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This journal is dedicated to both the explanation of paranormal phenomena within the context of physics and extending the science of physics into areas of study that are normally considered beyond the scope of physics. This journal will offer a forum where refereed papers can be presented without prior prejudice toward either their content or subject matter. The material presented will span all levels of knowledge. Knowledge cannot be reserved for those who are highly educated, but is the right of all who search it out. It is hoped that this journal will prove interesting to the self-educated reader as well as the professional scientist. The ideas and content of the articles will be stressed rather than the "scholarly" language of presentation, as long as the proper norms of presentation are preserved. The journal will also offer a forum where issues concerning the conceptual bases of physics and the validity of advance in the science of physics into the paranormal and elsewhere can be openly discussed. As an electronic journal, the editors have far more latitude for the presentation of ideas than would normally occur in a hardcopy journal and this latitude will be utilized whenever necessary. The format of this journal will surely change in the first few issues, but the philosophy behind its publication will not change.

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"UFOs and Paraphysics"

An Editorial!

UFOs have become part and parcel to the common folklore of the twentieth century. The study of UFO phenomena, whether conducted within the scope of legitimate science or not, has quite often been relegated to the field of paraphysics. This classification raises

questions whether UFOs are a legitimate topic for discussion within the science of paraphysics.

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# "ORMUS and Consciousness"

By Barry Carter

ORMUS are m-state (microelectro-state) elements discovered in the late 1970s. These materials exhibit several quantum "behaviors" at a macro-scale. The author suspects that ORMUS "modify the tubulin in microtubules to create a quantum non-local interaction between cells and perhaps between individuals," allowing an explanation of consciousness and psi effects. (29 Kb)

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# "Beyond the Quantum: 'Quantum reality' versus 'quantum or reality?'" By Jim Beichler

The quantum paradigm has clearly and quite thoroughly dominated the physics community and science in general for more than half of the past century. However, serious cracks have recently appeared in the stranglehold that the concept of the quantum has on physics. The new trends in scientific thought that have resulted from these cracks are explored in this article. (109 Kb)

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# "Two or Three Things I Know About [It]: An examination of Dark Matter" By Karen Wendy Gilbert

For decades scientists have known that the universe is expanding, but have been unable to discover enough normal visible matter to slow the expansion to the point where it stops and even reverses under the force of gravitational attraction. Many scientists have thus hypothesized the existence of "dark" or invisible matter to guarantee that the expected collapse of the universe into a "big crunch" will take place in the distant future. The author briefly explores the forms that "dark" matter might take. (100 Kb)

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#### The OPEN FORUM

Comments and a discussion of points on the "single field theory" as proposed and described in "TOES, fingers and the nose on your face" in issue four.

# THE PARAPHYSICS DISCUSSION FORUM for Volume II, Issue 2

The "Paraphysics Discussion Forum" is a platform for readers to debate issues and topics relevant to modern thought in science. All readers are invited to join the discussion by sending their responses to the editor of this journal. Depending on the amount of response to these questions and topics, readers' opinions will be posted in coming issues of the *Yggdrasil*. If you send a response to the editor, please note whether you wish your name to be published or whether you wish your response to appear anonymously. The privacy of readers and correspondents will be respected.

#### **QUESTION #1**

What is the present moment of time? If the present has a physical reality, what are the cause, the nature, and the consequences?

# **QUESTION #2**

If western science and society do not accept psi phenomena as real, why is the practice of psi so prevalent in movies, television and the popular press?

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# **THE OPEN FORUM**

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