

The Covid-19 “Op”

Introduction: Much discussion has been devoted to the origin of Covid-19. A great deal of this is propaganda featuring the “Lab-Leak” hypothesis.

As we shall see, this theory is not only untenable but technologically obsolete.

To understand the origins of the pandemic, it must be seen in the context of anti-China operations and propaganda. Fundamentally, the virus might be seen as the Northwoods virus. This point will be covered at greater length later in this article.

It is also fundamentally important to understand “gain-of-function” research on micro-organisms. This is a dangerous and highly controversial procedure under which micro-organisms are genetically engineered to make them more virulent and deadly;

These procedures were the focal point of a moratorium put into effect during the second Obama administration.

Anti-China “Ops”

Beginning under Barack Obama’s “Pivot to Asia” and accelerating dramatically during the first Trump administration and that of Joe Biden, destabilization efforts in Hong Kong and an intense propaganda blitzkrieg (coupled with provocations) concerning alleged “genocide” against the Uyghurs served both to discredit China in the eyes of the Western public and to justify trade restrictions intended to make the Chinese economy “scream.”

The potential subject of an entire book (or two), those operations are covered at length in numerous programs and accompanying descriptions available at **spitfirelist.com**. Readers are emphatically encouraged to flesh out their understanding by visiting that website and assimilating the information contained therein.

Some of the programs are: <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft-1090-fascism-2019-world-tour-part-5-destabilizing-china/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft-1091-the-destabilization-of-china-part-2/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft-1092-the-destabilization-of-china-part-3/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft-1093-the-destabilization-of-china-part-4/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft-1094-the-destabilization-of-china-part-5-pan-turkism-islamism-and-the-earth-island-boogie/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft-1095-the-destabilization-of-china-part-6-asian-deep-politics/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft-1143-the-uyghurs-and-the-destabilization-of-china-part-1/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft-1144-the-uyghurs-and-the-destabilization-of-china-part-2/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft-1145-the-uyghurs-and-the-destabilization-of-china-part-3/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft1312-update-on-the-destabilization-of-china-part-1/>; <https://spitfirelist.com/for-the-record/ft1313-update-on-the-destabilization-of-china-part-2/>.

The Absurd “Lab-Leak” Hypothesis

Pointing to an alleged “Lab-Leak” at the Wuhan Institute of Virology is technologically obsolete. Contemporary synthetic biological technique allows for the synthesis (and modified synthesis) of micro-organisms from scratch. The technology is analogous to a 3-D printer.

“ . . . Advances in the area mean that scientists now have the capability to recreate dangerous viruses from scratch; make harmful bacteria more deadly; and modify common microbes so that they churn out lethal toxins once they enter the body. . . In the report, the scientists describe how synthetic biology, which gives researchers precision tools to manipulate living organisms, ‘enhances and expands’ opportunities to create bioweapons. . . Today, the genetic code of almost any mammalian virus can be found online and synthesised. ‘The technology to do this is available now,’ said [Michael] Imperiale. “It requires some expertise, but it’s something that’s relatively easy to do, and that is why it tops the list. . . .” (1)

As we shall see, what appears to have happened is this: The U.S. national security establishment financed the synthesis and production of novel coronaviruses and then synthesized them and vectored much of the world’s population with the product. China was blamed as part of an enormous ‘Bio-False-Flag’ operation.

The framing of China, Shi Zhengli and the Wuhan Institute of Virology(WIV) might be viewed as creating “the Oswald Institute of Virology.” It appears that the WIV was set up to take the fall for the creation of the virus, not unlike the manner in which Lee Harvey Oswald was set up to look like a Communist and then framed for the assassination of President Kennedy.

Foreshadowing the Pandemic

An important passage in The Project for The New American Century’s paper on “Rebuilding America’s Defenses” foreshadows the biological warfare research that is implicated in the development of Covid. **“ The report states, ‘advanced forms of biological warfare that can ‘target’ specific genotypes may transform biological warfare from the realm of terror to a politically useful tool’. . . .” (2)**

The EcoHealth Alliance: Funded by Pentagon, USAID, Advised by David Franz

The synthesis of novel coronaviruses at the Wuhan Institute of Virology was done by the EcoHealth Alliance. That organization’s main funding sources are the Pentagon and USAID, a State Department subsidiary that often serves as a CIA front organization.

“ Daszak’s EcoHealth Alliance obscures its Pentagon funding. . . . Only [buried under their ‘Privacy Policy,’](#) under a section titled ‘EcoHealth Alliance Policy Regarding Conflict of Interest in Research,’ does the EcoHealth Alliance concede it is the ‘recipient of various grant awards from federal agencies including the US Agency for International Development and the Department of Defense.’ . . . Even this listing is deceptive. *It obscures that its two largest funders are the Pentagon and the State Department (USAID)* These two sources thus total over \$103 million. . . .” (3)

The EcoHealth Alliance receives more from a key Pentagon subsidiary (DTRA) than any other recipient: " **Peter Daszak's EcoHealth Alliance currently receives more money from the Department of Defense's Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) for [Scientific Research Combatting Weapons of Mass Destruction](#) than any other military contractor—\$15 million (25.575 percent) of the \$60.2 million dispersed in the last 6 months. . . .**" (4)

EcoHealth Alliance is also heavily networked with the Department of Homeland Security: " **the Department of Homeland Security's National Biosurveillance Integration Center (NBIC) gave Daszak's EcoHealth Alliance a [\\$2.2-million](#) contract (2016-2019) to create a '[Ground Truth Network](#)' of 'subject matter experts' who could provide 'contextual information pertaining to biological events.'**" (5)

The adviser to EcoHealth Alliance is David Franz: " **The military links of the EcoHealth Alliance are not limited to money and mindset. *One noteworthy 'policy advisor' to the EcoHealth Alliance is David Franz. Franz is former commander of Fort Detrick, which is the principal U.S. government biowarfare/biodefense facility. . . .***" (6)

The Army Medical Institute of Infectious Diseases (formerly commanded by David Franz) was closed down by the CDC for unnamed safety violations in early August of 2019 (on the cusp of the pandemic.)

" **The U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID) facility at Fort Detrick, Maryland — the U.S. military's lead laboratory for 'biological defense' research since the late 1960s — [was forced to halt all research](#) it was conducting with a series of deadly pathogens after the CDC found that it lacked 'sufficient systems in place to decontaminate wastewater' from its highest-security labs and failure of staff to follow safety procedures, among other lapses. The facility contains both level 3 and level 4 biosafety labs. While it is unknown if experiments involving coronaviruses were ongoing at the time, *USAMRIID has [recently been involved](#) in research born out of the Pentagon's recent concern about the use of bats as bioweapons. . . .***" (7)

EcoHealth Alliance Peter Daszak was the only member of both bodies formed to investigate the origin of the pandemic: " ***In September, Sachs' commission [The Lancet--D.E.] [named Daszak to head up its committee on the pandemic's origins. Daszak is also on the WHO's committee to investigate the pandemic's origin. He is the only individual on both committees. . . .](#)***" (8)

Researching Bat-Borne Coronaviruses

Leading up to the pandemic, the Pentagon was extensively researching bat-borne coronaviruses: " **the Pentagon's Defense Advanced Research Project Agency (DARPA), began spending millions on such research in 2018 and some of those Pentagon-funded studies were conducted at known U.S. military bioweapons labs bordering China and resulted in the discovery of dozens of new coronavirus strains as recently as last April. Furthermore, the ties of the Pentagon's main biodefense lab to a virology institute in Wuhan, China**

—have been unreported in English language media thus far. . . . For instance, DARPA [spent \\$10 million on one project](#) in 2018 'to unravel the complex causes of bat-borne viruses that have recently made the jump to humans, causing concern among global health officials.' . . .” (9)

Much of that Pentagon-financed research took place at the Wuhan Institute of Virology and involved Shi Zengli, who has been targeted by China Hawk “Lab-Leak Hypothesis” propagandists: " Shi’s paper, 'Coexistence of Multiple Coronaviruses in Several Bat Colonies in an Abandoned Mineshaft,' was written by a team of scientists who were all Chinese nationals working at Chinese institutions. . . . the authors acknowledged support from the U.S. National Institute of Allergies and Infectious Disease ([R01AI110964](#)), a \$3.7-million grant to EcoHealth Alliance for 'Understanding the Risk of Bat Coronavirus Emergence,' (2014-2025). . . ." (10)

The U.S. military’s collaboration with Shi extends to her co-authors: " In addition to military funding through DTRA, Shi’s paper was co-authored by two U.S. military scientists, [Christopher C. Broder](#) and [Eric D. Laing](#) of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Department of Microbiology and Immunology. . . ." (11)

Bat-borne viruses hold a particular attraction for those seeking to develop biological warfare weapons, due to the nature of bats’ immune systems. “ As Boston University microbiologist Thomas Kepler explained to the [Washington Post](#) in 2018, the bat’s unique approach to viral infection explains why viruses that transfer from bats to humans are so severe. This was the subject of a [paper](#), 'The Egyptian Roussette Genome Reveals Unexpected Features of Bat Antiviral Immunity,' that he published with military scientists and [DTRA funding](#). 'A virus that has co-evolved with the bat’s antiviral system is completely out of its element in the human,' Kepler said. 'That’s why it is so deadly — the human immune system is overwhelmed by the inflammatory response.' The bat immune system responds very differently from ours to viral infection. Instead of attacking and killing an infected cell, which leads to a cascade of inflammatory responses, the bat immune system can starve the virus by turning down cellular metabolism. . . . Kepler says the military is using its experiments on bat immunity to 'develop drugs that dampen down inflammation and arrest the virus by depriving it of what it needs to grow rather than trying to kill it outright.' *But, it clearly has another objective, as well: to make viruses more deadly by 'passaging' them through bats. . . .*" (12)

Suspicious Behavior and Biological Warfare Manifestations

Examination of EcoHealth Alliance’s behavior raises suspicions and suggests that it may well be engaged in biological warfare projects.

