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Genetics: The Future is Now

THE GENETIC REVOLUTION IS A VERY complex issue. It is difficult for us to take a wise view of the whole field of genetics. Is it outrunning common sense? A clever monkey may learn to drive a car, but can it be trusted to be a safe driver? Has the command of nature been placed in man's hands before he knows how to command himself? Man should have the power to control himself and the monster he has created before he runs amuck. We should avoid being victims of our own success. With new scientific breakthroughs comes greater responsibility.

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