

Türk İslam Alimi Darwin'in Teorisine Meydan Okuyor



Merkezi Kabil'de bulunan Afganistan'ın önde gelen bağımsız haber ajansı *Pajhwok Afghan News*, 9 Aralık 2008'de Sayın Adnan Oktar'ın evrim teorisinin yalanlarını ortaya döktüğüne dair bir haber yayınladı. Yazarın bir röportajında "On yıl içinde Darwinizm bir tarih olacak ve insanlar Darwinizmi yalnızca tarihin bir parçası olarak hatırlayacaklar... Darwinizm tüm dünyada bir çöküş yaşadı... Evrimin olmadığını gösteren 100 milyon fosil var" dediğini nakletti. [Yaratılış Atlası](#)'nın tüm dünyada uyandırdığı etkiye de değinilen haberde, yazarın evrim teorisine meydan okuduğu bildirildi.

The screenshot shows the Pajhwok Afghan News website. The main article is titled "Controversial Turkish Islamic scholar challenges theory of Darwin". The article text is as follows:

ISTANBUL (PANA) - A disputed Turkish scholar has challenged the Darwin theory of evolution of mankind by claiming that there are nearly 100 million fossils proving the world came into being as a result of God's creationists.

"In ten years time Darwinism will be history and people will only read about Darwinism as a piece of history," Adnan Oktar, who writes under the pen name of Harun Yahya, told Pajhwok Afghan News in an interview.

"Atlas of Creation", the latest book authored by him, Oktar claims to scientifically challenge the theory of Darwin, which says all forms of life is related and has descended from a common ancestor. Spread over 800 glossy pages and weighing 5.4 kg, tons of thousands of this book has been sent to schools, colleges, academic institutions world over, the US and Europe in particular.

"Darwinism experiences a solid collapse all over the world," says Oktar, who has been widely interviewed after the publication of his latest book in past few months, including BBC and Al Jazeera. He has been published extensively in the Islamic world and major European dailies. The Italian newspaper, "La Stampa" in a recent article used the heading "Farewell Darwin", while French daily "Le Point" said "Save Darwin".

Oktar claims and his group of around 30 scholars have offered supporters of Darwin theory 100 million fossils, which according to him proves that this world came into being as a result of God's creationism and not because of evolution.

"Darwin wrote in his books that people have to find transitional forms to prove the theory of evolution, but nobody has been able to find a single transitional form. Darwinists claim that the first cell came into being as a coincidence. But it is impossible for even a single protein to be formed by chance. We have proved that the skulls that were displayed as evidence of evolution are fake. Darwinism cannot explain how we can see or hear or sense with the support of our brain," Oktar claims.

In September 2008 Oktar challenged the scientific community offering 10 million Turkish liras to anyone who produces a single inter-mediate fossil demonstrating evolution.

His theory has immediately been refuted by the scientific community. Scholars in the US and Europe say that the arguments used by Oktar to undermine evolution is not logical. Eminent evolution biologist Kevin Padian has said that Oktar has no understanding of the basic evidence for evolution.

However, Oktar and his Scientific Research Foundation (SRF) claim that his theory is gaining ground. "When you look at the impact of Atlas Of Creation for example as far as Turkey is concerned, 90 percent of the Turkish population no longer believes in Darwinism and that rate is eighty percent in Europe," he said.

"With the publication of Atlas Of Creation, there has been a huge revolution all around the world," he claims. "In Turkey for example it will be very difficult for you to find a professor who advocates Darwinism," he said.

But, people in Turkey and Europe say that is because they fear him and his supporters. Oktar is known to be instrumental in Turkish courts banning several popular websites in Turkey including that of a leading Turkish daily, *Vatan*, which are critical of him.

"I support freedom of speech, not freedom of insult. In the case of an insult, courts will certainly intervene and do what is necessary. There can not be freedom of insult in the world," he says in defense.

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