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In that case, what term is appropriate? Since evolution has never been observed or substantiated by empirical science, it would be best to call evolution an assumption. Most scientists accept evolution today because they simply assume it to be true.

And that's not just our position. L. Harrison Mathews wrote in his *Introduction to Darwin's The Origin of Species:* "[Since] biology is in the peculiar position of being a science founded on an unproved theory, is it then a science or a faith?" Mathews then answers the question: "Belief in the theory of evolution is thus exactly parallel to belief in special creation. Both are concepts which believers know to be true but neither, up to the present, has been capable of proof."

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