## Dr. David Kennedy – Director of FLUORIDEGATE An American Tragedy

Dr. Kennedy is the Past President of the International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology. His BA is in Comparative Biochemistry and Physiology from the University of Kansas (1967) and his Doctorate of Dental Surgery is from the University of Missouri (1971). He is a world lecturer to the dental profession on the safety of dental materials in the human body. His lectures include (among others) addresses to the World Health Organization, the American Dental Society of Europe, the German BGD, and Brazil Rio Eco-Odonto. More recently, in 1996 he was a presenter at the International Society for Fluoride Research XXI Conference on fluoride (Budapest), and in 1997 was involved in the Canadian Dental Association conference (Toronto) on the use of fluoride drops and tablets.

## The Risk Assessment Symposium

To make this Risk Assessment Symposium a scientifically reliable meeting, Dr. Kennedy researched the literature and the speakers thoroughly.

He started the literature search with a request to the American Dental Association for their list of references which supported the theory of benefit from ingesting fluoride. Then, he made a complete survey of the available scientific literature both U.S. and foreign. He found, in addition to the published peer-reviewed scientific literature, documents supporting the dangers of ingesting fluoride. Such documents include: the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry Toxicological Profile for Fluoride TP/91-17 (1993), the National Academy of Science "Health Effects of Ingested fluoride" (1993) and the original NTP results as well as the Young Report US PHS (1991).

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