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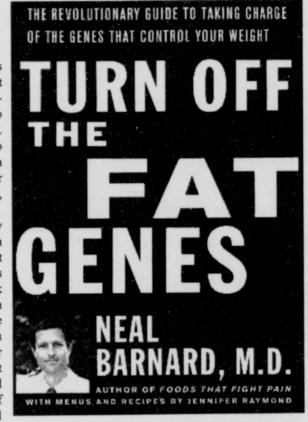


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By NEAL BARNARD, M.D.
HARMONY BOOKS; 2001

Breakthrough genetic research indicates that genes are not just on/off switches for characteristics we can't control (like gender or eye color). Some genes, including those that shape our bodies, actually adapt to outside influences. In "Turn Off the Fat Genes," Dr. Neal Barnard draws on this cutting-edge research to create a revolutionary new program for activating thin genes and suppressing fat genes, a dramatic tool for sculpting away excess pounds to reveal the healthy, vital body that nature intended.

In "Turn Off the Fat Genes," Dr. Barnard begins by explaining the dynamics of nutrition and its impact on genetics. Once you understand how the genes that control your shape can be influenced, the next step is positive intervention. The heart of Dr. Barnard's book is a three-week gene-control program (complete with menus and recipes) specifically designed to influence the five key genes that determine: (1) which foods you prefer, (2) the strength of your appetite, (3) whether your calories are burned or stored as fat, (4) how fast you burn calores, and (5) your muscular type and ability to exercise. Dr. Barnard's program enables all of us to enjoy the same virtually effortless weight control as the naturally thin people we have always admired.



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By Nancy Peacock
Bantam Trade Paperback; 2001

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"To be honest with you, the racial issue was not the driving force for me when writing this," said Peacock. "I wanted to use this book to illustrate the profound human need for storytelling." And it is the storytelling skills found in "Home Across the Road," which confirm Nancy Peacock's reputation as one of the nation's talented up-and-coming novelists.