there is a useful glossary. This pocket-sized book can be recommended for the general reader and for health professionals wishing to update their knowledge'.

In summary, this book covers the breadth of modern genetics in an entertaining way for the nonspecialist, and might be a useful supplementary text for students in the early years, especially to provoke discussion. Informed lay people will find the book interesting but the complexity of the text may confuse many of the general public.

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