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Quantitative traits-be they morphological or physiological characters, aspects of behavior, or genome-level features such as the amount of RNA or protein expression for a specific gene-usually show considerable variation within and among populations. Quantitative genetics, also referred to as the genetics of complex traits, is the study of such characters and is based on mathematical models of evolution in which many genes influence the trait and in which non-genetic factors may also be important. Evolution and Selection of Quantitative Traits presents a holistic treatment of the subject, showing the interplay between theory and data with extensive discussions on statistical issues relating to the estimation of the biologically relevant parameters for these models. Quantitative genetics is viewed as the bridge between complex mathematical models of trait evolution and real-world data, and the authors have clearly framed their treatment as such. This is the second volume in a planned trilogy that summarizes the modern field of quantitative genetics, informed by empirical observations from

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wide-ranging fields (agriculture, evolution, ecology, and human biology) as well as population genetics, statistical theory, mathematical modeling, genetics, and genomics. Whilst volume 1 (1998) dealt with the genetics of such traits, the main focus of volume 2 is on their evolution, with a special emphasis on detecting selection (ranging from the use of genomic and historical data through to ecological field data) and examining its consequences.

This impressive author team brings the wealth of advances in conservation genetics into the new edition of this introductory text, including new chapters on population genomics and genetic issues in introduced and invasive species. They continue the strong learning features for students - main points in the margin, chapter summaries, vital support with the mathematics, and further reading - and now guide the reader to software and databases. Many new references reflect the expansion of this field. With examples from mammals, birds, reptiles, fish, amphibians, plants and invertebrates, this is an ideal introduction to conservation genetics for a broad audience. The text tackles the quantitative aspects of conservation genetics,

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and has a host of pedagogy to support students learning the numerical side of the subject. Combined with being up-to-date, its user-friendly writing style and first-class illustration programme forms a robust teaching package.

Evolutionary biology has increasingly relied upon tools developed in molecular biology that allow for the structure and function of macromolecules to be used as data for exploring the patterns and processes of evolutionary change. Integrated Molecular Evolution, Second Edition is a textbook intended to expansively and comprehensive review evolutionary studies now routinely using molecular data. This new edition has been thoroughly updated and expanded, and provides a basic summary of evolutionary biology as well as a review of current phylogenetics and phylogenomics. Reflecting a burgeoning pedagogical landscape, this new edition includes nearly double the number of chapters, including a new section on molecular and bioinformatic methods. Dedicated chapters were added on: Evolution of the genetic code Mendelian genetics and population genetics Natural selection Horizontal gene transfers Animal development and plant development Cancer Extraction of

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biological molecules Analytical methods Sequencing methods and sequencing analyses Omics Phylogenetics and phylogenetic networks Protein trafficking Human genomics More than 400 illustrations appear in this edition, doubling the number included in the first edition, and over 100 of these diagrams are now in color. The second edition combines and integrates extensive summaries of genetics and evolutionary biology in a manner that is accessible for students at either the graduate or undergraduate level. It also provides both the basic foundations of molecular evolution, such as the structure and function of DNA, RNA and proteins, as well as more advanced chapters reviewing analytical techniques for obtaining sequences, and interpreting and archiving molecular and genomic data.

Invasion Genetics: the Baker & Stebbins legacy provides a state-of-the-art treatment of the evolutionary biology of invasive species, whilst also revisiting the historical legacy of one of the most important books in evolutionary biology: The Genetics of Colonizing Species, published in 1965 and edited by Herbert Baker and G. Ledyard Stebbins. This volume covers a range of topics concerned with the evolutionary biology of invasion

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including: phylogeography and the reconstruction of invasion history; demographic genetics; the role of stochastic forces in the invasion process; the contemporary evolution of local adaptation; the significance of epigenetics and transgenerational plasticity for invasive species; the genomic consequences of colonization; the search for invasion genes; and the comparative biology of invasive species. A wide diversity of invasive organisms are discussed including plants, animals, fungi and microbes.

The Baker and Stebbins Legacy

Ecology

Modeling Evolution of Heterogeneous Populations

The Driving Forces of Evolution

Evolution in Age-Structured Populations

The Evolution of Population Biology

This volume presents the latest advances in research into evolution, focusing on the molecular bases for evolutionary change. Topics include the appearance of the first genetic material, the origins of cellular life, and genome evolution.

