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Subject: Re: Early Warning System

Hello Michael.

I would be happy to tell you where I got that piece of information. It came from a website that you may be familiar with called www.theyfly.com. If you go to the "Evidence" pulldown menu on the front page and click on "Scientific Analysis of Evidence" you will get the attached PDF.

On page 2 it states the following:

Marcel Vogel: Research chemist for IBM for twenty-two years, held thirty-two patents, and invented the magnetic disk coating memory system still used in IBM disk memories. A specialist in the conversion of energy inside crystals, Vogel probed crystalline structures with the most complete optical microscopic equipment available in the world - a system of scanning electron microscopes costing \$250,000. Lieut. Col. Wendelle Stevens, USAF (Ret.): One of the original investigators in the Meier case. In 1979, he sent Vogel crystals and metal samples Meier had received from the Plejaren. Vogel reported, "When I touched the oxide with a stainless steel probe, red streaks appeared and the oxide coating disappeared. I just touched the metal like that, and it started to deoxidize and become a pure metal. I have never seen a phenomenon like that before." Of another metal sample containing nearly every element in the periodic table, Vogel stated, "Each pure element was bonded to each of the others, yet somehow retained its own identity." At 500 X magnification thulium was revealed. "Thulium exists only in minute amounts. It is exceedingly expensive, far beyond platinum, and rare to come by. Someone would have to have an extensive metallurgical knowledge even to be aware of a composition of this type", said Vogel. At 1600 X Vogel said, "A whole new world appears in the specimen. There are structures within structures - very unusual." At 2500 X he found that the sample was, "metal, but at the same time ... it is crystal!"

I agree that publicly stating such a thing for several years is silly and incompetent, but the incompetence is all yours Michael. And your incompetence has been on display to the world since, at least, 2004.

I look forward to your soon to be published press release announcing your incompetence. By the way, don't bother updating your website in order to hide your incompetence because I have already saved an archive of it in its current form.

Have a good day.

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On Aug 27, 2008, at 12:22 PM, Michael Horn wrote:

Yoo hoo, Derek!

Since I'm always gracious enough to give you plenty of warning of how thoroughly I'm going to reveal and skewer your incompetence, I hope that you didn't think that I had forgotten about yet another faux pas of yours, i.e. your claim that Marcel Vogel had used - are you ready - an electron scanning microscope to detect the presence of thulium in the metal sample!

And of course you're on record for all the world to see (which it is and they are, etc.) making that silly, false, statement.

I hope that you have informed your fellow pseudo-scientists of your planned transition into the field of satire and comedy, as it will eliminate the necessity for them to do a Vaughn Rees on you.

But let's keep you around just a little bit longer as your contribution to the success of my personal mission, with visitors to my site from 137 countries, is obviously worthy of acknowledgement...and further promotion.

And, as advertised, I'm also going to do some voluntary promotion for Dr. Phil "Show Me the Evidence!" Plait simply because I'm generous, just give me a little time.

You pal,

MH
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P.S. Anything come to mind yet about your "model UFO" theory and the hillside film segment, hmmm?