

Don't miss the free preview to our great new DVD by Ed Neeland online ([CLICK](#)) and yes, Dawkins and Jones are complaining about the latest creationists they're objecting to, and something must be happening out there as we have had lots of questions from the Ask site on apes and man. Enjoy the answers as you also learn about fly flight factors and absolutely impressive new discoveries on bat design from John Mackay and the Creation Research Team worldwide, producing Evidence News 30/11 with EDitorial COMment. - all to remind you of just how great the Creator God Jesus Christ actually is. Don't miss the new info available on the dinosaur dig for 2012.

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1. NEW QUESTIONS:

“What are the differences between man, apes and monkeys? I wish to share this with my teenage children to refute the evolutionary theory they are taught at high school”. [Answer](#) by Diane Eager.

“Have apes and man interbred and does this explain some features of black races?” [Answer](#) by John Mackay and Diane Eager

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4. MUSLIMS ANNOY JONES AND DAWKINS, according to an article in the *Daily Mail* 28 November 2011. Muslim biology and medical students at University College London are boycotting lectures on Darwinian evolution because they claim evolution is incompatible with the Koran. Emeritus Professor Steve Jones, an evolutionary geneticist, told the Sunday Times: “I had one or two slightly frisky discussions years ago with kids who belonged to fundamentalist Christian churches, now it is Islamic overwhelmingly. They don't come (to lectures) or they complain about it or they send notes or emails saying they shouldn't have to learn this stuff. What they object to - and I don't really understand it, I am not religious - they object to the idea that there is a random process out there which is not directed by God”. Richard Dawkins, a retired Oxford University Professor, has also expressed his concern at the number of Muslim students who leave, or do not attend, evolution lectures. Jones questioned why such students would want to study biology at all when it obviously conflicts with their beliefs.

Link: [Daily Mail](#)

ED. COM. Since this editor was a University lecturer in Medical Biology for many years, I can state from personal experience it is not biology that is the cause of the conflict. Belief that living things were created is quite compatible with the study of biology and medicine, as the more we study living things the more evidence for design we find, and the less data supports the concept of evolution by naturalistic chance random processes. Fundamentalist atheists like Jones and Dawkins need to face up to the fact that what is happening is a clash of world views, of faiths – in this case of atheism vs Islam, and be prepared to engage in proper debate, rather than demand that those who disagree with them be silenced by governments and education authorities. For this reason we recommend Christian biology students actually stand up and be counted by a) being informed about the religion of your lecturer, b) becoming learned about the weaknesses of evolution, and of exposing them, and by c) also being informed about the Word of God and d) always as the least learned of the apostles – fisherman Peter stated, by being prepared to give a reason for the hope they have in Christ, to both atheists and Muslims. (For more about Richard Dawkins' views on Muslims see the item “Muslims Worry Dawkins Most”, Evidence News 12 October 2011 [here](#).)

5. PIGEONS FLY LIKE HELICOPTERS, according to articles in ScienceShots and PNAS 28 November 2011. A team of biologists and engineers have made high speed videos of pigeons to see how birds change direction whilst in flight. They filmed the birds making right angle turns and calculated the aerodynamic forces generated. They found these birds generated significant aerodynamic force during not just in the downstroke, but unexpectedly in the upstroke of their wings as well, in a similar way to hummingbirds. They also found the birds rotated their bodies and tipped their wings into the turn. The researchers concluded that “pigeons achieve low speed turns much like helicopters, by using whole-body rotations to alter the direction of aerodynamic force production to change their flight trajectory”.

