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Dear Rogers Prize Committee,

I am deeply honored to provide this letter of recommendation in support of Gaston Naessens' nomination for the distinguished *Dr. Rogers Prize for Excellence in Complementary and Alternative Medicine*.

Following in the same path as Dr. Rogers, Gaston Naessens dedicated his life to provide cancer patients, dismissed by conventional allopathic medicine as untreatable and terminal, with alternative, nontraditional therapies. While Dr. Rogers was able to pursue his career as physician and healer, World War II and the Nazi occupation of France derailed Gaston Naessens' formal training preventing his academic accreditation. Despite the lack of an advanced degree, Naessens amazing career can be credited to his bold vision and unflinching integrity, characters he maintained in the face of vicious attacks by conventional medical practitioners.

It is an established fact that great advances in science are derived from pioneers whose work lies outside the bounds of conventional thought. Inevitably, alternative insights are initially rejected as absurd and their proponents ridiculed and personally vilified. Even when research over time supports the new idea as being true, the pioneer's efforts are frequently dismissed as being obvious and insignificant.

I am personally familiar with this situation for my pioneering efforts in stem cell biology revealed environmental signals controlled gene activity and though published in mainstream scientific journals, this research was marginalized and considered irrelevant by geneticists at the time. My 1970's research presaged today's revolutionary field of *epigenetics*, a branch of science that was officially recognized in 1990. Though conventional scientists attacked my efforts and I ultimately resigned my tenured professorship in the medical school, as a credentialed, funded researcher and member of the scientific "fraternity," I was immune from personal intimidation by my colleagues.

In contrast, Gaston Naessens' novel research, without the backing of a formal academic degree, provoked a wave of persecution wherein his efforts, character and integrity were personally maligned and slandered. Interestingly, his original premise that microorganisms could cause cancer was dismissed as absurd, it is now an established fact that *Helicobacter pylori* bacteria represent a primary cause of stomach cancer.

Naessens contributions to science are much greater than his hypothesis on the etiology of cancer. His scientific innovations include the invention of a revolutionary new microscope, insights into the evolutionary role of pleomorphic organisms and the development of a novel form of cancer therapy.

In 1949, Naessens engineered the development of the 'somatoscope,' a revolutionary light microscope that had the resolution of the electron microscope. The significance of

Naessens' microscope is that it allowed the observation of live biological samples, free of the artifacts introduced in preserving specimens for conventional microscopy. Naessens' blood analysis using the somatoscope offers a rapid, efficient and inexpensive diagnostic procedure that effectively distinguishes healthy and diseased patients. In spite of the assay's demonstrated accuracy, the medical profession has ignored Naessens non-conforming process.

Naessens' somatoscope led to the discovery of somatids, submicroscopic particles found in all living organisms. His observations represent a fundamental contribution to the emerging field of pleomorphic biology. Conventional scientists have shunned Naessens' research on pleomorphic organisms that demonstrates they are a contributing factor to disease states. However, recent work on the pleomorphic character of cancer-causing *Helicobacter* bacteria supports the validity of Naessens' hypotheses.

Lastly, Naessens ingenuity led to the development of a novel anti-cancer therapy using his formulation of nitrogen-rich 714X introduced via intra-lymphatic injection. Large numbers of surviving patients attest to the fact that his therapeutic regimen profoundly affects the lives of terminal cancer patients. Yet, mainstream scientists have consistently ignored Naessens research as being irrelevant in that it was not sanctioned by the traditional medical establishment.

For over sixty years, Gaston Naessens' work has provided significant contributions to the field of biomedicine, in spite of the fact that conventional scientists have systemically repressed his efforts. The allopathic community summarily discounts Naessens' contributions because his work was performed outside of recognized research establishments. It is a shameful fact that professional scientists have dismissed Naessens' research without ever having made the effort to study his work or attempt to reproduce his studies in their laboratories.

Despite the alienation and personal attacks by mainstream science, Naessens has consistently demonstrated his character and perseverance by continuing his life mission to help those afflicted by cancer. I fully believe that Gaston Naessens' contributions to alternative medicine deserve the recognition offered by the *Rogers Prize for Excellence*, for he is truly a remarkable human and humanitarian.

With deepest appreciation and respect,

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