The circumstances surrounding the publication of a key piece of Daszak’s research by *Nature* magazine are suspicious.

" As a condition of publication, *Nature*, like most scientific journals, [requires](#) authors to submit new DNA and RNA sequences to GenBank, the U.S. National Center for

Biotechnology Information Database. *Yet the new SARS-like virus Shi and Baric created [wasn't deposited](#) in GenBank until May 2020. . . .* (13)

Why wasn't the genome of the new virus deposited until May of 2020?

The committee set up by the Trump administration to selectively manage the lifting of the 2014-2017 moratorium on gain-of-function research designed to make infectious micro-organisms more deadly has operated under extreme secrecy.

" Daszak's collaborators working under contracts with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) aren't allowed to conduct gain-of-function research unless specifically approved to do so by the Potential Pandemic Pathogen Care and Oversight (P3CO) committee. This committee was set up as a condition for [lifting](#) the 2014-2017 moratorium on gain-of-function research. *The P3CO committee operates in secret. Not even a membership list has been released. . . .*" (14)

EcoHealth Alliance's Pentagon contract to research Congo-Hemorrhagic Fever may well have been a clandestine biological warfare research undertaking.

" EcoHealth Alliance has a \$5-million Pentagon [contract](#), 'Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever: Reducing an Emerging Health Threat in Tanzania.' [Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever \(CCHF\)](#) is a tick-borne disease, originally only infecting animals. . . . There was only ever [one case](#) of CCHF in Tanzania, and that was in 1986. . . . [Gain-of-function research](#) on CCHF is being conducted at the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility (NBAF) (The National Bio and Agro Defense Facility will take over the mission of the Plum Island Animal Disease Center and become the lead facility for Foreign Animal Disease research.) . . ." (15)

Daszak has claimed that a lack of funding has impaired further investigation of a viral strain 96 percent "genetically similar" to SARS-CoV-2: **" A recent Wired magazine [article](#) quoting Daszak described how a virus collected in 2012 was found to be a 96-percent match to SARS-CoV-2 in 2020 . . . 'a lack of funding meant they couldn't further investigate the virus strain now known to be 96 percent genetically similar to the virus that causes Covid-19'"** (16)

Daszak and EcoHealth Alliance had plenty of funding; **" [\\$100.9 million](#) that EcoHealth Alliance has received in government grants and contracts since 2003. . . ."** (17)

Furthermore, Daszak and the EcoHealth Alliance were deeply involved with a USAID and NIH funded joint WIV/University of North Carolina project. **" The two institutions also worked as collaborators under another [\\$2.6-million grant](#), 'Risk of Viral Emergence from Bats,' and under EcoHealth Alliance's largest single source of funding, a [\\$44.2 million sub-grant](#) from the University of California at Davis for the PREDICT project (2015-2020). . . ."** (18)

It was this PREDICT project that funded the Shi/Baric work. (PREDICT is funded by USAID.) **" It's the \$44.2-million PREDICT grant that EcoHealth Alliance used to [fund](#) the gain-**

of-function experiment by WIV scientist Zhengli Shi and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's [Ralph Baric](#). Shi and Baric used genetic engineering and synthetic biology to create a 'new bat SARS-like virus . . . that can jump directly from its bat hosts to humans.' . . ." (19)

Consciousness of Guilt

Perhaps the most substantive, abiding indication that the U.S. deliberately synthesized the Covid-19 virus is the legal principle of "Consciousness of Guilt."

As the brilliant Berkeley researcher Peter Dale Scott set forth: "The cover-up obviates the conspiracy." In the context of Covid-19, there is abundant evidence of a cover-up of the facts, deriving from apparent guilt of those deliberately obfuscating the reality of events.

The behavior of Peter Daszak and colleagues in "gaming" the *Lancet* statement on the "natural" origin of the coronavirus goes a long way toward proving "consciousness of guilt. (Daszak's EcoHealth Alliance--funded and advised by the national security establishment--is implicated in the creation of the SARS CoV-2, as highlighted above.)

“. . . . On February 19, 2020, *The Lancet*, among the most respected and influential medical journals in the world, [published a statement](#) that roundly rejected the lab-leak hypothesis, effectively casting it as a xenophobic cousin to climate change denialism and anti-vaxxism. . . . *The Lancet* statement effectively ended the debate over COVID-19's origins before it began. . . . It soon emerged, based on emails obtained by a Freedom of Information group called U.S. Right to Know, that Daszak had not only signed but organized the influential *Lancet* statement, with the intention of concealing his role and creating the impression of scientific unanimity. . . ." (20)

Among the collaborators with Daszak was Ralph Baric, another scientist centrally involved with the projects that appear to have birthed SARS Cov-2; **“. . . . Under the subject line, ‘No need for you to sign the Statement Ralph!’, he [Daszak] wrote to two scientists, including UNC’s Dr. Ralph Baric, who had collaborated with Shi Zhengli on the gain-of-function study that created a coronavirus capable of infecting human cells: ‘you, me and him should not sign this statement, so it has some distance from us and therefore doesn’t work in a counterproductive way.’ Daszak added, ‘We’ll then put it out in a way that doesn’t link it back to our collaboration so we maximize an independent voice.’ Baric agreed, writing back, ‘Otherwise it looks self-serving and we lose impact.’”** (21)

Another indication of "consciousness of guilt" is the revealing behavior and statements of national security figures when prompted to discuss the gain-of-function activity in China blamed for generating the coronavirus.

Never lose sight of the technologically obsolete and thus absurd nature of "The Lab-Leak Hypothesis." An analogy to consider entails a hypothetical Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty between the United States and Russia, in which both parties agree to limit the number of crossbows they manufacture.

" In one State Department meeting, officials seeking to demand transparency from the Chinese government say they were explicitly told by colleagues not to explore the Wuhan Institute of Virology's gain-of-function research, *because it would bring unwelcome attention to U.S. government funding of it. . . . because it would 'open a can of worms' if it continued.* ' . . . As the group probed the lab-leak scenario, among other possibilities, *its members were repeatedly advised not to open a 'Pandora's box,' said four former State Department officials interviewed by Vanity Fair. The admonitions 'smelled like a cover-up,' said Thomas DiNanno* " (22)

Curious behavior by the National Institutes of Health also indicate the strong probability of "consciousness of guilt."

" The NIH could say more about the possible role of its grantees in the emergence of SARS-CoV-2, yet the agency has failed to reveal to the public the possibility that SARS-CoV-2 emerged from a research-associated event, even though several researchers raised that concern on February 1, 2020, in a phone conversation that was documented by email (5). *Those emails were released to the public only through FOIA, and they suggest that the NIH leadership took an early and active role in promoting the 'zoonotic hypothesis' and the rejection of the laboratory-associated hypothesis. . . .* " (23)

A stunning detail concerns the 290-page redaction in documents requested from NIH in a FOIA suit: **" *The NIH has resisted the release of important evidence, such as the grant proposals and project reports of EHA, and has continued to redact materials released under FOIA, including a remarkable 290-page redaction in a recent FOIA release. . . .* " (24)**

What is in those 290 pages?!

*Why was the NIH deleting viral sequences from a national database?! " **Acting NIH Director Lawrence Tabak testified before Congress that several such sequences in a US database were removed from public view. . . .** " (25)*

We will analyze perhaps the most convincing example of "consciousness of guilt" when we set forth the link between the CIA's venture capital arm In-Q-Tel, Metabiota and Munich Reinsurance.

Before we do, however, we will detail some of the "interesting" genomes of some viruses researched and manipulated by EcoHealth Alliance and the "Oswald Institute of Virology" (as we call the Wuhan Institute of Virology.) Is this why the NIH redacted the 290 pages and why the NIH removed some gene sequences from public view?

Curious Gene Sequences

The article excerpted below will be further analyzed and dissected in the summary analysis at the end of this article.

