

WELCOME to DARWIN'S GLASSES which is a term we have coined to describe those who firstly "define evolution as change, then call all change evolution, then accept any change as proof of evolution, then turn around and claim such change disproves creation." Our challenge in this ENews issue of mutations and change, as well as climate change, which should drive evolution but can only cause extinction, is to seek those who are brave enough to take DARWIN'S GLASSES off and see the real world you live in.

Also in Darwin's celebratory year when Theistic evolutionists are trying to steal the stage, don't forget to ask for Randall Hardy's excellent paper on 'What type of a God would have used Evolution?' Now from John Mackay and the Creation research Team world wide – enjoy Evidence News number 13/09 with Editorial COMment.

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**1. WOMEN ARE EVOLVING** claims BBC MATERIAL WORLD Radio 4 program 29<sup>th</sup> October 2009, reporting on the The Framingham Heart Study, which has tracked the medical histories of some 14,000 residents of Framingham, Mass. USA, since 1948 and was published Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> 2009 in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS).

The researchers observed that women who had more children; 1) started earlier 2) had more body fat 3) were shorter and 4) finished later. The team predicted that by 2409 the average Framingham woman would be 2 cm (0.8 in) shorter, 1 kg (2.2 lb.) heavier, have a healthier heart, have her first child five months earlier and enter menopause 10 months later than a woman today. Their conclusion was that this "rate of evolution is slow but pretty similar to what we see in other plants and animals."

ED.COM. We suspect that what they have actually proven is that women are turning into women and getting shorter and their comment about this providing evidence of a slow rate of evolution, is a wonderful example of how DARWIN'S GLASSES stops you seeing the real world. They haven't

observed any evolution at all and the comment about the rate of evolution being about the same as that observed for "other plants and animals" tells you we have not seen anything evolve. Evolution is a con job - take off Darwin's Glasses if you want to see the real world you live in. (ref. Female, Kind, Man)

**2. OCEANS ARE RISING?** Is that Al Gore's new \$4mill seaside home at fisherman's wharf in San Francisco not far from Chinatown? <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4zOXmJ4jd-8&NR=1> slide to the time index - 27m:07s.

**3. 'RELIGION MUST EVOLVE TO LEAD US TO ECOLOGICAL SALVATION'** states Irish Times writer John Gibbons in response to the pro global warming declaration from the Catholic Bishops of Ireland in their publication "The Cry of the Earth" (Irish Times Nov 11p. 3 and Nov 12p. 13). Man must be dethroned from his dominion and his perceived license to exploit the planet as traditionally taught by the Catholic church and ensconced in Genesis 1 and 2 and repeated after the flood account to Noah (Genesis 9 :1-6) who according to Gibbons was authorized to "plunder the natural world".

ED.COM. It is evident that neither the Irish Bishops nor the Irish Times writer believe Genesis to be the real history of the Planet. Gibbons definitely accepts a totally naturalistic view of man and it is also evident that the Bishops are seeking a way to fit their theology to what they perceive the world regards as popular. See NOTABLE QUOTABLE below (Ref. Climate, Christianity, religion)

**4. AT THE SAME TIME AUSSIE** Climate Skeptic Geology Prof Ian Plimer is touring the UK (November 09) and getting minor airtime on the BBC as he exposes the fallacies in just about everything the British Govt. environmental lobby and UN climate alarmists are saying. His chief weapon is both the geological evidence of past dramatic climate changes which had nothing to do with man, and the fact that over the past 150 yrs there have been 3 cooling periods and the same people who predicted the world would enter a new Ice age during the 1970's, are today's barrow pushers of heating alarm and making considerable money out of it. British Geologist David Bellamy who has disappeared from the BBC since he took a stance against Global Warming is getting limited space in the Irish press (Irish Times Nov 11p. 3) as he continues to warn that climate has changed over and over through history and the present situation has nothing to do with CO2 production which has continued to increase as the temperature has started to go down over the past 10 years.

