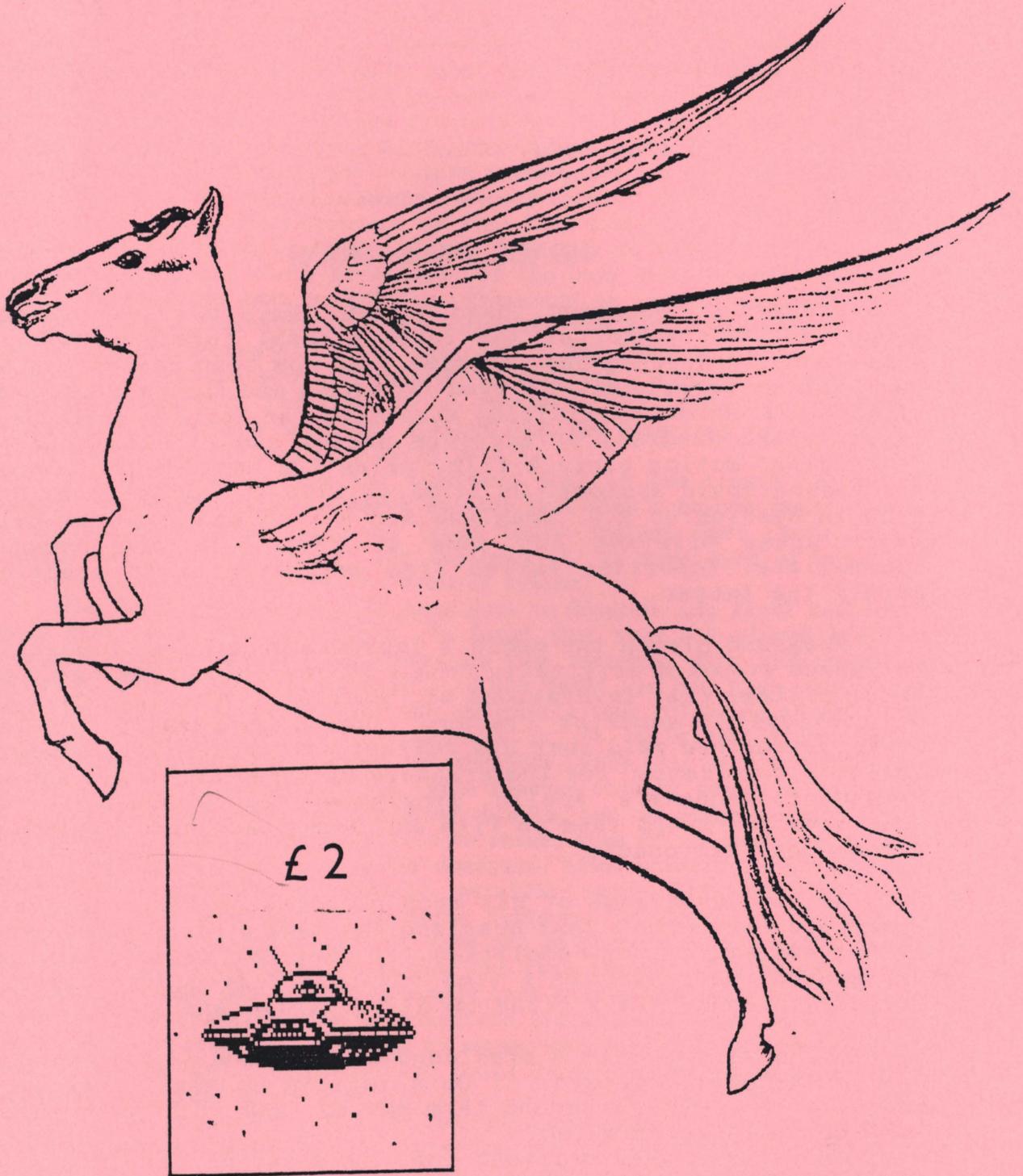


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### HOAGLAND'S MOON

Richard C. Hoagland, head of the "Mars Mission" research group and 1993 winner of the International Angstrom Medal for Excellence in Science has for some time now been presenting what he claims to be evidence derived from NASA and Soviet photographs of possible ancient artificial structures on Earth's moon. He has re-processed hundreds of archived photos and thousands of feet of original motion picture film, using the most recent computer and videographic systems. On 21 March 1996 at the National Press Club in Washington D.C. Hoagland and his scientific team held a major press briefing for some 40 radio, TV and newspaper journalists. Reporting varied from enthusiastic to sceptical, mainly the latter.

Hoagland blamed the media's lukewarm reception on political influence stemming originally from a 36-year-old Brookings report which claimed that revelations of "physical ruins left by a race of obviously superior beings" could literally collapse civilisation. He said that his current work provides "compelling scientific evidence" for the presence of these artefacts and that President Kennedy's Apollo programme had planned to send Americans to record them on film and bring back hard evidence of the ancient astronauts.

We have seen some of his moon pictures on the Internet and elsewhere and believe that Hoagland has made a case that deserves either acclamation or demolition. It does not deserve merely to be ignored. He says: "It's time for this President to bite the bullet, to open NASA's files on all of this, and come clean."

Maybe so, but with a presidential election in November? Try again next year, Richard. If Dole gets in he might risk it; he knows he won't have a second term anyway, and if Clinton wins it will be his last term too.

On such considerations do revelations of scientific knowledge nowadays depend.

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# Ethical Implications of the UFO Abduction Phenomenon

by BUDD HOPKINS (Courtesy of MUFON)

It is in the nature of human psychology that an event as dramatic as contact with extraterrestrial intelligence cannot be thought about neutrally, without deep-seated hopes and preconceptions. Most of us, I'm certain, prefer to believe that extraterrestrials would arrive on our planet as friendly, helpful beings, eager to share their technology and aid us in solving our social and ecological problems. Upon this basic and very human wish certain people have erected a very powerful set of interpretations of modern-day UFO reports. These hopes, hardened into a kind of theology, can be described as a modern religion, willed into existence after the decline of our more traditional deities. After all, we have been told more than once that God is dead.

On the other hand, our recent wars, both hot and cold, and the venality and deceit we have seen in many of our political leaders have also inspired an undercurrent of pessimism, global in extent. International chaos, terrorism and governmental incompetence have trained many of us always to expect the worst. And so, if the majority opinion, or hope, is that extraterrestrials would arrive as space brothers, a strong minority opinion fears the opposite - that we would find ourselves taken over by a band of inter-galactic conquerors. Our popular science fiction films spell out these hopes and fears quite literally: we have the kindly Space Brother, Michael Rennie, stepping out of a gleaming spaceship to help earthlings through their troubles, and then we have the Body Snatchers out to do us all in. I've dwelt on these basic attitudes about extraterrestrial contact for an important reason: when we examine reports of actual contact, especially as revealed in UFO abduction encounters, we must always bear in mind our basic preconceptions and how they might influence our reading of these events.

After twelve years of experience investigating the abduction phenomenon, I will not deal with the validity of such reports in this paper. I've considered this issue elsewhere, in two books and a number of articles, so we will here assume that the abductees I've worked with, more than a hundred and fifty in all, are telling the truth as they best recall it. I will concentrate instead on what information we can derive from their accounts that might bear on the question of the moral nature of the UFO phenomenon. Are the UFO occupants, as they are described by their abductees, good or bad, friends or foes, or is the situation just not reducible to such terms? The very first step, obviously, is to analyze what the abductees say they feel about their captors and that, every investigator knows, is a complex task. My twelve years' experience leads me to a distinct conclusion: each abductee's emotions are invariably intense and many levelled - and usually mutually contradictory.

