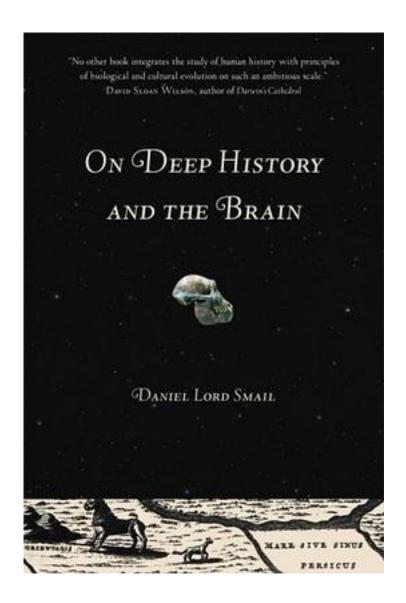
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When does history begin? What characterizes it? This brilliant and beautifully written book dissolves the logic of a beginning based on writing, civilization, or historical consciousness and offers a model for a history that escapes the continuing grip of the Judeo-Christian time frame. Daniel Lord Smail argues that in the wake of the "Decade of the Brain" and the best-selling historical work of scientists like Jared Diamond, the time has come for fundamentally new ways of thinking about our past. He shows how recent work in evolution and paleohistory makes it possible to join the deep past with the recent past and abandon, once and for all, the idea of prehistory. Making an enormous literature accessible to the general reader, he lays out a bold new case for bringing neuroscience and neurobiology into the realm of history.

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什么是大历史(deep history)?该书的回答分为两部分:其一是要为大历史正名,即探索不同于类圣经叙、文明叙述的大历史框架;其二则是用案例演示究竟研究大历史,除了渐成风潮的疾、环境史外,提出了个神经史的新名堂。权力、八卦和神经递质的关联
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