

Lena Sun's Function at Washington Post: Blindly Defend Vaccines

Investigations

A major funder of the anti-vaccine movement has made millions selling natural health products



Anti-vaccine groups demonstrate outside the office of California Gov. Gavin Newsom in Sacramento, Calif., on Sept. 9 to protest legislation tightening school vaccine requirements. (Rich Pedroncelli/AP)

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Sun's function at Washington Post is blindly defending vaccines and defaming all who challenge the Pharmaceutical Paradigm. Because her editors anoint Sun with absolution from fact checking, her hatchet jobs are parades of reckless invention. She refuses to retract her [2017 assertion](#) that all new vaccines are safety tested against the entire schedule even after investigative journalist Jeremy Hammond [confronted her](#) with CDC and IOM's definitive disavowals.

Sun's [latest target](#), [Dr. Joe Mercola](#) earned Sun's ire by financing Barbara Loe Fisher's [National Vaccine Information Center](#) (NVIC) which publishes scrupulously sourced vaccination science. Sun attacks [@drmercola](#) for recommending vitamins and other remedies which, Sun complains, are not approved by FDA. FDA receives [50% of its budget](#) from Pharma.

According to [Cochrane Collaboration](#) founder Peter Gotzsche, FDA approved drugs are now the [third leading cause of death](#) after heart disease and cancer. Prescription drugs kill over 200,000 Americans each year. Half die from drug side effects and half from errors by doctors who prescribe those drugs without the encyclopedic understanding required to keep track of their myriad contraindications and interactions. Facts sourced [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#).

FDA routinely approves useless and absurdly lethal drugs because [Pharma's control of medical journals](#) has made virtually all the science that FDA relies upon [unreliable](#).

Lancet editor Dr. Richard Horton [acknowledged](#) in 2002 that the journals that publish the drug studies upon which FDA bases its approvals "have devolved into laundering operations for the pharmaceutical industry" and that "half the published science is probably untrue." BMJ editor Dr Peter Doshi calls Pharma's clinical trials "[misleading](#)" and NEJM editor Marcia Angel [said](#) "It is simply no longer possible to believe much of the clinical research that is published." The world's leading authority on medical research, Dr. John Ioannides [said](#) that 90% of FDA's published medical information is flawed and riddled with conflicts.

Lena Sun puts her trust in government authority instead of science.

I'll take my chances with hard science, inquisitive, skeptical minds and thoughtful, compassionate healers like [Dr. Mercola](#).

[CHD NOTE: The irony in Lena Sun's headline followed by an ad

for a pharmaceutical is inescapable.]