

# Fluoride on Trial: A Chemical Too Big to Fail. Global Research News Hour

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*"It really raises the question. Do you want your NTP (National Toxicology Program) which is supposed to be all about science - independent science - do you want these political bodies to have sort of a veto power over them? And that's what we see happening with fluoride. This veto power from political bodies over the scientists at the NTP!" - Michael Connett, Attorney for [Fluoride Action Network](#), from this week's interview.*

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For almost a century, it was understood that fluoride could dramatically improve the dental health of millions of people everywhere. Virtually everyone is now familiar with this principle. [1]

"Look Ma! No cavities!" [2]

Consequently, communities throughout the United States and Canada began actually inserting fluoride in the form of Silicofluorides into our drinking water. [3]

Over 70 percent of communities in America and almost 40 percent in Canada have fluoride added to their tap water. Meanwhile, throughout Europe, the vast majority of water is not fluoridated. Are North American teeth that much more improved than European teeth? [4][5][6]

No.

Far more disturbing is the scientific research coming out for decades now signalling that

fluoridated, like lead and arsenic, could be toxic. Studies show it's use in water has apparently resulted in dental fluorosis, skeletal weakness, thyroid issues, and irritable bowel syndrome. In particular, studies have come out linking fluoridated water with lowering children's IQs! [7][8]

Now, for the first time ever, citizens' groups, armed with studies and research, took the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to a Federal Court over their failure to respect a petition calling for the agency to ban the use of an industrial chemical if it presents an unreasonable risk to human health. The lawsuit was submitted in 2017. [9]

It is only now, almost seven years later, that the court hearings are going into its second phase after a delay. [10]

What is behind the delays in a case ultimately determining the fate of millions of citizens? Is there an outside factor beyond "science" weighing in with their huge thumbs on the scales of human health regulation? And where the hell is mainstream media in all of this? These are some of the many factors weighing in on this week's episode of the Global Research News Hour.

In our first half hour, we have a conversation with Dr. Robert Dickson (Dr. Bob) about the use and history of artificial water fluoridation in Canada, the health impacts studies, and about some of the ways forward for people seeking to free themselves from virtually "compulsive" consumption of the substance.

In our second half hour, the amazing journalist Derrick Broze hosts a discussion with Michael Connett, the lead attorney representing the plaintiffs in the federal court lawsuit on fluoride in water. He discusses the background, and the core principles involved. His arguments will astonish you!

*Dr. Robert C Dickson is the founder of Safe Water Calgary, and the chair of Fluoride Free Canada. He has a degree in Physical Education and an MD from the University of Calgary, and certification in Paramedics from SAIT in Calgary. Dr. Dickson co-led the anti-fluoridation program in Calgary from 1999 which resulted in water fluoridation being halted in 2011, and continues to actively volunteer with the issue of artificial water fluoridation. His site is [www.fluoridefreecanada.ca](http://www.fluoridefreecanada.ca)*

*Michael Connett is the lead attorney for Food & Water Watch, [Fluoride Action Network](#), [Moms Against Fluoridation](#) and other advocacy groups and individuals currently suing the EPA in a bid to force the agency to prohibit water fluoridation in the U.S. due to fluoride's toxic effects on children's developing brains.*

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Notes:

1. <https://www.nidcr.nih.gov/health-info/fluoride/the-story-of-fluoridation>
2. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v72NHYP8KD4>
3. <https://www.britannica.com/technology/fluoridation-of-water>
4. <https://www.cdc.gov/fluoridation/statistics/2020stats.htm>
5. <https://www.cdc.gov/fluoridation/statistics/2020stats.htm>
6. [https://fluoridealert.org/content/water\\_europe/](https://fluoridealert.org/content/water_europe/)
7. <https://www.fluoridefreecanada.ca/history>
8. <https://www.fluoridefreecanada.ca/new-science>
9. <https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/fluoride-epa-day-1-landmark-trial/>
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