

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta GA 30333 March 15, 2022

Aaron Siri Siri & Glimstad LLP 200 Park Ave, 17th Floor New York, 10166 Via email: <u>foia@sirillp.com</u>

Dear Mr. Siri:

This letter is in final response to your Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of April 28, 2021, for:

All documents relied upon by CDC to claim the following statements:

1. "They [COVID-19 viral vector vaccines] do not affect or interact with our DNA in any way";

2. "The genetic material delivered by the viral vector does not integrate into a person's DNA.";

3. "They [COVID-19 mRNA vaccines] do not affect or interact with our DNA in any way"; and

4. "mRNA never enters the nucleus of the cell, which is where our DNA (genetic material) is kept."

A search of our records failed to reveal any documents pertaining to your request. The National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD) conducted a search of their records and found no records related to your request. Please note, CDC is a public health organization. CDC increases the health security of our nation. CDC saves lives and protects people from health threats. To accomplish our mission, CDC conducts critical science and provides health information that protects our nation against expensive and dangerous health threats, and responds when these arise. The sole agency responsible for the safety, efficacy and security of human and veterinary drugs is the Food and Drug Administration. NCIRD has provided the following link for your information. Many of the resources on this page link to FDA's site.

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/different-vaccines/mRNA.html

Should you require additional information, you should submit your request directly with the FDA.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at 770-488-6246 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may administratively appeal to the Deputy Agency Chief FOIA Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, via the online portal at https://requests.publiclink.hhs.gov/App/Index.aspx. Please mark both your appeal letter and envelope "FOIA Appeal." Your appeal must be electronically transmitted by June 13, 2022.

Sincerely,

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