NATURAL PRODUCTS RESEARCH – A VIEW THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

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How will quality health care, in the form of locally sustainable medicinal agents, be delivered to a burgeoning global population in a world out-of-balance? What is the appropriate balance between synthetic and natural drugs, and how can synthetic drugs be made "greener"? What areas of science and technology are needed? What are the strategic public health policy issues involved? These issues and an evolving vision for the natural product sciences of developing sustainable drugs are discussed here.