First of all, confrontations with UFO occupants are generally experienced as frightening, so fear, at some point, is an almost universal element in the emotional mix. Second, there is a kind of awe or wonder at the power and seeming magic of the aliens' technology. This often translates itself into a kind of affection, even love, that an abductee might feel for the particular captor with whom he or she senses a special relationship. On the other side of the same coin there is an almost universal anger - verging sometimes on hatred - that abductees feel towards their abductors because of their enforced helplessness, their sense of having been used, involuntarily, and even upon occasion, of being made to suffer severe pain. According to every broad study of the abduction literature that I know of, and Edward

Bullard's is the most authoritative, fear, awe, affection and anger are the basic emotional components of almost every UFO abduction experience. It is safe to say then, that powerful and confusing emotions follow such experiences, and that after their encounters abductees do not believe they have been taken either by purely malevolent foes or by selfless, angelic space brothers. The situation is far too complicated for either simplistic reading.

During the past eight years I have conducted an informal support group for UFO abductees in the New York City area, and have kept in touch with many others in various parts of the country. These circumstances have allowed me to observe a number of men and women over an extended period of time, and to see various patterns of response to their abduction experiences. The weight of each component in the standard emotional mix varies widely from individual to individual, and also changes with time within any one psyche. But the basic components always seem to remain, subtly at odds with one another, in each abductee. Several things must be kept in mind, however, as we study the abductee's emotional charts. First, when one is abducted, he or she is in something of an altered state, not unlike a hypnotic trance. The abductee is controlled by the abductors and his or her behaviour is in many ways far from normal. The abductee may be told things, shown things, that may not be true or "real". So in this context we must consider the abductee's occasional affection for his or her captors.

Psychologists have shown that this phenomenon, the "Patty Hearst" syndrome, all too often appears in earthly kidnapping experiences. Therefore in evaluating the four emotions commonly described by UFO abductees, three seem appropriate, but one must be dealt with warily. Fear is something one would surely expect if the aliens actually look and act as reported by their captives. Feelings of awe at the aliens' technological magic are an emotion that again seems appropriate. Anger, often to an extreme degree, seems to be most abductees' reaction to being paralysed and controlled by their captors. The physically invasive and sometimes painful operations performed upon them underline this response, which is often deepened because the UFO occupants usually refuse to discuss the purpose of these disturbing procedures. One has no choice except to submit to needles, lights, knives, "scanners" and so forth, with no power to protest or refuse. "I feel like a lab rat," one abductee said, her anger entirely appropriate to her situation. It is the odd affection abductees often report feeling for their captors that seems suspect, under the circumstances. Is this feeling an artificial emotion, induced telepathically through some kind of quasi-hypnotic control? Is it a version of the "Patty Hearst" syndrome? Is it a genuine reaction? Obviously, no one can answer these questions satisfactorily, but it seems to me that the affection is the one common abduction response that must be viewed with suspicion.

When one tries to tally up the pros and cons of an abduction experience as it immediately and visibly affects human emotion, it can be said that two reactions are essentially negative, even damaging. Fear and anger, which are often felt deeply as terror and hatred, are surely disruptive of anyone's life. The sense of awe, while basically neutral and sometimes tinged with fear, may enhance one's world view, and thus contribute positively. The fourth and most suspect emotion, affection for one's captors, if genuine, is a positive one. So the emotional "score" after an abduction experience does not support either a simple "Space Brother" or "Body Snatcher" interpretation. Judging purely by the obvious surface reactions, we are still in ethically mixed territory, though to me and to many abductees the negative effects seem more powerful than the positive.

Moving away from the patterns of the abductees' immediate emotional responses, we can evaluate the ethical content of an extraterrestrial presence by considering another, larger plane. Is there any evidence that extraterrestrial intelligence has actively intervened in human affairs, either helpfully or destructively? The modern era of UFO activity begins in earnest

in 1947, but many UFO reports surfaced during World War II in the phenomenon labelled "foo fighters" by our airmen. No force, either extraterrestrial or otherwise, put a stop to the Holocaust until the allied armies conquered Nazi Germany. By then it was too late for millions of innocent people, murdered by a system no one seemed able to stop. The United States developed nuclear weapons and used them to incinerate tens of thousands of children, women and men. No one, terrestrial or otherwise, prevented those bombs from falling. Continuing Stalinist butchery, international terrorism, American intervention in a Vietnamese civil war - all meant that thousands upon thousands of innocent people lost their lives because of the cruelty or indifference of political leaders of every persuasion. No one intervened. Michael Rennie, alas, never stepped out of his space ship to save us from ourselves. We have polluted our planet, spreading cancer by industry's greedy indifference to the consequences of chemical "bonanzas." No one came to our rescue; the Chariots of the Gods evidently drew up just to watch the damage deepen. And now we have a new plague - the disease known by the ironic acronym AIDS ... something fresh and new that apparently we did not have before the advent of the modern UFO era.

Now all of this means one thing. As a moral presence the UFO phenomenon seems sublimely indifferent to what we do to ourselves. Intervention is evidently not part of the plan, as diving into the surf to rescue a drowning child is not part of an indolent sunbather's plans. On the other hand, there seems to be no evidence that an extraterrestrial presence has inflicted any excess pain upon us either. If Michael Rennie's alien only saves us in Hollywood films, the evil, intervening Body Snatchers seem only to exist there too. I believe that the cruelty that mankind has endured in this century has all too human origin; one doesn't have to look to spaceships for its cause. And we look to them in vain even for first aid, let alone salvation. But how should we evaluate what seems inescapable evidence of extraterrestrial indifference to human tragedy?

I feel the grades should be harsh. The power and technology revealed by UFO report upon UFO report indicates that intervention of some kind should have been possible; help should have been given. Apologists for a Space Brothers theory use the same argument as Christian apologists: the UFO occupants, like God, tolerate evils such as the Holocaust because life is only a fleeting reality - the afterlife or a reincarnated life, renders this question moot. As a Humanist I disagree. The death of a child at the hands of a gun-bearing adult is an abomination, not a necessary learning experience. The only excuse I can offer for extraterrestrial indifference is some kind of flaw in their apparent power, some very real vulnerability that might provide them with an excuse to avoid moral responsibility the way our indolent sunbather could avoid trying to save the drowning child because he, himself, might be unable to swim.

A few valid UFO cases contain accounts of healing, descriptions of wounds healed, eyesight strengthened and so on, after UFO abductions or encounters. However, these rare examples of healing raise more ethical problems than they solve. If the occupants of UFOs *do* have the power to heal, why is it used so sparingly, so arbitrarily? Why save one swimmer and let the others drown? A woman I've worked with and know well was abducted along with her older sister; each had childhood abductions, each had lived uneasily with her memories. Last spring the older sister was murdered in a park, by an apparently deranged individual. The tragedy had nothing to do with UFOs, but my friend said this to me: "I always thought, somehow, they were looking out for us, watching over the people they'd taken in these experiments. Now I know I'm no safer than anyone else. They don't seem to care." And yet in one case I know about an abductee was apparently saved in a similar situation. The arbitrariness of it all undermines any attempt to accept a Space Brother

reading of the entire phenomenon. Amorality is a term that comes most quickly to mind.

If the immediate emotional reactions to UFO abductions are usually more negative than positive, and there is literally no sign of benign extraterrestrial intervention in world affairs, there is still one more area to examine, and it is extremely important. It is the long term psychological aftereffects of UFO abduction experiences. Dr. Aphrodite Clamar, a clinical psychologist with whom I have worked in many such investigations, has stated that she feels almost every abductee she has dealt with has been psychologically scarred by the experience. This is surely my opinion also, and I believe that the psychological tests of abductees administered by Dr. Elizabeth Slater, as well as the psychological histories taken through Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York City all provide support for this thesis. Though she points out that cause and effect obviously cannot be established with certainty, Dr. Slater describes the psychological profiles of the nine abductees she tested as resembling those found with rape victims - a low self-esteem, a distrust of their bodies, their physicality, their sexuality, and a hesitancy to trust others. Not a pretty legacy from our would-be Space Brothers.