**5. NOTABLE QUOTABLE ON MOSES:** "The problem for the Jews was that they clung to the words of Moses and rejected Jesus. The trouble for many Christians today is that they cling to Jesus and deny the words of Moses." Jesus said to all concerned, "If you believed Moses, you would believe me", (John 5: 46 -7). The reverse is also true, that if we claim to believe Jesus as Lord and Saviour and God, then the same Christ has committed us to accept the words of Moses, because as Jesus said, "he wrote about me". Supplied by Pastor Pete.

**6. SHORT DOG LEG GENE FOUND,** according to articles in National Institutes of Health News 16 July 2009 and ScienceDaily 17 July 2009 and *Science*, vol. 325, p995, 21 August 2009 (originally published in *Science Express* on 16 July 2009). An international team of scientists have found the gene that gives dog breeds such as dachshund, corgi, Pekingese and basset hound their distinctive short stubby legs. All these breeds have an extra copy of a gene that codes for a protein named *fibroblast growth factor 4 (fgf4)*. The extra gene results in an overproduction of the protein, and the researchers suggest this turns on growth receptors at the wrong times during growth and development of the bones resulting in a deformity of the limb bones called chondrodysplasia. The presence of chondrodysplasia is part of the breed standard defining 19 short legged breeds including dachshund, corgi, and basset hound. The researchers suggest the extra gene is a retrogene – a gene acquired when the RNA copy of the original gene is converted into another strand of DNA, which is then inserted into another place in the genome. This can occur when a type of virus called a retrovirus is present in a cell. The copied gene is not always functional, and even when it is it is not under the same controls as the original gene as it is in a different part of the genome to the original. Because all the short legged breeds were found to have the extra *fgf4* gene the researchers concluded that the formation of the retrogene was a "single evolutionary event" that occurred sometime after the ancestor of modern dog breeds diverged from wolves. One of the

researchers, Heidi G. Parker of National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI), Bethesda, USA, commented: "Our findings suggest that retrogenes may play a larger role in evolution than has been previously thought, especially as a source of diversity within species. We were surprised to find that just one retrogene inserted at one point during the evolution of a species could yield such a dramatic physical trait that has been conserved over time." The researchers hope their finding will help medical scientists looking for causes of similar bone deformities in humans. NHGRI Scientific Director Eric Green commented: "Every species, including canine and human, carries an amazing record of evolution scripted in its genome that can teach us about the mechanisms at work in biology, as well as about human health and disease. This work provides surprising evidence of a new way in which genome evolution may serve to generate diversity within a species."

ScienceDaily: <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2009/07/090716141146.htm>

NIH: <http://www.genome.gov/27532750>

ED. COM. If this discovery proves anything it is the continuing use of DARWIN'S GLASSES, a term we have coined to describe those who firstly "define evolution as change, then call all change evolution, then accept any change as proof of evolution, then turn around and claim such change disproves creation." If you are brave enough to take DARWIN'S GLASSES off, the genetic change above is not evolution. It is a degenerative change that messed up a well functioning system for forming structurally sound dog legs, and has resulted in deformed limbs that would not have enabled to dogs to survive in the struggle for life if they were still living with the wolves. Short legged dogs have survived because human beings have deliberately selected them for this trait and cared for them. Furthermore, the dogs are still the same species as any other domestic dog with normal legs. Once again we see that mutation and selection, the mechanisms claimed by evolutionists to produce new kinds of fitter organisms really only cause defective organisms of the same species. The findings in this study are actually good evidence that change is true but it is not evolution. It is also proof that in the natural world, living things are going downhill from an original created perfection, just Genesis tells us. (Ref. canines, pedigrees, skeleton)

**7. FISHY GENE THEORY** reported in Current Biology, Vol. 19, p1642 and ScienceNOW 3 Sept 2009. Evolutionary biologists believe that one of the mechanisms of producing new genes is for existing genes to be copied and natural selection to modify the extra gene to have new function while leaving the original to continue its function. An international team of biologists claim to have confirmed this theory in a fish gene named *fibroblast growth factor receptor 1 (fgfr1)*. They started with zebra fish, tiny fast growing fish used a lot in laboratory studies of growth and development, and used chemicals to cause mutations. One of the mutant fish had almost no scales, similar to domestic forms of a fish called mirror carp, which have been bred for easy cleaning. Normal wild mirror carp have large reflective scales. The mutant scale-less fish had a normal *fgfr1* gene as well as a mutant gene. Fish with only a mutated version of this gene die during embryonic development. The researchers then looked for duplicate genes in domestic carp and found two types of mutated genes, one with 111 base pairs missing and another with a base substitution. This confirmed that it was the presence of both an intact and mutated gene that led to the scale-less form. The research team concluded: "These findings provide evidence for the role for gene duplication in providing the raw material for generation of morphological diversity." ScienceNOW is more forthright and claims: "Now researchers have new proof that evolution can work this way (gene duplication).

