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[00:00:44] Jenn Sherry Parry, Executive Producer, The Highwire

Yeah! Let's do this.

[00:00:46] Del Bigtree

Action! Good morning, good afternoon, good evening. Wherever you are out there in the world. It's time for us all to step out on the Highwire. I'm moving a little bit better this week. Got my wings back. I'm driving and I'm putting on my own socks. If you're wondering what I'm talking about. Of course. Just over a week ago last week, I was talking about having broken my ribs skiing. But thank you for all your support out there. I've got, you know, light panels and heating pads and castor oil and all sorts of homeopathics going, and I feel pretty dang good. So I feel like I'm feeling great. I want to thank you to that great community out there, all of you that have been supporting me through this moment. Uh, **it's been a really wild week.** I think in many ways. I don't know if you're feeling it. Maybe it's just me, but it does feel like there's some big tectonic plates shifting below the feet of the Maha movement. Of course, the the biggest move And perhaps the most shocking and surprising was this conversation about glyphosate that broke loose because of an executive order by President Trump. This was it "promoting the national defense by ensuring an adequate supply of elemental phosphorus and the cancer causing glyphosate based herbicides." Of course, I added that last part myself. I feel like I have to, since that's about the only thing we've ever said about this product, and I've been investigating it long before The HighWire even back on the Doctors television show when I was a producer, I hosted a debate over what I think is one of the most toxic products on Earth should not be on our food supply. So suddenly he's saying it was in the public's interest, really national security interest to stockpile this poison was a little shocking to me. I don't think I was the only one, though. This is what the news had to say about it.

[00:02:53] Female News Correspondent

President Trump has expedited production of a key ingredient in the weedkiller roundup.

[00:02:58] Female News Correspondent

Trump signed the order last night. He invoked the Defense Production Act, saying the herbicide is critical to economic and national security.

[00:03:07] Male News Correspondent

The chemical is described in the order as essential to maintaining crop yields and controlling costs.

[00:03:13] Female News Correspondent

On Tuesday, Bayer agreed to propose \$7.25 billion settlement to resolve thousands of lawsuits from people who say the product caused their cancer. Bayer denies claims and says it is safe when used as directed.

[00:03:27] Kelly Ryerson, Co-Executive of American Regeneration

The problem is that it's so widely used and has been sold as being nontoxic and safe, has been repeatedly re-approved for use, but in actuality tied to a number of different diseases.

[00:03:39] Female News Correspondent

This doesn't just affect farmers. This is omnipresent. They would probably find it in yours and my urine right now if they tested for it.

[00:03:48] Del Bigtree

I was really surprising to see this statement made on a product that has been doing so poorly in courtrooms around America. Tens of billions of dollars in losses, in multiple cases proving things like it causes non-Hodgkin's lymphoma for people that are handling it, God knows what it's doing inside of our stomachs. But even HHS Secretary Kennedy weighed in on the conversation. This is what he put out in a post on X. "I will always tell the American people the truth. Pesticides and herbicides are toxic by design, engineered to kill living organisms when we apply them across millions of acres and allow them in our food system, we put Americans at risk. Chemical manufacturers have paid tens of billions of dollars to settle cancer claims linked to their products, and many agricultural communities report elevated cancer rates and chronic disease. Unfortunately, our agricultural system depends heavily on these chemicals. The U.S. represents 4% of the world's population, yet we use roughly 25% of its pesticides. If these inputs disappeared overnight, crop yields would fall, food prices would surge, and America would experience a massive loss of farms even beyond what we are witnessing today. The consequences would be disastrous. I support President Trump's executive order to bring agricultural chemical production back to the United States and end our near-total reliance on adversarial nations."

[00:05:10] Del Bigtree

"His EO protects two pillars of national strength our defense readiness and our food supply. When hostile actors control critical inputs, they directly threaten the security of the American people. The Trump administration will secure these supply chains to eliminate that vulnerability." Um, alright. So from that, I get the sense that, um, bear must be saying, if you, you know, don't stockpile this, we might just stop making it. There seems to be a threat on farming across America. Very complicated issue. And I wanted to talk to, you know, I've been I'll tell you, I've been talking to lots of newspapers are reaching out to me, obviously, because I was a part of Robert Kennedy Jr's campaign for president, and they're asking me what I think. You know, what they keep asking me is, what are the moms think? So I thought I would bring in one of the power moms here in America. Vani Hari joins me now. Uh, Vani, you know, you're up there at the top of the list of the moms, and I'm sure you're getting these calls too. What do the moms think about stockpiling glyphosate in the national interest of America?

[00:06:21] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

We are more unified than ever at this very moment in understanding how much our government is under siege at every single level by this company. Bayer. Bayer threw a hand grenade right into our movement, uh, to shake us up, to take our eye off the ball, to, make this political honestly, and it is important for people to recognize and understand that glyphosate has increased over every single president in our nation. It was the issue that I rose when I campaigned for President Obama and was an elected delegate and was on the front row of the DNC protesting for GMO labeling in front of the Secretary of Agriculture. It's the same issue that landed me at the top of a hit list that was a privately funded and government funded, uh, database to dox my information and to make me an enemy of bear so bad that I had paid detractors. I had people following me to my speaking engagements. I had people trying to discredit me and my credibility. Um. This runs. This is something that I have been watching and been part of for over a decade, and seeing the insidious relationship that this company has with our government leaders, with every single branch of government, how they spend over \$9 million that's tracked. I think it's a lot more than that. That's actually tracked, um, on lobbying just in the last few years, um, how they have 16 different people in the admin that have ties to this company, how, um, there are, uh, 25 to 40 lobbyists just working on, uh, their issues alone in Washington and in and out of our government agencies, um, defining how the government agencies, uh, respond to things that they are responsible for.

[00:08:46] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

And now I think the most important thing that this has taught me is that there is nobody in government that is going to come to our rescue, that we the people have to do this. We have to rise up. We have to educate as many people about what's happening in Washington on this issue, on the fact that bear will do whatever they can to cover up over, you know, they have 180,000 cancer lawsuits since 2018. They've already paid out \$10 billion. More than 60 cases are pending. And this is a chemical that has been found in 60% of our food that is sprayed on wheat before it, before it is harvested. And this is something that they are attacking every branch of government. They got the EO this week through President Trump, but they're also trying to get favoritism in the Supreme Court by getting the Solicitor General to defend their case. Um, they are trying to do state legislation. They have 21 different states through the what they call the modern AG Alliance group, that they are pushing for immunity for the products causing cancer in 20.

[00:10:17] Del Bigtree

Just really quickly, I just want to point out we're looking at this on the screen. This is from Bayer themselves. This is their measures at a glance. What they're focused on, their number one goal is to seek a positive ruling from the US Supreme Court. The US Supreme Court is looking at giving them liability protection, just like vaccines, where you could never sue them for the cancers that would end all of these court losses. Then, number two, engage with policymakers for clarity outside the courtroom. Continue to manage current cases. New Lawn and garden formulations for the US safety study webpage. I mean, down, you know, down the list, maybe make a better product. You know, what is that? Somewhere between 4 and 10. But first is why don't we just protect ourselves from liability for this product? And look, it's not like they just suddenly got shocked. Oh, my God, we didn't know this product causes cancer. This has been being litigated since back before when I was working on the doctors television show. I did this over ten years ago. So for ten years, Monsanto's had an opportunity to improve this product, work out the issues that are being discovered in courtrooms where we see the internal memos, where, you know, you got Donna Farmer, the head of toxicology, came onto my show on the doctors saying, oh, it's perfectly safe.

[00:11:30] Del Bigtree

And then we see the emails where she's saying the exact opposite. Inside of court documents where they're saying they do know that this product you know, causes cancer. And so how are we in this place now? And why now? Why? While Robert Kennedy Jr is HHS secretary. And you had Trump that was really seemed to understand the power of the Maha vote. This this really is I think shocking that bear would make this move. It looks like some sort of we're going to pull this product from the market unless you protect us right now, they are making a real push going to the Supreme Court. I would have thought they would have waited, but it just doesn't. I think to your point is it just they're so big, um, and so arrogant. They just don't think it matters that the people don't matter.

[00:12:21] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

I don't think they've seen the power yet of the people. And I think this is a true inflection point in our food movement. Uh, we really have to come together on this. This cannot be a left right issue right now. Like, I agree, the entire food movement needs to organize and tell our stories and tell the voice of what this company is doing to our farmland, to our farmers, to our future, to our children's future. And the fact that one Supreme Court case that, you know, a Missouri man sued Monsanto, saying roundup caused his non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, and then the company basically failed to warn about the cancer risks. And and so that's what was decided in a jury awarded him, like, \$1 million. Right. And this is what's at the Supreme Court. So if the Supreme Court decides that the EPA is the ultimate authority, and that because they approved a label without a cancer warning label that Monsanto should get away with this, they shouldn't be responsible for this cancer causing chemical that they have on the market. This has an implication to 50,000 plus chemicals that the EPA regulates. And so I don't know if the American people or even, you know, I understand what kind of implication that has for our future, allowing corporations to systematically poison us using flawed or flawed procedures and underfunded agencies that don't have the capability to look at third party data, that they get the data straight from the manufacturer to make these decisions and to make them the ultimate authority, and not to give states the right to hold these companies accountable.

[00:14:16] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

I mean, this is this is the moment that if we want to stop being poisoned as American people, we have to stand up to this. We can we have to say this is not okay. It's not okay to have an executive order that puts a chemical like this at national priority. There's got to be a different way. It's not okay for the solicitor general to side with a chemical corporation. It's okay for the government to side with farmers. I understand farmers have a complicated issue. They need access. They need to be able to keep farming, but we need to provide them with true policies on where they can off ramp off these chemicals, because we know they cause cancer. We need the EPA to tell the truth and say that this, this, this product causes cancer. They had the opportunity to do this ten years ago, but they chose not to. They chose instead to use ghostwritten Monsanto science to make their determination, which has now been retracted. Right. And so there there is an inflection point where people that have never been involved in Washington, like myself, are now in Washington going, what in the world is going on? The fact that having this amazing movement that has created people that now care about policy and specific issues and what congressmen are doing, and senators and calling all of their state legislators to get these amazing bills done to, you know, remove artificial food dyes and get junk food off snap bills and to get chemicals out of our food and ultra processed foods removed from schools.