Recapping and summarizing a key aspect of the inquiry: **" Much of the work on SARS-like CoVs performed in Wuhan was part of an active and highly collaborative US-China scientific research program funded by the US Government (NIH, Defense Threat**

Reduction Agency [DTRA—Pentagon, D.E.], and US Agency for International Development [USAID]—(State Department, frequent cover for CIA--D.E.), coordinated by researchers at EcoHealth Alliance (EHA—Chief funders are Pentagon, USAID, science and policy advisor is David Franz, former commanding officer of the U.S. Army Research Institute of Infectious Disease—D.E.), but involving researchers at several other US institutions. *For this reason, it is important that US institutions be transparent about any knowledge of the detailed activities that were underway in Wuhan and in the United States. The evidence may also suggest that research institutions in other countries were involved, and those too should be asked to submit relevant information (e.g., with respect to unpublished sequences). . . .* (26)

Harrison and Sachs note the absence of any information about an investigation by the intelligence community of the operations conducted not only in China, but the U.S. and, perhaps, elsewhere.

“ . . . as outlined below, much could be learned by investigating US-supported and US-based work that was underway in collaboration with Wuhan-based institutions, including the Wuhan Institute of Virology (WIV), China. It is still not clear whether the IC investigated these US-supported and US-based activities. *If it did, it has yet to make any of its findings available to the US scientific community for independent and transparent analysis and assessment. If, on the other hand, the IC [Intelligence Community] did not investigate these US-supported and US-based activities, then it has fallen far short of conducting a comprehensive investigation. . . .* (27)

Harrison and Sachs further develop the apparent lack of disclosure and analysis of the work being done on the CoV's: **“ . . . Participating US institutions include the EHA, the University of North Carolina (UNC), the University of California at Davis (UCD), the NIH, and the USAID. *Under a series of NIH grants and USAID contracts, EHA coordinated the collection of SARS-like bat CoVs from the field in southwest China and southeast Asia, the sequencing of these viruses, the archiving of these sequences (involving UCD), and the analysis and manipulation of these viruses (notably at UNC). A broad spectrum of coronavirus research work was done not only in Wuhan (including groups at Wuhan University and the Wuhan CDC, as well as WIV) but also in the United States. The exact details of the fieldwork and laboratory work of the EHA-WIV-UNC partnership, and the engagement of other institutions in the United States and China, has not been disclosed for independent analysis. The precise nature of the experiments that were conducted, including the full array of viruses collected from the field and the subsequent sequencing and manipulation of those viruses, remains unknown. . . .*** (28)

Harrison and Sachs note the “lack of initiative” of the NIH in investigating the possibility of a “research-associated event.” Even they don't seem to be factoring in the information contained in the *Guardian* article from 6/19/2018. **“ . . . The NIH could say more about the possible role of its grantees in the emergence of SARS-CoV-2, yet the agency has failed to reveal to the public the possibility that SARS-CoV-2 emerged from a research-associated event, even though several researchers raised that concern on February 1, 2020, in a phone**

conversation that was documented by email (5). *Those emails were released to the public only through FOIA, and they suggest that the NIH leadership took an early and active role in promoting the ‘zoonotic hypothesis’ and the rejection of the laboratory-associated hypothesis. . .*” (29)

Of particular interest is the presence of a furin cleavage site (FCS) in SARS CoV-2: “. . . . Special concerns surround the presence of an unusual furin cleavage site (FCS) in SARS-CoV-2 (10) that augments the pathogenicity and transmissibility of the virus relative to related viruses like SARS-CoV-1 (11, 12). *SARS-CoV-2 is, to date, the only identified member of the subgenus sarbecovirus that contains an FCS, although these are present in other coronaviruses (13, 14). . .*” (30)

Harrison and Sachs further discuss the “curious” presence of the FCS. (The footnotes from the original article itself are left in and, hopefully, will be further investigated: “. . . . *A portion of the sequence of the spike protein of some of these viruses is illustrated in the alignment shown in Fig. 1, illustrating the unusual nature of the FCS and its apparent insertion in SARS-CoV-2 (15). From the first weeks after the genome sequence of SARS-CoV-2 became available, researchers have commented on the unexpected presence of the FCS within SARS-CoV-2—the implication being that SARS-CoV-2 might be a product of laboratory manipulation.* In a review piece arguing against this possibility, it was asserted that the amino acid sequence of the FCS in SARS-CoV-2 is an unusual, nonstandard sequence for an FCS and that nobody in a laboratory would design such a novel FCS (13). . . .” (31)

Next, Harrison and Sachs tackle the objection raised in the “review piece”: “. . . . In fact, the assertion that the FCS in SARS-CoV-2 has an unusual, nonstandard amino acid sequence is false. The amino acid sequence of the FCS in SARS-CoV-2 also exists in the human ENaC a subunit (16), where it is known to be functional and has been extensively studied (17, 18). The FCS of human ENaC a has the amino acid sequence RRAR’SVAS (2), an eight-amino-acid sequence that is perfectly identical with the FCS of SARS-CoV-2 (16). ENaC is an epithelial sodium channel, expressed on the apical surface of epithelial cells in the kidney, colon, and airways (19, 20), that plays a critical role in controlling fluid exchange. The ENaC a subunit has a functional FCS (17, 18) that is essential for ion channel function (19) and has been characterized in a variety of species. The FCS sequence of human ENaC a (20) is identical in chimpanzee, bonobo, orangutan, and gorilla (SI Appendix, Fig. 1), but diverges in all other species, even primates, except one. (The one non-human non-great ape species with the same sequence is *Pipistrellus kuhlii*, a bat species found in Europe and Western Asia; other bat species, including *Rhinolophus ferrumequinem*, have a different FCS sequence in ENaC a [RKAR’SAAS . . .” (32)

Next, Harrison and Sachs discuss the frightening implications of what they call “molecular mimicry”: “. . . . One consequence of this ‘molecular mimicry’ between the FCS of SARS CoV-2 spike and the FCS of human ENaC is competition for host furin in the lumen of the Golgi apparatus, where the SARS-CoV-2 spike is processed. This results in a decrease in human ENaC expression (21). A decrease in human ENaC expression compromises airway function and has been implicated as a contributing factor in the pathogenesis of COVID-19

(22). Another consequence of this astonishing molecular mimicry is evidenced by apparent cross-reactivity with human ENaC of antibodies from COVID-19 patients, with the highest levels of cross-reacting antibodies directed against this epitope being associated with most severe disease (23). . . .” (33)

Exploring the possible scenario involved with the synthesis of such a virus or viruses, Harrison and Sachs note that: “. . . . *We do know that the insertion of such FCS sequences into SARS-like viruses was a specific goal of work proposed by the EHA-WIV-UNC partnership within a 2018 grant proposal (‘DEFUSE’) that was submitted to the US Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) (25). The 2018 proposal to DARPA was not funded, but we do not know whether some of the proposed work was subsequently carried out in 2018 or 2019, perhaps using another source of funding. . . .*” (34)

Previous knowledge held by “the research team” would have equipped them to engineer SARS CoV-2: “. . . . We also know that that this research team would be familiar with several previous experiments involving the successful insertion of an FCS sequence into SARS-CoV-1 (26) and other coronaviruses, and they had a lot of experience in construction of chimeric SARS-like viruses (27–29). In addition, the research team would also have some familiarity with the FCS sequence and the FCS-dependent activation mechanism of human ENaC (19), which was extensively characterized at UNC (17, 18). *For a research team assessing the pandemic potential of SARS-related coronaviruses, the FCS of human ENaC—an FCS known to be efficiently cleaved by host furin present in the target location (epithelial cells) of an important target organ (lung), of the target organism (human)—might be a rational, if not obvious, choice of FCS to introduce into a virus to alter its infectivity, in line with other work performed previously. . . .*” (35)

Couched in diplomatic language, Harrison and Sachs note the possibility of “coincidence” in the “molecular mimicry”: “. . . . Of course, the molecular mimicry of ENaC within the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein might be a mere coincidence, *although one with a very low probability. The exact FCS sequence present in SARS-CoV-2 has recently been introduced into the spike protein of SARS-CoV-1 in the laboratory, in an elegant series of experiments (12, 30), with predictable consequences in terms of enhanced viral transmissibility and pathogenicity. Obviously, the creation of such SARS-1/2 “chimeras” is an area of some concern for those responsible for present and future regulation of this area of biology. . . .*” (36)

Harrison and Sachs conclude their presentation by noting that full disclosure should clarify the situation—a full disclosure that we believe is altogether unlikely: “. . . . *Information now held by the research team headed by EHA (7), as well as the communications of that research team with US research funding agencies, including NIH, USAID, DARPA, DTRA, and the Department of Homeland Security, could shed considerable light on the experiments undertaken by the US-funded research team and on the possible relationship, if any, between those experiments and the emergence of SARS-CoV-2. . . .*” (37)

Analysis presented in the liberal *New York Magazine* by Nicholson Baker takes stock of the implications of contemporary biotechnology and what we have termed (in past broadcasts) “The

Magic Virus Theory.” His discussion also is quite ironic in its tone: “. . . SARS-2 seems almost perfectly calibrated to grab and ransack our breathing cells and choke the life out of them. . . . *Perhaps viral nature hit a bull’s-eye of airborne infectivity, with almost no mutational drift, no period of accommodation and adjustment, or perhaps some lab worker somewhere, inspired by Baric’s work with human airway tissue, took a spike protein that was specially groomed to colonize and thrive deep in the ciliated, mucosal tunnels of our inner core and cloned it onto some existing viral bat backbone. It could have happened in Wuhan, but — because anyone can now ‘print out’ a fully infectious clone of any sequenced disease — it could also have happened at Fort Detrick, or in Texas, or in Italy, or in Rotterdam, or in Wisconsin, or in some other citadel of coronaviral inquiry. . . .*” (38)

Consciousness of Guilt: The Metabiota/Munich Re/In-Q-Tel Connection

A common theme in murder mysteries (novels, television shows and movies) concerns the purchase of lucrative life insurance impelling the perpetrator to dispatch the victim in order to collect.

