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HIGHLIGHTS OF MODERN KNOWLEDGE GENETICS

DARWIN'S THEORY OF EVOLUTION BY NATURAL SELECTION WAS BASED ON THE OBSERVATION THAT THERE IS VARIATION BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS WITHIN THE SAME SPECIES THIS FUNDAMENTAL OBSERVATION IS A CENTRAL CONCEPT IN EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY HOWEVER VARIATION IS ONLY RARELY TREATED DIRECTLY IT HAS REMAINED PERIPHERAL TO THE STUDY OF MECHANISMS OF EVOLUTIONARY CHANGE THE EXPLOSION OF KNOWLEDGE IN GENETICS DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY AND THE ONGOING SYNTHESIS OF EVOLUTIONARY AND DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY HAS MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO STUDY THE FACTORS THAT LIMIT ENHANCE OR STRUCTURE

VARIATION AT THE LEVEL OF AN ANIMALS PHYSICAL APPEARANCE AND BEHAVIOR KNOWLEDGE OF THE SIGNIFICANCE OF VARIABILITY IS CRUCIAL TO THIS EMERGING SYNTHESIS VARIATION SITUATES THE ROLE OF VARIABILITY WITHIN THIS BROAD FRAMEWORK BRINGING VARIATION BACK TO THE CENTER OF THE EVOLUTIONARY STAGE PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW OF CURRENT THINKING ON VARIATION IN EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY FUNCTIONAL MORPHOLOGY AND EVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY WRITTEN BY A TEAM OF LEADING SCHOLARS SPECIALIZING ON THE STUDY OF VARIATION REVIEWS OF STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF VARIATION BY LEADING AUTHORITIES KEY CHAPTERS FOCUS ON THE ROLE OF THE STUDY OF PHENOTYPIC VARIATION FOR EVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENTAL AND POST GENOMIC BIOLOGY

THIS VOLUME CONSIDERS THE GENETIC VARIABILITY OF HUMAN POPULATIONS PARTICULARLY IN THE TROPICS ITS ORIGINS AND MAINTENANCE AND ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE PHENOTYPIC VARIABILITY OF COMPLEX CHARACTERS THE FIRST SECTION DEALS WITH THE WAYS OF ANALYSING GENETIC VARIATION AND PROVIDES A VALUABLE REVIEW OF RELEVANT DEVELOPMENTS IN MOLECULAR BIOLOGY THE ORIGIN AND MAINTENANCE OF GENETIC DIVERSITY IS CONSIDERED IN THE SECOND SECTION WITH DATA PRESENTED FOR PACIFIC AFRICAN ASIAN AND CENTRAL AMERICAN POPULATIONS THE FINAL SECTION CONCERNS CHARACTERS IN WHICH THE GENETIC CONTRIBUTION TO VARIABILITY IS COMPLEX AND SHOWS HOW SUCH CHARACTERS MAY BE USED TO ELUCIDATE BIOLOGICAL PROBLEMS OF AFFINITY AND DIFFERENTIATION OF ADAPTATION AND SURVIVAL PUBLISHED AS PART OF THE DECADE OF THE TROPICS RESEARCH PROGRAMME OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES THIS VOLUME WILL BE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO HUMAN GENETICISTS PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGISTS

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN MOLECULAR AND COMPUTATIONAL METHODS HAVE MADE IT POSSIBLE TO IDENTIFY THE GENETIC BASIS OF ANY BIOLOGICAL TRAIT AND HAVE LED TO SPECTACULAR ADVANCES IN THE STUDY OF HUMAN DISEASE THIS BOOK PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW OF THE CONCEPTS AND METHODS NEEDED TO UNDERSTAND THE GENETIC BASIS OF BIOLOGICAL TRAITS INCLUDING DISEASE IN HUMANS USING EXAMPLES OF QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE PHENOTYPES PROFESSOR WEISS SHOWS HOW GENETIC VARIATION MAY BE QUANTIFIED AND HOW RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN GENOTYPE AND PHENOTYPE MAY BE INFERRED THIS BOOK WILL APPEAL TO MANY BIOLOGISTS AND BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGISTS INTERESTED IN THE GENETIC BASIS OF BIOLOGICAL TRAITS AS WELL AS TO EPIDEMIOLOGISTS BIOMEDICAL SCIENTISTS HUMAN GENETICISTS AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGISTS

THIS WORK PROVIDES A UNIFIED THEORY THAT ADDRESSES THE IMPORTANT PROBLEM OF THE ORIGIN AND MAINTENANCE OF GENETIC VARIATION IN NATURAL POPULATIONS WITH MODERN MOLECULAR TECHNIQUES VARIATION IS FOUND IN ALL SPECIES SOMETIMES AT ASTONISHINGLY HIGH LEVELS YET DESPITE THESE OBSERVATIONS THE FORCES THAT MAINTAIN VARIATION WITHIN AND BETWEEN SPECIES HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT SUBJECTS OF STUDY BECAUSE THEY ACT VERY WEAKLY AND OPERATE OVER VAST TIME SCALES SCIENTISTS MUST RELY ON INDIRECT INFERENCES AND SPECULATIVE MATHEMATICAL MODELS HOWEVER DESPITE THESE

OBSTACLES MANY ADVANCES HAVE BEEN MADE THE AUTHOR S RESEARCH IN MOLECULAR GENETICS EVOLUTION AND BIO MATHEMATICS HAS ENABLED HIM TO DRAW ON THIS WORK AND PRESENT A COHERENT AND VALUABLE VIEW OF THE FIELD THE BOOK IS DIVIDED INTO THREE PARTS THE FIRST CONSISTS OF THREE CHAPTERS ON PROTEIN EVOLUTION DNA EVOLUTION AND MOLECULAR MECHANISMS THIS SECTION REVIEWS THE EXPERIMENTAL OBSERVATIONS ON GENETIC VARIATION THE SECOND PART GIVES A UNIFIED TREATMENT OF THE MATHEMATICAL THEORY OF SELECTION IN A FLUCTUATING ENVIRONMENT THE FINAL TWO CHAPTERS COMBINE THE EARLIER ASSESSMENTS IN A TREATMENT OF THE SCIENTIFIC STATUS OF TWO COMPETING THEORIES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF GENETIC VARIATION STEEPED IN THE ENORMOUS ADVANCES POPULATION GENETICS HAS MADE OVER THE PAST 25 YEARS THIS BOOK WILL BE OF INTEREST TO HUMAN GENETICISTS BIOLOGISTS EVOLUTIONARY THEORISTS AND BIO MATHEMATICIANS

QUANTITATIVE GENETIC VARIATION DESCRIBES SOME OF THE EXPERIMENTAL APPROACHES TO QUANTITATIVE GENETIC VARIATION ALONG WITH THEIR POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS AND LIMITATIONS IT CONSIDERS ONE OF THE MOST WIDELY APPLICABLE TOOLS I E BIOMETRICAL ANALYSIS AS WELL AS INDIVIDUAL POLYGENIC EFFECTS SPECIFIC COMPONENTS OF A QUANTITATIVE GENETIC TRAIT AND ARTIFICIAL SELECTION AND IT SHOWS HOW SELECTION EXPERIMENTS CAN ADDRESS SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENTAL AND GENETIC QUESTIONS ORGANIZED INTO FOUR SECTIONS ENCOMPASSING 17 CHAPTERS THIS VOLUME BEGINS WITH A HISTORICAL OVERVIEW OF THE STUDY OF QUANTITATIVE GENETIC VARIATION ALONG WITH GENETIC VARIATION IN FUNGI AND DROSOPHILA IT THEN DISCUSSES THE BIOMETRICAL APPROACH TO QUANTITATIVE VARIATION SELECTION THEORY AND ANALYSIS USES AND LIMITATIONS OF POLYGENE MAPPING AND COMPUTER SIMULATION OF THE BREEDING PROGRAM FOR POLYGENE LOCATION THE READER IS ALSO INTRODUCED TO GENES AFFECTING QUANTITATIVE ASPECTS OF PHYSIOLOGY IN RODENTS AS WELL AS CYTOLOGICAL MARKERS AND QUANTITATIVE VARIATION IN WHEAT THIS BOOK WILL BE EXTREMELY USEFUL TO STUDENTS RESEARCHERS AND GENETICISTS