If you want to know whether evolution is a science, how life began, what Charles Darwin really said about evolution, why a fungus is more

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closely related to humans than to a plant, how experiments in evolution can be carried out, why birds are flying dinosaurs, how we manipulate the evolution of other species, and if you want a clear treatment of the processes that result in evolution, then this is the book for you! Written for those with a minimal science background, *Evolution: Principles and Processes* provides a concise introduction of evolutionary topics for the one-term course. Using an engaging writing style and a wealth of full-color illustrations, Hall covers all topics from the origin of universe, Earth, the origin of life, and on to how humans influence the evolution of other species. He brings together the principles and processes that explain evolutionary change and discusses the patterns of life that have resulted from the operation of evolution over the past 3.5 billion years. This overview, coupled with numerous case studies and examples, helps readers understand and truly appreciate the origin and diversity of life.

Vol. 3.

Examines theories and methods used to study age-structured populations.

The Economy of Nature: Data Analysis Update

Relentless Evolution

Genetic Processes in Populations

Adaptation in Natural Populations

Evolution

Demographic Methods Across the Tree of Life

The Fundamentals series introduces students to the principles of the law by way of clear text combined with visual aids, tools and diagrams to enable an easy understanding of the subject without sacrificing the detail that is required for proper comprehension. Each title assumes no level of prior knowledge, allowing the book to be used for those new to the subject and for distance learning. Criminal Law - The Fundamentals includes full coverage of all topics likely to be studied on Criminal Law courses and it includes summaries of the key Law Commission's proposals for reform where relevant.

This novel book provides the reader with the fundamentals of data collection, model construction, analyses, and interpretation across a wide repertoire of demographic techniques and protocols, clearly guided throughout with fully reproducible R scripts.

Genetics and Evolution of Infectious Diseases, Second Edition, discusses the constantly evolving field of infectious diseases

and their continued impact on the health of populations, especially in resource-limited areas of the world. Students in public health, biomedical professionals, clinicians, public health practitioners, and decisions-makers will find valuable information in this book that is relevant to the control and prevention of neglected and emerging worldwide diseases that are a major cause of global morbidity, disability, and mortality. Although substantial gains have been made in public health interventions for the treatment, prevention, and control of infectious diseases during the last century, in recent decades the world has witnessed a worldwide human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) pandemic, increasing antimicrobial resistance, and the emergence of many new bacterial, fungal, parasitic, and viral pathogens. The economic, social, and political burden of infectious diseases is most evident in developing countries which must confront the dual burden of death and disability due to infectious and chronic illnesses. Takes an integrated approach to infectious diseases Includes contributions from leading authorities Provides the latest developments in the

field of infectious disease

At a glance, most species seem adapted to the environment in which they live. Yet species relentlessly evolve, and populations within species evolve in different ways. Evolution, as it turns out, is much more dynamic than biologists realized just a few decades ago. In Relentless Evolution, John N. Thompson explores why adaptive evolution never ceases and why natural selection acts on species in so many different ways. Thompson presents a view of life in which ongoing evolution is essential and inevitable. Each chapter focuses on one of the major problems in adaptive evolution: How fast is evolution? How strong is natural selection? How do species co-opt the genomes of other species as they adapt? Why does adaptive evolution sometimes lead to more, rather than less, genetic variation within populations? How does the process of adaptation drive the evolution of new species? How does coevolution among species continually reshape the web of life? And, more generally, how are our views of adaptive evolution changing? Relentless Evolution draws on studies of all the major forms of

life—from microbes that evolve in microcosms within a few weeks to plants and animals that sometimes evolve in detectable ways within a few decades. It shows evolution not as a slow and stately process, but rather as a continual and sometimes frenetic process that favors yet more evolutionary change.

Applications for Genetic Improvement and Agronomy

Theory and Applications

Experimental Results and Evolutionary Deductions

Concepts of Biology

The Units of Evolution

Genes, Genomes, and Evolution

Studies the biological characteristics and internal structure of animal species, and analyzes the significance of the genetic factor in evolution

This classic introductory text offers a balanced survey of ecology. It is best known for its vivid examples from natural history, comprehensive coverage of evolution and quantitative approach. Due to popular demand, this Fifth Edition Data Analysis Update brings twelve new data analysis modules that introduce students to ecological data and quantitative methods used by ecologists.

