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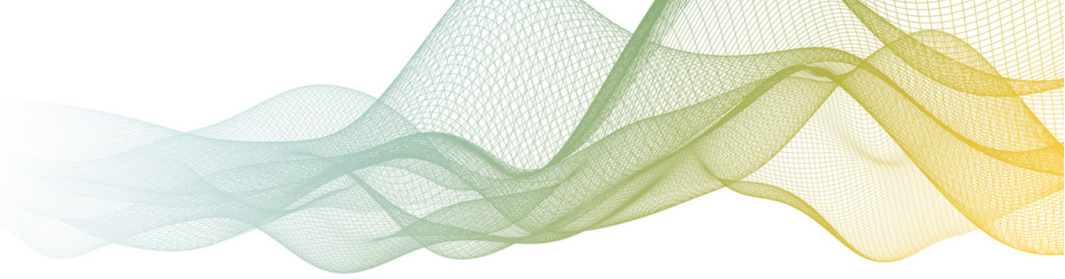
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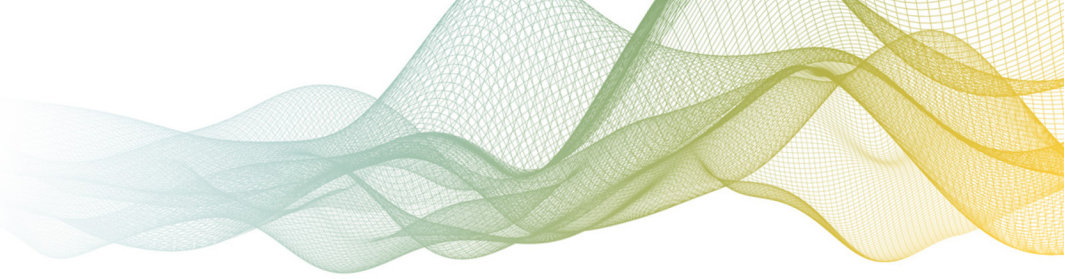
Do we really need to take UFOs seriously?

	Validity?	Importance?
 <p>Despite grounds for reasonable skepticism, there is consistently strong evidence of extraordinary craft beyond even secret military capabilities.</p>	—	—
 <p>Even with mass sightings like the “Phoenix Lights,” it’s fair to ask, “Why hasn’t a UFO landed in Yankee Stadium?”</p>	—	—
 <p>During rush hour at O’Hare International Airport in November 2006, pilots, flight controllers, crew members, and ground crew reported a disc silently hovering.</p>	—	—
 <p>The pilot and first officer of Japan Air 1628 braced for a collision with a UFO the size of “3-4 aircraft carriers” over Alaska in 1987.</p>	—	—
 <p>Dozens of commercial pilots have reported encounters with high-performance UFOs.</p>	—	—
 <p>We need to challenge the UFO taboo, because UFOs are one of the most important and misunderstood scientific problems we face today.</p>	—	—
40 minutes		

Since encounters have been going on since at least the 1940s, they can’t all be “ours.”

	Validity?	Importance?
 <p>In 1948 over Fukuoka, Japan, an F-61 was unable to close on a UFO tracked visually and by radar.</p>	—	—
 <p>Scrambled jets could not intercept “glowing aerial objects” over Washington, D.C. in 1952.</p>	—	—
 <p>U.S. military jets and bombers engaged high-performance UFOs in 1952 over Port Huron and the Gulf of Mexico.</p>	—	—
 <p>Two F-4 fighters lost control of their weapons and navigation as they pursued UFOs over Tehran in 1976.</p>	—	—

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The Rendlesham Forest incident in 1980 provides another well-documented military encounter with UFOs.

Validity? Importance?



UFOs are unlikely to be secret craft from the United States, Russia, or China.

Validity? Importance?

39 minutes

For many, the UFO topic broke into the mainstream in 2017 with disclosures by the US Navy and Department of Defense.



The Pentagon's secret UFO program is described for the first time in December 2017.

Validity? Importance?

Validity? Importance?



Many believe the *USS Nimitz* encounters in 2004 prove the existence of UFOs.

