Subject: Tentative: Updated invitation: EHA Board Dinner @ Thu Jan 18, 2018 6:30pm - 10:30pm (EST) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

From: rcolwell@umd.edu
To: Blakely Larrabee <larrabee@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: January 10, 2018 2:43:22 PM EST
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Dear Board,

I just wanted to let you all know that I was able to go to Bob Gutenstein’s funeral service on Thursday last week, as did our CFO Armine, who lives locally. The temple was full, despite the storm that left it with only generator power, and it was a very moving ceremony. It’s clear that Bob was a much-loved dad, brother, grandad and great-grandad, as well as a pillar in the local community. There wasn’t a dry eye in the temple, even though we all tried to celebrate his life rather than dwell on his passing.

Ellen has reached out to Bob’s son, and we’re hoping that someone from Bob’s family will be at our benefit on behalf of Bob, who we’re honoring. Hopefully, we’ll all be able to pass on our condolences and fond memories of Bob at that time.

Peter

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RE: Please vote, EHA Board candidate: Margery Fischbein

Subject: RE: Please vote, EHA Board candidate: Margery Fischbein
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Joel Maizel <jmaizel@axoniccap.com>, Board@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: larrabee@ecohealthalliance.org, Ellen Shedlarz <eshedlarz@aol.com>
Sent: March 15, 2018 4:31:27 PM EDT
Excellent! I approve.
Rita Colwell

From: Joel Maizel [mailto:jmaizel@axoniccap.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2018 4:01 PM
To: Board@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: larrabee@ecohealthalliance.org; Ellen Shedlarz
Subject: Please vote, EHA Board candidate: Margery Fischbein

Dear Board:

On behalf of NoGoCo and ExCo, it is my pleasure to present a candidate for our board, Margery Fischbein.

Margery was referred to us by Marianne De Backer. She is Head of Healthcare Investment Banking at Seaport Global, with an outstanding career in the fields of healthcare and biosciences.

In addition to serving on multiple biotech company boards, Margery is a lifetime board member and past president of the Harvard Business School Club in NYC.

Margery has visited EHA offices and met with scientists and board members to learn more about our board. She is based in NY and would be delighted to join our board.

A ballot and Margery’s biography and CV are attached. A fun public article about Margery is below:

http://www.crainsnewyork.com/40under40/1988/Fischbein

Please vote by either using the attached ballot, or by emailing myself or Blakely. There is no need to revote if you have voted previously as part of NoGoCo or ExCo.

Blakely and I look forward to hearing from you, and feel free to reach out with any question or for additional information.

Thank you,

Joel

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Peter:
I have not been as active as I should this past year. Attached is the obituary of my husband, Jack Colwell, who passed away on February 13, 2018. I am now getting back to some semblance of normalcy and hope to be much more active in EcoHealth Alliance. You obviously have been enormously successful, for which I extend my congratulations.
Best wishes,
Rita
Jack H. Colwell died on Tuesday, February 13, 2019, in his 87th year, at home and surrounded by his family. Jack is survived by his beloved wife of 61 years, Rita Rossi Colwell; by his daughters Alison and Stacie Colwell; sons-in-law Bruce Ponman and Rick Canning; grandchildren Jack, Adelaide, and Fintan Canning; and many Rossi and Colwell relatives. A late-in-life baby of his family and the last of his family’s generation, Jack was predeceased by his parents, William and Eleanor Colwell, and siblings, William, Eleanor, Marion, and Charles, and their respective spouses.

Jack was born on December 29, 1931, in Wooster, Ohio, and after a remarkable sojourn 1939-1940 in Yokohama, Japan, where his father was part of a team installing a steel plant that had been bought from United Engineering in Wooster, Ohio, he spent the rest of his childhood in Youngstown, Ohio. A formative experience was caddying on the famous Mill Creek Golf Course, where he developed a passion for the game of golf. He attended Mount Union College, distinguishing himself as Ohio Conference Golf Champion, and graduated in 1953. He served in the US Army, training in Field Wire and Communications at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and was then stationed in Amberg, Germany, where he explored the countryside in the Battalion mail truck and played for the US Army Golf Team. Upon discharge, he entered a Masters’ program in physical chemistry at Purdue University, studying trimethylamines. It was at Purdue where he met and married Rita in 1956. After graduation the newlyweds travelled in their TR3 Roadster to the University of Washington, Seattle, where they earned their PhDs in 1961. Jack studied...
the physical properties of sulfur trioxide, working in the Chemistry Department with Professor George Halsey. Jack’s doctoral research attracted the attention of Nobel Laureate Linus Pauling, who had also published on the peculiarities of sulfur trioxide and with whom Jack shared his research findings.

Jack was awarded a National Research Council of Canada Post Doctoral Fellowship and moved to Ottawa, Canada, where he began research in low-temperature physics, specifically the properties of methane at zero degrees Kelvin, with Dr. James Morrison.

In 1963, the Colwells moved to Washington, DC, where Jack joined the National Bureau of Standards at its Connecticut Avenue site—now the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland—where he continued his work in low-temperature physics, primarily low-temperature thermometry and the properties of materials at zero degrees Kelvin. During his 26 years at NBS and NIST, Jack carried out research on superconductivity in semiconductors and on properties of magnetic compounds at very low temperatures, as well as contributing to the extension of the international temperature scale to temperatures near absolute zero.

Jack retired from “The Bureau” in 1989, devoting himself full time to participating in and organizing dinghy racing at Severn Sailing Association in Annapolis, Maryland. Jack was a champion sailor and served as Commodore of SSA in 1977-1978. Sailing with his wife and daughters was his favorite pastime, as was paddling the Potomac, a member of the Sycamore Island Canoe Club since the early 1960s, and bicycling the C&O Canal towpath.

Jack was a polymath who solved complicated equations effortlessly, earning the nickname “Numbers” as a graduate student. He delighted in logic puzzles, from ken ken to sailing
strategies; and he took an interest in and read widely and deeply on many complicated subjects. The world never ceased to interest him. He explored a remarkable portion of the globe, traveling to scientific meetings with his wife, and logged tens of thousands of miles on his bicycle and, more recently, on his recumbent tricycle. He was a kind man who knew what he knew and loved what he loved. He cherished solitude, yet he loved his family, embraced his supporting role in Rita’s career, and enjoyed time with his wide circle of friends. Jack remained wry, even tart, right up to the end and soldiered through the last difficult months with characteristic fortitude and dignity... Our sadness in losing him will continue but will include warm recollections of his quirks and qualities.

A memorial service is planned for May, 2018. Donations in his name can be made to the environmental or liberal non-profit of your choice.
RE: Special Event in DC on May 16th

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From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>, Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>
Sent: April 2, 2018 9:12:59 PM EDT
Hi Peter:
Very nice to hear from you. Yes, I would be delighted to join you, Billy, and Jon at the event on May 16.
Thank you!
Rita

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From: Peter Daszak [mailto:daszak@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Monday, March 26, 2018 3:15 PM
To: Rita Colwell
Subject: Special Event in DC on May 16th

Dear Rita,

Over the past two years, EcoHealth Alliance has been a core partner in the curation of a very important exhibit at Smithsonian’s National Museum of Natural History in Washington, DC. The exhibit called, *Outbreak: Epidemics in a Connected World* opens to the public on Friday, May 18.

Smithsonian is hosting a private reception and preview of the exhibit on **Wednesday evening, May 16th from 7:00 – 9:30pm** at the museum. We were provided just a handful of invites and thought you might be interested in attending the event.

A group of us will be at the event representing EcoHealth Alliance including me, Billy Karesh and Jon Epstein. Jon has served as the principal science advisor for the exhibit team and our work is also displayed in the exhibition. We hope you will be able to join us! Invitations should arrive in the mail soon.

Cheers,

Peter

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To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>, David De Pooter <d.depooter@onehealthplatform.com>, Antarpreet Jutla <Antarpreet.Jutla@mail.wvu.edu>
Cc: Osterhaus, Albert <Albert.Osterhaus@tiho-hannover.de>
Sent: April 3, 2018 9:17:49 AM EDT
Excellent sessions. Apologies for weighing in late but I did want to indicate approval of the sessions as listed.

Rita Colwell

From: Peter Daszak [mailto:daszak@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 12:47 PM
To: David De Pooter; Antarpreet Jutla
Cc: Rita Colwell; Osterhaus, Albert
Subject: RE: 5th International One Health Congress: final abstract selection

That looks great from my viewpoint.

I’ll send round a proposed name for a co-chair later on today...

Cheers,

Peter

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From: David De Pooter [mailto:d.depooter@onehealthplatform.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 12:08 PM
To: Antarpreet Jutla
Cc: rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu; Peter Daszak; Osterhaus, Albert
Subject: Re: 5th International One Health Congress: final abstract selection

Thanks, Antar!

Op 13 mrt. 2018, om 16:58 heeft Antarpreet Jutla <Antarpreet.Jutla@mail.wvu.edu> het volgende geschreven:

Hello David,
I am ok with the line ups for session 4A.
Best
Antar

Antarpreet Jutla
<Antarpreet.Jutla@mail.wvu.edu>,
Dear Rita, Peter and Antar,

Many thanks for reviewing the abstracts that had been submitted for the sessions on drivers for emerging diseases that you will be chairing and co-chairing. From your combined assessments, this are the proposed line-ups for your sessions:

4A-DRIVERS FOR EMERGING DISEASES 1
Chair: Rita Colwell
Co-chair: Antar Jutla

Quantifying the health, economic, and ecosystem impacts of land-use change as a driver of disease emergence in Southeast Asia
Carlos Zambrana-Torrelio, EcoHealth Alliance, USA

Impacts of urbanization and conversion of rainforests into large industrial oil palm plantations on the ecology of Aedes vectors in arbovirus foci, Côte d'Ivoire
Julien Zahouli Bi Zahouli, Centre Suisse de Recerches SCientifiques en Côte d'Ivoire, Ivory Coast

The use of a nationwide pig movement network to predict the spatial risk of Nipah virus outbreaks in Thailand
Anuwat Wiratsudakul, Faculty of Veterinary Science, Mahidol University, Thailand

Ecosystem Change and Zoonoses Emergence
Barry John McMahon, University College Dublin, Ireland

Identification of molecular determinants of aquatic and terrestrial morbillivirus cross-species infections
Wendy Karen Jo Lei, University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover, Germany

5A-DRIVERS FOR EMERGING DISEASES 2
Chair: Peter Daszak
Co-chair:

Leveraging viral phylodynamics to inform spatiotemporal transmission of viral infectious diseases in Africa: 2009 Influenza A/H1N1 in Africa
Fredrick Nzabanyi Nindo, University of Cape Town, South Africa

Risk of pneumonia among residents living near goat and poultry farms
Pim Martijn Post, Dutch National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM), The Netherlands

Effect of Habitat Modification on Risk of Scrub Typhus, An Emerging Infectious Disease in Bhutan
Tandin Zangpo, Khesar Gyalpo University of Medical Sciences of Bhutan

A One Health Understanding of the Rodent Meat Value Chain in the Mekong Delta, Vietnam: Implications for Zoonotic Disease Risk Mitigation (Wellcome Trust ViZIONS)
Tran Minh Hai, An Giang University, Vietnam

Climate variability and infectious diseases nexus: Evidence from Sweden
Mwenya Mubanga, Uppsala University, Sweden

Kindly confirm whether you agree with the proposed selection or whether any revision is needed. If I do not get your responses by tomorrow Wednesday 14 March at noon (CET), I’ll assume you concur.

Warmest regards,

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To: Kevin Olival, PhD <olival@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>, Aleksei Chmura <chmura@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: April 3, 2018 9:31:43 AM EDT
Dear Kevin:
I am remiss in not answering this email ages ago. I do agree with this notion you pose and an editorial in both EcoHealth and GeoHealth would be valuable...even if there were such editorials last year. This is a new year and a timely topic.
Let me know your thoughts...even if “too late, the train left months ago”. (As I have informed Peter, I had to deal with a very tough family crisis most of 2017...and am back on track now).
Best wishes,
Rita

From: Kevin Olival, PhD [mailto:olival@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 4:00 PM
To: Rita Colwell
Cc: Peter Daszak; Aleksei Chmura
Subject: Possible EcoHealth journal editorial or forum piece?

Dear Rita,

I know you are exceedingly busy, but Peter and I thought it would be a great idea to have EHA board members author or co-author more editorials for the journal EcoHealth in the coming year. As an example, Peter and I wrote the attached forum piece with Bob Hoguet back in 2013. Is this something you’d be interested in?

One general topic that Peter thought may be most appropriate would be an article on GeoHealth, perhaps as it fits in and relates to “EcoHealth”. Given your role as Founding Editor of GeoHealth, this might be a nice cross-pollination with the journal EcoHealth. Or perhaps you have some other topics in mind, or previously drafted editorials or opinion pieces that are looking for a good home?

Please let us know your thoughts, and I’m happy to help out as much as possible. Of course, would be honored to co-author something if we decide to move forward in that way.

Cheers,
Kevin
RE: NY Times article mentions EHA

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From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: April 15, 2018 8:38:34 PM EDT
Peter:
This is really interesting stuff. I am planning to be at the next board meeting and hope we will have time to talk.
Rita

From: Peter Daszak [mailto:daszak@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Friday, April 13, 2018 7:12 PM
To: Board
Subject: NY Times article mentions EHA

Great article from Jim Robbins of The NY Times that mentions EHA - Jim’s coming to us quite often as the expert group on pathogens, ecology and conservation. Here’s the link:


Cheers,

Peter

Peter Daszak
(Sent from my iPhone)

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Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: April 16, 2018 5:20:20 PM EDT
Friday times work for me, Blakely.
Rita

From: Blakely Larrabee [mailto:larrabee@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Monday, April 16, 2018 5:18 PM
To: ProgCo
Subject: Availability to participate in a ProgCo conference call

Dear All,

I hope everyone had a nice weekend. We would like to schedule a one-hour committee conference call prior to the April 27th Board meeting. Please let me know if you would be available to participate in a call on any of the dates/times listed below.

Best,
Blakely

Thursday, April 19th 5pm until 6pm (EST)
Friday, April 20th 3pm until 4pm (EST)
Friday, April 20th 4pm until 5pm (EST)
Monday, April 23rd: 11:3am until 12:30pm (EST)

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To: Blakely Larrabee <larrabee@ecohealthalliance.org>

Sent: April 17, 2018 11:22:17 AM EDT
Accepted: Invitation: ProgCo call  @ Wed Apr 25, 2018 2pm - 2:30pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

Subject: Accepted: Invitation: ProgCo call  @ Wed Apr 25, 2018 2pm - 2:30pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
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To: hamel@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: April 25, 2018 1:44:41 PM EDT
RE: Bill Gates calls on U.S. to lead fight against a pandemic that could kill 33 million - The Washington Post

Subject: RE: Bill Gates calls on U.S. to lead fight against a pandemic that could kill 33 million - The Washington Post
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: De Backer, Marianne [RNDUS] <MDBACKER@its.jnj.com>, ann moore <annbeckermoore@gmail.com>
Cc: Dr. Amy Attas <dramy@citypetsvets.com>, Carlota Vollhardt <carlota.vollhardt@e-k-i.com>, Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>, board@ecohealthalliance.org, Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: April 28, 2018 7:58:00 PM EDT
I’m on a panel on biothreats...National Press Club, Washington, DC, Monday afternoon April 30...along with a roster of DoD, CIA, DHS, and other assorted luminaries.

Anything I should say or comment on regarding EcoHealth, Peter?

Rita

From: De Backer, Marianne [RNDUS] [mailto:MDBACKER@its.jnj.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 28, 2018 7:55 PM
To: ann moore
Cc: Dr. Amy Attas; Carlota Vollhardt; Peter Daszak; board@ecohealthalliance.org; Anthony Ramos
Subject: Re: Bill Gates calls on U.S. to lead fight against a pandemic that could kill 33 million - The Washington Post

Indeed! Any connections with Bill Gates we could [re-]activate given this perfect alignment in mission?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 28, 2018, at 05:36, ann moore <annbeckermoore@gmail.com> wrote:

That’s a great way to start. This is amazing timing.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 28, 2018, at 6:56 AM, Dr. Amy Attas <dramy@citypetsvets.com> wrote:

Couldn't be more perfect. Perhaps an op-ed to The Washington Post?

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

-------- Original message --------
From: Carlota Vollhardt <carlota.vollhardt@e-k-i.com>
Date: 4/28/18 6:28 AM (GMT-05:00)
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>, board@ecohealthalliance.org, Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Bill Gates calls on U.S. to lead fight against a pandemic that could kill 33 million - The Washington Post


Bill Gates calls on U.S. to lead fight against a pandemic that could kill 33 million

By Lena H. Sun
Bill Gates says the U.S. government is falling short in preparing the nation and the world for the “significant probability of a large and lethal modern-day pandemic occurring in our lifetimes.”

