

'Scientific Retroduction' (pub. 07.04.15-13:04). Quote in M. Bergman & S. Paavola (Eds.), *The Commens Dictionary: Peirce's Terms in His Own Words. New Edition*. Retrieved from <http://www.commens.org/dictionary/entry/quote-meaning-preface-5>.

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**Term:** Scientific Retroduction

**Quote:** If [...] indefinite time can be allowed for judging of the truth of an explanatory hypothesis, the most favorable conclusion is that the consequences of [those] hypotheses that are susceptible of verification should be subjected to systematic and thorough tests. This, which may be called Scientific Retroduction, will be subject to considerations of economy.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1909). *Meaning Preface*. MS [R] 637.

**References:** MS [R] 637:12

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