Upon the mysterious demise of a victim and the subsequent initiation of an investigation by the detective hero (Lieutenant Colombo, Hercule Poirot, etc.), we frequently see a friend or relative expressing their grief for the deceased, while being thankful that at least they will be well cared-for because of the large life insurance policy of which they are the beneficiary.

Eventually, it turns out that the deceased was murdered by the beneficiary of the life insurance to collect.

Examination of the CIA-financed collaboration between Metabiota and Munich Reinsurance (Munich Re) to provide corporations, civic institutions and pension funds with pandemic insurance yields a disturbingly similar paradigm.

This examination also informs us why Joe Biden is deeply compromised in his policy decisions with regard to the pandemic.

Metabiota

One of the central players in this particular “[mass] murder mystery” is the Metabiota firm, a biotechnology firm heavily involved with national security funding and apparent biological warfare research.

Joe Biden’s recently-pardoned son Hunter was active on behalf of Metabiota in the Ukraine. (39)

Significant for our purposes is Metabiota’s involvement with biological warfare research and its profound operational connections with EcoHealth Alliance and the research implicated in the apparent creation of the SARS CoV-2.

“ emails from Hunter's abandoned laptop show he helped secure millions of dollars of funding for Metabiota, a Department of Defense contractor specializing in research on pandemic-causing diseases that could be used as bioweapons. . . . The DoD position is that . .

.. this is pandemic early warning research. We don't know for sure that's all that was going on. . . ." (40)

Again, Metabiota maintained strong links with EcoHealth Alliance and was involved with what we call "The Oswald Institute of Virology."

" Metabiota has been an official partner of EcoHealth Alliance since 2014, according to its website. . . . Metabiota also has close ties to the Wuhan Institute of Virology . . . WIV was a hotspot for controversial 'gain of function' research that can create super-strength viruses. Chinese [and American] scientists performed gain of function research on coronaviruses at the WIV, working alongside a US-backed organization EcoHealth Alliance that has since drawn intense scrutiny over its coronavirus research since the COVID-19 pandemic. [As noted above, EcoHealth Alliance research was also conducted in the U.S.—D.E.] Researchers from the Wuhan institute, Metabiota and EcoHealth Alliance published a study together in 2014 on infectious diseases from bats in China, which notes that tests were performed at the WIV. Shi Zhengli, the WIV Director of the Center for Emerging Infectious Diseases who became dubbed the 'bat lady' for her central role in bat coronavirus research at the lab, was a contributor to the paper. . . ." (41)

A key executive at Metabiota is Andrew C. Weber: **" He joined Metabiota in February 2016 as Head of Global Partnerships in the Government Business Unit. . . . He served until October 2014 as Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical & Biological Defense Programs. . . ."** (42)

Metabiota--partnered with EcoHealth Alliance--was networked with In-Q-Tel (the CIA's venture capital arm) and Munich Re to provide pandemic insurance.

" Today, [Metabiota](#), the pioneer in epidemic risk modeling, announced that two market innovators, [Munich Reinsurance Company](#), the largest global reinsurer and leading expert on global risk solutions and [In-Q-Tel, Inc. \(IQT\)](#), the strategic investor that accelerates the development of technologies to support the U.S. intelligence community, have signed strategic agreements with Metabiota. . . ." (43)

Further developing the In-Q-Tel, Munich Re, Metabiota project: **" the company is working with the US intelligence community and the Defense Department on issues related to the coronavirus. This is part of [Metabiota's work with In-Q-Tel](#), the nonprofit venture firm associated with the Central Intelligence Agency. . . ."** (44)

In pitching their institutional clients on the need to purchase pandemic insurance, Metabiota/Munich Re presented a revealing scenario to convince their potential customers: **" As sophisticated as Metabiota's system was, however, it would need to be even more refined to incorporate into an insurance policy. The model would need to capture something much more difficult to quantify than historical deaths and medical stockpiles: fear . . . The economic consequences of a scourge, the historical data showed, were as much a result of society's response as they were to the virus itself. . . . 'Measures that decreased person-to-person contact, including social distancing, quarantine, and school closures, had the greatest**

cost per death prevented, most likely because of the amount of economic disruption caused by those measures,' they wrote in a 2018 paper. . . ." (45)

Metabiota had analyzed the scenario of a novel coronavirus pandemic two years before it happened. This appears to be the 2018 paper referred to above. *Do not fail to note that, at the time that Metabiota was running this scenario, they were partnered with EcoHealth Alliance, which was using Pentagon and USAID money to research and perform gain-of-function on these types of coronaviruses! " As the human and economic devastation multiplied in tandem across the globe, Metabiota's employees suddenly found themselves living inside their own model's projections. Just two years earlier, the company had run a large set of scenarios forecasting the consequences of a novel coronavirus spreading around the globe. . . ."* (46)

Munich Reinsurance (Munich Re) is an "interesting" company for In-Q-Tel (CIA) and Metabiota to select as a partner.

The company has a sordid history of collaborating with German intelligence in World War II through reinsurance agreements with Swiss firms. This gave the German Navy critical details about American cargo ships before they even left port, in plenty of time for German submarines to be positioned to sink them and kill their crews.

" In case after case, every man on board had been marked before the captain opened his orders. Though they may not have known it, *the cargoes they carried were reinsured with Munich.* The routine system of placing insurance had put precise information on their sailing date and destination in the hands of the Germans before the ship left port. . . . It had long been the custom of the American companies to place the reinsurance on ships and cargoes with the Zurich group by cabling information to them so that they could accept responsibility for a share of the American insurer's risk. . . . The information cabled would include the name of the ship, the sailing date, the cargo carried, the destination, and the value of the insured property. . . . *the Zurich group in turn had a reinsurance treaty with the Munich reinsurance pool in Germany.* The result was that during 1940 and early 1941, by the time a ship had cleared New York or Baltimore harbor headed for a European port, the German intelligence service already had the sailing data in hand. . . ." (47)

The market for the pandemic insurance marketed jointly by In-Q-Tel (CIA), Metabiota and Munich Re has thrived since the onset of the pandemic.

Event 201

Another event that might be seen as directly foreshadowing Covid 19 is Event 201.

Event 201 was a preparedness exercise in New York City on October 18, 2019, on the eve of the pandemic. It involved the global response to a novel coronavirus spreading around the world, producing millions of deaths and the loss of great amounts of wealth.

" In October 2019, just a few months before a novel coronavirus sparked a deadly pandemic, a group of government officials, business leaders, and academics convened in New York City to role-play a scenario in which *a novel coronavirus sparked a deadly*

pandemic. Their imagined virus leaped from livestock to farmers in Brazil, then spread to Portugal, the United States, and China. Soon, it was everywhere. Eighteen months later, 65 million people were dead. . . .” (48)

This exercise began on the same day as the Military World Games began in Wuhan, China. The possibility that those games *may* have been one of the vehicles for vectoring populations in the pandemic will be covered subsequently.