Validity? Importance?



New York magazine: "The Navy pilot who filmed the 'Tic Tac' UFO speaks out: 'It Wasn't Behaving by the Normal Law of Physics.'"

Validity? Importance?



F-18 Squad Commander Fravor interviewed by Joe Rogan concerning the "Tic Tac" UFOs observed by the *USS Nimitz* in 2004.

Validity? Importance?



In another encounter, a pilot described the UFO as "a cube within a bubble" which passed within 50 feet of two F-18s.

Validity? Importance?



"Wow, what was that?" Navy pilots report near collisions in 2014 between F-18s and UFOs on the East Coast.

Validity? Importance?



The Tic Tac was to Commander Fravor what an F-18 would have been to a villager in the mid-17th Century.

Validity? Importance?

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Three mass sightings in the 1980s and 1990s add credibility to UFO claims.

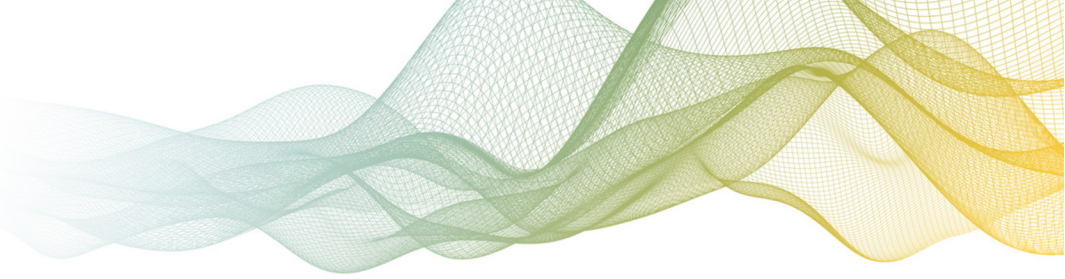


Mass UFO sightings include the "Hudson Valley Wave" that occurred between 1981–1984. Reports were collected from pilots, scientists, and police.

Validity? Importance?

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Over 150 witnesses reported unusual craft over Belgium in early 1990. This included reports of an “aircraft-sized object turned upside down.”

Validity? Importance?



The Phoenix Lights: Once out of office, former Arizona Governor Symington admitted that he did, in fact, see these UFOs.

Validity? Importance?



In 1966, 300 children and staff from a Melbourne school reported UFOs flying through the sky and then one landing in a nearby field.

Validity? Importance?

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Strong evidence points to a connection between UFOs and nuclear weapons since the 1940s.



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Validity? Importance?

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A UFO was reportedly filmed using beams of light to disable a dummy ICBM warhead in flight off the coast of Big Sur, California in 1964.

Validity? Importance?



10 ICBM Minuteman Missiles were disabled in 1967 as UFOs maneuvered over the silos.

Validity? Importance?



In 2010 the US Air Force lost communication with 50 Minuteman Missiles.

Validity? Importance?



Apollo Astronaut Edgar Mitchell frequently stated that, “aliens came to Earth to stop a nuclear war between the US and the Soviet Union.”

Validity? Importance?

22 minutes

Evidence shows that some UFOs can also operate underwater.



Dozens of witnesses observed an underwater UFO at Shag Harbor, Canada in 1967.

Validity? Importance?

Validity? Importance?



Witnesses and sonar returns seem to indicate that UFOs can operate underwater, as in the 2004 *USS Nimitz* incident.

Validity? Importance?



A large underwater “mass” reportedly interfered with naval recovery operations off Puerto Rico in the late 1990s.

Validity? Importance?

WHAT'S UP WITH

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Homeland Security tracked a UFO off Puerto Rico in 2015 going in and out of the ocean without slowing down.

15 minutes

No wonder it's confusing. Hoaxes intermingle with scientifically verified pictures and videos.



A classic authenticated UFO photo caused a sensation when published in *Life* magazine in 1950.

Validity? Importance?



A UFO traveling at 3,600 mph was inadvertently recorded by a HD drone camera in Beaver, Utah in October, 2016.



