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is a social construct race is a social construct class is a function of privilege the problem is that all three dogmas are half truths they have stifled progress in understanding the rich texture that biology adds to our understanding of the social political and economic worlds we live in it is not a story to be feared there are no monsters in the closet murray writes no dread doors we must fear opening but it is a story that needs telling human diversity does so without sensationalism drawing on the most authoritative scientific findings celebrating both our many differences and our common humanity race is one of the most elusive phenomena of social life while we generally know it when we see it it s not an easy concept to define social science literature has argued that race is a western concept that emerged with the birth of modern imperialism whether in the sixteenth century the age of discovery or the eighteenth century the age of enlightenment this book points out that there is a disjuncture between the way race is conceptualized in the social sciences and in recent natural science literature in the view of some proponents of natural scientific perspectives race has a biological and not just a purely social dimension the book argues that to more fully understand what we mean by race social scientists need to engage these new perspectives coming from genomics medicine and health policy to be sure the long dark shadow of eugenics and the nazi use of scientific racism cast a pall over the effort to understand the complicated relationship between social science and medical science understandings of race while this book rejects pseudoscientific and hierarchical ways of looking at race and affirms that it is rooted in social grounds it makes the claim that it is time to move beyond merely repeating the race is a social construct mantra the chapters in this book consider three fundamental tensions in thinking about race one between theories that see race as fixed and those that see it as malleable a second between western especially us based and non western perspectives that decenter the us experience and a third between sociopolitical and biomedical concepts of race the book will help shed light on multiple contemporary concerns such as the place of race in identity formation ethno political conflict immigration policy social justice biomedical ethics and the carceral state addresses misunderstandings about race in a rational and comprehensive way emphasising that race is a purely social construct what do americans think race means what determines one s race appearance ancestry genes or culture how do education government and business influence our views on race to unravel these complex questions ann morning takes a close look at how scientists are influencing ideas about race through teaching and textbooks drawing from in depth interviews with biologists anthropologists and undergraduates morning explores different conceptions of race finding for example that while many sociologists now assume that race is a social invention or construct anthropologists and biologists are far from such a consensus she discusses powerful new genetic accounts of race and considers how corporations and the government use scientific research for example in designing dna ancestry tests or census questionnaires in ways that often reinforce the idea that race is biologically determined widening the debate about race beyond the pages of scholarly journals the nature of race dissects competing definitions in straightforward language to reveal the logic and assumptions underpinning today s claims about human difference rob desalle and ian tattersall explain how science has been misused to sustain belief in the biological basis of racial classification troublesome science draws on the tools of taxonomy to show that while the diversity that exists within our species is a real phenomenon it nevertheless defeats any attempt to recognize discrete units within it a new york times notable books the righest freshest

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most fun book on genetics in some time the new york times book review we are doomed to repeat history if we fail to learn from it but how are we affected by the forces that are invisible to us in the invisible history of the human race christine kenneally draws on cutting edge research to reveal how both historical artifacts and dna tell us where we come from and where we may be going while some books explore our genetic inheritance and popular television shows celebrate ancestry this is the first book to explore how everything from dna to emotions to names and the stories that form our lives are all part of our human legacy kenneally shows how trust is inherited in africa silence is passed down in tasmania and how the history of nations is written in our dna from fateful ancient encounters to modern mass migrations and medical diagnoses kenneally explains how the forces that shaped the history of the world ultimately shape each human who inhabits it the invisible history of the human race is a deeply researched carefully crafted and provocative perspective on how our stories psychology and genetics affect our past and our future part of the all new ladybird expert series who discovered genetics how does gene inheritance work is dna common to all living things we inherit codes from our parents and these codes are written in the molecule dna this dna means that we resemble each other namely our families this raises so many questions such as how does dna influence evolution how was it discovered and what does it mean for the future of the human race discover the answers and more inside adam rutherford s ladybird expert genetics the thrilling and accessible account that explains race and genetics whether it is our dna or the environment that influences us most what are our chances of being related to royalty genetic engineering and much more a distinguished expert in genetics offers an explanation and exploration of his lifelong research into humankind s genetic heritage discussing where humans evolved how societies spread through the world how languages develop the nature of race and much more the history of the ccr5 gene as a lens through which to view such issues as intellectual property big pharma personalized medicine and race and genomics in the genealogy of a gene myles jackson uses the story of the ccr5 gene to investigate the interrelationships among science technology and society mapping the varied genealogy of ccr5 intellectual property natural selection big and small pharma human diversity studies personalized medicine ancestry studies and race and genomics jackson links a myriad of diverse topics the history of ccr5 from the 1990s to the present offers a vivid illustration of how intellectual property law has changed the conduct and content of scientific knowledge and the social political and ethical implications of such a transformation the ccr5 gene began as a small sequence of dna became a patented product of a corporation and then when it was found to be an aids virus co receptor with a key role in the immune system it became part of the biomedical research world and a potential moneymaker for the pharmaceutical industry when it was further discovered that a mutation of the gene found in certain populations conferred near immunity to the aids virus questions about race and genetics arose jackson describes these developments in the context of larger issues including the rise of biocapitalism the patentability of products of nature the difference between u s and european patenting approaches and the relevance of race and ethnicity to medical research mitosis and meiosis lige chromosome cycles of eukaryotes monohybrid inheritance dihybrid and multihybrid inheritance probality gene interaction lethal genes multiple alleles sex determination and sex differentiation sex linkage sex influenced and sex limited inheritance linkage and crossing over chromosome mapping extranuclear inheritance and related phenomenantesombination infourth

