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‘Not Just Fun and Games: The Sociopolitical Import of “Recreational” Genetics’

DNA is a master key that unlocks medical and forensic secrets, but its genealogical life is revelatory. Tracing genealogy is now the second-most popular hobby amongst Americans. This billion-dollar industry has spawned popular television shows, websites, and a booming heritage tourism circuit. But as Nelson will describe, genetic genealogy is also being propelled into a variety of sociopolitical uses, including kin-keeping,

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