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# COMPARISON OF ORIGINS THEORIES

## The Theory of Evolution

### Predicts:

Life evolved from non-living matter (spontaneous generation) in a primordial soup of chemicals by accidental, random chance.

Since proteins are simpler than DNA, proteins had to evolve long before DNA developed.

All living things gradually evolved from very simple organisms to very complex ones.

There should be many transitional forms of organisms, living and fossilized, between all organism kinds.

Organisms should have evolved from one kind of organism into another completely new kind with many varieties at different stages between the two kinds.

Fish evolved into amphibians which evolved into reptiles which evolved into birds and mammals.

Many mutations would be required to allow each organism to evolve into a new organism.

Very complex systems and structures would have been formed by numerous, successive, slight modifications in the anatomy of existing organisms.

## The Theory of Creation

### Predicts:

### **ORIGIN OF LIFE**

First life was created by an Intelligent Designer or Creator. Life only comes from previous life.

Organisms were created complex and completely formed, therefore proteins and DNA were created together at the same time.

### **ORIGIN OF THE SPECIES**

All living things were created complex, organized and completely formed.

Fossils should show a great variety of organisms suddenly appearing without transitional forms between organisms.

Many varieties of each kind of organism should be found within their own kind, as different dog species, but no one kind turning into another, as lizards to birds.

Each organism was created as that organism - completely formed and properly functioning.

Mutations would be harmful to organisms making them defective and less likely to survive.

Complex systems and structures would have been created complete & functioning properly when each organism was created in the very beginning.

## The Scientific Evidence

### Indicates:

No spontaneous generation - life always comes from previous life. Genetic Code far too complex to have occurred by chance.

Protein is only made by DNA, and DNA is made up of proteins. Both had to have been together at the same time to exist.

Fossils of simple organisms have been found to be very complex, organized, & completely formed.

Transitional forms of organisms, living or fossilized, are lacking. Fossil records show organisms completely formed - not part one organism & part another.

There are many different varieties within each kind of organism, but only "like" kinds can reproduce with each other and they do not make new kinds. Dogs stay dogs.

There are vast differences in the structure and genetic make-up of each organism kind making this evolutionary process impossible.

Better than 99% of mutations are harmful to organisms usually causing them to die out.

Incomplete, non-functioning systems in mutating organisms would be a hindrance and a disadvantage to the organism making it less likely to survive.

The Theory of Evolution  
Predicts:

First appearance of man was millions of years ago.

Civilization gradually arose from crude, ignorant, ape-like, brutish beings.

Language evolved from simple animal sounds into complex modern languages.

Should find fossils of many creatures at different stages of evolving from ape to man.

Several billion years ago nothing existed then there was a "Big Bang" which caused all the stars, sun, and eventually planets.

Since the 'Big Bang,' the universe has evolved into an orderly mass of cosmic systems.

Rock layers were laid down on the earth about one layer per year for millions of years. Organisms died and fossilized through time.

By looking at the rock layers that fossils are found in, we can figure out how long ago different organisms lived. The deeper the fossils, the older they are. Rocks are also dated by the kind of fossils found in them.

The Theory of Creation Predicts:

**ORIGIN OF MAN**

Man first appeared a few thousand years ago.

Man was fully formed, intelligent and civilized from the very beginning.

Man was created with the ability to communicate intelligently with a complex language.

Should find fossils of apes and fossils of men but no ape-men.

**ORIGIN OF THE UNIVERSE**

The universe, including earth, was created just a few thousand years ago - fully formed.

The universe should be slowly deteriorating and wearing down since its creation.

**ORIGIN OF ROCK LAYERS AND FOSSILS**

Most rock layers and fossils around the world were laid down by the results of a world-wide flood a few thousand years ago.

Fossils would only indicate where an organism died, not when it lived, since most multilayered sedimentary rock layers were laid down quickly during the flood and later catastrophes scattering organisms throughout layers.

The Scientific Evidence  
Indicates:

Oldest written records date back only about 5000 years. At a 0.5% growth rate, the present human population could have been reached in only 4000 to 5000 years. (Imagine the population of man in over one million years).

Archaeological findings indicate that man was civilized from the first remains of man.

Language appears to have been contemporaneous with man; ancient languages were often more complex than modern ones.

So far nearly all reports of findings of assumed transitional ape-men have been found to be mistakes or hoaxes.

Most modern dating methods indicate that the earth and universe are only a few to several thousand years old.

Evidence shows that the entire universe is slowly deteriorating and becoming less organized.

We find billions of dead things fossilized in rock layers which appear to have been laid down by water all around the world.

Since organisms must be buried deeply and quickly to become fossilized, large items as vertical trees and whales were obviously covered by thousands of layers quickly along with many other organisms at the same time.