

## FAQ:

## Hasn't ID been proven wrong?

**The Short Answer:** The answer to this question is don't believe everything you see on the internet or read in the press! Remember the motivations of those who are writing and carefully evaluate evidence and claims. Always test everything for yourself -- and hold on to whatever is true!

## The Long Answer:

Well, obviously we don't think so. Many scientists have brought forth evidence to challenge intelligent design theory--and that's great! That is how science works. However, when these challenges are driven by philosophical motivations--be they ultimately stemming from personal metaphysical beliefs or beliefs over the proper methods of science--the objections ought to be carefully evaluated. Evidence may (or may not) exist to counter intelligent design theory. However, this evidence must be presented in a way such that the conclusions we come to are uncolored by

- 1) personal beliefs,
- 2) what other scientists are saying (i.e. peer pressure)
- 3) past experiences with the proper methods of science, or
- 4) past experience with prevailing paradigms in science.

Basically, in order to seek truth, individuals in the scientific community need to be open minded. Open-mindedness doesn't necessarily mean you agree with everything everybody else says, but it does mean that you consider it and take seriously the issues they raise. Nobody likes change (i.e. scientific revolutions), but sometimes change is the best thing if you are seeking truth.

Much of the popular press or critics of Darwinism will cite "overwhelming evidence" in favor of intelligent design. One must always look at the standard of proof they use when evaluating these claims. The evidence might not be overwhelming, but might be weak, and often consistent with intelligent design theory, or better explained by intelligent design.

In the end, we can't really answer this question for you--you can only answer it for yourself. And we encourage you to go out and read the actual writings of intelligent design proponents, and critics, and the responses from both sides.