



Newsletter 182 The Illawarra Mercury is Misinforming the Public about University Research

13 November 2017

The Australian media continues to present false information about my university research to the public. Please see the letter below that I have sent to the editor of the Illawarra Mercury and to UOW academics in order to correct the latest false information that was provided.

I would also like to promote the vaccine information night that will be held in Sydney next Monday 20 November (7-9 pm) that will provide you with the information about vaccines that is being suppressed by the mainstream media. Here is a link to the speakers and tickets for this event - ['Australia, Let's talk about Vaccines'](#)

Letter to Illawarra Mercury Re False and Misleading information about University Research

Open Letter

10 November 2017

To the Illawarra Mercury Editor

Copied to UOW Vice-Chancellor, Professor Paul Wellings and UOW academics

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to request that you correct the false and misleading information that you have provided to the public about my PhD research on vaccinations in your newspaper article by Agron Latifi (1st November 2017). This information is fabricated and it misinforms the

public about an important health topic.

Professor Paul Wellings, the VC of UOW is standing by the high standard of my PhD research and Agron Latifi has made unfounded claims.

Here is my reply to Agron Latifi's fabricated comments. I am requesting that you correct this information to ensure that the public is accurately informed about this university research to protect public health.

RE 'Controversial UOW Professor awarded Emeritus Professorship' (Agron Latifi, 1 November 2017)

On 2 November 2017 my supervisor at the University of Wollongong (UOW), Professor Brian Martin, was awarded a prestigious Emeritus Professorship for his dedication to academic integrity and freedom of speech. Brian Martin's dedication to freedom of speech ensures that all scientific issues can be debated, including vaccination, but the Illawarra Mercury journalist describes this behaviour by a professor as '[controversial](#)'.

On the contrary, it is controversial for the media to attempt to **prevent the science from being scrutinised** not for an academic to present the science for debate in a PhD. This is why UOW academics and the UOW Vice-Chancellor, Professor Paul Wellings, are standing by this research.

The Illawarra Mercury journalist claims that my PhD thesis is 'anti-vaccination' instead of informing the public that it provides the scientific evidence for the risks of vaccination that need to be assessed to determine the benefits of this procedure in **healthy** people. The newspaper also **misinforms** the public about the faculty in which my research was completed.

This is significant because it has been used as a way of attempting to discredit the scientific arguments I have presented.

My whooping cough research was completed in a Master of Science (Population Health) degree in the **Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences** in 2007. However, the University of Wollongong [would not allow me to continue](#) my PhD research in the faculty of health because of the politics of this issue. Hence it was directed to the humanities in the **Faculty of Law, Humanities and the Arts**.

The Illawarra Mercury journalist claimed my research was completed in the [Faculty of Social Sciences](#) – *this is untrue*. This faculty was not established until 2014 when public health was moved from the **Faculty of Health** to this new faculty. This was *after* my research was almost completed in the **Faculty of Law, Humanities and the Arts**.

The journalist also suggests that my research claims there is a 'vast conspiracy' between global health agencies to push immunisation. This statement is misinforming the public about my academic research. My thesis provides the evidence that the **World Health Organisation (WHO)** is breaching its charter of promoting **objective science** by allowing pharmaceutical companies and the World Bank / International Monetary Fund and wealthy

foundations, to influence the design of global vaccination programs through the ***Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunisation (GAVI)***.

The recommendations for vaccines for **WHO global health programs** are not being made by sovereign countries in response to their own needs, but by the **GAVI alliance** – a partnership that includes the pharmaceutical and biomedical companies that benefit from the vaccines they are recommending. These recommendations are provided to the **World Health Organisation** who then recommends them to be implemented in all WHO member countries.

This practice is deceptive and it allows the pharmaceutical companies to benefit from government health policies. This is detrimental to human health and it is a fraudulent practice. The false claims that the Illawarra Mercury and other Australian media are making about the scientific literature on vaccines is ensuring that this deception remains hidden to the public.

Here is my interview with Sarah Westall from Business Game Changers '[The Vaccination Debate: Let's Get Serious](#)' that describes how human health is being endangered by this non-transparent government health policy.

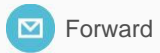
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