Some fake UFO videos are so sophisticated, it takes a professional CGI specialist to spot falsity. This faked UFO over Haiti got 17 million YouTube views.



UFO advocates promote and "authenticate" this fake UFO abduction video, despite protests by the filmmaker that it is fictional drama.

13 minutes

HARD SCIENCE

Every year scientists get closer to discovering simple life in our solar system and beyond.



CBS: "NASA rover detects high amounts of methane gas on Mars, which could indicate signs of life."

Validity? Importance?



NASA is intrigued by the possibility of extraterrestrial life in a liquid water ocean below Europa's icy crust — one of Jupiter's moons.

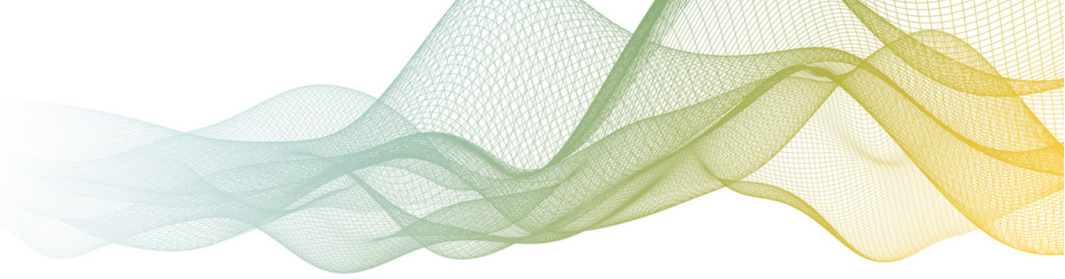


Over 4,000 exoplanets have been recently confirmed. Exoplanets are made of the same material as planets in our solar system.



A team has invented a new technique that maps the universe according to galaxy flow across space.

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10 minutes

The US government actively funds research in esoteric science traditionally associated with science fiction.



Former Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid explains why he sponsored the AATIP UFO research program in 2007.

Validity? Importance?



VICE: “The government’s secret UFO program funded research on wormholes and extra dimensions,” and other esoteric topics considered science fiction.

8 minutes

There is special interest in “anti-gravity” to help explain the extraordinary performance of UFOs.



Luis Elizondo: “We can warp time-space.” We know how to theoretically warp time-space; we are already doing it with the Large Hadron Collider.

Validity? Importance?



Cloaking (e.g. invisibility) is one of the properties tracked by Department of Defense UFO investigations.



Physicist Jack Sarfatti explains his theory of anti-gravity that UFOs may use and its relationship to human consciousness.

30 minutes

The analysis of “metamaterials” is currently a hot topic.



8 News Now: “A global scramble is underway to identify and perhaps replicate unidentified mystery materials.”

Validity? Importance?



Stanford Professor Gary Nolan explains that metamaterials appear to be normal matter that contains properties we don’t fully appreciate yet.

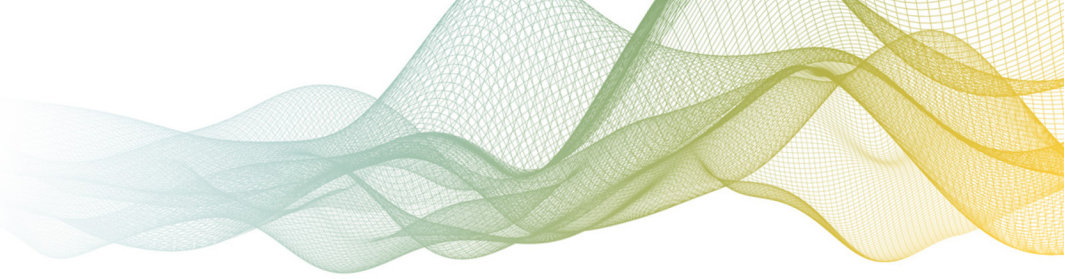


Luis Elizondo claims on Fox News that the military possesses materials from UFO craft.



Steve Justice says that that these metamaterials are not understood “technologically nor socially.”

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Hal Puthoff explains the deliberate process of analyzing and testing potential extraterrestrial material.



Is To The Stars Academy overselling its research into metamaterials?