This 2004 collection of essays deals with the foundation and historical development of

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population biology and its relationship to population genetics and population ecology on the one hand and to the rapidly growing fields of molecular quantitative genetics, genomics and bioinformatics on the other. Such an interdisciplinary treatment of population biology has never been attempted before. The volume is set in a historical context, but it has an up-to-date coverage of material in various related fields. The areas covered are the foundation of population biology, life history evolution and demography, density and frequency dependent selection, recent advances in quantitative genetics and bioinformatics, evolutionary case history of model organisms focusing on polymorphisms and selection, mating system evolution and evolution in the hybrid zones, and applied population biology including conservation, infectious diseases and human diversity. This is the third of three volumes published in honour of Richard Lewontin.

Principles of Behavioral Genetics provides an introduction to the fascinating science that aims to understand how our genes determine what makes us tick. It presents a comprehensive overview of the relationship between genes, brain, and behavior. Introductory chapters give clear explanations of basic processes of the nervous system and fundamental principles of genetics of complex traits without excessive statistical jargon. Individual chapters describe the genetics of social interactions, olfaction and taste, memory and learning, circadian behavior, locomotion, sleep, and addiction, as well as the evolution of behavior. Whereas the focus is on genetics, neurobiological and ecological aspects are also included to provide intellectual breadth. The book uses examples that span the gamut from classical model organisms to non-model systems and human biology, and include both laboratory and field studies. Samples of historical information accentuate the

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text to provide the reader with an appreciation of the history of the field. This book will be a valuable resource for future generations of scientists who focus on the field of behavioral genetics. Defines the emerging science of behavioral genetics Engagingly written by two leading experts in behavioral genetics Clear explanations of basic quantitative genetic, neurogenetic and genomic applications to the study of behavior Numerous examples ranging from model organisms to non-model systems and humans Concise overviews and summaries for each chapter

Populations, Species, and Evolution

The Ecology of Natural Disturbance and Patch Dynamics

Principles of Behavioral Genetics

Principles of Evolution: Systems, Species, and the History of Life

An Abridgment of Animal Species and Evolution

Molecular Evolution and Population Genetics for Marine Biologists

Extraordinary in the diversity of their lifestyles, insect parasitoids have become extremely important study organisms in the field of population biology, and they are the most frequently used agents in the biological control of insect pests. This book presents the ideas of seventeen international specialists, providing the reader not only with an overview but also with lively discussions of the most salient questions pertaining to the field today and prescriptions for avenues of

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future research. After a general introduction, the book divides into three main sections: population dynamics, population diversity, and population applications. The first section covers gaps in our knowledge in parasitoid behavior, parasitoid persistence, and how space and landscape affect dynamics. The contributions on population diversity consider how evolution has molded parasitoid populations and communities. The final section calls for novel approaches toward resolving the enigma of success in biological control and questions why parasitoids have been largely neglected in conservation biology. Parasitoid Population Biology will likely be an important influence on research well into the twenty-first century and will provoke discussion amongst parasitoid biologists and population biologists. In addition to the editors, the contributors are Carlos Bernstein, Jacques Brodeur, Jerome Casas, H.C.J. Godfray, Susan Harrison, Alan Hastings, Bradford A. Hawkins, George E. Heimpel, Marcel Holyoak, Nick Mills, Bernard D. Roitberg, Jens Roland, Michael R. Strand, Teja Tscharntke, and Minus van Baalen.

Concepts of Biology is designed for the single-semester

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introduction to biology course for non-science majors, which for many students is their only college-level science course. As such, this course represents an important opportunity for students to develop the necessary knowledge, tools, and skills to make informed decisions as they continue with their lives. Rather than being mired down with facts and vocabulary, the typical non-science major student needs information presented in a way that is easy to read and understand. Even more importantly, the content should be meaningful. Students do much better when they understand why biology is relevant to their everyday lives. For these reasons, Concepts of Biology is grounded on an evolutionary basis and includes exciting features that highlight careers in the biological sciences and everyday applications of the concepts at hand. We also strive to show the interconnectedness of topics within this extremely broad discipline. In order to meet the needs of today's instructors and students, we maintain the overall organization and coverage found in most syllabi for this course. A strength of Concepts of Biology is that instructors can customize the book, adapting it to the approach that works best in their classroom. Concepts of

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Biology also includes an innovative art program that incorporates critical thinking and clicker questions to help students understand--and apply--key concepts.

