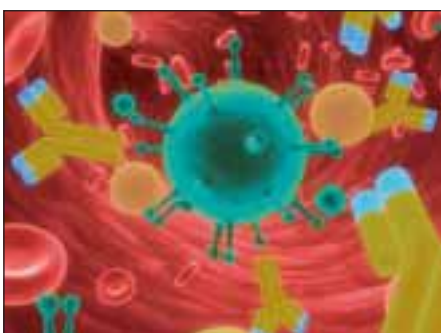




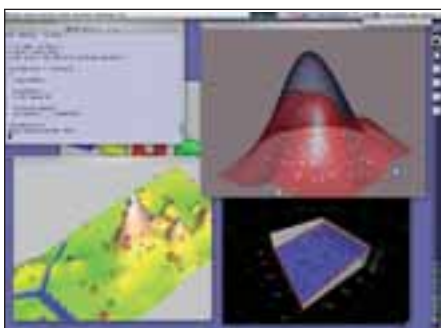
Sexual reproduction apparently began to evolve as early as two billion years ago. However, researchers have only recently begun to understand its advantages. (p. 24-29)



According to new results from Zurich, interleukin-21 helps cytotoxic T cells to maintain their memory and functionality while fighting against chronic viral infections. (p. 32-33)



Israeli scientists, who recently showed that DNA evidence can easily be faked, developed an assay to unveil such forgery and founded a company to sell it. (p. 55)



Free software still has a reputation for being poor quality. In some cases, however, the best tools happen to be the free ones. (p. 58)

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