My case files include three instances in which individuals - all males and apparently somewhat depressed to begin with - committed suicide after what were described by their friends and family as UFO abduction experiences. And there is more on this debit side of the ledger, including what seems to have been an accident following a car-stopping incident and abduction; the driver, the only surviving parent of four children, died later of complications suffered in this encounter. Two female abductees I've worked with either planned or carried out suicide attempts when they were ten years old, and another recent attempt involves a frightened, despondent fourteen-year-old girl.

No one who has had this experience regards it as an unmitigated blessing. Some live in perpetual terror. Some have suffered nervous breakdowns, and as a result of their experiences and the chemical and shock treatments administered by baffled and incompetent doctors, are living thoroughly damaged lives. I have seen disfiguring scars on the bodies of abductees who have involuntarily been used in the UFO occupants' "medical" procedures. Yet I have also seen abductees whose lives have been undeniably broadened by their bizarre experiences; survivors who have managed the human task of surmounting their traumas and gaining something from them. The reports, again, are mixed, but the pain and suffering are immense. Deaths, injuries, terrors and mental breakdowns must be weighed against a philosophical broadening in many individuals, an awareness that the universe is larger - and closer - than anyone had imagined. The cost, of course, has been tremendous, and the gain due more to human resilience than alien kindness.

I have talked to many people who will not give up the benign Space Brother reading of these cases, no matter what. At the outset I said that our quasi-religious hopes die slowly. And so, despite massive negative evidence, there are still many people who cling to the idea that somehow, some way there may be two alien groups, one bad and one good ... that the "grays", as they have been called, are the bad aliens, while the more attractive "blonds" are good. In my twelve years of investigation, however, the more human-seeming aliens, whenever they are reported ... seem to be operating as a team right along with the so-called "grays," participating in abductions-as-usual. There is not a shred of evidence supporting this simple-minded good guys, bad guys dichotomy - but there is plenty of evidence that this kind of wishful thinking is an all too common psychological habit... If there are various groups of aliens from different places of origin in the Universe, they are all co-operatively doing the same thing to us, something immensely destructive.

## ASTRONAUT GORDON COOPER SAYS ALIENS ARE HERE

By Michael Lindemann  
CNI News

To many UFO enthusiasts, Gordon Cooper is a legend. An original Mercury astronaut, he was one of those clear-eyed, ambitious, optimistic, straight-arrow Americans with "the right stuff," as Tom Wolfe put it -- men who made the U.S. space program synonymous with success and national pride. But unlike most of his fellow astronauts, Gordon Cooper has said for decades that he believes at least some UFOs are alien spacecraft.

With the assistance of a mutual friend, I met Gordon Cooper at his office in Van Nuys, California on February 8.

He isn't as big as I expected, neither in height nor build. (In retrospect, it occurs to me that large size would be no asset in the space program.) At 68, he is balding. He still has the signature grin, toothy and slightly cock-eyed. He has sharp blue eyes. He speaks quietly, clearly and concisely. We simply pulled up a few chairs around his desk and started talking.

I said I had enjoyed Dennis Quaid's film portrayal of Cooper in "The Right Stuff," and asked how he had liked it. "I liked it. He did a pretty good job," he said. "So did you think of yourself as a hotdog back then?" I asked. "Yes, I guess so."

We talked about the space program. He had gone up in Mercury 9 in May, 1963 and completed 22 orbits, an American record at the time.

Then in August, 1965, he went up again in Gemini 5 with Charles "Pete" Conrad and stayed aloft eight days, going 122 orbits, a world record. They had purposely set out to get ahead of the Soviets in at least a symbolic way. It was a turning point in the space race. We were already headed for the moon. We got there. The Soviets never did.

Cooper was going to go to the moon, but Alan Shepherd went instead, and then the Apollo program was cancelled. Cooper was going to go to Mars, too. Few Americans even know that NASA was well along on plans for a manned Mars mission, with a landing projected for 1981. Cooper was in line for commander of the mission. It would have been a nuclear powered spacecraft, assembled in earth orbit after parts were sent aloft on a series of Saturn 1-Bs. The nuclear engines were ready, Cooper said. A lot of the spacecraft was ready. They were still working on the lander, he said... and then that program was cancelled, too. "By Senator Proxmire. The worst enemy America ever had," Cooper said.

I asked him about his famous UFO sighting. It was in 1951 over Germany. He and several other pilots were flying F-86 jets -- "We were super-sonic, barely," he said -- when they looked up and saw what appeared to be a large group of "double lenticular shaped" aircraft, classic flying saucers, flying in formation. He said these craft were much higher than his plane could go, though he couldn't tell how high. They were going faster too, though he couldn't tell how much faster. Over the next two or three days, he and other pilots saw "several hundred" of these craft. Cooper said they flew formation maneuvers very much like his own squadron would fly. He and the other witnesses were uniformly convinced they were seeing a technology that wasn't human.

Cooper and his fellow pilots reported the sightings to their superiors. In due course, the official explanation was relayed back down. "High flying seed pods."

Though the UFO subject frequently must endure strange episodes of official denial and obfuscation, this offering of "seed pods" in answer to Cooper's sighting struck me as one of the wackiest I've heard. "You knew this was crazy," I said to him. "How could you put up with it?"

His answer was simple. "I was in the Air Force. I wanted to fly."

But Cooper had already made up his own mind that UFOs represented visitations from elsewhere, and in time he made his position clear. He wrote a letter to the United Nations in 1978. It said, in part, "I do believe UFOs exist and that the truly unexplained ones are from some other technically advanced civilization... I believe that these extraterrestrial vehicles and their crews are visiting this planet from other planets, which are obviously a little more advanced than we are here on earth... I feel that we need to have a top-level, coordinated program to scientifically collect and analyze data from all over the earth concerning any type of encounter, and to determine how best to interface with these visitors in a friendly fashion."

Cooper was convinced by 1978 that these visitors, most of them at least, were friendly. He holds to that view today.

I asked him if he ever saw anything other-worldly while he was in space. "Nothing," he said. Did the other astronauts, any of them, see anything? "I don't think so," he said. How about on the moon? Anything at all? "Nothing on the moon," he said. I was surprised.

I said that most researchers in this field are sure that someone in government knows a lot more than they're saying. He agreed. "So how can we get the truth to come out?" I asked. "I think that's pretty much up to THEM -- the aliens," he said. "They seem to show themselves when and where and to whom they want. I wish they would pick some people who really want to meet them, instead of a couple of fishermen in Pascagoula, Mississippi" -- referring to the famous 1973 abduction of Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker.

"Would you want to meet them, Gordon?" I asked. "Heck yes," he said. "I'd give them a good welcome."

I told him I didn't think we had to wait for the aliens to begin discussing the truth about what is known. Didn't the government already have a lot of information? What about Roswell, for example?

"Well, I'm pretty sure something was picked up at Roswell."

What about bodies?

"Maybe, yes. But I think there were better ones than Roswell," he said. "We got some live ones."

Live ones? Live aliens? Of course one hears all the rumors and wild tales. Did Gordon know for sure that there were some live aliens?

"I knew a guy who brought one in," he said.

What? Brought one in? What did that mean, exactly?

It was back in the mid-1950s, at White Sands Proving Ground in the middle of the New Mexico desert. His friend -- Gordon called him Moser, and said that Moser had passed away just a few years ago -- was a rocket scientist. He was working by himself on a rocket engine test bed, getting ready for a test the next day. Suddenly, without warning, he heard a voice say his name. He didn't know where it came from. He looked around, saw no one. The voice said his name again. "Then the voice said, 'Don't worry, I'm above you in a craft a few miles up.'"

