So often in my reading on subjects such as ancient history, archaeology, anthropology, and Egyptology I have read compelling theories proposed by intelligent, qualified individuals, which have been rejected by mainstream Academia. Often, when looking at the reasons for these rejections, it is obvious that the critics have not bothered to study the evidence. In most cases, it appears, these so-called scholars are not prepared to even look at the evidence because the theory does not fit into the commonly-accepted paradigm. They have created what might be called “knowledge filtration”. In fact, any scholar daring to publish something outside of this realm are ostracized, fired from academic posts, or just ignored.

I came across an excellent example of this recently while reading a book called *The Hidden History of the Human Race* by Michael Cremo and Richard Thompson. This is a condensed version of their work *Forbidden Archaeology*. This book provides evidence of paleo-anthropological findings, such as bones and other artifacts, over the last two centuries, that show that humans, very much like us, existed on earth many millions of years ago. This evidence has been forgotten, ignored, and even suppressed because it contradicts the dominant view of human origins that modern humans evolved from ape-like creatures in the not so distant past. Interesting artifacts have been found such as a gold chain 250 million years old, an iron cup 312 millions years old, metallic tube 65 millions years old and many more. But the most interesting are metallic spheres found in South Africa, one of which has three parallel rings around it. These balls are hollow with a white spongy material on the inside of them.

It seems to me, that what people have been taught in these fields has been incomplete or just plain wrong. We need some bold new academics to step back from the accepted, review all the evidence, and come to new conclusions or form new theories, and to go forward with open minds in the future.