

Subj: **Re: Part 1 of my article**
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Hi Joe,

Many many thanks for sending me part 1 of your trilogy.

I have gone through this portion of your presentation and spot-read items that I knew I was already aware of. Luigi Gonella was top on my list and I find that the reflections from other sources match perfectly my own conclusions about where Gonella was headed! Sadly, in retrospect, I could have wished that Gonella NOT have been the one selected to do the job in the first place. Although he was a metrologist, he didn't live up to his profession but was totally politically oriented. I believe, in Italian politics, he would have been considered a "Royalist" because he strenuously emphasized that all of the stitches and areas that had been repaired by the kings, princes, and princesses of the Savoy house be preserved. This stance did not serve science well at all because when specialists like Bill Meacham recommended taking multiple samples, that reflected scientifically exactly what Dr. Marian Scott of Glasgow University told me over the phone that the **minimum** number of samples should be three. Even the suggestion to take a sample between the two heads area represented a conservative approach--a good one--but it was not heeded by Gonella. If that sample had been removed from between the heads I think we would now be faced with two very different results. That was why Scott emphasized that three was the minimum number that should have been taken.

This compendium, when completed, will be a wonderful future resource for those who will wish to explore further aspects of the C14 project. I think the sources you've selected will also show the powerful and fateful influence Gove had on the entire enterprise. Gove's motives were not to ascertain the date of the Shroud; they were to showcase his accelerator in Rochester, NY. If true science had prevailed, all aspects, including the characterization of the Raes Corner from the aspects of textile technology, chemistry, as well as physics, would have been included in a final report BEFORE the actual sample was removed. But powers that be wanted to get the project done! A lesson I've learned from this--and it matches what I've read elsewhere in other history of the sciences (for example, in geological plate tectonics, physics' cold fusion, biology's DNA studies) --is that the human factor must not be under-rated because, first and foremost, science is performed by humans who, each, have their own agendas. In the future, before anyone is selected for further important Shroud science projects, if we could discern what each person's own agenda would be, we might be cautious about who gets selected. Only those who have demonstrated a true objective approach to their subject should be the finalists. Alas, that will probably never happen!

I look forward to the next two parts of this project.

Best regards,

Paul

On Tue, Jan 12, 2016 at 8:47 PM, <JMARINO240@aol.com> wrote:

Hi Paul,

Here's the link to part 1 of my article: <http://newvistas.homestead.com/C-14PoliticsPt1.html>

Best,

Joe