# Low Energy Nuclear Reactions: 2007 Update

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#### "Cold Fusion": Major Problems !

- 1. Poor repeatability
- 2. No replicators to support independent confirmation
- 3. Weak corroborative nuclear evidence
- 4. Gamma / neutron data was in error
- 5. Appeared to contradict laws of physics

#### 18 Years Later ... LENR (Low Energy Nuclear Reactions)

- 1. High repeatability
- 2. U.S. Navy SPAWAR co-deposition narrow replications
- 3. Excess heat and transmutations broad replications
- 4. Expansive corroborative nuclear evidence
- 5. Proposed Widom-Larsen theory

#### Cold Fusion? Maybe, Maybe Not

Could be fusion ...

Could be something else ...

Either way - potentially significant





### Threshold Parameters for the Excess Heat Reaction

(McKubre - SRI International)

- 1. Minimum Atomic Ratio D:Pd (> 0.90)
- 2. Minimum Current Density (250 mA/cm<sup>2)</sup>
- 3. Dynamic Trigger

It's a Materials Science Problem!

U.S. Navy SPAWAR Co-Deposition CR-39 Nuclear Track Detector Experiment

- 1. Repeatable on Demand
- 2. Tracks on front and back of CR-39 both sets spatially correlated to cathode
- 3. Emissions penetrate 1mm thick plastic
- 4. "Dry" as well as "wet" geometries
- 5. Energy calculations under way

#### Widom-Larsen Theory Highlights of Claims:

- 1. Not fusion/fission; weak interactions
- 2. Explains most anomalous experimental data in "cold fusion"
- 3. Matches Miley, possibly Iwamura data
- 4. Explains light and heavy hydrogen experiments
- 5. No "new physics"

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Nuclear Ash			
Products/Effects	D/	Pd	H/Pd
Heat	10 <sup>12</sup> events/s/W		Minor
Helium-4	10 <sup>11</sup> events/s/W		n/a
Tritium	10⁴ events/s		n/a
(Fast? Slow?) Neutrons	Uncertain		Uncertain
Charged Particles	Yes		Uncertain
Heavy Element Transmutation	Minor		Major
Gamma-Rays	Yes		Unknown
X-Rays	Yes		Unknown
Hot Spots on Cathodes	Yes		Unknown
Craters, Melting, Vaporization	Yes		Unknown

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