

Prof. Eva Jablonka – CV – July 2025

Eva Jablonka is Professor Emerita in the Cohn Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Ideas in Tel Aviv University. She was born in Poland and immigrated with her parents to Israel in 1957. She did her first degree in Biology in Ben-Gurion University where she also completed a Master's degree in Microbiology. Her PhD studies were conducted in the Genetics Department in the Hebrew University, and she did her postdoctoral studies in the Developmental MRC Unit in London in developmental biology, and in the Edelstein Center for the History and Philosophy of Science, Technology, and Medicine in Jerusalem. In 1990 she joined the academic staff in the Cohn Institute in Tel Aviv University where she taught and conducted research in the philosophy of biology, epigenetics and theoretical and evolutionary biology, and supervised 39 post-graduate students.

Her major research topics include the philosophy of biology and of evolutionary theory, the study of epigenetics and especially the evolutionary implications of epigenetic inheritance and the study of consciousness as a biological and evolutionary process. Since she sees an intimate relations between the humanities, the natural sciences and the social sciences, her studies include discussions of their social and ethical aspects. Recently she is also engaged in the study of the role of aesthetic judgment in scientific research.

Eva Jablonka was a fellow in the Institutes of advanced studies in Budapest, Berlin, and London and was recently invited to the IAS in Princeton. She was also a fellow in All Souls College, Oxford, is a member of the Appointments committee of the Reinhardt Museum for Natural History and a board member of academic journals in the philosophy of science and in epigenetics. She received the Landau prize for her Master thesis, the Marcus prize for her PhD thesis, the Alon fellowship and the international prize for Human Ecology (Premio internazionale per l'ecologia umana).