Discerning the Truth: Lessons from a Scientist

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INFORMATION DISORDER **FALSE USED TO HARM MISINFORMATION DISINFORMATION MALINFORMATION** TRUTH

Make it Believable

Deception



Revelation 12:9 (ESV)

⁹ And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Can We Believe Images?





How Do People Know What They "Know"?

- Most people get information from a color flatscreen--not personal, direct, first-hand information.
- The Information Age has produced a chronic information overload.
- The sheer volume of information may allow only a cursory reading of headlines, which might be misleading of the content.

A Divided Society

Those who follow only **legacy media** get the same story repeated over and over again.

Those who follow **alternative media** get a very different story.

There is conflict and bullying among those who hold opposing views: "government propaganda" vs. "conspiracy theory."

Can we determine the truth?

Can we heal the rift?

Some Methods of Mind Manipulation

- Hypnosis by television
- Social media propaganda
- Subliminal messaging
- Predictive programming
- Repetition of lies taken as truths
- Trauma-based mind control
- "Gaslighting"

"Gaslighting"

- •Psychological manipulation of a person that causes them to question the validity of their own thoughts, perceptions, & memories.
- •Typically leads to confusion, loss of self-esteem, uncertainty, and dependence on the perpetrator.
- •Common in narcissistic, abusive relationships.
- •Distortion of reality to maintain power and control.

Gaslighting Techniques:

COUNTERING

It involves the abuser questioning the authenticity of the victim's memories.

DENIAL

In this the abuser may completely deny the truth and make the victim question their memory.

WITHHOLDING

It involves the abuser pretending not to understand what the person being abused is trying to say.

DIVERTING

It challenges the victim's credibility by assuming that they have a certain idea from others or are being brainwashed by their family or friends.

TRIVIALIZING

In this the abuser makes the victim feel that their thoughts and emotions have no value by belittling them.

What Is Science?

- An open system of inquiry for knowledge
- No dogma; no single authority; no final word
- Debate, deliberation, discussion, revision
- Hypothesis → experiment → data → theory → . . .
- Conduct new studies that generate new data to be considered.
- Evaluate new data from numerous sources.
- Incorporate new findings into the growing body of scientific knowledge that evolves

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Kuhn's Model of Scientific Progress

- Not linear; marked by paradigm shifts
- Most science does not challenge the paradigm.
- Evidence challenging the paradigm accumulates.
- Breakthrough to a new paradigm to accommodate old and new evidence.

"Science advances funeral by funeral."

-- Max Planck

Science "Friction": Tension Between Established Science and New Discoveries

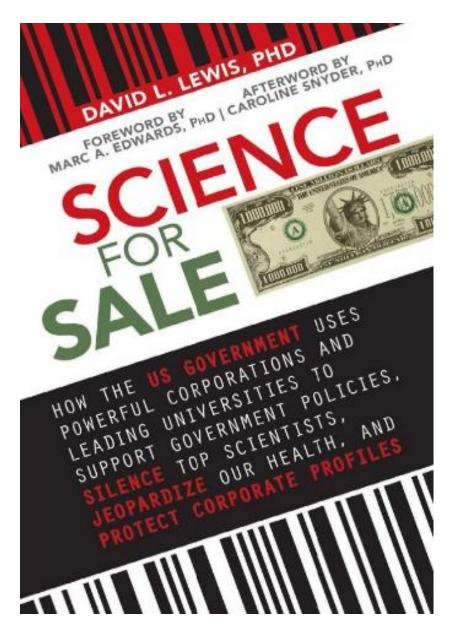
Mainstream Science

- Scientific discoveries and theories that fit the mainstream worldview
- Mainstream view is material reductionism
- E.g., life is a bag of biomolecules; consciousness emerges out of complex brains; psychic "side effects;" tinker with DNA to make new life forms
- Sometimes dogmatic
- May follow certain political "agendas"

Frontier Science

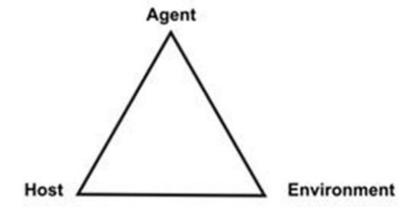
- Scientific discoveries and theories that challenge the mainstream worldview
- One frontier view: reality is psychic with secondary physical aspects
- E.g., Consciousness is fundamental; extraordinary states; spiritual healing; "Where the mind goes, bioenergy flows, and blood follows."
- Challenges dogma
- Follows experiments and facts

The Hijacking of Science



Censorship in Science Today

In 2020, we wrote a paper on the possible role of 5G as an environmental factor in the COVID pandemic.