Evolution: Components and Mechanisms introduces the many recent discoveries and insights that have added to the discipline of organic evolution, and combines them with the key topics needed to gain a fundamental understanding of the mechanisms of evolution. Each chapter covers an important topic or factor pertinent to a modern understanding of evolutionary theory, allowing easy access to particular topics for either study or review. Many chapters are cross-referenced. Modern evolutionary theory has expanded significantly within only the past two to three decades. In recent times the definition of a gene has evolved, the definition of organic evolution itself is in need of some modification, the number of known mechanisms of evolutionary change has increased dramatically, and the emphasis placed on opportunity and contingency has increased. This book synthesizes these changes and presents many of the novel topics in evolutionary theory in an accessible and thorough format. This book is an ideal, up-to-date resource for biologists,

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geneticists, evolutionary biologists, developmental biologists, and researchers in, as well as students and academics in these areas and professional scientists in many subfields of biology. Discusses many of the mechanisms responsible for evolutionary change Includes an appendix that provides a brief synopsis of these mechanisms with most discussed in greater detail in respective chapters Aids readers in their organization and understanding of the material by addressing the basic concepts and topics surrounding organic evolution Covers some topics not typically addressed, such as opportunity, contingency, symbiosis, and progress

New viral diseases are emerging continuously. Viruses adapt to new environments at astounding rates. Genetic variability of viruses jeopardizes vaccine efficacy. For many viruses mutants resistant to antiviral agents or host immune responses arise readily, for example, with HIV and influenza. These variations are all of utmost importance for human and animal health as they have prevented us from controlling these epidemic pathogens. This book focuses on the mechanisms that viruses use to evolve, survive and cause disease in their hosts. Covering human,

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*animal, plant and bacterial viruses, it provides both the basic foundations for the evolutionary dynamics of viruses and specific examples of emerging diseases. * NEW - methods to establish relationships among viruses and the mechanisms that affect virus evolution * UNIQUE - combines theoretical concepts in evolution with detailed analyses of the evolution of important virus groups * SPECIFIC - Bacterial, plant, animal and human viruses are compared regarding their interaction with their hosts*

Essays on the Nature of Species

Scientific American Biology for a Changing World

Evolution and Selection of Quantitative Traits

Ornithology

Principles and Processes

The Molecular Landscape

Research in modern experimental and theoretical population genetics has been strengthened by advances in molecular techniques for the analysis of genetic variability. The evolutionary relationships of organisms may be investigated by comparing DNA sequences. This book covers chapters on population

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genetics, DNA polymorphism, genetic homeostasis, an
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Recent advances that allow scientists to quickly and accurately
sequence a genome have revolutionized our view of the structure
and function of genes as well as our understanding of evolution.
A new era of genetics is underway, one that allows us to fully
embrace Dobzhansky's famous statement that "Nothing in biology
makes sense except in the light of evolution". Genetics: Genes,
Genomes, and Evolution presents the fundamental principles of
genetics and molecular biology from an evolutionary perspective
as informed by genome analysis. By using what has been learned
from the analyses of bacterial and eukaryotic genomes as its
basis, the book unites evolution, genomics, and genetics in one
narrative approach. Genomic analysis is inherently both
molecular and evolutionary, and every chapter is approached from

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this unified perspective. Similarly, genomic studies have provided a deeper appreciation of the profound relationships between all organisms - something reflected in the book's integrated discussion of bacterial and eukaryotic evolution, genetics and genomics. It is an approach that provides students with a uniquely flexible and contemporary view of genetics, genomics, and evolution. Online Resource Centre: - Video tutorials: a series of videos that provide deeper, step-by-step explanations of a range of topics featured in the text. - Flashcards: electronic flashcards covering the key terms from the text. For registered adopters of the text: - Digital image library: Includes electronic files in PowerPoint format of every illustration, photo, graph and table from the text - Lecture notes: Editable lecture notes in PowerPoint format for each chapter help make preparing lectures faster and easier than ever. Each chapter's presentation includes a succinct outline of key concepts, and incorporates the graphics from the chapter - Library of exam-style questions: a suite of questions from which you can pick potential assignments and exams. - Test bank of multiple-choice questions: a ready-made electronic testing

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resource that can be customized by lecturers and delivered via their institution's virtual learning environment. - Solutions to all questions featured in the book: solutions written by the authors help make the grading of homework assignments easier. - Journal Clubs: a series of questions that guide your students through the reading and interpretation of a research paper that relates to the subject matter of a given chapter. Each Journal club includes model answers for lecturers. - Instructor's guide: The instructor's guide discusses the educational approach taken by Genetics: Genes, Genomes, and Evolution in more detail, why this approach has been taken, what benefits it offers, and how it can be adopted in your class.