A key participant in Event 201 was Biden’s Director of National Intelligence Avril Haines. **“Avril Haines is a Senior Research Scholar at Columbia University; a Senior Fellow at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory; a member of the National Commission on Military, National, and Public Service; and a principal at WestExec Advisors. During the last administration [Obama—D.E.], Dr. Haines served as Assistant to the President and Principal Deputy National Security Advisor. She also served as the Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency and Legal Adviser to the National Security Council. . . .”** (49)

As mentioned previously, Haines became Biden’s director of national intelligence. **“ The new director of national intelligence [Avril Haines] has been reshaping the office, installing a new official to lead President Biden’s daily briefings by tapping a veteran of the last Bush administration, according to current and former government officials. . . .”** (50)

The untenable, propagandized “Lab-Leak Hypothesis” gained credence under Biden. This is all the more curious in that [the recently pardoned] Hunter Biden is implicated in the machinations of Metabiota, the partner of In-Q-Tel (CIA) and Munich Re in selling pandemic insurance. Recall the warnings from the projections Metabiota made in 2018: **“ As the human and economic devastation multiplied in tandem across the globe, Metabiota’s employees suddenly found themselves living inside their own model’s projections. Just two years earlier [2018—D.E.], the company had run a large set of scenarios forecasting the consequences of a novel coronavirus spreading around the globe. . . . ‘Measures that decreased person-to-person contact, including social distancing, quarantine, and school closures, had the greatest cost per death prevented, most likely because of the amount of economic disruption caused by those measures,’ they wrote in a 2018 paper. . . .”** (51)

As discussed previously, the “Lab-Leak Hypothesis” gained traction and popularity under Biden. **“ U.S. adults were almost twice as likely to say the virus was the result of a lab leak in China than human contact with an infected animal, which many scientists believe is the most likely scenario. . . . [Harvard Professor Robert] Blendon said Democrats likely became more receptive to the idea after President Joe Biden’s recent order that intelligence agencies investigate the virus’ origin and comments from Anthony Fauci, the White House chief medical officer, that it’s worth digging into. . . .”** (52)

After working for Obama and before joining the Biden administration, Avril Haines spent part of Trump’s tenure in office working for Palantir, the alpha predator of the electronic surveillance landscape, one of whose principals is Trump associate Peter Thiel.

“ Ms. Haines left her position as deputy national security adviser to President Barack Obama at the end of his term in 2017, and within about six months she was working as a consultant for Palantir. . . .” (53)

Interestingly and perhaps significantly, Operation Warp Speed (Trump’s accelerated coronavirus vaccine program) was implemented through Palantir, for whom Avil Haines worked as a consultant during the Trump administration.

“ Julie and Aaron work for Palantir, a company whose name curdles the blood of progressives and some of the military establishment. . . . [General Gustave] Perna says Palantir did exactly what it promised. Using artificial intelligence, the company optimized thousands of data streams and piped them into an elegant interface. In a few short weeks, Perna had his God view of the problem. . . .” (54)

Disease X

Another “curious” foreshadowing of the pandemic concerns “Disease X” and the ubiquitous Peter Daszak’s prediction of same. This is all the more significant in that Daszak was working through EcoHealth Alliance to create the “novel coronavirus” that Metabiota, In-Q-Tel (CIA) and Munich Re were citing as the imperative for institutions to purchase their pandemic insurance. Recall that Daszak also actively conspired with EcoHealth Alliance colleague Ralph Baric to game the *Lancet* letter attributing the pandemic to natural causes.

Daszak had also participated in a forum that warned of a “Disease X.”

Peter Daszak voiced the (self-fulfilling?) opinion/prophecy that Covid-19 is indeed "Disease X." The cognitive template for Covid-19 was partially set by Peter Daszak, who has widely disseminated the supposition that "Disease X" would overtake the world.

“ In early 2018, during [a meeting at the World Health Organization](#) in Geneva, a group of experts I belong to (the [R&D Blueprint](#)) coined the term “[Disease X](#)”: We were referring to the next pandemic, which would be caused by an unknown, novel pathogen that hadn’t yet entered the human population. . . . Disease X, we said back then, would likely result from a virus originating in animals and would emerge somewhere on the planet where economic development drives people and wildlife together. Disease X would probably be confused with other diseases early in the outbreak and would spread quickly and silently; exploiting networks of human travel and trade, it would reach multiple countries and thwart containment. *Disease X would have a mortality rate higher than a seasonal flu but would spread as easily as the flu. It would shake financial markets even before it achieved pandemic status.*

In a nutshell, Covid-19 is Disease X. . . .” (55)

Philip Zelikow and Michael R. Gordon: Déjà vu All Over Again

Revealing and altogether dubious is the elevation of Philip Zelikow to a position of influence in “investigating” the origin of Covid, as well as Michael R. Gordon, who has “walked journalistic point” in the hyping of the untenable “Lab-Leak Hypothesis.”

With Michael R. Gordon helping craft journalistic justification for the "Lab-Leak Theory" and Philip Zelikow proposed to chair a commission investigating Covid-19, we are seeing players in the PNAC/Iraqi WMD/9/11 nexus being recycled in connection with that theory.

Gordon wrote a widely disseminated piece in *The Wall Street Journal* giving credence to the technologically absurd "Lab-Leak Hypothesis." " **Media reports by *NBC*, *CNN*, and the *New York Times* followed. All of them claimed that the Biden Administration's actions were triggered by the 'new evidence' presented in the *Wall Street Journal* article. Within 24 hours of publication of the *Journal's* report, all of these publications declared that the Wuhan Lab conspiracy theory was 'credible.'** But the article published by the *Wall Street Journal*—beyond being totally unsubstantiated and presenting nothing fundamentally new in terms of 'intelligence'—is presented by a lead author who happens to have helped fabricate the most lethal lie of the 21st century. . . ." (56)

In addition, Michael R. Gordon: " was the same man who, along with Judith Miller, wrote the September 8, 2002 article falsely asserting that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was seeking to build a nuclear weapon. . . The claim was a lie, funneled to the *Times* by the office of US Vice President Dick Cheney. . . On May 26, 2004, the *Times* published a letter from its editors entitled '[FROM THE EDITORS; The Times and Iraq](#),' 'acknowledging that the *Times* repeatedly 'fell for misinformation.' . . ." (57)

Gordon's track record of dubious claims continued with regard to coverage of Ukraine: " On April 20, 2014 . . . co-authored an article entitled 'Photos Link Masked Men in East Ukraine to Russia,' which claimed to identify masked men operating in eastern Ukraine in opposition to the US-backed coup regime as active-duty Russian soldiers. . . . Four days later, the *Times* Public Editor was again compelled to [retract](#) the claims in Gordon's reporting, calling them 'discredited.' . . ." (58)

Before delving into Philip Zelikow's role in "investigating" the origins of Covid, we review his altogether questionable role in the "investigation" of the 9/11 attacks. " **The lawyer who led the inquiry into the Sept. 11 attacks has quietly laid a foundation for a nonpartisan commission to investigate the coronavirus pandemic**" (59)

Powerful individuals and institutions are supporting Zelikow and company: " **the Covid Commission Planning Group, directed by Mr. Zelikow, is forging ahead on a separate track that might at some point, merge with a congressionally appointed panel. It has financial support from Schmidt Futures, founded by Mr. Schmidt and his wife Wendy; *Stand Together*, which is backed by the libertarian-leaning philanthropist Charles Koch; the Skoll Foundation, founded by the eBay pioneer Jeff Skoll; and the *Rockefeller Foundation*. . . .**" (60)

It should be noted that Zelikow and company did not limit their investigation to the "Lab-Leak Hypothesis," but do not appear to have entertained the evidence that the pandemic came from the U.S. " **the group has made detailed notes of these sessions and drafted a blueprint for a wide-ranging inquiry that would include, but hardly be limited to, an examination of the origins of the virus—including the contentious 'lab leak' theory. . . .**" (61)

Zelikow's track record as an "impartial investigator" is not encouraging. " **There is now evidence, much of it systematically suppressed by the 9/11 Commission, that before 9/11, CIA officers Richard Blee and Tom Wilshire inside the CIA's Bin Laden Unit along with FBI agents such as Dina Corsi, were protecting from investigation and arrest two of the eventual alleged hijackers on 9/11, Khalid al-Midhar and Nawaf al-Hazmi—much as the FBI had protected Ali Mohamed from arrest in 1993. . . . The 9/11 Commission Report, overruling FBI reports, simply denied that Saudi embassy money had supported the two hijackers. . . .**" (62)

Before reviewing a key element of the Project for A New American Century's "Rebuilding America's Defenses," it is important to note that Zelikow was instrumental in bringing to fruition the PNAC agenda: "**. . . . In 2002, the PNAC goals of unchallenged military dominance, plus the right to launch preemptive strikes anywhere, were embodied in the new National Security Strategy of September 2002 (known as 'NSS 2002'. (A key figure in drafting this document was Philip Zelikow, who later became the principal author of the 9/11 Commission Report.)**" (63)

It is important to bear in mind what the PNAC paper recommended with regard to biological weapons (bearing in mind Zelikow's role in bringing the recommendations to fruition: "**. . . . In what is arguably the think tank's most controversial document, titled '[Rebuilding America's Defenses](#),' there are a few passages that openly discuss the utility of bioweapons, including the following sentences: '...combat likely will take place in new dimensions: in space, 'cyber-space,' and perhaps the world of microbes...advanced forms of biological warfare that can 'target' specific genotypes may transform biological warfare from the realm of terror to a politically useful tool.' . . .**" (64)

A thought-provoking, although altogether speculative, hypothesis concerns the behavior of Steven Hatfill who, like Michael R. Gordon and Philip Zelikow figured in the events surrounding the 9/11 attacks and the invasion of Iraq. We will explore this more fully in a supplemental article to this one.