27 minutes

Bob Lazar claims he worked near Area 51 in the 1980s to reverse engineer an alien craft. Is he telling the truth?

Validity? Importance?



Bob Lazar claims he worked near Area 51 on a recovered UFO in the 1980s to reverse engineer its propulsion system.



Commander Favor reports on his recent discussion with Bob Lazar concerning the similarities between the Tic Tac UFO he pursued in his F-18 off San Diego in 2004 and the craft that Lazar reportedly worked with in the late 1980s.



Is Bob Lazar lying? Part 1. This documentary lays out the case for and against Bob Lazar's extraordinary claims.



Is Bob Lazar Lying? Part 2. Witnesses counter the claims that Bob Lazar never graduated from MIT, never worked at Los Alamos, and never was employed at Area 51.

67 minutes

There is an extensive history of alleged UFO craft retrievals around the world.

Validity? Importance?



The history of alleged UFO crash retrievals in the United States, as presented by Richard Dolan.



In 1997, a US marine claims he investigated a UFO crashed in the jungles of Peru, with ETs inside.



A self-described "military aerospace historian" recounted the reported crash recovery in 1947 at Aztec, New Mexico.



Richard Dolan provides a timeline on the famous Roswell crash narrative.



Robert Hastings documents UFO incursions at nuclear weapons sites starting in 1947.

48 minutes

DIRECT EXPERIENCE

Don't make the mistake of dismissing "abductions" without weighing the evidence with objective criteria.



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14 minutes

Validity? Importance?

Here are 15 "abduction" cases from 1964 to 2007 that meet our criteria.



Betty and Barney Hill's encounter became the first widely reported UFO abduction story in the United States.

Validity? Importance?



Betty Andreasson experienced her abduction in 1967 as an ecstatic religious-like encounter.



Two men in Mississippi claimed they were abducted by aliens while fishing.



Six friends watched Travis Walton walk under a UFO and disappear.



Three Kentucky women claimed to have been abducted while driving at night.



Four artists, independently regressed to access their suppressed memories, tell the same details of their 1976 abduction along the Allagash waterway.



Years after a UFO camping encounter, Terry Lovelace discovered a possible alien implant in a routine x-ray.



Are aliens and interdimensional entities the same?



Whitley Strieber received 250,000 letters after he published accounts of his abduction experiences, beginning in 1985.

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VICE: “When he was 17, David Huggins says he lost his virginity to an extraterrestrial.” He has produced over 150 paintings detailing his life-long affair.



A positive encounter with UFOs resulted in remarkable physical changes and wellness for John Salter and his son.



Three small beings floated Linda Cortile on a beam of light out of her 20th-floor apartment window.



Kelly Cahill lost an hour of time and was hospitalized with stomach pain after discovering a triangle-shaped mark near her navel.



Is this the perfect case to refute skeptics? Six abductees had MRIs, X-rays, doctor reports, and photographs of UFO-related medical injuries.



In 2007, Chris Bledsoe and his son encountered glowing orbs and strange beings in the woods. Four witnesses supported their claims.

104 minutes

John Mack's work at Harvard gave early credibility to the abduction phenomena.

Validity? Importance?



In the late 1990s, John Mack and an alleged abductee appeared on the Oprah Winfrey Show.



Michael and Trish described their “abduction” experiences from 1994, including a video of the UFO inadvertently captured on Michael’s camera.



John Mack summarized what he learned based upon his close work with over 100 abductees.

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Contemporary abduction stories continue to include the seemingly absurd idea of hybrid children involving Gray aliens.

Validity? Importance?

