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Evolution's Iceberg: How Molecular Biology Challenges the Theory of Evolution

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Evolution's Iceberg is a foundation-shaking scientific critique that urges reevaluating how people perceive discovery, knowledge, and the narratives that sustain them.

Guy Douglas's precise and provocative science book Evolution's Iceberg aims to dismantle Darwinian evolution.

Drawing on robust, mainstream molecular biology to make its points, the book interrogates the rationalism underpinning scientific inquiry. It also challenges the notion of scientific "truth," exposing it as consensus built upon incomplete theories that are vulnerable to new evidence. It critiques the Western tradition of attributing discoveries to singular "Great Men," erasing the collective contributions of their predecessors and collaborators. And just as the *Titanic*, deemed "unsinkable" at its 1911 launch, met its demise beneath icy waters, molecular biology is treated as the obstacle set to puncture Charles Darwin's theory.

The book first explores how scientific ideas embed themselves in public discourse, becoming immovable fixtures over time. This discussion includes a sharp declaration that no scientific idea, no matter how revered, should be immune to scrutiny. The book then moves into heavy scientific lifting to systematically dismantle five key predictions of Darwin's theory: that life emerged from chemistry, that natural selection has creative power, that the tree of life is recorded in fossils, that similar embryos imply common ancestry, and that the human species evolved from apes. Robust, peer-reviewed evidence is used to back each critique, striking at the foundation of evolutionary biology.

Backed by compelling but dense sources that demand patience and focus to wade through, the book's case is straightforward and unflinching: The cellular variations necessary to produce Earth's vast array of intricate species, including humans, could not have occurred through the spontaneous adaptive processes outlined by evolutionary theory alone. But while the *Titanic* metaphor offers moments of levity, the book's thick scientific detail risks overshadowing its broader arguments. For those able to persist through its most challenging waters, though, its insights will prove thought-provoking.

In its third section, the book returns to the accessible prose that marked its opening chapters, distilling its ideas into sharp, digestible conclusions. Here, the book questions why Darwin's theories continue to dominate scientific and public discourse, exploring alternative perspectives and the researchers championing them. This final section serves as a rallying call to reassess the foundations of evolutionary biology and embrace new frameworks for understanding life's origins.

An ambitious science text, *Evolution's Iceberg* calls for a reexamination of the bedrock of evolutionary biology, asking for greater humility in the face of scientific progress.

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