

Tel Aviv University researcher says plants can see, smell, feel, and taste

In his new book *What a Plant Knows* (Farrar, Straus and Giroux) and his articles in *Scientific American*, Prof. Daniel Chamovitz, Director of TAU's Manna Center for Plant Biosciences, says that the discovery of similarities between plants and humans is making an impact in the scientific community. Like humans, Prof. Chamovitz says, plants also have "senses" such as sight, smell, touch, and taste. Ultimately, he adds, if we share so much of our genetic makeup with plants, we have to reconsider what characterizes us as human.

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