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**Dileep Jatkar, 'Ashoke Sen and S-Duality – Winner of Fundamental Physics Prize',
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This concerns the article 'Ashoke Sen and S-duality'. The article omits an important fact: there is absolutely no experimental evidence for string theory. Without this information, readers may think they are reading about established facts, not speculation.

A string theorist, Witten, was awarded a Fields Medal, which shows that a great deal of important mathematics has emerged from this area. But is there anything more than mathematics here?

Sen got a huge award, three times a Nobel Prize, from a Russian foundation. This, to my mind, is not an acceptable substitute for evidence.

I would suggest that you read the book *The trouble with physics* by Lee Smolin, a former string theorist.

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