THE PROPERTIES OF CONTINUOUS VARIATION ARE BASIC TO THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION AND TO THE PRACTICE OF PLANT AND ANIMAL IMPROVEMENT YET THE GENETICAL STUDY OF CONTINUOUS VARIATION HAS LAGGED FAR BEHIND THAT OF DISCONTINUOUS VARIATION THE REASON FOR THIS SITUATION IS BASICALLY METHODOLOGICAL MENDEL GAVE US NOT MERELY HIS PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY BUT ALSO A METHOD OF EXPERIMENT BY WHICH THESE PRINCIPLES COULD BE TESTED OVER A WIDER RANGE OF LIVING SPECIES AND EXTENDED INTO THE ELABORATE GENETICAL THEORY OF TODAY THE POWER OF THIS TOOL IS WELL ATTESTED BY THE SPEED WITH WHICH GENETICS HAS GROWN IN LESS THAN FIFTY YEARS IT HAS NOT ONLY DEVELOPED A THEORETICAL STRUCTURE WHICH IS UNIQUE IN THE BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES BUT HAS ESTABLISHED A UNION WITH NUCLEAR CYTOLOGY SO CLOSE THAT THE TWO HAVE BECOME VIRTUALLY A SINGLE SCIENCE OFFERING US A NEW APPROACH TO PROBLEMS SO DIVERSE AS THOSE OF EVOLUTION DEVELOPMENT DISEASE CELLULAR CHEMISTRY AND HUMAN WELFARE MUCH OF THIS PROGRESS WOULD HAVE BEEN IMPOSSIBLE AND ALL WOULD HAVE BEEN SLOWER WITHOUT THE MENDELIAN METHOD OF RECOGNIZING AND USING UNIT DIFFERENCES IN THE GENETIC

MATERIALS THESE GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS SHOULD NOT HOWEVER BLIND US TO THE LIMITATIONS INHERENT IN THE METHOD ITSELF IT DEPENDS FOR ITS SUCCESS ON THE ABILITY TO ASSIGN THE INDIVIDUALS TO CLASSES WHOSE CLEAR PHENOTYPIC DISTINCTIONS REVEAL THE UNDERLYING GENETIC DIFFERENCES

THE IMPETUS FOR THIS BOOK AROSE OUT OF MY PREVIOUS BOOK THE EVOLUTION OF LIFE HISTORIES ROFF 1992 IN THAT BOOK I PRESENTED A SINGLE CHAPTER ON QUANTITATIVE GENETIC THEORY HOWEVER AS THE BOOK WAS CONCERNED WITH THE EVOLUTION OF LIFE HISTORIES AND TRAITS CONNECTED TO THIS THE PRESENCE OF QUANTITATIVE GENETIC VARIATION WAS AN UNDERLYING THEME THROUGHOUT MUCH OF THE FOCUS WAS PLACED ON OPTIMALITY THEORY FOR IT IS THIS APPROACH THAT HAS PROVEN TO BE EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL IN THE ANALYSIS OF LIFE HISTORY VARIATION BUT QUANTITATIVE GENETICS CANNOT BE IGNORED BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME QUESTIONS FOR WHICH OPTIMALITY APPROACHES ARE INAPPROPRIATE FOR EXAMPLE ALTHOUGH OPTIMALITY MODELING CAN ADDRESS THE QUESTION OF THE MAINTENANCE OF PHENOTYPIC VARIATION IT CANNOT SAY ANYTHING ABOUT GENETIC VARIATION ON WHICH FURTHER EVOLUTION CLEARLY DEPENDS THE PRESENT BOOK IS THUS A NATURAL EXTENSION OF THE FIRST I HAVE APPROACHED THE PROBLEM NOT FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF AN ANIMAL OR PLANT BREEDER BUT FROM THAT OF ONE INTERESTED IN UNDERSTANDING THE EVOLUTION OF QUANTITATIVE TRAITS IN WILD POPULATIONS THE SUBJECT IS LARGE WITH A CONSIDERABLE BODY OF THEORY I GENERALLY PRESENT THE ASSUMPTIONS UNDERLYING THE ANALYSIS AND THE RESULTS GIVING THE RELEVANT REFERENCES FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN THE INTERVENING MATHEMATICS MY INTEREST IS IN WHAT QUANTITATIVE GENETICS TELLS ME ABOUT EVOLUTIONARY PROCESSES THEREFORE I HAVE CONCENTRATED ON AREAS OF RESEARCH MOST RELEVANT TO FIELD STUDIES

