"Professor Lockdown" Neil Ferguson, Whose Model Prompted "New Normal" Lockdowns

In an astonishing direct connection to the Imperial College professor who has been roundly denounced for his model which linked success in minimizing COVID deaths to "mitigation" measures such as lockdowns, records show that the Bill and Melinda Gates' Foundation directly funded that professor in March and April to the tune of $8 million. Gates has been one of the most vociferous proponents of lockdowns, and the idea that they cannot end until a vaccine is available.

The epidemiology model provided the basis on which all governments requested or imposed, by controversial executive branch orders, a period of 15 days to "flatten the curve" of the inevitable spread of a virus, which has morphed into a daily drumbeat of "new cases." It is on this drumbeat that governors base extended powers, into a never-ending "dark winter." Gates largess also included a separate, unrelated grant of $79 million to Imperial College in March.

The CDC now accepts an overall survival rate for COVID of about 99.8%, versus flu which is 99.9%. (For Fatality Rate also see here and here.) Although COVID can have serious after-effects, this is true of any severe case of a respiratory illness, including severe cases of flu.

Professor Neil Ferguson has been called "one of the most wrong" scientists in the world, by other scientists.

Dr. Mike Yeadon, a former Chief Science Officer for Pzifer, said to an interviewer in September:
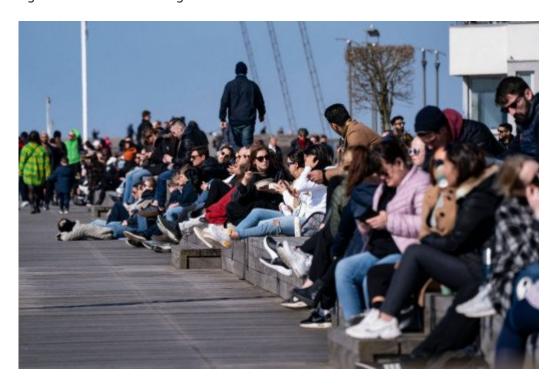
> "It's important that you know most scientists don't accept that his [Ferguson's model] was even faintly right...but the government is still wedded to the model." (See: "Former Chief Science Officer for Pfizer Says "Second Wave" Faked on False-Positive COVID Tests, "Pandemic is Over")

Now as Sweden, which skipped lockdowns, records a death rate that is 11% lower than the US, the Swedish model supports Ferguson's critics. Other countries which still employ even more draconian, police-state lockdowns than the US show much higher death rates – deaths per capita – than either Sweden or the US. The data now shows no correlation between lower death rates and strong lockdowns, and in the case of Sweden, even show an opposite correlation.

Sweden early on decided to simply allow the human immune system to do its work, while

sheltering the vulnerable. It never closed restaurants, bars, most schools, sports, or movie theaters. The Swedish government was roundly condemned for being reckless.

In Belgium, hundreds of citizens [have filed both](#) a civil lawsuit and a criminal complaint against Gates and Ferguson.

Sweden During International "Lockdowns"

Swedes do not and have never worn masks.

Hospitals in the US have received as much as $306,000 per declared COVID case (not deaths,) as reported in [*Becker's Hospital Review.*](#) [*Michigan Public Radio*](#) reported that the national average was $160,000 per case, for the first round of $175 billion in hospital aid from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The poll-watching website [Real Clear Politics](#) argues that the COVID death toll is inflated.

[Dr. Johan Giesecke](#), former chief scientist for the European Center for Disease Control and Prevention, called Professor Neil Ferguson's model justifying the world lockdowns "the most influential scientific paper" in memory. He also called it "one of the most wrong."

According to The [*National Review*](#)

> Ferguson was behind the disputed research that sparked the mass culling of eleven million sheep and cattle during the 2001 outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease. Charlotte Reid, a farmer's neighbor, recalls: "I remember that appalling time. Sheep were left starving in fields near us. Then came the open air slaughter. The poor animals were panic stricken. It was one of the worst things I've witnessed. And all based on a model — if's but's and maybe's."

Ferguson's nicknames in the science community have been reported to be ["Master of Disaster"](#) and "Professor Lockdown."

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