ED. COM. All these scientists have proven is the messed up extra copies of genes result in messed up fish. These fish have not evolved. They are just degenerate versions of the same species. Losing scales is not an evolutionary gain of structure or function. It is degenerative loss and not useful for the fish. In the wild the fish would be better off having one normal gene than one normal plus one mutated gene. This study is evidence that fish started out with fully functioning genomes and any changes, including duplicates, degrade the system. Notice again New Scientist Editors are wearing DARWIN'S GLASSES; "they are first accepting that "evolution is change, then they are calling all change evolution, then they are accepting any degenerate change in fish genes as proof of evolution, then they are claiming such degenerate change disproves creation." Now be brave enough to take DARWIN'S GLASSES off - rather than being evidence for evolution, this study of degenerate scale gene supports the concept of created perfection followed by degeneration i.e. the Biblical picture. Evolution by gene duplication is a fishy story, not a scientific fact. (Ref. vertebrates, growth factors, genetics)

**8. MOTH PROOF FRIGHTENS CREATIONISTS**, claims Michael Majerus as quoted in an article in BBC Science Features 26 Jan 2009. The peppered moth story has been one of the icons of evolution ever since a series of famous experiments conducted by Bernard Kettlewell in the 1950's appeared to prove the changes in populations of dark and light moths to be an observable example of natural selection, and therefore evolution in action. However, there were some serious flaws in Kettlewell's experimental method, (e.g. placing moths on tree trunks when they don't normally rest on tree trunks) and the experiments have been criticised in both secular and creationist literature. Therefore, in an attempt to defuse the criticism, Michael Majerus, an evolutionary biologist at Cambridge University has spent several years repeating the studies of predation of peppered moths by birds. Majerus compiled a large number of observations of birds eating moths in rural Cambridgeshire (where the trees are not soot-blackened), and concluded that "the black form was significantly more likely to be eaten than the peppered." Majerus commented: "The peppered moth story is easy to understand," he explained, "because it involves things that we are familiar with: vision and predation and birds and moths and pollution and camouflage and lunch and death. That is why the anti-evolution lobby attacks the peppered moth story. They are frightened that too many people will be able to understand." He went on to say, "If the rise and fall of the peppered moth is one of the most visually impacting and easily understood examples of Darwinian evolution in action, it should be taught. After all, it provides the proof of evolution."

BBC:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/manchester/content/articles/2008/06/04/040608\\_peppered\\_moth\\_feature.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/manchester/content/articles/2008/06/04/040608_peppered_moth_feature.shtml)

ED. COM. The only thing creationists are afraid of is that Cambridge professors like Majerus, who should know better, will bluff ordinary people into believing that they have proven evolution. Majerus' better experimental methods have no more proven evolution than Kettlewell's flawed experiments did. All he has proven is that birds will eat whichever moths are easiest to see, and that leaves the less visible ones alive to breed. This is natural selection, but it is not evolution. Notice again Majerus' use of DARWIN'S GLASSES. If we find any change in numbers of dark versus light moths of any sort– it is proof creation of moths never happened. To prove evolution by natural selection Majerus will need to observe moths turning into another kind of creature as result of selection etc. Since selection can only eliminate things that already exist, Majerus is barking up the wrong tree. It does not make new living things. Peppered moths are exactly the same as they were when black and white variations were first recorded by moth collectors in the 1850's; as they were when Kettlewell did his experiments in the mid 20th century, and as they are now observed by Majerus in the 21st century. Taking off DARWIN'S GLASSES you actually observe that Moths have produced after their kind as you would expect to see as a result of Genesis being Correct. (Ref. insects, Lepidoptera, pigmentation)

