Word has spread quickly so you may have heard about Paul Karason and his blue color by now. If you have not as yet heard, Paul Karason has a decidedly blue coloring to his skin. This condition is known as argyria and results from the use of excess Colloidal Silver. Paul has been interviewed on major television networks in the United States, which has rocketed him and the use of Colloidal Silver into the limelight.

After interviews on at least three of the major television networks in the United States about his argyria or blue coloring, Paul has been dubbed the “Blue Man.” The aspect of Paul’s story that attracted media attention, at first, was the fact he was experiencing something akin to racial discrimination because of his blue skin color.

Thank you to our caring customers for keeping us in the loop by letting us know about Paul and the television network shows that have interviewed him. We provide links to Paul’s interviews at the end of this article.

Once we heard about Paul and watched the interviews, we wanted to talk with him, to get the details of his experience using Colloidal Silver to pass along to you. Despite a multitude of messages on his answering machine, Paul returned our call.

In addition to asking Paul to describe the steps to turning blue, we had a proposal to make to him. We’ll tell you about that after passing along how Paul developed argyria.

It is obvious from the interviews that Paul has an upbeat, positive attitude and a gentle demeanor. He does not view himself as a victim. Our telephone interview confirmed that impression.

**Use of Colloidal Silver**

Paul started making and drinking Colloidal Silver about 13 years ago, in 1994 or 1995—he wasn’t sure exactly when. At that time, a friend of his had severe petroleum poisoning. His
friend was a machinist and Paul was helping him in his shop. In addition, Paul was the caregiver for his ailing parents.

Paul was looking for ways to help his friend when an ad in Atlantis Rising for a unit to make Colloidal Silver caught his eye. He had heard that Colloidal Silver could be helpful for petroleum poisoning so he ordered a unit.

He started making Colloidal Silver for his friend and himself. He used distilled water and added sea salt to increase the conductivity of the water. The silver solution had a cloudy appearance as silver chloride is produced when salt is added. He estimated he was making Colloidal Silver in the range of 10 PPM.

Paul brewed two batches a day. In the morning, he and his friend each drank about a 10-ounce (325 ml) tumbler full and they repeated the process in the evening. Paul estimates that he continued to drink two tumblers a day (about 20 ounces or 750 ml) for three years or more.

Later Paul bought a unit from a second manufacturer to make his silver solution. He switched to adding baking soda to the distilled water to increase conductivity. This produces a solution with a golden color.

Paul has never used a SOTA unit or any other constant current unit. During one of his television interviews, a SOTA unit was on display. That unit belongs to his fiancée. When he first met Jackie Northup, who is now his fiancée, he recommended she buy a SOTA unit so she could make her own Colloidal Silver as well.

Now that he and Jackie live together, he continues to use his own silver maker and does not use the SOTA constant current unit. (Note: Constant current produces a smaller particle size—mostly Ionic Silver, however, the risk of argyria may still exist. It is not necessary to add anything to distilled water to produce Ionic~Colloidal Silver.)

**Turning Blue**

About nine years ago—four years after Paul started to drink Colloidal Silver—the health of Paul’s father declined rapidly and he passed on. The stress of his father’s decline and passing, as well as his mother’s precarious health and passing shortly after, brought out severe dermatitis on Paul’s face—cracking and peeling of the skin. Paul has suffered with dermatitis since infancy.

Paul had noticed how Colloidal Silver helped to quickly heal cat scratches on his skin, so he started dabbing some on his face twice or more daily. It didn’t clear his dermatitis but the severity of the condition was reduced—his skin didn’t crack and peel so much. At this point, Paul thinks he was still drinking Colloidal Silver daily but doesn’t recall how much.
Paul says he has always been rather reclusive so he wasn’t out in the public eye much. After he’d been applying Colloidal Silver topically for about three months, a friend he hadn’t seen for several months, visited. His friend commented on the color of Paul’s face and asked if he was ill. With repeated exposure to light, the silver had darkened his skin. The darkening had been so gradual that even Paul’s wife at the time hadn’t noticed. Paul immediately stopped applying Colloidal Silver topically. He also reduced how much he drank. Today, Paul makes a quart (one liter) about twice monthly, some of which is added to the water for their pets.

