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### Re: Corso and 'Alien' Transistors

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>I am going to read that article, but I would be very very  
>surprised if it said that transistor technology was under  
>development in the war years. For one thing the name  
>transistor was invented at the same time as the invention  
>itself. Furthermore, a transistor was not difficult to make  
>at all, so there was no need for a years long development  
>effort. The transistor was simply a good idea. Once the  
>idea was there, the device could be made by using standard  
>components and equipment.

>> "Then, in reexamining a different failed experiment carried out in  
>> connection with the study of trapping levels, they made a remarkable  
>> discovery." (snip)

>OK, that could have spurred the invention. But it could be  
>disinformation as well that is now taken for truth.  
>I have stated my reasons before why I think the Corso/AC  
>scenario is a plausible one. If asked, I will elaborate on it.

>However, to determine what was really going on, I would suggest  
>that we simply need more precise data.

>James Easton started to present some information about the costs  
>and the duration of the transistor project. James, would you  
>- PLEASE! - look this up and present the exact dates, the  
>exact costs and supply as many names and locations as you can find.

>> "The invention of the bipolar point-contact transistor followed.  
>> It was demonstrated to management on 23 December 1947."

>>As I mentioned, I have not read Corso's book yet, but five months  
>>between the Roswell event and a working transistor model based on  
>>advanced alien technology is an awfully short time, coupled with  
>>the idea that transistor concepts were being explored twenty years  
>>prior to 1947.

>As I said, once the idea of the transistor was there, it could be  
>made from standard components and equipment. A few months would  
>indeed be enough.

As noted, there is a fairly good paper trail that follows the development  
(or at least the alleged development) of semi-conductor technology in the

world. But the source recently quoted indicated that a significant date in the transistor's history was late in 1947, and this could have nothing to do with the alleged actions of Corso in 1960-61 while assigned to the Pentagon.

How many here can remember that the power of one's portable radio was measured by the number of transistor's it had on the circuit board? There was feeling of pride (or was it perhaps power) one felt when you realized that your radio had nine transistors, while all your friend's radios had only six or seven transistors. It was part of the advertising scheme used in the U.S. to sell radios in the late 50's, which means transistors were in commercial production long before Corso allegedly began his "seeding" project.

Integrated circuits, on the other hand, weren't available commercially until the mid to late '60s.

I would suspect that it would be nearly impossible to retro-engineer a device of alien origin, unless one understood the concepts that were being used by its technology. One would have to develop the science to support the concepts and integrate with with our current knowledge base. This would then allow for further understanding of it works. On the other hand, if the technology wasn't all that "alien", one might be able to develop a quicker understanding of how to make better use of existing concepts.

But I wouldn't expect to find too much of a paper trail to prove anything. I would doubt that any scientist or engineer involved would admit that they were visited by some guy who had a few really great ideas on how to make their electronics much smaller and use less power. Even if it was true, most would have developed their own rationalized story as to how it was conceived.

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