

FOIA request to CDC re: "HPV virus" purification by any method

Christine Massey <cmssyc@gmail.com> To: FOIARequests@cdc.gov Mon, Oct 18, 2021 at 9:34 PM

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To: Roger Andoh Freedom of Information Officer 1600 Clifton Rd NE MS T-01 Atlanta, Georgia 30333 Email: FOIARequests@cdc.gov Phone: 770-488-6277 Fax: 770-488-6200

Dear Freedom of Information Officer,

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

Description of Requested Records:

[**Please note**: this request is very similar to another request that I submitted on April 28, 2021 (#21-01193-FOIA) where I had **specified** purification via maceration, filtration and use of an ultracentrifuge and received a "no records" response. 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.]

All studies and/or reports in the possession, custody or control of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and/or the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) describing the **purification** (i.e. via filtration, ultracentrifugation and chromatography) of any **"HPV" aka "Human Papillomavirus**" said to have caused disease in humans, 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 something, and/or
- · performed an amplification test (i.e. PCR), and/or
- fabricated a "genome", 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 or private patient records; 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 note that my request includes any study/report matching the above description, **authored by anyone**, **anywhere**.

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.

Contact Information: Last name: Massey First name: Christine Address: Peterborough, ON, Canada Phone: Email: cmssyc@gmail.com

Thank you in advance and best wishes, Christine Massey, M.Sc.



Your CDC FOIA Request #22-00117-FOIA

MNHarper@cdc.gov <MNHarper@cdc.gov> To: cmssyc@gmail.com Wed, Nov 3, 2021 at 6:39 AM

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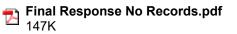
Request Number: 22-00117-FOIA

Dear Ms. Massey:

This is regarding your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of October 18, 2021, for request for all studies and/or reports in the possession, custody or control of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and/or the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) describing the purification (i.e. via filtration, ultracentrifugation and chromatography) of any "HPV" aka "Human Papillomavirus" said to have caused disease in humans, 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)..

Please see the attached letter.

Sincerely, CDC/ATSDR FOIA Office 770-488-6399





DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta GA 30333 November 3, 2021

Mr. Christine Massey

Via email: cmssyc@gmail.com

Dear Mr. Massey:

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A search of our records failed to reveal any documents pertaining to your request.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at 770-488-6277 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may administratively appeal to the Deputy Agency Chief FOIA Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, via the online portal at https://requests.publiclink.hhs.gov/App/Index.aspx. Please mark both your appeal letter and envelope "FOIA Appeal." Your appeal must be electronically transmitted by February 1, 2022.

Sincerely,

Roger Andoh CDC/ATSDR FOIA Officer Office of the Chief Operating Officer (770) 488-6399 Fax: (404) 235-1852

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