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THE ICR SCIENTISTS

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This article will provide brief information about the team of scientists associated with ICR who believe, study, and teach the scientific evidence for recent creation and the global flood, as divinely revealed in the Bible. All of these professional scientists, whether serving as full-time staff, on the adjunct roster, or advisory board, are Bible-believing Christians and are committed to all of ICR's Tenets, including absolute Biblical inerrant authority and its implied "young-earth creationism."

Scientists on Regular Faculty

The Institute for Creation Research has eleven faculty scientists listed alphabetically below:

1. **Steven A. Austin** (Professor of Geology). With three degrees in Geology—University of Washington, San Jose State, and Pennsylvania State University (Ph.D.), Dr. Austin has specialized in field geology research and teaching and directing research in the ICR Graduate School. He has made outstanding discoveries at Grand Canyon and Mount St. Helens and has written four books and several technical papers on creationist geology.
2. **Kenneth B. Cumming** (Dean and Professor of Biology). Dr. Cumming has a B.S. from Tufts University and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Harvard where he studied under Ernst Mayr, often considered the dean of living evolutionists, specializing in ecology. He spent several years in biological research in government agencies with some 20 secular scientific publications. Before coming to ICR and Christian Heritage College, Dr. Cumming taught at Virginia Tech and University of Wisconsin (Eau Claire).
3. **Stephen W. Deckard** (Science Education). Dr. Deckard has the Ed.D. from Sarasota University and the M.S. from University of Illinois, plus substantial post-M.S. work at Northern Illinois University and has taught on the faculties at three Christian institutions.

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4. **Robert H. Franks** (Associate Professor of Biology). Dr. Franks had a medical practice for many years in San Diego, joining the ICR staff after retiring. He had also served on ICR's Board of Trustees for some 20 years. His B.A. is from San Diego State and his M.D. from UCLA.
5. **Duane T. Gish** (Senior Vice President and Professor of Biochemistry). After graduating from UCLA and the University of California at Berkeley (Ph.D. in Biochemistry), Dr. Gish had a successful career in industry as a research chemist, publishing at least 24 articles in peer-reviewed scientific journals. Since joining ICR in 1971, he has written eight books on creation science. He is also known worldwide for winning over 300 scientific debates with evolutionists.
6. **D. Russell Humphreys** (Associate Professor of Physics). Dr. Humphreys joined the full-time ICR staff in 2001 after a distinguished career with General Electric and the Sandia National Labs, publishing numerous technical papers. He has the B.S. from Duke University and the Ph.D. from Louisiana State University, both in Physics. He has published a unique creationist book on the starlight/time problem, as well as several creationist papers.
7. **Henry M. Morris** (Founder and President Emeritus). Dr. Morris received the B.S. from Rice University with the M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota in Hydraulics, Mathematics, and Geology. He was on the faculties at Rice, Minnesota, Southern Illinois, Louisiana University (Lafayette), and Virginia Tech, including 18 years as Head of Civil Engineering at the latter two universities. He has authored five books in engineering science, including a widely used senior/graduate textbook still in print, plus about 50 books defending and expounding the Biblical Christian faith.
8. **John D. Morris** (President). After earning the B.S. degree from Virginia Tech followed by M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Geological Engineering from Oklahoma University, he remained on the Oklahoma faculty as Assistant Professor of Geological Engineering until 1984 when he joined the ICR faculty. Dr. Morris has been ICR's president since 1996. He is author or co-author of about ten books on creation science (in addition to several books for young people). He has also led several exploration teams on Mount Ararat in Turkey.
9. **Gary E. Parker** (Biology). Dr. Parker has the B.A. from Wabash College and M.S. and Ed.D. from Ball State University. He has served on the biology faculties at three Christian colleges and published five biology textbook-programmed supplements and authored or co-authored eight creationist books.
10. **Andrew Snelling** (Associate Professor of Geology). Dr. Snelling has a B.S. in Geology from the University of New South Wales in Australia and a Ph.D. in Geology from the University of Sydney. He has worked in both field geology and geological research for several years, publishing some 20 papers in secular geological journals. He was editor of the *Creation Ex Nihilo Technical Journal* for 15 years and has published over 50 papers on catastrophic geology and creationism.
11. **Larry Vardiman** (Professor of Astro/Geophysics). Dr. Vardiman has degrees from University of Missouri, St. Louis University, and Colorado State (Ph.D. in

Atmospheric Physics). After a long career with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and other scientific organizations, and publishing 18 scientific papers, Dr. Vardiman came to Christian Heritage College and ICR in 1980 where he has published four technical monographs and edited a multi-authored book on radioactive dating.

Scientists Associated with ICR

The scientists listed below have served ICR in a variety of ways—some as adjunct faculty or research associates in the ICR Graduate School, some speaking in ICR seminars or writing monographs or books for ICR. Names are listed alphabetically with their respective scientific fields of specialty.

1. **Paul G. Ackerman** (Psychology) has been a professor in the psychology department at Wichita State University for many years. He received his B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees from Kansas University. He was a founder and president of the Creation Social Science and Humanities Society and has authored several excellent creationist books.
2. **Ross S. Anderson** (Biochemistry) has the B.S. from Austin College, the M.B.S. from the University of Colorado, and the Ph.D. from Baylor College of Medicine. He has taught at Lamar University and Houston Baptist University. He currently teaches at The Master's College (California) and has published seven articles in science journals.
3. **John R. Baumgardner** (Geophysics) is a distinguished geophysicist with the University of California's Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico, serving there since 1984. He has degrees from Texas Tech, Princeton, and UCLA (Ph.D. in Geophysics and Space Physics) and over 30 technical publications in his field.
4. **Jerry Bergman** (Science Education) has written 20 books and 500 articles with at least one translated into 20 languages. He has two Ph.D.'s and is currently a professor at Northwest College in Ohio.
5. **Edward A. Boudreaux** (Chemistry) was Professor of Chemistry at the University of New Orleans for 29 years. His M.S. and Ph.D. degrees are from Tulane University. He has published many technical articles and contributed to several books in his field.
6. **Linn E. Carothers** (Statistics) has a B.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Southern California with an M.S. from California State University (Northridge). He served many years at The Master's College, also taught at the University of Southern California and has several technical publications.
7. **Eugene F. Chaffin** (Nuclear Physics) received all three degrees (B.S., M.S., Ph.D.) from Oklahoma State University and then served some 25 years on the faculty at Bluefield College in West Virginia. He is currently Professor of Physics at Bob Jones University.
8. **Donald E. Chittick** (Chemistry) has been a chemistry professor at the University of Puget Sound and Chairman of the Division of Natural Science at George Fox College. His B.S. and Ph.D. degrees are from Oregon State University. He is the author of several excellent books on creation science as well as an inventor and patent holder.