"A central goal of evolutionary biology is to understand how organisms adapt to their environment. Though much progress has been made in answering this question, many aspects of the process of adaptation remain mysterious. This is especially true for biologists' understanding of the genetic basis of adaptation in natural populations of organisms. My dissertation integrates phenotypic and genetic perspectives to advance our understanding of selection and adaptation in natural populations of organisms.

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*I take multiple approaches to this question, combining meta-analysis, population surveys, and manipulative experiments in the field. In my first chapter, I explore the consequences of natural selection on genetic variants. In many population genetic models, selection is parameterized as the selection coefficient, s . Through a meta-analysis of over 3000 selection coefficients from 79 studies, I reveal generalities about how natural selection operates at the genetic level. I relate these results to population genetic theory and studies of phenotypic selection, and provide recommendations for the calculation, interpretation, and reporting of selection coefficients. In my second chapter, I consider natural selection and adaptation within a rapidly moving hybrid zone between two races of *Heliconius erato* butterfly that differ in colour pattern. Because the genetic loci responsible for variation in colour pattern in *H. erato* are well characterized, I consider selection at the phenotypic and genetic levels simultaneously. I develop new statistical methods for quantifying hybrid zone position and shape and apply these to show that over the last 15 years the *H. erato* hybrid zone has grown wider while its movement has slowed.*

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*I show that this is due to a decrease in the strength of selection on colour pattern and the underlying colour-pattern allele. I then use remotely-sensed data on forest loss and productivity to test hypotheses about the ecological forces that influence hybrid zone dynamics. In my final chapter, I examine whether phenotypic and genetic change are predictable. I take an experimental approach, using a large-scale, long-term, eco-evolutionary field study with *Anolis sagrei* lizards. Anoles are an exemplar of parallel evolution across an adaptive radiation, and their interactions with competitor and predator species have been well-studied in within-generation experiments. This provides clear predictions for how these ecological interactions might drive adaptive evolution over multiple generations. I test these predictions by manipulating the presence and absence of predator and competitor species in a factorial design across 16 small islands in the Bahamas. I measure changes in a suite of morphological traits relevant to habitat use and performance, and use DNA sequencing to characterize changes in allele frequency across the genome. Despite strong and consistent effects of predators and competitors on behavior, diet, and*

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population size in A. sagrei, I found that phenotypic and genetic change were difficult to predict in advance. Phenotypic change was related to variation in vegetation structure and lizard densities across islands, making a priori prediction challenging. Genetic change, on the other hand, was unpredictable and unrelated to either our experimental manipulations, phenotypic change, or environmental differences. My work reveals the necessity of ecological data and knowledge of natural history for predicting natural selection, and shows how field experiments can be used to test and clarify hypotheses about how natural selection operates. Overall, my dissertation demonstrates that integrating phenotypic and genetic perspectives can help biologists understand how natural selection operates in the wild. In particular, it shows the value of combining these perspectives with detailed ecological data, novel statistical techniques, and experimentation to directly test hypotheses about evolution in natural populations"--

Introduction to Conservation Genetics

Parasitoid Population Biology

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*Specialization, Speciation, and Radiation
Evolution and the Genetics of Populations, Volume 3
Foundation, Analysis, and Application
Genetics*

Part 1: What is ecology? Chapter 1: Introduction to the science of ecology. Chapter 2: Evolution and ecology. Part 2: The problem of distribution: populations. Chapter 3: Methods for analyzing distributions. Chapter 4: Factors that limit distributions: dispersal. Chapter 5: Factors that limit distributions: habitat selections. Chapter 6: Factors that limit distributions: Interrelations with other species. Chapter 7: Factors that limit distributions: temperature, moisture, and other physical-chemical factors. Chapter 8: The relationship between distribution and abundance. Part 3: The problem of abundance: populations. Chapter 9: Population parameters. Chapter 10: Demographic techniques: vital statistics. Chapter 11: Population growth. Chapter 12: Species interactions: competition. Chapter 13: Species interactions: predation. Chapter 14: Species interactions: Herbivory and mutualism. Chapter 15: Species interactions: disease and parasitism. Chapter 16: Population regulation. Chapter 17: Applied problems I: harvesting populations. Chapter 18: Applied problems II: Pest control. Chapter