In an interview this week, the billionaire philanthropist said he has raised the issue of pandemic preparedness with President Trump since the 2016 presidential election. In his most recent meeting last month, Gates said he laid out the increasing risk of a bioterrorism attack and stressed the importance of U.S. funding for advanced research on new therapeutics, including a universal flu vaccine, which would protect against all or most strains of influenza.

Gates, who co-founded Microsoft and now leads a foundation on global health, said he told Trump that the president has a chance to lead on the issue of global health security. Trump encouraged him to follow up with top officials at the Health and Human Services Department, the National Institutes of Health and the Food and Drug Administration, Gates said.

Gates said he met several times with H.R. McMaster, the president’s former national security adviser, and hopes to meet with McMaster’s replacement, John Bolton. The National Security Council, Gates said, is an appropriate office to “show leadership on this issue and decide how to coordinate the various groups” within the government.

“But, you know, I think we’ve got to push this ... with the executive branch and Congress quite a bit,” Gates said. “There hasn’t been a big effort along these lines.”

His interview with The Washington Post prefaced a speech — on the challenges associated with modern epidemics — that Gates gave Friday before the Massachusetts Medical Society.

Gates and his wife, Melinda, have repeatedly warned that a pandemic is the greatest immediate threat to humanity. Experts say the risk is high, because new pathogens are constantly emerging and the world is so interconnected.

Many experts agree that the United States remains underprepared for a pandemic or a bioterrorism threat. The government’s sprawling bureaucracy, they say, is not nimble enough to deal with mutations that suddenly turn an influenza virus into a particularly virulent strain, as the 1918 influenza did in killing an estimated 50 million to 100 million people worldwide.
Even this winter’s harsh seasonal flu was enough to overwhelm some hospitals, forcing them to pitch tents outside emergency rooms to cope with the crush of patients.

If a highly contagious and lethal airborne pathogen like the 1918 influenza were to take hold today, nearly 33 million people worldwide would die in just six months, Gates noted in his prepared remarks, citing a simulation done by the Institute for Disease Modeling, a research organization in Bellevue, Wash.

In those remarks, Gates highlighted scientific and technical advances in the development of better vaccines, drugs and diagnostics that he said could revolutionize preparation for and treatment of infectious diseases. He praised last year’s formation of a new global coalition, known as CEPI, to create new vaccines for emerging infectious diseases. He also announced a $12 million Grand Challenge in partnership with the family of Google Inc. co-founder Larry Page to accelerate the development of a universal flu vaccine.

But vaccines, he noted, take time to research, deploy and generate protective immunity.

“So we need to invest in other approaches, like antiviral drugs and antibody therapies that can be stockpiled or rapidly manufactured to stop the spread of pandemic diseases or treat people who have been exposed,” he said in his speech.

Among the advances in these areas are a new influenza antiviral recently approved in Japan that Gates said “stops the virus in its tracks” by inhibiting an enzyme it needs to multiply; research on antibodies that could protect against a pandemic strain of a virus; and a diagnostic test that harnesses the powerful genetic-engineering technology known as CRISPR and has the field-use potential to check a patient’s blood, saliva or urine for evidence of multiple pathogens. That test could, for example, identify whether someone is infected with Zika or dengue virus, which have similar symptoms.

But even the best tools in the world won’t be sufficient, Gates said, if the United States doesn’t have a strategy to harness and coordinate resources at home and help to lead an effective global preparedness and response system.

Trump and senior administration officials have affirmed the importance of controlling infectious disease outbreaks. But the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is facing a loss
of emergency funding provided in the wake of the 2014 Ebola epidemic and has begun to planning to downsize its epidemic-prevention activities in 39 out of 49 countries where disease risks are greatest.

Congress provided additional funding in last month’s spending bill. But it also directed the administration to come up with a comprehensive plan to strengthen global health security at home and abroad.

“This could be an important first step if the White House and Congress use the opportunity to articulate and embrace a leadership role for the U.S.,” Gates said in the speech.

No other country, he noted, has the depth of scientific or technical expertise that the United States possesses, drawing on the resources of institutions such as NIH, CDC and the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, as well as the Defense Department's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.

Read more:

Inside the secret U.S. stockpile meant to protect us in a bioterror attack

CDC to cut by 80 percent efforts to prevent global disease outbreak

This season's flu vaccine is only 36 percent effective

SPECIAL REPORT: Fertility Frontier -- 'Gifts from God' How religions are coming to terms with modern fertility methods

Best,
Carlota

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Yes. Send the slides.

Subject: Yes. Send the slides.
From: rcolwell@umd.edu
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: April 29, 2018 11:10:51 AM EDT
Peter
Yes. I can use the slides. Send them!
Rita

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During Dr. Billy Karesh's presentation at the April 27, 2018 Board meeting, it was requested that we share the World Bank's *Operational Framework for Strengthening Human, Animal and Environmental Public Health Systems at their Interface* ("One Health Operational Framework") with you. This Framework was co-authored by the World Bank and EHA in close collaboration with many of our partners.


Also, please let us know if you would like a hard copy sent to your address.

Best,

Blakely

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Subject: Re: EHA in the news!! Ebola and Nipah virus outbreaks in the same week!
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Manoj Dadlani <manoj@cosmosid.com>, Karlis Graubics <karlis.graubics@cosmosid.com>, Nur Hasan <nur.hasan@cosmosid.net>, Vickie Lord <Vickie.lord@cosmosid.com>
Sent: May 22, 2018 3:49:55 PM EDT
The next generation sequencing method I discussed with you identifies viruses as well as bacteria and parasites rapidly and accurately. We have an Ebola database that has been tested. Nipah virus may also have been. Can we schedule a call for next Monday to discuss?

Rita

Sent from my iPhone

On May 23, 2018, at 4:15 AM, Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

It’s been v. busy this week with an Ebola outbreak in DR Congo and a new Nipah virus outbreak in India. Anthony and Robert got the tech team to rapidly produce a map of where Ebola is likely to spread to if infected people travel on planes, including a breakdown of the top 10 airports in the USA likely to have infected people travel to (JFK is #1!!!). This has been tweeted out and sent to journalists and uses our Tech Team’s Flight Risk Tracker – FLIRT: https://www.ecohealthalliance.org/2018/05/ebola-spreads-major-congo-transportation-hub-will-spread

We’ve also put up a new Ebola virus fact sheet: https://www.ecohealthalliance.org/2018/05/ebola

In the meantime, we’ve had multiple requests from EHA Facebook followers in India for information and help on Nipah virus. We’re sending out an open letter tonight via social media and will pass this round to reporters along with our expertise on the virus so we reinforce our image as the go-to people for Nipah. We already have one story out there with NBC that quotes Jon Epstein extensively, and there are others in the pipeline... https://www.nbcnews.com/health/health-news/what-nipah-virus-n876476

I think this is the fastest response time yet for EHA when it comes to getting out in front of an outbreak and maximizing our impact in the media. Kudos to everyone!!

Cheers,

Peter

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Subject: RE: One Health Platform Scientific Advisory Board meeting 21 June 2018 in Saskatoon: agenda
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>, Ab Osterhaus <a.osterhaus@onehealthplatform.com>, Jonna Mazet <jkmazet@ucdavis.edu>, Larry Madoff <madoff@promedmail.org>, Martyn Jeggo <jeggo.martyn@gmail.com>, Dennis Carroll <dcarroll@usaid.gov>, Tom Monath <tmonath@linkp.com>, Marietjie Venter <marietjie.venter@up.ac.za>, Wang Linfa <linfa.wang@duke-nus.edu.sg>, MARK RWEYEMAMU <mark.rweyemamu@btinternet.com>, Amadou Sall <asall@pasteur.sn>, Penina Munyua <ikg2@cdc.gov>, Nick Juleff <Nick.Juleff@gatesfoundation.org>, Peter Charles Doherty <pcd@unimelb.edu.au>, Jonathan Rushton <J.Rushton@liverpool.ac.uk>, dheymann@chathamhouse.org
Cc: John MacKenzie <J.MacKenzie@curtin.edu.au>, Chris Vanlangendonck <c.vanlangendonck@onehealthplatform.com>
Sent: June 14, 2018 1:26:20 PM EDT
I will arrive on June 21 but at midnight, hence I am not able to attend this meeting.
Rita Colwell

From: Peter Daszak <mailto:daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2018 12:15 PM
To: Ab Osterhaus; Jonna Mazet; Rita Colwell; Larry Madoff; Martyn Jeggo; Dennis Carroll; Tom Monath; Marietjie Venter; Wang Linfa; Mark Rweyemamu; Amadou Sall; Penina Munyua; Nick Juleff; Peter Charles Doherty; Jonathan Rushton; dheymann@chathamhouse.org
Cc: John MacKenzie; Chris Vanlangendonck
Subject: RE: One Health Platform Scientific Advisory Board meeting 21 June 2018 in Saskatoon: agenda

Unfortunately I won’t be able to join the meeting – I’m at the Pasteur Institute Paris for a meeting and arrive in Saskatoon late on Friday 22nd.

Apologies....,

Peter

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From: Ab Osterhaus <mailto:a.osterhaus@onehealthplatform.com>
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2018 6:24 AM
To: Jonna Mazet; rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu; Larry Madoff; Martyn Jeggo; Dennis Carroll; Tom Monath; Marietjie Venter; Wang Linfa; Mark Rweyemamu; Amadou Sall; Penina Munyua; Nick Juleff; Peter Charles Doherty; Peter Daszak; Jonathan Rushton; dheymann@chathamhouse.org
Cc: John MacKenzie; Chris Vanlangendonck
Subject: One Health Platform Scientific Advisory Board meeting 21 June 2018 in Saskatoon: agenda

Dear colleagues,

The 5th International One Health Congress is approaching fast, and as per the e-mail below, we’ll seize the opportunity to assemble the Scientific Advisory Board of the One Health Platform on 21 June 2018, one day before the actual start of the congress. Since this is a formal One Health Platform gathering, I need to urge you to schedule your travel in such a way as to be able to attend the Board meeting. The One Health Platform was founded 3 years ago, so now is the time to evaluate what has been achieved and to plan ahead. Your comments and suggestions will be of utmost importance, so kindly confirm your presence if you have not done this already. The meeting’s agenda is attached to this e-mail.

Looking forward to see you in Canada next month!

Regards,

Ab Osterhaus
<a.osterhaus@onehealthplatform.com>
Prof. Albert Osterhaus
Chair One Health Platform
Co-chair 5th International One Health Congress

RE: One Health Platform Scientific Advisory Board meeting 21 June 2018 in Saskatoon: agenda
RE: EHA recent Board member named as Robert Wood Johnson National Academies Fellow

Subject: RE: EHA recent Board member named as Robert Wood Johnson National Academies Fellow
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Pamela <pmthye@gmail.com>, Thomas Lovejoy <tlovejoy@unfoundation.org>
Cc: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>, Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: July 3, 2018 11:06:17 PM EDT
Congratulations, Indeed! Well done!

From: Pamela [mailto:pmthye@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 03, 2018 9:42 PM
To: Thomas Lovejoy
Cc: Peter Daszak; Board
Subject: Re: EHA recent Board member named as Robert Wood Johnson National Academies Fellow

Tom, good news! You have certainly earned it.
Affectionately,
Pamela

On Jul 3, 2018, at 9:34 PM, Thomas Lovejoy <tlovejoy@unfoundation.org> wrote:

A BIG deal!
Congratulations Sam

Get Outlook for iOS

From: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 3, 2018 6:00:47 PM
To: Board
Subject: EHA recent Board member named as Robert Wood Johnson National Academies Fellow

Congratulations to Sam Stebbins, who has just been awarded a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation-National Academies of Medicine Health-Policy Fellow!

Full details on the press release below...

We wish him the very best success in this new role, and look forward to hearing about his experiences in the future. Of course, it's sad that Sam has to step down from Board activities, but it is for a great cause!

Cheers,
Peter

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Rita

From: Anthony Ramos [mailto:ramos@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Friday, July 20, 2018 2:06 PM
To: Rita Colwell; Carlos Zambrana-Torrelio; Alison Andre; Peter Daszak
Subject: Communications Strategy meeting

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Many thanks,
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Subject: RE: Communications Strategy meeting
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: July 23, 2018 10:44:00 AM EDT
Hi Anthony:
OK
Rita

From: Anthony Ramos [mailto:ramos@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Monday, July 23, 2018 10:12 AM
To: Rita Colwell
Subject: Re: Communications Strategy meeting

Hi Rita,

I missed your email from Friday, but I am connecting with our team here for either a call today or tomorrow. I will let you know as soon as possible.

Anthony

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Hi Rita,

I just spoke to Carlos and it looks like 5pm today would be perfect. Would you like us to call you directly? If so, please send us the best number to reach you at today.

Many thanks!
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To: Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: July 23, 2018 1:57:08 PM EDT
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From: rcolwell@umd.edu
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Sent: July 23, 2018 3:00:40 PM EDT
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Dear Board Members,

I am delighted to inform you that we just received a letter from Charity Navigator - America's largest independent evaluator of charities - informing us that EcoHealth Alliance has received a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator yet again!

This is our 7th year at the maximum 4 stars, and the letter (attached) states that only 5 percent of the charities evaluated have received at least 7 consecutive 4-star evaluations. That's an incredible statistic based on the sheer number of charities that are evaluated annually.

We will of course announce this important news on our website with a press release and in our social media communications. We hope you will also share this news with your networks.

Cheers,

Peter

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Anthony:
I would like to attend but am trying to figure out how to get to Tarrytown, NY. I will be at a NAS Ocean Sciences Board meeting in Fairbanks, Alaska, September 10-12. I have no travel funds so would have to fly or Acela to NYC on my own hook, I guess, but then what do I do? Train, taxi, or what? I do not care to drive in a rental car from NYC or in my Prius from DC to Tarrytown (too old for the latter caper). If there is someone driving from DC I would hitch a ride if I get back from Alaska in time. All of the above is to say that I may end up calling in by phone, given the logistics.

Rita

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 16, 2018, at 3:38 PM, Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear Rita,

Will you be able to attend the Board Retreat in Tarrytown, NY next month (Sept 14-15).

Please let me know,
Anthony

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Hi Anthony
I will have to call in. Any chance of Skype or Zoom? Them I could see as well as hear.
Rita

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 4, 2018, at 11:39 AM, Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Hi Rita,

I just wanted to check in to see if your schedule would allow for you to attend the Board Meeting on Sept 14th and 15th in Tarrytown, NY.

I know you have extensive travel and I just wanted to know if I should reserve a hotel room for you for the night of Sept 14th.

I hope you are doing well,
Anthony

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Subject: Re: Please vote, EHA Board candidate: NANCY GRIFFIN
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Margaret Loeb-NY0 <Margaret_Loeb-NY0@external.mckinsey.com>
Cc: De Backer, Marianne [RNDUS] <MDBACKER@its.jnj.com>, Joel Maizel <jmaizel@axoniccap.com>, Board@ecohealthalliance.org, Nancye Green <nancye@dgtwo.com>, Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: September 5, 2018 11:57:49 AM EDT
I vote yes. I had trouble using the attached ballot, hence my email affirmative vote.
Rita Colwell
Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 4, 2018, at 5:50 PM, Margaret Loeb-NYO <Margaret_Loeb-NYO@external.mckinsey.com> wrote:

She sounds like a terrific addition !!
Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 4, 2018, at 5:44 PM, De Backer, Marianne [RNDUS] <MDBACKER@its.jnj.com> wrote:

I approve. Thank you, Joel.
Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 4, 2018, at 14:36, Joel Maizel <jmaizel@axoniccap.com> wrote:

Dear Board:

On behalf of NoGoCo and ExCo, it is my pleasure to present a candidate for our board, Nancy Griffin.

Nancy Griffin was referred to EHA by Marianne De Backer. She is VP and Head of Global Alliance Management at Novartis Pharmaceuticals. Nancy has a long-standing passion for public health, and had developed distinct expertise in building, executing and optimizing global alliances across the healthcare industry.

In addition to serving as a board member of key healthcare industry associations, Nancy has completed Boardroom Ready certification course from Executive Women in Bio; and is in the final stages of earning her Masters’ in Public Health from George Washington University.

Nancy has visited EHA offices and met with scientists and board members to learn more about our board. She subsequently held a follow-up conference call with Nancy Green, and would be delighted to join our board.

All of us that met her believe she would add value to the alliance building function of our board, as well as complement our board chemistry with her warm and friendly personality.

In addition to her board experience and work at Novartis, Nancy resides in Randolph, NJ, is a registered nurse, and has three children off at college.
If elected, Nancy hopes to join us at our upcoming retreat next week.

A ballot and Nancy’s biography, CV are attached. Please vote by either using the attached ballot, or simply emailing myself or Anthony. There is no need to re-vote if you have done so previously.

Feel free to reach out with questions or for additional information.

