

CNN Story That Never Was

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STORY AT-A-GLANCE

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- › Although I responded to her questions via email, CNN did not publish a story based on this interview request
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- › In the interest of transparency, I posted the email exchange so you can read my responses to CNN’s accusatory questions firsthand
- › CNN and other media outlets have the power to share lifesaving information that could turn the pandemic around and save lives in the process – but they won’t; instead, the media are ignoring the basics of healthy immune function and the importance of early COVID-19 treatment to continue to push the narrative that the only solution is to get an injection

CNN reporter Randi Kaye visited my home unannounced, then tracked me down as I bicycled around my home town in August 2021. Her purpose was to publish a hit piece further labeling me as a "super-spreader of COVID-19 misinformation,"¹ based primarily on the opinions of foreign agent Imran Ahmed, founding CEO Center for Countering Digital Hate (CCDH),² which is a recently spun up front group funded by dark money.

After that story aired, she again contacted me, this time via email, to request an interview regarding my latest book, "The Truth About COVID-19: Exposing The Great Reset, Lockdowns, Vaccine Passports, and the New Normal." Interview questions were provided via email, as were my responses. To my knowledge, and for unknown reasons, CNN did not publish a story based on this interview request.

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CNN Interview Request for My Latest Book

August 26, 2021, Kaye emailed, "Here are the questions we would like answered about Dr. Mercola's new book. We would welcome responses by 5pm tomorrow, please." The questions, which are clearly accusatory, are as follows:

"You say in your book that "A large amount of data strongly suggests the COVID - 19 vaccine may be completely unnecessary, which means the global population is being bamboozled into participating in a dangerous and unprecedented experiment for no good reason whatsoever." Can you please point us to that data that suggests the covid vaccines are unnecessary or dangerous?

You say in your book that "vaccine trials are rigged." What proof do you have of that? Which trials? How many? Who rigged them and for what purpose?

You say in your book, "Common sense dictates that if the vaccines cannot prevent or reduce infection and transmission, hospitalization, or death, then they cannot possibly end the pandemic." And that "There's no telling whether they will ultimately prevent hospitalizations and deaths."

Can you please provide us with the source and support for your statements since the CDC says vaccines are nearly 100% effective at preventing severe

disease and death and greatly reduce infection.

How do you explain statements from hospitals and government officials that nearly all those who are getting sick and dying now are the unvaccinated?

Do you feel responsible for the spread of misinformation by writing a book full of conspiracy theories and false claims?

What were you paid for this book deal by the publisher?

Are you donating 100% of the earnings from your book?

If so, to which organization? Are you concerned this book will cost people their lives?"

My Response to CNN

Media organizations contact Mercola.com regularly, sometimes to challenge us on the researched, fact-checked articles we post for our readers. In CNN's case, the information they were seeking was directly related to my book, which was the No. 1 best seller in all categories for four straight days with thousands of five-star ratings.

Much like the information on Mercola.com, the information in my book is thoroughly referenced, but Kaye, ironically, engaged in the dissemination of misinformation herself by describing my book as being "full of conspiracy theories and false claims." My response to her questions follows:

"Many studies and other literature offer support for my position in answering several of your questions, which are combined since they can be answered with the same literature. Here are the important points that drive my book:

The vaccines are just 39% effective and waning, and the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices has now advised booster doses to the mRNA vaccines in immunocompromised persons. CDC's goal is to begin offering booster doses to everyone else beginning this fall.^{3,4,5,6}

Additionally, breakthrough infections among fully vaccinated persons are becoming more and more prevalent around the world. Evidence is beginning to mount that people with breakthrough infections can spread the Delta variant more easily.^{7,8,9,10,11,12,13}

Most recently, researchers in Israel report that fully vaccinated persons are up to 13 times more likely to get infected than those who have had a natural COVID infection.

As explained by ScienceMag: The study "found in two analyses that people who were vaccinated in January and February were, in June, July and the first half of August, six to 13 times more likely to get infected than unvaccinated people who were previously infected with the coronavirus.

*In one analysis, comparing more than 32,000 people in the health system, the risk of developing symptomatic COVID-19 was 27 times higher among the vaccinated, and the risk of hospitalization eight times higher."*¹⁴

The study also said that, while vaccinated persons who also had natural infection did appear to have additional protection against the Delta variant, the vaccinated were still at a greater risk for COVID-19-related-hospitalizations compared to those without the vaccine, but who were previously infected.

Vaccinees who hadn't had a natural infection also had a 5.96-fold increased risk for breakthrough infection and a 7.13-fold increased risk for symptomatic disease.

