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)
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 Kristín Lopez (Elsevier)

*Pharmaceutics*
Alekha Dash (Elsevier)

*Wildlife Management and Conservation: Contemporary Principles and Practices*
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)