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## **'Fascinating' and 'provocative' research examines genetic elements of bipolar, schizophrenia**

Last week, Nature Genetics carried twin studies into the genetics of bipolar disorder and schizophrenia. This special report examines the

month's research into the illnesses in detail, with Wikinews obtaining comment from experts based in Australia, the United States, and the United Kingdom ahead of the U.S. Mental Illness Awareness Week, which starts tomorrow. Eleven genetic regions were identified; seven of these were for schizophrenia and five of those were hitherto undiscovered. The parallel studies, conducted separately, examined more than 50,000 people worldwide and identified two genetic loci associated with both diseases. Little is known about the two illnesses, each of which affects around 1% of people and is treated with strong medication. Bipolar sufferers experience extremes of mood - depression and mania, hence the previous name "manic depression" for the illness. Schizophrenia is associated with hearing voices,

chaotic thoughts, and paranoia.

## **Afghan employee kills U.S. citizen at Kabul CIA base**

A U.S. citizen working for the U.S. Embassy in Afghanistan was killed by an Afghan also working there. The incident took place in the CIA Annex of the U.S. Embassy at Ariana Hotel in Kabul. The victim was not named.

A second person injured in the incident was sent to a military hospital. The lone attacker was also killed. A senior Taliban commander stated that the attacker had secretly joined the insurgents after a group of Taliban approached him to remind him "of his moral and religious duty as an Afghan."

U.S. officials have stated that an investigation on the incident has started.

## **Unauthorized autobiography of Julian Assange sells less than**

## 700 copies

Despite copious publicity, the unauthorised autobiography of Wikileaks founder Julian Assange, published Thursday, September 22, sold less than 700 copies that week, according to Nielsen BookScan.

Assange's autobiography, published by Canongate publishers despite his lack of consent, was subject to much media coverage. Yet Nielsen BookScan, the sales figures monitor, showed readers that week only bought 644 copies of the book.

The Bookseller magazine reported that Assange's autobiography ranked only 50th best-selling for the week among hardback non-fiction books, 537th among books overall.

## **Australian columnist 'offended, insulted, humiliated' fair-skinned Aborigines**

Conservative commentator Andrew Bolt has been found in breach of the Racial Discrimination Act, following a pair of newspaper articles in 2009 where Bolt criticised fair-skinned people identifying as Aborigines.

Australia's Federal Court Justice Mordecai Bromberg said "I am satisfied that fair-skinned Aboriginal people (or some of them) were reasonably likely ... to have been offended, insulted, humiliated or intimidated by the imputations conveyed by the newspaper articles," Justice Bromberg said.

"People should be free to fully identify with their race without fear of public disdain or loss of esteem for so identifying."

The articles, titled "It's so hip to be black" and "White fellas in the black", were published by the Herald Sun and Weekly Times in 2009, in addition to two blog posts published on the Herald Sun's website.

The nine plaintiffs were jubilant following delivery of the verdict. Taking legal action against Mr Bolt were former ATSI member Geoff Clark, academic Larissa Behrendt, native title expert Graham Atkinson, academic Wayne Atkinson, lawyer Mark McMillan, activist Pat Eatock and artist Bindi Cole. They argued Bolt's articles offended, upset and demeaned them while implying they identified as Aboriginal Australians for personal gain.

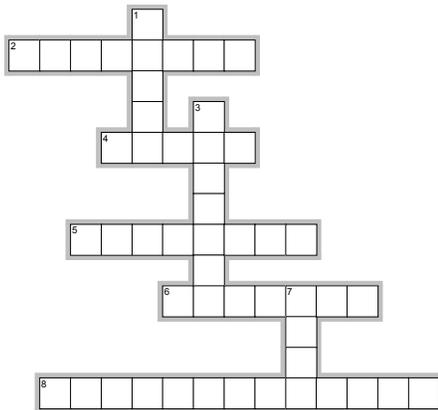
Bolt's lawyer, Neil Young, argued in court that the articles were a genuine reflection of his client's beliefs and were published in the public interest. "Everything that's said, even if it's expressed colourfully, is rationally related to a thesis that's a matter of public interest," Mr Young had said.

Bolt said his writings were fair and within the provisions of free speech laws. Ron Merkel, QC, for the complainants, said his clients did not target free speech, stating that while Bolt is free to express his views, he should not have attacked the nine individuals named in the articles.

## **Study: Birds learn nest building**

According to a recent study, birds learn the skill of building nests during their lifetimes, as opposed to instinctively knowing how to build them. The findings were made by researchers from various universities within Scotland — Edinburgh, St Andrews, and Glasgow.

## Puzzle of the day



EclipseCrossword.com

### Across

2. killing of multiple people
4. cannot care less
5. A free content news source
6. Closest planet to the sun
8. A mental disorder characterized by a disintegration of thought processes and of emotional responsiveness.

### Down

1. Capital of Afghanistan
3. Last name if Wikileaks' founder
7. A communist state that broke up in 1991

Answers to be published tomorrow

## Quote of the day

The most powerful weapon on earth is the human soul on fire.

~ Ferdinand Foch ~

## Word of the day

splurge *v*

To gush, to flow or move in a rush.

To spend (usually money) lavishly or extravagantly.

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