

REVIEWS OF *DEBATING AZT: MBEKI AND THE AIDS DRUG CONTROVERSY*

‘excellent ... the best, most comprehensive review on AZT currently available’ **Etienne de Harven MD PhD, Emeritus Professor of Pathology, University of Toronto, Canada**

‘Absolutely spectacular ... superb ... the definitive refutation’ **Harvey Bialy PhD, founding scientific editor of *Nature Biotechnology***

‘a rare combination of incisive insight, entertaining wit, profound perspicacity, all of which and a lot more being available through his racy, delicious pen. He exhibits the uncommon gift of a timely turn of phrase that truly adds spice to the intellectual content. ... Mr Brink’s book will have an Illichean impact likely to cure the increasingly sick HIV-AIDS establishment in particular and the medical and governmental establishments in general. His expose is both a diagnosis and a cure. ... [It] will remain a classic eye-opener to the misdeeds of modern medicine for decades to come. I am also sure that Mr Illich will give his imprimatur to Mr Brink at first reading.’ **Manu Kothari PhD, Professor of Anatomy, Seth Gordhandas Sunderdas Medical College, King Edward Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, India**

‘Anthony Brink is a man of many parts: magistrate or barrister by day, musician by night ... prose stylist. Above all, dedicated and fearless. ... his book ... is clear and crisp and his technical mastery most impressive.’ **Philip Johnson PhD, Emeritus Professor of Law, University of California at Berkeley, US**

‘extremely courageous. ... I thought I was beyond shockability but [Brink’s] revelations were stupefying. I think the marketing of AZT to pregnant women is an obscenity.’ **James P Hogan, science writer and science fiction novelist, Sligo, Ireland**

‘outstanding ... top dollar writing’ **Hiram Caton PhD, Emeritus Professor of Politics and History, and formerly Head of the School of Applied Ethics, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia**

‘Very good, convinced me completely.’ **Paul Foot**

‘Deserves serious treatment. More strength to your arm.’ **Donald Woods**

‘Absolutely amazing ... a work of genius ... he writes really well ... I just love his one-liners.’ **Rian Malan**

‘It must be said in Mbeki’s defence that Brink ... is an able lawyer who argues his case with persuasive force. ... “That was the first time I became aware of this alternative viewpoint,” Mbeki told me. ... He was able to persuade the country’s most experienced investigative journalist, Martin Welz, of the validity of his case, so that Welz not only published a series of ... articles on AIDS in his investigative magazine, *noseweek*, but also wrote a rapturous foreword to Brink’s book on AZT.’ **Allister Sparks**

‘very nice writing ... you can’t really be a lawyer ... I love the parallels with other past failed medical panaceas – calomel etc.’ **Denis Beckett**

‘A hefty blow for free speech and against the strictures of dogma ... Crisp. Logical. Sometimes over the top. Bristlingly intelligent. Exhausting. Acerbic. Sometimes vicious. For anyone who wants to know what Mbeki’s on about, it’s all here, in a nutshell.’ **Yves Vanderhaeghen, deputy editor, the *Witness***

‘amazing’ **Margaret Driscoll, senior feature writer, London *Sunday Times***

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‘superb, extremely well researched, analyzed, written. ... I could not have done a better job. ... Are you a scientist or do you collaborate with one? How could you survey so many scientific publications as an attorney? ... Could you publish your article or a variant of it in a medical/scientific journal? It would strengthen our case no end, if scientific papers of that quality would come from several sources, not only from Berkeley and Perth.’ ‘I still can’t believe he wrote that. He’s really a molecular biologist pretending to be a lawyer.’ **Peter Duesberg PhD, Professor of Molecular Biology, University of California at Berkeley, member of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America**

‘an outstanding piece of work ... enormously entertaining ... expert, trenchant devastation of AZT apologists’ **Neville Hodgkinson, former medical correspondent, London Sunday Times, and author, *AIDS: The Failure of Contemporary Science***

‘wonderful ... soldier on!’ **George Kent PhD, Professor of Political Science, University of Hawaii, US**

‘[*AZT: A Medicine from Hell*] is a well written, lucid article for anybody to read. ... your arguments about prescribing this drug are excellent Perhaps when more people like yourself who are not scientists come out publicly to clarify the issue on this drug, pregnant women will be spared! Your article will now be additional prescribed reading for the students in my class.’ **Shadrack Moephuli PhD (toxicology), senior lecturer, Department of Biochemistry, University of the Witwatersrand**

‘What a good comprehensive review of the literature you performed! ... During my research I noticed a lot of resistance from many different people to believe our data. In general there is resistance to the “bad news”.’ **Ofelia Olivero PhD, staff scientist, National Cancer Institute, US**

‘Christ this is good ... beautifully written ... extremely accomplished ... so much data. Makes the opposition’s platitudes look embarrassingly hollow ... Eleni and I think it’s really great.’ **Valendar Turner MD, consultant emergency physician, Department of Health, Western Australia**

‘Anthony knows more about the science of this than all the other AIDS dissidents put together.’ ‘No ... you don’t [merely review the medical literature], it’s the way you write, it’s the way you put it.’ **Eleni Papadopulos-Eleopulos MSc, biophysicist, Department of Medical Physics, Royal Perth Hospital, Perth, Western Australia**

‘masterful’ **David Rasnick PhD, pharmaceutical biochemist and patent holder, California, US**

‘you are justified in sounding a warning against the long-term therapeutic use of AZT, or its use in pregnant women, because of its demonstrated toxicity and side effects. Unfortunately, the devastating effects of AZT emerged only after the final level of experiments was well underway ... Your effort is a worthy one. ... I hope you succeed in convincing your government not to make AZT available.’ **Richard Beltz PhD, Professor of Biochemistry, Loma Linda University School of Medicine, California, US, inventor of AZT in autumn 1961**