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Subject: Re: The Real McCoy

Michael,

It is comments like this that display your lack of understanding as to how the scientific process actually works.

Scientists routinely perform tests on previous claims to see if the original claim is justified.

When a scientist makes a fantastic claim that claim is examined by many other scientists in order to make sure that the claim is verifiable. It is this repeatable testing process that confirms a claim.

Sometimes a fantastic claim is proven to be correct, like the discovery of darmstadtium - Element 110 on the Periodic Table of the Elements. You can read about the original claim and the ten years of subsequent testing that occurred before the claim was validated on the Los Alamos National Laboratory website at <http://pearl1.lanl.gov/periodic/elements/110.html>.

Sometimes a fantastic claim is proven to be incorrect, like the "cold fusion" experiments of Pons and Fleischmann in 1989. You can read a summary of the events at <http://www.encyclopedia.com/html/c1/coldfusio.asp>.

According to you, only Marcel Vogel and a "metallurgist friend" have examined the piece of metal you claim is of a manufactured extraterrestrial origin. This means that this is still only a claim. It is not proven because no other scientists have examined the metal to either confirm or deny the original claim's validity.

Present the piece of metal for analysis and then once it has been examined and the findings published all of us can stop this debate once and for all. Why do you continue to refuse Billy Meier the possibility to finally prove his claim?

Sincerely,

**Derek Bartholomaus
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On Mar 26, 2004, at 9:33 PM, Michael wrote:

[Further, once something has been scientifically proved, it isn't required to go and prove it again,](#)