Gordon said the voice belonged to a person who wanted Moser to provide lots of basic information about earth and humans, so that this visitor could begin to adjust to living here. An arrangement was struck whereby Moser would bring the visitor library books, the visitor would read them at incredible speed, then Moser would go get some more. On more than one occasion, Moser went aboard the visitor's craft. The visitor looked human enough to pass on the street, but he was not used to earth gravity and had a hard time breathing our air. It took him five years to acclimate to earth conditions. Then he started living on the surface. Moser stayed in close touch with him.

I asked Gordon if he ever met the visitor. "No. I hinted around again and again, but Moser never introduced us."

Where is the visitor now? Gordon said he doesn't know. The visitor learned to blend into human society and became a businessman, Moser said.

Why was the visitor here? Gordon said Moser told him the visitor's people had been in space a long time. They were a very old race, and their planet had died when their sun died. They didn't want to invade or change our society. They just wanted to live on solid ground. Earth took some getting used to, but Moser's visitor friend had adjusted well. Presumably there were many others, but Gordon didn't claim to know about that.

There had been another opportunity for him to meet aliens, but it fell through, he said. It was in 1972 or 1973, just after he left the space program. He was in touch with a group of people who were making contacts at Giant Rock in the Mojave Desert of California. There was to be an arrangement whereby Gordon and a small group of others could attend one of these contact events and even record it on film. The day before the scheduled event, there was a preliminary meeting where something went wrong. Gordon said he wasn't there and doesn't know exactly what happened; but it resulted in cancelling the next day's event. He had assumed he would see one or more craft and alien occupants up close, in daylight. He says he never saw any such thing.

But he speaks as one who knows -- to his own satisfaction, at least -- that a variety of alien types are visiting the earth. He says he's convinced that most of them are benevolent, although some may be unfriendly or even dangerous. He didn't seem too concerned about the negative types.

I asked him if he thought there had been any technology transfer. He said it was quite possible that the story told by Bob Lazar about saucers at a secret base in Nevada was true; and that wreckage had probably been recovered at Roswell and elsewhere. I asked him if he thought the rumors about a landing at Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico were true, and he said he thought perhaps they were.

Having previously learned of Gordon's friendly relations with the "Black" world of super-secrecy -- one of his business partners was formerly a top official in the Lockheed Skunk Works, and Gordon has worked from time to time with various intelligence agencies, including the CIA -- I have to assume that he knows far more than he would ever divulge to me, particularly in this kind of get-acquainted conversation.

Nonetheless, I found him remarkably open and willing to make quite amazing assertions. I'm convinced he really believes that aliens are here. That being the case, I'm glad he also seems convinced that most of our alien visitors are friendly.

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#### LIFE ON MARS: MORE LIKELY THAN NOT, SCIENTISTS SAY

[As reported in the Feb 1 issue of the Flash, Professor Stanley V. McDaniel, author of "The McDaniel Report," is currently urging NASA to give high priority to studying the Cydonia region of Mars during the next Mars exploratory mission, due to arrive in 1997. Cydonia contains the famous "Face on Mars," which some researchers regard as evidence of an ancient intelligent race on Mars. Meanwhile, a new book titled "Cosmic Voyage: A Scientific Discovery of Extraterrestrials Visiting Earth" by Courtney Brown, Ph.D., associate professor of political science at Emory University, claims that the author and others have used "scientific remote viewing" to verify that Mars was and is still inhabited by an advanced humanoid race. While Brown's claims are considered absurd by most scientists, and NASA officially denies that "the Face" could be artificial, it is nonetheless true that mainstream science now considers some form of life on Mars to be highly likely.

#### UFO ABDUCTIONS - THE TRUE STORY (VHS Video, Visual Corporation, 77 Oxford Street, LONDON W1R 1RB)

This is actually an American production by Lee Elders and Wendelle C. Stevens, based on a book by the latter, written in collaboration with William Herrmann, the alleged abductee. Ufologists will recall the reporting by Elders and Stevens in the controversial Willy Meier case.

The double-video (total running time 100 minutes) presents in its first section a reconstruction of Bill Herrmann's sightings and abduction, illustrated by still photographs and followed up by witness corroboration of the sightings, official disbelief and alleged harassment. The second cassette is mainly a videoed hypnosis session with the principal witness, who now considers himself a willing contactee, having encountered in his abduction five-fingered greys from Zeta Reticuli who have convinced him of their benevolence. It is not clear whether the hypnosis session is a live recording or another reconstruction.

Evidentially, the presentation is unconvincing. Photographs can never be accepted without validation and the female hypnotist shows little awareness of possible False Memory Syndrome. Technically the visuals are often of poor quality and the sound is continually struggling with high levels of background noise, inexplicably even in the hypnosis session; elsewhere, conducting interviews beside a busy US air base with an omni-directional microphone also makes for difficult hearing. In the final clip, the contactee has been 'guided' to a quarry, where he awaits expectantly the arrival of his Reticulan friends, which it is suggested will provide a new instalment of his story.

## UFO-RELATED HOMICIDE IN BRAZIL

By G. Cope Schellhorn  
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If this case is authentically UFO-related - and at this time I have no reason to believe it is not - then all of us are going to have to re-evaluate to one degree or another our tentative conclusions as to the possible specific intentions, moral perspectives and general agenda that some of our extraterrestrial visitors may have.

There have been rumors of homicidal, UFO-related, human mutilation cases for some time now but hard evidence has been lacking. Until, perhaps, now. Brazilian ufologist Encarnacion Zapata Garcia and Dr. Rubens Goes have recently presented a series of sensational photographs, obtained from police files which mimic the wounds of countless UFO-related animal mutilation cases that have been reported in Europe and North, Central and South America since the 1960s. On first glance they would seem to be ufology's worst nightmare.

What is more disturbing is that Brazilian ufologists and police have intimated that there may be at least a dozen or more cases similar to the recently uncovered Guarapiranga reservoir case. If this is true, it is somewhat doubtful that any of this potential new material will ever see the light of day, given the official attitudes now prevailing in Western power circles. But we can be grateful for fortuitous disclosures, and the Guarapiranga case and its accompanying photographs seem to be just that. A great stroke of luck, albeit a dismaying one. Obviously if the Guarapiranga data is legitimate, then it becomes increasingly difficult to maintain the position that all visitors are demonstrating a relatively friendly attitude toward humans, regardless of what their specific agenda(s) may be. The Guarapiranga situation indicates that there is at least one group of alien visitors to the planet who have a complete disdain for human sensibilities, who, in fact, could care less about the value of human life.

When I learned of the Guarapiranga case through Brazilian ufologist A.J. Gevaerd, who first published the related photos in his magazine UFO, my interest was stimulated and I quickly made plans for a trip to Brazil. In Sao Paulo I met Encarnacion Garcia at the home of well known ufologist Claudeir Covo and talked with her later at length. Then I traveled to Campo Grande and questioned Gevaerd. He was kind enough to supply me with second generation photographs (the best available) of the Guarapiranga reservoir victim having himself become thoroughly convinced that the evidence supporting the case was authentic and that the case was UFO-related. I came to the same conclusion because all other alternatives were neither supported by facts nor good logic, whereas the similarities to numerous cattle mutilations which I had studied in the United States were startling, exactly paralleling what I have seen many times before.

