

Stasis in a Fossil Horse

A species of fossil horse, *Meshippus bairdi*, is found over a stratigraphic interval supposedly representing between 600,000 and five million years. Stability of a species over such long supposed time spans challenges the macro-evolutionary scenario. In a short chronology model, these individuals were buried in different layers over a much shorter interval of time.



Meshippus front leg

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Artistic portrayal of *Meshippus*

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Artistic portrayal of *Meshippus bairdi*

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