

## Brain gene separates humans from apes

An international team of researchers have discovered a new gene that helps explain how humans evolved from apes. Scientists say the gene – called miR-941 – appears to have played a crucial role in human brain development and may shed light on how we learned to use tools and language. Researchers say it is the first time that a new gene – carried only by humans and not by apes – has been shown to have a specific function within the human body.

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