Thank you,

Joel

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To: Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: December 3, 2018 10:48:52 AM EST
Thank you, Anthony.
Much appreciated,
Rita

From: Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Monday, December 3, 2018 9:54 AM
To: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Cc: Victoria Lord <vlord@umiacs.umd.edu>
Subject: Re: EcoHealth Alliance two-hour Board meeting

HI Rita,

I completely understand, I will provide a call in number for the meeting and send that around to the Board Members planning to call in that day.

I hope all is well and wish you a wonderful holiday season.
Anthony

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On Sun, Dec 2, 2018 at 3:53 PM Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu> wrote:

Anthony:
My life is complicated. I will have to call in and I promise to call in for sure as I am remiss in attendance at the EcoHealth Board meetings. Amongst other commitments that day, my daughter and her husband arrive from California to spend a few days and they will be staying with me. The AGU meeting is in DC at the same time and I have commitments to speak at the AGU hence cannot take the whole day (Acela to and from NYC). I hope you can arrange call in and even perhaps ZOOM or GOTOMEETING for attendance by computer.
Best wishes,
Rita

From: Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 7, 2018 1:55 PM
To: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Cc: Victoria Lord <vlord@umiacs.umd.edu>; Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Re: EcoHealth Alliance two-hour Board meeting

Hi Rita,

We are delighted that you can attend. And, we would be happy to cover one night's stay for your accommodations. I believe in the past you've booked your room and sent us a receipt to reimburse you. Is that correct?
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On Tue, Nov 6, 2018 at 4:05 PM Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu> wrote:

Tony:
I am really going to try to attend in person. I missed the last meeting and really wanted to attend it but the logistics were formidable. This one is easier and also I have the Safe Water Network board meeting in NYC the day before. That gives me a “two-fer”. Any chance EcoHealth could cover one night hotel?
Rita

From: Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>  
Sent: Tuesday, November 6, 2018 3:49 PM  
To: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>; Victoria Lord <vlord@umiacs.umd.edu>  
Subject: EcoHealth Alliance two-hour Board meeting

Dear Rita,

There is a two-hour Board meeting at EcoHealth Alliance's office in NYC on Dec 13th from 4-6pm with a Board dinner to follow. Please let me know if you are able to attend this meeting and the dinner.

If you would like to call in to the meeting that would be great to know as well.

Many thanks,
Anthony

Anthony M. Ramos  
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Will call in today.
RE: These bats carry the lethal Marburg virus, and scientists are tracking them to try to stop its spread - The Washington Post

Subject: RE: These bats carry the lethal Marburg virus, and scientists are tracking them to try to stop its spread - The Washington Post
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Carlota Vollhardt <carlota.vollhardt@e-k-i.com>, board@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>, Kevin Olival, PhD <olival@ecohealthalliance.org>, kessler@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: December 17, 2018 10:59:42 AM EST
Why isn't Peter highlighted...or EcoHealth?
Saw this article this morning and quickly scanned it looking for EcoHealth....

From: Carlota Vollhardt [mailto:carlota.vollhardt@e-k-i.com]
Sent: Monday, December 17, 2018 10:52 AM
To: board@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Peter Daszak; Kevin Olival, PhD; kessler@ecohealthalliance.org
Subject: These bats carry the lethal Marburg virus, and scientists are tracking them to try to stop its spread - The Washington Post

FYI

Best,
Carlota

Mobile 1 917 239 1773
Sent from my iPhone
Accepted: Updated invitation:
EcoHealth Alliance Board Dinner @
Wed Jan 16, 2019 6:30pm - 10pm
(EST) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
I am confused by the flurry of emails. Is there or is there not a dinner on the 16th?
I am scheduled to attend the board meeting and can come up to NYC the night before IF there is a dinner.

Rita

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 2, 2019, at 5:15 PM, Blakely Larrabee <larrabee@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

JAN
16 "EHA Board Dinner" has been cancelled
When Wednesday, 16 January 2019
11:30 PM to 03:00 AM
(GMT) Greenwich Mean Time - Dublin / Edinburgh / Lisbon / London

Where New York, NY, USA

Message Please do not edit this section of the description. This event has a Google Hangouts video call. Join:
https://hangouts.google.com/hangouts/_/ecohealthalliance.org/eha-board?hceid=bGFycmFiZWA7ZWNvbGVhHRoYWxsaWFuY2Uub3Jn.5e6huu39i0kifeteljks6lth0&hs=12 View your event at
https://www.google.com/calendar/event?action=VIEW&eid=NWU2aHV1MzlsMDBraWZ0ZWxqaWtzNmxxaDAgYm9ia3VwZXJtYW4xQGbc5jb20t6ok=MzAjbGFycmFiZWA7ZWNvbGVhHRoYWxsaWFuY2Uub3JnODFkMTkxMDE1NjU4NTE0ZjY0YWU5YzY5OTY1NDVmODlwZj1YWFiMw&ctz=America%2FNew_York&hl=en&es=1. -

This event invitation was sent from Yahoo Calendar<http://calendar.yahoo.com>
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<meeting.ics>
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more details
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EcoHealth Alliance Board Dinner
When Wed Jan 16, 2019 6:30pm – 10pm Eastern Time - New York
Joining info meet.google.com/mmt-hofj-mdp<https://meet.google.com/mmt-hofj-mdp>
Or dial: +1 304-609-2595 PIN: 401488887#

Calendar rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu
Who • hoda@ecohealthalliance.org - organizer
• evette@dgtwo.com
• carlota.vollhardt@e-k-i.com
• vap@gordiangroup.com
• tlovjoy@unfoundation.org
• mdbacker2@gmail.com
• lmichelin@wec.org
• Carmen Thorndike
• jwy@gordiangroup.com
• lucy.stitzer@cargillinc.com
• mdbacker@its.jnj.com
• hhegener@mac.com
• nancy.griffin@novartis.com
• andre@ecohealthalliance.org
• bobkuperman1@aol.com
• fbaum01@comcast.net
• sheila.patel@gs.com
• rlhoguet@gmail.com
• joel526@hotmail.com
• claire_tarantino@mckinsey.com
• ged@ecotours.com
• lrudoni@its.jnj.com
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• david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com
• Ellen Shedlarz
• psk@gordiangroup.com
• fiona.diver@gs.com
• rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu
• Anthony Ramos
• annbmoore@mac.com
• dramy@citypetsvets.com
RE: EcoHealth Alliance Board Dinner on Wednesday, January 16th, 2019: PLEASE RSVP

Dear Board Members,

Please update your calendars to indicate whether or not you will be attending the Board dinner on the evening of January 16 in NYC.

Details on location to follow.

Thank you!

Tara

Invitation from Google Calendar<https://www.google.com/calendar/>

You are receiving this courtesy email at the account rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu because you are an attendee of this event.

To stop receiving future updates for this event, decline this event. Alternatively you can sign up for a Google account at https://www.google.com/calendar/ and control your notification settings for your entire calendar.

Forwarding this invitation could allow any recipient to modify your RSVP response. Learn More<https://support.google.com/calendar/answer/37135#forwarding>.

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Subject: Re: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Board Dinner @ Wed Jan 16, 2019 6:30pm - 10pm (EST) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: January 3, 2019 10:49:38 AM EST
Thank you, Tara.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 3, 2019, at 10:56 AM, Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear Dr. Colwell,

I sincerely apologize for the confusion. It has been a result of having to transfer over calendar invitation privileges from Blakely to myself, since Blakely is no longer with EcoHealth Alliance.

There will be a dinner on January 16th and I will follow-up with locations and more details ASAP.

Please let me know if you have any questions, and again, apologies for the confusion.

Best,
Tara

On Thu, Jan 3, 2019 at 9:50 AM Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu> wrote:

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> > Calendar        rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu
> > Who     •       hoda@ecohealthalliance.org - organizer
> •       evette@dgtwo.com
> •       carlota.vollhardt@e-k-i.com
> •       vap@gordiangroup.com
> •       tlovejoy@unfoundation.org
> •       mdbacker2@gmail.com
> •       lmichelin@wec.org
> •       Carmen Thorndike
> •       jwy@gordiangroup.com

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From: rcolwell@umd.edu
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: January 4, 2019 2:32:54 PM EST
RE: Please vote, EHA Board candidate: MARK SPITZER

Subject: RE: Please vote, EHA Board candidate: MARK SPITZER
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Joel Maizel <jmaizel@axoniccap.com>, Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: January 7, 2019 3:15:16 PM EST
Dear fellow board members:

Wishing you a happy new year! On behalf of our NoGoCo, it is my pleasure to present a candidate for our board, Mark D. Spitzer.

Mark was referred to EHA by Dr. Amy Attas.

Mark has attended two of our recent Benefits, as well as a recent EHA cultivation event. A ballot is attached, and a brief bio is below:

Mark D. Spitzer:

- 1967  Stuyvesant High School
- 1971  Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, BS Economics
Through 1990: Investor in residential real estate in Connecticut and Pennsylvania
- 1990  Founded International Telecommunication Data Systems (ITDS). Provided billing and customer care software services to the wireless communication industry.
- 1996  Brought ITDS public
- 1997  ITDS purchased a division of Computer Science Corp (CSC)
- 1999  Sold ITDS to Amdox (DOX)
- 1999 to Present: Private Investor
- 2000 to 2016: Purchased land in Northern Dutchess County, NYS (MDS Farm, LLC) and operated MDS Farms as a thoroughbred breeding farm. Purchased yearling fillies and mares at auction in Lexington KY. Raced fillies and bred mares to NY and KY stallions. Sold offspring at Saratoga or Lexington and trained and raced select fillies.

Boards served:

Wharton Entrepreneurial Advisory Board, Wharton School
College House Board, University of Pennsylvania
Board of Overseers and Member of Executive Committee, University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine
Board Member and Chairman of the Audit Committee, Hummingbird Ltd, (symbol HUMC on NADAQ) - a Toronto based software company
Board Member, Temple Shaaray Tefila, NYC

Outside of his work, board service, and care for animals; Mark is an avid biker, good food and wine lover, opera aficionado, mushroom maven, and single father to four children, ages 5 through 12 years old.

Please vote by either using the attached ballot, or emailing myself or Anthony.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions (and no need to re-vote if you have done so previously).

Thank you,

Rita Colwell

From: Joel Maizel [mailto:jmaizel@axoniccap.com]  
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2019 2:23 PM  
To: Board  
Cc: Anthony Ramos  
Subject: Please vote, EHA Board candidate: MARK SPITZER
RE: Please vote, EHA Board
candidate: MARK SPITZER

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| **Subject:** | Re: Board Meeting Agenda and Dinner details for next week |
| **From:** | Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu> |
| **To:** | Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org> |
| **Cc:** | Victoria Lord <vlord@umd.edu>, rcolwell@umd.edu |
| **Sent:** | January 9, 2019 3:20:02 PM EST |
What hotel should I book, Tara?
Rita Colwell

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 9, 2019, at 3:02 PM, Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear Board of Directors,

For those Board members attending next week's Board dinner and/or full-day meeting at McKinsey & Co. here are some important details:

**Wednesday, January 16th Board Dinner**

**Dinner location:**
The Seafire Grill
158 E. 48th Street (between Third and Lexington Ave)
New York City

**Reservation at 6:00 PM** under the name 'EcoHealth Alliance' -- we will be hosted in a private dining room.

**Thursday, January 17th Board Meeting**

Attached is the agenda for the Board Meeting on Thursday, January 17th.

**Meeting location:**
McKinsey & Co.
55 E. 52nd Street - 21st floor
New York City
(Please bring a valid ID for security check-in)

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The Board meeting will begin at 9:45 AM and adjourn at 4:00 PM.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Tara

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<January 17 2019 Board Meeting Agenda.pdf>
Dear Dr. Colwell,

Here is a short-list of hotels that are very close to the McKinsey headquarters (55 E. 52nd Street)

1. Lotte New York Palace: 455 Madison Avenue @ 50th Street
2. Hotel Elysee by Library Hotel Collection: 60 East 54th Street
3. Omni Berkshire Place: 21 East 52nd Street @ Madison Avenue

Please let me know if I can help you with anything else.

Best,
Tara

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From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: January 10, 2019 1:09:00 PM EST
Subject: RE: Stakeholder decision for Board meeting Thursday
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Kevin Olival <olival@ecohealthalliance.org>, Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>, Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: January 14, 2019 6:49:27 PM EST
Hi Rita,

At Thursday’s Board meeting, we’re supposed to report in on the top selection for a target from each of the two stakeholder groups that you’re involved in below. I’ve taken the liberty to go through the notes (attached above) and pick a potential #1, and suggest a rationale for this below:

**Pandemic/Emerging Disease Foundations**

Board leads: Dr. Rita Colwell & Dr. Peter Daszak

#1 pick: KR Foundation

Rationale: Most aligned with our current work, specifically around behavior change strategies for forest burning and health in SE Asia

**Development Aid/USAID federal agency**

Board leads: Dr. Rita Colwell & Dr. Peter Daszak

#1 pick: USAID programs on Biodiversity/Climate change for funding on Land use change and health

Rationale: We will continue working with all of our contacts at USAID for PREDICT-replacement programs on infectious disease. However, we have previously met with and pitched to the large group at USAID on biodiversity conservation and climate change around land use change/deforestation and health. This work is built from prior USAID funding from the climate change group, but we’ve been unsuccessful at getting traction with them so far for other funding.

Please let me know what you think. If you’re ok with these, we’ll report to the Board on Thursday.

Cheers,

Peter

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**Peter Daszak**

President

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From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: January 16, 2019 3:42:22 PM EST
Yes. I will be attending.
Rita Colwell

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 16, 2019, at 3:36 PM, Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear Board Members,

Thank you for letting us know that you will be attending tonight's board dinner. As a reminder here are the details:

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The Sea Fire Grill
158 E. 48th Street (between Third and Lexington Ave)
New York City

**Reservation at 6:00 PM** under the name 'EcoHealth Alliance' -- we will be hosted in a private 'Board' dining room.

Enjoy your evening,
Tara

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From: rcolwell@umd.edu
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: February 1, 2019 1:43:37 PM EST
Accepted: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Benefit @ Thu May 16, 2019 6:30pm - 11pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

Subject: Accepted: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Benefit @ Thu May 16, 2019 6:30pm - 11pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
From: rcolwell@umd.edu
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: February 1, 2019 1:43:38 PM EST
Subject: Accepted: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Board Conference Call @ Thu Jul 11, 2019 4pm - 6pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
From: rcolwell@umd.edu
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: February 1, 2019 1:44:25 PM EST

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Sent: February 1, 2019 1:44:32 PM EST
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(rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

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From: rcolwell@umd.edu
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From: rcolwell@umd.edu

To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org

Sent: February 1, 2019 1:47:06 PM EST
Well done, Armine!
Congratulations on the great work on behalf of EcoHealth Alliance!
Rita

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 6, 2019, at 2:14 AM, Armine Arustamyan <arustamyan@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear All,

This is to inform you that the OIG of the Department of Defense conducted a routine desk audit of our Single audit (audit of federal awards) and issued the attached letter, stating no findings or recommendations.

No action is needed.

Best Regards,

Armine

Dr. Armine Arustamyan
Chief Financial Officer

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<Ecohealth Alliance FY 2016-2017 - DR.PDF>
Re: Carnegie Corporation Contacts

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Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>, rcolwell@umd.edu
Sent: March 18, 2019 12:24:10 PM EDT
I sent the email. No response yet which is surprising.
Rits

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Nancye:
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Rita Colwell

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From: Nancye Green [mailto:nancye@dgtwo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:28 PM
To: Board
Cc: Anthony Ramos
Subject: Upcoming Gala and Board meeting - URGENT

Fellow Board Members:
We are looking forward to one of the most exciting Galas we have had in recent years. They are always really fun and so well produced thanks to our amazing Gala Committee lead by Amy and Ann. This year, with Lynda Obst and her amazing achievement - 25 years to get ‘The Hot Zone’ produced and on air - and with Richard Preston, the bestselling author on stage as well - we have all the makings for an amazing night. The real heroine from eat book, Nancy Jaxx will join us and scientists in record numbers.

Which leads me to wondering why we have the lowest participation from our Board in recent years. Sometimes this happens due to dates and travel. We understand. But we are going into the event with the least amount of tickets and tables sold and the least participation from our Board. We still have several weeks until the event and we hope you will take this opportunity to think about joining us if you haven’t already. Invite friends. Donations are always welcomed, but having you there is the most important way you can show your support and we can spend time together.

This leads me to my second request. We have been the beneficiaries of Oliver’s and McKinsey’s largess for many years. Oliver has moved his offices to Connecticut and we no longer will have access to the meeting rooms at their offices in NYC. We found a good alternative at J&J’s design center in Manhattan, but learned that they don’t have adequate teleconference equipment. We are scrambling to find another venue. Alternatives, which might serve us in the future are not available now. We will need to rent a location in order to support those of you who are calling in. PLEASE, let us know if you will be calling in to the meeting. It will be costly in a year where our income is diminished overall and the Gala is likely to not meet previous years’ financial results, despite how great it will be. We need to make a difficult decision about going with the J&J space with no teleconferencing or spending several thousand dollars to include Board members calling in. Your response is essential so we can decide.

