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Dear Professor Raikhel,

I am writing because 1) you are a close colleague of Professor Susan R. Wessler, 2) you both are members of the National Academy of Sciences (NAS), 3) you both are Distinguished UC Professors, 4) you both know about Lysenko and Vavilov, and 5) you both have received and ignored the December 9, 2015 National Association of Scholars (NASch) letter “Concerns About National Academy of Sciences and Scientific Dissent” ([https://www.nas.org/articles/nas\\_letter](https://www.nas.org/articles/nas_letter)).

Please read this email letter, my attached February 12, 2016 email letter to Dr. Wessler, and my attached February 16, 2016 “Summary of Findings to Date Regarding Marcia K. McNutt, *Science*, and National Academy of Sciences, and Their Suppression of Scientific Dissent.” In addition, please read or reread the December 9, 2015 NASch Letter and the April 2, 2012 NASch Report “A Crisis of Competence: The Corrupting Effect of Political Activism in the University of California” ([http://www.nas.org/images/documents/A\\_Crisis\\_of\\_Competence.pdf](http://www.nas.org/images/documents/A_Crisis_of_Competence.pdf)).

I request that you and/or Dr. Wessler convince NAS President-Elect McNutt to immediately peer-review the evidence of scientific misconduct that was submitted to *Science* in 2015 and that is described in the December 9, 2015 NASch letter. If Dr. McNutt continues her refusal to peer-review this evidence, then I request that you and/or Dr. Wessler immediately peer-review this evidence. You can start with evidence of PM2.5 misconduct that has occurred at UC.

If I do not receive an email or telephone response from you by February 22, 2016 indicating a willingness to cooperate with my request, I will immediately begin distributing this email letter to selected members of Congress, to selected American scientists who believe in honest and transparent science, and to taxpayers in the greater Riverside area and California who are being adversely impacted by illegal EPA, CARB, and SCAQMD regulations that are largely based on the LNT, PM2.5, and AGW misconduct described in the December 9, 2015 NASch letter.

Please take this email letter seriously and realize that we are in America, not in the Soviet Union.

Thank you very much for your cooperation with this important request.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Professor Wessler,

I am sending you this email letter because you refused to speak with me when I called you this morning. Today is an important reminder that President Abraham Lincoln and the thirty-eighth Congress created the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) on March 3, 1963 for the purpose of “*providing independent, objective advice to the nation on matters related to science and technology*”. I am confident that President Lincoln and the thirty-eighth Congress would be shocked to learn that, in the year of a U.S. Presidential election, NAS has just conducted a secret Soviet-style election of a Lysenko-like NAS President. They would be further shocked to learn that the NAS President-Elect is actively engaged in the suppression of dissent on three scientific issues of great importance to the nation and even greater importance to California.

Thus, concerned scientists like myself are making extensive efforts to inform the current Congress and the general public about the three scientific issues, the suppression of scientific dissent, and NAS. For instance, on February 8, 2016, Dr. Peter Wood met with five key staff members of the U.S. House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology about his December 9, 2015 National Association of Scholars letter ([https://www.nas.org/articles/nas\\_letter](https://www.nas.org/articles/nas_letter)) and my attached February 8, 2016 “Summary of Findings to Date Regarding Marcia K. McNutt, *Science*, and National Academy of Sciences, and Their Suppression of Scientific Dissent.”

For your information, I am so passionate about honesty and integrity in science because I was trained by the fourth graduate of the Bronx High School of Science to win the Nobel Prize. Like his parents, my parents instilled in me “two qualities which became the foundation of my personal and professional life. One is an unbounded sense of optimism; the other is a strong feeling as to the importance of using one's mind for the betterment of mankind.” You should learn more about me by watching this five-minute May 17, 2015 YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MqazxtsN0t0>).

Please speak with me about ways in which you, a UC Professor with public service obligations, can help the greater Riverside area and California by promoting scientific integrity at UC, CARB, and SCAQMD regarding LNT, PM2.5, and AGW. Thank you for your consideration.

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## Summary of Findings to Date Regarding Marcia K. McNutt, *Science*, and National Academy of Sciences, and Their Connection to Suppression of Scientific Dissent

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Incestuous relationships exist between *Science*, AAAS, NAS, and California. The last five *Science* Editors-in-Chief dating back to 1985 (McNutt, Alberts, Kennedy, Bloom, Koshland) are NAS and AAAS members with careers in California; Alberts was also NAS President; new AAAS President Schaal selected NAS President-Elect McNutt; AAAS Board is dominated by UC faculty or graduates; NAS President Cicerone and NAS Executive Officer Darling had long careers at UC and they know about the liberal domination of UC and California State Agencies and the extreme regulatory policies in California.

NAS officials (Cicerone, Darling, and Hinchman) and key NAS members (Schaal and Wessler) have refused to release any details about the January election of McNutt, the only candidate for new NAS President. They have refused to identify all members of the Presidential Nomination Committee, the number of votes for and against McNutt, or the total number of votes by state.

Of the 2,095 active U.S. members of NAS, 618 (29.5%) are from CA, 823 (39.3%) are from five other liberal states (MA, NY, NJ, MD, IL), and there are only 138 (6.6%) from the 24 states with 1-14 members each, and 8 states have no members. Based on public information about 113 NAS members in Los Angeles County, NAS is overwhelmingly and increasingly dominated by Democrats. Among 61 members born before 1945, 14.8% are Republicans; among 52 members born since 1945, 7.7% are Republicans. Of the 255 NAS members who signed the May 7, 2010 *Science* 'delay must not be an option' letter entitled "Climate Change and the Integrity of Science," all ten Los Angeles County signers are Democrats and presumably almost all of the other 245 signers are Democrats.

Only two of the ~600 NAS members who received the December 9, 2015 National Association of Scholars letter have expressed concern about McNutt or suppression of scientific dissent on three important regulatory-related issues (LNT, PM2.5, AGW), which are described in the letter. These two members have experienced retaliation because of their "politically incorrect" views on other scientific issues. One of them stated "Dissenting voices and scientifically well-supported warnings are not appreciated. I suspect that the current system is too big and powerful to change, and I fear for the future of my grandchildren." NAS member Lindzen has published evidence that environmental activists like Cicerone, Holdren, Hanson, and Gleick, were admitted to NAS via a special ad hoc committee. NAS member Goodman has just published evidence that USGS Director McNutt failed to investigate his 2012 misconduct complaint. Additional evidence challenging the objectivity of McNutt is forthcoming.

McNutt issued a February 5, 2016 retraction of the May 7, 2004 *Science* Report by Lina A. Gugliotti and May 28, 2015 retraction of the December 12, 2014 *Science* Report by Michael LaCour. However, she absolutely refuses to peer-review or investigate in any way the massive evidence submitted to her since June 2015 of scientific misconduct regarding three *Science* papers involving LNT, PM2.5, and AGW. If *Science* and/or qualified NAS members peer-reviewed this misconduct evidence, confirmed that is valid, and published it, this evidence could lead to major changes in U.S. environmental regulatory policy, primarily coming from EPA.

Since McNutt, *Science*, and NAS refuse to evaluate or publish evidence of *Science*-related misconduct, the broader scientific community, the general public, and Congress must evaluate this evidence. Once this misconduct evidence is confirmed, McNutt, *Science*, and NAS must be held accountable for their failure to evaluate and publish it.