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jaarboek voor vrouwengeschiedenis is dedicated to gender and genes intruding upon our everyday lives the world of dna genes and genomics has become a challenging field of research both clinical and biomedical as well as socio cultural it is also a challenging topic for a vearbook which traditionally focuses on women and gender from a historical point of view gender issues are part and parcel of genes and genomics in scientific research and socio cultural discourses and representations current literature on genes and genomics does not abound in analyses of biomedical and socio cultural realms where gender aspects are played out and exchanged this yearbookmay thus contribute to a field of analysis which contextualizes history from the viewpoint of current biotechnological developments this volume contains articles on medical cases reproductive testing and the case of the sex chromosomes and framing cancer risk in women and men cultural representations a portrait of female scientist rosalin franklin and interviews with feminist science philosophers katarina karkazis and donna dickenson a nobel prize winning biologist tells the riveting story of his race to discover the inner workings of biology s most important molecule ramakrishnan s writing is so honest lucid and engaging that i could not put this book down until i had read to the very end siddhartha mukherjee author of the emperor of all maladies and the gene everyone has heard of dna but by itself dna is just an inert blueprint for life it is the ribosome an enormous molecular machine made up of a million atoms that makes dna come to life turning our genetic code into proteins and therefore into us gene machine is an insider account of the race for the structure of the ribosome a fundamental discovery that both advances our knowledge of all life and could lead to the development of better antibiotics against life threatening diseases but this is also a human story of ramakrishnan's unlikely journey from his first fumbling experiments in a biology lab to being the dark horse in a fierce competition with some of the world s best scientists in the end gene machine is a frank insider s account of the pursuit of high stakes science genes and the bioimaginary examines the dramatic rise and contemporary cultural apotheosis of the gene the book traces not only the genetification of modern life but is also a journey through the complex relationship between science and culture at the heart of this book are three interlinked questions the first concerns the paradigmatic transformations of the genetics revolution how can we understand the impact of genes on social arenas as diverse as law and agriculture politics and medicine genealogy and jurisprudence second how has the language of genes come to pervade public discourse as much a trope of personal narrative as of the popular imaginary and third how can we gain critical purchase not only on the conditions and consequences of a particular science but on its projective seductions the terms of its persuasion and the dilemmas and anxieties provoked in its wake through a series of illuminating case studies ranging from gay genes to jew genes to genes for crime from csi to the innocence project from genetics post racial imaginary to its phantasies of redemption the book examines the emergence of the gene as a pre eminent locus of both scientific and social explanation and as a powerful object of spectacle projective phantasy and attachment genes and the bioimaginary makes a distinctive contribution to our understanding of how knowledge comes to be not only powerful but plausible this newly updated edition sheds light on the secrets of the sequence highlighting the myriad ways in which genomics will impact human health for generations to come

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The Material Gene 2013-05-06 this collection of articles addresses contemporary debates regarding race in medicine today answering questions from a bio medical and social perspective

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Race in Contemporary Medicine 2013-09-13 race genes and ability is a scientifically informed discussion of the nature debate about the ethnic achievement gap particularly the black white divide in ig and scholastics it also examines the controversy of race based genetics versus environment in determining ethnic differences or alleged differences in social behaviors such as mating family structure parenting and criminal tendencies the book s 26 chapters are divided into four sections human biodiversity intelligence performance and academic achievement race and athletic ability and the biological basis of social behavior written in reader friendly language race genes and ability is a deconstruction of modern racial science based on scientific rather than political grounds it is a sweeping exploration of recent research on complex myriad interactions among genes environment developmental biology and the brain these interactions may help to explain ethnic population differences in physical health cognitive performance and mental health as well as in social productivity and anti social activities other topics addressed in relation to racial variation include the debate about the existence of human races eugenics evolutionary psychology language acquisition the violence initiative neuropsychiatry testosterone and aggression neurobiology cultural neuroscience environmental toxins and disease risks the author evaluates emerging ideas about the potential influence of epigenetic mechanisms on both cognitive performance and transgenerational patterns of disease while she focuses on people of african descent she also examines the unique social circumstances that impact minority groups such as latino americans native americans jews and asian americans based on nearly 1500 references the findings highlighted in this book suggest that society will realize immediate and long term benefits when it can ensure environmental justice for its underachieving ethnic populations

