The response provided by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) did **NOT** correspond to my description of requested records. The ICMR's response consisted of 1 citation, for a study that is **NOT** responsive to my request and that in fact matches my description of the type of study that I was **NOT** requesting.

The study referenced to me in reply: *"First isolation of SARS-CoV-2 from clinical samples in India"* published in the Indian Journal of Medical Research does **NOT** describe the purification of any "SARS COV 2" from a patient sample that was **NOT** first combined with any other source of genetic material (i.e monkey kidney cells aka Vero cells; Fetal bovine serum etc) via maceration, filtration and use of an ultracentrifuge, **which is what I requested**.

This paper also does **NOT** describe the purification of any type of particle, even from a contaminated patient sample. It does **NOT** describe the purification of a suspected virus from any source.

This study does describe exactly what I had explained I was NOT interested in:

- culturing an unpurified substance,
- performing an amplification test (PCR test) on an unpurified substance,
- producing a "genome" of an unpurified substance, and
- producing electron microscopy images of unpurified things.

Below are excerpts from the study which was referenced by ICMR in their reply:

QUOTE

We describe here the successful isolation and characterization of SARS-CoV-2 from clinical samples in India using Vero CCL-81 cells by observing cytopathic effects (CPEs) and cycle threshold (Ct) values in real-time reverse transcription-polymerase
chain reaction (RT-PCR), electron microscopy and next-generation sequencing (NGS)...

...The clinical specimens [not purified "SARS-COV-2"] of the 12 cases were used for infecting Vero CCL-81 which was maintained in Eagle's minimum essential medium (MEM; Gibco, UK) supplemented with 10 per cent foetal bovine serum (FBS) (HiMedia, Mumbai), penicillin (100 U/ml) and streptomycin (100 mg/ml). Likewise, 100 µl was inoculated onto 24-well cell culture monolayers of Vero CCL-81, before the growth medium was decanted...

...From each well of cell culture plate, on the third post-infection day (PID-3) of passage-1 (P-1), 50 µl of supernatant [not purified "SARS-COV-2"] was taken and tested for SARS-CoV-2 using real-time RT-PCR...

...Next-generation sequencing was performed on SARS-CoV-2 positive clinical samples [not purified "SARS-COV-2"] (100 µl) included in the study and the tissue culture fluid [not purified "SARS-COV-2"] (50 µl) of virus isolates at PID-3 as described earlier...

... an aliquot of cell culture supernatant [not purified "SARS-COV-2"] was harvested from infected Vero CCL-81 showing CPE and the supernatant used for negative staining as described elsewhere. Distinct CoV particles with an average size of 95±10 nm having a distinct envelope fringe could be detected in the fields scanned (Fig. 3), as observed earlier.

UNQUOTE

Also I am attaching my RTI request again and I hope a proper reply which is NOT misleading and false information to the request below is given with due diligence:

> This is my formal request for access to general records, made under Right To Information Act.
> Description of Requested records:
> All the studies and/or reports in the possession, custody or control of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) describing the purification of any "SARS COV 2" aka "Covid 19 virus" (including any "variants") (via maceration, filtration and use of an ultracentrifuge; also referred to at times by some people
> as "isolation"), directly from a sample taken from a "diseased" human, where
> the patient sample was not first combined with any other source of genetic material (i.e monkey kidney cells aka Vero cells; Fetal bovine serum etc).
> Please note that I am not requesting studies/reports where the researchers failed
> to purify the suspected "virus" and instead:
> * cultured an unpurified sample or other unpurified substance, and/or
> *performed an amplification test (i.e. a PCR test) on all the RNA from a patient
> sample or from a cell culture, or on genetic material from any unpurified substance, and/or
> *sequenced the total RNA from a patient sample or from a cell culture or from any unpurified substance, and/or
> *produced electron microscopy images of unpurified things.
> Clarification regarding my request:
> For further clarity, please note I am already aware that according to the virus theory a "virus" requires host cells in order to replicate, and I am not requesting
> records describing the replication of a "virus" without host cells.

Further, I am not requesting records that describe a suspected "virus" floating in
a vacuum; I am simply requesting records that describe its purification (separation from everything else in the patient sample, as per standard laboratory practices for purification of other smaller things).
Please also note that my request is not limited to records that were authored by
ICMR or that pertain to work done at/by ICMR and its associate organisations. Rather, my request includes any record matching the above description, for example (but not limited to) any published peer-reviewed study authored by anyone, anywhere that has been downloaded or printed by Administration or Staff at ICMR and relied on as evidence of a disease-causing "virus".
If any records match the above description of requested records and are currently available to the public elsewhere, provide enough information about each record so that I may identify and access each one with certainty (i.e. title, author(s), date, journal, where the public may access it). Please provide URLs where possible.

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