

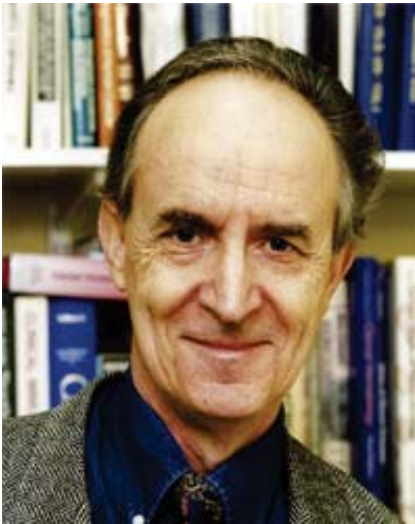
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Mel Greaves was drawn to medical research by his deep interest in evolution and his conviction that "Darwin's key idea [has] massive social and medical implications". His book "Cancer. The Evolutionary Legacy" makes this case in a most convincing manner.