

## Review of: "The Convergence of Intelligence and Longevity"

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"Humans are the most intelligent mammals" is a bold statement. Perhaps it would be useful here to define briefly what it is in humans that confers opportunistic capabilities?

It would therefore be interesting to start with references that place humans in a broader comparative context, such as:

Allman J., McLaughlin T., Hakeem A. (1993) Brain weight and life-span in primate species. PNAS 90: 118-122

Allman J., McLaughlin T., Hakeem A. (1993) Brain structures and life-span in primate species. PNAS 90: 3559-3563

As regards the link between cognition, disease-resistance, and longevity, at least for the last two terms, the following reference seems interesting to use:

Mattson M.P., Duan W., Maswood N. (2002) How does the brain control lifespan. Aging Research Reviews 1: 155-165

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