The specifics of the case are as follows:

Encarnacion Garcia learned from her friend, Dr. Rubens Goes, that he was in possession of some rather "odd" photos which had been given to him by his cousin, police technician, Rubens Sergio. These were official photos of a body that had been found near Guarapiranga reservoir on the 29th of September, 1988, of an unnamed male who was, however, later identified. The name of this man has been withheld from all media investigators, including UFO investigators, at the request of his relatives. After studying the photos, Encarnacion Garcia was impressed with how similar the wounds of the body were to those found on the carcasses of so many UFO-related mutilated animals, knowledge which the original investigating police officials and medical doctors involved with the case did not possess. Surprisingly, Dr. Cuenca, head of the primary investigation, offered his files on the case. This is the stroke of luck which I previously mentioned and for which we can all be thankful. These included the all-important autopsy description to which I will refer.

The initial police report, however, was not extraordinary in nature except for the recognition that the body, although extremely mutilated, had not met with unusual violence; that is, there were no signs of struggle or the application of bondage of any kind. It was the autopsy report itself which was most revealing, especially when we compare the remarks made there with what we have learned from animal mutilation cases elsewhere. It is imperative to remember, as I have stated previously, that the individuals conducting the autopsy had no knowledge of similar animal mutilation cases. This makes the official remarks of the report all the more revealing in retrospect.

Encarnacion Garcia received copies of seven photos. I have included the five most revealing ones here with a description and commentary. The work of the perpetrators of this atrocity; the kinds of cuts made, the precision of the cuts, the removal of whole internal organs through small apertures, the lack of bleeding, the failure of the body to smell or decompose rapidly: all these are hallmarks of UFO-related animal mutilations. These peculiarities would seem to rule out Satanists, revenge seekers or casual mutilators and go beyond even the capacities of a modern Jack the Ripper.

Photo #1: Face and upper torso photo. The body was in perfect condition. Rigor mortis had not set in and it was estimated that the victim had been killed approximately 48 to 72 hours previously. There were no signs of animal predation or putrefaction which might be expected. Strangely, there was no odor to the cadaver. Bleeding from the wounds had been minimal. The black coloration found in the face area and in other places within the photo is partly due to low light exposure when this photo and others were taken. It is also partly due to coagulated blood in the wound areas.

As can clearly be seen, flesh and lips have been excised around the mandibles, as is common in cattle and other animal mutilations, the autopsy report noted that "the eyes and ears were also removed and the mouth cavity was emptied." Removal of these body parts, including the tongue as here, is common enough in animal mutilation cases.

As Encarnacion Garcia rightly recognized, if a comparison of the victim with animal mutilation cases is made, "You can see they are the same - and that is also the conclusion of experienced doctors." The doctors drew their conclusion only after they had been shown photographs of similar animal mutilation cases, cases with which they were not previously familiar.

The autopsy report states: "There has been a removal of extensive tissue along many parts of the face, head and neck of the victim... There has also been extraction of ocular tissue, eyes, auditive internal and external organs (ears) and entire parts of the head. The tongue and several muscles were also extracted."

The kinds of cuts on the cadaver are what we have come to expect in UFO-related animal mutilation cases. Of primary interest is their precision. The "surgery" (or butchery, if you will) was done with agility and care and probably with speed. The lack of profuse bleeding suggests the use of a laser-like instrument producing acute heat, thus cauterizing almost immediately the edge of the wounds. This is a speculation on my part, however, although there are numerous precedents. Many of the cases studied by Dr. John Altshuler in the United States exhibit this kind of high heat, rapid surgery. Whether it would still be possible to test fragments of the flesh from the victim's wound areas is doubtful. Suffice it to say the wounds appear to be exact replicas of cases studied by Dr. Altshuler, Tom Adams, Bob Pratt, Ted Oliphant, Linda Howe, Colman VonKeviczky and myself.

Photo #2: Face and upper torso with arms outstretched. Perhaps it is best to begin here with several quotes from the autopsy report. "The axillary regions on both sides showed soft spots where organs had been removed. Incisions were made on the face, internal thorax, abdomen, legs, arms, and chest." As Garcia observed, the doctors stated that these wounds were quite uncommon. The report also observes, "Shoulders and arms have perforations of 1 to 1.5 inches in diameter where tissue and muscles were extracted. The edges of the perforations were uniform and so was their size. The chest had shrunk due to the removal of internal organs."

In other words, internal organs were removed or sucked somehow through these small circular incisions. Why such a technique? Some doctors today are using a similar method to remove diseased tissue and organs from their human subjects - but this kind of procedure injures those organs in the process. Did the "surgeons" who worked on this victim care whether the organs were injured or not? What kind of specimens were they looking for? What kind of research is this? Wouldn't it be easier and more medically expedient to abduct a human specimen and study it live, including its anatomy and physiology, in a properly equipped laboratory? It would appear that the perpetrators of this act did not care if the man's life was lost nor did they care if the body were found. Here we have strong indication of a total disregard for the specimen and, by extension, for human life in general. The body was left as trash. What does this say about the perpetrators and their attitudes?

The photo clearly shows the symmetrical holes in the man's arms. One arm clearly shows the sunken area near the perforation clearly, demonstrating where muscle has been extracted. The shrunken chest area also indicates a similar process of internal extractions. It is significant that the police and medical examiners were convinced the holes found in the head, arms, stomach, anus and legs were not produced by bullet wounds.

Photo #3: Close up of the left side of the victim's head. Here we see that the ear is cleanly excised. As the report states, "auditive internal and external" matter was removed. The photo does not show the small holes discovered in the cranium. These were detected, however, by the medical examiners. How much, if any, of the brain tissue was removed is not stated.

Photo #4: Close up of lower torso including thighs. The stretcher, pants and cord that are visible belonged to the rescue team. The autopsy report continues, "You also find the removal of the belly button leaving a 1.5 inch hole in the abdomen and a depressed abdominal cavity showing the removal of the intestines." Brazilian doctors who later viewed the evidence were left nonplused by the hole in the umbilical area where, it appeared, "a great amount of internal organs were extracted. The edge of the hole was perfect and shows a precision cut. Also, the abdominal area of the body was very shrunken because of organ removal." The original autopsy report notes that "the scrotum was also removed by a 3 x 1.5 cm. elliptical incision." Strangely, the penis itself was left intact although it appeared to have been stretched to about twice its normal length. Why excise the scrotum without taking the penis? Human logic is defied by such actions. We are aware, however, of the great similarity here with other animal mutilation cases, particularly female cattle where it is not unusual to see anus, teats, vagina and uterus extracted. But why exactly this is done is as big a mystery as who the exact perpetrators are, although there is enough strong circumstantial evidence to implicate UFO involvement.

The hole in the left leg duplicates in size the umbilical hole and the arm hole previously discussed. In the words of the autopsy report, "It was an... elliptical incision of about 3 x 1.5 cm...The penis was stretched and had no signs of being cut. The testicles were extracted with a precision cut." Rather startling is the lack of pubic hair, as if the victim had been readied for surgery.

Early on in the investigation, Brazilian official investigators considered the possibility that the castration of the victim was an act of revenge. They soon rejected this theory, however, because it could not account for the remaining wounds and the other peculiarities related to the body. What is more, revenge seekers who castrate usually excise the penis, not just the scrotum.

Photo #5: Victim lying on his stomach. The autopsy report specifies: "Removal of the anus and a hole between the second and third toes...The anal orifice of the victim was extracted with a large incision about 3 by 6 inches in diameter. The rectum and other internal parts of the human

discharge system were also removed. It is probable that even some of the internal organs of the man could have been removed through this incision."

What is most compelling about the anal incision and the extraction of anal and digestive tract tissue is that it is a carbon copy of the surgery we have seen in so many UFO-related animal mutilation cases. Are we supposed to believe a revengeful human or a group of Satanists are capable of such precise, difficult, surgical techniques/procedures which leave even medical professionals perplexed as to how they could have been done? I think not. Has the Brazilian and/or American government staged a little demonstration at the Guarapiranga reservoir to frighten UFO investigators and the general public into fearing all extraterrestrial contact? In other words, are we faced with a gruesome, carefully orchestrated display of misinformation? Possibly, but probably not, and my reasons for believing this are several.

