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Here is the NIAID admitting they have nothing for MonkeyPox... this came after all of the run-around from the Washington DC Dept of Health trying to send me to Massachusetts, then to the CDC, then admitted they needed to send me to NIAID instead, who had nothing.

I know you're busy so will talk soon!

Also, if I can help alleviate any of that please let me know. I am happy to assist if you need help with anything else.

Kristen

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From: Ma, Dongying (NIH/NHLBI) [C]<[dongying.ma@nih.gov](mailto:dongying.ma@nih.gov)>  
Date: On Wed, Jun 15, 2022 at 8:50 AM  
Subject: Fwd: RE: Re: FOIA Case Number: 58466  
To: moonapothecary@protonmail.com <[moonapothecary@protonmail.com](mailto:moonapothecary@protonmail.com)>  
CC:

Dear Ms. Welch,

No responsive records were located from NIAID. Please see your final letter in the attachment.

You may check the following webpages from CDC to find some related information:

[Laboratory Procedures](#) | [Monkeypox](#) | [Poxvirus](#) | [CDC](#)

[Preparation and Collection of Specimens](#) | [Monkeypox](#) | [Poxvirus](#) | [CDC](#)

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Dongying

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**From:** Ma, Dongying (NIH/NHLBI) [C]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 9, 2022 1:16 PM  
**To:** moonapothecary@protonmail.com  
**Subject:** Re: FOIA Case Number: 58466

Dear Ms. Welch,

Your FOIA request regarding studies on the purification of "MonkeyPox Virus" has been forwarded to our office and we are conducting a record search within NIAID.

Please see your interim letter attached and let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Dongying

Dongying Ma, PhD, MSPM, PMP [c]

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June 15, 2022

Kristen C. Welch



Re: FOIA Case Number: 58466

Dear Ms. Welch:

This is our final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request addressed to the Office of the Secretary at the United States Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) dated May 23, 2022. On June 8, 2022, your request was forwarded to this office because of our responsibilities under the FOIA for the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), National Institutes of Health (NIH). You requested a copy of all studies and/or reports in the possession, custody or control of the Department of Health and Human Services describing the purification of the alleged "MonkeyPox Virus" (aka "Poxviridae Orthopoxvirus", 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).

The Division of Intramural Research, Division of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, and Division of Clinical Research within the NIAID searched their files and no records responsive to your request were located. While we believe that an adequate search of appropriate files was conducted for the records you requested, you have the right to appeal this determination that no records exist which would be responsive to your request. Should you wish to do so, your appeal must be sent within ninety (90) days of the date of this letter, following the procedures outlined in Subpart F of the HHS FOIA Regulations (<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/10/28/2016-25684/freedom-of-information-regulations>) to:

Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs/Agency Chief FOIA Officer  
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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs  
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Please feel free to call me on 301-496-9737 for additional information or to inquire about your request.

If you are not satisfied with the processing and handling of this request, you may contact the NIAID FOIA Public Liaison and/or the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS):

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In certain circumstances, provisions of the FOIA and HHS FOIA Regulations allow us to recover part of the cost of responding to your request. Because the cost is below the \$25 minimum, there is no charge for the enclosed materials.

Thank you for your interest in the NIAID.

Sincerely,

/S/

Valery Gheen  
Government Information Specialist, NIAID