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UFO believer to reveal his alien nation

YOU don't have to be a rocket scientist to work out Stanton Friedman.

His piercing eyes bore out from a truck-sized billboard screaming "UFOs — Book Now".

Videos, books and a CD-ROM spread the gospel the 64-year-old is preaching around Australia.

After working in the US trying to make rockets run on nuclear power, Mr Friedman changed jobs.

For the past 31 years he has been selling the message UFOs are real.

He's an evangelist, and the crusade comes to Dallas Brooks Hall on August 21.

It's a job that has taken him around the world.

He's been on US talk shows and isn't beyond

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posing with models of little green men — or providing expertise to TV's *The X Files*.

Mr Friedman doesn't even mind that he's never seen a UFO.

"I haven't seen neutrons and gamma rays. I haven't seen Tokyo," he said yesterday.

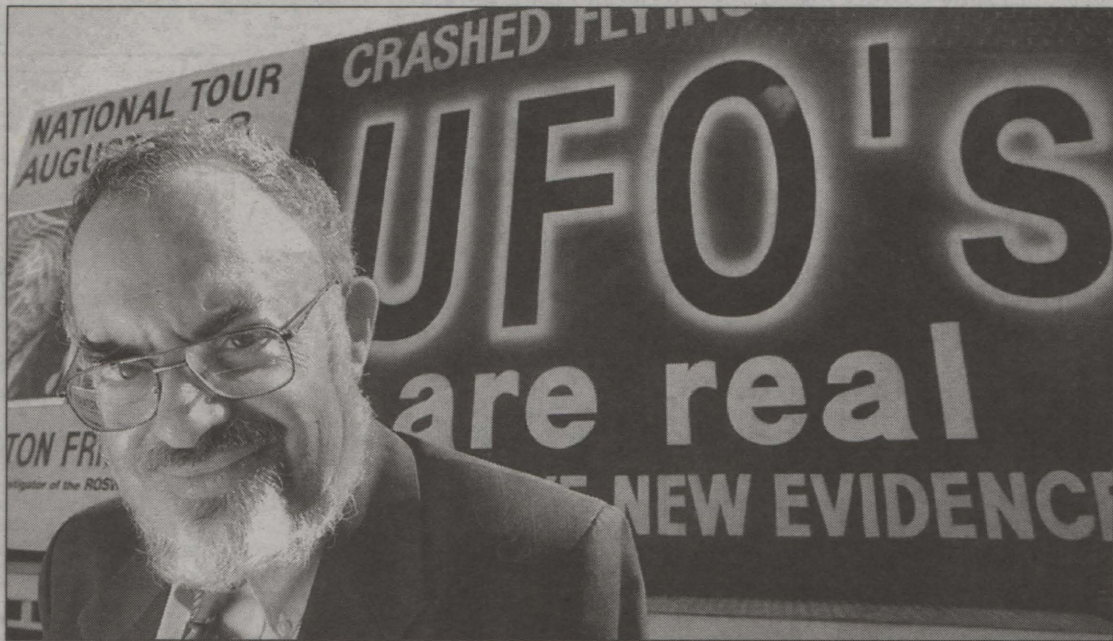
"When you get the same stories again and again, it's not baloney.

"I think there's a ton of data out there.

"I'm dealing with the biggest story of the millennium and it's treated like Alice's tea party."

According to Mr Friedman, the evidence includes about six UFOs and several dead aliens.

He suspects the US



True believer: scientist Stanton Friedman is convinced UFOs exist. Picture: PAUL RILEY

learned from the wreckage, enough to make a noise but not enough to build a UFO.

"It's like giving Christopher Columbus a nuclear submarine and an unlimited budget and telling him to build three

more. He couldn't," he said.

As well as wrecked ships and aliens, he says thousands of physical traces of UFO visits have been documented.

Mr Friedman was the first civilian to investi-

gate the celebrated Roswell incident, where the US military allegedly recovered two wrecked flying saucers.

The US Government explained them as the wrecks of high-altitude balloons.

But Mr Friedman has his own ideas and says that, in 1947, Roswell in New Mexico was of keen interest to aliens.

He says it was the only place at the time with V2 rockets, nuclear bombs and high-powered radar.