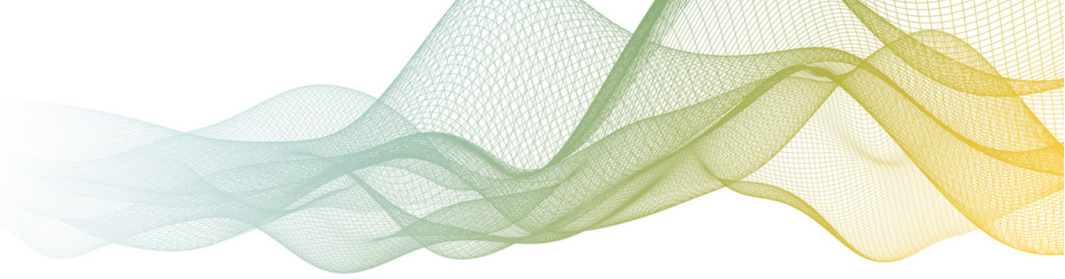


A young woman describes what she believes is her role in an alien hybridization program with Gray aliens. “They are us,” she claimed.



Nine contemporary abduction profiles offer further evidence of abduction and claims of hybrid encounters.

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As a “modern-day John Mack,” this doctor treats people who are convinced they have been abducted.



Thousands of so-called “abductees” seem to be mentally stable. Could their experiences be explained by sleep paralysis or mass hallucination?

36 minutes

Healings are common to many UFO encounters.



The single most common onboard experience inside a UFO is a physical examination.

Validity? Importance?



Though we tend to think of miraculous healings as the domain of religious miracle workers, several UFO witnesses claim spontaneous healings.



A skeptic’s guide to the healing power of UFOs: What is the evidence for this phenomenon? How common is it and why does it happen?



Eve experienced healing from her encounter with the “Star Man.”



Seven claims of extraordinary healings between 1948–1968.



In 2015, a Mayan elder believed he was healed by “Angels from the stars.”

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Close interactions with humanoid figures have been reported in conjunction with alien craft, going back to the 1950s.



The earliest wave of humanoid sightings occurred in Europe late in 1954, primarily in France and Italy.

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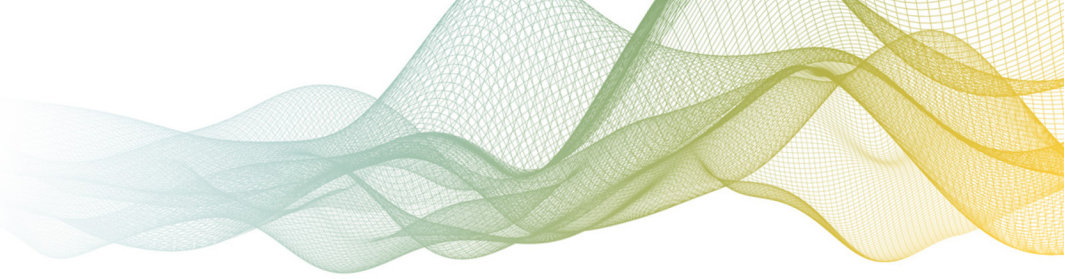


Four human-like beings reportedly wave to 38 onlookers from the deck of a UFO in New Guinea in 1959.



In 1977 school children in Wales watched a UFO for two hours; six of them saw a humanoid figure emerge from the craft.

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John Mack interviewed 60 Zimbabwean school children two months after their collective encounter with a UFO and three beings in 1994.

17 minutes

Validity? Importance?

Abduction-like experiences are not isolated phenomena.



As incredible as it seems, conservatively there may be more than 500,000 people that have had abduction-like experiences with non-human intelligence (e.g. "aliens").

5 minutes

Validity? Importance?

ET encounters have many similarities with near-death experiences.



Near-death experiences and alien encounters share some interesting characteristics, raising important questions.

20 minutes

Validity? Importance?

The military has long been associated with remote viewing. More recently, it has funded paranormal research at Skinwalker Ranch.



Joe McMonagle described his experience with remote viewing, UFO encounters, near-death experiences, and his ET hypothesis.



Department of Defense funded the multi-year study of extreme paranormal phenomena at Skinwalker Ranch in Utah.

52 minutes

Validity? Importance?

Numerous studies and reports suggest there are dozens of ETs.



ETs are not all Grays with big black eyes. Nor are they all the monsters in battle with Sigourney Weaver. Contact reports indicate dozens of types of non-human intelligence.