We look forward to an amazing event and hope all of you who can will join us for both the event and the meeting.

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Dear David:
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From: David De Pooter <david@semiotics.be>
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 3:55 PM
To: Jonna Mazet <jkmazet@ucdavis.edu>; Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>; Larry Madoff <madoff@promedmail.org>; Martyn Jeggo <jeggo.martyn@gmail.com>; Dennis Carroll <dcarroll@usaid.gov>; Tom Monath <tmonath@linkp.com>; Marietjie Venter <marietjie.venter@up.ac.za>; Wang Linfa <linfa.wang@duke-nus.edu.sg>; MARK RWEYEMAMU <mark.rweyemamu@btinternet.com>; Amadou Sall <asall@pasteur.sn>; Penina Munyua <ikg2@cdc.gov>; Nick Juleff <Nick.Juleff@gatesfoundation.org>; Peter Charles Doherty <pcd@unimelb.edu.au>; Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>; Jonathan Rushton <J.Rushton@liverpool.ac.uk>; dheymann@chathamhouse.org
Cc: John MacKenzie <J.MacKenzie@curtin.edu.au>; Chris Vanlangendonck <c.vanlangendonck@onehealthplatform.com>
Subject: Grateful goodbye

Dear One Health Platform Scientific Advisory Board members,

After 5 amazing years in the One Health world, I’m leaving the One Health Platform team today to pursue other challenges in health research. It has been a real pleasure working with you all in the past years and our joined efforts to promote interdisciplinary collaborations in the human, animal and environmental health fields have been extremely rewarding and inspiring to me. Of course, my One Health Platform colleagues are ready to work with you to further strengthen the One Health Platform's position in the One Health field, so do not hesitate to reach out to them!

Warm regards,

David De Pooter
RE: Scheduling date for ProgCo call

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From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Luke Hamel <hamel@ecohealthalliance.org>, ged@ecotours.com, Hughes, James M <jmhughe@emory.edu>, Pamela <pmthy@gmail.com>, Thomas Lovejoy <tlovejoy@unfoundation.org>, nancygriffin148@gmail.com, hhegner@mac.com, cthorndike@unfoundation.org, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
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Sent: May 7, 2019 1:35:12 PM EDT
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From: Luke Hamel [mailto:hamel@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 07, 2019 12:31 PM
To: ged@ecotours.com; Hughes, James M; Pamela; Rita Colwell; Thomas Lovejoy; nancygriffin148@gmail.com; hhegner@mac.com; cthorndike@unfoundation.org; Victoria Lord
Cc: Kevin Olival, PhD; Dr. Peter Daszak; Alison Andre; Anthony Ramos; Tara Hoda
Subject: Scheduling date for ProgCo call

Dear Program Committee members,

It is time to schedule our semi-annual ProgCo call, which we would like to have take place before the upcoming board meeting on Friday, 17 May.

Please respond (non-reply all) with the date(s) and time(s) from below that are suitable for you.

*All times in Eastern time*

Tuesday, May 14:
- 3:00 pm
- 5:00 pm

Wednesday, May 15:
- 11:00 am
- 4:00 pm
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Kevin will follow-up shortly with an agenda. Once a date and time have been confirmed for the call, I will then send around call-in details.

Best,

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RE: Dr. Patrick Dawson's Presentation

Subject: RE: Dr. Patrick Dawson's Presentation
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Tara Hoda <tara.hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>, Holly Hegener <hhegener@trewstar.com>,
Margaret Loeb-NYO <Margaret_Loeb-NYO@external.mckinsey.com>, Margery Fischbein
<margeryfischbein@gmail.com>, Nancy Griffin <nancygriffin148@gmail.com>
Sent: May 17, 2019 12:18:13 PM EDT
Great slides!
Thank you,
Rita

From: Tara Hoda [mailto:hoda@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Friday, May 17, 2019 11:09 AM
To: Holly Hegener; Margaret Loeb-NY; Margery Fischbein; Nancy Griffin; Rita Colwell
Subject: Dr. Patrick Dawson's Presentation

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Thank you,
Rita

From: Tara Hoda [mailto:hoda@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Friday, May 17, 2019 11:04 AM
To: Holly Hegener; Margaret Loeb-NYO; Margery Fischbein; Nancy Griffin; Rita Colwell
Subject: Emily Hagan's Presentation

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RE: EcoHealth Alliance

Subject: RE: EcoHealth Alliance
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>
Sent: June 21, 2019 10:04:42 AM EDT
Dear Anthony:
I always enjoy working with you and have especially been pleased to have this connection through EcoHealth Alliance. I do hope we will be working together again in the near future.
Best wishes and many thanks for your friendship.
Rita Colwell

From: Anthony Ramos <ramos@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2019 3:55 PM
To: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: EcoHealth Alliance

Dear Board Members,

I wanted to take a moment and say what a pleasure it has been to work with all of you over the past 13+ years. I’m looking forward to the next chapter in my career and life. Today is my last day in the office. My personal email is anthonymanuelramos@gmail.com if you would like to stay in touch. I hope our paths cross in the future and I wish you and the organization all the best.

Sincerely,
Anthony

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Robert
I use Zoom regularly, hence I doubt I will need to have my system tested but will do the test if you deem it useful.
Rita Colwell

From: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Monday, July 8, 2019 10:33 AM
To: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Re: Zoom Test for July 11th Call

Hi there! This is just a reminder to say that I will once again be available to test your Zoom connectivity today between 11 and 1 ET. To run this test just click [this link](#) and use the password "[Redacted]" or call (415) 762-9988 and, when prompted, enter the meeting ID 283-909-0507#.

On Tue, Jul 2, 2019 at 2:10 PM Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Hi all,

We're looking forward to the two-hour conference call next week on July 11; in order to support Powerpoint functionality, we're going to be running the meeting on Zoon, rather than through EcoHealth Alliance's conference line. For those who've not used Zoom before, I'll be running a test tomorrow (July 3) between 2:00 and 4:00 pm ET and again on Monday, July 8 from 1:00 am to 1:00 pm ET.

Simply follow [this link](#) and join the meeting. It will prompt you to create a Zoom account if you don't have one already, but you can also use your existing Google account. When prompted, enter the password "[Redacted]" and you're in.

If you're just calling into the meeting by phone, please dial (415) 762-9988 and, when prompted, enter the meeting ID 283-909-0507#.

If neither of these times works for you, please reach out to me and we can set something else up.

Thank you,
Robert

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RE: Board Retreat Confirmation

Subject: RE: Board Retreat Confirmation
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>, Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Cc: Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: August 5, 2019 12:02:24 PM EDT
Tara:
This would be very helpful. Shall I plan to attend, then?
I suppose flying to Westchester Airport from Washington DC and then Lyft to the hotel where the meeting will be held is best, if flights work, otherwise either flight to LaGuardia or Newark and then train would be quite cumbersome.
Anyway, I can attend if travel can be covered.
Thank you,
Rita

From: Tara Hoda [mailto:hoda@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2019 11:13 AM
To: Rita Colwell
Cc: Rita Colwell; Victoria Lord
Subject: Re: Board Retreat Confirmation

Dear Rita,

If you are available, EcoHealth Alliance would be more than happy to support your travel. Please let me know if this would be helpful.

Best,
Tara

On Fri, Jul 26, 2019 at 2:53 PM Rita Colwell < wrote:

Tara:
I don't have any travel funds so I will be calling in for the meeting.
Rita

From: Tara Hoda [mailto:hoda@ecohealthalliance.org]
Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2019 10:23 AM
To: Rita Colwell; Rita Colwell; Victoria Lord
Subject: Re: Board Retreat Confirmation

Dear Rita,

I'm writing to confirm receipt of my previous e-mail.

Thank you,
Tara

On Thu, Jul 18, 2019 at 9:50 AM Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Good morning Rita,

I'm writing to confirm that you plan to attend the September Board Retreat in Norwalk, CT.

Thank you!
Tara
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Tara:
Yes, definitely.  
Rita

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 5, 2019, at 9:48 PM, Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear Rita,

I hope you are well. I'm looking forward to seeing you in a couple of weeks at our annual board retreat.

As Pamela is not yet sure if she will be able to attend the retreat, would you be willing to present the Program Committee updates to the board? We are pulling together some slides to be presented and would be able to send them out for your review prior to the retreat.

Please let me know if this would be possible, and see you soon!

Best,

Tara

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From: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: October 3, 2019 2:56:47 AM EDT
Accepted: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Board-Staff-YPC Toast and Board Dinner @ Thu Jan 9, 2020 5pm - 10pm (EST) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

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To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: October 3, 2019 2:58:21 AM EDT
Accepted: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Board-Staff-YPC Toast and Board Dinner @ Thu Jan 9, 2020 5pm - 10pm (EST) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
Subject: Tentative: Invitation: President's Update & Federal Funding Review @ Thu Oct 31, 2019 12pm - 1pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

From: rcolwell@umd.edu

To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org

Sent: October 11, 2019 10:34:11 AM EDT
Tentative: Invitation: President's
Update & Federal Funding Review @
Thu Oct 31, 2019 12pm - 1pm (EDT)
(rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
Congratulations, Peter!
Well done, friend...
Rita

From: pmthye@gmail.com <pmthye@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 19, 2019 7:05 PM
To: Thomas Lovejoy <tlovejoy@unfoundation.org>
Cc: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>; board@ecohealthalliance.org
Subject: Re: Peter Daszak inducted into the National Academy of Medicine

Magnificent! For Peter and all who work with him at EHA
"Peter Daszak, Ph.D., president and chief executive officer, EcoHealth Alliance, New York City. For identifying the origin and drivers of emerging diseases and developing the map of disease hotspots using sophisticated ecological, socio-economic, and environmental methods."

Pamela

On Oct 19, 2019, at 6:17 PM, Thomas Lovejoy <tlovejoy@unfoundation.org> wrote:

This is a serious honor
ALSO great to have someone who has ecological background in NAM

From: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Saturday, October 19, 2019 6:00 PM
To: board@ecohealthalliance.org
Subject: Peter Daszak inducted into the National Academy of Medicine

Congratulations, Peter!

National Academy of Medicine (@theNAMedicine)

10/19/19, 5:55 PM
Congratulations to Peter Daszak @PeterDaszak of @EcoHealthNYC on being inducted to the NAM! #NAMmtg pic.twitter.com/EJ2SMhXVac

I have attached a picture from the ceremony and we’ll have something on the website shortly! Please feel free to share with anyone, this is a great honor and a great reflection of EcoHealth Alliance’s standing in the scientific community.

<image001.jpg>

-Robert Kessler
Sent from my iPhone.
Re: Asking about a possible favor?

Subject: Re: Asking about a possible favor?
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Rita Colwell <Vickie.Lord@cosmosid.com>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>, Alison Andre <andre@ecohealthalliance.org>, Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: November 5, 2019 6:38:17 PM EST
Hi Peter
Delighted to nominate you to NAS. It is a long and tedious process. I think Section 63 to which I belong would be the appropriate Section unless you think otherwise. This year’s nominations are already in so it would have to be nomination in 2020 for class of 2021. The first time around is rarely successful mainly because of the line of nominees but having oksaid all this, there is every reason to proceed. You will have to provide me a very brief statement listing in 200 words your accomplishments and I will need a list of your top best 12 ( I think 12 but will check) papers preferably that you are first author (no books as NAS does not place merit on books for some strange reason). If you can send me this material I can proceed. No rush as nominations are not due till March 2020.
Cheers
Rita

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 5, 2019, at 5:34 PM, Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear Rita,

I hope all’s well with you.

I wanted to ask if you would consider nominating me for membership of the National Academy of Sciences. As you know, I’ve served on a lot of NRC/NASEM committees in the past, including my current membership of the NRC Committee to Advise the US Global Change Research Program and as a member for 10 years, and Chair for the past three of the NASEM Forum on Microbial Threats. I’m not sure if this service, and my level of published science, would be enough to get me in, but I’ve attached my CV to this email (NIH and full CV format) and wondered if you thought it was possible, and if you’d give me the honor of proposing me. As you may remember, I was elected onto the National Academy of Medicine a couple of years ago, but one of the reasons I would like to try to make it into the NAS is that, like yours, my research spans the ecological/infectious disease fields and I’m definitely a bit on the outside in the NAM.

I have other colleagues who are NAS members who would likely be willing to support the nomination – in no particular order: Linda Saif, George Gao (elected last year), Steve Polasky, Mike Donoghue, Adolfo Garcia-Sastre, Malik Peiris, Rodolfo Dirzo, Simon Levin, Hal Mooney and others. I’m just not sure how the nomination process works.

Please let me know what you think and what the potential next steps would be...

Cheers,

Peter

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<Peter Daszak Full CV and Publication List for circulation.docx>

<Peter Daszak, NIH general biosketch 2019.doc>
Subject: Accepted: Updated invitation: ProgCo call @ Mon Dec 2, 2019 1pm - 2pm (EST) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
From: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>
To: Kevin Olival <olival@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: November 27, 2019 4:24:00 PM EST
Subject: Declined: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Board Dinner @ Thu Jan 9, 2020 6:30pm - 10pm (EST) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
From: rcolwell@umd.edu
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: January 8, 2020 9:34:22 AM EST
Subject: Declined: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance New Year's Toast @ Thu Jan 9, 2020 5pm - 6:30pm (EST) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
From: rcolwell@umd.edu
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Jan 9, 2020 3:01:35 PM EST

Tara:
I will call in. Can you send the number and code?
Thank you
Rita

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 9, 2020, at 12:03 PM, Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear Board,

We're really looking forward to seeing you this evening. I just wanted to remind you to bring along your computer to access several documents that will not be printed for the meeting tomorrow due to their large size. Early tomorrow morning I will send you these documents in a separate email for easier access.

If you do not have access to a computer and need these documents printed, please let me know and I will make an individual copy.

Best,
Tara

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Sent: January 23, 2020 2:13:15 PM EST
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Alliance Board Meeting @ Fri Jan 8, 2021 8:30am - 4pm (EST)
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To: hoda@ecohalthalliance.org
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@umd.edu>
Sent: January 23, 2020 2:44:52 PM EST
I will be in Japan September 30-October 4, 2020.
Rita Colwell
I will be in Japan September 30-October 6, 2020.
Declined: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Board Conference Call @ Wed Jun 24, 2020 2pm - 4pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

Subject: Declined: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Board Conference Call @ Wed Jun 24, 2020 2pm - 4pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

From: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>

To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org

Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>

Sent: January 23, 2020 2:56:08 PM EST
I will be lecturing in Bethesda on June 24 1:00-2:30 pm.
Regrets,
Rita Colwell
Accepted: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Board Meeting @ Fri May 1, 2020 8:30am - 4pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

Subject: Accepted: Invitation: EcoHealth Alliance Board Meeting @ Fri May 1, 2020 8:30am - 4pm (EDT) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
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Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: January 23, 2020 2:58:19 PM EST
I have an evening commitment that day. I will call in to the board meeting. Any chance it can be a Zoom or Gotomeeting or Skype?
Rita Colwell
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I have a National Academy of Science committee that I chair that day.
Rita Colwell
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From: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>

To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org

Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>

Sent: January 28, 2020 4:47:05 PM EST
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I will be in Japan September 29 – October 7, 2020.
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Jan 28, 2020 4:47:18 PM EST

hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
A Statement in support of the scientists, public health and medical professionals of China

Subject: A Statement in support of the scientists, public health and medical professionals of China
From: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
To: Ralph Baric <rbaric@email.unc.edu>, Saif, Linda <saif.2@osu.edu>, JMHUGHE@emory.edu <jmhughe@emory.edu>, Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, rcolwell@umd.edu, Wang Linfa <linfa.wang@duke-nus.edu.sg>, Hume Field <hume.field@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Alison Andre <andre@ecohealthalliance.org>, Aleksei Chmura <chmura@ecohealthalliance.org>, Hongying Li <li@ecohealthalliance.org>, William B. Karesh <karesh@ecohealthalliance.org>, Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: February 6, 2020 12:43:40 AM EST
Attachments: Statement of support, 2019nCoV China Final.docx
Dear Ralph, Linda, Jim, Rita, Linfa and Hume,

I've been following the events around the novel coronavirus emergence in China very closely and have been dismayed by the recent spreading of rumors, misinformation and conspiracy theories on its origins. These are now specifically targeting scientists with whom we've collaborated for many years, and who have been working heroically to fight this outbreak and share data with unprecedented speed, openness and transparency. These conspiracy theories threaten to undermine the very global collaborations that we need to deal with a disease that has already spread across continents.

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Please add your name in an act of support by going to [INSERT LINK HERE].

