Erratum

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Due to a printing error, the paragraph at the bottom of the left column on page 81 of Volume 26, Numbers 1–2, erroneously implies that the rate of divergence at silent sites in chloroplasts equals that in nuclear genes. It is a well-known fact that the chloroplast rate is distinctly lower than the nuclear rate. The corrected paragraph follows:

> With a date of 120–160 Myr ago for the divergence between *E. coli* and *S. typhimurium* and the average divergence of 95.4% from Table 3, we obtain a silent substitution rate in the range of 0.6–0.8%/Myr, which is very similar to those observed in nuclear genes of mammals [0.9%/Myr (Li et al. 1985a,b)], insects [1.1%/Myr (Bodmer and Ashburner 1984; Blackman and Meselson 1986)], plants [1%/Myr (Chang and Meyerowitz 1986)], and sea urchins [1.1%/Myr (Busslinger et al. 1982)].