First, it would seem a fortuitous turn of events that ufologist Encarnacion Zapata Garcia had the right friend(s) in the right places at the right time. If our government, and presumably the Brazilian government, has kept a lid on similarly sensational material in the past - and I have no doubt there is more than ample evidence supporting such a contention - here we have an accidental bubble that has, against all odds, escaped the pot. It is our good fortune, you might say.

The photos are definitely causing a stir; causing many people, including some UFO investigators, to do some new thinking. But the powers that control lids will be carefully double-checking in the near future to make sure the pot is as secure as possible. Thus I would not get my hopes up that additional homicidal, UFO-related human mutilation cases and graphic photographs accompanying them will surface in the near future.

Do we have any precedents to the Guarapiranga case? Yes, we do. At least one good example and the rumors of possibly another. The case of Sgt. Jonathan P Louette, who was stationed at White Sands Missile Test Range in 1956 and whose mutilated body was found on the Range three days after an Air Force major had witnessed his abduction by a "disk shaped" object, bears a striking resemblance to the Guarapiranga situation. Louette's genitals had been removed, his rectum cored out with surgical precision and his eyes excised in a manner quite similar to the incisions made upon our Guarapiranga victim. And then there is the rumor of the Texas mutilation case which occurred - and was quickly hushed up - in the mid '60s. I have had verification of the legitimacy of this by two intelligence agency personnel, one active and one retired, but have not had time to investigate further.

At present, the rumors of human body parts found on at least one crashed UFO in the 1940s, body parts found in a barn in the state of Oregon several years ago or the rumor of a mutilated Vietnam War B-52 crew will have to remain just that - rumors, until the lid accidentally, albeit infrequently, comes ajar again and we have some solid evidence. But there is no denying that the Guarapiranga reservoir case has taken us far beyond rumor. The evidence is unmistakable and it is sobering. On the one hand, it points stunningly in a UFO-related direction. On the other hand, the wisest course might be to let our extraterrestrial visitors demonstrate their friendliness before jumping to conclusions about their philanthropy and opening the door too wide. After all, Little Red Riding Hood, nine times out of ten, is no match for the wolf at the door.

We have seen in the past, especially in Brazil, many cases where human beings have been attacked by UFOs and their occupants. This is an undeniable reality that many researchers do not want to face. The Fenomeno Chupa-Chupa or "Suck-Suck" phenomenon which occurred in the Amazon and northeastern part of the country in the '70s and '80s produced hundreds of injured people and ultimately some fatalities. These mostly impoverished people were usually attacked by small probes (3-6 inches in diameter), probably unmanned, little UFOs which emitted strong, burning beams of light. Many of the victims suffered not only burns but a significant loss of blood (thus the "suck-suck" appellation) during their encounters. Some, such as Luiz Fernandes Barroso, suffered appreciable mental as well as physical incapacitation. Barroso's mind was reduced to that of a two-year-old long before his death.

In North America, reports of brutal manhandling by UFO occupants are much rarer. If homicidal, UFO-related human mutilations have taken place they have either gone unrecognized for what they really are or have been adeptly covered up by official intervention. Whatever the truth may be, the Guarapiranga reservoir case and the startling photos which accompany it should give us pause for thought. I, like ufologist editor A.J. Gevaerd, came to the conclusion after reviewing the evidence that UFO-related mutilators were most probably the perpetrators of the abominations revealed by the photographs of the Guarapiranga reservoir victim. And I believe Gevaerd is probably right when he says most extraterrestrial visitors seem neutral in their attitudes towards Earth and earth humans, some are friendly and some could care less. We had better learn, I think, to discern the differences. It might in the long run save our world culture and our very lives.

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#### CORRIGENDUM

In a previous issue we stated that NASA had not released photographs taken by the Clementine moon mission. We now learn that such photographs have in fact now been released.

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## THE SYMBOLOGY OF THE CIRCLES

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by Gordon Millington

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It was quite some time before I began to think the crop circle phenomenon might conceivably hold some sort of message for humanity. At first I simply put it down to rustic revelry after closing time in the village local, but when it became so widespread that one would have had to assume an epidemic of inebriated agriculturalists to explain it, I was glad to hear that Science, in the form of Terence Meaden, had produced a satisfactory explanation. It was not until I found people like John Michell taking it seriously that I began to think there might be more to it than merely the adolescent antics of people like Doug and Dave.

The phenomenon began, as we all remember, by just producing circles, and the circle can, of course, always be seen as a symbol of infinity:

"I saw Eternity the other night,  
Like a great ring of pure and endless light .."

wrote the 17th century mystic Henry Vaughan. When the circles began to appear in groups denoting Celtic and other types of cross, including the remarkable swastika at Winterbourne Stoke which was the climax of 1989 formations, it became increasingly probable that attention was being directed to matters spiritual. Successive years saw the appearance of intricate pictograms which served at least to destroy the plasma vortex hypothesis, though no indisputable meanings could be assigned to them. Perhaps they were merely intended to provoke discussion, an aim they certainly did achieve.

When dowsers and sensitives began to study the less tangible elements of the pictograms, many were judged to have aesthetic appeal and wholesome attributes but others seemed to possess precisely opposite qualities. If the phenomenon had begun by sending us messages from "Goodies", we wondered, was it now the case that "Baddies" were getting into the act too? Were they perhaps the inspiration behind the actions of the hoaxers, who also seemed to wish to discredit and disrupt this new apocalypse? No one could be sure what was really happening, and many conflicting views were put forward.

Much time and energy were spent by cereologists in attempting to discover how the circles were made, and the far more important question of why seemed to slip into the background. Though we obviously would have liked to know what agency executed the figures in the corn and what mechanism was employed, the identity of their Designer would have been a much more important discovery, if indeed any such inference could or yet can be made.

Perhaps there never was nor can be any single objective statement that can satisfactorily encapsulate the mysteries in the corn; perhaps there can only be subjective interpretations valid only for the individuals who make them. Thus it is that for me the nature and significance of the whole circle phenomenon is finally subsumed in two remarkable pictograms with which the 1991 season came to an end, separated as they were by only five weeks and some eighty miles.

The Barbury Castle figure of July 17th was a geometrical demonstration of static linear relationships between real numbers in two dimensions, while the August 12th Ickleton representation of a Mandelbrot set refers to a dynamic algebraic derivation of non-linear relationships between a set of complex numbers in a fractional dimension.

The two, by their contrast and order of creation, seem to point a way forwards from the stasis of established classical order typified by the Euclidean structures of Barbury, to the dissolution of that order into apparent chaos which in the Mandelbrot can ultimately be resolved into a new order through the Feigenbaum sequence of bifurcations. It is of course significant that the Mandelbrot itself is the product of the iterative application of a simple function to the complex number field, which itself extends on all four axes out to infinity.

So we are, then, back to where we started - the process has come full circle, bringing us back to Vaughan's vision of eternity.

After that, what more can be said?

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## **Stunned driver stops his car to view UFO**

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A UFO sighting near Coxbridge Roundabout on Tuesday sounds like something out of The X-Files.

But a Farnham man, who does not wish to be named for fear of being ridiculed, insists he saw something that was not of this planet.

He was travelling from a friend's house in Bentley towards Farnham at about 8.30pm when he saw a shaft of throbbing white light hovering above the Water Meadows, with flashing red, orange and green lights around the edge.

He was so stunned by what he saw that he stopped his car to get a better look, but as soon as he did the lights shot off sideways and disappeared.

On arriving home he told his wife what had happened and she decided to contact The Herald.

