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400 years ago, Sir Isaac Newton proposed that the world is infinitely continuous and then created physics. 100 years ago, Planck discovered the discontinuity of the world, proposed quantum theory, and co-founded quantum mechanics with Einstein, Bohr, Schrödinger, Heisenberg, Dirac and others. It enables us to understand our world from the macroscopic to microscopic levels. Seventy years ago, Schrödinger, the founder of quantum mechanics, began to think about life from the perspective of physics: What is life? Ten years ago, quantum coherence was proposed in the photosynthesis system of plant. Later, it was believed that the dawn of quantum biology has arrived. Do the complex biological systems obey simple physical laws? Is the quantum biology really coming? Or is it still the long night before dawn? Still "a biological system is too complicated to find simple and clear physical laws".

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