[00:15:51] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

All of that has created an army of people that are now involved in the government that have never been before. And now our eyes are wide open to the corruption that is occurring there, and we have to get louder than we've ever gotten before. And so I can't think of anything more important than this very moment where we now have the EO, we have the Supreme Court case, we have the farm bill on Monday that's being marked up and talked about where senators think it's okay to give these pesticide companies immunity. You know, and then we have all the different state legislation that's happening. And so it's too much it's an attack on every single branch of government. And I think what, you know, what has been really interesting and for, for the almost like the the first time ever I'm seeing in Washington, people talk about this issue like never before. Thomas Massie did an impassioned plea on the Congress floor this week. I hope you have it, because it is absolutely incredible what he's doing.

[00:16:59] Del Bigtree

We do. Let's take let's take a listen right now. Vani, take a listen. Here we go.

[00:17:03] Thomas Massie, (R) US Representative for Kentucky

Madam speaker, I rise today to let the American people know that this government is under siege. All three branches of this government is under siege by lobbyists and lawyers from a German company named Baier. They spent over \$9 million lobbying the executive branch and the legislative branch, so that they don't have to be liable for any damages that their herbicide causes otherwise known as roundup, and they're having some success now. They haven't had any success yet in this chamber to get that immunity. They've had some success in the state legislatures, which are also under siege. To get this immunity from liability. Look, the Constitution guarantees people a trial if they've been harmed. Why are we contemplating going against the Constitution? The attorney general has opined favorably for this German company in front of the Supreme Court about getting rid of any liability that they should have for any damages. And the most recent thing that we've seen, the executive branch, by the way, the president's chief of staff and the president's attorney general worked for one of the biggest lobbying firms that's received hundreds of thousands, millions of dollars from Bayer. And maybe that's why we've seen an executive order It says that the production of this chemical from this German company is is a national defense priority. And we know why they're doing that. It's to keep them from having any liability. Everybody in this country deserves their day in court. This is wrong. We shouldn't succumb to the lobbyists. Not in the executive branch, not in the judicial branch, and certainly not here in Congress and not in the state legislatures. But there's a lot of money at play, and I implore my colleagues to resist it and do not give them immunity.

[00:19:05] Del Bigtree

You know, it seems like Massie really is foreseeing something we've been warning about here on The HighWire. I do think this is all leading towards immunity protections. We've seen this game played out before. To the letter, he's talking about the people very close to President Trump. Uh, you know when. Who? You know who's he referencing when he's saying his attorney general? Uh, was it part of a lobbying firm for bear? Have you looked into sort of these contacts, very close inside the white House that have been friends of bear for years, if not decades?

[00:19:40] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

Yeah. I mean, there was an amazing investigative report that came out this week. You know, I I'm trying to put the puzzle pieces together. Um, I'm having conversations in Washington at the highest level to find out what exactly happened behind the scenes. Nobody can figure out. It literally happened between President Trump and someone else and a couple other people behind closed doors. And that's it. Nobody knows anything. And that's really, really troubling to me. Also, I found out that basically, you know, we have a situation where, um, our government is colluding with bear. And we've seen this in the past, in past evidence with the dealings with the EPA. I think we were. I've seen things happen with the Maha commission report and how the initial Maha commission report had several references to pesticides in it and why, you know, those could be implicated to cause cancer. But in the recommendations for how to implement that, that Maha commission report, there was nothing said about pesticides. Right. So I see the influence of these, uh, big agricultural companies like Bayer making their way into data that is coming out of our government. And it is if there is anything that I think is the most important thing of my role in all of this is to, um, bring light to what has happened and expose it all so that we can make sure that our government leaders know we are eyes wide open going in this.

[00:21:20] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

We are um, we are going to pay attention to this issue, that glyphosate is going to be the issue of 2026 because not because we made it the issue. It's because they made it the issue. Right? I agree. I mean, this is something that trumps all other progress in the food movement. We don't really care about eating real food when it's being sprayed with glyphosate and roundup. We do not care about all of the other progress that's made today. And I'm not discounting what has happened, because I think what has happened within the last year in our government, it has been more than we've ever expected to happen. We have more transparency, more truth coming out because of Secretary Kennedy's voice. Yeah, but I can tell you this that no matter who is in office, I will always tell the truth. And I will always fight for the people, and I will always fight for our children and fight for my children not to be poisoned.

[00:22:21] Del Bigtree

Well, I'm totally there with you. I'm glad I had you on, because my ribs are still too sore to be as emphatic as you're being right now. Vani, I absolutely think you're right. Um, it doesn't matter who's in office. And frankly, this feels like one step forward, two steps back. We've had so much progress, but who cares about whole food if that whole food is covered in toxic chemicals and I cannot sue the manufacturer, I cannot get. And then what happens to safety? Why does the product evolve? Why change out the product if they can't be sued? Now you are stuck with these products. It's an amazing argument they're making. We lie to the EPA, we give them bogus data from bogus studies that we fund ourselves. And if we manage to do a three card monte game with the EPA and have them say it's safe, once they say that we're safe forever, you can't get any new information. You can't find out that we lied to you. We are now exempt. We're immune. It's crazy. It cannot happen. And Vonnie, you know, on one hand maybe this is a huge mistake by the Trump administration. It certainly does. It seems unenlightened when you think of the power of the vote. I'm not sure what that's going to do in this election coming up. But you know what I do love and it's always been I've never really been political. When you say this political, in some ways this may be the greatest thing that ever happened because I think this crosses party lines. This may just be that topic that all of us can get back to talking to our loved ones with where we got divided over the election, who's good, who's bad? Well, one thing we know right now Monsanto bad. Monsanto, Bayer bad. Poisoning us. Can we all agree on this? It seems like it's time for a rally. It seems like it's time to step up and do something. Do you have any thoughts on that or plans on that with all this? It feels like we need to make our presence known.

[00:24:09] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

This court case that is going to the Supreme Court on April 27th will decide the future of whether it is okay for chemical corporations to poison us, to systematically poison us and get away with it. That is the moment that we have honestly been waiting for to come together in a in a way that the world has never seen. And I have a vision that we will all go to the Supreme Court that day. It will be the people versus poison, and we will make our voices heard. And the biggest grassroots movement the world has ever seen to stand up to this foreign corporation that is poisoning us and threatens all of the other chemicals that are going to be approved by the EPA and all of the other assaults we're going to have on the human body, from people who are putting greed before humanity and greed before our health. And it's up to us to make our voices loud and to prove to Washington that we will. You will deeply regret these decisions that you are making. This is not okay. And you have to understand that we need to stop poisoning our American citizens.

[00:25:25] Del Bigtree

Wow, that sounds like breaking news. The people versus Poison Washington, DC, April 27th. Vani will be there. I will be there. So that's two. Now let's build on that. Let's make this absolutely with you. This cannot go a step further. We can no longer live in this country where they keep pulling what I call the too big to fail. Let's bail out bear. Let's buy more of their products, stockpile poison. Because God forbid our, you know, our farmers have been addicted to this product. You know, farming. It's time to evolve. It's time for American citizens to come first. And by the way, I think all the American citizens will go out and help those farms. We want to see our taxpayer dollars go and immediately start moving all these farms in regenerative farming organics so that we know the food that we're eating and that we're giving our children, that's going into the baby food supply and all of it's being affected. I keep talking to holistic, you know, food makers like you cannot keep the heavy metals and poisons and toxins out of baby food because there's just so many crops that are covered with this stuff. So, Vani, you've been a voice. I think this is a huge moment. And really, it's not political. This has always been the problem. The government's never going to be the answer if we don't step up and show we are the people of, for and by the people as the mandate of this country. If the government thinks that they can, you know, create safety clauses and protect giant corporations from liability and then keep us out of courtrooms, which is our right. As Thomas Massie, you know, just stated that they've got another thing coming. I think this is going to be huge. And I really do think this is going to cross party lines.

[00:27:06] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

Yeah. I mean, I give an impassioned plea to every single person who has sat on their hands but believed in this issue for the last year, because President Trump is the one leading the conversation on this issue, or the Republicans are doing, or because of the movement. I have an impassioned plea for you help us stop the poisoning of our children. Let's all come together and let's show Washington that this movement, this these voices of everyday moms and dads and people out there deserve to be heard and that we have an opportunity like we've never had before because of what's happening in the political climate, but also what's happening at the Supreme Court to make our voices heard, to make the entire courtroom shake as Monsanto Bayer is giving their arguments. That is what I want to see that day. I want them to feel our energy in that courtroom. The rattling of our voices and the passion and the and the the sheer might of the God Almighty. People coming against this and saying enough is enough.

[00:28:19] Del Bigtree

Vani, from your mouth to God's ears, in the people's ears will be there. We're going to be there in huge numbers. Thank you for your passion. I'm sure we're going to cover this more as we get closer to those dates. Marking your calendars, everybody. April 27th. People versus poison. Um, you know, look, you don't want to be one of those people that say I wasn't there the moment the world changed, the moment the earth shook and the people stood up. Vani will be in touch. Thank you for your passion. Thanks for joining us today.

[00:28:45] Vani Hari, Founder, foodbabe.com

Thank you. Thanks.

[00:28:47] Del Bigtree

You know, I think one of the things that's happening in this and I watch these polls, Jefferey Jaxen is about to come on and talk about some of the polling around vaccines, the way they manipulate the polls, the entire media cesspool that is against us that's owned by Bayer, Monsanto and all of the other corporate oligarchs are shifting this conversation. And I think it's really hard as a president, you only see, especially if he's got people right in his cabinet that are essentially spent their lives working for Baron Monsanto. What voice is he here? And then he sees these polls and these polls tell him everything. Oh my God, vaccines are a loser or whatever, you know, and it is starting to affect, you know, this year and what people can do. So we decided you know, how you know, how important is this glyphosate issue to you? We decided we wanted to run our own poll. This is a poll you can share worldwide. There's a bunch of ways that you can do it. You can text and tell all your friends. Just text 72022. Write in the word poll.

[00:29:43] Del Bigtree

There's a Bitly right there. You can grab this QR code. And it's just a set of questions about what your knowledge is of this glyphosate issue and what your passion is. Uh, we already have people signing up right now filling out this poll. I want to check in with it later on in the show, and we'll go through some of the answers that we're getting from the public. But it's time to show Donald Trump real polls. Polls of the people, not polls, run by the toxic, corporate, chemical driven news agencies. So I hope you'll make this huge. We want as many people to sign up for this poll. And by the way, we need your email to prove that you're a real human being. That is not just a bunch of bots putting this together. And in that email, we will keep updating you on your email of where this poll is at, and we hope to submit it to President Trump so he can see what real people really think about these issues here in the United States of America. Don't you love it? This is The HighWire. We're not just some news agency complaining about the problems. We're getting involved. We're promising to march on the Supreme Court. I love it, that's activism. That's what it's all about. Power to the people. And speaking one of the powerful people in America, it's time for the Jaxen report. I know you jumped right on this Jefferey threw out a couple reports coming in early the week over the weekend discussing this. This isn't just your average news story, is it? It just it feels like something much bigger. Much more important is afoot right now.