**9. MICE EVOLVE TO BE NEW ICON**, according to articles in *New Scientist* news, BBC News and ScienceDaily 27 Aug 2009, and *Science*, vol. 325, p1095, 28 Aug 2009. Deer Mice are a commonly occurring rodent found in many habitats throughout North America. Most of them are a dark grey-brown colour, but a population living in sand hills in Nebraska have pale coats, similar in colour to the sand they live on. Harvard University biologists Catherine Linnen and Hopi Hoekstra of Harvard University have found the genetic difference that makes the sand hill mice pale compared with the dark wild type. The light coloured mice have a mutation in a gene named *Agouti* which results in a deletion of an amino acid. The gene is also overactive in the pale mice. Mice with the mutant *Agouti* have wide bands of reddish yellow pigment in their dorsal hairs giving the animal an overall sandy colour. Because the pale mice showed much greater genetic uniformity than the dark forms the researchers believe the mutation arose fairly recently. According to Catherine Linnen, "An older mutation would show lots of variation." The scientists also analysed the strength of natural selection in favour of pale mice on sandy soil and concluded that predation would drive virtually all individuals in the area toward pale coloration within 8,000 years. The sand hills are believed to have been formed about 10,000 years ago.

The pale colour means the mice are harder to see against light sandy soils and therefore less likely to be caught by predatory birds. The research team estimated the pale fur gave mice a 0.5% survival advantage. Hopi Hoekstra commented: "It doesn't seem that much, but multiplied over thousands of individuals over hundreds of years, it makes a huge difference." *New Scientist* and BBC suggest the mouse will become an icon of evolution like the peppered moth, especially as the gene change that

caused the colour difference has been identified. Hoekstra commented: "Despite the fact that the peppered has been an icon of 'evolution in action', we don't yet know the genetic changes involved. Once researchers find the pigmentation gene responsible for moth colour change, they can do the same types of analyses we have done. It will be really interesting to compare these estimates between mice and men." Catherine Linnen commented: "Ours is a very complete story. We've been able to connect changes at DNA level to the ability of deer mice to survive in nature."

BBC: [http://news.bbc.co.uk/earth/hi/earth\\_news/newsid\\_8225000/8225219.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/earth/hi/earth_news/newsid_8225000/8225219.stm)

New Scientist: <http://www.newscientist.com/article/dn17695-newly-evolved-fur-coat-a-quick-hit-in-nebraska.html>

ScienceDaily: <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2009/08/090827141342.htm>

ED. COM. These scientists may have a complete story involving mutation and selection, but unless you are willing to accept genetic deletion and the resulting loss of pigment as an evolutionary change, that story is not evolution. This mutation involves a loss of genetic information and is a minor variation that does not change the mice into another species, or provide any clue as to where the genes for hair colour came from in the first place. It is only good for mice that live in a sandy environment where there are predators that hunt by sight. In another environment, e.g. dark soils, it would be a disadvantage and would soon be weeded out. Like the dark and light peppered moths, the dark and light forms of the mice are still the same species, and the only reason to describe either moths or mice as "icons" is that evolution fulfils the desperate need of some to deny the truth of created kinds. Evolution is actually a belief by faith that needs to have symbolic images to help people keep the faith. The conclusions of these researchers is yet more evidence of how many of them are wearing DARWIN'S GLASSES and are willing to "define evolution as change, then call all change evolution, then accept any change as proof of evolution, then turn around and claim such change disproves creation." Time to take them off guys and admit that mice turning into degenerate mice is no help at all to Darwin or Dawkins, Attenborough or Aitkins. (Ref. wildlife, camouflage, pigmentation)

**10. OXIDATIVE DAMAGE CAUSES MANY MUTATIONS** according to reports in PNAS vol. 106, p16310, 22 Sept 2009 and ScienceDaily 7 Sept 2009. Mutations are changes in DNA and are considered to be "the fuel for evolution". A team of scientists from four American universities has carried out a genome wide study of mutations occurring in a small roundworm named *C. Elegans*. The researchers studied 250 generations of worms and found they accumulated 391 genetic mutations. Most of the mutations were due to "oxidative stress" – damage to DNA from highly reactive molecules formed as part of normal metabolic processes that use oxygen. Dee Denver of Oregon State University explained: "Most life on Earth depends in some form on oxygen, which is great at the production of energy. But we pay a high price for our dependence on oxygen, because the process of using it is not 100 percent efficient, and it can result in free oxygen radicals that can damage proteins, fats and DNA. And this process gets worse with age, as free radicals accumulate and begin to cause disease." Oxidative damage to DNA is a major cause many serious diseases, including cancer, and the aging process.

