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Re: Peter Brookesmith on Tectonic Strain Theory

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The Duke's compliments to Grumpy Scrooge & all...

> From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
> Subject: Re: UFO Update Re: Peter Brookesmith again ...
> To: updates@globalserve.net (UFO UpDates - Toronto)
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The only point I think I need take up is this:

> With all the nitpicking about definitions of jargon and who said
> what and where, the bottom line is that statistical studies cannot be
> used to support a "mysterious mechanism" that can evolve from seismic
> energy, piezoelectricity and plasma discharges in the atmosphere.

Not that one, anyway, if it is as flawed as you say. However, it seems to me entirely beside the point to hammer on about Dr P's "classic paper" now, when other studies since have shown a relationship, a correlation or what have you between lights and seismic events. Because Dr P was wrong first time doesn't wipe out the results of other ways of investigating his proposal. That's what you didn't address when responding to John Powell and that's what irritated me. Just as it irritates me when you drag in ancient dowsings long since abandoned (and hardly furtively) by the Dragon Project. I *still* have the impression you are not up-to-date when you complain about the "methodology" (i.e. methods). Dr P's scattergun has long since been abandoned, too (as in the Welsh research mentioned by Paul).

And I'm sufficiently impressed by what I know is "in the pipeline" to think *some* UFOs are caused by *some* kind of natural light phenomenon *somehow* caused by tectonic events (or *some* of them), at least probably. And, as every academic paper thirsting after more grant dollars ever said, "more research is needed".

Well, shitfire and don't pass the matches, of course I could be mistaken in my judgement. I do have a few human bits left under the scales, tho' I try not to let the ladies see them.

Otherwise we appear to agree sufficiently on matters of principle not to continue our side of the argy bargy in this place at this time.

Hmm. Have to think about a review copy. Might cost me. Ole Sasquatch knows how I never pay my round. Because getting expenses past Mrs Goldberg at the Embassy is such a damn pain, that's why.

best
P. Mendoza Blandsmirk

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