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Island surprise

■ More than 150 years after Darwin's finches helped reshape biology, plants in the Galapagos Islands, an archipelago of Ecuador, are revealing another evolutionary surprise. Giant daisies have repeatedly developed similar heat-tolerant leaf shapes but each lineage used a different combination of genes. Researchers based at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology also found major genetic differences among isolated populations, suggesting new species may be forming right now.