

Re: Is SCIENCE magazine 2 or more years behind; Re: Orrorin

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Archimedes Plutonium <a_plutonium@iw.net> wrote in news:413ABDCF.EBE01646@iw.net:

> *I had seen this information on a PBS TV program some years ago.*

That's because similar analyses was published in a French journal.

> *So I was*

> *confused as to why Reuters or SCIENCE magazine bothered to publish it*

Science is a JOURNAL, not a magazine. An article would have been submitted to them, gone through the peer-review process and accepted. In all likelihood, this would have been a different form of analyses from previously published which arrived at similar conclusions.

> *since the story is 2 years old and told better on the TV. Is it because*

> *SCIENCE belatedly realized it was one of the finest stories of modern*

> *anthropology and am now trying to patch their missing holes. Better late*

> *than never?*

Er, Science is one of the top two journals in the world...It simply does not operate like the common magazine perception you are trying to tarnish it with above.

> *The creature known as Oreopithecus, who is much older than Orrorin at*

> *about 8 to 10 million years ago, I claim was also biped*

So what if you claim that. Real scientific analyses published in the last couple of years on that fossil results in the conclusion it was a habitual biped (as opposed to an obligate biped – us, the australopiths, possibly *Ardipithecus ramidus*)

> *The dig site of both Oreopithecus and*

> *Orrorin were so sloppily done that they removed the rocks and stones*

> *that could have indicated Orrorin and Oreopithecus were Throwers.*

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You cannot tell that by rocks, idiot.

> *That is why anatomy and medical scientists are needed to find a
telltale*

> *bone structure that proves whether a apelike creature Threw rocks and*

> *stones*

You cannot tell that from mere anatomy, idiot.

0/6 on knowledge of the discipline, congratulations.