19: Applied problems III: Conservation biology. Part 4: Distribution and abundance at the community level. Chapter 20: The nature of the community. Chapter 21: Community change. Chapter 22: Community organization I: biodiversity. Chapter 23: Community organization II: Predation and competition in equilibrial communities. Chapter 24: Community organization III: disturbance and nonequilibrium communities. Chapter 25: Ecosystem metabolism I: primary production. Chapter 26: Ecosystem metabolism II: secondary production. Chapter 27: Ecosystem metabolism III: nutrient cycles. Chapter 28: Ecosystem health: human impacts.

Modeling Evolution of Heterogeneous Populations: Theory and Applications describes, develops and provides applications of a method that allows incorporating population heterogeneity into systems of ordinary and discrete differential equations without significantly increasing system dimensionality. The method additionally allows making use of results of bifurcation analysis performed on simplified homogeneous systems, thereby building on the existing body of tools and knowledge and expanding applicability and predictive power of many mathematical models. Introduces Hidden Keystone Variable (HKV) method, which allows modeling evolution of heterogenous populations, while reducing multi-dimensional selection systems to low-dimensional systems of differential equations

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Demonstrates that replicator dynamics is governed by the principle of maximal relative entropy that can be derived from the dynamics of selection systems instead of being postulated Discusses mechanisms behind models of both Darwinian and non-Darwinian selection Provides examples of applications to various fields, including cancer growth, global demography, population extinction, tragedy of the commons and resource sustainability, among others Helps inform differences in underlying mechanisms of population growth from experimental observations, taking one from experiment to theory and back Floral biology, floral function, sexual systems, diversification. Provides a quantitative and Darwinian perspective on population biology, with problem sets, simulations and worked examples to aid the student.

Integrating Phenotypic and Genetic Perspectives

Crop Physiology

Ecology and Evolution of Flowers

Introduction to Population Biology

Invasion Genetics

Integrated Molecular Evolution

Wood, Robert M. Zink, Benjamin Zuckerberg

Research Methods in Human Skeletal Biology serves as the one location readers can go to not only learn how to conduct

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research in general, but how research is specifically conducted within human skeletal biology. It outlines the current types of research being conducted within each sub-specialty of skeletal biology, and gives the reader the tools to set up a research project in skeletal biology. It also suggests several ideas for potential projects. Each chapter has an inclusive bibliography, which can serve as a good jumpstart for project references. Provides a step-by-step guide to conducting research in human skeletal biology Covers diverse topics (sexing, aging, stature and ancestry estimation) and new technologies (histology, medical imaging, and geometric morphometrics) Excellent accompaniment to existing forensic anthropology or osteology works

This volume captures the state-of-the-art in the study of insect-plant interactions, and marks the transformation of the field into evolutionary biology. The contributors present integrative reviews of uniformly high quality that will inform and inspire generations of academic and applied biologists. Their presentation together provides an invaluable synthesis of perspectives that is rare in any discipline.--Brian D. Farrell,

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Professor of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology, Harvard University Tilmon has assembled a truly wonderful and rich volume, with contributions from the lion's share of fine minds in evolution and ecology of herbivorous insects. The topics comprise a fascinating and deep coverage of what has been discovered in the prolific recent decades of research with insects on plants. Fascinating chapters provide deep analyses of some of the most interesting research on these interactions. From insect plant chemistry, behavior, and host shifting to phylogenetics, co-evolution, life-history evolution, and invasive plant-insect interaction, one is hard pressed to name a substantial topic not included. This volume will launch a hundred graduate seminars and find itself on the shelf of everyone who is anyone working in this rich landscape of disciplines.--Donald R. Strong, Professor of Evolution and Ecology, University of California, Davis Seldom have so many excellent authors been brought together to write so many good chapters on so many important topics in organismic evolutionary biology. Tom Wood, always unassuming and inspired by living nature, would have been amazed and pleased by this

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tribute.--Mary Jane West-Eberhard, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute

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The Evolutionary Biology of Herbivorous Insects

