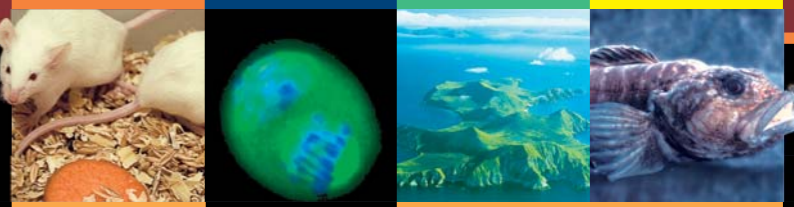


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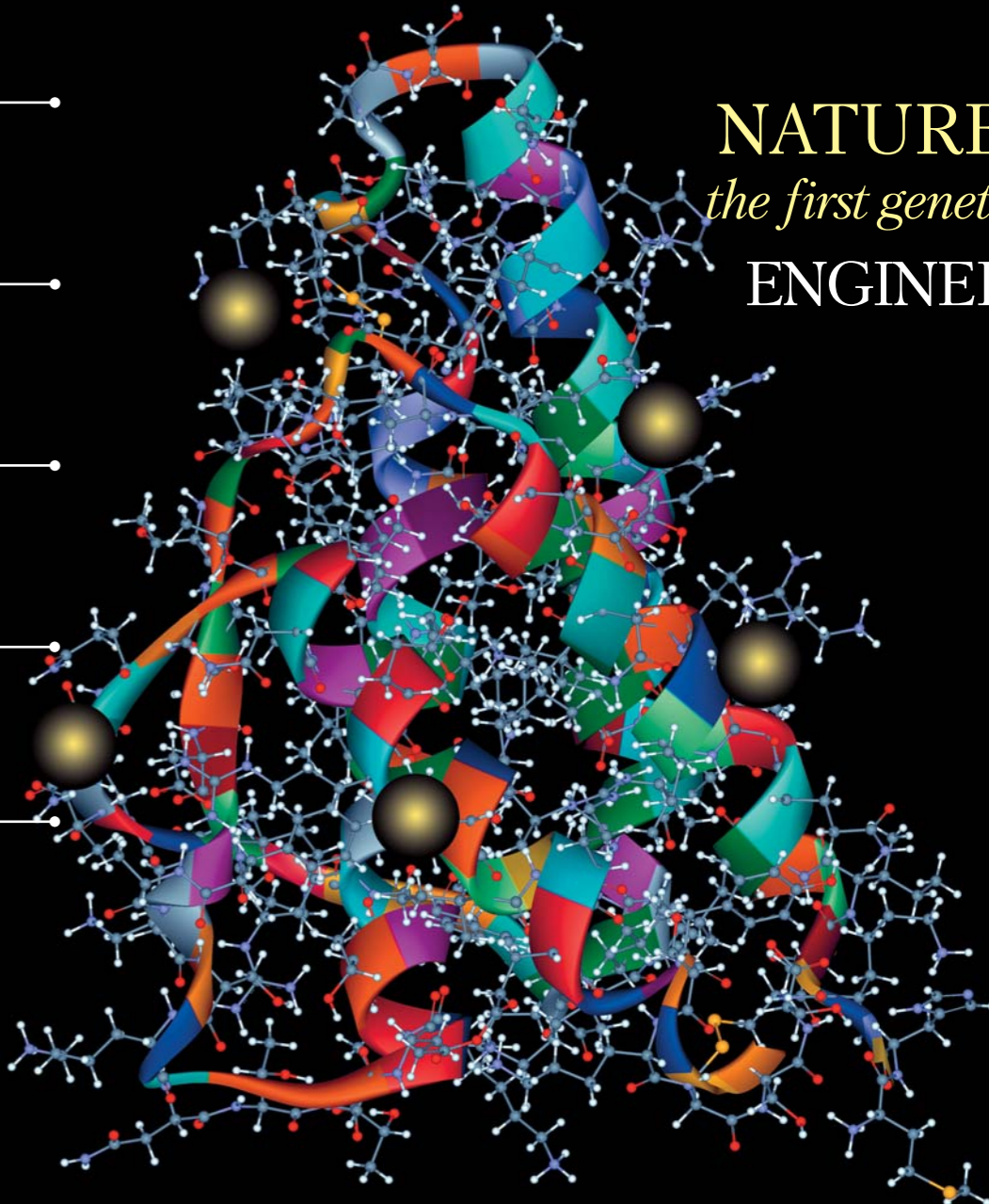


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*“...suggests the extension and progress of the history  
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and cultures crossed over the past thousands of years.”*

*Asch*