**Medical Test**

Paul recalls the date of January 13, 1999 clearly as he had triple-bypass surgery on that day. His cholesterol level had been high for several years before the surgery. Paul attributes his clogged arteries at the time to his sedentary lifestyle. As his parents’ caregiver, he sat at home alert to any crisis as well as keeping them company through much of the day.

At the time of the surgery, the doctor noticed Paul’s blue face and ordered a heavy metal blood screen. Paul said the report indicated he was clear of any heavy metals. His silver level was reported to be slightly higher than normal but was considered well within safe limits.

Since that time, the blue has gradually spread. Today, most of Paul’s body is blue—tinges are even starting to show in his feet. It is about 13 years since Paul started drinking Colloidal Silver. His blue color has been gradually spreading over his body for the past nine years.

**The Benefits**

Paul has continued to drink Colloidal Silver on an occasional basis because of the benefits he has experienced. When he first started drinking Colloidal Silver, he noticed the following:

His acid reflux disappeared within three days.

His sinus congestion cleared. He had been plagued with a sinus problem since childhood. He says within three weeks, his sinuses drained and the infection cleared. Today, seasonal allergies will sometimes trigger sinus congestion.

Arthritis in both shoulders cleared. Paul had a doctor diagnose his arthritis. It was painful and a struggle to pull on a t-shirt. He had pushed his body with heavy work in landscaping for many years so he thinks this contributed to his arthritis. His symptoms disappeared within three months.

**Possibly Reversing Argyria**

SOTA made a proposal to Paul to see if his blue coloring can be reduced or possibly eliminated. As an experimental program for at least one month, SOTA has offered to supply...
Paul with six supplements along with a portable far infrared sauna. One of the supplements is selenium, as it is known that silver competes with selenium in the body. It is possible that silver can induce a selenium deficiency over time. This is the theory presented as the cause of argyria by Mark Metcalf.

The proposed supplement program is partially based on recommendations outlined in Mark Metcalf’s book, Colloidal Silver: Making the Safest and Most Powerful Medicine on Earth for the Price of Water. The other supplements are: Vitamin E, Vitamin C, MSM, a multi-mineral as well as electrolytes before and after each sauna session. The proposal includes an agreement for Paul to refrain from drinking Colloidal Silver during this experimental program, to drink plenty of purified water and to take pictures to document any elimination of silver from his skin.

Paul admits, however, that he is not unhappy with his argyria or blue color. With a touch of humor, he says he rather appreciates that he no longer gets sun burnt. Being of very fair skin with red hair (before the gray), he has always suffered from severe sunburns. Since turning blue, he doesn’t sun burn anymore.

During our telephone conversation, Paul expressed an interest in the program. At this point, however, Paul has not responded since we outlined the details of our proposal. We know media attention continues to keep him busy.

Our thanks to a gentle, giant of a man who is facing the media with such grace.

Link to Paul’s appearance on CNN:
http://www.metacafe.com/watch/2074283/the_blue_man_paul_karason_cnn_news/

Link to Paul’s appearance on the NBC Today show:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_X_EjiIg890

Unfortunately, the link to Paul’s appearance on ABC is no longer available.

Addendum

We’re sad to say that Mr. Paul Karason passed away at the age of 62 on September 23, 2013. The cause of death was complications from a heart attack and stroke. The Los Angeles Times reported, “...it is unlikely that argyria played a role in Karason’s death. According to a report on the CDC’s website, argyria is thought to be only a ‘cosmetic’ problem.”

For those who are wondering, Paul did not choose to take advantage of our proposal to reverse argyria.