

The PCR Test does not Identify the Virus: Covid "False Positives" Used to Justify the Lockdown and Closure of the National Economy.

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We are led to believe that the corona epidemic has entered into a Second Wave, and that the virus is spreading relentlessly. That's a lie.

The PCR test used to estimate covid positive cases is flawed. There is no second wave.

The test is being used extensively to hike up the numbers with a view to justifying the lockdown with devastating social and economic consequences including the engineered bankruptcy of the urban services economy, tourism and air travel.

Confirmed by prominent scientists as well as by official public health bodies including the World Health Organization (WHO) and the US Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). **Covid-19** is a public health concern but **it is NOT a dangerous virus.**

The unspoken truth is that the novel coronavirus provides a pretext and a justification to powerful financial interests and corrupt politicians to precipitate the entire World into a spiral of mass unemployment, bankruptcy, extreme poverty and despair.

More than 7 billion people Worldwide are directly or indirectly affected by the corona crisis.

Flawed Estimates

Nothing in the **Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Test** and the resulting "estimates" justifies closing down the national economy with a view to resolving a public health crisis.

Moreover, recent scientific reports including a January 20th, 2021 "Retraction" by the WHO confirm that the PCR test yields invalid estimates. The WHO states explicitly that retesting is required. (see below)

Read carefully: According to Pieter Borger, Bobby Rajesh Malhotra , Michael Yeadon , Clare Craig, et al.

"if someone is tested by PCR as positive when a [amplification] threshold of 35 cycles or higher is used (as is the case in most laboratories in Europe & the US), **the probability that said person is actually infected is less than 3%, the probability that said result is a false positive is 97%** (Review Report of Corman-Drosten et al)

Review report Corman-Drosten et al. Eurosurveillance 2020

November 27, 2020

This extensive review report has been officially submitted to Eurosurveillance editorial board on 27th November 2020 via their submission-portal, enclosed to this review report is a <u>retraction request letter</u>, signed by all the main & co-authors. First and last listed names are the first and second main authors. All names in between are co-authors.

External peer review of the RTPCR test to detect SARS-CoV-2 reveals 10 major scientific flaws at the molecular and methodological level: consequences for false positive results.

The following text is based on Chapter II of Michel Chossudovsky's E-Book entitled.

The 2020 Worldwide Corona Crisis: Destroying Civil Society, Engineered Economic Depression, Global Coup d'État and the "Great Reset"

(click here to access <u>full text consisting of 9 chapters</u>)

Identification of the Virus

The RT-PCR test does not identify/ detect the virus. What it detects are fragments of viri. According to renowned Swiss immunologist <u>Dr B. Stadler</u>

So if we do a PCR corona test on an immune person, it is not a virus that is detected, but a small shattered part of the viral genome. The test comes back positive for as long as there are tiny shattered parts of the virus left. Even if the infectious viri are long dead, a corona test can come back positive, because the PCR method multiplies even a tiny fraction of the viral genetic material enough [to be detected].

The Question is Positive for What?? The PCR test does not detect the identity of the virus, According to **Dr. Pascal Sacré**,

these tests detect viral particles, genetic sequences, not the whole virus.

In an attempt to quantify the viral load, these sequences are then amplified several times through numerous complex steps that are subject to errors, sterility errors and contamination.

Positive RT-PCR is not synonymous with COVID-19 disease! PCR specialists make it clear that a test must always be compared with the clinical record of the patient being tested, with the patient's state of health to confirm its value [reliability]

The media frighten everyone with new positive PCR tests, without any nuance or context, wrongly assimilating this information with a second wave of COVID-19. (emphasis added)

While the RT-PCR test was never intended to identify the virus, it nonetheless constitutes from the very outset of the crisis (January 2020) the cornerstone of the official estimates of Covid-19 "positives". Moreover, these PCR tests are not routinely accompanied by a medical diagnosis of the patients being tested.

WHY then was the RT-PCR adopted??

The Controversial Drosten RT-PCR Study

<u>F. William Engdahl</u> in a recent article documents how the RT-PCR Test was instated by the WHO at the outset, despite its obvious shortcomings in identifying the 2019-nCoV. The scandal takes its roots in Germany involving "a professor at the heart of Angela Merkel's corona advisory group":

On January 23, 2020, in the scientific journal *Eurosurveillance*, of the EU Center for Disease Prevention and Control, **Dr. Christian Drosten**, along with several colleagues from the Berlin Virology Institute at Charité Hospital, [together] with the head of a small Berlin biotech company, TIB Molbiol Syntheselabor GmbH, published a study entitled, "Detection of 2019 novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) by real-time RT-PCR" (Eurosurveillance January 23, 2020).

While Drosten et al's <u>Eurosurveillance article</u> (undertaken in liaison with the WHO) confirmed that "several viral genome sequences had been released", in the case of 2019-nCoV, however, "virus isolates or samples from infected patients were not available ... "(emphasis added):

"The genome sequences suggest presence of a virus closely related to the members of a viral species termed severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS)-related CoV, a species defined by the agent of the 2002/03 outbreak of SARS in humans [3,4].

