Honey bees (*Apis mellifera*), here shown on a honeycomb, form complex societies and interact with one another by means of stereotyped social behaviors. A special section beginning on page 891 explores what genetic approaches have taught us about behavior in bees and other species, including humans.

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The Air Noncoding RNA Epigenetically Silences Transcription by Targeting G9a to Chromatin

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Air, a large noncoding RNA, interacts with chromatin at a particular promoter, recruiting a histone methyltransferase to silence gene expression in an allele-specific manner.

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Images of the Moon by the SELENE spacecraft and revised dates of lava flows by crater counts imply that episodic volcanism on the farside lasted to 2.5 billion years ago.

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Photoexcited CRY2 Interacts with CIB1 to Regulate Transcription and Floral Initiation in Arabidopsis

H. Liu, X. Yu, K. Li, J. Kleijnot, H. Yang, D. Listero, C. Lin

Blue light triggers the association of a photoreceptor, transcription factor, and DNA site, thus inducing expression of the gene FT (flowering time) and initiating flowering.

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A lipid molecule and a quaternary ammonium biocide that are used in making plastic labware can contaminate common enzyme and binding assays, altering the results.

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Global Protein Stability Profiling in Mammalian Cells

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An inverse model, using seismic images of today’s mantle and sediment thicknesses through time, tracks 300 million years of mantle flow beneath western North America. >> Perspective p. 866

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Lack of Exposed Ice Inside Lunar South Pole Shackleton Crater
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Memory-specific firing patterns appear in the medial prefrontal cortex when it becomes essential for memory recall, supporting a role for this region in memory consolidation.

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