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or proposed principles. One that comes in for a fair amount of discussion, some of it unfortunately quite abstruse, is the principle of evolutionarily neutral mutations. Several authors have proposed that some or many of the amino acid changes observed in protein did not become fixed because of some selective advantage that they produced but, rather, merely as the result of genetic drift. This has been termed "non-Darwinian" evolution. That it occurs seems likely. How often it occurs still remains an open but intriguing question.

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