PROBLEMS OF GENETICS BY WILLIAM BATESON IS A GROUNDBREAKING EXPLORATION INTO THE INTRICATE WORLD OF HEREDITY AND THE PRINCIPLES OF GENETICS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN THE EARLY 20TH CENTURY BATESON'S WORK LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR MODERN GENETICS MAKING SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR UNDERSTANDING OF INHERITANCE AND VARIATION IN THIS INSIGHTFUL TEXT BATESON DELVES INTO THE COMPLEXITIES OF GENETIC TRAITS PROVIDING READERS WITH A COMPREHENSIVE OVERVIEW OF HOW CHARACTERISTICS ARE PASSED DOWN THROUGH GENERATIONS BATESON CONSIDERED ONE OF THE PIONEERS OF GENETICS ELEGANTLY PRESENTS A WEALTH OF SCIENTIFIC OBSERVATIONS AND EXPERIMENTAL DATA HIS ANALYSIS ENCOMPASSES A WIDE RANGE OF TOPICS FROM THE BEHAVIOR OF GENES TO THE ROLE OF ENVIRONMENT IN SHAPING THE PHENOTYPE WITH CLARITY AND PRECISION HE ADDRESSES FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS SURROUNDING INHERITANCE FOCUSING ON CONCEPTS SUCH AS DOMINANCE RECESSIVENESS AND THE INTRICATE MECHANISMS THAT GOVERN GENETIC VARIATION ONE OF THE KEY THEMES OF PROBLEMS OF GENETICS IS THE RECONCILIATION OF MENDELIAN PRINCIPLES WITH PRACTICAL BIOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS BATESON CHAMPIONS GREGOR MENDEL'S THEORIES EXPANDING UPON THEM TO HIGHLIGHT THEIR RELEVANCE TO AGRICULTURE ANIMAL BREEDING AND EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY BY INTEGRATING THEORY WITH REAL WORLD EXAMPLES BATESON MAKES COMPLEX GENETIC CONCEPTS MORE ACCESSIBLE AND RELATABLE PAVING THE WAY FOR FUTURE RESEARCHERS AND

STUDENTS IN THE FIELD MOREOVER BATESON S WORK IS NOT JUST A SCIENTIFIC TREATISE IT IS ALSO A REFLECTION OF HIS PHILOSOPHICAL INQUIRY INTO THE NATURE OF LIFE ITSELF HE RAISES PROFOUND QUESTIONS ABOUT THE LIMITS OF GENETIC DETERMINISM AND THE INTERPLAY BETWEEN GENETICS AND ENVIRONMENT INVITING READERS TO CONSIDER THE ETHICAL IMPLICATIONS OF GENETIC MANIPULATION AND THE RESPONSIBILITIES THAT COME WITH SCIENTIFIC ADVANCEMENT IN THIS SCHOLARLY PURSUIT BATESON S ELOQUENCE SHINES THROUGH MAKING PROBLEMS OF GENETICS AN ENGAGING READ FOR BOTH SCIENTISTS AND LAYPEOPLE ALIKE HIS ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE COMPLEX IDEAS WITH SIMPLICITY AND POIGNANCY ENCOURAGES CRITICAL THINKING ABOUT THE ROLE OF GENETICS IN SHAPING THE FUTURE OF LIFE ON EARTH WITH A BLEND OF RIGOROUS SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY AND PHILOSOPHICAL DEPTH BATESON S EXPLORATION REMAINS RELEVANT IN CONTEMPORARY DISCUSSIONS SURROUNDING GENETICS EVOLUTION AND BIOTECHNOLOGY READERS WILL COME AWAY WITH A DEEPER APPRECIATION OF THE PROFOUND AND OFTEN UNEXPECTED WAYS GENETICS INFLUENCES LIVING ORGANISMS AS WELL AS THE ONGOING DEBATES ABOUT THE ETHICAL BOUNDARIES OF GENETIC RESEARCH

GENETIC DIVERSITY IS OF FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE IN THE CONTINUITY OF A SPECIES AS IT PROVIDES THE NECESSARY ADAPTATION TO THE PREVAILING BIOTIC AND ABIOTIC ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS AND ENABLES CHANGE IN THE GENETIC COMPOSITION TO COPE WITH CHANGES IN THE ENVIRONMENT GENETIC DIVERSITY IN PLANTS PRESENTS CHAPTERS REVEALING THE MAGNITUDE OF GENETIC VARIATION EXISTING IN PLANT POPULATIONS THE INCREASING AVAILABILITY OF PCR BASED MOLECULAR MARKERS ALLOWS THE DETAILED ANALYSES AND EVALUATION OF GENETIC DIVERSITY IN PLANTS AND ALSO THE DETECTION OF GENES INFLUENCING ECONOMICALLY IMPORTANT TRAITS THE PURPOSE OF THE BOOK IS TO PROVIDE A GLIMPSE INTO THE DYNAMIC PROCESS OF GENETIC VARIATION BY PRESENTING THE THOUGHTS OF SCIENTISTS WHO ARE ENGAGED IN THE GENERATION OF NEW IDEAS AND TECHNIQUES EMPLOYED FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF GENETIC DIVERSITY OFTEN FROM VERY DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES THE BOOK SHOULD PROVE USEFUL TO STUDENTS RESEARCHERS AND EXPERTS IN THE AREA OF CONSERVATION BIOLOGY GENETIC DIVERSITY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

