

OIA request to MOH re: "SARS-COV-2" purification by any method

Wed, Aug 18, 2021 at 1:11 PM

To: OIA Requests <oiagr@health.govt.nz>

Dear Official Information Officer,

This is a formal request for access to general records, made under the Official Information Act.

Please note: this request is very similar to another request MOH responded to in March, 2021 where I had specified purification via maceration, filtration and use of an ultracentrifuge. The difference with this new request is that it does not specify maceration, filtration and use of an ultracentrifuge; it only mentions filtration, ultracentrifugation and chromatography by way of an example. My request also includes the language of 'variants' to ensure that records would match all related alleged SARS-COV-2 viruses.

Description of Requested Records:

All studies and/or reports in the possession, custody or control of the NZ Ministry of Health describing the **purification** of any "COVID-19 virus" (aka "SARS-COV-2", including any alleged "variants" i.e. "B.1.1.7", "B.1.351", "P.1") (for example: via filtration, ultracentrifugation and chromatography), directly from a sample taken from a diseased human where the patient sample was <u>not</u> first combined with any other source of **genetic** material (i.e. monkey kidney cells aka Vero cells; fetal bovine serum).

Please note that I am not requesting studies/reports where 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
- fabricated a "genome" by editing/assembling/aligning sequences detected in 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.

For further clarity, please note I am already aware that according to 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 the purification of other very small things).

Please also note that my request is **not limited** to records that were authored by the NZ Ministry of Health or that pertain to work done at/by the NZ Ministry of Health. 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, ever that has been downloaded or printed by the NZ Ministry of Health 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, please 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.

Format:

Pdf documents sent to me via email; I do not wish for anything to be shipped to me.

Regards





Your request for official information (ref: H202110807)

OIA Requests <oiagr@health.govt.nz>

Mon, Aug 23, 2021 at 3:34 PM

Kia ora

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) received on 18 August 2021 for:

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The Ministry does not hold any information, authored by any party, in relation to your request. The Ministry has also confirmed that Institute of Environmental Science and Research (ESR) does not hold any information relating to your request.

Therefore, your request is refused under section 18(g)(i) as the information requested is not held by the Ministry and there are no grounds for believing it is held by another agency subject to the Act.

Please be aware that should you make further requests for the same information the Ministry may refuse your requests under section 18(h) of the Act, as they may be considered frivolous or vexatious.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi,

Nick Allan Manager OIA Services

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25 August 2021

By email:

Ref: H202110807

Tēnā koe

Response to your request for official information

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Nāku noa, nā

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