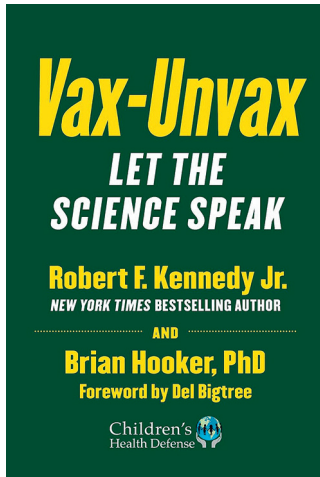


Book Review Article: Mass Vaccination: Uncaptured Science Makes its Voice Heard

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Vax-Unvax: Let the Science Speak

by Robert F. Kennedy Jr
and Brian Hooker Ph.D.

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“There has never been a comparative study of broad health outcomes in vaccinated vs. unvaccinated populations... The current childhood vaccine

schedule was not approved using evidence-based science and policy, the childhood schedule has never been tested on fully vaccinated vs. unvaccinated, and there is sparse research into which patients are likely to have adverse events.” (Children’s Health Defense, from the Afterword).

The timing of this book’s publication could scarcely be more appropriate. Not least, it seems very fitting that I am penning this review just as a big Covid-vaccine related excess-deaths whistle-blower story is breaking in New Zealand, and on the day after an historic meeting in the British House of Commons organised by the Member of Parliament and covid-vaccine critic, Andrew Bridgen MP.¹ Some 17 Members of the UK Parliament attended this meeting, which might not seem like many out of 650; but in light of the disgracefully deafening silence on covid vaccine injuries from all but a couple of Britain’s MPs to date, it is surely a mark of notable progress. Bridgen succeeded in flying into London for this meeting many of the world’s leading authorities in the covid-sceptical world, including Dr Ryan Cole, Professor Angus Dalgleish, Steve Kirsch, and Drs Pierre Kory, Robert Malone, David Martin, and with Dr Peter McCullough and Mike Yeadon Ph.D. giving Zoom presentations from abroad.

I am also writing this review as I watch episode 347 of Del Bigtree’s “The High Wire”,² titled “Vaccine Experts under Oath” and first broadcast on 23 November 2023. In this one-hour episode, HighWire host and founder Del Bigtree joins ICAN³ Lead Counsel and attorney Aaron Siri on the stage of

Freedom Fest, in Memphis, TN on 14 July 2023, where they present “Vaccine Experts Under Oath: Shocking Revelations in the Fight for Transparency and Truth”. In their enthralling conversation, Bigtree and Siri take the huge live audience through court depositions and cross examinations of the world’s leading vaccine experts, including Stanley A. Plotkin MD and Kathryn M. Edwards MD.⁴ Quoting directly from the circular that accompanied the documentary, we read that “Our legal team has shattered the false truths of public health agencies in modern times by showing the difference between ‘vaccine safety and efficacy’ as presented by the media, and ‘vaccine safety and efficacy’ as described by experts while under oath... The top vaccine scientists under oath... sing a much different tune once their hand goes on that bible.” Anyone reading this review article, and reading the book under review here, would do well to watch this documentary too. Indeed, it is surely essential viewing for anyone interested in the subject of vaccination. This documentary is especially relevant here, as its main host, Del Bigtree, also contributes the foreword to the book *Vax-Unvax* that is reviewed here.

I first published an article on mass vaccination in *The Mother* magazine over 20 years ago,⁵ inspired in part by a suite of articles that appeared in this magazine around that time.⁶ The present review article should very much be seen in the flow and tradition of these previous *New View* articles. In my 2002 article, I offered what I carefully termed a “non-expert holistic perspective” in which I favourably quoted Rudolf Steiner when he wrote, “We become ill for our own development”; and Thorwald Dethlefsen and Rudiger Dahlke when they wrote, in similar vein, “With every childhood illness something new is breaking through into the child’s life, which is why every childhood illness generally brings with it a powerful stride forward in personal development.”⁷ If these latter perspectives are anything like right, then irrespective of the specifically *scientific* reliability or otherwise of vaccinology, the whole rationale for using injections to stop children getting ill is quite fundamentally put into question. In my 2002 article, I concluded that “...vaccination is little more than playing Russian roulette with both the health of individual children and with our human ecosystem more generally; ...and it behoves all of us who are sceptical about vaccination to stand our ground against the

