

# Old interview surfaced: Drosten considered PCR tests to be unsuitable

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An interview in the 2014 Wirtschaftswoche is currently astonishing many people. In it, the virologist Christian Drosten, who is now particularly hyped in Germany, explained that the PCR test is not really suitable for mass testing. He describes how this can lead to completely unsuitable positive results.

Medicine would be "not free from fashion waves". No more whining - resist now: "Freedom is made out of courage!" By Michael Mayrhofer

The virologist Christian Drosten is considered to be the central advisor to the German federal government on all issues relating to the alleged corona pandemic. He is the director of the institute at the Charité in Berlin.

Info-DIREKT has already highlighted his lack of demarcation from the extremist antifa. Drosten's PCR test is the standard in most countries around the world to determine infection with the SARS-Cov-2 virus. But the test method is considered controversial and anything but error-free. It is not only the test methodology that allows errors, but also the fact that taking a sample only makes sense in a small time window of the disease - but can fail shortly before or after, although the patient is infected.

At the beginning of the alleged corona pandemic, Drosten also stated in a podcast that the test would "definitely" lead to cross-reactions with other, similar viruses.

At that time, Drosten was still demanding scientific clarity

The 2014 interview is interesting not least because the statements of Drosten correspond truthfully with the statements of other scientific luminaries such as Prof. Bhakdis.

On the occasion of the "MERS" virus outbreak in Saudi Arabia at the time, he said: "What interests you first are the real cases. Whether asymptomatic or mildly infected hospital employees are really virus carriers, I consider to be questionable. It is even more questionable whether they can pass the virus on to others.

The advisory team of the new health minister should make a stronger distinction between medically necessary diagnostics and scientific interest.

"For these demands, which are now made almost word for word by so-called corona skeptics ", one is currently insulted and denounced up to criminalization.

But it gets even better ...

With PCR, perfectly healthy people become statistically ill

When MERS cases surfaced in Saudi Arabia in 2014, the authorities there decided to use the "highly sensitive method" of the polymerase chain reaction "PCR" for testing.

Drosten said: "The method is so sensitive that it can detect a single genetic molecule of the virus. If, for example, such a pathogen scurries over the nasal mucous membrane of a nurse for a day without becoming ill or noticing anything, then it is suddenly a MERS case.

Where previously terminally ill were reported, now suddenly mild cases and people who are actually very healthy are included in the reporting statistics. This could also explain the explosion in the number of cases in Saudi Arabia. "This argument corresponds almost 1: 1 to everything that serious, expert critics of the Corona tests and measures utter today.

Medicine is subject to fashion

In addition, Drosten sharply criticized the media. So he considered the panic surrounding MERS to be largely media-made. "In addition, the local media boiled the matter up incredibly high. In the region there is hardly any other topic in the TV news or daily newspapers. "And, to sum up:" Medicine is not free from fashion waves.

"At that time, the WHO recommended that only those cases be reported as sick where an antibody test was carried out was positive. Drosten agreed with this opinion. Because the PCR test would also report viruses and bacteria that have not yet passed the body's defenses and may never be able to do so. An infection would only be detectable when antibodies are present.

Today everything is different. The PCR test is considered the incontestable gold standard. Based on this test, measures are imposed and lockdowns decided. And: the more people you test, the more positive cases are reported - even if - to use Drosten's words - they are completely healthy people.

Today Drosten contradicts himself in a completely abbreviated form

In the meantime, Drosten likes to contradict himself. For example in this article from Tagesspiegel of September 30<sup>th</sup> 2020. "The PCR is simply beyond any doubt.", Quoted the Tagesspiegel, but without explaining exactly what the statement refers to.

The reasons for the error rate of the PCR tests are explained quite clearly here at quarks.de.

They are manifold:

- Errors in taking the samples,
- too little smear material,
- the wrong time of taking (only the fourth to eighth day after the onset of symptoms gives good results)
- and a few more criteria.

Only when all the prerequisites are met under laboratory conditions, the results of the tests are considered to be almost 100 percent reliable.

Every mistake, every unclean work lowers this security. It should be noted that with an error rate of one percent in 100,000 tests carried out, 1,000 people can be diagnosed as false positives or false negatives.