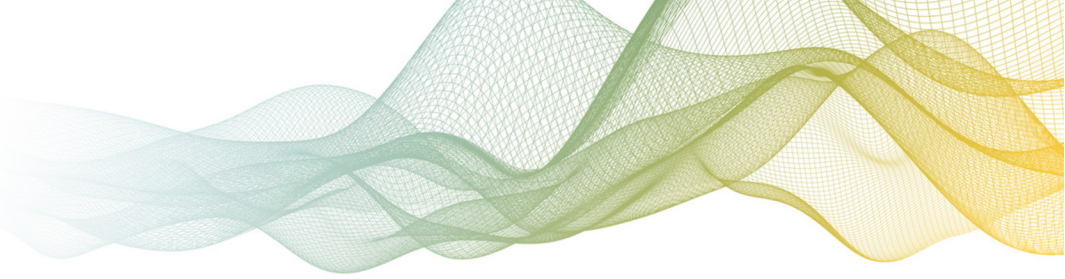


Medium: "Five Common Types of ETs and What They Look Like."

11 minutes

Validity? Importance?












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Participants using the CE-5 protocol claim to have telepathically contacted extraterrestrials.

 <p>Steven Greer founded CSETI in 1990 to create a diplomatic and research-based initiative to contact extraterrestrial civilizations.</p> <p>5 minutes</p>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Validity?</td> <td>Importance?</td> </tr> <tr> <td>_____</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> </table>	Validity?	Importance?	_____	_____
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Most important: What is the nature of these non-human intelligences? What do *they* want?

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 <p>What is non-human intelligence? What do <i>they</i> want? They are not simply ETs.</p>	_____	_____
 <p>An in-depth look at theories and evidence for non-human intelligence. COMING SOON</p>	_____	_____
 <p>John Mack suggests that UFOs challenge the great divide between the physical world and the “unseen world.”</p>	_____	_____
 <p>Jacques Vallée considers abduction reports to be a kind of modern folklore, consistent with legends by cultures around the world.</p>	_____	_____
 <p>Jacques Vallee rejects the explanation of UFOs as interstellar spaceships. He views the phenomenon as something that is much stranger.</p>	_____	_____
 <p>Patheos: “Angels, aliens, and fairies: Have our myths come to life?”</p>	_____	_____
 <p>Are there paranormal or extradimensional beings that can shift up and down the electromagnetic spectrum?</p>	_____	_____
 <p>Physicist Jack Sarfatti believes that a conscious artificial intelligence from the future is returning to teach us how their machines work.</p>	_____	_____
 <p>Separating fact from fiction: Credible research profiles thousands of contact experiences with non-human intelligence.</p>	_____	_____
 <p>Inexplicable events can be both real and filtered through imagination.</p>	_____	_____
 <p>What if ETs that allegedly contact us could explain “the contact landscape” from their point of view?</p>	_____	_____

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John Mack reads from the transcript from a session with “Barbara,” narrating her understanding on why ETs are here and how they see us.

Validity? Importance?



John Mack on Oprah, Part 2: Three additional abductees join the conversation and a skeptical physiologist attempts to refute their claims.

Validity? Importance?

114 minutes

INSTITUTIONAL DYNAMICS

Are the world's religions ready for E.T.?



Often, a religion begins with contact from something divine, something beyond the normal plane of human experience.

Validity? Importance?

Validity? Importance?



**Vanderbilt: “Are the world’s religions ready for E.T.?”
Evangelical Christians would recoil; Mormons would rejoice; Jews would basically shrug.**

Validity? Importance?



Speaking in 2013, the Dalai Lama admonishes us to make no distinctions between ourselves and any visitors from another galaxy.

Validity? Importance?



Reuters: “The Vatican’s chief astronomer says there is no conflict between believing in God and in the possibility of extraterrestrial brothers perhaps more evolved than humans.”

Validity? Importance?

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Hollywood strongly shapes our images of UFOs and aliens, sometimes under government influence.

