

Evidence of the birth of the Cosmos

A NASA satellite has discovered vast 'ripples' of matter towards the outer edges of the universe. These ripples, the largest and oldest structures in the universe, support the 'Big Bang' theory of its birth

15 billion years ago

The 'Big Bang', an enormous explosion, propels clouds of matter into space

14 billion years ago

Galaxies begin to form from wispy clouds of matter

7 billion years ago

Milky Way is created

4.5 billion years ago

Sun and planets form

2 billion years ago

Life appears on earth

7 million years ago

Apes and early humans develop

1992

NASA's Cosmic Background Explorer satellite discovers cosmic ripples

Ripples believed to be wispy clouds of matter left over from Big Bang

