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The Age of Aluminum [Die Akte Aluminium]

Ehgartner, Bert. *The Age of Aluminum*. Vienna: Autlook Filmsales GmbH, 2012. HD, 90 min. https://youtu.be/IDE2INGwge0.

> Aluminum is everywhere—not only in soda cans but also in food, cosmetics, and many medications, including most vaccinations. Though it is an ideal material for making airplanes, computers, and pens, the accumulation of aluminum in the body can have devastating consequences. *The Age of Aluminum* profiles people whose health has been seriously impacted by unwitting exposure to aluminum, along with leading scientists as they explore the links between this known neurotoxin and a growing epidemic of chronic illnesses and disabilities. In moving footage captured from Brazil to Hungary, the film traces the long-term impact of aluminum mining on the environment and those involved in its production. For those seeking answers to why breast cancer, dementia, autism, autoimmunity, allergies, and chronic fatigue are on the rise, *The Age of Aluminum* is a must-see film. (Source: Official Website)

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