

chicine. Names sometimes appear inconsistently, such as “Dr. Karl Landsteiner and his assistant, E. Popper” (Erwin), and the virologist Flexner’s first name (Simon) should have been given to avoid confusion with his equally famous brother, Abraham. Of the rather few typographic errors, the most serious appears in a reference to *Bacterial and Mycotic Infections of Man*, supposedly edited by “Dubois, RJ” and published in 1848; René Jules Dubos actually published this book in 1948.

Eighteen illustrations, all accompanied by descriptive text, are a new feature of this edition. References are given at the end of each chapter, mostly to secondary sources, and the index is adequate. Although not authoritative, *Plagues and Poxes* is entertaining and concisely offers much information that is not easily available.

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## CORRECTIONS

Immunosuppressive Drugs for Kidney Transplantation (December 23, 2004;351:2715-29). On page 2720, in Table 2, the mechanism of action of azathioprine should have read, “Converts 6-mercaptopurine to 6-thioinosine-5'-monophosphate,” rather than “Converts 6-mercaptopurine to tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase,” as printed. We regret the error.

The Threat of an Avian Influenza Pandemic (January 27, 2005;352:323-5). On page 324, in Panel B of the figure, the label “Neuraminidase inhibitor” should have been attached to a blue oval, rather than to a gold stalk representing hemagglutinin, as printed. We regret the error. A corrected version of the figure is available with the full text of this article on the *Journal's* Web site at [www.nejm.org](http://www.nejm.org).

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