IN THIS LANDMARK WORK THE AUTHOR TEAM LED BY DR SEAN CARROLL PRESENTS THE GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF THE GENETIC BASIS OF MORPHOLOGICAL CHANGE THROUGH A SYNTHESIS OF EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY WITH GENETICS AND EMBRYOLOGY IN THIS EXTENSIVELY REVISED SECOND EDITION THE AUTHORS DELVE INTO THE LATEST DISCOVERIES INCORPORATING NEW COVERAGE OF COMPARATIVE GENOMICS MOLECULAR EVOLUTION OF REGULATORY PROTEINS AND ELEMENTS AND MICROEVOLUTION OF ANIMAL DEVELOPMENT AN ACCESSIBLE TEXT FOCUSING ON THE MOST WELL KNOWN GENES DEVELOPMENTAL PROCESSES AND TAXA BUILDS LOGICALLY FROM DEVELOPMENTAL GENETICS AND REGULATORY MECHANISMS TO EVOLUTION AT DIFFERENT GENETIC MORPHOLOGICAL LEVELS ADDS MAJOR INSIGHTS FROM RECENT GENOME STUDIES NEW EVO DEVO BIOLOGY RESEARCH FINDINGS AND A NEW CHAPTER ON MODELS OF VARIATION AND DIVERGENCE AMONG CLOSELY RELATED SPECIES PROVIDES IN DEPTH FOCUS ON KEY CONCEPTS THROUGH WELL DEVELOPED CASE STUDIES FEATURES CLEAR 4 COLOR ILLUSTRATIONS AND PHOTOGRAPHS CHAPTER SUMMARIES REFERENCES AND A GLOSSARY PRESENTS THE RESEARCH

OF DR CARROLL A PIONEER IN THE FIELD AND THE PAST PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIETY FOR DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY

CONSERVATION GENETICS FOCUSES ON UNDERSTANDING THE ROLE AND REQUIREMENT OF GENETIC VARIATION FOR POPULATION PERSISTENCE HOWEVER CONSIDERABLE DEBATE NOW SURROUNDS THE ROLE OF GENETIC FACTORS AS OPPOSED TO NON GENETIC FACTORS SUCH AS HABITAT DESTRUCTION ETC IN POPULATION EXTINCTION AND A COMPREHENSIVE SYNTHESIS IS NOW TIMELY CAN EXTINCTION BE EXPLAINED BY HABITAT DESTRUCTION ALONE OR IS LACK OF GENETIC VARIATION A PART OF THE EXPLANATION THE BOOK THOROUGHLY REVIEWS THE ARGUMENTS FOR A ROLE OF GENETICS IN THE PRESENT BIODIVERSITY CRISIS IT DESCRIBES THE METHODS USED TO STUDY GENETIC VARIATION IN ENDANGERED SPECIES AND EXAMINES THE INFLUENCE OF GENETIC VARIATION IN THE EXTINCTION OF SPECIES TO DATE CONSERVATION GENETICS HAS PREDOMINANTLY UTILIZED NEUTRAL GENETIC MARKERS E G MICROSATELLITES HOWEVER WITH THE RECENT ADVANCES IN MOLECULAR GENETICS AND GENOMICS IT WILL SOON BE POSSIBLE TO STUDY DIRECT GENE ACTION FOLLOWING THE FATE OF GENETIC VARIATION AT THE LEVEL OF DNA THROUGH EXPRESSION TO PROTEINS IN ORDER TO DETERMINE HOW SUCH PHENOTYPES FARE IN POPULATIONS OF FREE LIVING ORGANISMS EVOLUTIONARY CONSERVATION GENETICS EXPLORES THESE EXCITING AVENUES OF FUTURE RESEARCH POTENTIAL INTEGRATING ECOLOGICAL QUANTITATIVE GENETICS WITH THE NEW GENOME SCIENCE IT IS NOW MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER THAT WE ASK RELEVANT QUESTIONS ABOUT THE EVOLUTIONARY FATE OF ENDANGERED POPULATIONS THROUGHOUT THE GLOBE AND INCORPORATE OUR KNOWLEDGE OF EVOLUTIONARY PROCESSES AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF GENETIC DIVERSITY INTO EFFECTIVE CONSERVATION PLANNING AND ACTION