ScienceDaily: <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2009/09/090907162318.htm>

ED. COM. Oxidative stress is one reason health professionals advise people to eat foods containing "anti-oxidants", i.e. substances that help remove the dangerous chemicals. If mutations were such a good thing, evolutionists would be telling people not to eat anti-oxidants. This research exposes one of the inconsistencies of evolutionary theory. No-one is claiming the 391 mutations improved the worms, or made them change into something else. Mutations can never make living things increase in structure and function, as must happen for evolution to occur. In fact, the so called mutational "fuel for evolution" is really fuel for destruction, as anyone suffering from cancer or feeling the weakness of advanced age will tell you. Mutations are part of the general degeneration of all living things that has been going on ever since man disobeyed his Creator and the whole creation was "subject to frustration" when Adam sinned (Romans 8:20). (Ref. genetics, nematodes, degradation)

**11. AUSSIE PM'S CLIMATE WAR**, as reported on ABC (Australia) News and *The Age* 6 Nov 2009. In an address to Lowy Institute, Kevin Rudd, Prime Minister of Australia, has delivered a "fierce attack" on those who question man-made global warming, calling them "reckless gamblers who are betting all our futures on their arrogant assumption that their intuitions should triumph over the evidence." He went on

to say: You are betting our jobs, our houses, our farms, our reefs, our economy and our future on an intuition, on a gut feeling, on a political prejudice you have about science." According to Rudd their real agenda is "to destroy the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme at home and it is to destroy agreed global action on climate change abroad."

ABC: <http://www.abc.net.au/news/stories/2009/11/06/2735769.htm>

The Age: <http://news.theage.com.au/breaking-news-national/rudd-attacks-climate-change-sceptics-20091106-i1tp.html>

ED. COM. The "Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme" is a carbon tax scheme that Rudd has been trying to establish in Australia, but has been frustrated because his political party does not control both houses of Parliament and cannot get the legislation passed. As the UN climate conference approaches, Climate Agenda politicians are getting more strident in the scorn they hurl at those who question man-made global warming. Perhaps they realise they may be losing the battle and won't be able to gain the extra power and money they crave. Observations of the real world rather than man-made computer modelling, shows that the global warming has ceased for the past decade even though CO<sub>2</sub> has increased and this information is slowly seeping out to the general public, especially to those who have endured two recent very cold winters. If the truth does manage to reach the majority of people, politicians like Rudd will lose the trust of the electorate and people will become harder to govern. Who knows what tactics they may resort to, to stay in power? (Ref. politics, controversy, environmentalism)

**12. WEATHER CHANNEL FOUNDER WANTS TO SUE GORE**, according to a FOX News video on Resist Net. Alan Coleman, who founded the Weather Channel and is now weatherman on KUSI TV in San Diego, wants to take Al Gore to court over Gore's claims that man-made global warming is destroying the world. Coleman claims to have 30,000 scientists with him in his belief that Gore is guilty of fraud. Coleman also claims he has tried to engage Gore and his supporters in a debate over climate change but has been repeatedly told by Gore that the debate is over, and therefore there is nothing to discuss. Coleman is also frustrated by the mainstream media who refuse to let him air his views. Therefore, he believes he has to resort to a court of law to force Gore to answer his criticisms. Video interview with Coleman: <http://www.resistnet.com/profiles/blogs/weather-channel-founder-and>

