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Fw: Health Canada Access to Information request A-2021-000719

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Wed, Nov 10, 2021 at 4:08 PM

To: "christinem@fluoridefreepeel.ca" <christinem@fluoridefreepeel.ca>

Hello here sister

I am providing you with a copy of a document from Health Canada, which I received today.

The document is a response to a request that I have made pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act in regards Covid19 being isolated.

It is a tad different to the response which you received from Health Canada for a similar request.

I hope that you can add this to the responses that you have from other health institutions.

I do have a few other places in mind, in my local area to make similar requests. Once I get a response, I will provide you with the details.

Thank you Glad to have you on our side.

Blessed be.

Michel D. Ethier

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Smith, Christine (HC/SC) <christinen.smith@hc-sc.gc.ca>

To: treeoflifemission@yahoo.ca <treeoflifemission@yahoo.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2021, 12:01:45 p.m. EST

Subject: Health Canada Access to Information request A-2021-000719

Good Morning Michel D. Ethier:

Please find attached the final response to your Access to Information request for the following: **I wish to receive the following information from your office:**

a) All records describing the isolation of a SARS-Covid-2 virus, directly from a sample taken from a diseased patient, where the sample was not first combined with any other source of genetic material (i.e. monkey kidney cells, aka vero cells; liver cancer cells).

b) Please note that I am using "isolations" in an every-day sense of the word: the act of separating a thing(s) from everything else. I am not requesting records where "isolation of SARS-COVID-2" instead refers to:

- The culturing of something, or

- The performance of an amplification test (i.e. a PCR test), or The sequencing of something.

c) To clarify, I am requesting all such records that are in the possession, custody or control of Health Canada (for example: downloaded to a computer, printed in a hard copy, etc.).

This completes the processing of your request.

Thank you and have a nice day


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Michel D. Ethier
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Dear Michel D. Ethier:

This is in response to your request made under the *Access to Information Act* (the Act) for the following information:

I wish to receive the following information from your office:

- a) All records describing the isolation of a SARS-Covid-2 virus, directly from a sample taken from a diseased patient, where the sample was not first combined with any other source of genetic material (i.e. monkey kidney cells, aka vero cells; liver cancer cells).**
- b) Please note that I am using “isolations” in an every-day sense of the word: the act of separating a thing(s) from everything else. I am not requesting records where “isolation of SARS-COVID-2” instead refers to:
 - The culturing of something, or
 - The performance of an amplification test (i.e. a PCR test), or The sequencing of something.**
- c) To clarify, I am requesting all such records that are in the possession, custody or control of Health Canada (for example: downloaded to a computer, printed in a hard copy, etc.).**

Having completed a thorough search, we regret to inform you that we were unable to locate any records responsive to your request. A search of emails, electronic databases and files as well as hard copy materials uncovered no documentation describing the isolation of SARS-COV-2 viruses from patient derived samples. Health Canada's role is not to do pure scientific research and discovery, it is to review evidence provided by sponsors in order to make regulatory decisions to approve products and authorize clinical trials. In addition, Health Canada does not work directly with patient samples or SARS-COV-2 virus as this would require Level 3 containment facilities which are not housed at Health Canada.

Additionally, when the request for the same information went to the Public Health Agency of Canada, the following explanation was given as to why it resulted in no

records: The request has resulted in a “No Records Exist”, because of the way the request was formulated. The isolation of the virus is not completed without the use of another medium, therefore we have no records that would show this process taking place. It is important to understand the following: The gold standard assay used to determine the presence of intact virus in patient samples is viral isolation in cell culture. With this assay, if virus is present in the patient sample, it will multiply and produce visible cytopathic effects, which means that infected cells demonstrate visible changes. Additionally, the detection of an increase in the genetic viral material by PCR further confirms that intact virus is present in the patient sample, since increasing viral genetic material necessitates replication of the viral within the cell culture. This technique was

successfully used to confirm that intact SARS-COV-2 was present in Canadian patient samples as evidenced in the material provided. In the case of SARS-COV-2 isolation, Vero cells combined with minimal essential medium (MEM) were used because they are essential to support viral replication and cell growth. This combination supports the growth of other coronavirus types and was successful in the case of SARS-CoV-2 as well

Should you have any questions or concerns about the processing of your request, please do not hesitate to contact Christine N. Smith, the analyst responsible for this file, either by phone at 613-862-6063, by email at christinen.smith@hc-sc.gc.ca, with reference to our file number cited above.

Please be advised that you are entitled to complain to the Office of the Information Commissioner of Canada concerning the processing of your request within 60 days of the receipt of this notice. In the event you decide to avail yourself of this right, your notice of complaint can be made online at: <https://www.oic-ci.gc.ca/en/submitting-complaint> or by mail to:

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Yours sincerely,

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