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the chicken serves as a model
system for laboratory work
in embryology, virology,
and immunology.
Interpreting these bird's
complete DNA sequence
is helping us better understand
our own biology

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