[00:31:22] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report

This is a firestorm moment, and it has arcs and tentacles throughout our entire genetic memory in America. When we're searching for justice, when it comes to the poisoning of our children and our families and our communities. And I want to paint a picture here because we've been down this road before, and I hope everyone pays attention. So I want to look at New York Times. This was just this December, just almost a couple of months ago here. And New York Times wrote this article, and they said "the war over weedkiller might be headed to the Supreme Court." Well, we know it is now in the Supreme Court, but it quotes the CEO of Bayer here and he says this. "The stakes could not be higher as the misapplication of federal law jeopardizes the availability of innovative tools for farmers and investments in the broader US economy." So he's saying this Supreme Court case, these lawsuits are threatening the tools of farmers in the very economic viability of the United States. So I want to say this, this, this arc of justice has a long memory. And we've been down this road before. Um, lobbyists have stabbed American children and families in the back when it came to their health before.

[00:32:31] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report

And it looked like this. In 1984, early 80s, we had headlines that looked really similar to what I just read. You look at this one. 1984 "fear of lawsuits prompts DPT vaccine shortage and rationing." They're saying all these lawsuits these vaccine manufacturers are receiving, we may have vaccine shortage. We have to ration vaccines. There's going to be outbreaks. Here's another one. Same time frame. Vaccine liability threatens supplies. Well, I want to take the executive order Trump just signed last week on glyphosate. Look at the wording. It's the exact same thing, the same wording ensuring an adequate supply of glyphosate based herbicides. And the chemical manufacturers want legal immunity from the harm their products cause. We've seen this before. It was 1986. Ronald Reagan was the president, and this is the bill he signed. National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act. You go into this bill and it says this provides that no vaccine manufacturer shall be liable in a civil action for damages arising from a vaccine related injury or death resulting from unavoidable side effects. These shots are unavoidably unsafe, but the government and the manufacturers, they're not going to be held liable.

[00:33:47] Del Bigtree

And then? And then you and Jefferey just to that point. And this is so critical, right. You know, the art, the art of war. Know your enemy, know their strategy. We've seen this strategy. So we know how this play, this this playbook has been written. But just that point that they know they are unavoidably unsafe there, that they have known side effects. But after signing that bill, did our government go out and start giving us informed consent, saying, just so you know, some of your kids are going to be maimed and injured by this product? No. They went on a campaign after giving liability protection to lie to the American people and go with the slogan safe and effective, safe and effective. And if anybody questions safety, which Ronald Reagan and that bill says right there, it is not perfectly safe for everybody. This will destroy lives. And for that reason we're giving liability protection. Then they should have been honest with the American people and saying this product is not perfectly safe. There are going to be lives destroyed by this. And instead, every doctor, every scientist, every government official since that moment has been gaslighting America and lying to us and frankly, around the world saying, totally safe. Anybody that questions, it's a lunatic, really, because we gave you liability protection because it's not safe for everybody.

[00:35:04] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report

And this industry operation is happening again right now on our watch. And it's important to learn from the people and the parents and the mothers that were there in 1986 and in the early 80s, who went through that fight. One of them is Barbara Loe Fisher, the head of Nvic National Vaccine Information Center. Here's what she had to say about that time. Take a listen.

[00:35:27] Del Bigtree

Okay.

[00:35:28] Barbara Loe Fisher, Co-Founder & President, National Vaccine Information Center

They say we're going to leave the country without any vaccine. And the Congress said, we've got to protect the vaccine supply in this country. And they said to Jeff, you can come to the table and fight for what you think the parents and the children should get, or you can not come to the table, but we're going to pass this legislation to protect the vaccine supply, and we're going to do it with or without you. So we said we'll come to the table. But there is three things we will never agree to complete liability protection for doctors or for manufacturers. Number two, if you're going to protect the vaccine supply, you have to protect the children by safety provisions. Safety provisions have to be part of this law. Equal emphasis. And the third, because they immediately went to a federal compensation program, we said if there's going to be a federal compensation program, it has to be an alternative to a lawsuit. In other words, parents can choose to either go to court or they can choose to get compensation. We understood they couldn't do both.

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Amazing. When you look at that, and I think those are, you know, we really need to think about what she just said. There's basically three provisions. Not one of those provisions ended up holding up. They wanted there still to be the right to sue outside of vaccine court that ended up being taken away. It was the only way forward. All the safety measures disappeared, which was the heart of the lawsuits that started the Informed Consent Action Network. As you know, those were the first lawsuits against FDA, CDC, NIH. We proved they never did the safety measures. They never put forward the task force that was supposed to improve these products. Nothing happened. There was no improvement of the product, just a total gaslighting of America and the poisoning of America, and a ramp up of the amount of vaccines that were then forced on our kids through mandated actually increased the toxic level into our children. And so I think as we look at this right now, let's not make the same mistake. I think Vani Hari is right. We're not going to send five parents in to negotiate some part of this. That will be okay for America. We're going to stand as one loud body as we should have back in 1986, outside the halls of justice. I think we have to stand up, shout, and make sure that our voices are heard, that we are not going to accept this here in this country.

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Del this goes beyond glyphosate. So right now, lobbyists are leveraging the midterms to drive a wedge between Trump and the Maha focused agenda that Kennedy brought in that really propelled Trump into the presidency without Kennedy. Clearly, Trump would not be sitting as a president right now. And this is no clearer than in this political article from just a couple days ago. And listen to this. It's literally framed by lobbyists, the entire articles of victory lap by lobbyists. It's titled "RFK Jr's Days of Going Wild on Health may be over." They say this about RFK Jr. "For Washington lobbyists, the move was an early glimpse of how midterm realities are forcing the administration to shift away from Kennedy's anti-vaccine and anti-chemical plans." "Instead, the agricultural and pharmaceutical industries he's long targeted are breathing a sigh of relief as the white House signals it's reining in Kennedy's attacks on their products and tasking him with touting healthy eating and the President Trump's efforts to cut drug prices and deals." Kennedy's not there and Trump are not there. So lobbyists can breathe a sigh of relief. But I want to go on. And then it goes on to say they actually get quotes from lobbyists. So they're running circles and victory laps in this thing. This guy says picking on farmers. Now they're talking about trying to get this harmful chemical, glyphosate out of our food supply, trying to get the the lawsuits that get people that were damaged by this to make sure they don't have immunity to to keep doing this. This is what they say, picking on farmers. That's how they frame that.

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That's the base of your party, said Sam Goldberg, managing partner at a Republican lobbying shop that has worked for food maker Kraft Heinz. You don't want to mess with that before an election. So that's the kind of conversation Trump's getting in his ear. But then it goes on to say this drug makers and manufacturers of chemicals, including pesticides, are some of the biggest spenders in Washington, typically outpacing food makers. The Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, which represents drug drug brand name drug makers spent nearly \$38 million on lobbying last year, its highest on record. The American Chemical Council, meanwhile, spent almost 19 million last year. These are not mom and pop farmers. This isn't your local person at your down the road selling you eggs. These are big AG. This is the biggest of the biggest of chemical manufacturers, big pharma manufacturers. They've they're attempting to essentially bubble wrap Washington at this point and the president and insulate him from the American people and the Maha focused. So we when we talk about polls, the midterms are coming right around the corner. And there's a lot of polling you're going to see out there right now. And so they're trying to get the pulse check of the American public and also influence the elections at the state levels. Here's one of them that's coming up. And they can be deceptive. Polling agencies should be unbiased. Listen to this polling agency. This is the intro before they even present the data that they pulled from. They say this in the districts that will decide the control of the House of Representatives next year.

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Republican and Democrat candidates who support eliminating long standing vaccine requirements will pay a price in the election. Goes on to say vaccine skepticism is bad politics. Alright, well, so much for unbiased. Let's look at their questions. They're asking the respondents. The respondents were asked, um, what do you think about this? Please tell us whether you agree or not. Do vaccines save lives? They also say vaccines are the best defense against many infectious diseases. There's no nuance there. There's no room for, uh, maybe they save lives sometimes. But what about safety? We'd like to see more safety. We wouldn't like mandates. We don't like those things. No room for nuance. So these are crafted. These polls are crafted. But at the same time, we really know which way is going to, despite the media trying to divide us, despite lobbyists trying to paint pictures of polling companies trying to paint pictures, America is actually more united than they tried to tell us that we are. So here is a 2025 Gallup poll going right into this year. And it talks. They're asked what your view of business sectors in the US are. And you can see a list of business sectors there. Look at the bottom pharmaceutical industry and the federal government. Least favorite businesses in the negatives. And that the clearly federal governments in Washington and they're being assaulted by pharmaceutical lobbyists. This is not America. This is not the American people. What they wanted. And now let's continue. This is a Brownstone Institute article by Jeffrey Tucker.

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What the polls say about the pharmaceutical industry and vaccines. And you can see that it starts right out public confidence. Here's another way of putting it in key US institutions. You can see pharma right there down from the year 2000. 60% of people loved big pharma. Now it's 28% and 2025 compared to other industries. But now let's go to some real polling. Here is a poll that everyone should pay attention to. This green. The green spot right there represents giving families a choice. People said families should have a choice when they respond to this in their vaccination decisions. You average that across. That's across the entire political spectrum. Independent, Republican, Democrat average that across. It's almost 50% say that that they want that. And then if you look at if you look at the red, the red tells you basically that vaccines are unsafe. You average that across. It's about 8 or 9% across the spectrum. Just straight up vaccines are unsafe. But here's the here's the real slam dunk, the home run, the closest to a sure thing in an uncertain political environment. This is the poll everyone should be looking at. It crosses all party lines. The opposition to giving vaccine manufacturers blanket immunity. Just how we started this section. There's the read across the board. You average all that together across the entire political spectrum. You're looking at high 70 something percent. Everyone wants this. Everyone wants this immunity gone from vaccine manufacturers. So why would we put it on pesticide makers? Why would we allow them to have that if this is so unpopular? But it was

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the only way is if we don't make our voices known. Right? And look, I am into issues in this country. I really I've said I'm politically marooned. I still am politically marooned. But I see a president right now that is vulnerable to public opinion, that actually cares about public opinion. And I think he's getting some bad polling from, you know, not public opinion, but lobby opinion. I think we all need to make our voices known. I think the best thing you can do if you believe you're a part of Maha, is to say you're absolutely not happy with this and not being represented, and this could affect your vote that we want to see a different we want to see a different outcome here. We want to see a different strategy towards our farming practices. We would love to see massive investment into regenerative farming practices and teaching tools for farms. I think we all care about farmers. You know, it's not necessarily their fault that they've been manipulated, manipulated over years and really made to be addicted to this product and its weed killing, you know, properties. When there's all sorts of new technologies, there's lasers that kill weeds and bugs and all of it. Why aren't we modernizing like that? We're going to have AI take over the world, but we can't have some robots go out and clean up the weeds. Come on, President Trump, let's get on this.

