

Updated FAQ Entry: Why Should I Care About Epicurean Physics When So Much Science Has Changed In The Last 2000 Years?

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[Quote from Cassius](#)

I'm glad to know that quote from Hawking as he certainly has a sterling reputation in "science." But in my view Hawking has no Epicurean credentials and he's clearly treading into philosophy and ethics by using inflammatory references to the human race as chemical scum.

Hawking meant the phrase to explain our cosmic insignificance not as a perjorative.