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This weekly digest targets news, events, announcements, articles and research in the vaccine and global health ethics and policy space and is aggregated from key governmental, NGO, international organization and industry sources, key peer-reviewed journals, and other media channels. This summary proceeds from the broad base of themes and issues monitored by the Center for Vaccine Ethics & Policy in its work: it is not intended to be exhaustive in its coverage.

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Milestones, Perspectives

"Pandemic Accord"

<u>Thirteenth meeting of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB) for a WHO instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response</u>

17 - 21 February 2025

Webcast recordings

Editor's Note:

We did not identify any summary report on progress or next steps from the session.

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WHO Director-General's opening remarks at INB13 – 17 February 2025

Our Co-Chairs, Precious and Anne-Claire, Our Vice-Chairs, Ambassador Tovar, Ambassador Ramadan, Dr Viroj and Ms Davis,

Excellencies, dear colleagues and friends, Good morning, and welcome once again to WHO.

Let me begin by thanking the co-chairs, vice-chairs and members of the bureau for your leadership and hard work. Thank you for the text you have proposed, which reflects the different views of Member States, and balances those views with public health needs. And thank you to all Member States for your continuing commitment to this process.

As you know, we are at a crucial point, as you move to finalize the Pandemic Agreement in time for the World Health Assembly. It really is a case of now or never. But I am confident that you will choose now, because you know what is at stake.

You remember the hard-won lessons of COVID-19, which left an estimated 20 million of our brothers and sisters dead, and which continues to kill. They are why we are here: to protect future generations from the impact of future pandemics. Because we know that the next pandemic is a matter of when, not if. There are reminders all around us: Ebola, Marburg, measles, mpox, influenza, and the threat of the next disease X.

The catch-cry of the COVID-19 pandemic remains true: no one is safe until everyone is safe. No country can protect itself by itself. Bilateral agreements will only get you so far.

Prevention is the responsibility of all countries; Preparedness is the responsibility of all countries; And response is the responsibility of all countries. Coming together, of course, is not easy; it was never going to be. But that is the power of multilateralism.

Last Friday, the 14th of February, the Government of the United States of America informed WHO of its decision to withdraw from the intergovernmental process. Like the decision to withdraw from WHO, we regret this decision, and we hope the U.S. will reconsider.

Thank you all for your hard work and for the great progress you have made, despite the naysayers.

You have found agreement on so many issues. The finish line is in sight, to build a landmark legal framework, to help the world to prepare, and to prepare well. Together with the important amendments to the International Health Regulations that you adopted last year, the Pandemic Agreement will make us all safer.

As always, we are grateful for your engagement and guidance, and we look forward to your questions, comments and support. I thank you.

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mPox - PHEIC

No new digest content identified.

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Polio - PHEIC

Polio this week – 19 February 2025

Headlines

:: Gaza polio outbreak response continuing – emergency outbreak response in the Gaza Strip is continuing, with a mass vaccination campaign scheduled from 22-26 February, to reach more than 571,000 children. The campaign will aim to address residual immunity gaps, with a subsequent round being planned in April, after Ramadan. Recent detection from environmental samples, including from January, confirms that the strain is still circulating and continues to pose a threat to children with low or no immunity, both in Gaza and throughout the region. More.

:: The recording of the webinar of the recent launch of the updated Global Polio Surveillance Action Plan (GPSAP) is now available online, at this <u>link</u>. The webinar brought together experts from across the GPEI, to summarise the key elements of the GPSAP. The GPSAP maximises benefits of available technical and operational tools and, reflects the key surveillance activities that will facilitate achievement of the GPEI strategic goals to eradicate WPV1 and interrupt transmission of circulating variant poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2).

Summary of new polioviruses this week, cases and positive environmental isolates:

- Afghanistan: One WPV1 case and nine WPV1-positive environmental samples
- Pakistan: Two WPV1 cases and nine WPV1-positive environmental samples
- Algeria: one cVDPV2 case and one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample
- Guinea: one cVDPV3 case
- occupied Palestinian territory: three cVDPV2-positive environmental samples

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Mass polio vaccination campaign to continue in the Gaza Strip

Joint news note from WHO and UNICEF

EAST JERUSALEM/AMMAN/GENEVA/NEW YORK, 19 February 2025 - **The emergency polio outbreak response in the Gaza Strip is continuing, with a mass vaccination campaign scheduled from 22 to 26 February 2025**. The novel oral polio vaccine type 2 (nOPV2) will be administered to over 591,000 children under 10 years of age to protect them from polio. This campaign follows the recent detection of poliovirus in wastewater samples in Gaza, signaling ongoing circulation in the environment putting children at risk.