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And the lobbyists. My message the lobbyists will speak for you if you don't speak to yourself for yourself. Amen. And that's at the federal level. And that's at the state level. So I present this not to demoralize, but to show people that it's time to get involved. It's really time to stand up and do this. Whether it's phone calls, emails, however you want to activate. Because it's not just glyphosate, it's not just vaccines. Lobbyists are already rolling back what we reported as Maha victories in the past. So in 2025, I want to show this article here. Trump moves to tighten rules on risky research on viruses. So we put an executive order together basically to end risky gain of function research. That was a celebration. And right after he did that, you had the National Institutes of Health. They already began terminating networks aimed at stopping these pandemics before they start. They tried to frame it as a bad thing. This is the center for Research in Emerging Infectious Diseases. This was a Tony Fauci led initiative. This is a this is an initiative that gave Peter Peter Daszak an EcoHealth Alliance grants. Christian Anderson, he was part of the authors of The Proximal Origins, saying no way this virus came out of a lab. But in private emails, as we've shown, we're saying it kind of looks like this might have. These are the people that were getting the grants from this Trump, uh, Kennedy.

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They shut that down. Nih shut that down. Here's the new article, the most recent article. "Congress forces NIH to reverse policy, continue funding Fauci's unsafe infectious disease centers." And it says this in the article, "university lobbyists have struck back managing a slip language into managing to slip language into the congressional appropriations bill that forces NIH to spend 18.2 million to fund cread centers." Once again, it doesn't just stop there. Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, started by funded seed funding by Bill Gates. We celebrated this when it happened. The Vaccine Alliance has its billion dollar grant cut by Trump administration. Now here's the more recent headline US Congress backs Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, despite Trump administration cuts. And it's now putting slipping a rider in a foreign assistance bill. And you can read the language for yourself right here. And how much does it carve out for Gavi? Well, a total of over \$3.5 billion. You can see that number right there for Gavi and other initiatives. These are lobbyists at work. This is how it's done. They slip things into bills, and they basically do this outside of the view of American people. Unless journalists spotlight this and people try to activate in Washington at the state level and say, do not do this. These are victories that we voted for. Do not reverse these.

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Amen. Huge, huge importance there and again. We're waiting for journalists that are funded by Bayer, Monsanto, Moderna, Sanofi aventis. That's why your work is so important, Jefferey. And the work that we're doing here, because obviously we're not getting any money from any of those people. Uh, really, you know, **This is a firestorm moment,**

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Yeah, absolutely. And I want to go **I want to finish off** here with kind of the story that just keeps on telling itself. And that's the Epstein files. In order to paint this picture, I want to start here with, um, really? Jeffrey Epstein's confidante friend who's sitting in a jail cell right now, just Lane Maxwell, her father, Robert Maxwell. Um, he basically is responsible for the for profit controlled peer review research journal system that we've lived under for decades. You know, the stuff that settles science. So this is the article that kind of lays this out really to give you a quick hit on this. It's titled "is the Staggering Profitable Business of Scientific Publishing bad for science?" It says "no one was more transformative and ingenious than Robert Maxwell, who turned scientific journals into a spectacular money making machine that bankrolled his rise in British society." It says "scientists occasionally question the fairness of this hugely profitable business to which they supplied their work for free. But it was university university librarians who first realized the trap in the market Maxwell had created. The librarians used university funds to buy journals on behalf of scientists." Basically, what was happening was universities were forced to buy these journals. These journals were extremely inflated in their price. They were blowing their budget on this. But then the scientists basically had to had to kneel before this in order to get things published. They had to jump into this system. And it became this, this self-perpetuating monolith. And he was sitting there reaping all the profits. So now I want to bring that to present day because these are monopolistic men, and that's Robert Maxwell, connected clearly through Ghislaine to Jeffrey Epstein.

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But then we have Bill Gates also connected to Jeffrey Epstein. And he's a monopoly man, too, despite the all of the charitable work he's done. Here's a headline here, because it's hard to find bad press about him unless you go through social media. Documents show Bill gates has given 319 million to media outlets. You can see here how many. There are almost 60 media outlets. The Gates Foundation money has gone towards to skew reporting about the foundation and to report favorably about things that's near and dear to the heart, like vaccines. Well, let's go into the Epstein files here because we have gates chief scientific and technology advisor, Doctor Boris Nikolic. He's been in the Epstein files before we showed you. Here's more. He started something called Bias Capital Partners in 2014, and he was its managing partner while still working with the Bill Gates. Bill Melinda Gates Foundation. And you can see here, um, this picture they invested, Bill Gates invested \$10 million in something called ResearchGate. Now ResearchGate. We reported some of the research during the pandemic. This is a 25 million plus members worldwide. It's kind of a hybrid between social media like LinkedIn, social media and a science publishing clearinghouse. And what they do is you can upload any researcher, scientists can upload their information there. So Bill Gates tried basically to monopolize this with the help of Jeffrey Epstein. And we go to an ex post by an account named Science Guardians.

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And they give a really clear view of what's going on here. They said, why would billionaires like Gates and Epstein crave this kind of power? They said owning a hub like ResearchGate lets them shape what research explodes into the spotlight and what quietly fades away. Control the feeds and recommendations equals quietly steering. You can see scientists chase and publish. Which next? What? What projects get grants and funding, and what the public is told is solid science. So now it's not only monopolizing a key part of science, but also incentivizing to hype it. So gates bills himself as someone who he really cares about charity first, it's not about making money. But here's Doctor Boris Nikolic. He's basically his right hand man. Speaking to Jeffrey Epstein after the investment of \$10 million in research gate, he begins hyping the company. So here's one of the emails. This is Doctor Nikolic to Jeffrey Epstein. He says some good news. Research gate is making major progress. A flurry of news just started. Another one. When we talked earlier in the day, I mentioned you about research gate. I sent you several articles last week, but in addition one came out and this is in science. It is incredible. After nature and all our magazines, I will know in 2 to 3 weeks when is next round plan and for how much. So here Doctor Nikolic, who's connected to Gates is feeding Epstein sex trafficker. Real time insider information and advice. Trading advice essentially sounds kind of illegal, but then he goes on to say.

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I mean, just email as we as we watch this, read this, Jefferey just just try to wrap my head around why would Epstein care, right? I mean, why is Bill Gates and his little henchmen, you know, dancing for Jeffrey Epstein? Hey, guess what? We got research up at gate one. Oh, we're affecting the news. Who is Epstein, right? I mean, I know this is simple. We're all sitting here, but every time you read this stuff. Who is this guy? Why is Bill Gates and his henchmen dancing for this guy? Who is. Who are they all really working for? I think is what we're starting to try and paint a picture here because I thought, you know, if Bill gates was in charge during coronavirus. But he'll dance for Epstein. Why? Why does Epstein care if these articles are being published? It just shows that something much darker, bigger and more sinister going on in all of this stuff.

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Yeah. When you go through the emails, Epstein and the people that were controlling him and directing him had an extreme interest in monopolizing science, medicine, pandemic planning, physics, new physics. He wanted to control things. He was looking into these things. So now a final one here, from Doctor Nikolic to Epstein. He says this research gate is getting there with an explanation mark this week. The nature. One of the competitors published this article essentially demonstrating that Research Gate is winning. So he's just hyping this and hyping this and hyping this. But again, as you look, as you look across the waterfront of all of the emails, there's some pretty ugly stuff in there. And one of them dealt with Bill Gates. We spoke about this a couple of weeks ago and some girls. And so here's the headline. Bill gates denied it. Just, just just a couple of weeks ago, he said. "Bill Gates denies sex accusations in recent Epstein files release." It's about a couple Russian girls he met. No, that never happened. Well, that didn't work. That limited hangout didn't work because here he is now. "Bill Gates admits affairs with Russians but denies illicit behavior." So this is the Bill Gates apology tour. I'll give you a little bit, but I'm not going to tell you everything I did. I guess I did something with some Russian girls. I had a couple affairs. That's fine, but I didn't do anything else. Trust me. Well, that doesn't look like the truth. And here's an article. What gates knew and this kind of throws it out there in this opening paragraph, says the "Epstein files reveal a system, not a scandal. Across eight investigations and thousands of Efta numbered documents, the pattern is not one of compromise billionaires making bad choices. It's an operational infrastructure, financial instruments, intelligence channels, diplomatic access, personal placement and narrative control structured in a way that concentrated influence." That's the key right there concentrating influence monopolies. And I want to end this segment with some breaking news, right? As we were going to air that, president of the World Economic Forum has just stepped down due to his ties to Epstein.

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Wow.

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This is Borge Brende. He is out. He is stepped down himself. He has resigned. He has put his letter of resignation. Resignation in there. He was under investigation by the forum, by the World Economic Forum. Uh, and we were actually not holding our breath on that because World Economic Forum investigating its own people. But it looks like he was given the option to step down. And he has done that. So again, dominoes are continuing to fall. This isn't um, these are some serious people that are stepping down, many of them in Europe. We're seeing just day by day. It seems like there's more and more.

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Wow, Jefferey amazing reporting. These are amazing moments we're in. And in many ways, you know, I feel like, you know, we talked about at the end of Covid that we had one we're not walking around with tracing. You know, our vaccine passports not on our phone. We can get back on planes. The masks came off and I said, you know, they've retreated. You know, the the the dark forces have retreated over the hill. But I said, Mark my words, they're over there planning, planning and scheming their return. In some ways, this bear moment and what's going on right now, it feels like they think it's time to come back over that hill and begin their attack again, probably a little earlier than many of us realized. But it's okay, Jefferey. We're waiting for them. We know their plan. We're going to **keep laying it out**. Really great reporting. Appreciate it.

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Alright. Thank you very much.

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Alright. I'll see you next week. Um, let's take a look at this poll. We really want to get as many people you should be helping us get. Let's just get huge numbers on this that we can show what people really are thinking about. This glyphosate scandal, if you will. You can text the word poll p o l l to 72022. You can grab it at bit.ly slash I-can pull. You can take a picture of this QR code. Please share it widely. Tell all your friends and family why don't you take this poll? I think it's very important that we see where is the pulse of America at on this issue. Um, here's some of the things you'll find there. The glyphosate, public Health and Federal policy and ICAN public poll. Are you aware that glyphosate is one of the questions based herbicides have been associated with cancer claims that result in more than 10 billion in jury verdicts and settlements? Do you believe manufacturers of glyphosate based herbicides should have legal immunity from lawsuits related to alleged health harms? Should federal policy allow the stockpiling of glyphosate based herbicides as part of national preparedness planning? Does the November 28th, 2025 retraction of a foundational study published in Regulatory Toxicology and Pharmacology and used to support the safety of glyphosate, affect your trust in current safety claims? That was, by the way, the one study they've always relied upon say, see, it's safe.