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Human Biodiversity 1995 the rise of the multi billion dollar ancestry testing industry points to one immutable truth about us as human beings we want to know where we come from and who our ancestors were john h relethford and deborah a bolnick explore this topic and many more in this second edition of reflections of our past where did modern humans come from and how important are the biological differences among us are we descended from neandertals how should we understand the connections between genetic ancestry race and identity were native americans the first to inhabit the americas can we see evidence of the viking invasions of ireland a millennium ago even in the irish of today through engaging examination of issues such as these and using non technical language reflections of our past shows how

anthropologists use genetic information to suggest answers to fundamental questions about human history by looking at genetic variation in the world today and in the past we can reconstruct the recent and remote events and processes that have created the variation we see providing a fascinating reflection of our genetic past

Race, Genes and Ability 2011-02 all people are equal but as human diversity explores all groups of people are not the same a fascinating investigation of the genetics and neuroscience of human differences the thesis of human diversity is that advances in genetics and neuroscience are overthrowing an intellectual orthodoxy that has ruled the social sciences for decades the core of the orthodoxy consists of three dogmas gender is a social construct race is a social construct class is a function of privilege the problem is that all three dogmas are half truths they have stifled progress in understanding the rich texture that biology adds to our understanding of the social political and economic worlds we live in it is not a story to be feared there are no monsters in the closet murray writes no dread doors we must fear opening but it is a story that needs telling human diversity does so without sensationalism drawing on the most authoritative scientific findings celebrating both our many differences and our common humanity

Is it in Your Genes? 2004 race is one of the most elusive phenomena of social life while we generally know it when we see it it s not an easy concept to define social science literature has argued that race is a western concept that emerged with the birth of modern imperialism whether in the sixteenth century the age of discovery or the eighteenth century the age of enlightenment this book points out that there is a disjuncture between the way race is conceptualized in the social sciences and in recent natural science literature in the view of some proponents of natural scientific perspectives race has a biological and not just a purely social dimension the book argues that to more fully understand what we mean by race social scientists need to engage these new perspectives coming from genomics medicine and health policy to be sure the long dark shadow of eugenics and the nazi use of scientific racism cast a pall over the effort to understand the complicated relationship between social science and medical science understandings of race while this book rejects pseudoscientific and hierarchical ways of looking at race and affirms that it is rooted in social grounds it makes the claim that it is time to move beyond merely repeating the race is a social construct mantra the chapters in this book consider three fundamental tensions in thinking about race one between theories that see race as fixed and those that see it as malleable a second between western especially us based and non western perspectives that decenter the us experience and a third between sociopolitical and biomedical concepts of race the book will help shed light on multiple contemporary concerns such as the place of race in identity formation ethno political conflict immigration policy social justice biomedical ethics and the carceral state Reflections of Our Past 2018-03-26 addresses misunderstandings about race in a rational and comprehensive way emphasising that race is a purely social construct

Race, Reason & Rubbish 1942 what do americans think race means what determines one s race appearance ancestry genes or culture how do education government and business influence our views on race to unravel these complex questions ann morning takes a close look at how scientists are influencing ideas about race through teaching and textbooks drawing from in depth interviews with biologists anthropologists and undergraduates morning explores different conceptions of race finding for example that while many sociologists now assume that

race is a social invention or construct anthropologists and biologists are far from such a consensus she discusses powerful new genetic accounts of race and considers how corporations and the government use scientific research for example in designing dna ancestry tests or census questionnaires in ways that often reinforce the idea that race is biologically determined widening the debate about race beyond the pages of scholarly journals the nature of race dissects competing definitions in straightforward language to reveal the logic and assumptions underpinning today s claims about human difference