References


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• Dr. Dennis Carroll, former USAID?
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• From Linda Saif
• Dr. Marion Koopmans, Erasmus Medical Center, The Netherlands
• Dr. Bart Haagmans, Erasmus Medical Center, The Netherlands
• Dr. Luis Enjuanes, National Center of Biotechnology, Madrid, Spain
• Dr. Eric Snijder, Leiden University Medical Center, The Netherlands
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• Dr. Christopher Broder, Professor, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
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• Dr. Ab Osterhaus, Emeritus Professor, Erasmus University Rotterdam
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Rita

From: Rita Colwell
Sent: Saturday, February 08, 2020 10:04 AM
To: daszak@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Subject: FW: coronavirus

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Subject: Tentative: Invitation: 2019-nCoV update with Peter @ Mon Feb 10, 2020 11am - 12pm (EST) (rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)

From: rcolwell@umd.edu
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: February 8, 2020 7:47:57 PM EST
Tentative: Invitation: 2019-nCoV update with Peter @ Mon Feb 10, 2020 11am - 12pm (EST)
(rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
RE: coronavirus statement

Subject: RE: coronavirus statement
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Aleksei Chmura <chmura@ecohealthalliance.org>, Hongying Li <li@ecohealthalliance.org>, Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>
Sent: February 8, 2020 8:59:57 PM EST
Hi Rita,

I appreciate your comments and I think at this point, that work has already been done, with >50 genomes published from 12 countries, and phylogenetic analyses published by authors from multiple countries. I’ve tried to make this a bit more clear, and have edited the letter as follows, so it hopefully addresses your comments:

1) I’ve inserted a reference to the GISAID webpage where 57 (to date) full genome sequences of 2019-nCoV from 12 countries are published and analyzed

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I hope you are willing to sign on to this – your voice will be very influential, particularly in keeping these critical bridges open between the USA and China. You should know that the conspiracy theorists have been very active, targeting our collaborators with some extremely unpleasant web pages in China, and some have now received death threats to themselves and their families. They have asked for any show of support we can give them.

As soon as we hear back from you we’ll get ready to send this to our larger list (attached), but of course if you don’t feel comfortable, I’ll make sure your name is not associated with this.

Cheers,

Peter

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From: Rita Colwell [mailto:rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu]
Sent: Saturday, February 8, 2020 10:15 AM
To: Peter Daszak
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Subject: FW: coronavirus

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To: Saif, Linda <saif.2@osu.edu>, Hume Field <hume.field@ecohealthalliance.org>, William B. Karesh <karesh@ecohealthalliance.org>, JMHUGHE@emory.edu <jmhughe@emory.edu>, Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, rcolwell@umd.edu
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Sent: February 9, 2020 11:56:02 PM EST
Attachments: Statement of support 2019nCoV China Final 020920.docx, Statement of support 2019nCoV China signatory list 020920.docx
Dear All,

I want to thank you all for agreeing to act as a signatory on this statement of support for scientists and health professionals in China.

I have attached a final version of the statement that I will now circulate to a list of further proposed signatories (also attached). Once we have a sizeable number of these eminent public health scientists signing on to this statement, we’ll then make it public and have a link to a webpage for people to sign in support.

As you can see, I added further references and text to this statement in response to really good comments from Rita Colwell. These include:

1) A reference to the GISAID webpage where 57 (to date) full genome sequences of 2019-nCoV from 12 countries are published and analyzed. This helps clarify that significant information has been made available to help people analyze the origins of this virus.

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3) I’ve cited the statement from the WHO DG which was released today saying “At WHO, we’re not just battling the virus; we’re also battling the trolls and conspiracy theorists that push misinformation and undermine the outbreak response.”

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Please let me know if anything further needs to be changed – I can do this before we release this publicly (probably by Wednesday or so this week).

Cheers,
Peter

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Hi Peter  
I agree with letter and course of action!  
Will send names today.  

Regards  
Linda

Sent from my iPhone

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On Feb 6, 2020, at 10:38 PM, Hume Field <hume.field@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Excellent Peter.. happy with both the letter and your proposed course of action. Potential additional names following.

Hume

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From: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>  
Sent: Friday, 7 February 2020 1:23 PM  
To: Saif, Linda <saif.2@osu.edu>; Hume Field <hume.field@ecohealthalliance.org>  
Cc: jmhughe@emory.edu; Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>; rcolwell@umd.edu; Alison Andre <andre@ecohealthalliance.org>; Aleksei Chmura <chmura@ecohealthalliance.org>; Hongying Li <li@ecohealthalliance.org>; William B. Karesh <karesh@ecohealthalliance.org>; Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>  
Subject: RE: A Statement in support of the scientists, public health and medical professionals of China

Thank you very much Linda, Jim, Billy and Hume for signing on to this rapidly. Rita called today but was in a meeting and we haven’t had time to talk, but I’ll make sure we connect tomorrow.

Hume – I’ve taken some of your comments and lightly edited, and I’ve attached the revised version here. Linda – you’re right it would be good to be specific about the bioengineered virus conspiracy theory, but we I think we should probably stick to a broad statement. The Presidents of the US National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine have drafted a letter that I expect will be released Friday or Monday. I’ve not seen the final version yet, but the draft version that we (and expert group that met last week) edited has the following sentence:

“The initial views of the experts is that the available genomic data are consistent with natural evolution and that there is currently no evidence that the virus was engineered to spread more quickly among humans.” I think this is a bit too specific, because there are other conspiracy theories out there.

Our current statment neatly refutes most of them by saying that “We stand together to strongly condemn conspiracy theories suggesting that 2019-nCoV does not have a natural origin. Scientific evidence overwhelmingly suggests that this virus originated in wildlife, as have so many other emerging diseases”. Let me know if you want to change specific wording using ‘track changes’ above.

The plans now are to wait for Rita to give a Yes or No, then include a reference to the NASEM letter when that comes out, then circulate to some other eminent scientists. I’ve come up with an initial list below.

Please suggest names of your colleagues that you think might also be willing to support this (I’m sure some of these people are too busy right now to respond):
Dr. Rob Grenfell, Health Director, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)
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Once we’ve got a good group of around 20 well-known people, I will then circulate this via social media and email, with a link to a webserver for others in the greater science community (and interested public) to sign on to this statement. I will then present this to the ISID meeting in KL, Malaysia in 2 weeks and I think we’ll get a big impact from that community and it should then take off.

Please note that this statement will not have EcoHealth Alliance logo on it and will not be identifiable as coming from any one organization or person, the idea is to have this as a community supporting our colleagues.

Cheers,

Peter

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Sent: Thursday, February 6, 2020 11:49 AM
To: Hume Field
Cc: Peter Daszak; Ralph Baric; JMHUGHE@emory.edu; Rita Colwell; rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu; rcolwell@umd.edu; Wang Linfa; Alison Andre; Aleksei Chmura; Hongying Li; William B. Karesh; Robert Kessler
Subject: Re: A Statement in support of the scientists, public health and medical professionals of China
Hi all
I concur with this draft!
One question is whether it would be useful to add just one or two statements in support of why nCoV is not a lab generated virus and is naturally occurring? Seems critical to scientifically refute such claims!
Linda

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 6, 2020, at 4:12 AM, Hume Field <hume.field@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Peter, some suggested edits to the statement for consideration, with the benefit of time.

Hume

From: Hume Field <hume.field@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Thursday, 6 February 2020 4:35 PM
To: ‘Peter Daszak’ <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>; ‘Ralph Baric (rbaric@email.unc.edu)’ <rbaric@email.unc.edu>; ‘Saif, Linda’ <saif.2@osu.edu>; ‘jmhughe@emory.edu’ <jmhughe@emory.edu>; ‘Rita Colwell’ <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>; ‘rcolwell@umd.edu’ <rcolwell@umd.edu>; ‘Wang Linfa’ <linfa.wang@duke-nus.edu.sg>
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Subject: RE: A Statement in support of the scientists, public health and medical professionals of China

Count me in Peter. I had thought/hoped that this conspiracy stuff would fade, but clearly not. So yes, I agree it’s time to actively counter it, and express peer support for the world class Chinese scientists doing such great work, yet being publicly and professionally impugned.

Well done mate.
Hume

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From: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Thursday, 6 February 2020 3:44 PM
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Cc: Alison Andre <andre@ecohealthalliance.org>; Aleksei Chmura <chmura@ecohealthalliance.org>,
I've been following the events around the novel coronavirus emergence in China very closely and have been dismayed by the recent spreading of rumors, misinformation and conspiracy theories on its origins. These are now specifically targeting scientists with whom we've collaborated for many years, and who have been working heroically to fight this outbreak and share data with unprecedented speed, openness and transparency. These conspiracy theories threaten to undermine the very global collaborations that we need to deal with a disease that has already spread across continents.

We have drafted a simple statement of solidarity and support for scientists, public health and medical professionals of China, and would like to invite you to join us as the first signatories. If you agree, we will send this letter to a group of around half-a-dozen other leaders in the field and then disseminate this widely with a sign-up webpage for others to show their support by signing up to its language. I will then personally present this at my plenary during the ICID 2020 conference in Malaysia in two weeks, with the goal of also getting widespread attention in SE Asia to our support for the work that our colleagues in China are undertaking.

I sincerely hope you can join us. Please review the letter, and let me know if you are willing to join Billy Karesh and myself as co-signatories. Also, please confirm your title and affiliation that will be shown in the letter. We plan to make circulate this widely to coincide with a letter from the Presidents of the US National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine, which will likely be released tomorrow or Friday.

Thank you for your consideration and support of the scientific and public health community around the world!

Cheers,

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<Date>Feb 9, 2020 11:56:02 PM EST</Date>
Statement in Support of the Scientists, Public Health, and Medical Professionals of China Combating the Novel Coronavirus Outbreak

We, the undersigned, are public health scientists who have closely followed the emergence of 2019-nCoV, and are deeply concerned about its impact on global health and well-being. We have watched as the scientists, public health and medical professionals of China, in particular, have worked diligently and effectively to rapidly identify the pathogen behind this outbreak, put in place significant measures to reduce its impact, and share their results transparently with the global health community. This effort has been remarkable.

We sign this statement in solidarity with all scientists and health professionals in China who continue to save lives and protect global health during the challenge of this novel coronavirus outbreak. We are all in this together, with our Chinese counterparts in the forefront, against this new viral threat.

The rapid, open and transparent sharing of data on 2019-nCoV is now being threatened by rumors and misinformation around the origins of this outbreak. We stand together to strongly condemn conspiracy theories suggesting that 2019-nCoV does not have a natural origin. Scientists from multiple countries have published and analyzed 2019-nCoV genomes, and they overwhelmingly conclude that this virus originated in wildlife, as have so many other emerging diseases. This is further supported by a letter from the Presidents of the US National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine, and by the scientific communities they represent. Conspiracy theories do nothing but create fear, rumors, and prejudice that jeopardize our global collaboration in the fight against this virus. We support the call from the Director-General of the World Health Organization to promote scientific evidence and unity over misinformation and conjecture. We want you, the science and health professionals of China, to know that we stand with you in your fight against this virus.

We invite others to join us in supporting the scientists, public health, and medical professionals of Wuhan and across China. Stand with our colleagues on the front-line!

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<<<Further signatories will be added once confirmed>>>
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Dr. Bernard Roizman, Joseph Regenstein Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus of Virology, University of Chicago
Dr. Benhur Lee, Icahn School of Medicine at Mt. Sinai
I agree.
Rita Colwell
Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 10, 2020, at 8:35 AM, Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

I vote an enthusiastic “Yes” for Geoffrey Potter.

Cheers,
Peter

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From: Carlota Vollhardt [mailto:carlota.vollhardt@e-k-i.com]
Sent: Monday, February 10, 2020 6:57 AM
To: david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com
Cc: Board; Robert Kessler; Tara Hoda
Subject: Re: Action Requested - 2 EHA Board Candidates - Please Respond

Great news!
I vote yes for Geoffrey Potter. Happy to meet w Lisa.
Warm regards,
Carlota
917 239 1773
Sent from my iPhone

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On Feb 10, 2020, at 12:46 AM, 'David McIntyre' via Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear EHA Board Colleagues:
As discussed at our last Board meeting we have a promising pipeline of Board candidates for consideration. I am pleased to report that we now have 1 of those candidates ready to put forward for a Board vote, and another ready for the second-to-last step in the process - an informal face-to-face with several EHA Board members. This message respectfully requests your action regarding these candidates as detailed below:

   Background: Many of the Board has already met Geoffrey during the 2 Board meetings that have been hosted at Patterson, Belknap, Webb & Tyler (where he is a partner, and where I am an alumnus attorney), last month’s EHA Staff Toast or the Board dinner immediately following, and/or last year’s EHA Annual Benefit (he and a guest were at my table, along with Peter, Dr. Hughes and the Jaaxes).
   Additionally, Peter recently met with him 1:1 and supports his nomination. I have had the pleasure of knowing Geoffrey both professionally and personally for about 15 years and strongly support his nomination. He is a well recognized and respected lawyer in his field (IP Litigation, especially anti-counterfeiting) and an individual with a strong commitment to social, environmental and other causes such as our own. He has already given generously to our organization not only by purchasing tickets to last year’s benefit, but also donating Patterson’s conference rooms (along with the very generous breakfast & lunch spreads!) this year and last, and graced EHA with a very generous contribution last week. He understands and is fully committed to meeting or exceeding not only the annual EHA Board Give or Get commitment but also actively participating in Board meetings and any committee we agree he would be a good fit for. His CV is attached for your review and I hereby enthusiastically present Geoffrey Potter’s nomination to the Board and request each of your electronic votes on his nomination as soon as possible.

2. Lisa Wisniewski - Action Requested: 2-3 Board Members to volunteer to meet with Lisa sometime in the next 30 days. Nancy Griffin has been cultivating and championing Lisa’s interest in joining the Board and has confirmed that Lisa is ready, willing and able to meet the expectations we have of EHA Board members. Lisa’s CV is attached for your review. (Nancy-Please feel free to add any additional comments for the Board). The next step in the Board nominee vetting process now is for several other Board members in the NY Metro area to volunteer to meet with Lisa at a mutually agreeable date/time. Nancye Green has also kindly offered to join that group meeting w/Lisa. Accordingly, if you are able to join an informal small group meeting with Lisa sometime in the next 30 days, please email Nancy Griffin, Nancye Green and me. A mutually agreeable meeting place, date & time will then be separately coordinated with Board respondents.

Exciting times in so many ways for EcoHealth Alliance. Thanks all in advance for your prompt attention to the foregoing!

Regards, David McIntyre, EHA NoGo Committee Chair

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Sent:   February 20, 2020 12:57:58 PM EST
Attachments:   space.ppt, ATT00001.htm
Is SARS from outer space?
By Lauren Compton
CNN
Friday, May 23, 2003

LONDON, England (CNN) –

The SARS virus might have originated in outer space, according to a scientist in Britain.
In a letter to The Lancet medical journal, professor Chandra Wickramasinghe of Cardiff University suggests the virus was introduced to Earth on a comet or meteorite.
This is rich – thank you!

Ron

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Sent: February 20, 2020 4:04:13 PM EST
I had to check the calendar to see if it was April 1st.
Larry

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To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: February 28, 2020 4:13:50 PM EST
Subject: RE: Action Needed: Please Vote on Another Great Board Candidate-Chris McNeal
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: bob kuperman <bobkuperman1@aol.com>, nancygriffin148@gmail.com, lisasilvershein@gmail.com
Cc: gspotter@pbwt.com, margeryfischbein@gmail.com, pmthye@gmail.com, david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com, hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: March 5, 2020 8:55:14 AM EST
Yes, indeed!

From: 'bob kuperman' via Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 05, 2020 8:05 AM
To: nancygriffin148@gmail.com; lisasilvershein@gmail.com
Cc: gpotter@pbwt.com; margeryfischbein@gmail.com; pmthye@gmail.com; david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com; board@ecohealthalliance.org; hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
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I vote YES

-----Original Message-----
From: Nancy Griffin <nancygriffin148@gmail.com>
To: Lisa Silvershein <lisasilvershein@gmail.com>
Cc: Potter, Geoffrey (x2050) <gpotter@pbwt.com>; Margery Fischbein <margeryfischbein@gmail.com>; Pamela <pmthye@gmail.com>; David McIntyre <david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com>; Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>; Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Wed, Mar 4, 2020 11:16 pm
Subject: Re: Action Needed: Please Vote on Another Great Board Candidate-Chris McNeal

Yes from Nancy
Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 4, 2020, at 10:36 PM, Lisa Silvershein <lisasilvershein@gmail.com> wrote:

Yes. Looking forward to meeting Chris.

Regards,
Lisa (sent from iPhone)

On Mar 4, 2020, at 9:47 PM, Potter, Geoffrey (x2050) <gpotter@pbwt.com> wrote:

Yes.
Geoffrey Potter
Sent from my iPad

On Mar 4, 2020, at 9:36 PM, Margery Fischbein <margeryfischbein@gmail.com> wrote:

Caution: External Email!