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And that was just retracted. So where does that leave us now again? You know, polls are also used as training guides to send it to everyone. You know, it might be a good test of, you know, where is my friend at? We may be arguing about vaccines, but are we arguing on this? Why don't you take this poll and let's see, you know, it's at least a conversation starter. I want to point out we didn't need Jeffrey Epstein here on The HighWire, or for our investigation team to know that health was going to be used as a center point to control the world. I said it before I really knew there was any Epstein files out there before there was a pandemic. I said, I believe there's going to be a pandemic. I said things on stages like the largest lobby in Washington is the pharmaceutical industry. It's also the most powerful lobby around the world, you know, and I would say if they're outspending oil and gas 2 to 1, we're fighting wars in the Middle East for oil and gas and that lobby. What do you think the pharmaceutical lobby is buying? I said they're buying you, not your children. Your children are already being forced vaccinated while you're asleep at the wheel. But they want your body. Forced vaccinated 50 or 100,000 vaccines in their dream world of the future where you become human ATM machines for them.

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Pincushions if you will, filled with every product that they can stick you with. That is the future that they still believe in. That was what I was talking about. And now, you know, we're just getting corroborating evidence that exactly what we thought Bill gates was up to now involves Epstein and government officials, and more and more is coming out. Thank you, Thomas Massie, for being one of the true North Stars in our government. That doesn't seem to care who you're threatening and what's going on out there. But this work to be good at what we do to predict things even before we have Epstein files opening up to be fighting for you and opening the Pfizer files the data the FDA tried to hide from you for 75 years. The Moderna data the FDA tried to hide from you forever. The V-safe data, all of that is open. It is now transparent. Pandora's box is open, and scientists around the world books are being written like the Pfizer papers. You know why that book exists? And I want to thank Naomi Wolf for that work. That book exists because of you. Every one of you out there that is donating to the work that we're doing here, you're donating to a news program that is not like anyone you have ever seen. We are not just reporting on the news.

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We are suing government agencies. We are suing states. We are bringing back religious exemptions. We are changing the map that we live on, that we, you know, the food that we eat and that we the air that we breathe, we are affecting change. And if it's not obvious, we need you now. They're coming back over the hill. They're armed. They're ready. They think they own this. They think they outmanned us. They think their lobbies are more important in this country than you are. I hope you'll recognize this right now and say, you know what? It might be time to double down on, you know, on on the funding of ICAN The HighWire because they're the only ones that really seem to deliver results on a constant basis. We're fighting for you. We're investigating for you. So become a recurring donor at the top of any of the pages of the websites that we're on. \$26 a month would be awesome. You can imagine, you know, what is that one lunch? You know, maybe in this economy, skip a lunch, a little intermittent fasting and say, today I'm starving for the future of America. And really, I think we're the beacon of light and hope for the world. So they're all watching. It's an incredibly critical time. We need to be loud and proud. Now, don't you know, no matter what you think of Donald Trump, love him or hate him, he needs to know that you care and you're watching and you're ready to make your voice be heard.

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This is one of those ways to do it and fill out that poll. Get everyone you know to fill out that poll. If you're listening right now on a podcast, let me make it really easy for you to donate. You're going to pick up your cell phone. You're going to type in the number 72022, and then just write in the word donate. And I'm going to respond with a text directly back to you. All right. Um, I'm really excited about this next interview. **This is, uh, a doctor**, a scientist that came on our show first during Covid. He's been on here twice, and every once in a while, there's just one of those people that just has a way of putting things and understanding how he does his research. That I think is incredibly captivating. He brought forward how important vitamin D was, not just why, but the mechanism with which it worked. He provided one of our top selling books, The Indoctrinated Brain. Well, he's got a new book right now, the Conspiracy to, uh, stop lithium, the conspiracy against lithium. There it is. Uh, his name is Doctor Michael Nehls. And if you don't haven't heard of him or haven't been watching him on our show, take a look at this.

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He's a medical doctor, a physician.

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He's a molecular geneticist specializing in immunology.

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Doctor Nehls advocates for a strong mental immune system. His studies look at the critical portion of our brain known as the hippocampus, which processes and indexes memories.

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What does the brain need to think at all? Uh, was a topic of my work last 10 to 15 years. Humans are so eager to learn narratives. Narratives are the food of our mental immune system. 2018 the World Economic Forum told us. Depression is the number one cause of ill health and disability worldwide. And from this low, after six months into the Covid measures, we had a three fold increase.

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People who've taken the mRNA vaccine seem different psychologically. Yeah, we're not imagining that.

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It's it's that's what's really happening. It's not about health, really, to undermine the human ability to think. And it's even worse than that. That attacks part of the brain that is responsible for decision making, for the ability to doubt what's going on. If you want to install a new operating system in a computer, for example, you have to erase the previous previous system. That's exactly what the spike protein helps to do. The greatest long term threat, in my opinion, is the collapse of the individual mental and thus social immune system. But there's hope. I've shown recently that with low dose essential lithium, you can block gsk3 and people with brain fog it disappears. Lithium is really extending life. But the essentiality is not recognized by the world community.

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He is the author of The Conspiracy Against Lithium. And it's my pleasure to be joined right now by Doctor Michael Nehls.

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Hi, Del.

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Good to see you again.

[01:04:56] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah, thanks for having me again.

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Welcome back. You know, the last time you were here, we were discussing this book, The Indoctrinated Brain. You've got several others you've given me to take a look at. But the last time you were in studio, we were talking about vitamin D, and a lot of things were going on with Covid. But you had touched on lithium, and we got so many people writing in that just wanted to know more about low dose lithium. I started sending it to my parents. We started taking it at home. But in all honesty, like I didn't, I don't feel like I have the whole picture. And then in looking at this book, I mean, you talk about this like it may be one of the most important elements in the world for our health.

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Well, I mean, it's like all the elements that are essential are essential. So it's not something special by itself, but it makes it special is that it's one of the first trace elements in the existence of life. Maybe I tracked it down to the the first, to the ancestor of all life. We called Luca last universal common ancestor. So what I could show is that lithium regulates key molecules that are important for life in all animals and all plants in fungi. And, you know, in mushrooms in, in every life. And it does it by the same mechanism. And this mechanism is vital to life and particularly vital for our brain. And so, um, for me, it was astonishing that the, this particular, uh, trace element has not been recognized for hundreds of years already as an essential element.

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But what does that term essential element mean?

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Essential means that if you lack it completely, it's you're you're dead. It's incompatible with life. Wow. Already in the 1970s, people tried to reduce lithium content in the diet of animals, and immediately the litter size shrunk, fertility went down. The death rate of the animals in the first few months increased dramatically. The size of the of the piglets or whatever they tested. The red little red babies were smaller. They suffered from diseases. They were not able to completely shut down lithium in the diet because it's pretty much everywhere. But the reduction itself had a dramatic effect, so it was clear it's essential in animals, and there is no reason to assume it's not essential in humans. And if you are lucky to live here in Texas, where the lithium content is usually a little bit higher than, for example, in eastern United States or in Europe, then you have a lower likelihood of being admitted to a mental hospital because you don't develop mental disease. More likely, as in areas where the lithium content is lower in the daily food particularly.

[01:07:52] Del Bigtree

So is it food? Is it, is it? Am I getting it through vegetables? Is it coming out of the earth? Is it in my water? Where is it?

[01:07:59] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

It's pretty much everywhere. But of course you can't have anything in the food or not much in the food if the soil doesn't contain it. So old, old, geologically old regions have been washed out. It's pretty much like with iodine. For example, I come from the Black Forest area in in Europe. In Germany, uh, it's an old, geologically old area. So people have endemic iodine deficiency, for example. And iodine deficiency leads to severe compromise in, in brain development, for example. You also get goiter here because the thyroid gland tries to make thyroid hormone, which it can't because iodine is essential for it. Again the word essential and the same. What. Same problem with iodine you have with lithium. Old geological regions have low levels of lithium and more volcanic earlier regions where the the Earth is more is younger. They have still higher content of lithium, because lithium is washed out over the millions of years by rainwater. And and so the lithium content in Sweetwater is, um, in freshwater is about 100 fold lower than in saltwater.

[01:09:15] Del Bigtree

Wow.

[01:09:15] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

So in saltwater is where you find most of the lithium. And that brings me to the book. I explain where our brain has developed to the today's current, you know, abilities. That was about 200,000 years ago, when the whole whole mankind went through a needle and. Bottleneck. And in this bottleneck era, a time people only survived at the coast in South Africa. Actually, this area where the people survived became a World Cultural Heritage Site in 2024 for that reason, and the main food at that time was mussels, muscles they could find on the on the seashore, and they could find out. They could find it was found out that in the caves where the people lived, there were meters of of these shells of the the shells.

[01:10:07] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

You know, left over 100, 200,000 years ago. And they could find out that people were highly advanced already based on the stuff they could find from from the time they had symbolic thinking already 70, 80, 90,000 years ago. And their main food compared to the food they had in the land in Africa because they had living in Africa, was not possible at the time anymore because there was an ice age about 70,000 years long, ongoing ice age Africa was completely dried out. People had to survive essentially at the at the beach and at this time they got something which they didn't get in inland, and that was enough lithium. And lithium as besides aquatic amino acids, aquatic, um, aquatic fatty acids, omega three fatty acids that come from mussels and fish. They had every nutrient they required for brain health. And that's why that's the reason why we are used to a certain amount of lithium. And once we move to other areas in the world, like the Alps, like my Black Forest area, not only lithium levels dropped in the food, but also iodine levels dropped. So it's a close parallel and similar to iodine. It took many, many decades before people realized that iodine deficiency is is detrimental, and you have to supply it as a supplement. And now I'm fighting for the understanding that the same goes on for lithium. And while iodine deficiency makes a general impact on the brain, lithium deficiency particularly causes an impact on the hippocampus, meaning what I call the mental immune system. Pretty much what makes us human. The ability to change position, to see the world with from the eyes, from other people. Put yourself in the shoes of other people.

[01:12:12] Del Bigtree

Who could use that? It sounds like we're definitely deficient of that.

