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The 11th Russian Conference on Cold Nuclear Transmutation of Chemical Elements and Ball-Lightning (RCCNT&BL-11) is to be held during September 28- October 5, 2003. The place of the Conference is in Dagomys near the city of Sochi.

The program of the Conference includes the following subjects:

- Experimental research in cold nuclear transmutation (fusion) and ball lightning;
- Theoretical models with respect to cold nuclear transmutation (fusion) and ball-lightning effects;
- Applied to these problems technologies and devices.

The Organizing Committee of the Conference is pleased to invite you to attend the Conference. The terms of your participation are as follows:

The full cost is \$900, which will include the registration fee, hotel reservation and living, three daily buffet meals, conference proceedings, transportation from the Sochi airport and back, social dinner and special excursion or entertainment.

The languages of the Conference are Russian and English.

The total cost can be reduced to \$800 if transferred before August 10 to the account of the Organizing Committee, which is to be announced on having received from you a confirmation about your decision to attend the Conference.

If you make a decision to take part in the Conference, please, let us know before July 1 about the title and abstract of your report.

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Letters from our readers

Thank you for publication of my article. Your magazine becomes more and more popular.

My special thanks to Editor-in-Chief Alexander V. Frolov. Whatever they say or write in the press, he has done a great work and it is not only my own opinion. He has managed to do that everybody had been waiting for a long time. My colleagues (not only from Rostov-on-Don State University but also from other Rostov Institutes of higher education) ask me personally send the best regards to the editorial staff of your magazine.

Sergey A. Gerasimov

Free energy?

The scientific community says that it cannot exist. Where did we hear that before? Academician Valery Sobolev from the Academy of Sciences, the head of the research group working on the experiment says: "This is not some new physics, but just experiments that have been performed very seriously. Make surge of electrons from the environment, remove them, deplete the fused electrolyte with basic typical metals; what you derive from it is what cannot be produced by chemical methods. This is a new state of substance" As the researchers say, first they discovered a particular electrochemical process where high-temperature materials in a new state are the product. This in its turn allowed to discover a new state of substance, new class of materials, a new source of energy, a new method of cold plasma generation, a new superconductor. See whole article at: http://english.pravda.ru/science/19/94/379/9675_energy.html

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