverse geographic locations ^[12].

Real-world evidence and data-driven medicine are increasingly recognised as complements to traditional randomised controlled trials. Real-world data—derived from electronic health records, insurance claims, registries, and digital devices—provide information on how interventions perform in routine clinical practice across diverse populations. The integration of multimodal real-world data with systems biology approaches supports the identification

of mechanistic insights that predict therapeutic response and resistance. By analysing longitudinal, multi-omic data from individual patients and combining it with population-level insights, researchers can subtype patients based on molecular, immune, and clinical features, identifying those most likely to benefit from specific treatments.

Clinical trial modernisation and adaptive trial designs are accelerating the evaluation of new interventions. Adaptive designs allow modifications to trial procedures based on accumulating data without undermining validity or integrity. Platform trials, which evaluate multiple interventions simultaneously against a common control, proved particularly valuable during the COVID-19 pandemic, generating practice-changing evidence with remarkable efficiency ^[13]. Master protocols that encompass multiple substudies enable the evaluation of targeted therapies in biomarker-defined populations, aligning trial design with the precision medicine paradigm.

Table 3: Translational Pathways in Biomedical Research

Research Phase	Description	Key Challenges	Regulatory Considerations
Discovery Research	Identification of biological mechanisms and therapeutic targets	Reproducibility; model relevance	Basic research oversight; IP management
Preclinical Development	<i>In vitro</i> and animal studies to establish safety and efficacy	Translational relevance; species differences	Good Laboratory Practice; animal welfare
Biomarker Development	Identification and validation of molecular or imaging markers	Sample size; analytical validation	Medical device regulation; clinical validity
Early Clinical Trials	First-in-human studies to establish safety and dosing	Patient recruitment; dose selection	Ethics approval; regulatory oversight; GCP
Pivotal Trials	Large-scale studies to establish efficacy and safety	Patient enrolment; diversity; endpoints	Regulatory submission requirements
Post-Marketing Studies	Long-term safety and effectiveness monitoring	Data quality; confounding	Pharmacovigilance requirements
Real-World Evidence	Analysis of routine clinical data	Data standardisation; bias	Secondary use frameworks; privacy

5. Global Research Collaboration and Digital Integration

The scale and complexity of contemporary biomedical research demand collaboration that transcends institutional, disciplinary, and national boundaries. Global research partnerships have become essential for addressing questions that no single group can answer alone.

International research consortia and collaborative networks have proven particularly valuable for studying rare diseases, diverse populations, and complex conditions that require large sample sizes. The International Health Data Space Initiative, bringing together institutions from multiple countries, exemplifies how federated infrastructure can support multi-institutional research while respecting national regulatory frameworks ^[14]. Such initiatives enable analysis across diverse cohorts while maintaining data sovereignty, addressing both scientific and regulatory requirements.

Open science and global data-sharing platforms are transforming the accessibility of research outputs. The recent Open Science International Cooperation Action Plan, jointly developed by multiple nations, commits to advancing open science governance, deepening global cooperation on data sharing, and strengthening capacity building in developing countries. The Plan emphasises the importance of making research findings and data openly available while ensuring equitable participation and benefit-sharing across nations. Data sharing initiatives such as Data Cite provide robust metadata linking samples, images, and datasets, enabling researchers to discover, cite, and reuse a wide range of

research outputs while adhering to FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable) principles.

Cloud computing and bioinformatics infrastructure provide the technical foundation for global collaboration. Scalable cloud platforms enable researchers to access and analyse massive datasets without requiring local high-performance computing infrastructure. Federated learning approaches allow models to be trained across multiple sites without centralising sensitive data, addressing privacy concerns while enabling collaborative analysis ^[15]. These technologies democratise access to advanced computational capabilities, enabling researchers in resource-limited settings to participate in global research endeavours.

Public-private partnerships have become essential for translating discoveries into accessible interventions. Partnerships between academic institutions, industry, and non-profit organisations combine complementary capabilities: academic creativity and fundamental discovery, industrial development and manufacturing expertise, and non-profit commitment to access and equity. The rapid development of COVID-19 vaccines exemplified the power of such partnerships, with public sector fundamental research, private sector development and manufacturing, and non-profit advocacy for global access working in concert ^[3]. Pandemic preparedness and global response coordination have risen to the top of the policy agenda following COVID-19. The experience highlighted both the potential and the limitations of existing collaborative frameworks.