[01:12:16] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah, absolutely. I can prove, actually, that the ability to think, uh, think peace, you know, to to be curious, to see the point of other people, to actually be willing to see the point of other people because you have this psychological resilience. All this are functions of the mental immune system residing in the hippocampus. And it's interesting that I was able to show in the book that the hippocampus particularly. It tries to accumulate lithium because lithium is important for the proliferation of cells. So cell proliferation, the telomerase. I don't know if the word makes any sense. What is important.

[01:12:57] Del Bigtree

Is what we like. Longevity is everyone's trying to extend those telomerase to extend life.

[01:13:03] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Exactly. So if you live in an area where you have a little bit more lithium in the drinking water, you have a more longer life, a healthier life, less likely Alzheimer's, less likely cardiac diseases, all kinds of chronic diseases that humankind is fighting are dependent on the amount of lithium and lithium accumulates in in those organs which proliferate. And the hippocampus, as our mental immune system is the only region of the brain which produces new nerve cells on a daily basis. And in my book, The Exhausted Brain, which also came out last year, I showed that the Our our problem that we have during the day that we start to exhaust in the morning we are fresh, we want to do something, but in the evening we kind of exhaust. The scientific term is ego depletion, and ego depletion resolves overnight when we sleep. And part of this resolving.

[01:13:59] Del Bigtree

Ego?

[01:13:59] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Depletion. Ego depletion, self depletion. We are exhausted. You know we in the evening we don't make good decisions usually anymore. You know, we should refrain. I remember when I was CEO in a company in Germany, I told my assistant, I don't want to make any difficult decisions in the evening anymore. So no, no invitation of uh, of, uh, yeah, yeah, employees or whatever who have to discuss important things. Do that in the morning, you know, because I'm not that fresh air fresh anymore. I might make mistakes. Even emails I usually write in the evening, but I don't send them off. I wait until the morning until ego depletion has recovered, you know, and I try to find out what happens, what happens in the brain when our brain depletes overnight. And, um, as you know, decision making is better when you have what Daniel Kahneman, who got the Nobel Prize for that in 2002, the psychologist, when unfortunately, he died last year. But he got the Nobel Prize for defining system one. System two, you know, the different types of thinking. System one is when we think, um, actually we don't think we just follow essentially behavior that we are used to behave, you know, a standard behavior, uh, learned behavior or even, um, inborn behavior. And system two is when we are able to critically think, you know, consciously making decisions, change our behavior if necessary. This is system two. But system two requires energy, and this energy depletes over the day. So he got the Nobel Prize for identifying this to differences. This difference and but what he didn't identify and what was unknown for decades after is what is what type of energy is that?

[01:15:48] Del Bigtree

What feeds that energy? What creates it? What nourishes it?

[01:15:51] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah. What what what energy is depleting, you know, and how does this energy recover during the night? And I was able to show in my book the exhausted brain that the exhaustion is, is, is diminishing overnight because new nerve cells are produced which are required to make new thoughts which are without overriding former thoughts. You know that we are willing to to be curious again, that we have psychological resilience. It all depends on these cells. And these cells are produced from stem cells every day. And this production is requiring lithium. So that's why our mental immune system, our our ability to, to do these things that humans do. You know, be social animals, so to speak. Interact with others. Find solutions to problems without killing each other. Usually all these abilities which define us as humans, are depending on the activity of what I call the mental immune system. And that goes down to the ability of the hippocampus to produce new nerve cells. And this ability depends on the on the presence of lithium.

[01:17:03] Del Bigtree

So your book is called The Conspiracy against Lithium. I suppose we're all sitting here thinking, this sounds really fascinating. Very important. Why have I not heard this? In fact, why is my only understanding of lithium? I swear, I feel like it takes me back to One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest and a movie in an insane asylum where everyone's being given lithium. And we think of it as something that, just, like, dumbs you down. No, you know what I mean? Is used as a sedative, I think in psychological or, you know, psych, I guess psychiatry.

[01:17:38] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah. Especially for bipolar disorder.

[01:17:41] Del Bigtree

Right.

[01:17:41] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

And for severe depression. But the amounts of lithium used at that point are so high. I have a picture in my book where I show just a visual, try to visualize what concentrations we are talking about. So I have there are two skyscrapers, you know, the north in Dubai, as with 800m and about 400m, the Empire State Building and 408 hundred is like 4000 microgram per liter to 8000 microgram. This is the range um, people, uh, are given when they are treated for bipolar disorder, depression 4 to 8000. When I talk about lithium in essential doses, you have to look down, you know, far down from the sky straight when you see maybe people running around and the concentration that people need to stay healthy their whole life and have the longest health. Life expectancy is the size of people. That means compared to this height of the of the these big, big buildings, this is the size we need. And if there is a little mouse behind these, besides these people, this is a concentration people actually have. So what people require is the size of the house, what people actually have in areas where you have a low concentration of lithium.

[01:18:59] Del Bigtree

Here, you have that here, that example, it's a great way to look at it.

[01:19:03] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

It's the way to look at it.

[01:19:05] Del Bigtree

So somewhere between ten.

[01:19:07] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

To 20.

[01:19:07] Del Bigtree

To 20. And you're saying we're at about 20.20.2.

[01:19:13] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah. So we measure 0.2. In children in Germany the average officially is about one microgram. We have Germany on average.

[01:19:22] Del Bigtree

When you test people.

[01:19:23] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

And we test people, that's the average. But of course you have a difference. Of course in the population, in children depending on how they eat. We have even lower levels. And if we give these people or these children a concentration, that brings them up to the 10 to 20 microgram, we see major effects, really major effects. Children with autism, you know, the the people who treat them are suddenly asked to know the parents. I think we have maybe made the wrong diagnosis. It wasn't autism to begin with. We see major effects in social life in, um, in, uh, how in anger, you know, containment, you know, in interaction with other people, irritability is dramatically reduced. Uh, one of the reasons is that lithium is not only important for the production of new nerve cells in the hippocampus, it's also the target of lithium is also, for example, gsk3, which is the major driver of inflammation, particularly Inflammation. So when I wrote The Indoctrinated Brain and people asked him, what can we do about, for example, the spike protein causing neuroinflammation and shutting down the hippocampus. By this means, because all pro-inflammatory cytokines that are produced interleukin six, interleukin one, TNF alpha, all these cytokines are produced when the spike protein is recognized in the brain, which is one of the reasons I talk about indoctrination, because then the mental immune system is is shut down. And without a mental immune system, we are prone to accept any narrative as true and cannot fight against it. The mental immune system is here, that we have a better understanding of the world and are not believing everything that we are told. So that was kind of the, the weaponizing of the of this, this.

[01:21:15] Del Bigtree

So you think that's what it was? They saw that lithium makes you a critical thinker more likely to challenge the system, not be just a robot. Just do what you're told. If you want people to do what they're told. You deny them lithium and they just sort of go with the programing.

[01:21:31] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Lithium brings you back to the mental immune system. I mean, it's part of it. It's part of it's not working on its own. Of course it works on its own. If lithium deficiency is the only deficiency in my book, you find a picture of what I call the the law of the minimum. You know, the law of the minimum states that every drawing. Yeah. It was discovered in, in 1828, in Germany by, um by a researcher on, on on production of plants, you know, in agriculture. And he identified 12 essential components that a plant needs to grow. And if one is missing, it doesn't grow. It's obvious. And if you add more of a second one, not the one which is missing, it doesn't help. It does no good.

[01:22:18] Del Bigtree

So you can take all these vitamins for deficiencies, but if you're not feeding it with the ones that like help.

[01:22:23] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

That's really missing, then you don't get the effect. So, um, so the law of the minimum is a fundamental law to understand, uh, everything in life. And it's I think it's the fundamental law of life itself. And that's why it's probably not taught in med school. It's not taught in med school. And the reason is quite simple. All chronic diseases have usually at at their core a deficiency. One of them is lithium. Now if you understand the law of the minimum, then you understand that no drug in the world can replace lithium. So so when you understand the law of the minimum, then doctors would ask themselves, why would I prescribe a drug against Alzheimer's if the deficiency of lithium is the major cause?

[01:23:08] Del Bigtree

Right.

[01:23:09] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

So they would start thinking about their practice.

[01:23:12] Del Bigtree

So again, this is one of those places when you look at America, Robert Kennedy Jr, the Maha movement trying to get better food diets taking place. We're learning a lot more I've talked about on the show for years, that the education in nutrition and supplements doesn't exist in medical school. Everything is just and has really been taken over by the pharmaceutical industry. Everything is a new drug to, you know, to put a band aid on a problem instead of get the essential core issues. And you're saying this is one of the core issues that if we knew this, if we were, you know, you know, getting this into our bodies, we wouldn't be needing all these drugs and other things that were having side effects and problems with.

[01:23:54] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

I was asked by the by actually the the um, yeah. By Ignazio Cassis. He was at the time the foreign minister of Switzerland, and he was organizing a big, uh, big event called the the International Cooperation Summit. And the topic of the event in 2024 was peace. And I just wrote The exhausted brain, and it was inspiring enough for these guys to invite me to give the keynote. And I had to explain in 15 minutes, and it gave the talk in English so we can maybe link it. And I had to I gave him 15 minutes. I had to give essentially an answer to the question, what does the brain need to think? Peace. And I said, what the brain doesn't need, because if you want to think peace, you have to think at all. You have to be able to think in the first place. And thinking for me is in using system two. But system two requires the mental immune system based on the production of new nerve cells in the hippocampus. So spike proteins undermine the production. So spike protein injection by mRNA is not a good way. If you want to make make people think in peace, you know, because it undermines the ability to think peace. It also undermines democracy because democracy means that people are able to make their own thoughts up and.

[01:25:22] Del Bigtree

Their own decisions. Power of the people. People vote the, you know, government run by the people versus just being dictated by a government.

[01:25:30] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Exactly. And at that time, in 2024, it was pretty much the time when we met. First time I said, but I will make it my goal in the next year. And that's what I did to prove that lithium is essential for mental health. And, um, and it was in Basel, you know, this is the heart in Europe where all these pharmaceutical industries reside, Roche, Novartis, all around there. And I really felt when I was on the, on the stage, you know, 1500 people from over 100 countries worldwide were present, you know, um, that I put, you know, like a target here in my, on my press because, because honestly, 90% of the pharmaceutical market depends on lithium deficiency.

[01:26:13] Del Bigtree

Really?

[01:26:14] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah. Because lithium targets and I show here in the book, which I tracked down to the origin. Luca, the last universal common ancestor, the lithium target.

[01:26:23] Del Bigtree

The last universal common ancestor.