- Rejected by pre-print servers and journals numerous times, due to the topic.
- Finally a journal reviewed it, an extraordinary peer review!
- Rubik & Brown, Evidence for a Relationship Between Coronavirus Disease-19 and Exposure to Radiofrequency Radiation from Wireless Communications Including 5G
- https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC8580522/
- NOT an isolated case of science censorship!

The worst thing about censorship is

A Pandemic of Disinformation

- The "legacy" media, social media, and science are all controlled.
- Any challenges to the "official narrative" (WHO, CDC) on topics related to "agendas" are not allowed.
- Many scientists censored or silenced, fearful, or threatened with loss of funding or position.
- Many instances of false science in the COVID saga.

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Censorship and Suppression of Covid-19 Heterodoxy: Tactics and Counter-Tactics

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Abstract

The emergence of COVID-19 has led to numerous controversies over COVID-related knowledge and policy. To counter the perceived threat from doctors and scientists who challenge the official position of governmental and intergovernmental health authorities, some supporters of this orthodoxy have moved to censor those who promote dissenting views. The aim of the present study is to explore the experiences and responses of highly accomplished doctors and research scientists from different countries who have been targets of suppression and/or censorship following their publications and statements in relation to COVID-19 that challenge official views. Our findings point to the central role played by media organizations, and especially by information technology companies, in attempting to stifle debate over COVID-19 policy and measures. In the effort to silence alternative voices, widespread use was made not only of censorship, but of tactics of suppression that damaged the reputations and careers of dissenting doctors and scientists, regardless of their academic or medical status and regardless of their stature prior to expressing a contrary position. In place of open and fair discussion, censorship and suppression of scientific dissent has deleterious and far-reaching implications for medicine, science, and public health.

"Journals have devolved into information laundering operations for the pharmaceutical industry."

--RICHARD HORTON EDITOR, THE LANCET



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The Silencing of Distinguished Pioneering Scientists

- Judy Mikovitz: Animal retroviruses transmitted to humans through vaccines causes diseases including chronic fatigue syndrome
 - Fired; disgraced; science paper retracted; jailed.
- **Chris Exley**: Found aluminum in autistic brains Funding cut off; driven into early retirement.
- John Clauser, Nobel Prize Winner in Physics: "Climate change is a myth" Recent speech cancelled.
- Linus Pauling, Twice Nobel Prize Winner (Chemistry, Peace)
 Disgraced and ridiculed when he promoted the health benefits of vitamin C.
- **John Bockris**: validated Cold Fusion and transmutation. Defrocked and accused of fraud.

Serious Blow to Freedom of Speech: The New "Terrorist"

- Challenges to the official narrative on COVID including government mandates & policies may now be regarded as "terrorism".
- Reference: Aug 13, 2021, bulletin of US Department of Homeland Security

Reminiscent of "McCarthyism" in Post-WWII USA

- Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, director of the Manhattan Project, who purportedly developed uranium and plutonium nuclear bombs, was against developing an H-bomb
- Defrocked, security clearance removed, and labeled a "Communist"

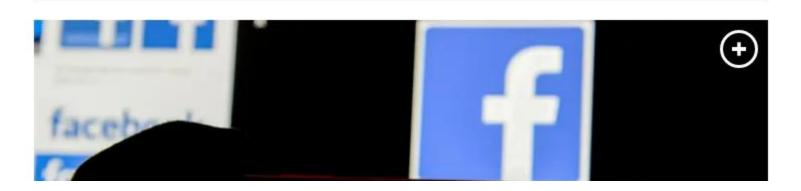
The Censorship Industrial Complex

Testimony by Michael Shellenberger to the House Select Committee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government, March 9, 2023

Facebook admits the truth: 'Fact checks' are really just (lefty) opinion

By Post Editorial Board

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The 6 Best Fact-Checking Sites for Finding Unbiased Truth

This is the age of misinformation and fake news. Here are the best unbiased fact-checking sites so that you can find the truth.

