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A LEADING AMERICAN SCIENTIST—HONORED AS “THE DISCOVERER OF AIDS” and “THE FATHER OF AIDS RESEARCH”— IS SHOWN TO HAVE FALSELY CLAIMED THAT HE HAD DETECTED AND ISOLATED AN AIDS-CAUSING RETROVIRUS.

NEW YORK, NY. What many doctors and scientists are beginning to call "the Fraud of the Century" has been uncovered in original research papers that cast new doubt on HIV as the cause of AIDS, and may refute virtually every "official" pronouncement ever made about this dreaded disease for the last quarter century.

Dr. Gary Null will be conducting a press conference on Wednesday, September 30, 2008, with British investigative journalist Janine Roberts to present new evidence confirming that world renowned scientist Dr. Robert Gallo—former head of the Laboratory of Tumor Cell Biology (LTCB) at the National Cancer Institute, intentionally altered his laboratory’s research and falsely claimed he had detected and isolated a retrovirus (HIV) as the causal agent of Auto Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

The new evidence that will be presented has enormous implications for the diagnoses, care and treatment of millions of AIDS sufferers and their families around the globe.

The press conference and lecture will be held at 307 East 92 Street, between First and Second Avenues, in Manhattan at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, October 1, 2008. The

event is free for members of the press and the public. The event can also be watched live over the Internet at www.garynull.com.

In the May 4, 1984 issue of the prestigious peer-reviewed *Science* magazine—published by the American Association for the Advancement of Science—printed the research article of Dr. Robert Gallo and his lead researcher, Dr. Mikulas Popovic, into the discovery of what they alleged to be an AIDS-causing retrovirus. This paper by Gallo and Popovic quickly became the most cited document in recent medical history and the foundation of the worldwide pursuit to 1) develop diagnostic methods for identifying the presence of HIV in human blood and 2) to create powerful new pharmaceutical drugs and vaccines to conquer AIDS in what is now a multi-billion dollar medical industry.

From the moment of publication of this paper, funding for scientific inquiry into all other potential causes and/or cures for AIDS came to a screeching halt. According to the U.S. Federal Funding Budget for HIV and AIDS, more than \$213 billion has been spent on HIV research since Gallo publicly announced his “discovery.”

However, the British investigative journalist and author Janine Roberts has recently uncovered invaluable documentation, in Dr. Gallo’s own handwriting, that conclusively demonstrates that the results and conclusions derived from Dr. Popovic’s experiments were intentionally altered—by Gallo himself—so that he could take credit for an alleged “discovery” that was not supported by the facts from his own laboratory’s findings. The *Science* article, entitled “Frequent Detection and Isolation of Cytopathic Retroviruses (HTLV-III) from Patients with AIDS and at Risk for AIDS” in fact has never proved that a retrovirus causing AIDS was ever detected, let alone isolated. Nor were any experiments performed to show the retrovirus had any association with autoimmune symptoms. Roberts points out clearly from Gallo’s handwritten changes and comments in the original draft—which Popovic sent to a relative living in Austria for safekeeping in the event of any

investigation—that the only accomplishment from the experiments was growing a retrovirus *ex vivo* in a culture. Nothing more and nothing less.

To this day, HIV has never been isolated from an AIDS inflicted patient and photographed under an electron microscope. In an email sent to Dr. Null by Dr. Etienne de Harven, Professor Emeritus from the University of Toronto and one of the world's foremost authorities on electron microscopy, Dr. de Harven stated, "I have never observed one single particle of retrovirus in any of the thousands of samples of human leukemic, cancerous and AIDS related samples I studied under the electron microscope between 1956 and 1993 (the time of my retirement)."

Nevertheless, Dr. Gallo's article in *Science* includes image—taken from an electron microscope—of what he claimed was the AIDS-causing virus. But these photos have no scientific basis, and Dr. Gallo had them published while ignoring the interpretation of the Head of the Electron Microscope Laboratory at the National Cancer Institute, Dr. Matthew Gonda. Days before Gallo submitted his paper to *Science*, Gonda sent Gallo his interpretation of the images, "I would like to point out that the 'particles'... are in debris of degenerated cells... I do not believe any of the particles photographed are HTLV I, II or III... No other extracellular 'virus like' particles were observed."

For many years there has been a group of prominent scientists throughout the world who have criticized the research and conclusions that a retrovirus is the cause for the symptoms now known as AIDS. Their rationale for stating that the HIV hypothesis is seriously flawed can be summarized quite easily. No diagnostic test has ever been developed that singly targets the HIV retrovirus. HIV has never been isolated from an AIDS patient and there are no conclusive studies to show it is the cause of AIDS-like symptoms. There is no antiretroviral drug that doesn't also seriously compromise the human immune system and further threaten patients with other life-threatening illnesses. There is no conclusive research to prove that HIV is readily sexually transmitted—another claim that was made by Gallo without scientific evidence to support him.

The ramifications of Roberts' investigations are historic because they show that the original scientific foundation to support the hypothesis that HIV causes AIDS hypothesis is flawed and has no basis in medical science.

Ms. Roberts is an award-winning investigative journalist who has spent many years researching the controversies concerning HIV as the conclusive cause of AIDS and the history behind this view being the dominant paradigm in the medical community today. She is author of *Fear of the Invisible: How Scared Should We Be of Viruses and Vaccines, HIV and AIDS*. Additional information about Ms. Roberts' investigations can be read at www.fearoftheinvisible.com.

Gary Null, PhD is host of the nation's longest running daily radio program on public health issues, a NY Times bestselling author, and a documentary filmmaker. His 2007 award-winning documentary *AIDS Inc* interviews Nobel laureates, medical academics, AIDS scientists and activists speaking out against the current evidence to conclude that HIV causes AIDS.