Yes from Margery. Great candidate
On Wed, Mar 4, 2020, 9:25 PM <pmthye@gmail.com> wrote:

I join the resounding yes'es,
Pamela

On Mar 4, 2020, at 8:28 PM, 'David McIntyre' via Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Greetings again EcoHealth Alliance Board colleagues:

Super Tuesday may now be done but we need to kindly ask you to please cast your vote now on the candidacy of Chris McNeal to join the EcoHealth Alliance Board.

Following up on my Feb. 21 introduction of Chris, as the final step of our vetting process, earlier today Nancye & Nancy met with Chris over breakfast and give him an enthusiastic two thumbs up! I also have spoken with Chris and was impressed with him and what he brings to the EHA table as well. Chris' nomination was brought to us by Marianne, so thanks again Marianne for this great referral and cultivation.

Chris is currently VP Global Public Health-HIV at Johnson & Johnson and has been with J&J 22+ years. A copy of Chris’s short bio is below, as is a link to his LinkedIn profile with more details.

Chris understands and has committed to meet or exceed the expectations for EHA Board members (participatory + give/get) and is excited at the prospect of joining our team.

Your votes please?

Thank you!

Regards, David

PS Yet another exciting Board candidate is in the final vetting stages so stay tuned in about 2 weeks for potentially a third vote in as many months on another individual emerging from our robust pipeline of qualified and exciting Board candidates!

https://www.linkedin.com/in/chris-mcneal-9532688/

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Thank you, Tara! Great session, Peter!
Rita

From: Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 05, 2020 1:40 PM
To: Margery Fischbein <margeryfischbein@gmail.com>
Cc: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>; Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>; Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Re: Pandemic Preparedness Webinar

Hi All,

Thank you for joining us for the webinar. Please find attached the slide deck that was presented today. Additionally, here are the references Peter mentioned at the end of his talk:

CDC Guidelines on COVID-19
WHO Guidelines on COVID-19
How to Prepare Your Home for Coronavirus
What Life Is Like Under Novel Coronavirus Quarantine
CDC Prevention and Treatment Guidelines
CDC Travel Guidelines
Smart Travel Planning in the Time of Coronavirus
OIE Guidelines
Petition

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,
Tara

On Thu, Mar 5, 2020 at 1:13 PM Margery Fischbein <margeryfischbein@gmail.com> wrote:

Peter, this was an excellent presentation and talk. Thanks so much for this most valuable information.

Robert can you please circulate the deck to the Board.

All the best,
Margery

On Thu, Mar 5, 2020 at 11:26 AM Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

I just wanted to send out a quick note reminding everyone about Peter's webinar on pandemic preparedness which will be starting in about 30 minutes at 12:00 ET.

You can join us via Zoom using this link.
The meeting ID is: 322 784 010

You can also dial in using the following one tap numbers:
+16465588656,,322784010# US (New York) +16699006833,,322784010# US (San Jose)
or
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York) +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose) Meeting ID: 322 784 010

More here.
Thanks,
RE: Pandemic Preparedness Webinar

Robert

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From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>
Sent: March 17, 2020 12:13:55 PM EDT
Governor has forbidden state employees to travel out of state for the immediate future.
Subject: RE: PBS NewsHour special on COVID-19
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>, Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>
Sent: March 20, 2020 10:58:03 AM EDT

RE: PBS NewsHour special on COVID-19
It was very well done. Congrats to all!
Rita

From: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 8:15 AM
To: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: PBS NewsHour special on COVID-19

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Sent: March 20, 2020 12:30:59 PM EDT
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- All staff are safe and healthy. We have one staff still remote – Anne Laudisoit, who’s on self-imposed lockdown in Congo, where she would likely not be able to exit from safely at this point (airports are chaotic there). We’re in daily contact. We have one staff member who’s on self-imposed quarantine in NYC because of a potential exposure to the mother of a suspected case, albeit that this is a v. low risk that it was an actual exposure. We’re in daily contact with them and will keep you all informed.

- NIH are looking into a statement about 1) ability of us to continue spending from our federal grants despite being slower to do the work; 2) the designation of some work as “essential”, so that people involved in COVID-19 research can still move around and get access to office/labs. We prob won’t need this for our work but will use it if necessary.

- So far, we continue to project no significant impact on our operating budget at this point. All grants are functioning and we don’t have any suggestions that this will change in the near future. We’re also continuing to put out our grant applications and so far have not missed a single deadline.

- Re. the Board meeting/benefit – Nancye has been keeping you all informed. We’re working on an agenda for the virtual Board meeting right now. We’re also continuing our efforts on the Strategic Plan, albeit that I’m sure it will have to be modified to accommodate how we shift our efforts as this pandemic progresses.

A note about the trajectory of this pandemic. Some of the best mathematical modelers have analyzed what we know about COVID-19 spread and conclude that even if we undergo strong social distancing measures in the USA (school & college closures, reduction of our contact with others by 75%), we’ll still overwhelm hospital ICU beds by 6:1. If we don’t do these pretty severe measures, that ratio will be 35:1. That’s why, right now, we’re all hunkering down. The estimated peak of the outbreak (i.e. the point at which new cases per day starts to reduce) is thought likely to be May-June, so we’re in this for at least a few months, likely all summer.

Finally – some positive news: spoke with Ginnie Mars’ granddaughter, Kimberly Spina, yesterday and she’s excited by the idea of joining our Board, and has no problem with any of the commitments of time and funding. We’ll progress through David McIntyre’s guidance on NoGoCo along the correct protocol but with virtual meetings. If all goes well, she will be ready willing and able to join us at the April Board meeting!

Thank you all for being there, thinking about EHA and supporting what we’re doing right now. Please hang in there yourselves as we go through a rough and likely scary time in the next 2-4 weeks. Be safe, be healthy! I’ll be back in touch soon with further updates.
Great job Peter.

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To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Alison Andre <andre@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: March 20, 2020 5:38:03 PM EDT
Hi Peter:
It doesn't matter as NAS is closed so send as soon as you have the cv updated and I will forward asap.
Cheers,
Rita

From: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 2:48 PM
To: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Cc: Alison Andre <andre@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: NAS nomination deadlines?
Importance: High

Hi Rita,

In the midst of the COVID-19 chaos, I’ve not yet got all my CVs etc in order for a potential nomination to NAS, as we discussed a while ago.

Could you let me know when the deadline is for you to nominate someone? I’ll get the materials over to you this weekend.

Cheers,

Peter

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To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>; Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
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- All staff are safe and healthy. We have one staff still remote – Anne Laudisoit, who’s on self-imposed lockdown in Congo, where she would likely not be able to exit from safely at this point (airports are chaotic there). We’re in daily contact. We have one staff member who’s on self-imposed quarantine in NYC because of a potential exposure to the mother of a suspected case, albeit that this is a v. low risk that it was an actual exposure. We’re in daily contact with them and will keep you all informed.

- NIH are looking into a statement about 1) ability of us to continue spending from our federal grants despite being slower to do the work; 2) the designation of some work as “essential”, so that people involved in COVID-19 research can still move around and get access to office/labs. We prob won’t need this for our work but will use it if necessary.

- So far, we continue to project no significant impact on our operating budget at this point. All grants are functioning and we don’t have any suggestions that this will change in the near future. We’re also continuing to put out our grant applications and so far have not missed a single deadline.

- Re. the Board meeting/benefit – Nancye has been keeping you all informed. We’re working on an agenda for the virtual Board meeting right now. We’re also continuing our efforts on the Strategic Plan, albeit that I’m sure it will have to be modified to accommodate how we shift our efforts as this pandemic progresses.

A note about the trajectory of this pandemic. Some of the best mathematical modelers have analyzed what we know about COVID-19 spread and conclude that even if we undergo strong social distancing measures in the USA (school & college closures, reduction of our contact with others by 75%), we’ll still overwhelm hospital ICU beds by 6:1. If we don’t do these pretty severe measures, that ratio will be 35:1. That’s why, right now, we’re all hunkering down. The estimated peak of the outbreak (i.e. the point at which new cases per day starts to reduce) is thought likely to be May-June, so we’re in this for at least a few months, likely all summer.

Finally – some positive news: spoke with Ginnie Mars’ granddaughter, Kimberly Spina, yesterday and she’s excited by the idea of joining our Board, and has no problem with any of the commitments of time and funding. We’ll progress through David McIntyre’s guidance on NoGoCo along the correct protocol but with virtual meetings. If all goes well, she will be ready willing and able to join us at the April Board meeting!

Thank you all for being there, thinking about EHA and supporting what we’re doing right now. Please hang in there yourselves as we go through a rough and likely scary time in the next 2-4 weeks. Be safe, be healthy! I’ll be back in touch soon with further updates.
Cheers,

Peter

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From: 'Ellen Shedlarz' via Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>  
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 10:35 AM  
To: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>  
Cc: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>  
Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour special on COVID-19

Great job Peter.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 20, 2020, at 10:02 AM, Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Good morning everyone, I hope that you're all staying safe as this pandemic continues.

Last night PBS NewsHour aired a special on the pandemic and Peter was one of the voices featured therein. You can watch it here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bQZ5FiTFYA&feature=emb_title

Thanks,

Robert

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RE: NAS nomination deadlines?
Mar 20, 2020 5:38:03 PM EDT
Alison Andre
andre@ecohealthalliance.org

Peter
RE: Action Needed-Please Vote: EcoHealth Board Candidate Lisa Wisniewski

Subject: RE: Action Needed-Please Vote: EcoHealth Board Candidate Lisa Wisniewski
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>, cmcneal2@its.jnj.com, Ged@ecotours.com <ged@ecotours.com>, david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com
Cc: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>, Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>, Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: March 22, 2020 8:58:43 PM EDT
Yes...apologies for delay.
Rita

From: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 22, 2020 8:42 PM
To: cmcneal2@its.jnj.com; Ged@ecotours.com; david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com
Cc: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>; Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>; Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
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Yes from me.

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From: 'McNeal, Chris [JANUS]' via Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 22, 2020 8:15 PM
To: Ged@ecotours.com; david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com
Cc: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>; Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>; Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Re: Action Needed-Please Vote: EcoHealth Board Candidate Lisa Wisniewski

Yes from me!

Chris McNeal
Mobile: +1 (267) 247-6722

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From: Ged Caddick <ged@ecotours.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 21, 2020 2:41:03 PM
To: David McIntyre <david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com>
Cc: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>; Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>; Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Action Needed-Please Vote: EcoHealth Board Candidate Lisa Wisniewski

Yes from me!
A big YES from me…

Gerard "Ged" Caddick  
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On Mar 21, 2020, at 11:33 AM, 'David McIntyre' via Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Dear EcoHealth Alliance Board Colleagues:

Greetings all.

I am pleased to here present for a Board vote yet another very well qualified candidate for our Board: Lisa Ann Wisniewski, PhD. Lisa’s nomination was initially brought to us by Nancy Griffin who has known Lisa for some time. Thanks Nancy!

Lisa has met with Peter and other Ecohealth Alliance who were very impressed with her. Holly and Carlota also have recently spoken with Lisa and agree Lisa is a very good fit for our Board.

As you’ll see from Lisa’s attached bio, she has an impressive scientific and corporate career, has published a number of scientific papers, and is now in the investment banking world.

Lisa understands and has committed to meet or exceed the expectations for EHA Board members (participatory + give/get) and is excited at the prospect of joining our team.

I vote yes. What say you all?

Thanks for your quick responses.

Regards, David

<CV - Lisa Wisniewski.pdf>
Dear Colleagues:

Further to that letter you published in *The Lancet*.  
https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)30418-9/fulltext

I am writing to you all again. Apart from our attempt to alert the world in *The Lancet* and *The Australian* (early February, below) all our analyses and predictions on the origin and global spread of COVID-19 are now published or *In Press*. We are the only scientific analysts and pundits who have got it right from the Get-go: our explanation is consistent with all the genetic, immunologic, epidemiologic, geophysical, astrophysical and astrobiological data and observations – the principles and key turning point analyses were largely assembled earlier (40 years ago) by Sir Fred Hoyle and Professor N Chandra Wickramasinghe, and now updated here by Professor Chandra Wickramasinghe (in his 81st year) and his active colleagues for the COVID-19 pandemic (see URLs to recent comprehensive reviews at end of list below).

Their 1979 book “Diseases from Space” is obligatory reading, a scientific masterpiece written for the general intelligent reader – both Fred and Chandra should have been awarded the Nobel years ago, but human frailty, clay feet, jealously, envy and cowardice made sure that did not happen.

Yours sincerely

Ted Steele

**Wickramasinghe, Steele, Gorczynski et al 2020 Virology Current Research (In Press)**
On the Fragility of Empires and Paradigms
https://www.academia.edu/42310752/Virology_Current_Research_On_The_Fragility_of_Empires_and_Paradigms_Letter_to_the_Editor

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Growing Evidence against Global Infection-Driven by Person-to-Person Transfer of COVID-19

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Comments on the Origin and Spread of the 2019 Coronavirus
https://www.academia.edu/42041228/Comments_on_the_Origin_and_Spread_of_the_2019_Coronavirus

a.e.gorbalenya@lumc.nl,
b.haagmans@erasmusmc.nl,
Origin of New Emergent Coronavirus and Candida Fungal Disease– Terrestrial or Cosmic? - posted 17.2.20-Chapter 6 for Cosmic Genetic Evolution
Authors: Edward J. Steele, Jiangwen Qu, Reginald M. Gorczynski, Robyn A. Lindley, Gensuke Tokoro, Robert Temple, N. Chandra Wickramasinghe
Category: Physics of Biology

Article submitted to The Australian 6.2.20, updated 9.2.20 (then rejected by Editor)
The Coronavirus May Have Come From Space
Authors: N. Chandra Wickramasinghe, Edward J Steele
Category: Physics of Biology

Draft letter to The Lancet at: viXra:2002.0039 submitted on 2020-02-03 17:33:22 (then rejected by Editor)

Comment on the Origin of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus
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https://independent.academia.edu/EdwardJSteele
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I hope you and your families are all staying safe and healthy throughout this outbreak.

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I ask that you please reply to this email (NON reply-all), indicating which of the below date(s) and time(s) you would be available for a call:

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RE: Determining date for next ProgCo call

Subject: RE: Determining date for next ProgCo call
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Luke Hamel <hamel@ecohealthalliance.org>, progco@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>
Sent: April 3, 2020 2:29:55 PM EDT
Rita

From: Luke Hamel <hamel@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Friday, April 03, 2020 1:27 PM
To: progco@ecohealthalliance.org
Subject: Re: Determining date for next ProgCo call

Hi all,

Thank you for your replies.

Based on availability, the next ProgCo call will be held on \textbf{Monday, 20 April @ 2 PM (EDT)}. 

I will send out call-in details and a meeting agenda closer to the date of our call. Please let me know if you have any questions at this time.

Best,

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From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>

To: Kevin Olival <olival@ecohealthalliance.org>

Cc: Victoria Lord <vlord@umd.edu>, Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>

Sent: April 3, 2020 3:17:37 PM EDT
Terrific, Peter! The White House needs some sensible advice!
Cheers,
Rita

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From: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Friday, April 03, 2020 2:43 PM
To: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Expert panel
Importance: High

Dear Board,

The “Prestigious Panel” that the CNN story below mentions, is the panel I’m a member of that gives answers to scientific questions at short notice from the White House Coronavirus Task Force.

This is EHA directly providing expert input to your Government’s decision making process in a critical time. I’m very proud to be part of it and represent us there.

I want to send out thanks to Jim Hughes, who nominated me for the panel.


Cheers,

Peter

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Robert:
Can you please send the article as pdf? I cannot read it without subscribing to the LA Times. I already subscribe to the NY Times and Washington Post and really do not need another newspaper. I’d like to read this article as Peter has been doing a phenomenally good job with the corona virus pandemic!
Cheers,
Rita

From: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 11:03 AM
To: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: From day one to today -- how did COVID-19 explode?

Good morning,

I hope everyone had a nice Passover/Easter, considering. I wanted to alert you all to this story in the Los Angeles Times today on the origins and spread of COVID-19 and why the threat wasn't taken seriously enough from the outset. It features Peter and is a really nice piece that I highly recommend: https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-04-12/coronavirus-attention-impeachment-primaries-kobe

Thanks,
Robert

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Sent: April 13, 2020 12:57:57 PM EDT
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From: rcolwell@umd.edu
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Sent: April 15, 2020 12:39:06 PM EDT
Declined: Updated invitation:
EcoHealth Alliance Virtual Benefit @
Thu Apr 30, 2020 8pm - 9pm (EDT)
(rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu)
Thank you, Luke. I will be on the call.
Rita Colwell

From: Luke Hamel <hamel@ecohealthalliance.org>  
Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2020 1:45 PM  
To: progco@ecohealthalliance.org  
Subject: Agenda and call-in details for ProgCo call (Monday, 20 April)

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Our agenda for the call is as follows:

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Please see the call-in details below:

- **Phone:** 1-719-785-9461
- **Password:** [Redacted]

We look forward to speaking with you all next Monday!

