

# THE FUTURE >>>>>>>>>>>>>

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## >>> ABSTRACT

Selection has been a driving force behind the changes in human physiology since way before you & I were ever around (since before humans were around even!) It follows that selection will continue to drive changes in human physiology well after you & I are no longer around. This novel study attempts to model what our great<sup>1000000</sup> grandchildren will look like by following current selective trends.

## >>> INTRODUCTION

Charles Darwin (& Alfred Wallace) revolutionized the scientific world when they published "On the Origin of Species" in 1859 — before the work was published biologists thought that every life form on earth existed as they always had, static in their form & function (some of them also believed that animals in the wild also just generated—like spontaneously—which is... just something to think about.) One of the theories proposed by Darwin was the idea of descent with modification—that some organisms are naturally more fit than others & are able to pass their traits down to their progeny, which in turn pass traits down to their progeny & so on. This is how ~~species~~ change & evolve over time.

There are a few mechanisms that drive evolution, but really it boils down to selection (cite someone probably) ~~selection~~ Whether it be sexual selection (like when birds mate with birds that sing well) or natural selection (like when birds with the optimal beak size are able to eat more seeds & outcompete birds with the nonoptimal(?) beak sizes & go on to produce fit offspring) evolution just wouldn't happen without selection (there would be no change over time!)

If we want to know what the humans of the future will look like, we can predict changes by contrasting modern man with our evolutionary ancestors & seeing which traits have been selected for & against over time. & that's just what I did! By looking at some pretty basic phenotypic changes (height, skull size, eye size, muscle mass, body hair) that have taken place since our species first branched off from our primate cousins we can track trends into the future!

# >>>RESULTS

Fig 1)

