

## [Craig Murray's Skripal analysis: On Not Being Refuted](#)

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Several million people have now read [my articles](#) on the lack of evidence of Russian government guilt for the Salisbury attack. That's over 300,000 unique visitors on this little blog alone so far, and it has been repeated on hundreds of sites all over the internet. My own tweets on the subject have been retweeted over 12,500 times and received 8 million impressions. I know that journalists from every mainstream media outlet you can mention have seen the material, because of numerous tweets from them none of which address any of the facts, but instead call me a "Conspiracy nutter" or variants of that, some very rude.

Yet [what I wrote](#) has not been refuted. It would be very easy to refute were it not true. The government would just have to say "Porton Down have stated that they have definitely identified the nerve agent as made in Russia". They have not said that. Most extraordinarily, not one mainstream media "journalist" has asked a minister the question: "You keep using this phrase the nerve agent is "of a type developed by Russia". Are you able to confirm it was actually made in Russia?" .

There is no excuse for this. Literally hundreds of mainstream media "journalists" have slavishly reproduced the propaganda phrase "of a type developed by Russia" **without a single one of them every querying this rather odd wording, or why it is the government always uses that precise wording again and again and again.**

It goes without saying that not a single mainstream media "journalist" has reported that fact either that until recently Porton Down believed that "novichoks" had probably [never actually](#) been synthesised successfully and that the OPCW has never banned them on

the grounds that there was no evidence of their physical existence.

Finally I wish to repeat these important facts:

- Israel has major **undeclared stocks** of chemical weapons
- Israel is one of a handful of countries, including North Korea, not to ratify the Chemical Weapons Convention and commit to destroy its chemical weapons
- Israel is not a member of the OPCW and refuses to declare its chemical weapon stocks to the OPCW.

These are also facts you will never, ever see reported in mainstream media and entirely predictably the corporate lickspittles of the mainstream media have been out in force on social media justifying their refusal to act on any of the information I have given on the grounds I am an "anti-semite". A more extreme example of using any criticism of Israel to allege anti-semitism is hard to conceive.

The contribution of Jewish people to human development in fields including science, literature, music, art and commerce has been simply magnificent and utterly disproportionate to their numbers. **The genocidal policy of Israel towards the Palestinians these last seventy years, and its rogue state status as regard chemical and nuclear wmds is a completely different question**, for which I in no way blame the generality of Jewish people. In fact my position on this is the opposite of a BDS position. I actually want Israel to join OPCW, be a full member and cooperate in the destruction of its chemical weapon stocks.

I think I might now have a vodka. Of a type developed by Russia. Made in Warrington.