



OIA: Proof of TB Causation

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Wed, Nov 17, 2021 at 2:04 PM

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

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

Description of Requested Records:

All studies and/or reports in the possession, custody or control of The Ministry of Health that uses purified bacterium *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* to prove causation of the alleged Tuberculosis disease.

Please note that I am not requesting studies/reports where researchers failed to:

- Use valid controls
- Satisfy all 4 Koch's Postulates

I have provided all 4 Koch's Postulates as a reference.

Koch's postulates

Koch's postulates are the following:

1. The microorganism must be found in abundance in all organisms suffering from the disease, but should not be found in healthy organisms.
2. The microorganism must be isolated from a diseased organism and grown in pure culture.
3. The cultured microorganism should cause disease when introduced into a healthy organism.
4. The microorganism must be reisolated from the inoculated, diseased experimental host and identified as being identical to the original specific causative agent.

I am not seeking any records disputing Koch's postulates nor any records that attempt to justify the alleged Tuberculosis disease using unscientific methods. I am only seeking records that prove causation using valid scientific methods including valid control groups.

Regards

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Response to your correspondence 17 November 2021

OIA Requests <oiagr@health.govt.nz>

Fri, Nov 19, 2021 at 3:15 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email. Your request is refused under section 18(g) of the Act, as the information requested is not held by the Ministry and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is held by another organisation. However, you may be interested to know, Robert Koch received the Nobel Prize in 1905 for demonstrating that *M. tuberculosis* caused tuberculosis in 1882. Archives New Zealand may hold earlier records about tuberculosis. You may contact them at: archives.govt.nz/contact-us.

Applying Koch's Postulates as originally formulated is now out of date, particularly for viruses. *M. tuberculosis* is a bacterium. Information about Koch's Postulates can be found at:

- www.virology.ws/2010/01/22/kochs-postulates-in-the-21st-century/
- www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3158372/

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.

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OIA Services Team



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Response to your correspondence 17 November 2021

Fri, Nov 19, 2021 at 3:24 PM

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

你好 OIA Services Team ,

Did you read my OIA request?

I am not seeking any records disputing Koch's postulates nor any records that attempt to justify the alleged Tuberculosis disease using unscientific methods. I am only seeking records that prove causation using valid scientific methods including valid control groups.

I am not seeking your *opinion* on Koch's postulates nor any links that lack valid scientific experiments as you have provided.

Can you also put your response in a PDF leaving out your OPINIONS on Koch's postulates.

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Response to your correspondence 17 November 2021

OIA Requests <oiagr@health.govt.nz>

Fri, Nov 19, 2021 at 3:56 PM

Thank you for your email. As you were advised, the Ministry of Health does not hold any information relating to your request for:

"records that prove causation using valid scientific methods including valid control groups."

Therefore, your request is refused in full under section 18(g) of the Act.

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.