



## Newsletter 194 Film exposing the Dangers of HPV Vaccine wins Two Best Film Awards in Brisbane

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On 4 March 2018 the documentary film [Sacrificial Virgins](#), won two investigative journalism awards at the **WatchDog Film Festival (Brisbane, Australia)** for its expose of the global concerns regarding the unproven HPV vaccines (Gardasil and Cervarix) that are being promoted to all adolescents (boys and girls) as a '*vaccine to prevent cervical cancer (cc)*'.

This vaccine has not been proven to prevent any cervical cancer and the *surrogate* that scientists are using to claim that it will prevent cc is flawed. I have been revealing the dangers and global debate on this vaccine since 2011 (Newsletters [4 - 103](#)) and in 2013 my research was published in the [Infectious Agents and Cancer Journal](#) and presented at two international cancer conferences in San Francisco and London. However, whilst the debate was gathering speed globally there has been a **media blackout** on this issue in Australia that still exists today.

### Here is the reason why:

My article titled '[HPV vaccines have not been shown to be cost-effective in countries with comprehensive Pap screening and surgery](#)' was published in the journal Infectious Agents and Cancer (June 12 2013 Vol 8: 21). This article provides evidence that the benefits of this vaccine are only speculative and that inadequate safety data has been collected. Therefore the risks and benefits of this vaccine are still unknown yet it has been promoted to all Australian adolescents (11-13 years old) – boys and girls in school programs.

The Australian media has not reported accurately on this vaccine because **SAVN / Australian Sceptics industry activists** - David Hawkes, Candice Lea and Matthew Berryman - (one or more of whom do not have any background or qualifications in health or vaccination policies), provided **false and misleading** information in another article that

was published *at the same time* in the Infectious Agents and Cancer Journal. Here are the **non-evidence based claims** that were published by these industry activists in 2013 that I have provided in **Appendix 5 of my PhD thesis** – Comment on the Hawke, Lea, and Berryman Paper.

In 2014 Dr. John Cunningham a spinal practitioner and [SAVN industry lobby group activist](#), also presented [false and misleading information](#) about my HPV vaccine research in unsolicited emails to the public, journalists and to academics at the University of Wollongong (UOW) who were involved in my research. These UOW academics **were not required by UOW policies** to correct the false information that was provided to the public, journalists and politicians in these emails.

The UOW email addresses visibly endorsed John Cunningham's false information giving the **appearance** that it was valid information. Consequently journalists denigrated my HPV research in the mainstream media based on **false claims** about this vaccine from **SAVN / Australian Skeptic industry activists** who have a powerful voice in the Australian media and with politicians.

Specifically [Richard Di Natale – leader of the Greens](#) who supported disreputable SAVN activists who are abusing and ridiculing parents and professionals (cyberbullying) that are concerned about childhood vaccinations in Australian government policies.

The University of Wollongong would be breaching academic integrity if they allowed my research to provide **non-evidence based claims** to the public that could harm human health. Yet **the UOW is allowing** industry activists to promote false and misleading information about my research on vaccines with their policies that have enabled industry activists to [harrass and vilify](#) me in public debates of my university research whilst I was a student at UOW.

These UOW policies regarding the use of academic email addresses, the UOW logo and the UOW complaint procedures allow university student research to be denigrated by **any member of the public** with an appearance of support from the university. This is a breach of the role of the universities in maintaining integrity in the promotion of academic knowledge and consequently **it devalues Australian university degrees**.

I have complained to the NSW ombudsman about university policies that allow UOW students to be publicly denigrated with false information using the UOW logo and harrassment through the misuse of UOW complaint procedures but the NSW Ombudsman [would not investigate this issue](#).

I have also complained to the **Australian Health Practitioners Regulatory Agency (AHPRA)** requesting that they investigate **Dr. John Cunningham** for his conduct in fabricating allegations about university reseach and providing false and misleading information about my research on the HPV vaccine.

The AHPRA 's regulatory directive regarding the promotion of false and misleading health information states:

*'Any published material and/or advice which is false, misleading or deceptive which is being*

*distributed by a registered health practitioner (including via social media) may also constitute a summary offence under the National Law and could result in prosecution by AHPRA [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency.]”*

Despite this directive and others the [AHPRA has refused on two occasions](#) to investigate the conduct of **Dr. John Cunningham** in promoting false and misleading information about vaccination research to the public using inappropriate strategies.

Please watch the film [Sacrificial Virgins](#) to ensure that you have informed yourself about the pros- and cons- of using this, as yet unproven, HPV vaccine against cervical cancer because you will not get accurate information on vaccines through the Australian mainstream media.

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Only funded research is promoted to the public and universities do not promote student research. Hence the need for my website and newsletters to promote my independent research that is in the public interest.

My website [Vaccination Decisions](#) became necessary because the University of Wollongong [is not required to rectify the academic record when organised industry-lobby groups](#) provide false information about my university research in the mainstream media.



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