condescending intimidation to which so many ordinary, concerned families have been subjected by the political, scientific and medical establishment”. Nothing that has occurred since 2002 has changed the view expressed here – in fact, it has merely been reaffirmed, by both the recent global experience of the Covid-19 injections and by the path-breaking book under review here, to which I now turn.

Vax-Unvax is endorsed by twelve of the most serious voices in the vaccine-sceptical movement, including Drs Pierre Kory, Peter McCullough, Paul Thomas, Naomi Wolf and Judy Mikovits. Kory, for example, refers to “the appalling lack of research and blatant propaganda behind the entire inflated and ever-expanding childhood vaccine schedule.... Our government, the media, and the powerful and rapacious pharmaceutical industrial complex have deceived, endangered, and gaslit the public for far too long.”

The book consists of a careful, systematic review of over 100 scientific studies that throw revealing light on a research question that the vaccine industry has repeatedly refused to investigate – namely, the comparative health outcomes of vaccinated versus unvaccinated people. As already mentioned, the book is foreworded by vaccine activist and journalist Del Bigtree, who produced and co-wrote (with Dr Andrew Wakefield) a documentary that challenged the medical world on its 2016 release – *Vaxxed: From Cover-Up to Catastrophe*. In his foreword, Bigtree refers to an important meeting held with the US National Institutes of Health (NIH) in May 2017 between one of the book’s authors, Robert F. Kennedy Jr, and Drs Anthony Fauci and Francis Collins. At the time of this meeting, we are told that US children were receiving 71 jabs by 18 years of age. For Bigtree, “America’s children were being treated as guinea pigs in a mass human experiment. Nobody knew the true risk profile of these vaccines, and nobody could say whether they were averting more problems, deaths, and illnesses than they were causing.”

At the aforementioned, President Trump-convoked NIH meeting, Fauci was asked to provide inert placebo-controlled studies for *any* of these 71 vaccine doses. Bigtree continues, “In what appeared to be feigned exasperation, [Fauci] said none of the studies were there but that he would send them to us. Of course, he never did.” So much for “following the [non-existent] science”! Subsequent legal action taken at great expense by Children’s Health Defense against the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), demanding the release of the requisite research studies, eventually flushed out this extraordinary HHS statement: “The [Department’s] searches for records did not locate any records responsive to your request.” Bigtree again: “We all understood how outrageous this was”. But undaunted, Kennedy and his colleague Brian Hooker started to trawl through many thousands

of vaccine studies listed in the NIH official archive that cast light on comparative outcomes in vaccinated versus unvaccinated populations. Presenting their findings one by one on Instagram, Bigtree reports how “the audience was fascinated by the extraordinary and consistent results confirming that vaccinated children were unhealthier than their unvaccinated peers”. It was the ‘de-platforming’ of both Robert F. Kennedy Jr. and then the Children’s Health Defense organisation from Instagram in 2021 that led Kennedy and Hooker to write the new book under review here.

The book itself consists of eleven chapters, together with an Afterword by the Children’s Health Defense and five appendices – and with 50 pages of endnotes that contain over 800 footnotes in all. The book is thus copiously and exhaustively referenced. Robert F. Kennedy Jr. is the author of the best-selling book *The Real Anthony Fauci* and of *Thimerosal: Let the Science Speak*, and currently is an Independent candidate for the US presidency. He serves as Senior Attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council, Chief Prosecuting Attorney for the Hudson Riverkeeper and President of Waterkeeper Alliance. He has worked on environmental issues across the Americas and has assisted several indigenous tribes in successfully negotiating treaties protecting traditional homelands. Kennedy’s co-author, Brian Hooker Ph.D., is chief scientific officer at Children’s Health Defense and author of over 70 peer-reviewed scientific publications, including over 20 papers covering the epidemiology of vaccine injury.⁸

