

Review: Vance Farrell, *The Evolution Handbook, Evolution Facts, Inc., Altamont, TN, 2001*

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Tome of Knowledge

Congratulations are in order for any Christian who gets through the whole work, which is not small! This stretches from cosmogony, cosmology biological evolution, and history to expose Evolutionary philosophy and present Creation as the most rational model of the universe we see.

The book is definitely a mine of facts, information, and arguments, but this may be at the expense of structure and flow to a degree, also, there is some repetition.

For the unread in Evolutionism's dogma everything will be new, and for those who have already researched it some parts will still jump out.

One caveat; some of the arguments and information may not be good to use, or need more in-depth treatment as Evolutionists have been busy creating many rescue devices over the years.

Guadeloupe Woman was found 1812

Nietzsche fully adopted Darwinian principles.

H. G. Wells based his writings on Evolutionism and learned from Thomas Huxley.

Lysenko banned Mendelian genetics as a bourgeois heresy.

Hiroshima (1945) should be an Evolutionist's paradise, filled with mutating people.

^{218}Po decay halos form in under three minutes. These are found in rocks without ^{238}U halos, meaning they are not daughter halos.

Melted granite (“Genesis rock”) reforms into rhyolite, never granite again. Particles from any Big Bang [BB] should maintain the same linear-outward trajectory for ever. This linear motion somehow had to change into angular momentum.

We only see Population I and II stars, never (H and He) Population III, supposedly the first ones forming after 250Ma.

One supernova is observed every 650 years; a star only loses 10% of its matter during this event.

Physicists can’t reconcile the apparent evenness of the explosion with observed large-scale structures like stars, planets, and galaxies.

The moon is always falling in elliptical motion with horizontal and vertical components.

Massive stars radiate 100K to 1M times the sun.

The sun exerts gravitational pull on all particles in the solar system, sucking up micrometeors like a giant vacuum cleaner.

Atmospheric He comes from radioactive decay on earth and cosmic sources.

Earth rotates at $1,000\text{mi h}^{-1}$.

The Earth’s magnetic field has been measured 150 years and follows an exponential decay curve.

Manetho is the primary source of Egyptian chronology, but there are two simultaneously reigning king lists.

The oldest writing is Sumerian pictographs, c 3500 BC.

Proto-Sinaitic is dated 1350BC in the Sinai peninsula.

Ar is unstable and K can leach from rocks (60% from an Fe meteorite in 4-5 hours).

An enormous amount of C was buried in the Flood, instantly raising the $^{14}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}$ ratio.

At death, L-amino acids [AAs] decompose into D-AAs; gradual racemisation.

Evolutionists count varve layers and assign one year to each.

Sphagnum moss in swamps is the source of peat; it is used for dating based on a growth rate of 0.25'' per century.

Spontaneous dissolution is much more probable than spontaneous generation.

An early reducing (**non-O₂**) atmosphere is contradicted by:

-*Oxidised* Fe in rocks.

-Presence of H₂O.

-No O₃ layer.

Wickramasinghe was a Buddhist.

Cell recombination can occur at 1,000bps s⁻¹.

Adenine and guanine are *purines*; cytosine and thymine are *pyrimidines*.

30% of all characteristics are polymorphic.

Even one right-handed AA in a folding protein chain is catastrophic.

An enzymatic system is irreducibly complex.

Escherichia coli has 5,000 genes in one chromosome.

Rat teeth are self-sharpening.

Hebrew circumcision and Chinese foot binding disprove Lamarckism.

“You cannot select what is not there.”

Mitochondria are bean-shaped.

ATP is made via eleven steps.

Phenotype change can occur via: individual behaviour; accident; environmental effects; genetic inherited variation via recombination; polyploidy; hybridisation; radiation damage.

Normal cells are *diploid* (two sets of chromosomes), but the reproductive are *haploid* (one set each for male and female).

“Mutations are rare, random, [ruinous], almost never an improvement, always weakening and harmful, and often fatal to the organism or its offspring.” [p324]

H. J. Muller coined “genetic load”.

Natural selection eliminates mutations by killing the host!

Somatic cell mutation rates are higher than gametic, reducing the chances of heritability.

25% of children with Sickle Cell Anaemia die.

Drosophila melanogaster has only four chromosomes. They are popular in research from their short maturation (just twelve days). Over 400 mutations have been induced but not causes speciation.

5-bromouracil can mutate cells at 5X the normal rate.

Punctuated equilibrium is also called “quantum speciation”.

Chernobyl happened 4/26/1983 when a blast tore off a kiloton plant lid; UO_2 , ^{137}Cs , and ^{131}I were dispersed over a 3mi plume.

Evolution is claimed to: operate upwards; be irreversible [Dollo's Law]; go from small to big [Cope's Law]; go from less to more complex; and never repeat itself.

Races are human sub-species.

Flowering plant spores have been found in the Cambrian.

Downwash fossils are found lower 'than they should be', and *rework* fossils found higher.

Grand Canyon only has five of the twelve main strata groups.

Anticlines are geosynclines which are dome shaped, and synclines valley-shaped.

Geologists suppose lower strata can slide over higher ones for many miles as 'overthrusts', violating the doctrine of superposition.

Diastemas are spaces on opposite canines.

Arthritis can cause a *supra orbital torus* on the forehead, also congenital syphilis.

Modern humans can have a brain size as small as 750cc.

Apes don't have *Broca's convolution* in their frontal lobe which may account for their lack of speech.

Drilling into Piltdown man produced shavings rather than powder indicating youth. The canine had been filed, stained brown with potassium bichromate then packed with sand.

Fish would be found in higher strata, and birds rare since they could fly. Animals herd in time of danger which accounts for massive bonebeds.

There are folded and volcanic mountains.

Tonsils and the appendix guard against Hodgkin's disease.

Only NH₃ has a higher latent heat on freezing than H₂O.

An *alcahest* would dissolve every chemical.

The heart beats 2.8B times in an average lifetime.

2M corpuscles are created in the bone marrow each second, which live for 120 days.

Birds heat air inside them 10-20°F above a human to give them added bouyancy.