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> > Although some people speculate the circles are the imprints left by  
> > alien landing craft, more plausible explanations include human  
> > pranksters and a natural phenomema called ion plasma vortices, which are  
> > brief, intense flashes of microwave energy that are drawn toward the  
> > Earth by magnetic fields.

> I couldn't find a single valid physics reference to  
> "ion plasma vortices", which, based on the description above,  
> I frankly find much harder to accept than ET UFOs. One wonders where  
> they came up with this.

> Mark Cashman

This is the "solution" to crop circles pushed by Dr. W. C. Leavengood of the Pinelandia Biophysical Laboratory of Grass Lake, MI. Although he's done a lot of good work in examining peculiarities of bent-over stems from numerous crop-circle formations in the past 5 years, and identifying anomalies that can't be hoaxed, it seems totally wacky to assume that some natural phenomenon labeled "ion plasma vortices" caused all those intricate patterns (hoaxes excepted) and prefers England and didn't start operating until around the 1970s. He ought to call it "UFOs" instead, and be done with it. But by calling the source mechanism "ion plasma vortices" he has been able to publish a few papers about it in peer reviewed journals. One is in *Physiologia Plantarum* 92 (1994), pp. 356-363.

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