

## Simpson, Diane M

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**From:** Simpson, Diane M.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 08, 2001 5:10 PM  
**To:** Zhou, Weigong; Thompson, William; 'Jeanette and Paul Stehr-Green'  
**Cc:** Chen, Robert (Bob) (NIP)  
**Subject:** RE: Organizing MMR/Autism and Thimerosal/Autism Databases

We'll set something up for the very near future. Paul and I (with Roger) are going to discuss on Thursday the directions we see these analyses taking so we will be better prepared to discuss possible activities with Bill and Weigong sometime after Thursday.

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**From:** Zhou, Weigong  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 08, 2001 9:20 AM  
**To:** Thompson, William; 'Jeanette and Paul Stehr-Green'; Simpson, Diane M.  
**Cc:** Chen, Robert (Bob) (NIP)  
**Subject:** RE: Organizing MMR/Autism and Thimerosal/Autism Databases

I'm not sure when I can get back.

Weigong

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Thompson, William  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 08, 2001 8:26 AM  
**To:** 'Jeanette and Paul Stehr-Green'; Thompson, William; Simpson, Diane M.  
**Cc:** Zhou, Weigong; Chen, Robert (Bob) (NIP)  
**Subject:** RE: Organizing MMR/Autism and Thimerosal/Autism Databases

I am available between 3:00 and 5:00 PM EST on Thursday.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Jeanette and Paul Stehr-Green  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 07, 2001 8:28 PM  
**To:** Thompson, William; Simpson, Diane M.  
**Cc:** Zhou, Weigong; Chen, Robert (Bob) (NIP)  
**Subject:** Re: Organizing MMR/Autism and Thimerosal/Autism Databases

I'd be available to participate in a conference call pretty much any time tomorrow or Thursday. Let me know your preferences and availability.

Thanks.

Paul

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Thompson, William <wct2@cdc.gov>  
**To:** Simpson, Diane M. <dms3@cdc.gov>  
**Cc:** Zhou, Weigong <waz6@cdc.gov>; Chen, Robert (Bob) (NIP) <rtcl@cdc.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 07, 2001 7:07 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Organizing MMR/Autism and Thimerosal/Autism Databases

> Diane,

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< thanks,

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> Bill

> > -----Original Message-----

> > From: Simpson, Diane M.

> > Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2001 9:57 AM

> > To: Thompson, William

> > Cc: Zhou, Weigong

> > Subject: RE: Organizing MMR/Autism and Thimerosal/Autism Databases

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> > Bill,

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> > Roger has also asked Paul Stehr-Green to assist with this, but we

> > can still use some help. Right now we are looking at 2 European

> > countries (Denmark and Sweden) who have autism data and who have

> > used very little

> > or

> > no thimerosal in their past vaccines and who have stopped all use

> > for several years. Paul, Roger and I are currently making (or

> > trying to

> > make)

> > personal contacts with researchers with access to autism databases

> > in those countries. I don't have any new data at the moment and am

> > frantically trying to see what is available and how best to get it

> > in time for the expected IOM report release (we have given up trying

> > to submit in time for the report as they are in the process of

> > writing it).

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> > Weigong can help me find and put together all the coverage data for the

> > two countries that is now coming in in "bits and pieces". In the next

> > few days, I will be calling Paul and plotting out what all we need

> > to do and be doing. I will be sure to include Weigong.

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> > He could also help us try to determine what mercury exposures are to

> > children who live in Sweden and Denmark and how that compares to US

> > children. In fact, if he wants to start on this last project now,

> > that would be good.

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> > -----Original Message-----

> > From: Thompson, William

> > Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2001 9:38 AM

> > To: Simpson, Diane M.

> > Cc: Zhou, Weigong; Chen, Robert (Bob) (NIP)

> > Subject: Organizing MMR/Autism and Thimerosal/Autism Databases

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> > Diane,

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> > You had mentioned in a previous meeting that you were beginning to

> > organize some of the ecological MMR/Autism and Thimerosal/Autism

> > databases

> > and that you could use help from one of our EIS officers. Weigong

> > Zhou

> > has

> > just started in VSD and we would like to have him help you on this

> > project. I have provided Weigong copies of the most important

> > MMR/Autism research articles as well as the ecological study

> > presented at IOM on

> > the

> > Thimerosal/Autism issue. It might be helpful to set up a meeting and

> > discuss how Weigong can help you out on this project.

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> > Do you have any suggestions on you think we should proceed on this?

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> > Thanks,

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> > Bill Thompson

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