

Review of: "[Research Note] The Random Somatic Mutation is not Quite Random"

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1. The article uses the term "random" in two different contexts, referring to the randomness of mutations and the random assignment of genes during sexual reproduction. This could lead to confusion and misinterpretation of the main argument.
2. The article primarily relies on theoretical arguments and examples, such as the flightless cormorants and astronauts, to support its claims. It would be strengthened by empirical evidence from real-world studies or experiments.
3. While the article challenges the traditional understanding of random somatic mutations, it could provide a more comprehensive discussion of the potential applications of this alternative perspective in the context of genetic research and evolutionary biology, particularly in relation to genetic engineering.