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Letter on LHC

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Dear Sirs,

People at LHC declare that one of their biggest goals is the understanding of the quark-gluon plasma, which would reproduce the original Big Bang. They claim that this is a big issue, and have consumed a great deal of money in the past ten years for studying it. Of course, they have not solved the problem and are asking for more funding.

Two years ago I had a bet with some of my friends here, involved in the LHC collaboration, that I can solve the problem, with my co-workers. In a couple of months we did, and won the bet. My paper is published in a scientific journal, and is posted on my website. It is an interesting problem in physics, and people like us, who are able to solve such problems, deserve funding; of course we need, by far less than that LHC asks.

Instead, we have received nothing. I had to turn down some PhDs and post-docs, due to the lack of money, while Romanian participation in CERN continues to be heavily fed with Romanian funds. It is a shame.

Judging by the quality of the people around me who are participating in LHC I can say truthfully that LHC is a lie, as are many other big international "research" projects. Among others, the LHC is the originator of the GRID concept, another great rogues' gallery.

Such projects may be useful for developing technical skills or products, like electronics, engineering, materials, etc., of practical and social utility, for ensuring jobs, perhaps socially useful, but they should not do that in the name and disguise of scientific research. Genuine scientific research is thereby eliminated and destroyed by such practices.

I have presented my paper on the quark-gluon plasma at a public seminar on my campus here at Magurele-Bucharest. Though it attracted a lot of local interest, do you think that the "LHC experts" have shown the slightest sign of interest? Not in the least. They are not interested in science; they are interested in their own purse, to fill it from public money. This is indeed a shame!
Best regards, Marian Apostol