Pockets of individuals with low or no immunity provide the virus an opportunity to continue spreading and potentially cause disease. The current environment in Gaza, including overcrowding in shelters and severely damaged water, sanitation, and hygiene infrastructure, which facilitates fecal-oral transmission, creates ideal conditions for further spread of poliovirus. Extensive population movement consequent to the current ceasefire is likely to exacerbate the spread of poliovirus infection.

Two previous vaccination rounds in the Gaza Strip were successfully conducted in September and October 2024, reaching over 95 per cent of the target. As poliovirus is found to remain in the environment, additional vaccination efforts are needed to reach every child and strengthen population immunity. The presence of the virus still poses a risk to children with low or no immunity, in Gaza and throughout the region.

In 2024, health workers faced significant challenges accessing certain areas of central, north and south Gaza, which required special coordination to enter during the conflict. In inaccessible areas such as Jabalia, Beit Lahiya, and Beit Hanoun, where humanitarian pauses for the vaccination campaign were not assured, approximately 7 000 children missed vaccination during the second round. The recent ceasefire means health workers have considerably better access now.

No additional polio cases have been reported since a ten-month-old child was paralyzed in August 2024, but the **new environmental samples from Deir al Balah and Khan Younis, collected in December 2024 and January 2025, confirm poliovirus transmission.** The strain detected is genetically linked to the poliovirus detected in the Gaza Strip in July 2024.

The upcoming vaccination campaign aims to reach all children under 10 years of age, including those previously missed, to close immunity gaps and end the outbreak. The use of the oral polio vaccine will help end this outbreak by preventing the spread of the virus. An additional polio vaccination round is planned to be implemented in April.

The campaign will be led by the Palestinian Ministry of Health and implemented with support from the World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) and other partners...

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HPAI

Global Strategy for the Prevention and Control of High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (2024–2033)

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and The World Organisation for Animal Health 19/02/2025 :: 42 pages

PDF: https://www.woah.org/app/uploads/2025/02/web-qf-tads-hpai-strategy-woah.pdf

In response to the global ecological and epidemiological changes and repeated intercontinental spread of the H5Nx goose/Guangdong (Gs/GD) lineage high pathogenicity avian influenza (HPAI), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH), under the Global Framework for the Progressive Control of Transboundary Animal Diseases (GF-TADs), have drafted a ten-year global strategy for the prevention and control of high pathogenicity avian influenza (2024–2033).

This replaces the strategy published in 2008 in response to the initial emergence of the H5N1 Gs/GD lineage in Asia. The revised strategy emphasizes a systems approach to contextualize the threat of HPAI against the backdrop of other global concerns. The vision is a world with effective HPAI prevention and control along poultry value chains that supports the protection of domestic animals, wildlife, the environment and humans, and aligns with the Executive summary sustainable transformation of agrifood systems.

Vision statement

A world with effective HPAI prevention and control along poultry value chains that supports protection of humans, animals and the environment and aligns with the sustainable transformation of poultry and livestock agrifood systems.

Goal

To substantially and sustainably reduce the impacts of HPAI on poultry, improve the resilience of poultry agrifood systems, safeguard ecosystems, and protect animal and human health.

Scope of the global strategy

This global strategy addresses the prevention, detection and control of HPAI, especially H5 2.3.4.4b and other clades of Gs/GD lineage, that affects poultry, wild birds and other domestic and captive birds and spills over to humans, livestock and wild mammals. Some aspects of the strategy can be used to prevent and control other H5 and H7 HPAI and zoonotic LPAI, such as H9N2, in poultry where measures can significantly reduce the disease burden. Broader application of the strategy can be more limited in wildlife, livestock and human health depending on the avian influenza subtype and pathotype (see Annex 3).

Therefore, the strategy covers the domestic animal health sector component of a wider One Health approach to the prevention and control of HPAI and complements other strategies such as strategies for the human health sector, the WHO Global Influenza Strategy 2019–2030,14 strategies for the environmental sector including wildlife health, and the July 2023 statement of the Scientific Task Force on Avian Influenza and Wild Birds.16