[01:26:25] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Lived about 4.2 billion years ago. And he is essentially the father father cell. You know, it was a single cell for all living beings. And this cell already had lithium targets, the same lithium target we all used today. And one of these lithium targets, for example, is impase inositol monophosphatase a strange word I word, I just name it impase. And actually you can see it here on this slide is the central core of the of the of the protein has 280 amino acids. These are about 80 amino acids. And you see here a few of these amino acids that are highly conserved from human on the top to bacteria down there.

[01:27:07] Del Bigtree

Consistency is always bad. Yeah.

[01:27:09] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

So you can go down essentially 4 billion years and you still find impase in the common ancestor. And this in these two amino acids. Here they are conserved because they bind lithium. And if they bind lithium then impase is inactivated, which is important. And by inactivating Impase it's the same actually what ivermectin is doing ivermectin started is impase. And if impase here you can see that is binding magnesium. That's what it does. Then it's active but it's active. It shuts down autophagy if it binds lithium.

[01:27:48] Del Bigtree

So autophagy being cell death be able to clear things out of the body. So so if clean. Up the body.

[01:27:53] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

So if lithium is missing you have a lack in autophagy. And autophagy is one detrimental detrimental for um mechanism for for example viral viruses. If a virus enters your body, autophagy is the the key process of digesting the virus and killing him. So that's how ivermectin works. And lithium does the same. So if for example, somebody has a severe respiratory infection give him 20mg of lithium two times a day. And in one experiment it was done with 40mg two times a day. And people were out of the hospital in half the time.

[01:28:31] Del Bigtree

Wow.

[01:28:31] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Because it immediately shuts down what we call the cytokine storm because it acts on one of one other targets, and that's called gsk3 glycogen synthase kinase three gsk3 gsk3 is the main pharmaceutical target it that we know of. Pharmaceutical industry since the 1980s, billions of dollars each year to find a target that inhibits gsk3 gsk3 activity is at the core of every chronic disease that we know of. So lithium is a natural inhibitor of gsk3. So if you remove lithium out of the system, out of the society. If people don't know how important lithium is, then all people have a high level of gsk3 activity, and gsk3 activity is the cause of chronic inflammation, and that is the cause of chronic disease.

[01:29:27] Del Bigtree

Are you saying that was done on purpose?

[01:29:29] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Absolutely. That's why it's a conspiracy. Conspiracy?

[01:29:31] Del Bigtree

They knew this. They knew that if they denied us this, we would have all.

[01:29:34] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

They knew a lot of things at the time.

[01:29:36] Del Bigtree

Off of us.

[01:29:36] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

At the time when the conspiracy started against lithium, people didn't know how exactly lithium works, but they knew it is important.

[01:29:45] Del Bigtree

So what time period are we talking about?

[01:29:47] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

We're talking about exactly about spring 1949.

[01:29:51] Del Bigtree

Okay.

[01:29:53] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

In 1949, the concept of treating people with bipolar disorder at these levels of 4000 to 8000 micrograms was rediscovered by John Cade, a psychiatrist from Australia. He published a paper in 1949, showing that with high levels of lithium, you can treat people with bipolar disorder and particularly manic portion of bipolar disorder, depression and manic phases. The manic phase is best treated with lithium. And then he concluded, if that works so good, then maybe a lack of lithium in childhood might have been the cause of bipolar disorder. And then he concluded further, if that's the case, then bipolar and lithium must be an essential trace element. You can read it in his first paper. So lithium must be an essential trace element. That was the first time in history that people believed lithium might be essential. At the same year. It was it was, um, a ban on lithium as a supplement was implemented by the FDA at the same year. And it was done in a very awful way. So, first of all, maybe a little side line here because lithium was so important for people. All, Um, yeah. Natural springs which contain lithium were usually places where people went to when they didn't feel good. So it was recognized for for centuries that there are certain areas where a lot of lithium or certain fountains, you know, sources of water, were more helpful than others. And, uh, then in the middle of the 19th century, it was identified that the common denominator was lithium, a little bit higher lithium content. People felt more happy. Chronic diseases, inflammation, all dropped. Um, so in the beginning of the 20th century, they took the water from these fountains and from these natural springs and brought them into the cities. I have pictures in here where they went with, you know, with horse carriages and brought the lithium water into the cities that for people to drink seven up, you might know Seven up was Lithiated Soda.

[01:32:08] Del Bigtree

It's actually really shown here.

[01:32:10] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

You know, it's Lithiated lemon soda. That was the original recipe. It had one milligram of lithium per class of of of of seven.

[01:32:19] Del Bigtree

Was that was it as a was it supposed to be a soda drink or was it in a hospital?

[01:32:25] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

It was a soda drink. And it was a up means up regulation of the mood and.

[01:32:30] Del Bigtree

Make you feel better.

[01:32:31] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah. And seven, uh, returns to the atomic weight of lithium.

[01:32:34] Del Bigtree

Coca-cola was delivering cocaine and 7up was going lithium.

[01:32:37] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Actually, there was also a Coca-Cola version with lithium. Oh, yeah, there was one. And as you could see on the slide in 1949, it was forbidden. Actually, this is Londonderry Water. This is a book about Londonderry Lithia. That is a spring, I think in also of, of, of New York. And all the diseases are in this book named already that was in 1903, you know.

[01:33:00] Del Bigtree

They knew it then.

[01:33:01] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

They knew it already and then.

[01:33:03] Del Bigtree

And now it's illegal, right? This places you can't like. We can get a supplement of lithium because I get it from.

[01:33:09] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah. It was forbidden by the FDA in 1949 based on the fact that on three different centers in the United States, clinical centers in three different centers at the same time. This is the paper here. 94, uh, stopped using this dangerous poison at once. What they did is they had patients in these three different centers. Uh, and the doctors told their patients, well, you have a heart problem. Sodium chloride is not good for you. So we stop. You have to stop using sodium chloride. But of course, the food doesn't taste very well without salt. You know, we have to have something better for you. And they gave them lithium chloride.

[01:33:50] Del Bigtree

Okay.

[01:33:51] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

But instead of this one milligram of lithium, that is essential in my opinion. Um, they gave these people so much that the food tasted good. That means not milligram, but gram.

[01:34:03] Del Bigtree

Wow.

[01:34:04] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

So they went above this sky scrapper. Way above the sky scrapper. And they killed them. And they knew that they are going to kill them. This is actually the. There are three different papers here. You can see them. All three of them published back to back in the Journal of the American Medical Association in March 12th or so, I think 1949. And that was the reason the FDA was able to to essentially put a ban.

[01:34:29] Del Bigtree

On with hydroxychloroquine with the a couple of trials where they give lethal doses, then see, it's dangerous, even though the whole world knew hydroxychloroquine.

[01:34:39] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Copy paste it's the same same scheme.

[01:34:41] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Since this time 1949, it was not only banned as a supplement in America, in the United States, it was banned essentially worldwide. In Europe, the ban is still existing. I gave a talk at the European Parliament in June last year to tell 1.5 hour talk, and it's, um. I showed what how absurd it is. You know, that this ban still exists in the United States. It was resolved when the FDA, um, when the food and the drug portion of the A was somehow new regulated. I think it was around 1987. And between this new regulation, lithium as lithium orotate fell between the cracks, you know, and it is now possible in the United States to sell lithium orotate as a, as a supplement. Yeah. Uh, but because the FDA cannot forbid it anymore. But of course, you as the seller, you are responsible for any side effects, you know, but this is now almost 40 years, you know, and so nothing happened regarding side effects.

[01:35:47] Del Bigtree

So just to wrap this up, if someone's watching right now, especially our kids, um, it does seem like, look, if this is important to a child's, you know, if there's a deficiency that leads to issues as they're older. Obviously, we all want our kids to be, you know, as their brain developing, you know, well, their immune system of their brain, their ability to critically think, especially those that watch this show and are living in a world where we feel like our kids are being dumbed down by the school system on purpose. Um, do I have to go to a doctor and do a blood test and figure out how much is there? Or can I make an assumption that there's a deficiency and there's a safe amount? Is there a safe amount that if you just take this amount, you'll be doing yourself a benefit and you don't have to worry about it?

[01:36:32] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yes. Put it this way. I've concluded in the book, the whole chapter three is about this issue also for children. And I had to come up with what is the dose of lithium we need? Yeah. And I was not the first who asked this question. There was actually Gerald Schrauzer. He's a German, was a German scientist, worked at UCSD, had his whole had his own institute. He was in 2002 he published a paper about the essentiality of lithium, even though he didn't have all the facts that I put in my book now, 20 years later. But he already mentioned at that time that one milligram of lithium per day for a 70kg average person. I don't know if there are many average persons with 70kg, but nowadays. But anyway, he said it's one milligram.

[01:37:18] Del Bigtree

What is that in pounds in America? 70kg.

[01:37:20] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

70kg is about 150 pounds, I would say pounds.

[01:37:23] Del Bigtree

Okay.

[01:37:24] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah. It's a little bit more than the double, you know. Okay. Based on the 450 gram per per pound. Okay. Yeah. So, um, so in the book you will find in chapter three what I recommend for children. Um, but we see when we use that and I worked very close with children, with pediatricians. I have a network of over 100 pediatricians now in the German speaking world. And I would like to extend this, maybe with Kennedy's children's health defense to the whole world, that what we measure in children, what what they should get and what the effects are. And the effects are so traumatic. I've put a quote in here from one of my friends, pediatrician Christian Schellenberg, and he works with children. He gives them omega three fatty acids, vitamin D, he gives them everything children need. So he understands the law of the minimum. When I introduced him to the concept of lithium, he said it's the lithium was the major factor from all supplements he gave children in the last 20 years. This is the most game changing one I've ever seen in the behavior of children, how they behave in families, how they are able to live, do, do their schoolwork, you know, interact with other children.

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Yeah. Being able to think as humans, you know, and believe in what we hope what humans do, that means, um, yeah. Being able to put yourself in other in the shoes of others, you know, don't fight for about nothing, you know. Think about problems and solve problems and, um. Yeah, that's what humans should do. And with, uh, with, uh, neuroinflammation, based on the fact that lithium is missing gsk3, that lithium is missing based on the fact that the hippocampus is not growing. And in the long term, that lithium causes Alzheimer's. I think the people in the world should know about this. There was a paper two months after I gave my lecture at the European Parliament. Two months later, it was on the 6th of August, 2025. The Harvard University published in the prestigious nature Journal that a lack of lithium causes Alzheimer's. A lack of natural amounts of lithium causes Alzheimer's, and it might be the element against Alzheimer's. I published this already as a scientific paper ten years earlier, 2016, I published a paper, A Unified Theory of Alzheimer's Disease, which in my opinion should be the basis for Make America Healthy Again, because everything that's in there, based on the because you can look at the human body and say, okay, we want to have a healthy heart.

