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Cold Fusion Fever Spreads Through the Internet (Again)

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In a stunning reversal from the lack of media attention throughout the last 15 years, the cold fusion community not only is starting to get widespread attention through the use of the Internet and other forms of electronic communication, but some researchers within the community are actually displeased about this.

Two websites, www.newenergytimes.com and www.iscmns.org recently posted information from the most recent international cold fusion conference (ICCF-11), which, to the chagrin of some, contained information which the presenters at the conference did not intend to release publicly. The independent Web sites are maintained by two former information technology specialists, Steven Krivit and William Collis, respectively.

Despite the fact that conference presentations were open to the public and press, the disclosure of certain presentations has now come as a surprise and shock to some. "I am astonished!" said one researcher. "This material belongs to me and my fellow authors," apparently oblivious to the fact that a handful of reporters and one television crew were in the audience.

The topic of scientific secrecy has reared its ugly head within the cold fusion community and the formerly neglected group of researchers are now grappling with the complex issues of confidentiality and copyrights. The disclosure of one of the presentations caused one of the U.S.' leading cold fusion researchers some consternation, saying that this might result "in me not lecturing in this manner again."

Despite the concerns of a few, there are others within the community who defend the public's right to know and the free exchange of scientific information. As cold fusion research gains acceptance into mainstream science, it is starting to lose the quiet, private world that so many within the community have, to some extent, enjoyed in the last decade and a half.

Errata to Nov. 16, 2004 New Energy Times Newsletter

The news story referring to the Nashua Times article regarding Infinite Energy (www.infinite-energy.com) was mistakenly repeated in the recent New Energy Times (tm) newsletter. Recent news from the New Energy Foundation and Infinite Energy is that they are starting to attract new talent and have recently appointed three technical editors, to be announced in the next issue of Infinite Energy magazine.