Hatfill will be discussed in a supplemental paper setting forth possible vectoring scenarios for the pandemic.

The 1918 Influenza Pandemic

An academic paper produced by a Federal Reserve economist posits the socio-political effects of the 1918 flu pandemic as a factor contributing to the rise of Nazism in Germany.

Cited by numerous publications, including [The New York Times](#), [Bloomberg News](#) and [Politico](#), Kristian Blickle's analysis underscores some of our assertions concerning the psychological, sociological and socio-economic aspects of the Covid-19 outbreak.

"[A new academic paper](#) produced by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York concludes that deaths caused by the 1918 influenza pandemic 'profoundly shaped German society' in subsequent years and contributed to the strengthening of the Nazi Party. . . The paper's findings are likely due to 'changes in societal preferences' following the 1918 outbreak . . .

[which] may have 'spurred resentment of foreigners among the survivors' and driven voters to parties 'whose platform matched such sentiments.' . . . 'influenza deaths of 1918 are correlated with an increase in the share of votes won by right-wing extremists, such as the National Socialist Workers Party' in Germany's 1932 and 1933 elections. Together, the lower spending and flu-related deaths 'had a strong effect on the share of votes won by extremists, specifically the extremist national socialist party' — the Nazis — the paper posits.' . . .” (65)

This study is interesting to contemplate against the background of Donald Trump's electoral victory of 2024. Might his victory have resulted, in part, from the fascist and extreme right-wing ramifications of the pandemic?

It is noteworthy that U.S. military researchers recovered part of the genome of the 1918 influenza virus in order to determine what made the virus so deadly: **“A group of Defense Department researchers has found genetic material from the notorious Spanish flu virus that killed at least 20 million people worldwide in the influenza pandemic of 1918. . . . And now, medical experts say, investigators at last hope to answer a question that has troubled them for decades: what made this virus so deadly? . . .”** (66)

Using synthetic biology technology, scientists synthesized the 1918 influenza virus in 2005. **“ The technology immediately created bio-weapon worries. . . . Researchers at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) drove that point home in 2005 when they resurrected the influenza virus that killed tens of millions in 1918-1919. . . .”** (67)

Worth noting in this context is the fact that there is no difference between proscribed “offensive” and reportedly acceptable “defensive” biological warfare research. When studying how microorganisms infect, sicken and/or kill plants, animals and humans, it is the same research whether one calls it “defensive” or “offensive.”

Might the discovery and recreation of the 1918 influenza virus have influenced the development of SARS CoV-2?

Destabilizing Society and Increasing Support for Authority

Following directly on the observations of the Kristian Bickel paper, we take stock of the destabilizing effect of the pandemic and lockdown and, conversely, the generation of support for authority as a result of the insecurity generated in the population.

During the lockdown, people experienced psychologically and behaviorally wounding emotions.

These include: **“Stress on marital relationships; duress on sexual behavior, with New York and Los Angeles (among other cities) advising people to masturbate, rather than engage in sexual encounters with others; psychological dislocation of children, who can't play with others; psychological dislocation of athletic youths, who can't compete in sports; workers who can't interact at the office with their peers; stress on friendships; people losing their hair in clumps, because of stress; people grinding their teeth and cracking them; the effect of people wearing masks and limiting the ability of others to respond to facial stimuli--an**

innate and important element of human psycho-social behavior; cities experiencing soaring murder rates because of stress; the effect of lockdowns on street demonstrations pursuant to the deaths of George Floyd and Breanna Taylor; rising rates of domestic violence; rising consumption of alcohol; rising incidence of people feeling suicidal; rising drug abuse; people foregoing wearing masks and practicing social distancing because of what psychologists call "Covid Fatigue;" people flocking to contrarians opposing various public safety measures" (68)

The pandemic also leant momentum to a tendency to adhere to authority and its dictates. " **Our findings revealed that support for political and technocratic authority, as well as satisfaction with political institutions, rose significantly above long-term historical baselines during the pandemic. . . the results support the hypothesis that exposure to existential risk results in greater support for authority and that individual feelings of insecurity may be linked to less critical citizen orientations. . . ." (69)**

Operation Northwoods

The Covid-19 pandemic gains a dimension of comprehension when viewed against the background of Operation Northwoods.

Operation Northwoods was created in the early 1960's as a propaganda and psychological warfare gambit to get Americans to support national policies that they might otherwise reject.

Operation Northwoods' genesis grew out of the Joint Chiefs of Staff's dissatisfaction with President Kennedy's reticence to invade Cuba. (The chairman of the Joint Chiefs at the time was General Lyman Lemnitzer, who was involved in the Operation Sunrise negotiations for the surrender of the SS forces in Italy. The "Sunrise" milieu involved Bush family investment adviser Allen Dulles, SS General Karl Wolff, Himmler's personal adjutant and Nazi operative Francois Genoud whose name has cropped up in connection with 9/11 in several contexts.)

" Lemnitzer and the Joint Chiefs had quietly slipped over the edge. According to secret and long-hidden documents obtained for *Body of Secrets*, the Joint Chiefs of Staff drew up and approved plans for what may be the most corrupt plan ever created by the U.S. government. In the name of anticommunism, they proposed launching a secret and bloody war of terrorism against their own country in order to trick the American public into supporting an ill-conceived war" (70)

The inventory of proposals generated by Operation Northwoods is chilling: "**. . . . Codenamed Operation Northwoods, the plan, which had the written approval of the Chairman and every member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, called for innocent people to be shot on American streets; for boats carrying refugees fleeing Cuba to be sunk on the high seas; for a wave of violent terrorism to be launched in Washington, D.C., Miami, and elsewhere. People would be framed for bombings they did not commit; planes would be hijacked. . . ." (71)**

Further developing our analysis, the project epitomizes what are today known as "False-Flag Attacks." "**. . . . "Operation Northwoods called for a war in which many patriotic**

Americans and innocent Cubans would die senseless deaths-all to satisfy the egos of twisted generals back in Washington, safe in their tax-payer-financed homes and limousines. . . .” (72)

The Northwoods scenarios should be weighed against the background of recent American history: “ **"The suggested operations grew progressively more outrageous. . . . 'We could blow up a U.S. ship in Guantanamo Bay and blame Cuba,' they proposed; 'casualty lists in U.S. newspapers would cause a helpful wave of national indignation.' . . . There seemed no limit to their fanaticism.: 'We could develop a Communist Cuban terror campaign in the Miami area, in other Florida cities and even in Washington,' they wrote. . . . Bombings were proposed, false arrests, hijackings: 'Exploding a few plastic bombs in carefully chosen spots Among the most elaborate schemes was to 'create an incident which will demonstrate convincingly that a Cuban aircraft has attacked and shot down a chartered civil airliner en route from the United States to Jamaica, Guatemala, Panama or Venezuela. . . .” (73)**

The documentation for the plans was kept secret, permitting an ongoing cover-up: “ **Because of the secrecy and illegality of Operation Northwoods, all details remained hidden for forty years Yet detailed JCS invasion plans had been drawn up even before Kennedy was inaugurated. And additional plans had been developed since . . . Because so many documents were destroyed, it is difficult to determine how many senior officials were aware of Operation Northwoods. As has been described, the document was signed and fully approved by Lemnitzer and the rest of the Joint Chiefs and addressed to the Secretary of Defense for his signature. . . .” (74)**

Author Bamford concludes as follows about Northwoods: “ **Operation Northwoods also had the support of every single member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff The fact that the most senior members of all the services and the Pentagon could be so out of touch with reality and the meaning of democracy would be hidden for four decades. . . .” (75)**

The Northwoods Virus?

The effect of the coronavirus on public opinion is *precisely* what would be expected from a Northwoods-style operation. The attendant propaganda blitzkrieg about the untenable “Lab-Leak Hypothesis” is amplifying that effect.

The available evidence chronicled in this article points to the Covid-19 pandemic as a biological warfare false flag operation and provocation.

“ in the United States and other wealthy democracies, the pandemic has driven negative views of China to new heights, a survey published on Tuesday showed. The illness, deaths and disruption caused by the coronavirus in those countries have intensified already strong public distrust of China, where the virus emerged late last year, the results from the Pew Research Center’s survey indicated. ‘Unfavorable opinion has soared over the past year,’ said the survey on views of China” (76)

The probable scenario behind the generation of “The Northwoods Virus” will be discussed in the conclusion of this article.

What Happened: The “Oswald Institute of Virology”

Against the background of the “Full-Court Press” destabilization of China, the fundamental national security foundation of the research that appears to have developed SARS CoV-2 and the techniques of contemporary synthetic biology, we are in a position to posit what probably happened.

We have dubbed this “The Oswald Institute of Virology,” named after Lee Harvey Oswald.

