

Response

IN OUR REPORT, WE RECOGNIZED THE contribution that Veron has made to coral taxonomy. However, we stand by our conclusion that quantitative coral reef biogeography is still in its infancy.

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CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

NEWS OF THE WEEK: "Court rebukes Hopkins for lead paint study" by J. Kaiser (31 Aug., p. 1567). The article erroneously states that a lawsuit claims that the Johns Hopkins-affiliated Kennedy Krieger Institute withheld blood lead test results from a child's mother for 9 months. In fact, the allegation involves results from some tests of lead levels in dust samples from the family's home, not blood lead levels. Test results showing the child had a blood lead level of 32 micrograms per deciliter (described in the fifth paragraph) were mailed to the mother in a letter dated 2 weeks after the child's blood was drawn. The result was also reported to the fami-

ly verbally the same day as the test, according to the Kennedy Krieger Institute.

NEWS FOCUS: "Rethinking a vaccine's risk" by J. Cohen (31 Aug., p. 1576). The last sentence of the 13th paragraph is missing a crucial "not." It should have read: "When a population is analyzed for a year's time, the temporal link between the vaccine and intussusception does not increase the total number of intussusception cases." In paragraph 9, "Chang and his colleagues" should have been "Chang and her colleagues." The article also should have clarified that Albert Kapikian thinks that intussusception might be "temporally linked to" (not "caused by," as reported) other rotavirus vaccines in the pipeline, and thus they might have trouble making it to market.

NETWATCH: Two items contained Web addresses that were difficult to read because they were printed in red type on a blue background. For "Field trip to a glacier" (17 Aug., p. 1227), the URL is <http://tv11.geo.uc.edu/ice/image/imageref.html>. For "Shark school" (24 Aug., p. 1407), the URL is www.flmnh.ufl.edu/fish/Sharks/sharks.htm

REVIEW: "DNA methylation and epigenetic inheritance in plants and filamentous fungi"

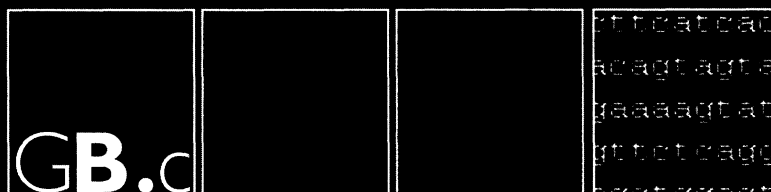
by R. A. Martienssen and V. Colot (10 Aug., p. 1070). Two references on p. 1072 were incorrect. In the first sentence of paragraph 2, the reference should have been (54), not (56). In the penultimate sentence of paragraph 3, the reference should have been (37, 41, 60), not (43). Also, in the penultimate sentence of paragraph 8, the phrase "methylated by transcriptions" should have read "methylated by transcription."

REPORTS: "The recent increase in Atlantic hurricane activity: Causes and implications" by S. B. Goldenberg *et al.* (20 Jul., p. 474). The date of publication for note 6 is 1997, not 1977 as listed. And in note 55, the third author of the paper, P. J. Trimble, was omitted.

REPORTS: "An RNA ligase essential for RNA editing and survival of the bloodstream form of *Trypanosoma brucei*" by A. Schnauffer *et al.* (16 Mar., p. 2159). The list of authors should have included Elizabeth Wirtz. The correct list, in order, is as follows: Achim Schnauffer, Aswini K. Panigrahi, Brian Panigucci, Robert P. Igo Jr., Elizabeth Wirtz, Reza Salavati, Kenneth Stuart. Wirtz's affiliation for this report was Laboratory of Molecular Parasitology, Rockefeller University, New York, NY 10021, USA.

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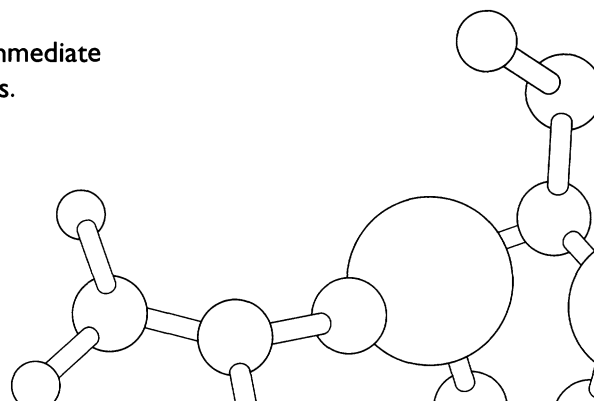
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