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Dear Stan:

In reply to your letter of October 31st, you misunderstand my attitude towards science and scientists. My negative attitude is not directed at all scientists or science per se, but that segment of the community which refuses to examine the evidence for UFOs and other "unscientific" subjects. To ignore evidence and make pronouncements of its "unworthiness" is hardly scientific.

If you had read my writings carefully you would have noted that I speak frequently of the "scientific establishment", "orthodox science", "the majority of scientists" etc. I am clearly not against science or scientists, just those that ignore evidence and ridicule those who do examine it. I have had precious little complaint about those who are open-minded enough to study the evidence objectively and thoroughly before opening their mouths.

In fact, I give great credit to those who have explored "unorthodox" subjects and admire them for their courage. I gave credit to many of them in The UFO Connection, not only in chapters 9 and 10 in particular but also in the last paragraph of my Preface.

Further, a good deal of my paper Scientists in Support of UFOs (a copy of which I sent to you last spring) was based on the work of scientists, and I quoted them (including yourself) and gave full credit to all. If that paper wasn't a positive approach to a great many scientists, I don't know what is. It has since been published in the APRO Bulletin, No's 8 & 9 this year.

In view of the above, I fail to see why you are "dismayed" at my attitude. I think you may be overly sensitive because you are a scientist yourself. You are not among the group I do criticize.