A spokesman for RAF Odiham said that no sightings had been reported to them, but suggested The Herald contact the Ministry of Defence.

Squadron Leader Tony Cowan, from the MoD Press Office, said: "We are interested in these sightings but we only investigate them if the United Kingdom is directly threatened.

"I am not aware of any threat from outer space on Tuesday and I did not hear of any Mekons landing near Farnham."

## CIRCLE SICKNESS

. . . . . Does Wilhelm Reich's "Oranur" Disaster Help Explain Mystery?

by Simon Burton  
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There seems to be growing doubt in the collective consciousness of cereologists as to whether crop circles are always safe places to be. This may just be a backlash against an initial euphoria or it may be wisdom born of maturity.

Reports of negative effects have ranged from the psychological - feelings of panic, oppressiveness, general unease - through to the physiological - aches, pains, headaches, nausea etc. My own reaction to a 'bad' circle is usually a lingering ache in one leg, although I have twice now had the alarming experience of waking up 'the morning after' to find a square grid of clearly defined circular welts caused by broken blood vessels on my back. Fortunately such physical symptoms seem to be rare. Most physical effects seem to be limited to equipment malfunctions, 'gremlins' etc.

There is a well-documented precedent for many anomalous ill-effects similar to 'circle sickness' to be found in the records of the 'Oranur Experiment' of Dr. Wilhelm Reich in the early 1950s. They are well worth reading, and have the benefit of being entirely consistent with the 'Orgone Hypothesis' of circle formation.

The disastrous Oranur Experiments - so named because they set Orgone Radiation (OR) Against Nuclear Radiation (NR), were conducted at Reich's ranch in Orgonon, Maine with the stated aim of proving whether a degree of immunity against nuclear radiation in living creatures could be achieved by prior exposure to concentrated orgone energy. However, before beginning the experiment proper Reich decided to run a preliminary experiment to explore the effects of orgone energy on radioactive material itself. On January 5, 1951, Reich began the fateful experiment by placing just one milligram of radium, in lead shielding, inside a powerful twenty-fold orgone accumulator. He intended to see if the accumulator could neutralize the effects of the radium as compared to a control sample. In fact something entirely opposite happened.

After five hours the gauges on the laboratory's Geiger-Muller counter persistently jammed when brought near to the accumulator, showing that the radiation count in the room was more than the meter could measure, and an oppressive feeling of heaviness with symptoms of headaches and nausea built up in the laboratory to such an extent that all work had to cease. Reich, who, lest one forget, was a qualified medical doctor by training, listed some of the typical symptoms of the 'Oranur Sickness' experienced by himself and colleagues as: malaise; pressure in head, chest etc.; cramps and twitching of muscles and other organs; hot and cold shivers; fatigue; return of old or latent disease symptoms; inflammation of conjunctivae; dryness of throat; severe thirst. More severe symptoms included chronic fatigue and fainting spells. Typically each person was attacked at their point of greatest weakness.

However, Reich was not psychologically suited to giving up easily, and unwisely persisted with the experiment for a further six days. By this time the atmosphere in the laboratory had become clouded with a purple haze and many of Reich's staff and family were in states of seriously distressed health. Finally, sick to the pit of his stomach and dizzy, Reich gave up and buried the orgone-charged radium in a field half a mile from the laboratory. Reich had all the accumulators on the site dismantled and banned all radioactive materials, even down to luminous watch dials, from the vicinity.

It was not enough. By March 1952 Orgonon was evacuated. Ludicrously high GM counts persisted and trees in the area were reported to be bending over 'like rubber hoses' and covered with strange blackish deposits which came to be known as 'melanor'. During this period the laboratories were frequently overflowed by what some would now call Unknown Aerial Phenomena, but what were then called flying saucers, and plagued by equipment gremlins.

Much of the above has a familiar ring to it. Some, perhaps all, of the symptoms of Oranur sickness seem similar to 'Circle Sickness'. The description of trees bending over like rubber hoses must also strike a chord of familiarity. Indeed Wilhelm Reich's son Peter in his autobiographical 'Book of Dreams' describes once finding on his father's ranch 'a big place in the grass we hadn't mowed where it was all matted down'. When giving the explanation that that must be where a deer had been sleeping, his companion comments, 'She must have been a pretty big one'. Sounds familiar? (Incidentally, I once tried to [question] Peter Reich on the similarity of what he saw to modern-day circles, but received only a non-committal reply - perhaps the persecution of his father by the authorities has made him understandably wary.)

As to the 'melanor' - Peter Sorenson described finding something remarkably similar in the Cherhill pictogram in August 1993. Analysis by Dr. Levengood describes it as being an 'extremely unusual' glaze of partially fused magnetic spheres, each a fraction of a millimetre across, of iron and oxygen.

So, should we avoid crop circles? I think we should at least treat them respectfully as potentially harmful to health. Reich came to believe that in an atmosphere of concentrated orgone radiation, which is basically the 'stuff of life', even minuscule amounts of nuclear radiation have the effect of causing the orgone in living systems to turn against itself. It is not the nuclear radiation that destroys, but the effect it has of turning healthy orgone into DOR, deadly orgone, attacking each living system at its point of greatest weakness, that does the damage. Hence 'Circle Sickness' may not necessarily manifest in the same way in two different people, or in the same person at different times. Perhaps I am just getting cautious as I get older, but personally I have made the decision for the moment not to foolishly rush in 'where Angels fear to tread'.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: In answer to a question on claims of "crop circle sickness" from CNI News, researcher Linda Howe responds: "The crop circle sickness issue has come up periodically since at least 1990 or 1991 when several people complained. Four of us inside Cherhill [see above] all developed the same tight band of very dull headache at the same time in 1993. Dr. Levengood is convinced that microwaves are part of the energy [that forms crop circles], combined with a plasma. Would such an energy have a residual affect on us after it's created the formation? I don't think anyone has a clear answer yet.

[Amid widespread claims of crop circle fakery, there are also claims that some people experience strange, sometimes painful physiological effects upon entering a crop circle, effects that seem highly unlikely if the circle were made by human pranksters. CNI News acknowledges Stuart Dike and the Crop Circle Connector, an online information service based in England, for this story.]

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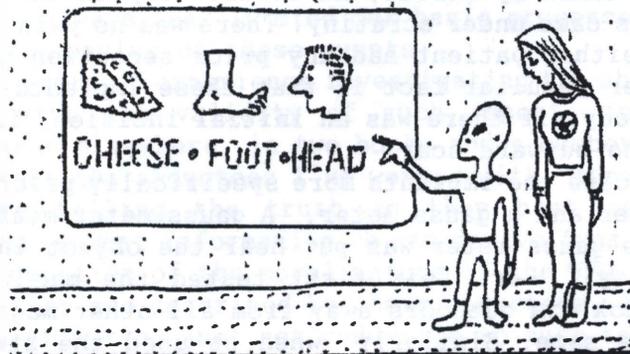
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OH! WELL DONE ZOG!!

#### READERS WRITE

I have recently been very surprised by the open mindedness of many people of all ages on the UFO Phenomenon. After finding out that one of my friends had told other friends and a teacher at my school about my interest in aerial phenomena, I was shocked when others took a real interest in the matter and did not mock me, as most used to. I feel programmes such as the X-files and the Roswell incident are really showing the public that the Phenomenon needs unbiased, scientific research. - EWAN ROSS

SURGEON TELLS FIRST RESULTS OF IMPLANT ANALYSIS  
Sims, Leir Say They Might Have Hard Evidence of Abduction  
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This story summarizes information presented by hypnotherapist Derrel Sims and physician Roger Leir at a public meeting in Thousand Oaks, California on February 23, 1996, sponsored by the local chapter of MUFON (the Mutual UFO Network). Acknowledgement to ISCNI\*FLASH.

by Debra L. Lindemann  
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Dr. Roger Leir is a California surgeon who has removed what may be actual alien implants from two people brought to him by hypno-anesthesia therapist and abduction researcher Derrel Sims of Houston, Texas. Sims was the main speaker at a MUFON meeting on Feb 23 but turned the podium over to Dr. Leir for the medical part of the presentation.

