W. Ian Lipkin

As mentioned, i first authored a Wikipedia post on Ian Lipkin back in May-June 2020. I also did Eddie Holmes. Along with the Formosahut thread, those two posts on Wikipedia represented the first in depth analysis *on the planet* of Proximal Origin and its authors. The posts were very-much gloves on - happily following all Wikipedia rules - no opinions, every statement referenced, quoting from the horse's mouth. For my troubles i was blanked, blocked n abused. Doesn't matter - managed to get under the skin of the subjects and prick their bubble of bullshit. We'll see who wins in the end.

Lipkin, according to Garry, *was brought on a little bit later* - as the celebrity scientist salesman - with more ties to high-ranking China officials than Marco Polo. He didn't attend the Feb 1 teleconference because he was in China meeting Li Ke-chiang and George Gao (18:30)

Lipkin: (41:46): *I offered my services to President Xi, who I found very impressive*.

His main job was to coordinate with the CCP, then hit the international media circuit when he arrived back in New York. As he says:

I was doing a lot of media.

A dedicated book on Lipkin is coming - all the research is there, now i'm dying to write it up coz he's easily the funniest - he could not stop incriminating himself in all his interviews. In the meantime, here's a list compiled in an earlier Formosahut thread:

- Founding Director of Northeast Biodefense Center in 2003. Granted $46 mil in 2009 alone for *“pursuing multifaceted research activities” to fight “emerging infectious diseases and* ***terrorism****”* with special emphasis on *"Bacillus anthracis and ... Zoonotic diseases ...due to expertise of NBC members.”*
- Member of WHO Collaborating Center.
- Loves the limelight. Featured advisor for the movie *Contagion*, which he never shuts up about. Reveals one of the characters, who saves the world by breaking the rules, is based on him. *I devised the imaginary virus that wreaks havoc in the film.* Cool!
- Conducted media blitz praising the CCP’s system of government (16:17) after returning from China in Feb 2020.
- Founding Director of the Beijing Center for Infectious Diseases. Visiting professor at Beijing University. Joint lab at Sun Yat-sen University, Beijing (CCP funded). Splits time

between Columbia Uni and China.

- Relentlessly touts a medical data-centralization operation called GIDEON, whose funding, according to Lipkin, comes from the CCP. (13:43)
- "Close friends" with Chinese government ministers and officials. (18:10)
- Received two prestigious awards from the CCP/PLA, including one presented by Li Kechiang in person.
- Advocate of Gain-of-Function experiments.
- Co-author of *Proximal Origins*, "the definitive paper ruling out the possibility of a lab leak", thereby shielding WIV from growing scrutiny. Blamed pangolin from a Wuhan market.
- Celebrity virus/environmental evangelist (32:30). Has played up threat of zoonotic crossover all his career - says this is not 'the big one'.
- Regular collaborator with fellow-celebrity-scientist Daszak. They co-authored a murky MERS-origin paper in Saudi Arabia.

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