Best,

**Luke Hamel**  
*Program Coordinator*

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Cc: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@g.umd.edu>, Victoria Lord <vlord@g.umd.edu>
Sent: April 16, 2020 3:36:06 PM EDT
I am free between 9 – 11 am Monday if a call is needed.
Rita

From: pmthye@gmail.com <pmthye@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2020 2:34 PM
To: Kevin Olival <colival@ecohealthalliance.org>; Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
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Do we need to speak before hand ??
Pamela

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Cc: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: April 16, 2020 3:56:50 PM EDT
Hi Pamela,

I’ve got a pretty full day before the scheduled call, but could connect in the morning if you think it’s needed. Otherwise per the agenda: we mostly want to update the committee on all the COVID-19 “stuff” going on, we’ve been involved in a number of initiatives, committees, and applied for grant opportunities that sprung up with the pandemic. There will be a lot to discuss there. The Strategic Plan updates will be fairly brief.

Let me know what you think, and if you guys are okay “winging it” at 2pm? cc’ing Peter who will be on the call and leading a lot of the discussion.

Cheers,
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To: David McIntyre <david.mcintyre84@yahoo.com>
Cc: Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>, Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: April 18, 2020 1:59:41 PM EDT
Hi again EcoHealth Alliance Board Colleagues:

The NoGo Committee is very pleased to present for your consideration and vote yet another fantastic nominee to the EcoHealth Alliance Board: Kimberly Spina.

Many EHA current and past Board members (Nancye, Carlota, Rick Baum, Ellen, etc) already know Kimberly from having spent quality time with her on the EHA Board trip to S. Africa in 2017 (she is Ginnie Mars’s granddaughter).

Peter has spoken with her several times and she just (remotely) met and interviewed with Billy Karesh, Mindy Rostal, Tara and Peter who were all very impressed with her including how thoroughly she researched our organization, the excellent questions she asked, her interest in and commitment to animals, conservation, and our mission, and her fresh perspective.

The Board may recall that at our Fall 2019 retreat in Norwalk we discussed trying to involve individuals on our Board who were earlier in their careers than has typically been the case in recent times with our Board to add to the diversity of thought and approach such individuals can bring, and Kimberly fits in very well with that goal as well.

The expectations for EcoHealth Alliance Board members re: give/get and active Board/Committee participation have been discussed with Kimberly and she is committed to meeting or exceeding those expectations.

Kimberly’s Bio is included below.

I thus move that we approve Kimberly Spina as our newest Board member and ask for a swift vote if possible so that if quickly approved, she can join us for our upcoming Board Meeting.

I vote Yes!

What say the rest of the group?

Respectfully submitted,

David McIntyre
NoGo Committee Chair

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Kimberly’s Bio:

Kimberly Spina was born and raised right outside of Philadelphia with two older sisters and a younger brother. Always on the move, Kimberly went to boarding school in Connecticut at Hotchkiss and college in North Carolina at Elon University, graduating with a degree in Psychology and Professional Sales. An animal lover to the max. Kimberly’s first job out of college was at Green Chimneys School, a New York State school designed for students who have been unsuccessful in a traditional educational setting, and benefit from a highly structured and supportive program. Kimberly spent 3 years working on the campus farm taking care of the farm animals and providing animal therapy for the children. Ready for a state change, Kimberly moved in Nashville, TN.
and took on a role at Mars Petcare as a communications specialist in Corporate Affairs which included creating and sustaining community stakeholder relationships as well as managing the Associate volunteer program. Not ready to leave Mars Petcare but unable to decline a job offer, Kimberly now works as a Program Manager for Rescue Rebuild, a signature program of GreaterGood.org. Rescue Rebuild is a shelter renovation program that recruits volunteers from all over the country to help shelters in need. Our team travels to select shelters to take projects from concept to creation to improve both the lives of humans and animals. We help animals in need in a variety of different settings: Animal Shelters, Domestic Violence Shelters, and Homeless Veterans Housing.

Animals are not only a priority in her professional career but also her personal life! Currently at home, she has 1 dog (Zoey) and 4 cats (Lily, Luna, Charlie, and Moe). Traveling is a true passion, as Kimberly is always wanting to see and learn more about our world. Kimberly currently serves on the Pedigree Foundation board, the Mars Foundation board and the Virginia Cretella Mars Foundation board.
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To: Ana Carolina Ewbank <carolewbank@usp.br>, rcolwell@umd.edu, Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: April 29, 2020 12:48:26 PM EDT
Peter:
Can you direct this inquiry appropriately? I do not know to whom to direct it.
Thank you,
Rita

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Cc: Luke Hamel <hamel@ecohealthalliance.org>, Aleksei Avery Chmura <chmura@ecohealthalliance.org>, Alison Andre <andre@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: April 30, 2020 12:53:06 PM EDT
Looks fine, Kevin.
Rita

From: Kevin Olival <olival@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 4:13 PM
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>; Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>; pmthye@gmail.com; Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Cc: Luke Hamel <hamel@ecohealthalliance.org>; Aleksei Avery Chmura <chmura@ecohealthalliance.org>; Alison Andre <andre@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Program Committee slides for May 1 2020 board meeting

Peter, Tara, Pamela and Rita,

Draft Program Committee slides for you all to review for the 1 May 2020 Board Meeting. Pamela and Rita, please let us know if we missed anything. Peter, feel free to edit further as needed to fit with your President’s update, etc.

These updates are based on our last ProgCo conference call. Thanks to Luke for helping me draft these.

Cheers,
Kevin
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I had meetings and could not listen in. Anybody have a copy?
Rita

From: Pamela <pmthye@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2020 9:27 PM
To: Nancye Green <nancye@dgtwo.com>
Cc: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>; Board <Board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Re: Coming up on CNN

Again, bravo Peter. You are terrific, and love the way you keep your cool with just an edge. Interesting that Cuomo mentioned 60 minutes at the end 😊

Pamela

On May 11, 2020, at 8:55 PM, Nancye Green <nancye@dgtwo.com> wrote:

Thank you, Robert. Agreed. I love the support!

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From: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2020 8:24:52 PM
To: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Coming up on CNN

Good evening,

Coming up in the 9:00 (ET) hour, Peter will be live with Chris Cuomo on CNN. I hope that you'll tune in and, if you can't, I'll send around a link once the segment is online.

Thanks,
Robert

P.S. An unexpected reaction to the 60 Minutes story has been an outpouring of support in my personal favorite form: donations. We've picked up more than $3,000 today alone with the donations still coming in. A couple dozen people have created Facebook fundraisers in our name, as well. While most of these donations are only small amounts, each represents a new supporter that the development team can cultivate and a new advocate for our work. Overall, a really exciting day for EcoHealth Alliance.

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Hi Carlota:
Can the article be sent without having to subscribe to the Wall Street Journal? I already subscribe to the New York Times and Washington Post. I'd like to read the article about Peter and his travails. He is doing a great job standing up to the know-nothings!
Cheers,
Rita

-----Original Message-----
From: Carlota Vollhardt <carlota.vollhardt@e-k-i.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2020 7:52 AM
To: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>; Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: On the Ground in Wuhan, Signs of China Stalling Probe of Coronavirus Origins - WSJ

I find it pretty balanced and educational reporting. Peter is quoted providing context.


Warm regards,
Carlota
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Sent from my iPhone
Subject: Re: Origin Coronavirus COVID-19
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Sent: May 18, 2020 7:45:37 AM EDT
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Dear Colleagues:

Further to my previous email.

To watch interview-discussion, go to the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KwXKzL-yzt8&t=2s

And the URL links to all our recent papers is below, and *The Australian Rationalist* article is attached.

Best and thanks

Ted Steele

All key articles below at

https://www.hilarispublisher.com/virology-current-research/inpress.html

**Wickramasinghe, Steele, Gorczynski et al 2020** *Virology Current Research* (In Press)

On the Fragility of Empires and Paradigms


https://www.academia.edu/42310752/Virology_Current_Research_On_The_Fragility_of_Empires_and_Paradigms_L etter_to_the_Editor

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Predicting the Future Trajectory of COVID-19


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Growing Evidence against Global Infection-Driven by Person-to-Person Transfer of COVID-19


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Comments on the Origin and Spread of the 2019 Coronavirus


https://www.academia.edu/42041228/Comments_on_the_Origin_and_Spread_of_the_2019_Coronavirus

**Origin of New Emergent Coronavirus and Candida Fungal Disease– Terrestrial or Cosmic?**- posted 17.2.20-

Chapter 6 for Cosmic Genetic Evolution

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Draft letter to The Lancet at:
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Subject: Origin Coronavirus COVID-19
Dear Colleagues:

We understand why you had to write and sign that letter in this week’s *The Lancet*. [https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)30418-9/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)30418-9/fulltext)

The conspiracy theory that COVID-19 is a bioweapon that has been released from Wuhan bioweapons facility c. f. Senator Tom Cotton, is highly implausible.

However we also feel a special responsibility to make contact with biomedical scientists such as yourselves. COVID-19 is the biggest story on the planet right now- knowing how it may have plausibly arisen gives insight into its spread and then decline, and how it should be managed rationally. e.g. those older passengers on the cruise ships (the vulnerable subgroup) should have been advised to not make hand contact with the deck railings outside the sea-side cabin).

We are experts in the analysis of the origins of sudden emerging diseases just like COVID-19 - and how they also precipitously decline and fade away. Several of us are biomedical immunologists and immunogeneticists. Our explanation handles all the genetic, immunologic, epidemiologic, geophysical and astrophysical (astrobiologic) data surrounding this suddenly emerging COVID-19 mediated disease.

I am sure you will understand our analysis— we agree it did not come from a Wuhan bio-weapons lab ( Why would the Chinese Defence Dept design a low mutation rate, low person-to-person transmitting virus , that only kills older already co-morbid susceptible patients?).

As the key correspondent with you I am a fairly well known senior Australian scientist and immunologist, of 50 years standing. I am widely published in the peer-reviewed scientific literature (Check out EJ Steele on PubMed).

My colleagues, Professor Chandra Wickramasinghe (University of Buckingham, UK) is the world expert on sudden disease emergence like this. Together with Professor Reginald Gorczynski MD PhD (clinical immunology scientist and basic researcher,University of Toronto, Canada) we, and our other expert co-authors have analysed all the genetic, immunologic, epidemiological, geophysical and astrophysical data surrounding the origins and spread of this newly emergent Coronavirus. It follows a pattern all too familiar to us (check out our analyses at the URL links)- sudden emergence, then massive induced herd immunity, then sudden decline- this is unfolding right now with COVID-19.

It did not come from animals, it did not come from the Wuhan research facility - all our scientific analysis (in URL links below) indicate it has most plausibly come from a meteorite which burst over central China on the night of October 11 2019. Over the next month the fall-out , much like from an upper atmosphere nuclear test, settled mainly in the central Chinese city of Wuhan and its surrounds. But this fall-out is an infective replicating virus not radioactivity.
The whole central China /Wuhan region and Hubei province has, in our view, been physically contaminated with reasonably high concentrations of COVID-19 virus particles (that replicate in susceptible hosts on landing). As you know it causes a rather mild common cold in humans, and only causes severe pneumonia in older vulnerable, co-morbid, patients. The death rate is low. The mutation rate is low. The actual "cough in your face" human-human transmission is low. It is spread by environmental contamination - that is the key to understanding this virus e.g. we believe that at least two cruise ships in the South China Sea/Sea of Japan have been heavily contaminated by this drifting virus fall out dust cloud.

But the panic and hysteria is high- and the ham-fisted and secretive way the Communist Chinese government has behaved has made it even worse. But the Communist Government is acting rationally in trying to disinfect and lock down almost 500 million citizens in Central China (e.g. images of Chinese men in moon suites with disinfectant spray guns spraying down machinery, road ways, etc). Xi and the Communist Party of China knew of the widespread physical contamination, I am certain, by early January- it was a rational decision by Xi to lock down the region. We believe the viral dust cloud hit the Diamond Princess cruise ship (and the Dutch Westerdam cruise ship), and is these ships are now heavily contaminated. (Cruise ships in the Atlantic and Mediterranean sea are not reporting this ship wide phenomenon). In our view a fragment of the viral dust cloud (or even the same one) made spot in-falls over Japan- all these COVID-19 cases in Japan with NO links to China are factual evidence in favour of our explanation. 

"None of Japan's new coronavirus patients had direct China links - Nikkei Asian Review" [https://asia.nikkei.com/Spotlight/Coronavirus/None-of-Japan-s-new-coronavirus-patients-had-direct-China-links]

But there is much other evidence consistent with our explanation, and predictions for the future course of the COVID-19 pandemic.

I know many of you will understand the logic our scientific analysis, that is why I am making contact, as you are all scholars, scientists and analysts who react to hard data. At the URLs click to read the PDF articles of our detailed scientific analyses of this epidemic, now clearly a pandemic at:

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We are happy to be advisors and discuss this further if any of you make contact with us.

Thank you and kind regards. We are genuinely sincere in wanting to communicate the most plausible explanation of the causes of this COVID-19 pandemic

Ted Steele

NB: Some of the letter co-signers did not have an easily recoverable email e.g, Hume Field, Uni QLD; and those with Welcome Trust (Jeremy Farrar, Josie Golding, Mike Turner) . Could those of you who are concerned please forward this email to them.

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Corona Hysteria and Our Cosmic Connection

Edward J Steele

Abstract: The Scientific, Economic and Political issues surrounding the origin and global spread of COVID-19 are discussed.

Australia is in a government-induced economic and social lock down. This draconian action is projected to end in October 2020. The hysteria is high and all reason has flown out the window. I feel a responsibility to inform a wider readership of our specialist scientific knowledge of how COVID-19 may have arisen from a life-bearing and viral-laden carbonaceous meteorite from space, which fragmented in the stratosphere then burst north of Wuhan city on 11 October 2019. In our view, this provides scientific insight into its further global spread. Knowing the most plausible scientific story should, under normal circumstances, provide rational insight into how this pandemic - a dose of mild cosmic common cold – is rationally managed.

My colleagues and I are experts in the origins of sudden emerging diseases just like COVID-19 - and how they decline and fade away. I am a fairly well known Australian biomedical scientist (71yr), an immunologist and microbiologist, of 50 years standing- widely published in the peer-reviewed scientific literature. My principle collaborator since 2016 has been Professor N Chandra Wickramasinghe, a renowned astrophysicist and astrobiologist and world expert in suddenly emerging diseases. Chandra, along with Sir Fred Hoyle is the acknowledged founder of the new science of Astrobiology. They developed the foundation analyses that allow us to understand the mechanisms of sudden disease emergence just like COVID-19. I recommend their scientific classic Diseases from Space (1979).

Myself and Chandra with a wider team of co-authors have analysed all the genetic, immunologic, epidemiological, geophysical, astrophysical and astrobiological data surrounding the origins and spread of COVID-19. It follows an all too familiar pattern -

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1 See PDFs of all our recent publications at http://vixra.org/author/edward_j_steele.
sudden emergence, then a rapid self-limiting phase, almost certainly involving induced “herd immunity”, then sudden decline. While COVID-19 began in Wuhan, other subsequent explosive outbreaks are now unfolding in Tehran, Italy, Spain and New York City, all lying on the 40° N Latitude band.

It is implausible that COVID-19 came from a Wuhan bio-weapons lab. Why would the Chinese People’s Liberation Army design a low mutation rate, low person-to-person transmitting virus, that only kills older already co-morbid susceptible patients? The phylogenetics also make it highly implausible that it came from wild animals in a two-step wild animal-to-human (unknown) process viz. bats to intermediate animal (perhaps pangolins), which were then caught and eaten on scale by Chinese people in the Hubei province. This is a “just so” story, a real fairy story. But this highly improbable story has been irresponsibly repeated and spewed forth in the pages of The Australian and other world media, particularly on Fox News Channel in the USA.

In our critical view, COVID-19 did not come from animals, it did not come from the Wuhan research facility. All our scientific analysis indicates that it has most plausibly come from a fragmenting meteorite which subsequently burst over north-central China on the night of 11 October 2019.2 Over the following month, the fall-out, much like that from an upper atmospheric nuclear test, settled mainly in the central Chinese city of Wuhan and its surrounds. But this fall-out is an infective replicating virus not radioactivity.

Fall-out of viral-laden dust clouds of variable size appears now to be spreading globally – some small clouds may have headed easterly in February, across the Pacific (to the US West Coast and California, and cruise ships). However, the most prominent spread has been westward towards Europe, via the Middle East, with direct hits on Iran (Tehran/Qom), Italy (Lombardy), Spain and now New York City. The most reliable case data are for the USA, and particularly New York City. Cases here went from about 450 to about 36,000 between 16 and 30 March (Business Insider 27 March 2020). This rocket take-off is consistent with the

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in-fall of a viral-laden dust cloud coming from the stratosphere Latitude 40° band as we predicted – beginning, we think, about 10 March.

