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Professor Sir Ian Diamond

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Dear Professor Diamond,

We applaud the UK ONS for producing a number of time-series cohort analyses which looked at vaccinated and unvaccinated people over time since vaccination to determine whether or not the COVID vaccines are safe. These can be found at "[Deaths by Vaccination status, England](#)" on the ONS website.

Unfortunately, the parameters chosen by the Authority are insufficient to make a dispositive determination as to whether the vaccines are "safe and effective" or not because the interval sizes were too few and too large. The UK Statistics Regulator agrees and said, "*Our view is that the Deaths by Vaccination Status publication does not provide information on vaccine effectiveness or vaccine safety and should not be used in this way.*"

We are requesting that the Authority re-do the analysis with the following parameters which we believe will provide definitive insight as to whether or not the COVID vaccines are "safe and effective" or not. This will help us to address an important question we are currently facing in Parliament regarding excess mortality and what is causing it.

These parameters have been used on the records in New Zealand and the results were made public and no person has claimed it revealed any personal information because it simply aggregates statistics. We truncated the records requested at 100 years in order to preserve privacy (so 100+ are aggregated).

Your staff was asked to produce such a detailed report and they declined to do so. This is why we are bringing this matter to your attention.

The report that we request requires little effort: just changing the parameters in the code your team has already written and re-running the report. It does not expose anyone's private health information.

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Here are the column names and definitions:

Column name	Resolution	Rationale
Observation Year	2021 to 2023 by single year	Same as existing
Observation Month	Jan to Dec by month	Same as existing
Dose number	0 to 7 by 1	Same as existing
Week number	0 to 156 by 1	As in the first two editions of the data. Much more detailed than existing. This is the number of weeks from the injection date of that dose. For the unvaccinated, the week number should be the week since Jan 1, 2021 so it will range from 0 to 156.
Sex	Female, Male separately	Same as existing
Age	Single digit age from 5 to 100. Then a single catchall for >100.	Currently 10 to 20 year age ranges starting at 18.

Here are the column names for the weekly counts and their definitions:

Column name	Resolution	Rationale
Number of COVID deaths	Exact count. No redactions or rounding. (Meeting criteria in above table)	Existing is censored when counts are <3. We need the exact count. N.B. The ONS provides weekly covid deaths by country to an accuracy of 1.
Number of non-COVID deaths	Exact count. No redactions or rounding. (Meeting criteria in above table)	Existing is censored when counts are <3. We need the exact uncensored count.
Alive	Exact count of living population for that week (meeting criteria in above table) No redactions or rounding.	Existing is person-years. This would count person-weeks.

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To produce the report, please use weekly tallying where you run through all of the records once per week (rather than once per day) in order to determine the value to tally for each person. So if a person dies mid-week, it would tally as a death for that week and the alive count would be 0; it is not necessary to tally fractional man-weeks. Each living person should tally to exactly one count bucket for a given observation week until death.

Age is the age of the person at the time the record is tallied which presumably is no different than the way you are doing it today.

Also note that the proportion of total deaths that were included in the data in 2023 was significantly lower than that in the releases for 2021 and 2022, despite the delay in the release meaning there were many months for registrations to have caught up. Please ensure that all deaths are included in the analysis.

If you have any questions or objections to the above request, please reach out to my office. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in red ink that reads "Andrew Bridgen".

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