

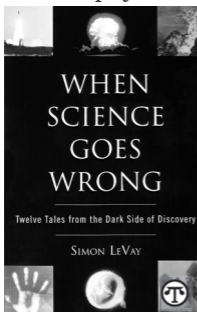


Books Worth Reading

Shining A Light On Scientific Failure

(NAPSA)—It's said that for every brilliant scientific success, there are a dozen failures. A new book tells the story of 12 of those failures in what's been described as an entertaining and thought-provoking manner.

The book, "When Science Goes Wrong" (Plume), brings together stories of scientific error, on a spectacular scale, from a wide range of disciplines—from forensic science and microbiology to nuclear physics and meteorology.



For example, there is the tale of the appearance of a violent hurricane on land, despite repeated assurances that the hurricane didn't exist.

A new book tells about the part of science that so often goes unnoticed—the failures.

Another chapter tells the story of a team of scientists who hike into the crater of what they think is a dormant volcano, ignoring signs of an imminent eruption.

The author, Simon LeVay, is a writer and lecturer with a background in neuroscience. While he's best known for his research on the brain and sexuality, he's also co-authored books on such diverse topics as earthquakes and volcanoes, extraterrestrial life and Parkinson's disease.

The book is available online and where books are sold.