Human Diversity 2020-01-28 rob desalle and ian tattersall explain how science has been misused to sustain belief in the biological basis of racial classification troublesome science draws on the tools of taxonomy to show that while the diversity that exists within our species is a real phenomenon it nevertheless defeats any attempt to recognize discrete units within it Race and Biology 1958 a new york times notable book the richest freshest most fun book on genetics in some time the new york times book review we are doomed to repeat history if we fail to learn from it but how are we affected by the forces that are invisible to us in the invisible history of the human race christine kenneally draws on cutting edge research to reveal how both historical artifacts and dna tell us where we come from and where we may be going while some books explore our genetic inheritance and popular television shows celebrate ancestry this is the first book to explore how everything from dna to emotions to names and the stories that form our lives are all part of our human legacy kenneally shows how trust is inherited in africa silence is passed down in tasmania and how the history of nations is written in our dna from fateful ancient encounters to modern mass migrations and medical diagnoses kenneally explains how the forces that shaped the history of the world ultimately shape each human who inhabits it the invisible history of the human race is a deeply researched carefully crafted and provocative perspective on how our stories psychology and genetics affect our past and our

Reconsidering Race 2018-05-01 part of the all new ladybird expert series who discovered genetics how does gene inheritance work is dna common to all living things we inherit codes from our parents and these codes are written in the molecule dna this dna means that we resemble each other namely our families this raises so many questions such as how does dna influence evolution how was it discovered and what does it mean for the future of the human race discover the answers and more inside adam rutherford s ladybird expert genetics the thrilling and accessible account that explains race and genetics whether it is our dna or the environment that influences us most what are our chances of being related to royalty genetic engineering and much more

Understanding Race 2022-07-07 a distinguished expert in genetics offers an explanation and exploration of his lifelong research into humankind s genetic heritage discussing where humans evolved how societies spread through the world how languages develop the nature of race and much more

The Nature of Race 2011-06-24 the history of the ccr5 gene as a lens through which to view such issues as intellectual property big pharma personalized medicine and race and genomics in the genealogy of a gene myles jackson uses the story of the ccr5 gene to investigate the interrelationships among science technology and society mapping the varied genealogy of ccr5 intellectual property natural selection big and small pharma human diversity studies personalized medicine ancestry studies and race and genomics jackson links a myriad of

diverse topics the history of ccr5 from the 1990s to the present offers a vivid illustration of how intellectual property law has changed the conduct and content of scientific knowledge and the social political and ethical implications of such a transformation the ccr5 gene began as a small sequence of dna became a patented product of a corporation and then when it was found to be an aids virus co receptor with a key role in the immune system it became part of the biomedical research world and a potential moneymaker for the pharmaceutical industry when it was further discovered that a mutation of the gene found in certain populations conferred near immunity to the aids virus questions about race and genetics arose jackson describes these developments in the context of larger issues including the rise of biocapitalism the patentability of products of nature the difference between u s and european patenting approaches and the relevance of race and ethnicity to medical research

Troublesome Science 2018 mitosis and meiosis lige chromosome cycles of eukaryotes monohybrid inheritance dihybrid and multihybrid inheritance probality gene interaction lethal genes multiple alleles sex determination and sex differentiation sex linkage sex influenced and sex limited inheritance linkage and crossing over chromosome mapping extranuclear inheritance and related phenomena recombination in bacteria recombination in viruses genotype environment and phenotype pleiotropism penetrance expressivity and phenocopies euploidy haploidy and polyploidy aneuploidy chromosome aberrations balanced lethal systems and oenothera cytogenetics gene mutation chemical nature and structure of genes and chromosomes ghe gene genetics of gross and fine structure and interlallellic biochemical genetics protein synthesis coding collinearity and suppressors development and regulation inbreeding outbreeding and heterosis population genetics the genetics of race and species formation