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We want to have a healthy kidneys, liver, whatever. But at the end of the day, I think the healthy brain is the key. And once you have a healthy brain, then the heart will follow. You know, I mean, everything that's good for the brain is good for the rest of the body. So when I look at the unified theory, you find everything that causes Alzheimer's when things are lacking, everything that causes Alzheimer's, when you give too much of something, you know, toxins, environmental toxins or glyphosate, whatever, you know, and, and I show how they all interact on the hippocampus and damaging or supporting the production of new nerve cells. And if the production goes down, Alzheimer's follows. So this was all published. And then a paper came out by um in on the 6th of August 2025 by the by, published in nature, by a study study from Harvard University. And they conclude, essentially that is lithium is essential. Without or within you have a lack of lithium, the brain is damaged and it causes Alzheimer's. But even this paper didn't make, uh, make it happen that lithium is recognized as an essential trace element.

[01:41:22] Del Bigtree

Wow.

[01:41:23] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

So one of the reasons I came here to you is because I know you have also connections to, of course, to to, uh, Robert F Kennedy. Ursula von der Leyen has no interest, you know, for the health of the people. Sure. He or she is a major lobbyist for the pharmaceutical industry and does everything that, uh, that essentially is against the human brain, uh, while By officially saying, I want to help people. Just to give you an example, one of the reasons the hippocampus is dying off while we are getting older is because the production of new nerve cells is inhibited by our lifestyle. Lithium is one of the reasons lithium deficiency, but not the only one. But altogether we can make become healthy or stay healthy up to the highest age. Alzheimer's is not natural. I've shown this several times in the whole recipe. How to Preserve the Brain from Alzheimer's is here in the book in chapter four. But people don't want that. They want to make money with it. And the major money you can make with Alzheimer's is by injection of antibodies. Immunization. They immunize against a protein that we need for thinking.

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And it was the this treatment antibodies monoclonal antibodies against the key molecule molecule that we need for thinking. System two thinking, actually for brain function was designed was defined as this is the protein. This is now our drug target. And we devise antibodies against this target. And then we cure Alzheimer's. It's the biggest fraud in history in research that ever happened. And it happened mainly at the National Institute of Aging at the NIH. And it all published. It was published in science last year. This is the biggest fraud in history. But it continues then the European. Um yeah. Agency the similar to the FDA. We have the EMA, the European Medical Association is that this drugs that are actually allowed in America, in the United States, we don't allow them in Europe because they are they actually let the brain shrink faster. It's shown. It's published. The brain shrinks faster. Alzheimer develops faster. The Mayo Clinic published in spring 2025. The major side effects of the drug against Alzheimer's. And one of them is Alzheimer. Yeah, and one particular one is you cannot change false beliefs anymore once you get this drug.

[01:44:06] Del Bigtree

Wow.

[01:44:06] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

It's almost like immunization against misinformation.

[01:44:10] Del Bigtree

Wow.

[01:44:11] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Yeah. So the the EMA, the pendant to the FDA said no. Six months later, von der Leyen said yes. I don't care what my agency is saying. I allow this drug to be on the market.

[01:44:24] Del Bigtree

Wow.

[01:44:24] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

And I was showing in my, my in my speech at the European Parliament that lithium and there are many, many, um, review articles about this. Lithium works cheaper, better, more efficient to against Alzheimer's. Actually, it was shown already in 2013. Trace amount of lithium, 300 microgram that's not even a milligram a day. Keeps people stable for 15 months compared to control groups. So I've tried it in different ways to convince people there. And that's my big hope now. That's why I'm here. That maybe. Yeah, Kennedy does the trick because I need only one country in the world which states lithium is essential. And then it's like a domino, you know.

[01:45:06] Del Bigtree

Right. Well, look, why don't we. Why don't you stick around for off the record? And I want to hear what you would what your advice Robert Kennedy Junior would be for the United States of America. We'll get into the details on that. How does you have four books now? This one, by the way, is a top seller still in our in our store. Uh, that's the indoctrinated brain. You've got the algae oil revolution, the exhausted brain, and now the conspiracy against lithium. Is there a website or someone wants to track all that you're doing? That's the best place to go.

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The best is to go on my Substack, you know.

[01:45:39] Del Bigtree

Okay. Your Substack. Yeah, Substack and and your books are all on Amazon and everywhere else that you can find.

[01:45:45] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Absolutely, absolutely. And so, yeah.

[01:45:49] Del Bigtree

Alright.

[01:45:50] Michael Nehls, MD, PHD, Physician, Molecular Geneticist, Author and Educator

Wisdom is easy to find.

[01:45:52] Del Bigtree

Okay. Very good. Well, look, here it is. "The Conspiracy Against Lithium." It just seems like such a simple thing. And you know, when you hear something and it just rings true. That's the experience I'm having right now. I've had that every time you've come on, there's something about your research and the way that you're putting your thoughts together. That always makes me excited when you call and say, hey, I want to come and talk about get deeper into a concept, in this case, lithium. Um, really exciting stuff. Uh, so if you're out there, **make sure you buy this book**. And speaking of books, you know, we are excited because this month is all about getting books. And we want to make that easy for you at our store. Take a look at this.

[01:46:34] Lee Bigtree, Merchandise Manager

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[01:47:17] Del Bigtree

We're getting reports that lithium sales are going through the roof right now as we speak. Um, I know I'm going to run out of here and make sure that we are stocked up at our house. Uh, but speaking of reports, I want to check in on that poll that we've started. There's a poll that anyone can take anywhere around the world on this glyphosate issue, right? Once again, if you haven't taken the poll, you can do it right now. You can share it with a friend. You can type 72022 is the number and write in the word poll. And you will get the poll right there. You can go bit.ly/ICANpoll is another way to get there. Or just click on this QR code. My understanding is there's several hundred people during the show have already weighed in. So let's see some of the early results. Are you aware that glyphosate based herbicides have been associated with cancer claims? Looks like 95.7% of you watching the show right now knew that. Um, you know, we're going to have to have some retesting of the 3.5% there. Have you not been watching The HighWire anyway? No, that's a great score. Look at this one. Do you believe manufacturers of glyphosate based herbicides should have legal immunity from lawsuits related to alleged health harms? Uh. Hell no. We should have had a hell no. I think there instead of just no. Uh, and then the next question, should federal policy allow the stockpiling of glyphosate based herbicides as part of national preparedness planning, 88.5% of you are saying no.

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9.7% are unsure. And, uh, yes, 1.8% are. And there's one more. Does the November 28th, 2025 retraction of the foundational study used to support the safety of glyphosate affect your trust and current safety claims? Yes, 79.2% of you. That's a big deal. No. Had. No. I was just sort of wondering on that. No, 14.3%. They're probably like, no, it didn't have any effect. I already didn't trust them but unsure 6.5%. It's a lot of fun. Really cool. But there's even more data that is going to be drilled down inside of there so that as you're filling it out, we're going to make sure you get emailed the final results and all of the different things that we learned about the population and, and what we actually think on this issue. And if the numbers are big enough, why don't we send that off to Donald Trump and say, you, uh, you may be making a mistake here. All right, well, I want to thank everyone that took place in that poll right away. Love how you guys all jump on top of this. And I hope you are, you know, marking off in your calendar April 27th. I think he's got a big thing going. The people versus poison. Uh, that's going to be an amazing moment. It's obviously was just brainstormed, I think.

[01:49:56] Del Bigtree

I think right here live on the show. So a lot of work to do there. Uh, let's all reach out to Vani Hari and get our different groups together and see if we can't make that a spectacular event. I had a wild week on top of everything else. It was reported this article came out The Atlantic. I've been telling you, I knew it was coming. An article about Del Bigtree. Look at this headline. "I genuinely am upset that your kids are vaccinated." "Del Bigtree, a longtime ally of Robert F Kennedy Jr, isn't just anti-vaccine, he's pro infection." Um, I'm actually going to. Tom Bartlett wrote the article. Tom. Uh, you know, I'm getting lots of reports. Lots of my friends are getting a kick out of this article. I even texted Tom about that earlier. Um, I would I would say it's a hit piece, but. Look, Tom, thanks for taking the time. We're going to continue the conversations. We actually have a real debate going on, and there's a few things that happen in that article. Finally, for the first time ever, Tom admits that pertussis does not stop transmission. He admits polio doesn't stop transmission. I think those are huge things. So, you know, there was some awareness there and understanding that we came to together. He also points out how I think that I should be allowed to have the Ferrari of immunity, which comes from having an infection versus the Ford Pinto of immunity, which is what you get from the, you know, fallible vaccine program.

[01:51:22] Del Bigtree

Anyway, it's a wild article, and I'm going to use my social media next week to deal with some of the points that are probably going to be shocking to a lot of Americans that happened in that article. So stay connected with me on Facebook and Instagram at Bigtree. Um, that's where I refute some of the claims that are being made in this case, where I'm going to discuss some of the issues that come up, um, that weren't really given the total context in the article. So I'm going to do that on my social media and a, you know, a first of its kind. Tomorrow on my Instagram, I'm going to do a live Q&A. So if you're on Instagram tomorrow at 12 p.m. Pacific time, 3 p.m. eastern two here Central Time on Instagram at Bigtree. I'm going to spend an hour taking any question you might have and answering it. I thought that might be a fun interaction. So many people, you know, want to have that opportunity to have a question answered. So I'm going to do that. We'll see how that goes. Maybe I'll start doing more things like that. Um, I want to bring attention to a really dear friend that you know. Vaxxed the film that I made that, you know, sort of changed my life forever and put me in the center of this wouldn't have been possible without the chiropractors out there that were really supportive.

[01:52:40] Del Bigtree

And one of them was the president of Life University, who just passed this last week. Um, doctor Guy Reikeman, uh, a good friend, president of Life University from 2004 to 2017. From 17 to 20, he was chancellor. Just an awesome guy to all the chiropractors that knew him there. I am one of the early screenings of VAXXED. Super great champion, honestly, was probably a medical freedom champion before I was, uh, we're going to miss you. But man, you left a mark on this earth, which is all any of us can dream to do. Uh, what a great man. And so many of you great people out there are part of the Informed Consent Action Network. I feel the water is starting to boil. It's starting to heat up. They think we've gone back to sleep. Are you ready? Are you ready for it? Are you ready to step up? You're ready to make your voices heard. Are you ready for another battle? This is what's going on. It's for our children. It's for our time. It's for our lives. It's for the future of the earth. You're here for a reason. Don't complain. These are interesting times, and we're in the middle of it. We're going to keep reporting on it every week on The HighWire. I'll see you next week.

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