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## Fwd: Has your report been peer-reviewed? Covid-19 in schoolchildren - A comparison between Finland and Sweden

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Greetings,

I'm sorry that this reports seems to infuriate you so much but this is just a report and not a peer-reviewed scientific study. It also seems as if you are misinterpreting what is presented. I think that maybe partly this is because the title is a bit misleading. It is not a direct comparison of the situation in Finland to the situation in Sweden but just a report showing that neither in Finland nor in Sweden did school closure or not, affect the number of cases reported in children. This was just a quick situation-report and nothing more.

Vänliga hälsningar/Kind regards

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Hej,

Kan du eller vem kan svara?

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Greetings,

I have to admit that I was quite disturbed by the publication of the report mentioned above in the Subject Line.

It would appear that it has not been peer-reviewed as it demonstrated such a lack of clear scientific methodology, instead, focusing on questionable, cherry-picked, and quite frankly misleading information.

1. It is no secret that the level of testing on children in Sweden was extremely low. In fact, certain regions such as Västra Götaland and Sörmland halted the testing of children and young adults under the age of 18 and 19 respectively.
2. Equally disturbing is that you fail to mention that 14 (now 23) children ended up in ICU in Sweden compared to just 1 in Finland.
3. Sweden has 50 cases of hyper-inflammatory cases compared to Finland's 1 during the time period you specified.
4. This report disregards evidence that came in from Israel, the USA, and a plethora of other sources showing that opening schools had been an "unmitigated" disaster.
5. If my memory serves me correctly when a teacher died in Skellefteå and ten of his colleagues were infected, all of the children were sent home without being tested. The simple fact is that so few children were tested to make this report even remotely validated.

Please advise how you can explain the following facts?

Fig 1 depicts the number of cases tested in Sweden in the age categories 0–9 and 10–19 years. Notably, the number of cases before June is indeed exceptionally low for children, which coincides with a period where testing was almost impossible to get (note: the data collection for the report comparing Sweden and Finland actually ended in June). The number of positive cases then increases in the 10–19-year-old categories as the testing capacity gradually increases. The testing once again slows down after the school year ends and new regulations are introduced to limit testing to those over 16–18 years of age in several regions in Sweden.

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This report is misleading and based on cherry-picked information, poor science, and above all ridiculous interpretations.

Please confirm that this report will be retracted, amended, or peer-reviewed because quite frankly as it stands it is a work of fiction.

Thank you,

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