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Third World Trend in the US

Millions of tests looking for thousands of mutations in the genes for 17 years and a \$500 million investment, Myriad was able to amass a huge database that tells which DNA changes increase cancer risk and by how much, and which are inconsequential blips in DNA. Americans are furious and have now figured out a way to loot the data. A new Robin Hood era begins in the US.

Today, they say that any woman in the World who wants to know if she has mutations in two breast cancer genes has little choice of where to be tested – there is only one company that has patents on the synthesized nucleotide oligomeric compounds using the templates of isolated fragments of nucleotide oligomeric compounds obtained from the hydrolyzed nucleic acid, which in turn was obtained from the human cells, and fine-tuned by 17 years of research and \$ 0.5 billion investment. Unfortunately, that company is greedy and wants to recover its investment using the patent monopoly to control the market until the constitutionally mandated short-term monopoly of 20 years of patent life expires. What a tragedy for the humanity and a disgrace! Myriad should not be allowed to have the patents on these chemicals. But for Myriad, poor American women would have had the free testing for breast cancer a million years ago because cancer genes were in the mammals for millions of years. Now Myriad is charging through

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constitutionally mandated monopoly on the naturally occurring free testing kit we had for millions of years in our own cells. The constitution needs to be amended and patent system should be dissolved to be able to use freely the naturally occurring breast cancer kits in our own cells in our own homes without the fear of being stopped by Myriad. http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/13/health/dna-project-aims-to-make-companys-data-public.html?pagewanted=all&_r=1&

On April 15, the Supreme Court heard arguments on the question “Does §101 of the Patent Act allow patents on human genes?” Of course, the answer should be no, which is irrelevant to Myriad issue. Myriad has patents on isolated oligomeric compounds and kits that do not exist in nature as such.

Indo-US Partnership

Ambassador Eric Goosby leads all U.S. Government international HIV/AIDS efforts as the United States Global AIDS Coordinator. In this role, Ambassador Goosby oversees implementation of the U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), as well as U.S. Government engagement with the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. Ambassador Goosby also heads up the new Office of Global Health Diplomacy at the U.S. Department of State.

Ambassador Goosby is in India (May 1-4, 2013) to recognize the successful health partnership between the Governments of the United States and India. Dr. Goosby will be meeting with key Government of India and state health officials, development partners, donor agencies, non-government organizations, and academic institutions to see firsthand the important work being done to fight HIV/AIDS in India. Besides Delhi, he will be visiting field programs and meeting with health officials in Hyderabad and Varanasi. For more information about PEPFAR’s work in India, please visit <http://www.pepfar.gov/countries/india/index.htm>

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Om! Asatoma Sadgamaya, Tamasoma Jyotirgamaya, Mrityorma Amritamgamaya, Om Shantih, Shantih, Shantih!

(Aum! Lead the world from wrong path to the right path, from ignorance to knowledge, from mortality to immortality, and peace!)

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