

《极限！人类的寿命永远都不会超过125岁，为什么？》

导读:似乎寿命永远都是说不完道不尽的话题。人类到底能活多久呢？来看看科学家们给出的分析。



The natural limit to human life is no more than 125 years, a study has found.

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Despite ever more humans living for longer each year – the final cut-off point has remained stubbornly the same.

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No human has lived longer than 122 – the age reached by a Frenchwoman, Jeanne Calment, in 1997.

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Researchers believe that this is because there is an age limit beyond which humans just cannot pass naturally.

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Researchers led by Jan Vijg of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx, New York investigated whether the rise in human lifespans meant the 122 lifespan was a maximum.

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The most 'convincing argument' that the maximum human lifespan is not fixed is the ongoing increase in life expectancy in most countries over the last century, the researchers said.

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However, a large part of the increase in life expectancy comes from a huge reduction of deaths in childbirth and infancy.

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If there was no limit, we would see an onward march of ever older people.

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To test the theory, they studied the International Database on Longevity, which records the age of death from people in 41 countries between 1968 and 2006.

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They found that people do keep living longer – but only up to a point.

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