

## Biological Anomalies: Humans III

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**William R. Corliss : Biological Anomalies: Humans III** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Biological Anomalies: Humans III:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Arthur Jackson This book shows how much we don't know about humans even now. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. ANOTHER ONE OF CORLISS'S "SOURCEBOOKS" OF CURIOUS THINGS By Steven H Propp William R. Corliss (1926-2011) was an American physicist and writer who was known for his interest in collecting data regarding anomalous phenomena in astronomy, geophysics, geology, archaeology, biology, etc., which he published in books such as Handbook of Unusual Natural Phenomena, Ancient Man: A Handbook of Puzzling Artifacts, , Biological Anomalies: Humans (Catalog of Biological Anomalies), Biological Anomalies, Mammals I: A Catalog of Biological Anomalies, Science Frontiers: Some Anomalies and Curiosities of Nature, etc. He wrote in the Preface to this 1994 book, "It is at least as important to realize what is anomalous as it is to recognize the well-explained facts of nature... here is the fourteenth volume... It is largely the product of one person's library research... for every anomaly that can be legitimately demolished, a trip to the library will replace it with ten more from impeccable sources. In sum, Nature is VERY anomalous or, equivalently, Nature is not yet well-understood. Much remains to be done." He notes differences between humans and apes, such as (1) the ape's greater physical strength, (2) their prominent canine teeth, (3) their much smaller brains, and (4) their possession of a baculum, and comments, "In view of these obvious morphological differences, it is hard to subscribe to the idea that viable human-ape hybrids might be possible or that apes should even be in the same genus." (Pg.

99)Concerning "feral children" (i.e., human children raised by wolves), he wrote, "female mammals will often nurse and rear the young of other species. The phenomenon of feral children, then, does not appear to be especially anomalous even if it is really true." (Pg. 168)About "Animal Sexual Assaults on Humans," he wryly observes that "The literature is rather silent on the subject phenomenon. Probably this avoidance by scientific journals is intentional!" (Pg. 177)All of Corliss's "Sourcebooks" are stimulating and thought-provoking---the more so, since most of them are taken directly from "respectable" mainstream scientific journals.3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. From Microbe to BigfootBy Neil HThe final volume in Humans is a great read. It's broken down into four main areas. "The Hominid Fossil Record" is the longest topic, covering man / ape creatures found throughout the last 5 million years. Some material will be recognisable to readers of Cremo Thompson's Forbidden Archaeology. "Human Genetics" is the most technical section, discussing DNA and other markers in human / ape populations. "Unrecognised Hominids" covers familiar ground - Bigfoot / Yetis, and other "wildmen" across the globe. Corliss is dismissive of virtually all of these cases, with the notable exception of the Yeti, which he confidently rates as real. The final chapter, "Human Interface Phenomena" is a hotch-potch of fascinating data presenting ideas as diverse as: Animal Sexual Assaults on Humans, DNA as a parasite, Avoidance of Wasp Stings by holding your breath (!), Human-Fish relationships (!!), and so much more!!!

BIOLOGICAL ANOMALIES - HUMANS III is one of 22 volumes in the Catalog of Anomalies published by The Sourcebook Project. The catalog provides an objective, unsensationalized compilation of anomalous phenomena, difficult to explain observations, and curiosities of nature in the fields of astronomy, biology, archeology, geophysics, and geology. This is the third of three volumes devoted to human biological anomalies, and focuses on four areas: (1) the human fossil record; (2) biochemistry and genetics; (3) possible unrecognized living hominids; and (4) human interfaces with other species. Some of the topics covered include Neanderthal Demise \* Giant Skeletons \* Tiny Skeletons \* Hominid Gracilization \* Sudden Brain Expansion \* Human Chimeras \* Sasquatch/Bigfoot, Alma, Yeti, and others \* Human-Animal Communication \* Humanity and Gaia \* and Anomalous Distribution of Human Lice. BIOLOGICAL ANOMALIES - HUMANS III contains 44 illustrations and intriguing accounts collected from the archives of references including Cryptozoology, New Scientist, Nature, Science, Science News Letter, Pursuit, and Scientific American to name a few. Over 300 citations are referenced and indexed three ways, by First Author, Source, and Subject. The indexes are cross-referenced to each entry in the book to aid the reader in locating original source materials and conducting independent research.