On August 19, 1995, several alleged "implants" were surgically removed from two abductees who have been working with Sims. If preliminary findings are confirmed by further laboratory testing, these implants might provide hard evidence that the abduction phenomenon is a reality.

Dr. Leir removed a total of three objects, two from one patient and one from a second patient. Both specimens in the first patient, a woman, were located in her large toe, one on each side of the toe. The third object was removed from the back of the left hand of the second patient, a man, slightly above the web area between the thumb and the index finger.

According to Sims, these people were originally unaware that they had the implants. The objects were accidentally discovered on x-rays taken for unrelated reasons. At the time, these individuals were seeing Derrel, as there were indications that they had a history of abduction. After extensive interviews were taken by Derrel, he ordered copies of their medical records and these objects came under scrutiny. There was no pain associated with these implants, and neither patient had any prior sensation of foreign objects in the body. Another peculiar fact is that these implants also left no sign of entry into the body; if there was an initial incision, it healed so perfectly that there was no outward scar.

To help locate the implants more specifically prior to surgery, Dr. Leir used a stud finder and a gauss meter. A gauss meter measures electromagnetic fields. When the gauss meter was put near the object in the man's hand, the meter "went crazy." Dr. Leir first tested the man with the gauss meter indoors, then took him outdoors away from all other magnetic influences. The results were the same. Similarly, when he used the stud finder, it lit up brightly over the man's hand, so they knew there was something there.

Prior to the surgery, both individuals received a type of local anesthetic which would normally anesthetize the area of surgery for up to six hours. While Dr. Leir was searching within the woman's toe for the first implant, he accidentally touched the object and the patient "almost jumped off the table." Dr. Leir explained that the only time a surgeon gets this type of pain reaction under anesthesia is when something, in this case the object, is in close proximity to a nerve fibre. This is because the nerve fibre arouses the sensation of pain directly in the patient's brain, outside of the field of anesthesia. This happened in all three spots with both patients. When the objects were extracted, both patients had the same painful response. Dr. Leir concluded that these objects were somehow attached to nerves.

The first object removed was flat and approximately triangular in shape, about half a centimeter on each side. Though metallic inside, it was covered

with a thick, dense gray membrane. Dr. Leir tried to cut into the membrane with a scalpel, but couldn't.

When foreign objects have been in the human body for a long time, they get covered with a dense fibrous coating, but usually such material can be scraped off with a blade. In this case, however, the membrane was nearly impossible to remove. A similar coating was found on all three objects.

Derrel Sims took the implants back to Houston for further analysis, while Dr. Leir sent samples of surrounding tissue to a local pathologist. When the objects were taken out, Dr. Leir had noticed that the tissue around them was a discolored gray tone, not the color normally seen in tissue inflammation surrounding a foreign object. He received three reports back from the pathologist, one for each of the tissue samples. He was excited to see that none of the samples showed any signs of inflammation.

Normally there is an inflammation response to any foreign object in the body. This results from white blood cell activity in the area, attempting to rid the body of what it considers garbage that doesn't belong there. If the object is something soft, like a splinter, the body is able to disintegrate it and take it away one piece at a time. If the body can't remove the foreign object, it does the next best thing. Thousands of cells join together in a process called differentiation, changing form and surrounding the object to wall it off and separate it from the rest of the body. Any type of foreign object placed in the body -- whether by accident, such as a splinter, or something surgically inserted by a doctor -- will show this type of inflammation. So it was extremely strange that the pathology reports on these objects showed no inflammatory cells at all.

Similarly strange was the discovery that in the tissue around each implant, there were numerous nerve endings that didn't belong there. None of the investigators could say why these nerve endings were there, but it suggests the possibility that the implants act as some kind of monitoring device through attachment to the nervous system.

When Derrel Sims got the objects back to Houston, his first test was to expose them to ultraviolet light. He found that they all glowed brilliant fluorescent green. Derrel has found in his research with abductees that patches of some substance, invisible to the naked eye but fluorescent under black light, sometimes show up on the abductee's body following an abduction. He suspects that whatever this substance is, it could result from direct physical contact with the body of the abductor. With this in mind, he said he was not surprised to see that the three removed objects were fluorescent.

Later, Derrel dried out the three objects, and the membranes surrounding them became brittle. He was then able to scrape some of the membrane material off and send it back to Dr. Leir for analysis. After scraping off the brittle membrane, he found a highly magnetic, metallic, shiny black material inside.

When Dr. Leir received the three different scrapings of the membrane coatings from Derrel Sims, he sent them out to three separate pathologists. When the reports came back, it turned out that the main ingredient in this very tough membrane was something simply made from blood. In this bloody mass were some brown granules. The pathologists did an iron stain test and found that these brown granules were made of oxygen-carrying pigment from human red blood cells. Besides this, they also found a material called keratin, which comprises the outer layers of human skin, hair and fingernails.

Dr. Leir pointed out that if medical science could figure out how to duplicate this membrane, we would solve one of the biggest problems in medicine, that of transplant rejection. The membrane around the objects was apparently composed of material from the patients' own bodies BEFORE the objects were inserted. If we knew how to do this, we could put almost anything into the human body and have absolutely no rejection.

Leir and Sims illustrated the structure of one of the implants taken from the woman's toe. When first removed, it was flat and triangular. When the

outer membrane was removed, inside were two separate pieces of shiny black metal, tightly joined together in the shape of a "T". Apparently only the membrane itself held these two metal pieces in alignment.

On February 22, the first preliminary lab reports came back on the metal itself. Leir and Sims both said they would await the final reports before announcing any details. They stressed that they had sent the samples for testing to highly specialized labs and had not indicated anything about where the samples came from. Dr. Leir told the Thousand Oaks audience that the preliminary findings are "mind-boggling," and that the first metallurgist simply said: "Wow, you guys really found something here." Dr. Leir stated that as soon as they get final reports from all three labs, they will make their findings public. "I think you're watching history," he said in conclusion.

Prior to working with Derrel Sims on this project, Dr. Leir had been an occasional consultant for MUFON, but had not been deeply involved. Now, he says, this project "has literally changed my life."

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Although this magazine is the publication of the Surrey Investigation Group on Aerial Phenomena, this is an honourable mention for the group as a thank you to Gordon Millington who allowed me to reprint his article on Zecharia Sitchin's work. The organization SIGAP has been in existence for thirty years now and has produced its own magazine Pegasus for the last twenty five years. So as you can see it is quite an established group. SIGAP offer an associate membership of six pounds which will cover an annual cost of the magazine. The magazine always offer a wide diversity of articles and is well worth a read, it is in my opinion one of the best UFO magazines produced by any group and should be somewhere near the top of your reading list.

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THE KIND WORDS ABOVE come from the first issue of the newly launched DRAGON WATCH, the official magazine of the Welsh Federation of Independent Ufologists, edited by SIGAP Associate Member Anthony Barcello. Copies at £2.00 are available from 29 Ovington Terrace, Llandaff, Cardiff. CF5 1GF.

Together with articles on Billy Meier, Area 51 etc., it contains a list of Welsh UFO groups and an article by Margret Fry, doyenne of Welsh ufology, exhorting them all to co-operate in researches. The one on Z.Sitchin is rather good, too!

This new venture is thoroughly deserving of support, and is in no way narrowly nationalistic. Here's to the second issue!

