This link from my friend Adam...

It's yet another <u>gimmick</u> by VeriChip Corporation, aimed at improving public relations and gaining acceptance in the medical profession for their human implant technology. VeriChip are occupying a stand at this year's medical convention in Las Vegas, where they will be implanting "dozens" of health care professionals with their RFID product.

Quote: "All this week at the Las Vegas Convention Center, health care professionals are having the chips surgically implanted. Not everyone is ready to have a micro chip in their body, and the people who run the company called Verichip understand that some people are afraid that the technology could be used to track their behavior, or turn them into some sort of futuristic computer controlled being. "That's complete Sci-Fi," said Marc Poulshock, Verichip. "There's no GPS on it at all."

VeriChip have so far found the US market a tough nut to crack. Only fifty individuals have so far received a VeriChip in their right arms, and around half a dozen hospitals have volunteered for VeriMed trials. There is still much public concern over the possible infringement of civil liberties, and of course the "Mark of the Beast" connotations. Thus we have VeriChip carrying out continual PR exercises in the mainstream media, in order to promote their product and counter public distrust of this technology. As usual, the big emphasis is on public safety. In an interview with CBS' 60 Minutes in 2002, Andy Rooney made a very worrying statement...

Quote: "Even famous curmudgeon Andy Rooney is pro-chip. "We need some system for permanently identifying safe people,

"Rooney said in a 60 Minutes commentary on CBS. "Most of us are never going to blow anything up, and there's got to be something better than one of [those] photo IDs - a tattoo somewhere, maybe. "I wouldn't mind having something planted permanently in my arm that would identify me."

Friends, this no doubt is what will eventually happen. The security situation will grow so bad that governments will presume that the only way to route out potential terrorists is to "permanently identify safe people". Those who don't comply with the system will be deemed a threat to national security and they will become social outcasts, jailed or even executed.

The Bible states that during the tribulation period, the Antichrist will issue a decree that all should be required to receive a mark in their right hand or forehead. Many will blindly accept such a system, perhaps because its the socially acceptable thing to do. And for that you may be able to thank VeriChip's PR campaign.

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