The book itself is based on over one hundred studies in the peer-reviewed literature that consider vaccinated versus unvaccinated populations. The studies are organised into conformable thematic chapters, and each study is carefully analysed, with health differences among infants, children, and adults who have been vaccinated, and those who have not, being clearly presented and placed in context. The book provides research information on the following key issues: the infant/child vaccination schedule; Thimerosal in vaccines; live virus vaccines; the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine; vaccination and Gulf War illness; influenza (flu) vaccines; Hepatitis B vaccination; and the COVID-19 vaccine and vaccines during pregnancy.

The book is beautifully produced and designed, with bright, easy-to-read graphics whereby anyone with a non-scientific background can read about the study in question, and can see directly how vaccinated individuals fare compared to the unvaccinated. Thus, there are 112 colour bar-graphs that compare health outcomes for vaccinated versus unvaccinated populations (one graph for each study summarised), with every single graph showing negative health outcomes for the vaccinated cohort far outweighing those in the unvaccinated. This is indeed an extraordinarily consistent finding from a wide range of studies that are largely independent of

each other, with the chances of what is revealed here not being highly statistically significant and evidentially robust being essentially impossible. The credentials of each study's researcher(s) are fully presented – the authors clearly made a sensible decision to make absolutely certain that their review of the literature couldn't be written off by pharmaceutical interests as low-grade, poorly qualified studies and researchers! Then, for each study the paper's full title and main findings are clearly and succinctly presented, and each paper's full citation is presented in the endnotes, so that readers can follow them up as they might wish. There are also useful summary results charts at the end of most chapters.

I was pleased to see a useful index, though the book might have benefited from a concluding chapter that drew together the main findings and their attendant implications for the future of mass vaccination in society. I also felt that the presentation of the research studies might have been sharpened up to be more accessible, perhaps with the use of boxes. But these are minor quibbles.

There is a very useful case study based on Dr Paul Thomas's important work on pp. 27–30, revealing all too clearly how anyone daring to champion a non-vaccine approach to healthy children's development will be ruthlessly pursued and effectively cancelled by the authorities, professionally speaking. Dr Thomas's paediatric practice in Portland, Oregon, offered individualised holistic medical care founded in fully informed consent, offering parents the option to delay or modify their child's vaccination schedule. With over 15,000 patients and a staff of over 30, in 2016 Thomas co-published his best-selling book *The Vaccine-Friendly Plan*.⁹ Despite a thriving and successful practice, Oregon's Medical Board issued letters of complaint, threats and termination of insurance contracts due to Dr Thomas's refusal to follow strictly the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) vaccination schedule; and this culminated in a 2019 letter instructing that Dr Thomas "scientifically demonstrate that his Vaccine-Friendly Plan was as safe as the CDC's vaccination schedule". Thomas duly hired an independent analyst, James Lyons-Weiler Ph.D., to conduct a reputable research study demonstrating this; yet within a week of the publication of the research report meeting their request,¹⁰ Dr Thomas was issued with an Emergency Order suspending his medical licence. There is much more to this incredible and distressing story that cannot be outlined here, but it culminated with Dr Thomas retiring from his medical practice in 2022.

Another example of the kind of extraordinary institutional shenanigans that commonly occur in the world of vaccinology are set out on page 41, which describes the response to the publication of Dr Thomas Verstraeten's 1999 study on the impact of thimerosal

(a preservative used in vaccines) on very young babies' neurodevelopment. We read that "Government officials convened a secret meeting... away from CDC headquarters to keep records of the meeting hidden from the public. Government officials, university experts, and industry representatives attended the meeting and discussed how to hide this information from the public. They determined strategies to statistically dilute the relationship between thimerosal and autism, among other disorders...". No doubt the history of mass vaccination will be replete with such duplicitous institutional shenanigans. It is surely vital that ordinary people become aware of the scarcely believable corruption in the world of vaccine research and the fraudulent suppression of inconvenient research findings.

