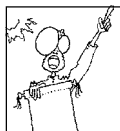


*Postscript: As I finish this article, there is a news item that a letter from Einstein to philosopher Eric Gutkind went on sale in a London auction house. The letter, handwritten in German one year before his death, described belief in God as “childish superstition,” and ridiculed the belief that Jews are “the chosen people.” The letter sold to someone with “a passion for theoretical physics,” for US\$ 404000, 25 times the pre-sale estimate. QED.*

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## Information and Announcements

### Symposium on Genomics, Model Organisms and Disease

National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS)  
October 1–2, 2008

The symposium is being organized as a satellite event to the 13th International Human Genome Meeting, being held in India this year (Sept 2008). The focus of this satellite symposium is to highlight genomic approaches in model organisms and how such approaches are furthering understanding of complex diseases. The range of model organisms includes *Drosophila*, *C. elegans*, zebrafish, mouse and humans. This is a unique meeting that brings people using genomic approaches that span RNAi screen, small molecule screens and microarrays together with researchers and doctors who study animal models of human disease.

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