ED. COM. It is more accurate to say helicopters achieve low speed turns in the same way pigeons do since helicopters were designed long after pigeons. In this world of design deniers we must again point out the obvious, simply because no-one believes helicopters have this turning ability because metal, perspex and other substances put themselves together in the right configuration then took off. Helicopters can only fly and do right angle turns because they were designed and built by engineers and technicians, and a mind actually is controlling them. The absurdity of believing pigeons and hummingbirds are the result of organic molecules assembling themselves into a bird, and fly without a built-in flying program in their brain should be just as obvious! (Ref. aviation, ornithology, design)

6. FLIES FLIGHT FACTOR FOUND, according to reports in ScienceDaily and *Nature* vol. 479, p406, 17 November 2011, doi:10.1038/nature10559. Flies have relatively small wings for their body size, but they have incredibly efficient wing muscles that can maintain an extremely rapid wing beat, which is the reason for the buzzing sound made by flies. In order to beat at this ultrafast speed, fly wing muscles have a different structure to their other muscles and are stimulated to contract in a different way.

Most muscles contract when they receive a stimulus from the nervous system. Fly wing muscles also contract in response to being stretched. A fly has two sets of wing muscle cells. One set pulls the wings downwards. As they do this they stretch the other muscles, whose function is to pull the wings up. The stretch stimulates the upward muscles to contract, which in turn stretches the downward muscles and the cycle starts again. Scientists at the Max Planck Institute of Biochemistry in Germany have now found the genetic switch that turns on the cellular machinery needed to build these specialised stretch-activated muscles. This factor has been named Spalt major, and without it developing, flies will not build their special flight muscles. Instead they will make muscle cells identical to the rest of their body and will then be unable to fly. Spalt is a transcription factor, i.e. it regulates which genes are turned on and off as the cell makes and assembles contractile proteins. According to the researchers “Spalt function is conserved in insects evolutionarily separated by 280 million years.” They also suggest the function of Spalt has been “potentially conserved in the vertebrate heart” as heart muscle cells also contract in response to being stretched.

Link: [ScienceDaily](#)

ED. COM. Since this transcription factor is found in all cells, the really tricky question is: what activates ‘Spalt major’ in cells that are developing into flight muscles yet keeps it turned off in all other muscle cells? If all cells were flight muscle activated, the end result would again be an insect that couldn’t fly. For such a system to work there has to be a master plan determining which bits fly and which bits don’t. There has to be an advance plan for the whole fly put there by a creative designer outside the fly. Evolution, with its naturalistic chance random processes, is no help in sorting this one out.

This study also reminds us that the regulation of genes is just as important as the genes themselves when it comes to building a body. Therefore all comparisons of the genomes of different living things must consider the way genes are controlled, e.g. the activating factor Spalt major, as well as the genes for the components that will be activated such as the proteins that form the muscles. Component genes tend to be very large because structural proteins, such those in muscle cells, are enormous. Control genes on the other hand can be very small, but they can be responsible for the large differences in body structures and functions, just like small switch in a large machine. Hence the 98.4% similarity claim for Chimps and Man is meaningless.

Did you notice the evolutionary use of the word “conserved”. “Conserved” genes are often used as evidence for evolution, however, what they really mean is they have found the same gene in many different insects and a similar gene in vertebrates so they assume it has been passed down during evolution. Hence it is not evidence for evolution but an interpretation that assumes evolution. (Ref. design, insects, genetics)

7. BAT SONAR GETS MORE SOPHISTICATED, according to a report in ScienceDaily 13 September 2011 and *PLoS Biology*, 2011; 9 (9): e1001150 DOI: 10.1371/journal.pbio.1001150. Fruit bats find their way around caves and find fruit in trees using echolocation, i.e. making clicking sounds with their voice boxes and listening for the echoes reflected off an object. Scientists have wondered how they used this to navigate through complex environments like forests. Nachum Ulanovsky of the Weizmann Institute, Israel, and Cynthia Moss of the University of Maryland, studied Egyptian fruit bats (*Rousettus aegyptiacus*) to find how they do this. They trained the bats to find a plastic sphere similar in size to a mango, which they hid in different places in a dark room, while they recorded the sounds produced by the bats with an array of 20 microphones. In some experiments the researchers also placed obstacles in the room so that it was more like flying through a forest. In these experiments the bats in order to get to the target, had to fly through a narrow corridor made by two nets held up by four poles. The experimenters varied the size and orientation of the corridor. As expected the bats sent out sound clicks over a fan shaped area ahead of them, but the researchers found the bats could alter the width of the sonar beam. When flying through the obstacle filled room the bats covered three times as much area

