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Over the last few days, I have spent some time digging into the sordid connections between rapist / pedophile Jeffrey Epstein and various groups at [@Harvard University](#) e.g., [x.com/phylogenomics/...](#)

I did this in part b/c, as a member of the scientific community, as a [@Harvard University](#) alumnus, as an evolutionary biologist (an area Jeffrey Epstein funded like group of [@Martin A. Nowak](#)), the way this community sucked up to, palled around w/ & propped up Epstein, makes me sick

And I also did it b/c I was inspired by others who were relentless in publicizing the seedy underbelly of STEM (and other's) connections to Jeffrey Epstein - people like [@xeni](#), [@MoaEltahawy](#), [@KirstyStricklan](#), [@julie k. brown](#), [@dearsarah](#), [@RebeccaWatson@bsky.social](#), [why not](#) and others

So even though I would like to just scream into the void, I am going to keep digging, publicizing, & trying to help shine a spotlight on those who boosted the reputation & image of rapist, pedophile, predator Jeffrey Epstein in exchange for \$\$, fame, & God only knows what else

So here is some more digging - I have been using [archive.org](#) to look at old web sites of Jeffrey Epstein & found these are basically all catalogs of how he used his connections to scientists like [@Martin A. Nowak](#), [@Steven Pinker](#), [@george church](#) and others to promote himself

Take for example [JeffreyEpsteinBlog.Com](#) [web.archive.org/web/*/jeffreye...](#) - a huge % of this site is dedicated to how he funded, befriended, and palled around with famous scientists and others (basically all of whom were white men)

See for example [web.archive.org/web/2013031206...](#) with photos of Jeffrey Epstein hanging out with [@Eric Lander](#), and [@george church](#) and others





The internet archive archive.org is an incredible resource here - lots of places to dig as Jeffrey Epstein had dozens of web sites all apparently dedicated to promoting his image as a benefactor and showing off his connections to famous scientists

See for example some archived Jeffrey Epstein sites such as web.archive.org/web/2018*/www.... & web.archive.org/web/2018*/http... & web.archive.org/web/2018*/www.... & web.archive.org/web/2018*/www.... & many more

And mind you - these people and institutions kept taking \$\$ from Epstein, went to his events, flew around to his villas, had lunches w/ him, sucked up to him long after it was publicly known that he was a sexual predator

When I read these "testimonials" from those thanking him for his glorious support it just makes me sick; see for example this web.archive.org/web/2011011016... apparently from Mark Tramo, then at [@Harvard University](https://www.harvard.edu) now at [@UCLA schoolofmusic.ucla.edu/people/ark-tr...](https://schoolofmusic.ucla.edu/people/ark-tr...)

Dear [Jeffrey Epstein](#),

Happy Chanukah from the students and me at The Institute, whose research in music, neuroscience, and medicine you've so generously helped to support!

I'm delighted to tell you that our Program in Health & Medicine's randomized-controlled clinical trial on the benefits of controlled auditory stimulation for iatrogenic pain and stress in premature infants was accepted for publication in the new Sage professional journal, *Music & Medicine*. We are now planning to move forward with our Grammy Foundation-funded trial comparing the effects of natural (consonant) and morphed (dissonant) versions in order to probe the question of innate preferences for harmonic structure.

I just returned from the annual Society for Neuroscience meeting in San Diego, where our Harvard-MIT graduate student, Andrew Dykstra, presented results of our [Program in Auditory Neuroscience's research on the role of auditory cortex in loudness perception](#). The corresponding full manuscript is under review at PLoS One.

Finally, the New York Academy of Sciences is hosting a [Music, Science, & Medicine symposium in March](#). I'm on the Planning Committee and will give the opening lecture - I hope you will be able to attend as my guest.

With heartfelt thanks Jeffrey Epstein from all of us,
Mark

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The most disturbing testimonial about Jeffrey Epstein I have found so far is from 2014 from the website of [@Martin A. Nowak](#) PED program at [@Harvard University](#) under a page labelled friends web.archive.org/web/2014032919...

JEFFREY EPSTEIN

Jeffrey Epstein is a science philanthropist and financier and the financial founder of the Program for Evolutionary Dynamics. He is President of the **Jeffrey Epstein VI Foundation** and Chairman and CEO of the Financial Trust Company in New York City and the US Virgin Islands. Mr. Epstein started his career at Bear Stearns with an educational background in physics and mathematics at the Courant Institute.

Mr. Epstein founded the Jeffrey Epstein VI Foundation in 2000 to fund and support cutting edge science around the world. He is one of the largest supporters of individual scientists, including theoretical physicist Stephen Hawking, Marvin Minsky, Seth Lloyd and Nobel Laureates Gerard 't Hooft, David Gross and Frank Wilczek.

More recently, Mr. Epstein has supported advances in artificial intelligence, notably the **OpenCog** Foundation in Hong Kong and **Joscha Bach's** Micropsi work in Berlin, which have been building virtual cognitive models of the human mind.

The Jeffrey Epstein VI Foundation also plays a continuous role in supporting **education** across the United States as well as philanthropy in the **US Virgin Islands**, where the foundation is based.

Mr. Epstein is actively involved in the Program for Evolutionary Dynamics and regularly participates in lectures and academic events. He is also involved in the Santa Fe Institute, the Theoretical Biology Initiative at the Institute for Advanced Study and the Quantum Gravity Program at the University of Pennsylvania. He recently sat on the Mind, Brain and Behavior Committee at Harvard University.

Mr. Epstein is a former member of the Trilateral Commission, the Council on Foreign Relations, the New York Academy of Science and a former Rockefeller University Board Member.

[The Jeffrey Epstein VI Foundation Blog](#)
[The Jeffrey Epstein VI Foundation Forum](#)

This is disturbing for many reasons including b/c it was long after Epstein's rape/sexual predator / pedophile behavior was widely known & b/c it makes clear just how tightly involved he was not just in funding but in day to day activities at the [@Harvard University P D group](#)

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As far as I can tell from archive.org the only person that the [@Harvard University](https://twitter.com/HarvardUniversity) PED listed as a "friend" was Jeffrey Epstein ...

And of course, now that "friends" link is gone & references to Jeffrey Epstein have been scrubbed from the site ped.fas.harvard.edu & no comment or apology as far as I know has ever been made by [@Martin A. Nowak](https://twitter.com/MartinANowak) or [@Harvard University](https://twitter.com/HarvardUniversity) about their endorsement of a known sexual predator

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