

## **Eric J. Lerner**

### **Education:**

**High School:** Phillips Exeter Academy, 1964

University: Columbia, BA, Physics 1968

Graduate: University of Maryland, 1969-1970, course work for PhD, physics, no dissertation

### **Employment:**

**1994-Present: President and Chief Scientist, LPPFusion, Inc., Formerly Lawrenceville Plasma Physics, Inc.**

**1970-2003: Free-lance writing and editing on high technology,** Over 600 articles published as a science writer in IEEE Spectrum, Aerospace America, Laser Focus World, Discover, IBM Research and many others

### **Research**

Development of fusion energy and X-ray sources based on the dense plasma focus

Originated plasma-based theories of quasars, large-scale structure and other phenomena of the Universe

Author of "The Big Bang Never Happened"

Development of Atomizing Desalination Process

### **1995-Present**

Designed experiment to test hypothesis that the [dense plasma focus](#) could achieve temperatures needed for proton-boron fusion. Developed theoretical model, designed electrodes, designed diagnostic equipment, including X-ray detector and filters, and Rogowski coil. Actively participated in experiment including selection of experimental parameters and construction of heating apparatus for decaborane functioning. Analyzed resulting data. Demonstrated achievement of 200 keV energies. Developed theory of [magnetic field effect](#) that shows feasibility of proton-boron fusion. Worked to develop intense [X-ray source](#) for infrastructure inspection. Continued development of plasma cosmology theories.

### **1992-1995**

Designed experiment to test theory of heating in the dense plasma focus (DPF). Designed electrodes, experimental plan, participated in carrying out experiment, and analyzed data.

## 1986- 1991

Developed an original theory of quasars based on extrapolation from laboratory-scale plasma instabilities in the DPF. Developed detailed theory of functioning of DPF. Proposed a theory of the origin of the large scale structure of the universe, also from plasma instability theory and the role of force-free filaments. This theory led to the prediction of supercluster complexes, shortly before their discovery by R. Brent Tully. Developed an original theory of the microwave background and the origin of light elements, accounting for both without need for a Big Bang. The microwave theory led to the prediction that there is absorption of RF radiation by the intergalactic medium, a prediction confirmed by observation in 1990.

## BOOK

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## SCIENTIFIC PAPERS

- Observations contradict galaxy size and surface brightness predictions that are based on the expanding universe hypothesis, Eric J Lerner , Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, 477, 3185, 2018
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- Tolman Test from  $z = 0.1$  to  $z = 5.5$ : Preliminary Results Challenge the Expanding Universe Model. Lerner, E. J., 2nd Crisis in Cosmology Conference, CCC-2. ASP Conference Series, Vol. 413, Proceedings of the conference held 7-11 September 2008, at Port Angeles, Washington, USA. Edited by Frank Potter. San Francisco, Astronomical Society of the Pacific, p.12 (2009)
- Evidence for a Non-Expanding Universe: Surface Brightness Data From HUDF Authors: Lerner, Eric J. 1st, CCC-1. Crisis in Cosmology Conference, CCC-1, AIP Conference Proceedings, Volume 822, pp. 60-74 (2006).
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- The Case Against the Big Bang in Progress, , E.J. Lerner in New Cosmologies, Halton C. Arp et al, eds., Plenum Press (New York), 1993
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- Magnetic Self-Compression in Laboratory Plasma, Quasars and Radio Galaxies, Part 1, Part 2. , E.J. Lerner, Laser and Particle Beams, 4, 193 (1986)

## **PATENTS**

Atomizing Desalination Process (U.S. Patent #5,207,928)

Focus Fusion Generator (US. Pat #7,482,607)

## **AWARDS**

Aviation Space Writers Association 1993 Award of Excellence in Journalism: Trade Magazines/Space for "GOES NEXT Goes Astray" Aerospace America, May 1992

Society for Technical Communication 1992 Award of Distinction: "Technology is Teaming", Bellcore Insight, Summer, 1991

Aviation Space Writers Association 1990 Award of Excellence in Journalism: Special Interest/Trade Magazine Category for "Lessons of Flight 665," Aerospace America, April, 1989

Aviation Space Writers Association 1990 Journalism Award, North East Region: Special Interest/Space Magazine Category for "Galileo's Tortuous Journey to Jupiter," Aerospace America, August, 1989

Aviation Space Writers Association 1988 National Journalism Award: Special Interest/Space Magazine Category for "FAA: An Agency Besieged", Aerospace America, February-April, 1987

Aviation Space Writers Association 1985 Journalism Award, North East Region: Special Interest/Space Magazine Category for "SDI Series", Aerospace America, August-November, 1985

Aviation Space Writers Association 1984 Journalism Award Northeast Region: Special Interest/Space Magazine Category for "Mushrooming Vulnerability to EMP", Aerospace America, August 1984

## **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

IEEE, the American Physical Society and American Astronomical Society