ED. COM. If Coleman goes ahead with this plan there is a legal precedent for it in Britain when a school governor challenged the compulsory showing of Al Gore's film *An Inconvenient Truth* in British schools. British High Court Judge Sir Michael Burton identified nine incorrect claims in Gore's film, and ruled that the film could be shown in schools but should be accompanied by notes that balance Gore's view. For more details of this ruling search for "Gore" in the Fact File on the Evidence website at [http://evidencweb.net/generic\\_search\\_results.php?p\\_SEARCHTYPE=Fact\\_File\\_Index](http://evidencweb.net/generic_search_results.php?p_SEARCHTYPE=Fact_File_Index). We don't recommend that people try to resolve scientific issues in law courts, although we do understand Coleman's frustration. For this reason Creation Research has produced DVDs on climate change: "*Climate Change and Creation*" and "*Climate Change: the God Factor*". These can be ordered from [www.creationresearch.net](http://www.creationresearch.net) click webshop. Why not show these and discuss them with your friends so the issue could be debated properly in spite of the media suppression. (Ref. controversy, litigation, politics)

**13. CLIMATE CHANGE AGENDAS AND ONE WORLD GOVERNMENT** is Lord Monckton's warning in a 4 minute interview regarding the December Global Climate Change Summit in Copenhagen where nations will cede away sovereignty to a global government body. See <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PMe5dOqbu40>. Then click the following link to listen to Lord Monckton's 15 minute radio interview with Allan Jones in Sydney, Australia regarding the ETS, Copenhagen Treaty, and a One World Government. [http://www.2gb.com/index2.php?option=com\\_newsmanager&task=view&id=4998](http://www.2gb.com/index2.php?option=com_newsmanager&task=view&id=4998)

**14. CABBAGE CONFUSION.** If you went to the greengrocer and bought cabbage, kale, broccoli, cauliflower, brussel sprouts and kohlrabi you may have bought six vegetables but you have only bought one species of plant – *Brassica oleracea*. Wild cabbage has been known for thousands of years and was bred for more tender tasty leaves as known as kale or collard greens. The round leafy vegetable most people think of as "cabbage" was developed when growers selected plants for tighter clusters of tender leaves closely packed into the terminal bud. Brussel sprouts were the same plant selected for multiple

tightly packed leaf buds along the stem. Cauliflower comes from cabbage plants selected for tightly packed masses of tender flower buds and broccoli is very similar, where the plants have been bred for clusters of immature flower heads. Kohlrabi are sometimes called stem turnips and are kale plants selected for short fleshy stems.

If you don't like eating any of these, you can still enjoy cabbages as ornamental plants as some have been bred for colourful, frilled leaves. You can even lean on a six foot cabbage stem if you wish, as the plant named "Walking Stick Cabbage" or "Jersey Cabbage" has a long strong stem that can be dried and prepared to make lightweight but strong walking sticks. It was originally bred as animal food, as new edible leaves keep appearing at the top as the stem increases in height.

ED. COM. Darwin used known examples of selectively bred vegetables to persuade people that one kind of living organism can change into another by selection, even though he knew that all examples he chose were within the same species. The great variation we have deliberately selected in the cabbage plant is evidence that selection really can bring out built in variation within a kind, but despite the superficial differences produced, the separate varieties of cabbages are still all interbreedable and all return to the wild cabbage form when left to themselves. All of which is good evidence for creation of separate fully functional kinds.

No Darwinian evolution of any sort has been involved in any of changes that have occurred over the centuries as plant breeders have selected desirable features and bred them. The tasty, nutritious vegetables developed by generations of farmers and gardeners is a proper fulfillment of the commission given by God to man to rule over the earth (Genesis 1:28). This was not permission to exploit and destroy the earth, but a mandate to study the earth and make wise use of the resources that God provided.