*"This study demonstrated that natural immunity confers longer lasting and stronger protection against infection, symptomatic disease and hospitalization caused by the Delta variant of SARS-CoV-2, compared to the BNT162b2 two-dose vaccine-induced immunity," study authors said.*¹⁵

A majority of gravely ill patients in Israel are double vaccinated.¹⁶ A majority of deaths over 50 in England are also double vaccinated.¹⁷ Also, mass vaccination

*of the population with the highly mutating coronavirus will only evolve perfectly vaccine-resistant strains of the virus."*¹⁸

Injection Trials Included COVID-19 Infections as Successes

The next part of my response focused more specifically on the vaccine trials, which were problematic from the start since they did not include prevention of infection as an endpoint. Instead, all study endpoints required infection with SARS-CoV-2, and "successes" included subjects with confirmed COVID-19 cases. The difference measured wasn't whether or not the vaccines prevented COVID-19 but whether, and how, they modified symptoms among those infected.¹⁹

Also problematic is the unblinding of the vaccine trials, which means the placebo groups were removed. As medical investigative journalist Jeanne Lenzer wrote in the BMJ, "The data are now likely to be scanty and less reliable given that the trials are effectively being unblinded."²⁰ This is the next section of my response to Kaye:

*"Regarding the vaccine trials: The vaccine trials were designed specifically to succeed for profit. The public health authorities and media like CNN are utilizing fear of the virus to induce psychological stress that promotes obedience and servitude."*²¹

Additionally, proof that the trials are "rigged" can be shown by virtue of the fact that they've done away with the control groups – who were getting a placebo but who were then offered the vaccine, which virtually does away with the ability to compare adverse reactions including deaths. Pfizer's own vaccine insert for Comirnaty admits that the control group hasn't existed since December 2020:

*Section 6.1 – "Upon issuance of the Emergency Use Authorization (December 11, 2020) for COMIRNATY, participants were unblinded to offer placebo participants COMIRNATY. Participants were unblinded in a phased manner over a period of months to offer placebo participants COMIRNATY."*²²

NPR has noted that removing the placebo groups from vaccine trials will prevent accurate data from long-term studies from being known.²³

Additionally, the CDC is being dishonest by utilizing data from the beginning of this year when the vaccine campaign had just been initiated to conflate their claim. They are using data that were scant early in the year because so few were vaccinated, as opposed to using current information.²⁴

Proceeding with the FDA approval of Comirnaty this week was unprecedented. No other vaccine has ever received approval this fast – and without public comment being allowed through ACIP [the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices] or VRBPAC [the FDA's Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee] before approval was issued.

The approval is unconscionable because over 600,000 adverse reactions and 6,000 deaths [now over 14,500 deaths²⁵] have been reported in the U.S. to VAERS. A majority of these reports are filed by medical professionals.

This shows that the safety of these vaccines is not proven. Besides, the experiments are continuing through 2027 as the FDA APPROVAL requires Pfizer to submit study results analyzing risk of myocarditis and pericarditis, and risk to long-term infant development in pregnant women. Study results will be submitted to the FDA for review on Oct 31, 2025 and May 31, 2027 respectively."²⁶

Lifesaving Information That CNN Won't Share

CNN and other media outlets have the power to share lifesaving information that could turn the pandemic around and save lives in the process – but they won't. Instead, the media are ignoring the basics of healthy immune function and the importance of early COVID-19 treatment to continue to push the narrative that the only solution is to get an injection.

The last part of my response to Kaye includes empowering steps that virtually everyone can take to support their health and reduce their risk of infectious disease. This includes having supplies from the Front Line COVID-19 Critical Care Working Group (FLCCC) I-MASK+ protocol on hand in the event you do get COVID-19.

FLCCC's I-MASK+ protocol can be downloaded in full,²⁷ giving you step-by-step instructions on how to prevent and treat the early symptoms of COVID-19. FLCCC also has protocols for at-home prevention and early treatment, called I-MASS, which involves ivermectin, vitamin D3, a multivitamin and a digital thermometer to watch your body temperature in the prevention phase and ivermectin, melatonin, aspirin and antiseptic mouthwash for early at-home treatment.

I also recommend getting a nebulizer, and the moment you feel a sniffle or something coming on, use nebulized hydrogen peroxide. Having a pulse oximeter on hand is also wise, as it's a noninvasive way to measure the oxygen levels in your blood, allowing you to monitor your levels and help gauge whether a trip to the ER is truly in order.

As I told Kaye, taking control of your health continues to be the "secret" that I strive to share with the masses. The remainder of my response to CNN follows:

"I am donating all proceeds to the National Vaccine Information Center. I encourage every person to fully educate themselves to make individual decisions about medical risk-taking by talking with their personal physician and comparing the risks and benefits to make an informed decision that includes all the information on how these vaccines are working (or not working) and what all the possible side effects may be.

This pandemic is a direct reflection of the health of our population: 95% of COVID deaths have multiple comorbidities. Obesity, vitamin D deficiency and metabolic dysfunction are at the core of this pandemic and can be resolved by taking control of your health by following science-based dietary and lifestyle recommendations.

Since building up your health can't be done overnight, what you can do beginning right now is avoid linoleic acid, check to ensure your vitamin D levels

are above 40ng/ml, exercise, get fresh air and proper sun exposure, and restrict your eating window to a 6- to 8-hour time frame each day.

If you do get COVID-19, early treatment is crucial. Follow the Front Line Critical Care Alliance iMASK+ or MATH+ treatment protocols."²⁸

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