

The Concordia University Department of Psychology and the Special Individualized Program in Cognitive Science present:

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"From the Darwin Wars"

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"I will argue that, contrary to what neo-Darwinists invariably claim, the 'Theory of Natural Selection' does not offer a mechanism that can explain the evolution of species phenotypes. The argument is completely independent of theological (e.g., 'Creationist') assumptions. In fact, it is essentially 'logical' since such empirical premises as it requires are not, in fact, in dispute. The conclusion is that nobody, including Darwin, knows how evolution works."

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