

Truth in Science

Our Amazing Universe

1. Spiral galaxies (like our own Milky Way Galaxy) are optimal for life. Other types of galaxies are far less safe due to things such as star formation and black holes.
2. Earth's position within our galaxy (between two spiral arms) is an unusually safe place for life to develop. Most locations even within our own galaxy are unfavorable to the formation of planets that can sustain life.
3. Jupiter, Saturn, and Uranus deflect comets that might otherwise impact Earth, while Venus and Mars deflect asteroids.
4. Only a star with the highly unusual properties of our sun—the right mass, age, distance, orbit, and location—can nurture living organisms on an orbiting planet.
5. Our moon is just the right size to properly maintain the tilt of Earth's axis and to regulate ocean tides.
6. Plate tectonics drive the carbon dioxide/rock cycle, which balances greenhouse gases and keeps Earth's temperature at a level that can sustain life. Out of all the planets and moons in our solar system, this only occurs on Earth.
7. Total solar eclipses, which provide unique learning opportunities, are only possible because the sun is 400 times larger than the moon and also 400 times further away.

Our Amazing Bodies

1. In the time of Charles Darwin, scientists knew virtually nothing about the complexity of the cell. Since then, we have learned that the cell is unimaginably complex, run by sophisticated micro machines that have just the right interactions.
2. Every one of our body's 100 trillion cells contains 6 feet of DNA, which stores information in the form of a 4-letter digital code that provide assembly instructions for proteins. DNA, similar to books or computer codes, could not possibly have formed through purely natural processes like evolution or natural selection. Only some form of intelligence could have created DNA.
3. Research has shown that a person's consciousness, also known as the soul, can continue after the brain has stopped functioning and, though invisible, is a separate entity from the brain.
4. Irreducibly complex microscopic machines, such as cilia, bacterial flagella, or the eye, and irreducibly complex processes like the system of transporting proteins within cells and the process of blood-clotting, could not have evolved one step at a time.
5. The process of natural selection always results in lost information, as things decay over time. New information is never gained.

The Miracle of Life

Days after conception	An unborn baby's actions and developments
5 to 9 days	baby burrows into the womb's wall for safety and nourishment
18 to 21 days	eyes start to develop; heart is forming and pumps blood throughout the body
4 to 5 weeks	brain, mouth, ears, nose, arms and legs develop; body has multiplied in size 10,000 times
6 weeks	brain waves and heartbeat can be detected; brain controls movement of muscles and organs; the embryo only weighs 0.03 ounce but it already has all essential internal organs
8 to 9 weeks	baby will bend fingers around an object placed in the palm; fingernails are forming and the child sucks his or her thumb; baby has already perfected a somersault and back flip
10 to 12 weeks	the child squints, swallows, smiles, and frowns; the child is able to kick, turn feet, curl and fan toes, make fists, move thumbs, bend wrists, and open his or her mouth
All of these developments occur during the first trimester. In the remaining 6 months of the pregnancy, nothing new develops or begins functioning. Every surgical abortion in the U.S. stops a beating heart and measurable brain waves.	

Recommended resources for further study:

The Genesis Flood by John Whitcomb and Henry Morris
The Evolution Conspiracy by Carl Matriciana and Roger Oakland

The Case for a Creator by Lee Strobel
Why Pro-Life? By Randy Alcorn
 Answers in Genesis (free online resources)

Why Do We Have Fossils? Does the Fossil Record Prove Evolution?

Fossils are not formed under normal conditions, but are primarily formed during great catastrophes involving water. Furthermore, many cultures around the world have stories of a great flood that have been passed down from the ancient past (such as the well-known Epic of Gilgamesh), in addition to the account that is given in the book of Genesis in the Bible. While these stories differ, they all have some key things in common. Why would so many distinct, widely separated cultures have such stories if a great worldwide flood did not occur in Earth's past?

Often, fossils appear out of place or rock layers are upside-down from what geologists expect. Such discrepancies are typically explained away when they don't match the predetermined evolutionary timetable. There is also the Cambrian explosion (a relatively brief period during which most major species suddenly appeared in the fossil record), and the fact that no transitional fossils (in-between species) exist. In addition, a great catastrophe in Earth's past would also render already-questionable dating methods useless, because those methods assume that Earth's processes have always been the same as they are now. How can Darwin's Theory of Evolution be true in view of these realities?

Natural selection presents the biggest obstacle for Darwin's theory. Natural selection that we observe always, without exception, results in information being lost. New information is never gained. Charles Darwin stated, "To suppose that the eye...could have been formed by natural selection, seems, I freely confess, absurd in the highest possible degree." Darwin thought that future scientists would make new discoveries that would alleviate his concern. Instead, new discoveries (such as DNA and the complexity of the cell) have made his theory of evolution even more absurd.

Other stumbling blocks for evolution include the irreducibly complex process of blood clotting, the existence of two perfectly complementary genders, mathematics, laws of the universe, and the existence of evil in the world. None of these things could randomly evolve. Still, people cling to evolution because they don't want to be accountable to God.

How did we get here? In 1764, Darwin's grandfather Erasmus founded the Lunar Society in Great Britain, with an intended purpose of pushing the Bible out and creating a more secular society rooted in socialism. The Lunar Society then founded the Royal Society, and one of its members was Charles Lyell, whose theory of uniformitarian geology states that Earth's processes have remained basically unchanged over time, negating a great catastrophe like a global flood. Unfortunately, these men were not neutral scientists. They were intentionally looking for ways in which they could undermine the Bible, as it was the most significant hurdle in their path to creating a secular, socialist society.

Scientific Facts in the Bible

(years are approximate)

1580 AD: Bernard Palissy discovered the modern theory of the water cycle (though his theory was not tested until 1674 AD).	<i>750 B.C.: He who builds His layers in the sky, and has founded His strata in the earth; Who calls for the waters of the sea, and pours them out on the face of the earth—The Lord is His name. (Amos 9:6)</i>
1613 AD: Scientists Galileo and Torricelli performed experiments to confirm that the air has weight.	<i>2000 B.C.: For He looks to the ends of the earth, and sees under the whole heavens, to establish a weight for the wind, and apportion the waters by measure. (Job 28:24-25)</i>
1847 AD: Dr. Ignaz Semmelweis led the practice of hand washing in running water. The death rate for women giving birth plummeted.	<i>1400 B.C.: And when he who has a discharge is cleansed of his discharge, then he shall count for himself seven days for his cleansing, wash his clothes, and bathe his body in running water; then he shall be clean. (Leviticus 15:13)</i>

“Christianity works because it is supremely true and therefore supremely livable. There is nothing incompatible between religion and science. ... [My greatest discovery] was not chloroform. It was to know I am a sinner and that I could be saved by the grace of God. A man has missed the whole meaning of life if he has not entered into an active, living relationship with God through Christ.” – Dr. James Simpson

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