Chapters 10 and 11 deserve particular attention here, with Chapter 10 looking at Covid-19 vaccines, and Chapter 11 at vaccines during pregnancy. Chapter 10 looks at Bell's palsy adverse events, cardiac adverse events, and myocarditis and pericarditis adverse events, among others. Twenty-two research studies in all are considered, and the authors find that myocarditis or pericarditis were significantly associated with Covid-19 vaccination in eight different studies. Four studies also found there to be a significant association between Bell's palsy and Covid vaccination as compared to those unvaccinated for Covid.

Chapter 11 looks at pregnancy outcomes in women receiving influenza, Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis) and/or Covid-19 vaccines during pregnancy compared with unvaccinated women; and at fertility outcomes associated with vaccination prior to conception. Among the findings, foetal loss was associated with influenza vaccination in four studies, and three studies found that the Tdap vaccine was associated with higher incidences of chorioamnionitis compared to unvaccinated pregnant women.

Of notable interest is a detailed ten-page Afterword written by Children's Health Defense, detailing an overview of their own Vaccine Safety Project that came out of their investigative review of the US government's vaccine approval/recommendations process and post-marketing safety monitoring. The six steps of this recommended procedure are described by Brian Hooker as "a call to action [that will] effect lasting change in global public health policy. Our efforts now will protect the lives of future generations." Appendices B and C then set out Robert F. Kennedy Jnr.'s detailed communications to NIH Director Dr Francis Collins following the fateful meeting of May 2017 referred to earlier. Kennedy's questions amount to over 15 pages in the book; and Collins et al's reply, described in the book as "a sole, anemic response" amounts to an insulting 25 lines.

The final appendix in the book sets out a photo-stat

copy of a US District Court stipulation showing that the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is in violation of the “Mandate for Safer Childhood Vaccines” as specified in the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (1986).

It is perhaps implicit rather than explicitly named in *Vax-Unvax* that what I call “vaccine-mindedness” has been relentlessly pushed into the psyches of billions of people (including *and particularly* medical professionals) going back decades, with baseless assertions of ‘good’ science. The common Big Pharma assertion that vaccines have saved more lives by preventing disease than they’ve destroyed through side-effects, is simply a guess – for there exists no reliable scientific data to back up such a claim.

I am personally thrilled that this new book has come out, as it promises to hammer a massive nail into the coffin-lid of Big Pharma’s mass-vaccination trance-induction that has dominated mainstream medicine for so long. The studies highlighted in this book merely confirm what principled and informed “anti-vaxxers” have been saying for years.¹¹ So it is very exciting that RFK Jr and Dr Hooker have now taken the science to a quite new level, with unequivocal scientific evidence on the superiority of a vaccine-free lifestyle.

Not that we should be holding our breath! We should be under no illusion that the publication of Kennedy and Hooker’s book will of itself bring an end to global mass vaccination. Rather, it is independent publications (like this magazine) and uncaptured media platforms and publications that will be vital in raising grass-roots awareness amongst medical consumers, and so help to bring about this urgently needed health transformation.

The book is certainly not light bedtime reading – not that this should in any way be seen as a criticism. It is a book that *had* to be written in the systematic and exhaustive way it has been written and presented in order to “pre-but” the common Big Pharma smear that views challenging mass vaccination are “emotional and unscientific”. As this book convincingly shows, nothing could be further from the truth. People will, doubtless, read this book for a range of reasons – one of which *will* certainly be to become acquainted with the independent, uncaptured science that exists in this highly contested field. As previously stated, it consists for the most part of an exhaustive summary of over 100 academic research papers, at least some of which are freely available online. This in turn raises the question of the skills and abilities needed to read and critically assess a scientific research paper. A great example of this ability is provided by the editor of the excellent *Informed Parent* magazine,¹² Magda Taylor, who over many years has clearly developed this ability such that she regularly writes excellent summaries of vaccine-related research papers in the magazine she edits. I mention this here because one of the regular

