

Alchemical imagery

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Dan Rabin — 03 Nov 1999, 21:25

Isn't the term "azoth" for the element mercury alchemical in origin?

I would guess that Wolfe's use of alchemy is on a par with his use of Kabbalah: a nice system to plunder for vocabulary and images, but not something he actually believes in (as I think he told Jim Jordan).

-- Dan Rabin