

# Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Doctor Granted Official Whistleblower Status After Warning About Vaccine Autism Coverup

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The Obama Administration has done a good thing in granting whistleblower status to a former Centers for Disease Control and Prevention scientist who says he intentionally omitted information in a study years ago that indicated a race-based link between childhood diseases, including autism, and vaccines.

The scientist, Dr. William S. Thompson, still works for the CDC, and now he's collaborating closely with a congressman's office to provide details about his actions to Capitol Hill, *The Daily Caller* reports.

In August of last year, Thompson put out a statement revealing his omission:

I regret that my coauthors and I omitted statistically significant information in our 2004 article published in the journal *Pediatrics*. The omitted data suggested that African American males who received the MMR vaccine before age 36 months were at increased risk for autism. Decisions were made regarding which findings to report after the data were collected, and I believe that the final study protocol was not followed.

His full statement is [here](#).

News of Thompson's whistleblower status comes amid recent controversy regarding vaccines and potential 2016 presidential candidates who have made statements, amid a new measles outbreak, that parents ought to have some control over whether or not to vaccinate their children.

Potential GOP contenders Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie have made pro-parental rights statements; former First Lady and potential Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton has called [vaccine](#) science "settled."

But, as *The DC* reported further:

Thompson said that he and other CDC scientists intentionally fudged the results, manipulating the pool of children they analyzed and limiting the proper number of African-American children from participating. The authors limited black children from showing up in the results by excluding babies without a state of Georgia birth certificate.

That, they concede, skewed the data.

“It was a mutual decision among the five co-authors,” Dr. Brian Hooker told *The Daily Caller*

Hooker, an associate professor at Simpson University in California, discovered the deception during conversations he held and secretly recorded last year. He began talking with Thompson in 2013 and wound up getting it all on audio recording before distributing the information to vaccine skeptics online.

“I live close to the Oregon border. I taped the conversations in a hotel room,” Hooker said. “I didn’t want people to run out and delay vaccination because of this, because it was only one piece of data. But it was the one piece of data that [CDC](#) chose to cover up.”

“I did record phone conversations without his prior knowledge. That’s not something I took lightly, and I went to the state of Oregon to do it,” Hooker, the father of an autistic child, told *The DC*. “I live fairly close to the Oregon border, so for most of the conversation I was taping him in a hotel. The stuff that was being revealed was really radioactive. I consulted with two different attorneys and decided to go ahead and record these phone calls.”

At Thompson’s direction, Hooker revised the original data.

“When I ran the effect for males only for African-Americans the likelihood was 3.36. Stronger effect in African-American males and it looked like the effect was exclusively in African-American males, not females,” he said.

Following the skewing of data, Thompson sent a [letter](#) to then-CDC Director Dr. Julie Geberding in 2004 to discuss “problematic results” in relation to the MMR vaccine and autism. His letter highlights the paranoia within the CDC at the time.

“We’ve not yet met to discuss these matters.... I will be presenting the summary of our results from the Metropolitan Atlanta Autism Case-Control Study and I will have to present several problematic results relating to statistical associations between the receipt of MMR vaccine and [autism](#),” Thompson wrote.

Geberding is presently the executive vice president of vaccine-maker Merck, after serving a couple of years as president of the company’s vaccine division.

The full *Daily Caller* report begins [here](#).

The mainstream media is, of course, working to suppress this, as *The Daily Sheeple* documents [here](#).

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