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Rethinking the Out-of-Africa model

The exodus of modern man from Africa may have happened earlier than we think. Christopher Bae from the College of Social Sciences discovered two teeth in a cave in southern China that provide an important clue. "This paleoanthropological find...suggest[s] that modern humans may have dispersed out of Africa in multiple waves rather than as one major single migration event 60,000 years ago as commonly thought," said Bae.



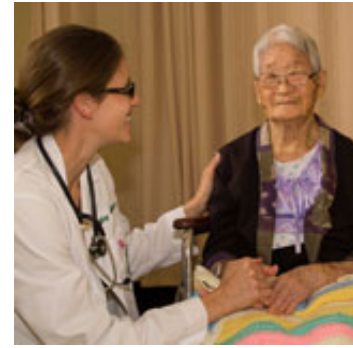
Turtle tumors linked to land-based pollution

Some of Hawai'i's sea turtles are afflicted with chronic and often lethal tumors caused by consuming non-native algae superweeds along coastlines where nutrient pollution is unchecked. The disease responsible for these tumors is considered one of the leading causes of death in endangered green sea turtles.



VIDEO: Students explore endangered languages

UH Mānoa is a leader among linguistics departments in the world because of its focus on endangered languages documentation. The UH Foundation has produced a new video highlighting student language research made possible with the support of the Bilinski Educational Foundation.



Long lives, short lives

Some of Hawai'i's residents live the longest in the nation, while others struggle to get beyond their 50's. Why are there stark differences among Hawai'i's people? The National Institutes of Health has just funded a \$15.4 million, five-year renewal of UH Mānoa's multidisciplinary research initiative focused on health disparities.

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