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Q5(b)

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G. E. Lewis

Named Ramapithecus from Siwalik material in the 1930s on the basis of jaws and teeth.

David Pilbeam

First a champion of Ramapithecus as hominin, then a principal author of the Sivapithecus facial revision.

Pongine

The orangutan clade; Sivapithecus is placed here, not with African apes and humans.

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