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FOI to CDC re: studies showing Haemophilus influenzae cause illness

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To: "FOIA Requests (CDC)" <FOIARequests@cdc.gov>

Wed, May 1, 2024 at 4:37 PM

May 1, 2022

To:
Roger Andoh, Freedom of Information Officer
1600 Clifton Rd NE MS T-01
Atlanta, Georgia [30333]
Email: FOIARequests@cdc.gov
Phone: 770-488-6277
Fax: 770-488-6200

Dear Roger,

I require access to general records;

Description of Required Records:

All studies - **authored by anyone, anywhere, ever**, in the possession, custody or control of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and/or the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and/or the people who are responsible for the **CDC's claim** that **Haemophilus influenzae** can cause pneumonia, meningitis, epiglottitis, cellulitis, arthritis, etc., that:

used purified bacterial cultures to scientifically prove or provide evidence of causation of any type of illness or death in animals or people.

I am not seeking records that describe attempts to prove causation using unscientific methods; opinions, declarations, speculation, review papers and descriptive papers are not scientific proof/evidence. Scientific proof/evidence requires use of the scientific method to test falsifiable hypotheses through valid, rigorous, repeatable controlled experiments.

If any records match the above description and are currently available elsewhere, please provide enough information about each one so that I may identify and access them with certainty: title, author(s), date, journal, location, URLs where possible;

Format:

Pdf documents sent to me via email; I do not want anything shipped to me;

Thank you in advance and best wishes;
Christine



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Your CDC FOIA Request #24-01065-FOIA

uls9@cdc.gov <uls9@cdc.gov>
To: cmssyc@gmail.com

Fri, May 3, 2024 at 9:39 AM

May 3, 2024

Request Number: 24-01065-FOIA

Dear Ms. Massey:

This is regarding your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of May 2, 2024, for All studies - authored by anyone, anywhere, ever, in the possession, custody or control of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and/or the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and/or the people who are responsible for the CDC's claim that Haemophilus influenzae can cause pneumonia, meningitis, epiglottitis, cellulitis, arthritis, etc., that: used purified bacterial cultures to scientifically prove or provide evidence of causation of any type of illness or death in animals or people.

Please see the attached letter.

Sincerely,
CDC/ATSDR FOIA Office
770-488-6399

 **Acknowledgement (Complex) Within 30 days.pdf**
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Centers for Disease Control
and Prevention (CDC)
Atlanta GA 30333

May 3, 2024

Ms. Christine Massey



Via email: cmssyc@gmail.com

Dear Ms. Massey:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated May 2, 2024 for:

All studies - authored by anyone, anywhere, ever, in the possession, custody or control of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and/or the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and/or the people who are responsible for the CDC's claim that *Haemophilus influenzae* can cause pneumonia, meningitis, epiglottitis, cellulitis, arthritis, etc., that:

used purified bacterial cultures to scientifically prove or provide evidence of causation of any type of illness or death in animals or people.

Your request was assigned #24-01065-FOIA and placed in our complex processing queue.

Extension of Time

In unusual circumstances, an agency can extend the twenty-working-day limit to respond to a FOIA request.

We will require an additional ten-working-days to respond to your request because:

X We reasonably expect to receive and review complex or voluminous records in response to your request.

To process your request promptly, please consider narrowing the scope of your request to limit the number of responsive records. If you have any questions or wish to discuss reformulation or an alternative time frame for the processing of your request, you may contact the analyst handling your request Ryan Hohl at 404-639-5033 or our FOIA Public Liaison, Roger Andoh at 770-488-6277. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Services (OGIS) to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services; National Archives and Records Administration; 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS; College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Fee Category

Because you are considered an “Other requester” you are entitled to two hours of free search time, and up to 100 pages of duplication (or the cost equivalent of other media) without charge, and you will not be charged for review time. We may charge for search time beyond the first two hours and for duplication beyond the first 100 pages. (10 cents/page).

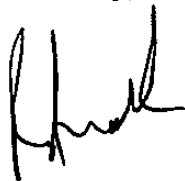
Cut-off-date

If you don’t provide us with a date range for your request, the cut-off date for your request will be the date the search for responsive records starts.

You may check on the status of your case on our FOIA webpage <https://foia.cdc.gov/app/Home.aspx> and entering your assigned request number. If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Ryan Hohl at uls9@cdc.gov.

We reasonably anticipate that you should receive a final response by June 14, 2024. Please know that this date roughly estimates how long it will take the agency to close requests ahead of your request in the queue and complete work on your request. The actual date of completion might be before or after this estimated date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Andoh', written in a cursive style.

Roger Andoh
CDC/ATSDR FOIA Officer
Office of the Chief Operating Officer
(770) 488-6399
Fax: (404) 235-1852



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Your CDC FOIA Request #24-01065-FOIA

uls9@cdc.gov <uls9@cdc.gov>
To: cmssyc@gmail.com

Thu, May 16, 2024 at 9:41 AM

May 16, 2024

Request Number: 24-01065-FOIA

Dear Ms. Massey:

This is regarding your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of May 2, 2024, for All studies - authored by anyone, anywhere, ever, in the possession, custody or control of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and/or the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and/or the people who are responsible for the CDC's claim that Haemophilus influenzae can cause pneumonia, meningitis, epiglottitis, cellulitis, arthritis, etc., that: used purified bacterial cultures to scientifically prove or provide evidence of causation of any type of illness or death in animals or people.

Please see the attached letter.

Sincerely,
CDC/ATSDR FOIA Office
770-488-6399

 **Final Response No Records.pdf**
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Centers for Disease Control
and Prevention (CDC)
Atlanta GA 30333
May 16, 2024

Ms. Christine Massey



Via email: cmssyc@gmail.com

Dear Ms. Massey:

This letter is in response to your Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of May 2, 2024, for:

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used purified bacterial cultures to scientifically prove or provide evidence of causation of any type of illness or death in animals or people.

The Division of Bacterial Diseases subject matter experts have reviewed and searched but found no examples that specifically address the request for repeatable, controlled experiments. Therefore, we have failed to locate any documents pertaining to your request.

They have provided the following published articles that may be useful:

<https://academic.oup.com/jid/article/149/5/728/2190098>
<https://journals.asm.org/doi/epdf/10.1128/aac.31.8.1243>
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0002944010603938>

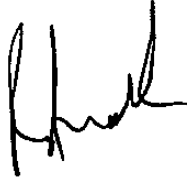
You may also find these published articles useful:

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/22080119/>
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29509834/>

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at 770-488-6246 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may administratively appeal to the Deputy Agency Chief FOIA Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, via the online portal at <https://requests.publiclink.hhs.gov/App/Index.aspx>. Please mark both your appeal letter and envelope "FOIA Appeal." Your appeal must be electronically transmitted by August 17, 2024.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Andoh', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Roger Andoh
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