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1859

On the Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection.

Mendel

Particulate inheritance, unknown to Darwin, later rescued variation from blending.

Dobzhansky

Genetics and the Origin of Species made the synthesis teachable.

Kimura

Neutral theory: much molecular change is not adaptive selection.

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