HELP NEEDED-ANYBODY OUT THERE growing Walking Stick Cabbage? You may be able to help Creation Research develop teaching materials about variation within kind. We need some good high resolution photos of Walking Stick Cabbage. If you have some and would be prepared to give us permission to use them in our publications, presentations and websites please contact us at [info@creationresearch.net](mailto:info@creationresearch.net) . (Ref. Brassicas, cultivation, botany)

**15. WHAT HAPPENED TO GLOBAL WARMING?** is the headline of articles, in *Science*, vol. 326, p28, 2 Oct 2009 and BBC News 9 Oct 2009, both making the point that global warming ceased a decade ago, but climate scientists insist that it will start again, in spite of the fact the models they are using did not predict the current leveling off. Paul Hudson, Climate correspondent, BBC News wrote: "For the last 11 years we have not observed any increase in global temperatures. And our climate models did not forecast it, even though man-made carbon dioxide, the gas thought to be responsible for warming our planet, has continued to rise." This is confirmed by a graph accompanying the article in *Science* showing a rise in global temperature from 1975 to 1998 followed by a plateau from 1998 to 2008. In spite of these results both articles claim plateau is just a temporary pause and that climate modeling by Met Office Hadley Centre in Exeter, U.K, shows "we expect that (real-world) warming will resume in the next few years."

The cause of the halt in warming is somewhat disputed by different groups of climate researchers, but variations in solar activity and changes in ocean currents are suggested. Approximately 98 percent of the earth's heat comes from the sun, and the oceans are the main heat stores. Piers Corbyn a solar scientist from Weatheraction is researching variations in charged particles from the sun and claims they are almost entirely responsible for what happens to global temperatures. Meanwhile, Don Easterbrook from Western Washington University has studied the Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO) and found strong correlation with warming and cooling to global temperatures. The global cooling from 1945 to 1977 coincided with one of a cold Pacific cycle and the warming that occurred in the 1980s and 1990s correlates with a warm cycle. However, the cycle has now changed, and according to Easterbrook, "The PDO cool mode has replaced the warm mode in the Pacific Ocean, virtually assuring us of about 30 years of global cooling."

ED. COM. The climate models used by the global warming proponents did not predict the current temperature plateau, therefore there is no reason to believe their predictions that global warming will start again in a few years. There is only one true climate prophecy: "While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease." Which God said to Noah after the flood (Genesis 8:22). We have thousands of years of records of cycles of cold and heat, and they had nothing to do with human industrialisation. Therefore, it is no surprise to us that the temperature has ceased to rise in spite of increasing carbon dioxide. We are pleased to see someone in the mainstream media admit that the sun is the main source of heat on the earth and that oceans are the main heat store. Therefore, they should have the sense to admit that changes in the sun and ocean are going to have more influence on the climate than carbon dioxide, and scientists should be studying those in order to understand changes in climate. (Ref. environment, prophecy, weather)

**16. PEOPLE "TIRED" OF CLIMATE CLAIMS**, according to a report in BBC News, 10 Sept 2009. Researchers at Cardiff University surveyed 551 people, from a range of ages and backgrounds, between September and November last year (2008) and revealed increasing skepticism about man-made climate change. They found that compared with previous surveys twice as many people now agree that "claims that human activities are changing the climate are exaggerated." Forty percent of the people surveyed believed that "many leading experts still question the evidence" and twenty percent were "hard-line skeptics". The most skeptical were more likely to be men rather than women, and rural rather than urban. Skepticism was also higher in older people, higher earners and those on the conservative side of politics. Half those surveyed believed the media was "too alarmist" and a third said there was too much conflicting evidence to know what is actually happening.

Lorraine Whitmarsh of Cardiff University announced the results at British Science Festival in Guildford and suggested that people were using the uncertainty as an excuse not to change their lifestyle. She told BBC News: "It is difficult for people to perceive what is and isn't climate change. But I think what we have to get across is that residual uncertainty in science is normal." She went on to say: "In general people are showing little willingness to change their lifestyles. They will recycle, unplug the TV and change their light bulbs; but they won't change how they travel or how they eat. These are the things that are going to make the biggest difference," and "We need to make it clear to people what is due to climate change and what is not. It is time we made it real to people."

