

The Right & Wrong Ways To Announce A Scientific and/or Other Potential Discovery

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ABSTRACT

This article applies to anyone wanting to announce their alleged discovery/research in a true professional and scholarly manner. This especially holds true to **(persons claiming to have (allegedly) having discovered Noah's Ark)* as well. There is a correct and incorrect way to do this. Here is "how" and "why". I'll give this first situation as an example. When allegedly NAMI-(Noah's Ark Ministries International), and other alleged Noah's Ark claims first came out with the announcement that they were 99% sure they found the Ark. (NAMI) made their Noah's Ark discovery announcement on or about (April 28th,2010). Not long after this announcement,they built a big Noah's Ark theme park in China. That's been about (8) yrs. ago. Since then, (allegedly) they have raked in many millions of dollars over the years. And yet, to date, have not published even one peer-reviewed paper on the alleged/supposed discovery of the remains of Noah's Ark.

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1.0 Introduction

1.1 The Appropriate Professional and Scholarly Way To Make A Scientific and/or Any other Type of Discovery Announcement To The World

In the abstract of this article the Author [Ronald Stewart] used the organization known by the abbreviated term (NAMI-(Noah's Ark Ministries International), as one of the most recent examples of making an announce first to the world on or about (April 28th, 2010), as having to (allegedly) discovered the remains of Noah's Ark on today's Greater Mount Ararat. However that was about (8) years ago, and since then there has not even been an (alleged) attempt to publish even the most minimal (peer-reviewed paper) on their (alleged) Noah's Ark discovery. This is a perfect example in how "*not*" to make an announcement about a scientific and/or any other discovery for that matter. There is a very simple solution to these types of announcements. Which is: "*Do the Scripturally consistent scientific investigation, diagnosis, analysis, and end results first publishing it from a peer reviewed journal or source. Then make a discreet, very careful low keyed announcement*". However, NAMI (allegedly) did not and still has not done this. Nor have they done any of the aforementioned as follows:

A). Approached a major and/or even small "scientific peer-reviewed journal" and in some cases paid a \$1,000.00-\$3,000.00 fee, (that some of the larger better known scientific peer-reviewed journals charge if their technical/scientific paper is accepted for publication.) to have their discovery accepted to one point or another into the scientific community, because it had gone through the peer-reviewed process.

B). Nor has NAMI (allegedly) even (allegedly) attempted to published their claimed Noah's Ark discovery into a small scientific journal as well. Whereas there are some of them do not even charge a fee if a paper is accepted for publication.

C). NAMI has also (allegedly) not followed through with the accepted way to announce their claimed discovery of Noah's Ark as has been the accepted way to make an announcement for such like discoveries for at least the last 358 years. Matter of fact, they have not allegedly attempted to publish their (supposed) scientific data/evidence in any type of peer-reviewed process. As again, has been the accepted way to make a scientific and/or any other same type of discovery known for the last 358 years.

D). NAMI (allegedly) did not even attempt to get a paper published in what according to mainstream science is called a (pseudo-science) and/or (creationism) scientific journal as well.

2.0 The Original Article From Dr. Robert Cargil, Ph.D.

What the Author of this article [Ronald Stewart] has written about in this article is that it does not matter if it was the aforementioned example of NAMI or anyone else, it is important for everyone wanting to make a scientific or discovery known, to do it in the professional and scholarly way it has been fone for the last 358 years. And that is to do it first in a peer-reviewed journal. The very simple rules to follow is: *"Do the science first then make the announcement"not the other way around"*! The highlights and main points of Dr. Robert Cargil's article are as follows:

(Based upon an article by Dr. Robert Cargill, Ph.D., Biblical Archaeologist from an article from his web-page dated September 23rd,2011 at - <https://robertcargill.com/category/physics/>

Dr. Bob Cargill is a biblical archaeologist. He's also an Editor for the well known biblical archaeology journal known as (Biblical Archaeology Review). Dr. Cargill to some people who believe the Bible is the written word of God, when first reading Dr. Cargill's articles would ask the question: "How can Dr. Cargill claim to be a biblical archaeologist, when his articles all seem to downplay the Bible's message? This is (allegedly) true. His articles could be viewed this way. Some people would even say that he is also a biblical minimalist. Because of his (alleged) vivid skepticism toward biblical archaeology supporting the view of many religious based persons. However, is such the case?

Although I personally do not share many of Dr. Cargill's views, that at times allegedly do not defend, support and uphold scripture, I do have a great respect for his fundamental approach to being bluntly honest about how a new discovery should and should not be presented. "If" it is truly going to be handled in a scholarly and professional manner.

3.0 How A Noah's Ark (or any other discovery regarding especially the Bible) should not be announced

First of all "if" a claim of a discovery such as Noah's Ark is made (as it often is), there is a right and wrong way to do this. According to doing it in a professional manner. First, we'll discuss the wrong way to do it, and this will lead credence as to (why the mainstream science community does not take serious any announcement about Noah's Ark. Even if unfortunately in this day and time if it would be the true ark.

4.0 How Not To Announce A Discovery

Rather than rush out and leak their tentative results to the media, and write a press release, and sign a book or documentary deal to capitalize on their latest "discovery" as so many pseudo scientists, archaeological hucksters, amateur ark hunters, and relic seeking religious zealots do before scholars can critique and refute their obviously bogus-claims, this team did two things that all scholars and real scientists always do.

5.0 Dr. Robert Cargill Notes How A Discovery Should Be Announced

1). (Real Scholars and Scientists) will first open up their peculiar findings to other scholars. Rather than rush to the press with their unexpected discovery to make a quick buck (and potentially soil their names and reputations forevermore).

2). In other words here is a detailed explanation that what they first need to have accomplished is to have their data/scientific evidence (Peer-Reviewed). In other words, the person making the discovery will ask other trained scholars to examine their findings and attempt to explain or refute their conclusions. And when this scholarly review is offered, other scholars should give their cautious input. This is fundamentally what peer-review is all about Any and all new scientific and other types of discoveries have professionally/scholarly been handled this way for at least has been the last 357 years since 1660-AD/CE.

6.0 When The Timing Is Right To Announce The Discovery To The Media and How To Do It In A Professional and Scholarly Manner

So how is a professional announcement supposed to be made to the media? It would be done in the following manner.

1). For example, "if" scientific evidence backs up your claim or discovery (even if it is a Noah's Ark claim) it must be:

A). Made to the media with: "an abundance of caution! (Note) in truly professional areas of science a person must become totally aware, recognize, and realize that the media is out to do, is to potentially write articles that are game changing stories. Providing sensational headlines (to attract eyeballs with the hopes of selling papers and attracting advertisers, and this must be avoided as much as possible at all costs)!

B). The discovery announcement must be made by the discovery (team representative) in a very cautious way. A special re-emphasis on the point: " do not put the cart before the horse in such announcements". An announcement of the research findings is to prevent journalists from misunderstanding or intentionally twisting the findings into saying something erroneous. How?

(Stay in control). Of course realistically, this may not be able to be accomplished in every situation. Why? Because a journalist may write his twist or perspective the way he is directed to write it by the journal he works for. But, by downplaying the discovery, the research appears far more credible, and therefore will be received far more readily if the results are confirmed and the research turns out to be the real deal.

C). Leave the data/evidence up to the reader to make up their own mind on the issue or announcement discovery. Give people credit that they are intelligent and are able to make up their own minds, based upon the facts and evidence. As to what is true about the announced discovery or not.

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