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### Educated Slugs



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simple creatures like the garden slug.

But how similar is the brain of a garden slug to the human brain? Researchers have been amazed at the unexpected similarities and abilities shared by both the garden slug and man. Researchers have found that garden slugs can be trained, using unpleasant flavorings, to avoid their favorite food, potatoes. Eventually the slugs will avoid potatoes that have not been made to taste bad. Slugs, and even garden snails, can learn a sequence of events.

How much more simple are the slugs' brains than ours? To their surprise, researchers discovered that the slugs' brains use some of the same chemical methods to learn and store information as do mammals. In other words, the slugs' brains don't use a simpler method to learn and remember than do a cat's or a dog's brain. Mammal brains and slug brains are based on the same design.

This finding came as a surprise and erases evolutionary distinctions between simpler and supposedly more evolved creatures. It reveals the Creator's pattern. He used the same design when He equipped the slug's brain to learn as He used when He made a dog able to learn. Life is evidence of a perfect Creator, not accidental improvements.

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