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molecular biology, genetics, and biochemistry are irrelevant for the pragmatic curing or controlling of disease. Drawing on the results of a variety of research programmes during the past few decades, Racker strikes a cautiously optimistic stance. He extols the value of the peer review system, insists on the integrity of the vast majority of medical scientists, and suggests that the most promising results are likely to be obtained by giving gifted scientists the freedom to pursue their own inclinations. Although focusing primarily on the American scene, Racker raises international issues. His book provides a provoking contrast to the perspectives offered by Professor McKeown and Ivan Illich.

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