We report on the the establishment and validation of a diagnostic workflow for 2019nCoV screening and specific confirmation [using the RT-PCR test], **designed in absence of available virus isolates or original patient specimens.** Design and **validation were enabled by the close genetic relatedness to the 2003 SARS-CoV**, and aided by the use of synthetic nucleic acid technology." (<u>Eurosurveillance</u>, January 23, 2020, **emphasis added**).

What this (erroneous) statement suggests is that the identity of 2019-nCoV was not required and that "validation" would be enabled by "the close genetic relatedness to the 2003-SARS-CoV."

The recommendations of the Drosten study (<u>supported</u> by the Gates Foundation) pertaining to the use of the RT-PCR test applied to detecting 2019-nCoV were then transmitted to the WHO. They were subsequently endorsed by the Director General of the WHO, **Tedros Adhanom.** The identity of the virus was not required.

The above also explains the subsequent renaming by the WHO of the 2019-nCoV to **SARS-CoV-2.**

The Drosten et al article pertaining to **the use of the RT-PCR test Worldwide** (under WHO guidance) was challenged in a <u>November 27, 2020 study</u> by a group of 23 international virologists, microbiologists et al. "Their careful analysis of the original [Drosten] piece is <u>damning</u>. ...They accuse Drosten and cohorts of "fatal" scientific incompetence and flaws in promoting their test" (<u>Engdahl</u>, December, 2020).

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In light of all the consequences resulting from this very publication for societies worldwide, a group of independent researchers performed a point-by-point review of the aforesaid publication [Drosten] in which 1) all components of the presented test design were cross checked, 2) the RT-qPCR protocol-recommendations were assessed w.r.t. good laboratory practice, and 3) parameters examined against relevant scientific literature covering the field.

The published RT-qPCR protocol for detection and diagnostics of 2019-nCoV and the manuscript suffer from numerous technical and scientific errors, including insufficient primer design, a problematic and insufficient RT-qPCR protocol, and the absence of an accurate test validation. Neither the presented test nor the manuscript itself fulfils the requirements for an acceptable scientific publication. Further, serious conflicts of interest of the authors are not mentioned. Finally, the very short timescale between submission and acceptance of the publication (24 hours) signifies that a systematic peer review process was either not performed here, or of problematic poor quality. We provide compelling evidence of several scientific inadequacies, errors and flaws. (November 27, 2020 Critique of Drosten article, emphasis added)

The results of the PCR Test applied to SARS-2 are blatantly flawed. Drosten et al had recommended the use of a 45 **amplification cycle threshold**, which was endorsed by the WHO in January 2020.

According to Pieter Borger, et al

The number of amplification cycles [should be] less than 35; preferably 25-30 cycles. In

case of **virus detection**, **>35 cycles** only detects signals which do not correlate with infectious virus as determined by isolation in cell culture...(Critique of Drosten Study)

The WHO's RT-PCR "Retraction" (January 20, 2021)

The RT-PCR test was adopted by the WHO on January 23, 2020, following the recommendations of the Drosten study quoted above. It had been commissioned and financed by the Gates Foundation. The Drosten study had recommended a maximum **amplification cycle threshold of 45**, which was widely applied by national health authorities.

WHO "Mea Culpa"

One year later on January 20th, 2021, the WHO came out with the admission that the PCR tests will yield biased results if they are conducted above a certain cycle threshold used for amplification.

Below is the text of the WHO's "retraction" which acknowledges that the test results conducted by national governments are flawed and that a process of "retesting" is required:

WHO guidance <u>Diagnostic testing for SARS-CoV-2</u> states that careful interpretation of weak positive results is needed (1). The cycle threshold (Ct) needed to detect virus is inversely proportional to the patient's viral load. Where test results do not correspond with the clinical presentation, a new specimen should be taken and retested using the same or different NAT technology.

WHO reminds IVD users that disease prevalence alters the predictive value of test results; as disease prevalence decreases, the risk of false positive increases (2). This means that the probability that a person who has a positive result (SARS-CoV-2 detected) is truly infected with SARS-CoV-2 decreases as prevalence decreases, irrespective of the claimed specificity.

Most PCR assays are indicated as an aid for diagnosis, therefore, health care providers must consider any result in combination with timing of sampling, specimen type, assay specifics, clinical observations, patient history, confirmed status of any contacts, and epidemiological information. (emphasis added)

What this admission by the WHO confirms is that most of the covid positive estimates currently conducted under the so-called "Second Wave" (with amplification cycles in excess of 35) are invalid.

According to Pieter Borger, et al (quoted above):

"if someone is tested by PCR as positive when a threshold of 35 cycles or higher is used the probability that said person is actually infected is less than 3%, the probability that said result is a false positive is 97% (Critique of Drosten Study)

The above quote confirms unequivocally that the tests adopted by the governments to justify the destabilization of their national economy are flawed. **Moreover the SARS-CoV-2 virus has not been identified.** SARS-CoV-1 was used as "a proxy" for SARS-CoV-1.

And if it cannot be identified by the PCR test, this invalidates the test.

If the SARS-2 virus cannot be identified, does this not also haVE a bearing on the development of a SARS-CoV-2 vaccine?

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