The massive subject of the JFK assassination is beyond the present framework to present in the depth and detail required. Suffice it to say that the event itself was a coup d’etat, masked by pinning the crime on a left-cover U.S. intelligence agent (Lee Harvey Oswald) who was given a “left cover,” infiltrated into the former Soviet Union, framed for the assassination, and then murdered before he could defend himself.

For purposes of the present discussion, a truncated account of the framework of “Oswald’s” self-incriminating appearances in Mexico City informs us of the paradigm apparently at work in the framing of the Wuhan Institute of Virology for the development of the virus.

“ The CIA’s case scapegoated Cuba and U.S.S.R. through Oswald for the president’s assassination and steered the United States toward an invasion of Cuba and a nuclear attack on the U.S.S.R. . . . One must give the CIA (and the assassination sponsors that were even further in the shadows) their due for having devised and executed a brilliant setup that pressured other government authorities to choose among three major options: a war of vengeance against Cuba and the Soviet Union based on the CIA’s false Mexico City documentation of a Communist assassination plot; a domestic political war based on the same documents seen truly, but a war the CIA would fight with every covert weapon at its command; or a complete cover-up of any conspiracy evidence and a silent coup d’etat that would reverse Kennedy’s efforts to end the Cold War. . . .” (77)

EcoHealth Alliance (funded by the Pentagon, USAID and advised by David Franz of the USAMRIID), financed the discovery and gain-of-function manipulation of bat viruses at the Wuhan Institute of Virology.

These research projects led to the publication of scientific papers with the genomic sequences of the viruses contained therein. The databases of the Wuhan Institute of Virology would also have contained these viral genomes.

Having set up the WIV to take the blame for the creation of the viruses, the viruses were then synthesized using contemporary synthetic biology.

By way of review and elucidation, those synthetic biology techniques were presented in an article in *The Guardian*: “ . . . **Advances in the area mean that scientists now have the capability to recreate dangerous viruses from scratch; make harmful bacteria more deadly; and modify common microbes so that they churn out lethal toxins once they enter the body.**

. . In the report, the scientists describe how synthetic biology, which gives researchers precision tools to manipulate living organisms, ‘enhances and expands’ opportunities to create bioweapons. . . . Today, the genetic code of almost any mammalian virus can be found online and synthesised. ‘The technology to do this is available now,’ said [Michael] Imperiale. “It requires some expertise, but it’s something that’s relatively easy to do, and that is why it tops the list. . . .” (78)

After synthesizing the viruses, populations in the U.S. and around the world were then vectored and the blame pinned on China and the Wuhan Institute of Virology or, as we have termed it, “the Oswald Institute of Virology.”

Alleging that the Chinese allowed the lethal viruses that they had created to “leak,” the vast propaganda apparatus of the U.S. national security and media establishments trumpeted and disseminated the “Lab-Leak Hypothesis.”

The resultant “psy-op” mobilized U.S. and world opinion for an escalating cascade of anti-China measures—in effect, a “Northwoods Virus” gambit.

A companion article to this one will outline possible scenarios for the vectoring of targeted populations both in the U.S. and abroad. In addition, we will present future articles detailing the creation of Lyme Disease by U.S. biological warfare experts and the strong probability that AIDS came from a U.S. biological warfare program as well.

Project Paperclip

The American importation of the cream of Nazi military science to work for the U.S. under Project Paperclip is well documented. Many of those were war criminals of the first order. One of many examples concerns the Nazi doctors involved in lethal human experimentation at the Dachau concentration camp.

“ The U.S. war crimes office for the chief counsel wrote up a list of doctors involved in medical research that resulted in ‘mercy killing,’ a euphemism used by the Third Reich for its medical murder programs. . . . A copy of the list was given to the commander of the Army Air Forces Aero Medical Center, Robert J. Benford. Five doctors working at the center starting in the fall of 1945 were on the list: Theodor Benzinger, Siegfried Ruff, Konrad Schafer, Hermann Becker-Freyseng, and Oskar Schroder. Instead of firing these physicians suspected of heinous war crimes, the center kept the doctors in its employ and the list was classified. . . .” (79)

Far from being exceptional, the U.S. employment of these criminals was exemplary and routine.

Unit 731

Against the background of the virulent anti-Chinese psy-op embodied in the “Lab-Leak Hypothesis,” we note that the notorious Japanese Unit 731 biological warfare unit was folded into the U.S. war effort, along with many of its most heinous personnel and methodologies.

“General Marquat was also in charge of closing down and punishing Japan's biological and chemical warfare service, Unit 731. Instead, the U.S. Government secretly absorbed Unit 731, moving most of its scientists, personnel, and documents to U.S. military research centers like Fort Dietrick in the Maryland countryside. All information about its activities, including biological warfare atrocities, and horrific experiments on fully conscious victims, was withheld by Washington from the American and Japanese public, and from the Tokyo War Crimes Tribunals. All Unit 731's records held by the U.S. Government are still top secret. . . .” (80)

The Ukrainian Family Daszak

The historical record of U.S. employment of Axis individuals and institutions involved in biological warfare raises an interesting interrogatory note about Peter Daszak and his heritage.

Daszak’s father Bohdan was Ukrainian and the right age to have served in the Nazi-allied government of Jaroslav Stetzko and the OUN/B. (In a supplemental essay, we will analyze the Ukrainian Nazi collaborators and the Daszaks in the context of Ukrainian fascist-allied elements in the destabilization of China.)

“ Parents - Father is Bohdan Daszak (born March 21, 1926)” (81)

Bohdan Daszak would have been 19 in March of 1945. An interesting excerpt from a book highlights Bohdan Daszak’s work in a Nazi concentration camp during World War II. Note that this excerpt contains some fundamental inaccuracies, although they are not necessarily intentional on the part of the author.

“When he was about 16, in March 1944, the Germans had occupied his country. . . . Bogdan, though, was an educated town boy, not a peasant like the others, so he was used for paperwork in a camp. . . .” (82)

This passage contains several inaccuracies: Bohdan Daszak was eighteen in March of 1944, not sixteen. Ukraine was not a country but a republic of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. It was invaded and occupied in June of 1941, not 1944.

Interestingly and, perhaps significantly, one of the most notorious Nazi concentration camps was Janowska, located outside the city of Lvov in Ukraine.

“Janowska concentration camp was a German [Nazi concentration camp](#) combining elements of labor, transit, and [extermination camps](#).^[1] It was established in September 1941 on the outskirts of Lwów in what had become, after the German invasion, the [General Government](#) (today: [Lviv](#), Ukraine). . . . Jews from the Lwów ghetto were forced to work as [slave](#) laborers in this complex. When the Germans liquidated the Lwów ghetto, the ghetto's inhabitants who were fit for work were sent to the Janowska camp; the rest were deported to the German Nazi death camp [Belzec](#) for extermination. . . . Janowska was a transit camp during the [mass deportations of Polish Jews to the killing centers](#) in 1942 from across German-occupied southeastern Poland (now western Ukraine). Jews underwent a selection process in Janowska camp similar to that used

at [Auschwitz–Birkenau](#) and [Majdanek](#) German [extermination camps](#). Those classified as fit to work remained at Janowska for forced labor. The majority, rejected as unfit for work, were deported to Belzec and murdered, or else were shot at the Piaski ravine” (83)

Important in this context is the fact that the Daszak family is from Lvov. Responding to an inquiry on Twitter (now “X”), Peter Daszak responded as follows on March 2 of 2022: “. . . . Came from Lvov Ukraine where we still have relatives. . . .” (84)

It is extremely unlikely that Bohdan Daszak would have been assigned to a camp other than Janowska, which was located at Lvov, the ancestral home of the Daszak family.

This raises the admittedly speculative question as to whether Bohdan Daszak’s presence at a Nazi concentration *may* have been because of sympathies with the Ukrainian collaborationist movement?

Was the elder Daszak, in essence, a participant in Nazi crimes? Is it possible that Peter Daszak is part of the “Paperclip” milieu and diaspora? Again, these are questions to be answered and are presented in an interrogatory mode here.

A summary look at the information in this essay yields the conclusion that the generation and dissemination of Covid-19 is a crime against humanity, although some participants may not have been aware of the full extent of the operation.

Conclusion, Recap and Summary Analysis

Summing up what has been presented in this article, we see that Covid-19 pandemic occurred in the context of an intense anti-China destabilization blitzkrieg. The blaming of the pandemic on China greatly accelerated anti-China sentiment in this country and abroad.

As we have seen, programs of atrocity and terror against the American people to promote support for violent reaction were at the heart of “Operation Northwoods.”

We may well be able to see Covid-19 as “The Northwoods Virus.”

The use of genetically-engineered microorganisms was foreseen by PNAC in its “Rebuilding America’s Defenses” paper as a “politically useful tool.” The inquiry into Covid’s origins was overseen in considerable measure by Philip Zelikow, whose “investigation” of the 9/11 attacks was characterized by significant omissions. Zelikow also helped implement portions of the PNAC defense proposals in 2002.

