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Event: Immunization Safety Review: Vaccines and Autism  
Event Date: February 9, 2004 - February 9, 2004

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■ **THE MEETING VENUE HAS BEEN CHANGED** from the Keck Center of the National Academies to the **TO THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES BUILDING** Street, NW, Washington, DC 20418.

■ **Times and order of speakers are subject to change.**

**Immunization Safety Review Committee Meeting 9: Vaccines and Autism**

The National Academy of Sciences, Auditorium  
2100 C Street NW,  
Washington, DC 20418

February 9, 2004

**DRAFT Agenda**

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| 8:00 - 8:15 am | <b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b><br><br><i>Marie McCormick, M.D., ScD, Committee Chair</i>   |
| 8:15 - 8:30    | <b>Congressional Speakers</b><br><br><i>Congressman Dave Weldon, U.S. House of Representatives</i>   |
| 8:30 - 9:30    | <b>Etiologic factors and pathogenesis of autism: evidence from clinical studies and animal models</b><br><br><i>Mady Hornig, M.D., Associate Professor, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health</i>  |
| 9:30 - 10:00   | <b>Association of Autistic Spectrum Disorder and MMR Vaccine A Systematic Review of Current Epidemiological Evidence</b><br><br><i>Kumanan Wilson, M.D., MSc, Division of Clinical Decision Making and Health Care, Toronto General Research Institute, Canada</i> |
| 10:00 - 10:30  | <b>Results of the Metropolitan Atlanta study of MMR and Autism</b>   |

*William W. Thompson, Ph.D., National Immunization Program  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*

- 10:30 -10:45      **Break**
- 10:45 – 11:15      **Exposure to Thimerosal-Containing Vaccines in UK Children and Autism**  
  
*Dr. Elizabeth Miller, Head, Immunisation Division, Public Health Laboratory Service, Communicable Disease Surveillance Centre London, UK*
- 11:15 – 11:45      **Vaccine Safety Datalink Study: Autism Outcome**  
  
*Robert L. Davis, M.D., M.P.H., University of Washington Group Health, Cooperative Depts. of Pediatrics Center for Health Studies and Epidemiology*
- 11:45 – 12:15      **Study of the Association Between Thimerosal-Containing Vaccines and Autism in Denmark**  
  
*Anders Peter Hviid, MSc, Department of Epidemiology Research, State Serum Institute, Copenhagen, Denmark*
- 12:15 – 12:45      **Autism and thimerosal-containing vaccines: analysis of the Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS)**  
  
*Mark R. Geier, M.D., Ph.D., President, The Genetic Centers of America*
- 12:45 – 1:45      **Lunch**
- 1:45 - 2:15      **A Toxicologist's View of Thimerosal and Autism**  
  
*H. Vasken Aposhian, Ph.D., Professor, Molecular and Cellular Biology, University of Arizona*
- 2:15– 2:45      **Relation of Neurotoxic Effects of Thimerosal to Autism**  
  
*David Baskin, M.D., Professor of Neurosurgery and Anesthesiology, Baylor College of Medicine*
- 2:45 – 3:15      **Thimerosal Exposure From Vaccines and Ethylmercury Accumulation in Non-human Primates**  
  
*Dr. Polly Sager, Assistant Director for International Research, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases*
- 3:15 – 3:30      **Break**
- 3:30 – 4:00      **Reduced Levels of Mercury in First Baby Haircuts of Autistic Children**  
  
*Boyd Haley, Ph.D., Chairman and Professor, Department of Chemistry, University of Kentucky*

4:00 – 4:30 **A Case-control Study of Mercury Burden in Children with Autisti Disorders and Measles Virus Genomic RNA in Cerebrospinal Flui in Children with Regressive Autism**

*Jeff Bradstreet, M.D., FAAFP, Adjunct Professor, Neurosciences, Stetson University, Director of Clinical Programs, International Child Development Resource Center, Florida*

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4:30 – 5:00 **Autism, Vaccines, and Immune Reactions**

*Vijendra K. Singh, Ph.D., Research Associate Professor, Utah State University*

5:00 – 5:30 **Public Comment Period**

5:30 pm **Adjourn**

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