Genetics and Evolution of Infectious Diseases

Research Methods in Human Skeletal Biology

Ecology, Genetics and Evolution of Metapopulations

The Experimental Analysis of Distribution and Abundance

To cope with the abiotic stress-induced osmotic problems, plants adapt by either increasing uptake of inorganic ions from the external solution, or by de novo synthesis of organic compatible solutes acting as osmolytes. Of the osmoregulants and protectants discussed in this volume, trehalose, fructans,

ectoine and citrulline, which are generated in
Ecologists are aware of the importance of natural dynamics in ecosystems. Historically, the focus has been on the development in succession of equilibrium communities, which has generated an understanding of the composition and functioning of ecosystems. Recently, many have focused on the processes of disturbances and the evolutionary significance of such events. This shifted emphasis has inspired studies in diverse systems. The phrase "patch dynamics" (Thompson, 1978) describes their common focus. The Ecology of Natural Disturbance and Patch Dynamics brings together the findings and ideas of those studying varied systems, presenting a synthesis of diverse individual contributions.

To view sample chapters and more information visit www.whfreeman.com/SABiologyPreview All of us involved in science education understand the importance of scientific literacy. How do we get the attention of a nonscientist? And if we can get it, how do we keep it - not only for the duration of the course or the chapter in a textbook but beyond? How do we convey in our courses and our textbooks not just what we know but also how science is done? These are the challenges we hope to address with our new series of textbooks specifically for the nonscientist. With this series, W. H. Freeman and Scientific American join forces not just to engage nonscientists but to equip them critical

life tools.

Never before has a holistic approach to sustainable agriculture and plant physiology been presented in one source. This book compiles a multi-authored and international perspective on the ways in which crop physiology could be integrated with other disciplines. With a focus on genetic improvement and agronomy, this book addresses the challenges of environmentally sound production of bulk and quality food, fodder, fiber and energy, which are of ongoing international concern. * Provides a view of crop physiology as an active source of methods, theories, ideas and tools for application in genetic improvement and agronomy * Written by leading scientists from around the world with publication records of demonstrable influence and impact * Combines environment-specific cropping systems and general principles of crop science to appeal to advanced students and scientists in agriculture-related disciplines, from molecular sciences to natural resources management

Components and Mechanisms

What Is Life? A Guide to Biology W/Prep-U

The Economy of Nature

Origin and Evolution of Viruses

Introduction to Conservation Genetics Cambridge University Press

This collection of specially commissioned articles looks at fragmented habitats, bringing together recent

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*theoretical advances and empirical studies applying the metapopulation approach. Several chapters closely integrate ecology with genetics and evolutionary biology, and others illustrate how metapopulation concepts and models can be applied to answer questions about conservation, epidemiology, and speciation. The extensive coverage of theory from highly regarded scientists and the many substantive applications in this one-of-a-kind work make it invaluable to graduate students and researchers in a wide range of disciplines. * Provides a comprehensive and authoritative account of all aspects of metapopulation biology, integrating ecology, genetics, and evolution * Developed by recognized experts, including Hanski who won the Balzan Prize for Ecological Sciences * Covers novel applications of the metapopulation approach to conservation*

Principles of Evolution considers evolution in the context of systems biology, a contemporary approach for handling biological complexity. Evolution needs this systems perspective for three reasons. First, most activity in living organisms is driven by complex networks of proteins and this has direct implications, particularly for understanding evo-devo and for seeing how variation is initiated. Second, it provides the natural language for discussing phylogenetic trees. Third, evolutionary change involves events at levels ranging from the genome to the ecosystem and systems biology provides a context for integrating material of this complexity. Understanding evolution means, on the one hand, describing the history of life and, on the other, making sense of the principles that drove that history. The solution adopted here is to make the science of evolution the primary focus of the book and place the various parts of the history of life in the context of the research that unpicks it. This means that the history is widely distributed across the text. This concise textbook assumes that the reader has a fair amount of biological knowledge and gives equal weight to all the major themes of evolution: the fossil record, phylogenetics, evodevo, and speciation. Principles of Evolution will therefore be an interesting and

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thought-provoking read for honors-level undergraduates, and graduates working in the biological sciences.

Jay Phelan's What is Life? A Guide to Biology is written in a delightfully readable style that communicates complex ideas to non-biology majors in a clear and approachable manner. After reading Phelan's book, students will understand why they would want to know and talk about science. His skillful style includes asking stimulating questions (called Q questions) which encourage the student to keep reading to find the answer and will illuminate just how relevant science is to their life.