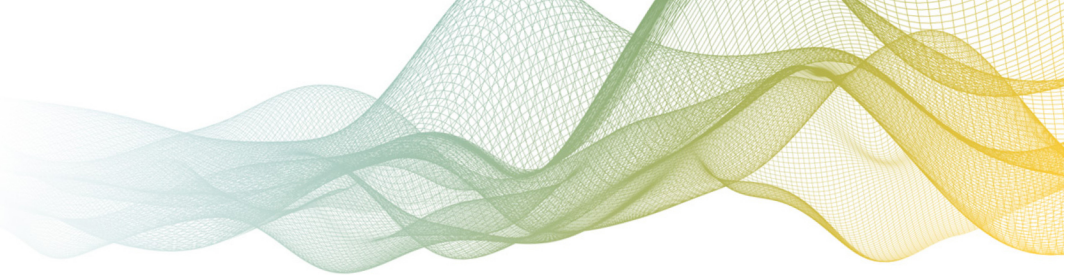


When we think about aliens, we usually think about the product of someone else’s imagination, mostly from movies, as early as 1902.

Validity? Importance?

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UFO'S?



Four potential (and conflicting) motives behind the government's efforts to manipulate UFO perceptions through the media



Damante: "Why does Hollywood depict humans overcoming alien invasions?" Blockbuster movies require that the good guys win. But this author speculates on another reason.

17 minutes

These four alien movies represent the spectrum from military confrontation, to scientific curiosity, subtle dream-like engagement, to deep friendship.



***Independence Day* evokes the adrenaline of a military confrontation against a common enemy, wherein humanity heroically prevails in the final battle.**

Validity? Importance?



***Arrival* portrays a linguist who takes off her hazmat suit and works to decode the language of the alien heptapods.**



***Contact* depicts a beautiful and moving moment where Dr. Ellie Arroway makes contact with aliens taking the form of her deceased dad.**



As *E.T.* and Elliott say good-bye, the deep emotional connection between this human boy and his extraterrestrial friend shows that love transcends interstellar distance.

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Despite notable academic conferences, publications and professors specializing in the UFO phenomena, the academic taboo around UFO's remains firmly in place.



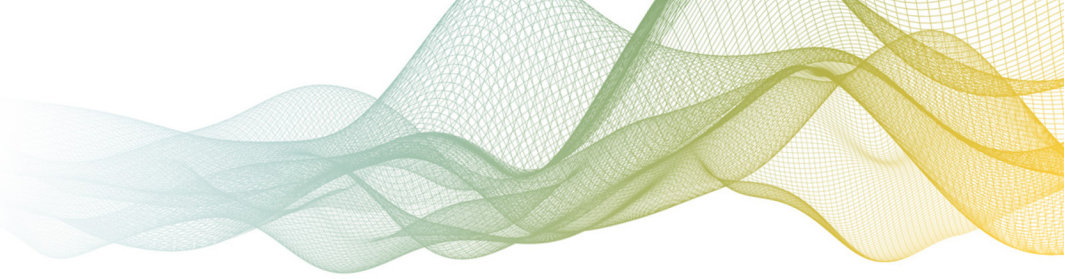
MIT sponsored the first academic conference on alien abduction in 1992. Over five days, 54 professionals delivered 150 presentations.

Validity? Importance?



The taboo in action: The first article on UFOs in a leading social science journal gets zero peer comments even though it is the journal's most downloaded article ever.

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“The first responsibility of academics is to tell the truth,” argues Dr. Alexander Wendt. “We have no idea what UFOs are.”

11 minutes

Validity? Importance?

Astronomers do, in fact, see UFOs and a growing minority thinks that they ought to be seriously studied.



Knuth: “Why don’t astronomers see UFOs? The fact is that they do.” One survey indicates that about 5% have seen inexplicable aerial phenomena.

Validity? Importance?

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The Atlantic: “When a Harvard Professor Talks About Aliens: News about extraterrestrial life sounds better coming from an expert at a high-prestige institution.”

Validity? Importance?



Science News: “It’s time to start taking the search for E.T. seriously, astronomers say.”

Validity? Importance?

24 minutes

Silicon Valley is beginning to show interest in UFOs.



VICE: “A small group of venture capitalists and technologists believe that humans can capture and reverse-engineer UFOs — and that trying to do so might be a good investment.”

Validity? Importance?

