

Newsletter 5: Vaccines Contain Antibiotics which are linked as a Cause of Autism

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On the 27 August 2012, the ABC ran a story on Four Corners titled '**The Autism Enigma – is it genetics or the environment?**' Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), the fastest growing developmental disorder in the western world, is a genetic condition which can be 'switched on' by environmental factors – often a chemical. Hence this condition was very uncommon in the early 20th century but has become an 'epidemic' in the 21st century. So what is the environmental factor that children are being universally exposed to in the western world?

It was suggested in this Four Corners program that one factor causing this neurological damage might be the use of *antibiotics*. A source of antibiotics for children is *childhood vaccines*. The antibiotics **Neomycin** and **Polymyxin** are present in many of the 12 vaccines that are given to children before 1 year of age and the mercury compound **Thiomersal (a neurotoxin containing ~49% ethyl mercury)** is present in 'trace' amounts in the Hepatitis B vaccine given to infants from day 1 after birth. It is also present in some influenza vaccines. Scientists have not established a safe level of mercury in humans (this would be unethical) and it is known that even chemicals in very low doses can cause serious health effects – particularly when combined with other antibiotics and preservatives e.g. aluminium hydroxide/phosphate or Borax (in Hib and HPV vaccines) etc.

Governments have not funded the studies that would prove combining vaccines in infants is safe therefore it is essential that this medical procedure should remain completely voluntary: *government's should not link this procedure with financial incentives or require conscientious objector's forms to be signed by a doctor to refuse each vaccine.*

This issue is a human rights issue as it infringes on our bodily integrity and our right to choose how we look after our own bodies. A recent book describes the danger of vaccination policies that are being implemented globally without supportive evidence for their safety and efficacy. It is called:

Vaccine Epidemic: How Corporate Greed Biased Science and Coercive Governments Threaten our Human Rights, Our Health and our Children

If you would like to contribute to this debate please email your feedback with your name and profession so I can place it on my website for discussion. There are many anonymous websites ridiculing individuals and smearing their reputations but not addressing this science. If you wish to see how organisations such as the Skeptics are operating to hinder public debate please visit the *Lobby Groups* page of my website www.vaccinationdecisions.net

I have also updated the website with information about the ingredients of vaccines and the development of the Australian Government's current vaccination policy.

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