So like Wuhan, New York City has taken a direct hit from above. And like Wuhan there is massive contamination of surfaces (and vegetation and wild life) throughout NYC area with trillions of viral particles contaminating the city – a layer of viral dust throughout the city surfaces. Social distancing will play a very small role in containing this type of in-fall driven epidemic. It is mass infection virtually simultaneously from above.

In October- November 2019 the whole of the central China /Wuhan region and Hubei province, was in our view, physically contaminated with high doses of trillions of COVID-19 virus particles that replicated in susceptible hosts on landing. Indeed, and of course, all wild and domestic animals will also be contaminated and/or infected with COVID-19 in an in-fall zone like this, along with older susceptible human beings (e.g. the Italy Lombardy experience, and now New York City) who will also score COVID-19 positive irrespective of whether COVID-19 is the cause of disease, death or not.

In humans COVID-19 causes a rather mild common cold, and only causes severe pneumonia in older vulnerable, co-morbid, patients: which is still the case even now (April 4 2020) at the height of the NYC epidemic where the death rate for confirmed COVID-19 cases is 0.27% for the 18-44 year group, 1.49% for the 45-65 year group, 4.29% for the 65-74 year group and 11.3 % for the 75+yr group. There may also have been a dose dependence effect in symptom-disease induction in the Wuhan epicentre, as well as now in other similar epicentres including New York City in susceptible subjects.

The actual death rate is low as is the mutation rate. However, if infected person-to-person driven spread really does get going we expect the mutational diversity to increase, particularly in pockets where a viral variant is easily spread person-to-person, such as hospital wards and old age nursing homes. At the moment, all the gene sequencing on isolates indicate a common source. Environmental contaminations from actual in-falls (and smaller aerosol-based surface contamination infection foci) is the key mode of catching this disease globally.
In short, spread by environmental contamination is the key to understanding the spread of this virus. We believe, for instance, that at least two cruise ships in the South China Sea/Sea of Japan may have been heavily contaminated by this drifting virus fall-out dust cloud. As it is drifting in patches the viral-laden dust clouds with millions of viral particles enwrapped in protective dust clusters can stay viable for at least 5-6 months in the “air” or atmosphere.

Panic and hysteria are now rife within the Western democracies, based on what we believe to be a false diagnosis of the nature of the problem. The Chinese authorities, let it be said, acted rationally in trying to disinfect and lock down almost 500-700 million of their citizens, while men in moon suits with disinfectant spray guns hosed down machinery, roadways, and buildings. This indicates that Xi Jinping and his government knew of the widespread physical contamination, no later than early January. Their actions, however, suggest that they were attempting to douse something other than a breakout from wet-markets.

The Xi regime also locked down the entire Central China region - the industrial heartland of China’s now enormous economy and the engine room of the supply chains that import and export immense quantities of raw materials, components and finished manufactures to the outside world. The silence of the regime concerning what had happened, while culpable, may be attributed to its consternation at the scale of the problem. Many contaminated products may have already been locked away in contaminated shipping containers ready for export.

Nonetheless, a myth arose that COVID-19 came from the eating of wild animals in China and that wet markets have been the petri dishes for such viruses. There is, however, abundant evidence consistent with our meteorite burst explanation, and predictions for the future course of the COVID-19 pandemic. It is being published in professional journals and we urge readers of this magazine to look out for it.³

What’s actually required is large scale environmental swab sampling for viral RNA COVID-19 sequences, as well as blood tests for presence of antibodies specific for COVID-19 protein antigens. This would enable us to project the emergence of herd immunity. The

³ See, for instance, our forthcoming paper in the journal Biophysics and Molecular Biology: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pbiomolbio.2019.08.010.
Diamond Princess cruise ship would be expected to have very high numbers of people that score positive for COVID-19 specific antibodies. One could start there. In turn, we could then estimate of the total ‘immunologically’ exposed population globally and the proportional COVID-19 antibody positivity in different exposed groups.

We have submitted this essay to The Australian Rationalist following what we consider to be censorship by The Australian. In conversations with the Editor, he agreed they had an obligation to ventilate alternative biomedical and scientific explanations of the pandemic. However, after consulting other mainstream scientists he and his colleagues canned our submission, as not meeting peer review standards.

We remain of the opinion that ours is the most plausible explanation of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our concern is that, with the cyclical ‘cold and flu season’ approaching this winter, our draconian economic and health policy initiatives have been instituted far in advance of the real danger. That danger is an atmospheric viral in-fall event in Australia some months from now, at a point when our social and economic resilience will already have been strained on the basis of a misunderstanding of what is actually happening. We hope we will not be proven correct in our analysis when it is too late for a course correction to tackle the problem appropriately.
URGENT ISSUE: ECH-20-003

Subject: URGENT ISSUE: ECH-20-003
From: Carol Ewbank <carolewbank@yahoo.com.br>
To: journal@ecohealth.net, daszak@ecohealthalliance.org, Alison Andre <andre@ecohealth.net>, Aleksei Chmura <chmura@ecohealth.net>, kyle.adair@biomedcentral.com, martyn.jeggo@csiro.au, rcolwell@umd.edu, frumkin@uw.edu, philip.weinstein@adelaide.edu.au
Sent: May 21, 2020 6:35:13 PM EDT
Dear Dr. Daszak,

I am writing you in regard to our manuscript (ECH-20-003).

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Sincerely,

Carolina Ewbank
He already knows. The EcoAlliance Board chair sent the NYT article to all the board members. Thank you again, Rich. When we next meet I owe you a bottle of wine and a hug!
Cheers,
Rita

From: Roberts, Rich <roberts@neb.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 9:06 PM
To: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Subject: RE: NY Times article

Rita:

Can you make sure Peter Daszak hears about this please?

Thanks

Rich

Richard J. Roberts
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Fax: (978) 412 9910
email: roberts@neb.com

From: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 9:03 PM
To: Roberts, Rich <roberts@neb.com>
Cc: 'Rita Colwell' <rrcolwell@gmail.com>
Subject: RE: NY Times article

EXTERNAL SENDER

Rich:
You always were one of my heroes and now you are my number one hero!
Cheers and thank you!
Rita

From: Roberts, Rich <roberts@neb.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 8:31 PM
To: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Subject: NY Times article

Rita:

A good start in the NY Times.

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Rich
RE: NY Times article

Peter Daszak
<daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>,
Subject: RE: News of interest in support of science
From: Rita Colwell <RCOLWELL@umd.edu>
To: Nancye Green <nancye@dgtwo.com>
Cc: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: May 21, 2020 9:16:23 PM EDT
Fellow Board Members:
77 Nobel Laureates have signed a letter to Secretary Azar and NIH Director Frances Collins asking for an unbiased investigation into the decision-making process. This will appear as a news item tomorrow. We have not been involved with this letter, will see it once it becomes public, and, as usual, will circulate anything relevant, including the letter, when it becomes available.

Hope you and your families are weathering the storm and are well. We look forward to catching up with all of you and hearing about how you are faring.

Best,
Nancye
Many apologies - I will look into this tomorrow and do everything I can to push this rapidly to a decision.

We’ll be in touch ASAP.

Cheers,

Peter

Peter Daszak
(Sent from my iPhone)

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On May 21, 2020, at 6:37 PM, Carol Ewbank <carolewbank@yahoo.com.br> wrote:

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Sincerely,

Carolina Ewbank
Always glad to help great science…and scientists!
Cheers,
Rita

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From: Nancye Green <nancye@dgtwo.com>
Sent: Friday, May 22, 2020 11:15 AM
To: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Cc: 'Peter Daszak' <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Re: News of interest in support of science

Rita,
I am so appreciative that you are on the board and (as Peter suggested) for anything you had to do with helping us to get so much support – even if it was simply your incredible reputation. This is a game changer. I have already heard from so many people who saw the article and were impressed. Thank you!

Nancye

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From: Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
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To: Nancye Green <nancye@dgtwo.com>
Cc: 'Peter Daszak' <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: RE: News of interest in support of science

Nancy:
Rich Roberts is a personal friend.
Cheers,
Rita

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From: Nancye Green <nancye@dgtwo.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 3:52 PM
To: board@ecohealthalliance.org
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EcoHealth Alliance, Chair
Subject: Re: A contribution to your work

From: Rita R. Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>

To: Randy W SCHEKMAN <schekman@berkeley.edu>

Cc: daszak@ecohealthalliance.org, Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>, Harold E. Varmus <varmus@med.cornell.edu>, Robert Horvitz (Horvitz@mit.edu) <Horvitz@mit.edu>, Michael Bishop <bishop@cgl.ucsf.edu>, Aleksei Chmura <chmura@ecohealthalliance.org>

Sent: May 27, 2020 9:04:00 PM EDT
Dear Randy:

As a member of the EcoHealth Alliance Board of Trustees, I would like to thank you and your wonderful colleagues for the generous vocal support and for the funding you are making possible for Peter and his research team. The entire board and the Alliance team are truly grateful for the extraordinary boost in morale you and your colleagues have provided. Peter and his team are doing critically important work on COVID-19 and its origin.

In genuine gratitude,

Rita

On Wed, May 27, 2020 at 8:13 PM Randy W SCHEKMAN <schekman@berkeley.edu> wrote:

Dear Peter,

I am part of the Rich Roberts group and helped to line-up more Laureates to join the petition to Azar and Collins. We don’t expect a response from them but we wish to make a constructive contribution to your essential work and have resolved to help find private funds to offset your loss.

Our first success is with a foundation that makes anonymous contributions to various causes including in support of biomedical science. I am pleased to report that this group will provide the EcoHealth Alliance a grant of $500,000 to at least partially offset the NIH funds that were withdrawn from your program. Since they wish to remain anonymous, I will be happy to serve as the intermediary in transfer of funds to your program. We can communicate about how to proceed.

Best wishes,    Randy Schekman

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From: Luke Hamel <hamel@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 10:59 AM
To: progco@ecohealthalliance.org
Subject: Determining date for next ProgCo call

Dear all,

I hope you and your families are continuing to stay safe and healthy throughout this outbreak!

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Best,

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I also was unaware of June 24 Board meeting. I am lecturing on line that day...also it is a Wednesday. EcoHealth Board meetings are usually Friday.

Rita

From: Bob Hoguet <rlhoguet@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 9:08 PM
To: Luke Hamel <hamel@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: progco@ecohealthalliance.org
Subject: Re: Determining date for next ProgCo call

All Ok for me except June 18 before 2PM.

What time is is board meeting on the 24th? I was not aware of this. Is there a schedule going forward?

Thank you,

Bob

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Regretfully, only January 7-8, 2021, works for me. June 24 I will be lecturing on line most of the day and on October 2-3 I would normally be in Japan for the STS meeting but that meeting is being held on line so I will be unavailable on October 2-3, 2020, to attend STS on line. Incidentally, I am working to get Peter invited to STS in 2021. STS attracts more than a thousand scientists and policy makers from around the world. The Prime Minister of Japan attends the first day of STS each year.

Rita

From: Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 10:18 AM
To: Bob Hoguet <rlhoguet@gmail.com>
Cc: Luke Hamel <hamel@ecohealthalliance.org>; progco@ecohealthalliance.org
Subject: Re: Determining date for next ProgCo call

Hi Bob and Rita!

Regarding scheduling, I have sent out google calendar invitations for all scheduled board meetings until January 2020. They are:

June 24, 2020
October 2-3, 2020
January 7-8 2021

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Thank you, Rita!

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Declined: EcoHealth Alliance Board Conference Call

Subject: Declined: EcoHealth Alliance Board Conference Call
From: Rita R. Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu
Sent: June 4, 2020 2:30:09 PM EDT
Declined: EcoHealth Alliance Board Conference Call

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hoda@ecohealthalliance.org,
rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu

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Sent: Thursday, June 04, 2020 11:46 AM
To: Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Re: June 24th Board Meeting

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**Subject:** RE: June 24th Board Meeting  
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**To:** Pamela <pmthye@gmail.com>  
**Cc:** Tara Hoda <hoda@ecohealthalliance.org>, Board <Board@ecohealthalliance.org>  
**Sent:** June 4, 2020 6:11:07 PM EDT
My afternoon lecture runs from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. I may be able to join the last hour of the Board meeting.
Rita

From: Pamela <pmthye@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 04, 2020 5:16 PM
To: Rita R. Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>
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Cc: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: June 11, 2020 2:21:32 PM EDT
Send a link, Bob. Is it 9 pm tonight and again on Sunday at 10PM? Your email is a tad confusing.
Rita

From: Bob Hoguet <rhoguet@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 1:30 PM
To: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Re: Coming up on CNN

Hi Robert-

Could you send a similar link for those of us who will have turned into pumpkins, and not bats, by 10PM this coming Sunday?

Thank you,

Bob

On May 11, 2020, at 8:24 PM, Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Good evening,

Coming up in the 9:00 (ET) hour, Peter will be live with Chris Cuomo on CNN. I hope that you'll tune in and, if you can't, I'll send around a link once the segment is online.

Thanks,

Robert

P.S. An unexpected reaction to the 60 Minutes story has been an outpouring of support in my personal favorite form: donations. We've picked up more than $3,000 today alone with the donations still coming in. A couple dozen people have created Facebook fundraisers in our name, as well. While most of these donations are only small amounts, each represents a new supporter that the development team can cultivate and a new advocate for our work. Overall, a really exciting day for EcoHealth Alliance.

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Cc: Bob Hoguet <rlhoguet@gmail.com>, Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: June 11, 2020 2:48:24 PM EDT
Apologies, the first email in this chain is referencing an appearance Peter made on May 11 and is not related to the special airing this Sunday.

On Thu, Jun 11, 2020 at 2:18 PM Rita R. Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu> wrote:

Send a link, Bob. Is it 9 pm tonight and again on Sunday at 10PM? Your email is a tad confusing.

Rita

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From: Bob Hoguet <rhoguet@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 1:30 PM
To: Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Subject: Re: Coming up on CNN

Hi Robert-

Could you send a similar link for those of us who will have turned into pumpkins, and not bats, by 10PM this coming Sunday?

Thank you,

Bob

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On May 11, 2020, at 8:24 PM, Robert Kessler <kessler@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:

Good evening,

Coming up in the 9:00 (ET) hour, Peter will be live with Chris Cuomo on CNN. I hope that you'll tune in and, if you can't, I'll send around a link once the segment is online.

Thanks,

Robert

P.S. An unexpected reaction to the 60 Minutes story has been an outpouring of support in my personal favorite form: donations. We've picked up more than $3,000 today alone with the
donations still coming in. A couple dozen people have created Facebook fundraisers in our name, as well. While most of these donations are only small amounts, each represents a new supporter that the development team can cultivate and a new advocate for our work. Overall, a really exciting day for EcoHealth Alliance.

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RE: CNN

Subject:   RE: CNN
From:      Rita R. Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>
To:        Ellen Shedlarz <eshedlarz@aol.com>, Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>,
            epstein@ecohealthalliance.org, Kevin Olival <olival@ecohealthalliance.org>,
            Board@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc:        Rita Colwell <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
Sent:      June 15, 2020 8:05:57 AM EDT
I agree. Congratulations, Peter and team!
Rita

-----Original Message-----
From: 'Ellen Shedlarz' via Board <board@ecohealthalliance.org>
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2020 11:27 PM
To: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>; epstein@ecohealthalliance.org; Kevin Olival <olival@ecohealthalliance.org>; Board@ecohealthalliance.org
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That was one of the best specials I have seen in CNN. It was so educational and covered the subject objectively.
So proud to be part of this organization.

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From: Rita R. Colwell <rcolwell@umd.edu>
To: hoda@ecohealthalliance.org
Cc: Colwell Rita <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>, Vickie Lord <vlord@umd.edu>
Sent: June 17, 2020 3:38:42 PM EDT
I will be late joining as I am giving a lecture 12:30 – 2:30 pm that day (Wednesday, June 24, 2020).

Rita Colwell

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Sent: June 24, 2020 4:32:57 PM EDT
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Sent: June 24, 2020 8:49:11 PM EDT

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From: Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>  
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 1:45 AM  
To: vincent.munster@nih.gov vincent.munster@nih.gov <vincent.munster@nih.gov>  
Cc: rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu  
Subject: Airborne transmission of SARS-CoV-2  
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From: Munster, Vincent (NIH/NIAID) <vincent.munster@nih.gov>
To: rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu, Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org>
Cc: Jutla,Antarpreet S <antar.jutla@essie.ufl.edu>, rcolwell@umd.edu
Sent: June 27, 2020 11:24:54 AM EDT
Dear Rita,

Thanks for your interest, let's see if we can connect somewhere next week? Thinks are quite busy here,

Kind regards,

Vincent Munster, PhD
Chief Virus Ecology Section
Rocky Mountain Laboratories
NIAID/NIH

From: "rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu" <rcolwell@umiacs.umd.edu>
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