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# C. S. Peirce's philosophy of science and neopragmatism

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*The article states and briefly reviews the problem of whether it is correct to interpret the basic principles of pragmatism within the framework of R. Rorty's philosophy known as "neopragmatism". As it turns out, the fundamental characteristics of C. Peirce's doctrine, who was among the founders of the pragmatist philosophy, include criticism of various forms of apriorism, an evolutionary and naturalistic approach to analysing the nature of cognition, acknowledgement of its social nature and of the idea of objective truth (with certain elaborations). The "pragmatist maxim", however, began to be interpreted in loose and simplified ways even in the works of C.S. Peirce's contemporaries W. James and J. Dewey. R. Rorty's concepts are a vulgarisation of a number of W. James' and J. Dewey's statements, directly contradicting the central tenets of C. Peirce's scientific method doctrine.*

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