Detection of Natural Selection in our Genes

Vocabulary Worksheet

Below are a list of terms and phrases that you will encounter while reading the article and listening to the interview. Using a dictionary, provide definitions for each term or phrase. If you cannot find a formal definition, write down what you *think* the term or phrase might mean. Keep in mind that the meanings of these terms *in science* may be different from the way we used them in common speech.

Genome

Hot spot (in terms of genetics)

Allele

Genetic Drift

Divergence

Mutation

Polymorphism