

## **An Evolutionary Theory of Right and Wrong**

By NICHOLAS WADE

Marc D. Hauser has proposed that people are born with a moral grammar wired into their neural circuits by evolution.

- [Moral Minds Excerpt: Chapter One](#)

## **Evolution and Those Baby Blues**

By NICHOLAS BAKALAR

Might some romantic pairings have an evolutionary advantage?

## **Scientists Endorse Candidate Over Teaching of Evolution**

By CORNELIA DEAN

Several science professors at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland have endorsed a candidate for the Ohio Board of Education who supports the teaching of evolution.

## **Professor-Turned-Pope Leads a Seminar on Evolution**

By IAN FISHER

After a year particularly fraught over the issue, Pope Benedict XVI is meeting with his old doctoral students to discuss evolution.

## **Evolution Major Vanishes From Approved Federal List**

By CORNELIA DEAN

Evolutionary biology has vanished from the list of acceptable fields of study for recipients of a federal education grant for low-income college students.

Essay

## **How to Make Sure Children Are Scientifically Illiterate**

By LAWRENCE M. KRAUSS

For those interested in improving science education, any celebration about recent events in Kansas should be muted.

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## **Did Humans Evolve? Not Us, Say Americans**

By THE NEW YORK TIMES

The United States had the second-highest percentage of adults who said a statement about evolution was false.

## **Evolution Fight Shifts Direction in Kansas Vote**

By MONICA DAVEY and RALPH BLUMENTHAL

State Board of Education election results were seen as a significant defeat for the movement of intelligent design.

## **Evolution's Backers in Kansas Start Counterattack**

By RALPH BLUMENTHAL

Moderates hope to gain seats on the State Board of Education and reverse teaching standards.

On Education

## **Evolution's Lonely Battle in a Georgia Classroom**

By MICHAEL WINERIP

A veteran middle-school teacher recalls how she quietly stood up for her right to teach evolution in a rural northern Georgia community.  
Books on Science

## Inspiring Evolutionary Thought, and a New Title, by Turning Genetics Into Prose

By NICHOLAS WADE

A new collection of essays discusses the impact Richard Dawkins and his book, "The Selfish Gene," had on the field of evolutionary biology.

## Humans May Have Limiting Effect on the Origin of (New) Species

By CARL ZIMMER

A pair of studies points to a new danger to the world's biodiversity: humans may be blocking new species from evolving.

## Two Splits Between Human and Chimp Lines Suggested

By NICHOLAS WADE

A genetic analysis suggests that after the two lineages separated, they may have begun interbreeding before a second split.

- [Graphic: An Altered Family Tree](#)  
Scientist at Work | Randy Olson

## Eager to Tell the Stories of Science, a Biologist Evolves

By CORNELIA DEAN

Randy Olson's new film challenges scientists to get off their collective high horse and make their case for evolution to ordinary people, with a smile.

- [Video: Watch a Clip From 'Flock of Dodos: The Evolution-Intelligent Design Circus'](#)
- [Official Movie Site](#)

## Study, in a First, Explains Evolution's Molecular Advance

By KENNETH CHANG

Scientists have for the first time demonstrated how a progression of small changes in existing parts created a new piece of molecular machinery.

### Multimedia

### Video: A Walk in the Woods

The Times's Jim Gorman discusses evolution with Niles Eldredge, the curator of the Darwin exhibit at the American Museum of Natural History.  
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[Education: In Evolution Debate, a Counterattack](#)  
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## 'The Reluctant Mr. Darwin'

By DAVID QUAMMEN

Review by ADRIAN DESMOND

David Quammen's biography of Darwin focuses on the years after the Beagle voyage.

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## It's Not Just Apes; Fruit Flies Are Our Cousins, Too

By JAMES GORMAN

I wonder why people waste time worrying about whether we evolved from animals when the answer is so obvious.

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**Reader's Opinions**

### Olivia Judson: The Wild Side

In her final column, the evolutionary biologist and author discusses how studying evolution has changed her view of life.

#### Editorials/Op-Ed

#### Talking Points: The Evolutions Wars, Revisited

The newest legal challenges to Darwin's theory are little more than creationism in disguise.

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What should be done to make American children more scientifically literate?

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