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Is There a Liberal Gene?

Welcome to the Health Freedom Minute. This is Twila Brase president of Citizens’ Council for Health Freedom.

Researchers at the University of San Diego and Harvard say people with a specific gene are more likely to be liberal as adults.

This is “gene-whiz science,” scoffed John Horgan in *Scientific American*, referring to other studies that found a gay gene or a god gene. He says, “Follow-up studies that fail to corroborate the initial claim receive much less or no attention, leaving the public with the mistaken impression that the initial report was accurate---and, more broadly, that genes determine who we are.”

Charles Foster criticizes such “genetic fundamentalism,” asking “Who will rid us of these turbulent reductionists?”

So I say, tongue in cheek, perhaps there’s a “gullible” gene. And maybe these researchers, and the media that swallow their “gene whiz” science, have it.

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