While scientific collaboration enabled unprecedented vaccine development speed, failures in equitable distribution revealed the consequences of inadequate preparedness and coordination mechanisms ^[16]. Ongoing efforts seek to

establish sustainable surveillance networks, accelerate diagnostic and therapeutic development, and ensure equitable access to countermeasures.

Table 4: Global Collaborative Frameworks Advancing Biological and Biomedical Sciences

Initiative/Consortium	Geographic Scope	Focus Area	Impact on Research Innovation
International Health Data Space Initiative	Multi-national	Federated health data infrastructure	Enables privacy-compliant multi-institutional research
Open Science International Cooperation	Global	Open data, infrastructure sharing	Democratizes access to research outputs
DataCite	Global	Persistent identifiers, metadata	Enhances discoverability and reuse of research outputs
Global Alliance for Genomics and Health	International	Genomic data standards and frameworks	Promotes interoperability and responsible data sharing
COVID-19 Vaccine Partnerships	Global	Rapid vaccine development	Demonstrated power of public-private collaboration
Pandemic Preparedness Collaborations	International	Surveillance, countermeasure development	Strengthens global response capacity

6. Ethical, Regulatory, and Societal Considerations

The rapid advance of biological and biomedical sciences raises profound ethical, regulatory, and societal questions that must be addressed to ensure that innovation serves human welfare and respects fundamental values.

Bioethics in gene editing and human enhancement requires careful consideration as technologies mature. While somatic gene editing for therapeutic purposes has gained broad acceptance, germline modification remains controversial, raising questions about intergenerational consent and the potential for eugenic applications. The development of increasingly powerful genome engineering tools demands ongoing ethical reflection and governance frameworks that can adapt to emerging capabilities ^[17].

AI ethics and algorithmic bias in healthcare present urgent challenges requiring attention. As artificial intelligence becomes more integral to medical decision-making, it is essential to ensure that these technologies are used in ways that are both ethical and responsible. Key ethical principles—including autonomy, beneficence, non-maleficence, justice, transparency, and accountability—must guide AI development and deployment. Algorithmic bias poses particular risks, as models trained on historical data may perpetuate or amplify existing healthcare disparities if not carefully designed and validated using diverse datasets. FASEB has recently released comprehensive recommendations for responsibly integrating generative AI into biological and biomedical research, emphasizing the need for coordinated action across federal agencies, policy makers, institutions, scholarly societies, and individual researchers to maintain research integrity.

Data governance and privacy regulations vary significantly across jurisdictions, creating challenges for international collaboration. The European Union's General Data Protection Regulation establishes stringent requirements for processing personal data and has become a reference point for privacy regulation globally. AI systems must be designed to comply with such frameworks, ensuring that patient information remains secure and confidential. Federated architectures, in which data remain under the control of originating institutions with only analytical queries shared, offer pathways to collaboration that respect regulatory diversity ^[14].

Equity in access to advanced therapies remains a persistent challenge. The concentration of research and development capacity in high-income countries means that populations in low- and middle-income countries often lack access to innovations they helped to enable through participation in research. Ensuring equitable access requires attention to pricing, technology transfer, intellectual property management, and health system strengthening ^[18].

Intellectual property and innovation balance requires careful calibration. Patent systems incentivise innovation by granting temporary monopolies, but overly broad or restrictive patents can impede further research and limit access. The COVID-19 pandemic reignited debates about patent monopolies, technology transfer, and voluntary licensing arrangements. Emerging models, including open-source biotechnology and prize-based incentives, offer alternatives to traditional frameworks ^[19].

7. Challenges and Future Perspectives

Despite remarkable progress, significant challenges must be addressed to sustain momentum and realise the full potential of biological and biomedical sciences.

Funding disparities and research sustainability threaten the long-term health of the research enterprise. Research investment remains heavily concentrated in high-income countries, limiting the ability of researchers elsewhere to contribute to and benefit from scientific advances. Essential biodata resources, upon which the entire research enterprise depends, face precarious funding situations that threaten their long-term viability ^[20]. Sustainable funding models require coordinated action among funders and recognition of biodata resources as critical infrastructure.

