

United Russia Official Tabbed for Microchip Implant Experiment

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The future is here, and it's less than 4,000 kilometers east of Moscow.

A Siberian ruling United Party official reportedly plans to volunteer for an experiment in which he will insert a microchip into his skin containing, among other information, his credit card.

The official, who is also a Tomsk State University vice rector for innovation, Konstantin Belyakov, will be one of 10 volunteers to have a 4mm by 1.5mm microchip implant sewn into their hands, the state-run TASS news agency [reported](#) Sunday.

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“It functions as a bank card, an electronic key to access the university buildings and a ‘Troika’

transport card, which is used in Moscow," the university's press service was [quoted](#) as saying.

The press service did not say when the experiment is scheduled to kick off.

The implant will [reportedly](#) be developed by a Moscow region-based chipmaker behind the Troika and the Mir bank cards.

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