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**Hillsdale College’s Academy for Science and Freedom Hosts
Censorship of Science Conference**
Speakers included Martin Kulldorff, academy founding fellows

HILLSDALE, Mich. — The Hillsdale College Academy for Science and Freedom hosted its first conference from March 17-18 titled “Censorship of Science: A Conference of the Academy for Science and Freedom.” The first evening’s events were livestreamed.

The conference included a lecture from Swedish author and former professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School Martin Kulldorff and a panel discussion featuring Kulldorff, Scott Atlas of the Hoover Institution at Stanford University, and Jay Bhattacharya of Stanford University Medical School. All three participants are fellows of the Academy for Science and Freedom.

Dr. Kulldorff addressed damage to the scientific process and the need to build new institutions that can help save science for the long term. He focused on his own story of censorship in the media and scientific communities, the absurdities of the pandemic, and alternatives to those.

“It has been stunning to be a scientist these last two years,” said Dr. Kulldorff. “You have NIH director Collins and NIAID director Fauci thinking that you promote science by silencing scientists through ‘published takedowns’... a geneticist (Collins) and a virologist (Fauci) thinking they know epidemiology better than epidemiologists at Oxford, Harvard, and Stanford, and calling them ‘fringe epidemiologists’... We have people pretending to care for the global poor who favored lockdowns that caused more harm to poor people around the world than anything other than war and slavery.”

Dr. Kulldorff called for the return of debate over censoring and slander, discussion about how to better protect high-risk older people and the harms of lockdowns, and how to return public trust through honest information.

The conference included several panel discussions focused on censorship — specifically from the media, in the form of “advocacy journalism” and within the scientific community itself — and addressed the compromised peer review process.

Approximately 40 scientists, media, and academics attended this invitation-only conference.

Hillsdale College established the [Academy for Science and Freedom](#) to combat the recent and widespread abuses of individual and academic freedom made in the name of science. The Academy, which operates out of Hillsdale's campus in Washington, D.C., educates the American people about the free exchange of scientific ideas and the proper relationship between freedom and science in the pursuit of truth.

Click [here](#) to view Dr. Kulldorff's keynote address and [here](#) for photos.

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