The Invisible History of the Human Race 2014-10-09 are our personalities and capabilities predetermined by our genes human diversity answers that question with a resounding no using tools of population genetics richard lewontin makes the case that biological differences are only a small part of what makes individuals unique anyone regardless of race class or sex has the potential to develop virtually any identity within the spectrum of humanity Genetics 2018-06-14 a brilliant and emotionally resonant exploration of science and family history a vibrant young hispano woman shonnie medina inherits a breast cancer mutation known as brca1 185delag it is a genetic variant characteristic of jews the medinas knew they were descended from native americans and spanish catholics but they did not know that they had jewish ancestry as well the mutation most likely sprang from sephardic jews hounded by the spanish inquisition the discovery of the gene leads to a fascinating investigation of cultural history and modern genetics by dr harry ostrer and other experts on the dna of jewish populations set in the isolated san luis valley of colorado this beautiful and harrowing book tells of the medina family s five hundred year passage from medieval spain to the american southwest and of their surprising conversion from catholicism to the jehovah s witnesses in the 1980s rejecting conventional therapies in her struggle against cancer shonnie medina died in 1999 her life embodies a story that could change the way we think about race and faith Genes, Peoples, and Languages 2000 genes brain function and behavior offers a concise description of the nervous system that processes sensory input and initiates motor movements it reviews how behaviors are defined and measured and how experts decide when a behavior is perturbed and in need of treatment behavioral disorders that are clearly related to a defect in a specific gene are reviewed and the challenges of understanding complex traits such as intelligence autism and schizophrenia that involve numerous genes and environmental factors are explored new methods of altering genes offer hope for treating or even preventing difficulties that arise in our genes this book explains what genes are what they do in the nervous system and how this impacts both brain function and behavior presents essential background facts and terminology about genes brain function and behavior builds clear explanations on this solid foundation while minimizing technical jargon explores in depth several single gene and chromosomal neurological disorders derives lessons from these clear examples and highlights key lessons in boxes examines the intricacies of complex traits that involve multiple genetic and environmental factors by applying lessons from simpler disorders explains diagnosis and definition includes a companion website with powerpoint slides and images for each chapter for instructors and links to resources

The Genealogy of a Gene 2015-02-20 considered a classic in the field troy duster s backdoor to eugenics was a groundbreaking book that grappled with the social and political implications of the new genetic technologies completely updated and revised this work will be welcomed back into print as we struggle to understand the pros and cons of prenatal detection of birth defects gene therapies growth hormones and substitute genetic answers to problems linked with such groups as jews scandanavians native american arabs and african americans duster s book has never been more timely

Genetics: Questions and Problems 1973 this yearbook of women s history jaarboek voor vrouwengeschiedenis is dedicated to gender and genes intruding upon our everyday lives the world of dna genes and genomics has become a challenging field of research both clinical and biomedical as well as socio cultural it is also a challenging topic for a yearbook which traditionally focuses on women and gender from a historical point of view gender issues are part and parcel of genes and genomics in scientific research and socio cultural discourses and representations current literature on genes and genomics does not abound in analyses of biomedical and socio cultural realms where gender aspects are played out and exchanged this yearbookmay thus contribute to a field of analysis which contextualizes history from the viewpoint of current biotechnological developments this volume contains articles on medical cases reproductive testing and the case of the sex chromosomes and framing cancer risk in women and men cultural representations a portrait of female scientist rosalin franklin and interviews with feminist science philosophers katarina karkazis and donna dickenson Human Diversity 1995 a nobel prize winning biologist tells the riveting story of his race to discover the inner workings of biology s most important molecule ramakrishnan s writing is so honest lucid and engaging that i could not put this book down until i had read to the very end siddhartha mukherjee author of the emperor of all maladies and the gene everyone has heard of dna but by itself dna is just an inert blueprint for life it is the ribosome an enormous molecular machine made up of a million atoms that makes dna come to life turning our genetic code into proteins and therefore into us gene machine is an insider account of the race for the structure of the ribosome a fundamental discovery that both advances our knowledge of all life and could lead to the development of better antibiotics against life threatening diseases but this is also a human story of ramakrishnan's unlikely journey from his first fumbling experiments in a biology lab to being the dark horse in a fierce competition with some of the world's best scientists in the end gene machine is a frank insider's account of the pursuit of

high stakes science

The Wandering Gene and the Indian Princess: Race, Religion, and DNA 2012-01-16 genes and the bioimaginary examines the dramatic rise and contemporary cultural apotheosis of the gene the book traces not only the genetification of modern life but is also a journey through the complex relationship between science and culture at the heart of this book are three interlinked questions the first concerns the paradigmatic transformations of the genetics revolution how can we understand the impact of genes on social arenas as diverse as law and agriculture politics and medicine genealogy and jurisprudence second how has the language of genes come to pervade public discourse as much a trope of personal narrative as of the popular imaginary and third how can we gain critical purchase not only on the conditions and consequences of a particular science but on its projective seductions the terms of its persuasion and the dilemmas and anxieties provoked in its wake through a series of illuminating case studies ranging from gay genes to jew genes to genes for crime from csi to the innocence project from genetics post racial imaginary to its phantasies of redemption the book examines the emergence of the gene as a pre eminent locus of both scientific and social explanation and as a powerful object of spectacle projective phantasy and attachment genes and the bioimaginary makes a distinctive contribution to our understanding of how knowledge comes to be not only powerful but plausible

Genes, Brain Function, and Behavior 2019-03-01 this newly updated edition sheds light on the secrets of the sequence highlighting the myriad ways in which genomics will impact human health for generations to come

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