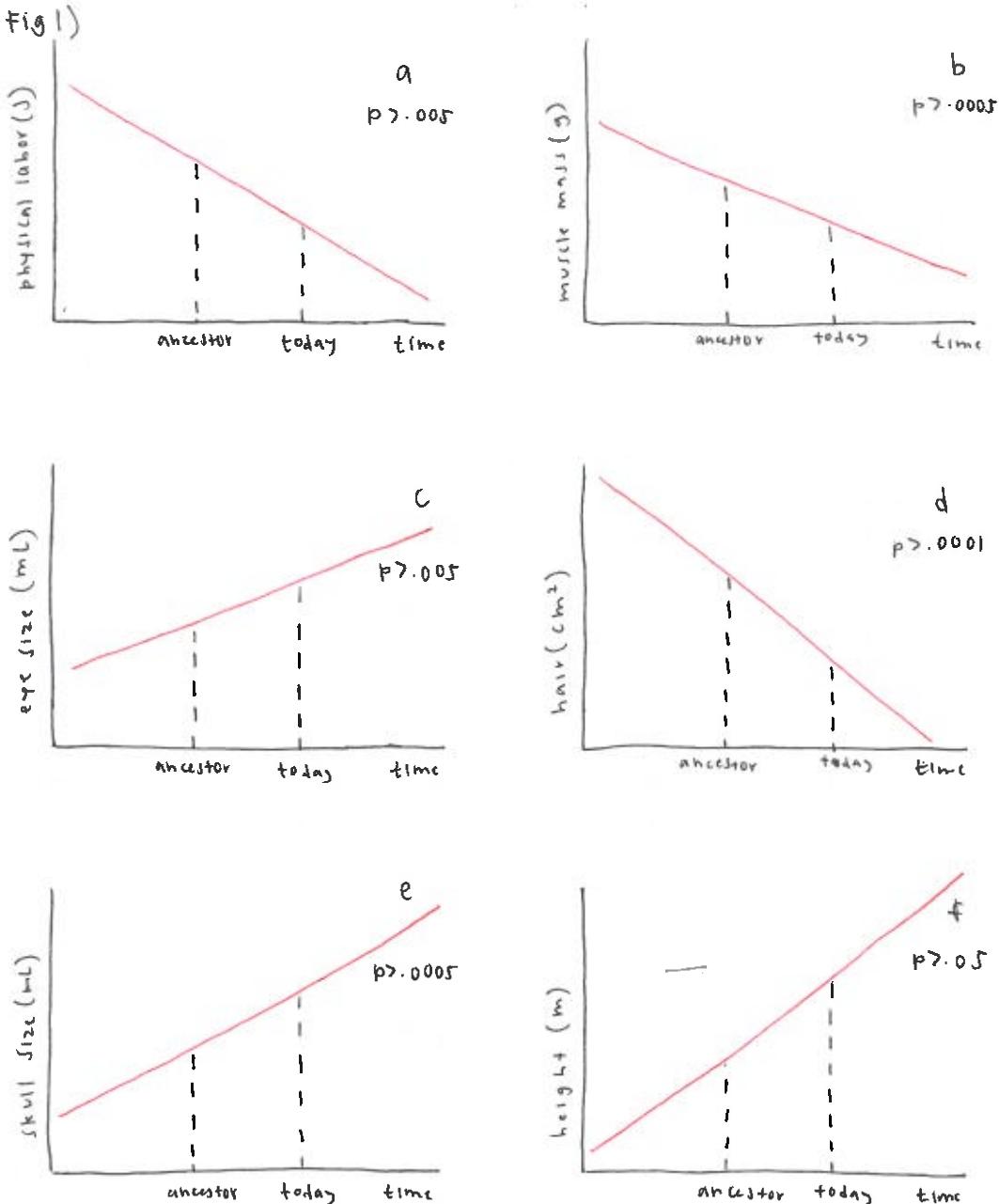


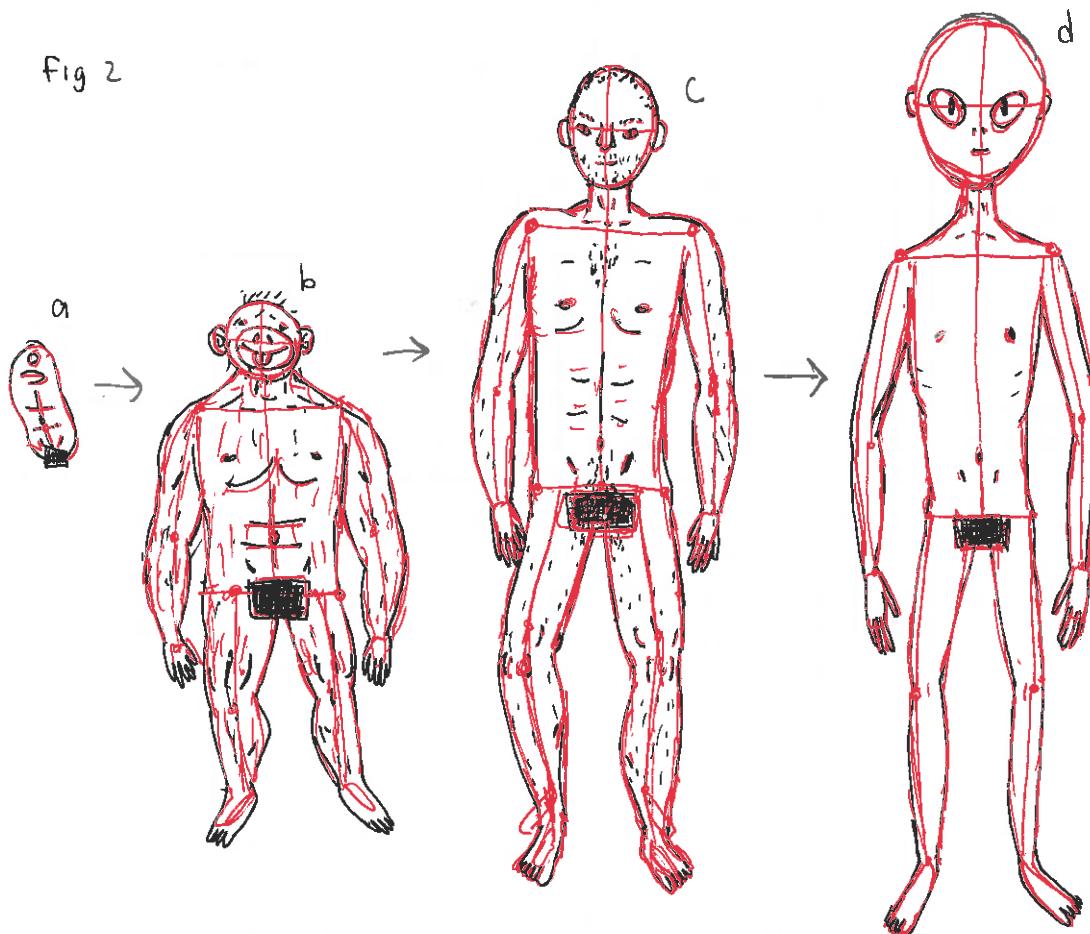
Figure 1) VARIOUS graphs showing the changes between a human ancestor & modern man. (a) decrease in physical labor, b) decrease in muscle mass, c) increase in eye size, d) decrease in body hair, e) increase in skull size, f) increase in height) Graphs generated by my pen (V. 45487-187276.7.4) and statistical analysis done by pretend (V. 1320.420.6.9)

## >>> DISCUSSION

regarding Listen — does the projection look like a grey alien? Up to your own interpretation. All I'm saying is that it doesn't not look like a grey alien. That's all I have to say

phenotypic  
Figure 2: Image incorporating trends onto the physical human body over time (a) first animal b) last primate common ancestor, c) modern man d) future man) (Graphics generated using my hand (v. 420.69.1.0.1.10.1 beta))

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## >>> WORKS CITED

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