with each pair of clicks as they did when there were no obstacles. They also increased the volume and intensity of the sounds. The wide field of view enabled them to keep track of the nets and poles as well as the target object. Ulanovsky explained: “This is the first report, in any sensory system, of an active increase in field-of-view in response to changes in environmental complexity”. He went on to suggest “active sensing of space by animals can be much more sophisticated than previously thought” and there should be “a re-examination of current theories of spatial orientation and perception”.

Link: [ScienceDaily](#)

ED. COM. Bat sonar can only work when the ability to produce high pitched sounds, and hear high pitched sounds is combined with an inbuilt brain circuitry which can interpret the echoes as trees, or rock face or fruit or in this case plastic spheres. There is no doubt about it – the Creator God is a sonic genius and bats are just one evidence of it. It is logical to state that all parts of the bats’ sonar system, including the ability to adjust the system to gain the most useful information, was designed and built by the Creator of the whole bat, complete with all its sensory systems and the ability to fly. So in the light of the above data, the one current theory that most needs re-examining is the idea that bat sonar originated by naturalistic evolution, and yes it is illogical to use chance random evolution to try to explain the origin of bat sonar. (Ref. mammals, navigation, bio-sonar)

8. CATASTROPHIC FLOOD RESULTS – in the January 2011 floods in the Lockyer Valley of south east Queensland, the flow of water in the normally quiet creek was somewhere between 100 and 200 km per hour (60-120mph). Enormous boulders some the size of 4 or 5 cars were literally picked up and moved, reports a University of Queensland research group (Gatton Lockyer and Brisbane Valley Star Wednesday November 30th 2011 page 22). The Gatton press reported “The boulders weren’t just rolled along they were picked up, suspended in water, and moved kilometres. Water did in a day what should have taken hundreds of thousands of years....The erosion has also exposed a series of past riverbeds where major flooding has occurred before.” Lockyer Valley Mayor, Steve Jones said, “this is a significant scientific find, but it also shows events like this are more common than we believe”.

ED. COM. So even a single day in the life of planet Earth can be catastrophic. And a single event can be massive unlike the erosion, which means that when the researchers reportedthat the erosion was the equivalent of 100,000 years of erosion, they missed the point, time doesn’t erode anything, a process does and when you have the right process you get the resulting effect without the time.

Funny the press would choose to report it now. This editor has been actually using footage of this eroded creek bed since January in our presentations on evaluating Noah’s Flood. We lead students to the Lockyer Valley quite often to do field trips and we often venture up and down Murphy’s Creek looking for fossils where the inland Tsunami took off, so we know what the area looked like before the one day catastrophic event, and we have plenty of photos of the area to compare before and after effects.

It’s time to use geologists’ logic against them. Most geologists, biologists and everyone else thinks in terms of Charles Lyell’s present is the key to the past, uniformitarianism, so they are blind to think about how a catastrophe on a big enough scale would actually explain much of the geology we see around us. But think about the following by using the present is the key to the past in the following way: if one day’s rain on one little mountain range, produced such erosion and shifted boulders of immense size kilometres, what would be the result of forty days and nights of rain combined with water exploding out of the fountains of the deep along with any resulting tectonic plate movement followed by water savaging around the Earth for the next year? Suddenly all needed processes are available for massive continental scouring, post flood run-off with Grand Canyon events, massive life destruction etc, etc. and time wasn’t necessary at all. Now the flood doesn’t look that silly at all, does it? Just remember one important key. Time does nothing. Millions of years doesn’t make life possible, millions of years does not produce Grand Canyons. Only the right process produces life, and only the right process produces erosion events like the Grand Canyon.

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