HUMAN EVOLUTIONARY GENETICS IS A GROUNDBREAKING TEXT WHICH FOR THE FIRST TIME BRINGS TOGETHER MOLECULAR GENETICS AND GENOMICS TO THE STUDY OF THE ORIGINS AND MOVEMENTS OF HUMAN POPULATIONS STARTING WITH AN OVERVIEW OF MOLECULAR GENOMICS FOR THE NON SPECIALIST WHICH CAN BE A USEFUL REVIEW FOR THOSE WITH A MORE GENETIC BACKGROUND THE BOOK SHOWS H

WITH RECENT TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES VAST QUANTITIES OF GENETIC AND GENOMIC DATA ARE BEING GENERATED AT AN EVER INCREASING PACE THE EXPLOSION IN ACCESS TO DATA HAS TRANSFORMED THE FIELD OF EVOLUTIONARY GENETICS A THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF EVOLUTIONARY PRINCIPLES IS ESSENTIAL FOR MAKING SENSE OF THIS BUT NEW SKILL SETS ARE ALSO NEEDED TO HANDLE AND ANALYZE BIG DATA THIS CONTEMPORARY TEXTBOOK COVERS ALL THE MAJOR COMPONENTS OF MODERN EVOLUTIONARY GENETICS CAREFULLY EXPLAINING FUNDAMENTAL PROCESSES SUCH AS MUTATION NATURAL SELECTION GENETIC DRIFT AND SPECIATION IT ALSO DRAWS ON A RICH LITERATURE OF EXCITING AND INSPIRING EXAMPLES TO DEMONSTRATE THE DIVERSITY OF EVOLUTIONARY RESEARCH INCLUDING AN EMPHASIS ON HOW EVOLUTION AND SELECTION HAS SHAPED OUR OWN SPECIES PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE IS ESSENTIAL FOR DEVELOPING AN UNDERSTANDING OF HOW TO USE GENETIC AND GENOMIC DATA TO ANALYZE AND INTERPRET RESULTS IN MEANINGFUL WAYS IN ADDITION

TO THE MAIN TEXT A SERIES OF ONLINE TUTORIALS USING THE R LANGUAGE SERVES AS AN INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING STATISTICS AND ANALYSIS INDEED THE R ENVIRONMENT STANDS OUT AS AN IDEAL ALL PURPOSE SOURCE PLATFORM TO HANDLE AND ANALYZE SUCH DATA THE BOOK AND ITS ONLINE MATERIALS TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE AUTHORS OWN EXPERIENCE IN WORKING IN A POST GENOMIC REVOLUTION WORLD AND INTRODUCES READERS TO THE PLETHORA OF MOLECULAR AND ANALYTICAL METHODS THAT HAVE ONLY RECENTLY BECOME AVAILABLE EVOLUTIONARY GENETICS IS AN ADVANCED BUT ACCESSIBLE TEXTBOOK AIMED PRINCIPALLY AT STUDENTS OF VARIOUS LEVELS FROM UNDERGRADUATE TO POSTGRADUATE BUT ALSO FOR RESEARCHERS LOOKING FOR AN UPDATED INTRODUCTION TO MODERN EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY AND GENETICS

GENES IN THE ENVIRONMENT PRESENTS THE RECENT RESEARCH IN THE EXCITING AND RAPIDLY DEVELOPING FIELD OF MOLECULAR GENETIC AND MODELLING TECHNIQUES THESE TECHNIQUES CENTRAL TO ECOLOGY PROVIDE VALUABLE NEW TOOLS FOR ADDRESSING COMPLEX ECOLOGICAL QUESTIONS AND CONSIDERABLE INSIGHTS INTO OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE DYNAMICS OF POPULATIONS AND COMMUNITIES A DIVER SE RANGE OF TOPICS IS COVERED INCLUDING COMMUNITY DYNAMICS IN SOILS AND WATER GENE FLOW AND SPATIAL DYNAMICS AND THE EVOLUTION OF THE PATHOGENIC AND SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIPS ORGANISMS STUDIED RANGE FROM BACTERIA VIRUSES AND FUNGI TO INSECTS PLANTS AND FISH

PATTERNS OF ADAPTATION IN THE PAST AND THE GENETIC BASIS OF TRAITS LIKELY TO BE UNDER SELECTION IN THE DYNAMICALLY CHANGING ENVIRONMENT ARE ALSO DISCUSSED IN RELATION TO THESE RESPONSES

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