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1. Media Bias/FactCheck (MBFC News)



3. TruthOrFiction.com



The Free Encyclopedia



Parapsychology

Article Talk

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Parapsychology is the study of alleged psychic phenomena (extrasensory perception, telepathy, precognition, clairvoyance, psychokinesis (also called telekinesis), and psychometry) and other paranormal claims, for example, those related to near-death experiences, synchronicity, apparitional experiences, etc.^[1] Criticized as being a pseudoscience, the majority of mainstream scientists reject it.^{[2][3][4][5][6][7][8][9]} Parapsychology has also been criticised by mainstream critics for claims by many of its practitioners that their studies are plausible despite a lack of convincing evidence after more than a century of research for the existence of any psychic phenomena.^{[1][10][11]}

Parapsychology research rarely appears in mainstream scientific journals; instead, most papers about parapsychology are published in a small number of niche journals.^[12]

Artificial Intelligence Chatbots

- Chat GPT: Generative Pre-trained Transformer, is a large language model-based chatbot developed by OpenAI and launched on November 30, 2022, notable for enabling users to refine and steer a conversation towards a desired length, format, style, level of detail, and language used.
- Truth GPT (Elon Musk)

Google and the UN (WHO) Collaborate on New Censorship Platform (Aug 15, 2023)

Google's Fact Check Tools: toolbox.google.com/factcheck

"To improve information quality"

"To limit mis- and dis-information"

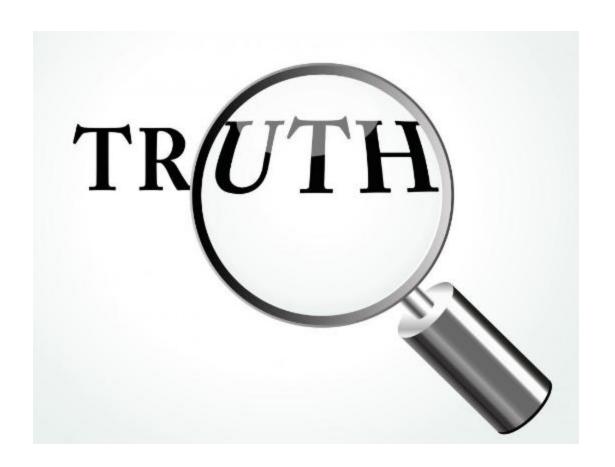
Applied to Dr. Peter A. McCullough, MD, MPH, it claims 2 unsupported, 5 false, 6 inaccurate, 2 misleading statements, and 8 flawed arguments since 2021.

It will allow anyone to post anything online, but if it challenges a WHO "official narrative," it becomes invisible on Google searches.

Sources of Information

- Search engines → websites
- Social media
- "Legacy media": "official narratives" via radio, newspapers, television, etc.
- "Alternative media": videos, blogs, books
- Independent journalists
- Whistleblowers
- Eye witnesses
- Scholarly Journals
- Personal Experiences

How can we obtain <u>reliable</u> information?



The truth is often bitter and hard to swallow.

Evaluate Information Sources

- Who is reporting it? Eye witnesses? Whistleblowers?
 Independent journalists?
- Do they have any conflicts of interest? Vested interests? Prone to sensationalism to get more "hits"? Click bait?
- Are the reporting agencies or journalists captured by big business interests or globalist agendas?
- Evaluate the character reporting the information: ethical, credible, etc.
- Cross-check: Do multiple sources report the same information?
- Are they legitimate scholarly sources or mouthpieces "owned" by particular interests?

Homework

I. Questions

- How do devastating "wildfires" in California, Maui, etc., achieve such enormous temperatures that melt aluminum and soften steel I-beams? Why are the trees mostly untouched by fire? Why are small structures largely destroyed while larger structures left intact, as seen in aerial photographs?
- Is "global climate change" happening now? If so, is it due to our "carbon footprint?" What else, if anything, may be contributing to "global climate change"?
- Why is the most abundant greenhouse gas, water vapor, never discussed?

II. Questions

- Did airplanes hit the World Trade Center buildings on 9-11 and cause them to collapse? How did Building 7 suddenly collapse on its own?
- How did Hiroshima and Nagasaki get repopulated so soon after purported nuclear bombings? What about the radioactive fallout from nuclear bombing that should last thousands of years?
- Why does sunlight, an electromagnetic wave, reach Earth when outer space contains no medium in which a wave can propagate?

Tips for Truthseekers

- Working alone can be difficult.
- Find a community of like-minded truth seekers and work together.
- Pose initial questions and then critical subquestions as you learn more.
- Truth seeking is a quest, not a conquest.
- There is always more to learn and typically at least 2 sides to a story!
- Keep an open mind like a good scientist.

Apply Your Inner Knowing

Affirmations

- God Lord, my helper. Heb 13:6
- For You have given me wisdom and power. Dan 2:23
- I have faith in God. Mar 4:40
- Lord, You shall guide me continually. Isa 58:11
- Lord, I trust in You. Psa 91:2
- My eyes of understanding are enlightened. Eph 1:18
- Nothing is impossible with You, Lord. Luk 1:37



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