

MAN NEITHER INHERENTLY SELFISH NOR ALTRUISTIC

Dobzhansky (1977), in Ayala et al., p. 457:

"Whatever proclivities to selfishness and hedonism man may have, he also has a genetically established educability that permits him to counteract these proclivities by means of culturally derived group ethics. Natural selection for educability and plasticity of behavior, rather than for genetically fixed egoism or altruism, has been the dominant directive factor in human evolution".

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