contributors to the *Informed Parent* magazine, former GP and homeopath Dr Jayne Donegan, is proactively addressing the question of empowering the lay public to engage with the often mystifying world of empirical science. Thus, on Tuesday 12 March 2024, Dr Donegan is preenting an online lecture on ‘Vaccination, the Science – How to read scientific papers’,¹³ with the subtitle ‘How to read scientific papers so that you can access the science in published papers yourself’. The lecture will help towards an understanding of the validity of claims made in scientific papers, learning how to spot inconsistencies, and showing how there is available scientific evidence that supports what many holistic medical practitioners believe from their empirical and philosophical practices. This lecture will possibly be of great interest to anyone who has read this review article to this point, and wishes to develop the capacity to critically assess scientific papers without having to rely upon “experts” to do it for them. This is surely in line with the wider cultural trend observable in society whereby people are increasingly taking personal responsibility for their own health and well-being.¹⁴

While *Vax-Unvax* rightly and usefully concentrates on the science underpinning mass vaccination, it feels important to point out that legitimate *emotional and spiritual* perspectives can, and perhaps must, also be brought to the vexed subject of vaccination. From the spiritual viewpoint, in previous review articles in this magazine I have discussed at length Rudolf Steiner’s views on epidemics and vaccination.¹⁵ From a more personal viewpoint and also writing as a psychologist, I think it important that we strive to understand the *psychological processes* involved whereby people can seriously and/or uncritically entertain the idea that it is sensible and appropriate to repeatedly inject foreign substances into the bodies of small babies under the pretext of protecting them from illnesses that they will likely never suffer from anyway – or, if they do, those illnesses may well paradoxically *strengthen* their natural immunity, rather than threaten their lives. It seems to me that we need to understand the psychological dynamics underpinning this mentality, with its deference to alleged “expertise”, before we can hope for a general societal evolution beyond the practice of mass vaccination. For mass vaccination can only prevail as a practice as long as a majority of people uncritically accept it; for it’s not just the rapaciousness of Big Pharma that is responsible for the mass-vaccination phenomenon.

In sum, vaccines are commonly trumpeted by mainstream medicine as being medicine’s ‘greatest achievement’. From the other end of what is a broad ideological spectrum, I would argue that mass vaccination constitutes perhaps the greatest fraud perpetrated by medical science in human history. In his endorsement of the book, Dr Peter McCullough states that “this dawn of a new age in public health will be tumultuous for years to

come”. The book *Vax-Unvax should* presage the demise of “vaccine science” as represented by the all-powerful pharmaceutical industry. I write “should”, because what I am suggesting here is dependent on the existence of a rational world in which legitimate and reliable scientific evidence rules, and “the” science hasn’t been captured by money, power and worse. Alas, however, humanity may well not yet have reached the maturity where this is the case, and the demonstrably bogus claims about the scientific validity of mass vaccination as a beneficent medical intervention may continue to be propagated for a while yet.

So, are we on the verge of a momentous and decisive paradigm shift in medicine and healthy living? A post-pharma world is urgently beckoning, and those open to genuinely objective, uncaptured science will lead the way into this new world, beyond the ruthless hegemony of a Pharmaceutical Industrial Complex with on its mostly unaccountable power and buttressed by the captured science that studies like *Vax-Unvax* are courageously exposing. Yet as Kennedy and Hooker write in their dedication, “the industry-captured media will censor this book, [so] it’s important to give it to friends, doctors, neighbours, expectant parents, teachers, and others. After reading *Vax-Unvax*, people will know the truth and will never be able to unknow it.” Certainly, what readers, and particularly parents of young children, can do while uncritical vaccination ideology prevails in modern culture is to *do their own research* – including reading this path-breaking book and considering the considerable body of empirical research that challenges the mainstream pro-vax narrative. There could scarcely be a more important way in which people can start taking a radically new level of responsibility for their own health and that of their loved ones.

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