In addition, Michael R. Gordon provided propagandized journalistic support to the invasion of Iraq and the extended PNAC agenda with articles that were later discredited. Gordon also gave propagandized journalistic support to the technologically obsolete and absurd “Lab-Leak Hypothesis.”

The Biden administration helped popularize the “Lab-Leak Hypothesis” with Avril Haines as Director of National Intelligence. Haines had previously worked for Palantir during the Trump administration at a time when Palantir was administering Operation Warp Speed (the

development of a Covid vaccine). For more about Warp Speed, see the essay “The Moderna File,” available on this platform.

Haines had previously participated in Event 201, foreshadowing the pandemic and Hunter Biden had worked with Metabiota in some of its apparently biological warfare-related projects.

The National Security Establishment and the Development of Covid

At the core of analysis of the advent of Covid is the fundamental role of the national security establishment in the institutions involved with the gain-of-function operations at the “Oswald Institute of Virology” and the University of North Carolina: The EcoHealth Alliance is funded largely by the Pentagon and USAID, as well as being advised by Peter Franz, the former director of USAMRIID, located at Fort Detrick and shut-down temporarily in August of 2019 by the CDC for violations that have been obscured for reasons of “National Security.”

We note the co-authorship of military-linked personnel on some of the papers coming out of “The Oswald Institute of Virology.”

This was on the eve of the pandemic.

EcoHealth Alliance has held contracts for the apparent development of biological warfare agents and is also heavily networked with the Department of Homeland Security.

EcoHealth Alliance is also networked with Metabiota, itself apparently involved with BW research.

Summary of Consciousness of Guilt and Covid-19

Of paramount in this significance regard are numerous indications of the legal concept of “Consciousness of Guilt.” Again, as the brilliant Berkeley professor Peter Dale Scott noted: “The cover-up obviates the conspiracy.”

Summing up key elements of “Consciousness of Guilt”: Daszak and Baric’s deliberate gaming of the *Lancet*’s inquiry into the origins of Covid; Why did Daszak discuss “Disease X” and conclude Covid was “Disease X”?; the curious, discouraging behavior of National Security bureaucrats when Trump apparatchiks were trying to drum-up support for “The Lab-Leak Hypothesis” (“A can of worms,” “A Pandora’s box”); Why was a Covid-like virus genome not deposited into the GenBank until May of 2020 (long after the Baric/EcoHealth Alliance team synthesized it)?; Why the extreme secrecy of the Potential Pandemic Pathogen Care and Oversight (P3CO) committee?; Why were viral genomes being deleted by the NIH from its database in May of 2022?; Why were NIH documents requested by a FOIA suit released *with a 290-page redaction*?; The prospectus presented by the In-Q-Tel (CIA) financed Metabiota/Munich Re pandemic insurance *warning in 2018* of the economic destruction that might be wrought by a “novel Coronavirus” necessitating quarantining, social distancing and school closures *at the same time that Metabiota was networked with Ecohealth Alliance, which is synthesizing novel coronaviruses.*

Key Features of the Sachs/Harrison Paper for the Proceedings of The National Academy of Sciences (85)

Heading the above-mentioned Lancet commission into the origins of Covid, Professor Jeffrey Sachs co-authored a paper for the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences with Neil Harrison. That paper warrants separate scrutiny and discussion of some of its major features. Many of these points also indicate the certainty and/or possibility of “consciousness of guilt.”

Due to the detailed scientific language and nature of the findings, key sections of the Sachs/Harrison paper quoted above are included verbatim as bullet points:

- The fact that NIH leadership took an early lead in promoting the “natural emergence/zoonotic” hypothesis (suggestive of the possibility of consciousness of guilt): “ *the NIH leadership took an early and active role in promoting the ‘zoonotic hypothesis’ and the rejection of the laboratory-associated hypothesis. . . .*”
- The fact that the intelligence community has yet to make the results of its inquiries available to the scientific community for further investigation (suggestive of the possibility of consciousness of guilt): “ *If it [the Intelligence Community] did, it has yet to make any of its findings available to the US scientific community for independent and transparent analysis and assessment. . . .*”
- The possibility that the intelligence community may not have fully investigated the relevant individuals, institutions (suggestive of the possibility of consciousness of guilt): “ *If, on the other hand, the IC [Intelligence Community] did not investigate these US-supported and US-based activities, then it has fallen far short of conducting a comprehensive investigation. . . .*”
- The fact that the field and laboratory work performed the WIV-ECA-UNC axis has not been disclosed for independent analysis: “ *The exact details of the fieldwork and laboratory work of the EHA-WIV-UNC partnership, and the engagement of other institutions in the United States and China, has not been disclosed for independent analysis. . . .*”
- The fact that the precise nature of the experiments performed by the WIV-ECA-UNC and the fact that the full array of viruses collected remains unknown: “ *The precise nature of the experiments that were conducted, including the full array of viruses collected from the field and the subsequent sequencing and manipulation of those viruses, remains unknown. . . .*”
- Of particular interest is the presence of a furin cleavage site (FCS) in SARS CoV-2: “ *Special concerns surround the presence of an unusual furin cleavage site (FCS) in SARS-CoV-2 (10) that augments the pathogenicity and transmissibility of the virus relative to related viruses like SARS-CoV-1 (11, 12). . . .*”
- Such an FCS site is unique to this coronavirus subgenus of sarbecoviruses: *SARS-CoV-2 is, to date, the only identified member of the subgenus sarbecovirus that contains an FCS, although these are present in other coronaviruses (13, 14). . . .*
- This elicited interest and suspicion from the time that the genome of SARS-CoV-2 became known: “ *From the first weeks after the genome sequence of SARS-CoV-2*

became available, researchers have commented on the unexpected presence of the FCS within SARS-CoV-2—the implication being that SARS-CoV-2 might be a product of laboratory manipulation. . . .”

- The FCS sequence of SARS-CoV-2 is identical with a key human amino acid array: “. . . . The FCS of human EnaC has the amino acid sequence RRAR’SVAS (2), an eight-amino-acid sequence that is perfectly identical with the FCS of SARS-CoV-2 (16). . . .”
- The implications of this mimicry are frightening and well suited for a biological warfare weapon: “. . . . “ One consequence of this ‘molecular mimicry’ is competition for host furin in the lumen of the Golgi apparatus. . . . This results in a decrease in human EnaC expression (21). . . . [which] compromises airway function and has been implicated as a contributing factor in the pathogenesis of COVID-19 (22).”
- The ‘molecular mimicry’ also results in immune disfunction: “. . . . Another consequence of this astonishing molecular mimicry is evidenced by apparent cross-reactivity with human EnaC of antibodies from COVID-19 patients, with the highest levels of cross-reacting antibodies directed against this epitope being associated with most severe disease (23). . . .”
- The insertion of just such a FCS sequence was proposed to DARPA (which, as we have seen, was involved in bat-borne coronaviruses): “. . . . “ *We do know that the insertion of such FCS sequences into SARS-like viruses was a specific goal of work proposed by the EHA-WIV-UNC partnership within a 2018 grant proposal (‘DEFUSE’) that was submitted to the US Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) (25). . . .*”
- After noting that the EHA-WIV-UNC teams involved with the gain-of-function experiments were familiar with the significance of the “molecular mimicry,” Sachs and Harrison note: “. . . . *For a research team assessing the pandemic potential of SARS-related coronaviruses, the FCS of human EnaC—an FCS known to be efficiently cleaved by host furin present in the target location (epithelial cells) of an important target organ (lung), of the target organism (human)—might be a rational, if not obvious, choice of FCS to introduce into a virus to alter its infectivity, in line with other work performed previously. . . .*”
- Sachs and Harrison note the very low probability of coincidence: “. . . . the molecular mimicry of EnaC within the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein might be a mere coincidence, *although one with a very low probability. . . .*”

A Bio-Psy-Op

In addition to ramping up anti-China sentiment (“The Northwoods Virus”), Covid-19 and its variants may be seen as the ultimate “psy-op,” a “bio-psy-op,” if you will.

The conclusions of the paper by New York Federal Reserve member Kristian Bickle loom large in this context. Bickle concludes that the 1918 flu pandemic helped shape the collective German political psyche in such a way as to make them more receptive to Hitler and the Nazi Party.

Did such a dynamic shape the psyche of the American public in such a way as to make them more receptive to Trump?

Does the U.S. military's successful recovery of the genome of the 1918 flu virus and the subsequent recreation of the organism using contemporary synthetic biology technology bear on the Covid-19 pandemic? (The viral genome was retrieved in 1997 and the virus recreated in 2005.)

We must also keep in mind the many individual and social symptoms of stress resulting from the pandemic. How did that societal disruption impact subsequent political developments?

We note that one effect of the destabilization of the citizenry's mental states left many disposed many to be more receptive to authority.

Was that also a goal of the "bio-psy-op?"

A companion article will explore the eugenic aspects of the pandemic and possible vectoring scenarios for the spreading of the virus both in the U.S. and abroad.

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