Infrastructure and technological gaps persist across and within countries. High-performance computing, reliable internet connectivity, and modern laboratory facilities cannot be taken for granted in all research settings. These gaps limit participation in global research and perpetuate inequities in scientific capacity. Capacity building in low- and middle-income countries is both an ethical imperative and a practical necessity for generating diverse datasets that represent global populations.

Interdisciplinary integration barriers impede progress at the interfaces of traditional disciplines. Differences in language,

methods, and culture between biologists, engineers, computer scientists, and clinicians can hinder effective collaboration. Training programmes that equip researchers with cross-disciplinary skills and create spaces for meaningful interaction are essential for overcoming these barriers [21].

Emerging infectious diseases and global health threats continue to challenge preparedness and response systems. The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated that viral emergence is not a historical rarity but a recurring threat requiring sustained vigilance. Climate change, urbanisation, and ecosystem disruption are increasing the frequency and intensity of infectious disease emergence, demanding strengthened surveillance, rapid response capabilities, and global coordination [22].

Sustainable biotechnology and green biomanufacturing offer opportunities to address environmental challenges while creating economic value. Biological production of fuels, chemicals, and materials can reduce dependence on fossil resources and lower environmental impact. Advances in synthetic biology and metabolic engineering are expanding the range of molecules that can be produced sustainably, while biofoundries accelerate the design and optimisation of production strains [4].

The vision for the next decade of biological and biomedical sciences is one of deepening integration and accelerating translation. The convergence of biology with engineering and computation will produce capabilities that seem visionary today. Foundation models capable of integrating clinical, genomic, imaging, and spatial data will provide comprehensive patient representations that inform diagnosis and treatment. Spatial transcriptomics and digital pathology will reveal tissue organisation and cellular interactions with unprecedented resolution. Nanorobotics, bioengineered nanovaccines, and theranostic platforms capable of simultaneous diagnosis and treatment will enable real-time, patient-specific interventions. Realising this vision requires sustained commitment to the principles of openness, collaboration, and equity that have driven progress to date.

8. Conclusion

This review has examined the advancing frontiers in biological and biomedical sciences, surveying the emerging technologies, clinical innovations, translational pathways, and collaborative frameworks that are shaping the field. Several major themes emerge from this analysis.

First, technological convergence is accelerating discovery across the biological spectrum. The expansion of CRISPR beyond genome editing into diagnostics, imaging, and single-cell analysis exemplifies how foundational technologies can generate entirely new capabilities when creatively extended. The integration of multi-omics data with artificial intelligence enables systems-level understanding that transcends reductionist approaches. Single-cell and spatial technologies reveal biological complexity at resolutions previously unimaginable.

Second, translation from discovery to clinical application is becoming more efficient and more precise. Precision medicine approaches are moving from concept to reality, with targeted therapies, immunotherapies, and nanomedicines improving outcomes for patients with previously untreatable conditions. Real-world data and digital health technologies are accelerating evidence generation and enabling more efficient clinical development.

Third, global collaboration and open science are essential for addressing challenges that no single institution or nation can solve alone. International consortia, data-sharing platforms, and public-private partnerships are demonstrating their power to accelerate discovery and improve access. The response to COVID-19, while imperfect, revealed what becomes possible when the global research community mobilises around a common threat.

The strategic priorities for accelerating innovation are clear: sustained investment in fundamental research and biodata infrastructure; training programmes that prepare researchers for interdisciplinary collaboration; governance frameworks that balance innovation with ethical responsibility; and mechanisms that ensure equitable access to the benefits of discovery. Success requires coordinated action across sectors and nations, guided by shared commitment to scientific excellence and human welfare.

The outlook for the future of life sciences is extraordinarily promising. The technical capabilities at our disposal, the creativity and dedication of the research community, and the growing recognition of science's essential role in addressing global challenges all point toward continued progress. The advances surveyed in this review represent not an endpoint but a foundation for further discovery. By building on these foundations and working together across boundaries, the global research community can realise the full potential of biological and biomedical sciences to improve human health and well-being.

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