Validity? Importance?



This Silicon Valley Startup Is Dedicated to Detecting UFOs Off the California Coast.

Validity? Importance?

10 minutes

The US government has had long-standing concerns about UFOs.



SPACE: “The new revelation about AATIP is evidence that the U.S. has been researching this issue for decades despite claiming no interest in the phenomenon since 1969.”

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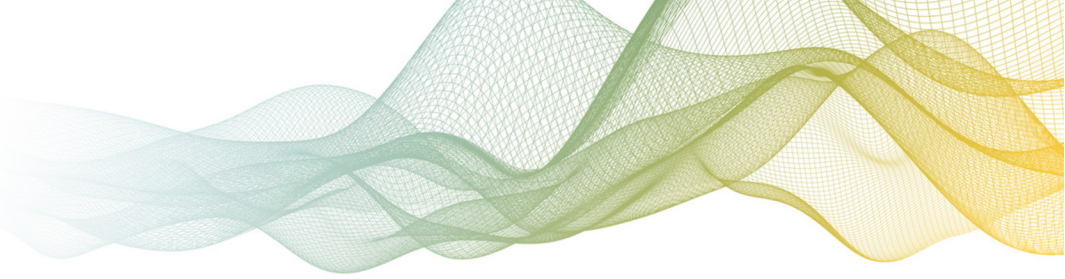
Validity? Importance?



UFOs are being seen around U.S. nuclear aircraft carriers, nuclear subs, nuclear weapons, and nuclear reactors.

Validity? Importance?

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Documents obtained under the Freedom of Information Act make it clear that the government has been taking UFOs very seriously.

Validity? Importance?



The AATIP program did not end in 2012. And we also know that often these programs avoid FOIA by contracting private industry.

Validity? Importance?

74 minutes

Should we be concerned about the size of the black budgets and the military-industrial complex?



Evidence suggests that secret black budget programs are not using billions, but trillions of dollars.

Validity? Importance?

Validity? Importance?



***The Washington Post*: “Close to 30 percent of the workforce in the intelligence agencies is contractors.**

Validity? Importance?

8 minutes

There are different views of the national security apparatus: “Nothing to see here” versus a “breakaway group.”



Chris Mellon: “I highly doubt DoD or any other government agency is concealing UFO information.”

Validity? Importance?

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Richard Dolan argues that the existence of an alleged “breakaway group” is nearly as important a secret as that of the non-human intelligences themselves.

Validity? Importance?

17 minutes

There have been periodic attempts to persuade the government (and mainstream media) to be more transparent and formally acknowledge UFO phenomena, with little effect.



The U.S. government has been successful in influencing media coverage of UFOs since WWII, claims Terry Hansen.

Validity? Importance?

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The Rockefeller UFO Disclosure Initiative to the Clinton White House in 1995 was an early attempt to consolidate UFO-related evidence and present it in a legitimate setting.

Validity? Importance?

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Major legal trials are decided based on weaker testimony than was provided in the May 9, 2001 National Press Club briefing on UFOs.



The subject matter from the “Citizen Hearing on Disclosure” in 2013 seemed “straight from intergalactic wackyland (VICE).”

31 minutes

Media coverage and transparency began to change in 2017.



Space entrepreneur Robert Bigelow declared on CBS’s *60 Minutes*, “The aliens are already here.”

Validity? Importance?



After years of dismissive coverage, *The Washington Post* published the article, “UFOs exist, and everyone needs to adjust to that fact.”



The US Navy wants pilots to report strange sightings but doesn’t want any of the stigma that comes with it: “Just don’t call them UFOs.”

12 minutes

Stepping back: What's happened in the last three years? Where is this all heading?



As documented throughout this site, there have been at least 15 significant UFO-related events, beginning in 2017.

Validity? Importance?



The list of events continues to grow. Here are nine new developments in recent months.



Here’s one conspiracy theory we can safely dismiss: The CIA is setting up a “false flag” operation around a fake alien invasion.



Are we seeing a “controlled insider disclosure?” Is this an attempt to create a sanitized version of UFOs (without cover-ups, ETs, or abductions)?

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