

# **The Breaking Science News Consumer's Handbook**

- 1. A single experiment means nothing. Anomalies happen all the time.**
- 2. Be cautious of websites that don't have dedicated science reporters. General reporters often don't have the training to properly analyze a science story.**
- 3. Wait a few days before drawing any conclusions. Good journalism takes time, and working scientists are busy.**
- 4. Above all, be skeptical. In the words of Richard Feynman, "the first principle [of science] is that you must not fool yourself, and you are the easiest person to fool!"**