

H1N1 CITIZEN CONCERNS

Troubling Swine Flu History

- The 1976 swine flu outbreak's vaccine caused about 500 cases of Guillain-Barré syndrome (GBS), resulting in death from severe pulmonary complications for 25 people, probably caused by an immunopathological reaction to the vaccine.¹ 5,000 people sought benefits for vaccine injuries.²
- This past June, HHS Secretary Sebelius invoked manufacturer immunity to lawsuits resulting from any new swine flu vaccine,³ removing incentive for vaccine manufacturers to take all available safety precautions along with any civil remedy for those who will inevitably be harmed—an alarming concern, since serious adverse events occur with the widespread use of any vaccine.⁴

Questionable Vaccine Manufacturers' Reliability

- Vaccine manufacturer Baxter recently shipped vaccines with live avian flu virus to 18 countries, which could have launched a global pandemic. Experts say that given the Biolevel Safety 3 protocols Baxter employs, it is virtually impossible for the cross contamination to have been the mistake Baxter claims.⁵
- Peer-reviewed studies show that seasonal flu vaccines have been of virtually no benefit to babies, children with asthma, adults, or the elderly.⁶ Tom Jefferson, a Cochrane Collaboration epidemiologist who "knows the flu vaccine literature better than anyone else on the planet" says the vast majority of flu studies favoring vaccination were deeply flawed.⁷

Reputable Authorities' and Experts' Reservations About the H1N1 Vaccine

- Dr Marc Girard, a specialist in the side effects of drugs and a medical expert commissioned by French courts, has said on French TV that the "swine flu" vaccine could cause 60,000 deaths in France, especially among young people, children and pregnant women.⁸
- Dr. Anders Bruun Laursen of the Center for Research on Globalization noted that squalene, an adjuvant in some pandemic vaccines, was banned by a federal court judge in 2004 from the Pentagon's use due to its contribution to Gulf War Syndrome.⁹
- Dr. Keiji Fukuda, the WHO's flu chief, warned about the potential dangers of the untested vaccines: "There are certain areas where you simply do not try to make any economies. One of the things which cannot be compromised is the safety of vaccines."¹⁰
- Arthur Schafer, director of the University of Manitoba's Centre for Professional and Applied Ethics, says that rushing the H1N1 vaccine for fall is unethical, and that the public should be informed about its uncertain safety and effectiveness.¹¹
- The Czech Republic has refused Baxter's swine flu vaccine over safety concerns.¹²
- The Lancet recently stated: "Countries need to assess carefully the risks and benefits of the rapid approval of a human swine flu vaccine to avoid the repeat of past problems with mass-vaccination."¹³
- World Health Organization officials have warned that H1N1 vaccines may be unsafe.^{14, 15}
- Drug Policy Researcher Alan Cassels and Professional Ethics Director Arthur Schafer recently questioned the safety and effectiveness of the H1N1 vaccine.¹⁶
- German parliament and European Council health committee chair Dr. Wolfgang Wodarg has warned of possible cancer and other side effects from the H1N1 vaccines worse than the swine flu virus.¹⁷
- The Institute of Science and Society has said that the vaccines will be far more deadly than the swine flu, and that mass vaccinations are a recipe for disaster.¹⁸
- The Alliance for Human Research Protection (AHRP) has said that the "U.S. government has adopted . . . a reckless policy encouraging . . . the use of untested, controversial vaccines . . . It is likely that these

adjuvants will cause far more damage and autoimmune illness than the swine vaccine used in 1976. . . [and] no compensation mechanism has been created for citizens who are likely to suffer harm."¹⁹

Serious Questions Raised by Pandemic Flu Policy

- University of Ottawa Professor of Economics and Director of the Centre for Research on Globalization makes a convincing case that swine flu data has been deliberately manipulated to justify the current worldwide public health emergency.²⁰
- A CBS News exclusive study of state results found that H1N1 is not nearly as prevalent as feared—that most people diagnosed as probably or presumed H1N1 probably did not.²¹
- The Swine Flu is mild.²² The claimed U.S. swine flu deaths to date pale in comparison to the CDC's claimed 36,000 U.S. seasonal flu-related deaths.²³ Infectious disease experts Dr. Andy Simor of Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre in Toronto said, of the swine flu in the southern hemisphere, "It does spread easily, but it is not associated with higher rates of deaths, hospitalizations, or complications than with seasonal flu."²⁴
- High priority H1N1 vaccine recipients (e.g., pregnant women and young children) are different from groups identified as being at high risk from the disease, and/or appear to contradict CDC recommendations for vaccines generally, e.g.: A) Swine flu affects obese people disproportionately;²⁵ B) Swine flu reportedly caused deaths in healthy adults;²⁶ C) Live virus vaccines are contraindicated for pregnant women because of the theoretical risk of transmission of the vaccine virus to the fetus.²⁷ Swine flu is mildest in children.²⁸
- A federal advisory panel recommended that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approve or license a vaccine for the H1N1 flu virus before clinical trials produce safety and efficacy data.²⁹ Vaccine efficacy and serious adverse reactions will be known only after widespread vaccine use. This raises the prospect of a repeat of the 1976 swine flu fiasco.
- Congress approved \$7.65 billion for the pandemic flu response in June 2009, three+ times what the White House and Senate had previously proposed. In July, President Obama designated emergency funds totaling \$1.825 billion for H1N1 preparedness.³⁰ However, delays in vaccine manufacture may mean that a majority of Americans will have already been exposed to the disease before the vaccines are available to them.
- Swine flu vaccines promise a sales and profit windfall for many companies.³¹

Healthcare Workers and Public Object to Flu Vaccines

- One-third of UK nurses polled say they will refuse the vaccine over safety issues, while another third are unsure (8-18-09).³² Half of Hong Kong health care workers say they'll refuse the swine flu vaccine (8-26-09).³³ 65% of French healthcare workers will refuse the swine flu vaccines over safety concerns (9-24-09).³⁴ Healthcare workers in NY obtained a restraining order to prevent enforcement of the state health department's directive that health care workers be vaccinated against swine flu and seasonal flu.³⁵ Two U.S. polls reveal that a majority of Americans do not want the swine flu vaccine,³⁶ one reveals a majority think there is no swine flu emergency, despite President Obama's declaration.³⁷

Safer, Proven Alternatives

- Last year, Cuba carried out a successful use of homeoprophylaxis on a population of 2.5 million Cubans in their annual Leptospirosis epidemic. The results substantially exceeded those obtained previously with conventional vaccinations, at a fraction of the cost.³⁸ Historically, allopathic and homeopathic hospitals had mortality rates during the 1918 flu pandemic of 30% and 1.05% respectively.³⁹
- The government of India states: "Flu like illnesses may also be prevented through Homeopathy. The Central Council for Research in Homeopathy (CCRH) has recommended a homeopathic medicine for protection against such flu like conditions [referring to Influenza A(H1N1)]."⁴⁰
- Studies have shown that those with higher vitamin D blood levels are less likely to contract the typical avian influenza.⁴¹ CDC data shows Vitamin D deficient children are at greater risk of death from swine flu.⁴²

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