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Hominiform Progression

<<http://www.uprightevolution.com>>

In the Video:

- * Dramatic video on the evolution of movement in the hominiforms – apes and humans.
- * A baby siamang ape teaches himself to walk bipedally like his parents and humans show off their arm swinging.
- * Chimp and Gorilla knuckle walking and orangutan four limbed climbing as well as the future of human movement are also explored.
- * How apes and humans carry their infants and children as they move.

A 25 minute video produced and directed

by Aaron G. Filler, MD, PhD,

evolutionary biologist and author of

"The Upright Ape: A New Origin of the Species <[index.html](#)> "

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Dear Mr. Verhaegen,

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Infant Siamang Apes Walk Like Humans :

Video and Related Data Revolutionizes Human Evolution

Los Angeles, California - The American Association of Physical Anthropology, on Decemer 6th, accepted for podium presentation at its April 2008 meeting a report summarizing a growing mass of new data that turns human evolution studies upside down by supporting an upright bipedal common ancestor for apes and humans. Prominent Harvard-trained evolutionary biologist Aaron Filler, MD, PhD is reporting this Humanian Model

<http://www.uprightape.net/Humanian_Model.html> and has posted a remarkable new category of scientific evidence on-line. In a 25 minute video titled

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<http://www.uprightape.net/Hominiform_Progression.html> ² now running in low res on Google Video

<<http://video.google.com/googleplayer.swf?docId=5785263312984715302&hl=en>> and You Tube <<http://www.youtube.com/user/theuprightape>> (in three

sections), in medium res as a Podcast on iTunes and high res on Vuze

<<http://www.vuze.com/details/PPAIWJ4YUW6JW2T4BUGFGOF6PBT2LJU4.html>> , Filler presents a revolutionary direct video view into the evolution of movement among the hominiforms: the apes and humans. Most remarkable is video

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evidence that siamang ape babies naturally learn to walk bipedally as their fundamental and innate means of movement. This provides new evidence that the infants of a shared common ancestor of humans and apes also learned to walk bipedally as their normal means of movement.

Following a controversial and widely reported technical paper published October 10th in the leading scientific journal PLOS ONE <http://www.plosone.org/doi/pone.0001019> , and the publication of ³The Upright Ape: A New Origin of the Species <http://www.uprightape.net> ² in July, the new video dramatically portrays evidence of an upright bipedal ancestor for both the apes and humans. ³Taken together with new information from the fossil record and from genetics, this is powerful evidence that the upright bipedal body form of humans evolved before the knuckle-walkers. It promises to push back the date of the first human to 21 million years ago² says Filler, a medical director at the Institute for Spinal Disorders at Cedars Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles.

In the video, Filler shows the details of knuckle walking in chimpanzees and gorillas, the graceful ³quadrumanal² climbing of orangutans and the dramatic bipedalism of the siamang apes. These are contrasted with footage of human arm swinging and movement technology. The video also captures the various ways in which hominiform mothers carry their infants and children. ³The definition of humanity can be found either in the upright bipedal hominiforms of the early Miocene, or in the dynamically inventive modern species we are now. The conflict between the biological and intellectual definition of humanity is a critical modern challenge for biology and philosophy² Filler says.