**Ongoing Fraud in Medicine**

**Cancer Study Was Made Up, Journal Says**

by Charlotte Gerson

Nicholas Wade of the *New York Times*, January 19th, 2006, reports that a large cancer study of oral cancer, done in Norway, was based on “fabricated data”. The report was published in the prestigious British medical journal, *Lancet*, last year, and also appeared in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, the *JAMA*.

The principal author of the paper was a formerly respected cancer researcher, Jon Sudbo, at the Norwegian Radium Hospital in Oslo. He had four co-authors at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston and another at Weill Medical College of Cornell University in New York.

It gets worse: Dr. Sudbo reported in the *Lancet* that he received financing from the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, MD. The news agency *Agence France-Presse* reported that the amount was $10.5 million. A spokeswoman for the institute said that she could not confirm the financing. However she noted that $10 million was a “minute slice” of the agency’s budget.

Dr. Jon Sudbo invented more than 900 individuals as the basis for his ‘research’ on the correlation between taking anti-inflammatory drugs and oral cancer. The British journal, *Guardian* reported “He faked everything: names, diagnosis, gender, weight, age, drug use,” as revealed by Stein Vaaler, director of strategy at Oslo’s Radium hospital. “There is no real data whatsoever, just figures he made up himself. Every patient in this paper is a fake. One investigative report stated that of the more than 900 samples in Dr. Sudbo’s paper, 250 people had the same birthday!

The public is beginning to understand that after the VIOXX scandal, frauds of this type make things more and more difficult for doctors who trust the supposed research in their medical journals. It is impossible to tell how many more frauds have been perpetrated by commission or omission of negative results that have not been uncovered or reported. The discovery of the Sudbo deception was simply by chance.

Another Fraud

The Norwegian scandal broke just days after an inquiry in South Korea found that the research done by Hwang Woo-suk in his work with stem cells, was also almost all faked! Dr. Hwang asked for forgiveness, but said that members of the research team at Mizmedi hospital in Seoul had lied to him about growing stem cells from human embryos he had cloned.

The Xinhua News Agency reported that “According to the latest tally released by the BAI [Korean Board of Audit and Inspection], Hwang’s team received 41.7 billion won (42 million U.S. dollars) and 4.3 billion won (4.4 million dollars) in state and civilian funding, respectively, for its research activities from 1995 through 2005.” The BAI is currently investigating where the funds went.

This scandal obviously influences the controversy raging over U.S. stem cell research. Scientific fraud and data manipulation has become so rampant that it is difficult, if not impossible, to know what ‘research,’ if any, one can trust. Clearly, the amounts of money, reputation and power at stake are enormous, and where temptations are so large, there are always some who will be influenced. However, the practice has been going on for so long that it has now become “business as usual” in the medical and pharmaceutical fields. The public had even been asked to express their opinion on this subject!

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