BBC: <http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/science/nature/8249668.stm>

ED. COM. If people did change the way they travel and eat it may benefit their health and better for the environment but it won't change the climate, and most people have enough common sense to know this. We agree it is necessary to make clear what is "real," because the reality is that climate change, both warming and cooling has been going on for thousands of years. Environmental scientists should be careful what they teach people. If they have been found to be teaching false claims people will lose their respect for ALL scientists as was indicated in a recent British press item entitled "Met forecasts warm winter – so get your woollies out now!" In the end this could be worse for the environment because people will ignore scientists over other issues they can and should do something about, e.g. good water, soil and vegetation management, farming practices that are good for animals and humans, etc. (Ref. environmentalism, education, lifestyle)

**17. GLOBAL WARMING MODELS "FUNDAMENTALLY WRONG"** according to articles in *Nature Geoscience* online 13 July 2009 and *Science Daily* 15 July 2009. Scientists studying core samples from seafloor have been studying a change in the chemical composition of the sediments associated with Palaeocene-Eocene Thermal maximum (PETM), a rapid increase in global temperature believed to have occurred 55 million years ago. The rise in temperature was associated with a rise in carbon dioxide and is therefore "probably the best ancient climate analogue for present-day Earth." However, a group of researchers from three American universities have analysed data from PETM associated sediments and concluded that current climate models based on rising carbon dioxide do not explain the sediments. In fact, the carbon dioxide changes could only explain about half the PETM warming. One of the researchers, Gerald Dickens, an oceanographer and professor of Earth Science at Rice University, explained: "In a nutshell, theoretical models cannot explain what we observe in the geological record." He went on to say: "There appears to be something fundamentally wrong with the way temperature and carbon are linked in climate models." The researchers concluded that something other than carbon

dioxide caused the warming 55 million years ago. Dickens commented: "Some feedback loop or other processes that aren't accounted for in these models – the same ones used by the IPCC for current best estimates of 21st Century warming – caused a substantial portion of the warming that occurred during the PETM."

Science Daily: <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2009/07/090714124956.htm>

ED. COM. This study is a good reminder that computer models are only as good as the information that is fed into them. If that information is wrong or lacking in any way the model will be wrong. Therefore, if there is a disagreement between models and data from the real world, it is the model that has to be modified or scrapped. The global warming proponents need to be challenged on this before they start using their model as an excuse for taking real money from ordinary people who are experiencing the reality of a non-warming world. (Ref. simulations, sedimentology, climate)

**18. GLOBAL WARMING TIDE SHIFTING**, according an article in the Wall St Journal, 26 June 2009. It seems the consensus that the world is overheating due to man-made carbon emissions is losing ground all over the world. The Wall St Journal article mentions Czech Republic President Vaclav Klaus, the Polish Academy of Sciences, a list of over 700 scientists collected by US Senator Jim Inhofe, and Joanne Simpson, the world's first woman to receive a Ph.D. in meteorology, now retired and relieved to be able to express her non-belief in man-made warming. It also reports: "Dr. Kiminori Itoh, a Japanese environmental physical chemist who contributed to a U.N. climate report, dubs man-made warming 'the worst scientific scandal in history.'" Norway's Ivar Giaever, Nobel Prize winner for physics, decries it as the 'new religion.' (This view is also expressed in an article in the Vancouver sun, 29 July 2009). A group of 54 noted physicists, led by Princeton's Will Happer, is demanding the American Physical Society revise its position that the science is settled. (Both Nature and Science magazines have refused to run the physicists' open letter.) The article gives "credit for Australia's own era of renewed enlightenment" to geologist Professor Ian Plimer who has written a book described by Paul Sheehan, a noted Australian columnist and global warming believer as "an evidence-based attack on conformity and orthodoxy, including my own, and a reminder to respect informed dissent and beware of ideology subverting evidence." Also leading the climate challenge in Australia is Senator Steve Fielding who has challenged both the Australian government and the Obama administration to justify the science of global warming, and therefore justify the need for costly carbon emissions trading schemes in both countries. Neither administrations have been forthcoming, probably because "the inconvenient truth is that the earth's temperatures have flat-lined since 2001, despite growing concentrations of CO2."

Wall St Journal: <http://online.wsj.com/article/SB124597505076157449.html>

Vancouver Sun:

<http://www.vancouversun.com/news/Global+warming+religion+First+World+urban+elites/1835847/story.html>

ED. COM. The fact that opinions of scientists are being reported in the Wall St Journal, while Nature and Science refuse to publish them reminds us that the climate change debate is not about science. It is about power and money, so it no surprise there is increasing scepticism about man-made global warming. (Ref. politics, controversies, world views)

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