PRIMARY TARGET AUDIENCE

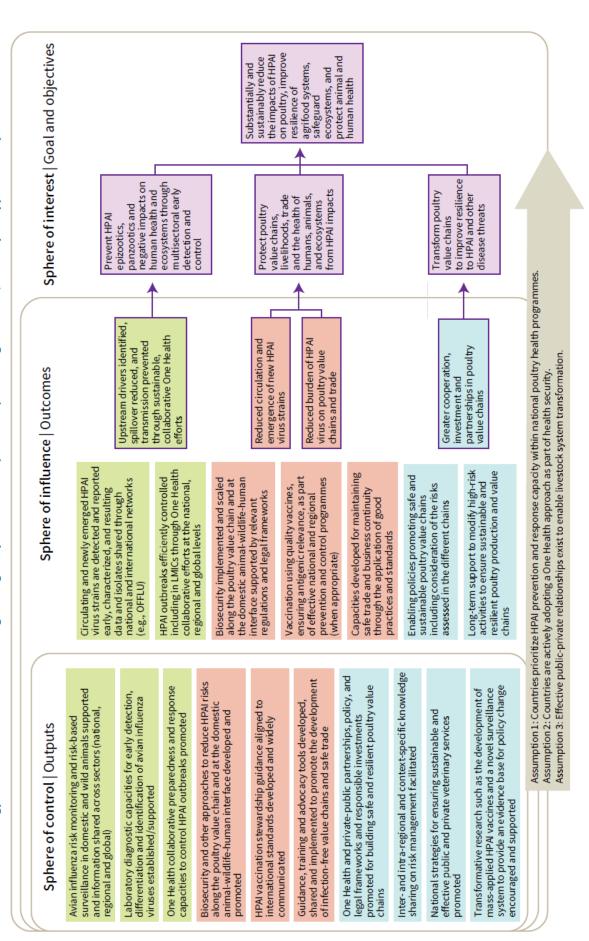
The primary target audience of this strategy includes national veterinary services; wildlife, environment and public health services including laboratories; relevant national One Health partners and sectors; international and regional organizations; economic communities; the private sector; research and educational institutions; and civil society organizations involved in animal health, production and value chains, and zoonotic disease prevention and control.

DURATION OF THE STRATEGY

The strategy covers a 10-year period, i.e. 2024–2033, with a mid-term review to evaluate and update the strategy.

To officially launch and discuss the new strategy, FAO and WOAH will host a <u>technical</u> webinar on March 3, 2025, from 13:00 to 14:30 CET.

FIGURE 1. Global Strategy for the Prevention and Control of High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (2024–2033): Achieving sustainable, resilient poultry production systems



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Featured Journal Content

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 149 February 2025

https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/149/suppl/C

Research article Abstract only

Advancing vaccine research in Africa: A comprehensive analysis of vaccine clinical trials landscape

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Abstract

This study presents an in-depth analysis of vaccine clinical trials in Africa, emphasising the significance of local investments to address the continent's healthcare requirements. The research scrutinises vaccine trials across various African nations, focusing on trial distribution, phases, funding sources, recruitment sites, recruitment statuses, and age group participation.

The findings suggest substantial trial activity in countries like Kenya, Ghana, and Gambia, whereas nations like the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Tunisia exhibit minimal representation. Notably, COVID-19, HIV, and Yellow Fever vaccines prominently feature in the trials, with Phase 3 trials being the most prevalent. The presence of "Not Applicable" trials indicates adopting adaptive trial designs.

Analysis of funding patterns reveals substantial international and local support, reflecting an escalating commitment to vaccine research in Africa. Nevertheless, concerns persist regarding disparities in trial distribution and age group participation, underscoring the necessity for robust regulatory frameworks and augmented local R&D capacity. Addressing these disparities can enhance the efficacy of vaccine research and elevate health outcomes across the African continent.

Section snippets

Background

Vaccines have been one of the most significant medical advancements in public health, preventing millions of deaths and reducing the incidence of numerous infectious diseases globally. They work by stimulating the immune system to recognise and fight pathogens, such as viruses and bacteria, thereby providing immunity against future infections [1]. Clinical trials are a critical component in the development and approval of vaccines. These trials are conducted in several phases to assess candidate

Aims and objectives

This study aims to evaluate the landscape of vaccine clinical trials in Africa, focusing on the region's unique challenges and opportunities. **The objectives are to review the current state of vaccine trials over the past two decades, assessing the types of vaccines tested, target diseases, and geographical distribution.** The study will analyse the role of international collaboration and funding in facilitating these trials and evaluating the impact of global health initiatives on local research *Methods*

We searched the PACTR databases on 15 April 2024 for trials registered since the database's inception in 2009. Data was downloaded from the database in Microsoft Excel™ for screening and exclusion of non-vaccine trials. We included all vaccine-related trials in our study regardless of the study design or status (i.e., planned, ongoing, or completed). We conducted descriptive analysis in Microsoft Excel™ using tables and bar graphs. All data was stored on the SAMRC network and backed up daily to Results

The results of this study provide a comprehensive overview of vaccine clinical trials conducted in Africa, highlighting significant findings across various dimensions. **From the 128 registered trials in PACTR as accessed on 15 April 2024, 116 (91 %) were classified as "RCT",** 11 (8,6 %) as "CCT" and 1 (0.8 %) "nRCT". The number of registered trials increased from 1 trial started in 2009 to 28 trials started in 2021. We observed various vaccines tested, targeting diseases such as malaria, *Discussion*

Our study describes the distribution of vaccine trials registered in the Pan-African Clinical Trials Registry from its inception. It highlights the major vaccine types, countries where these trials were conducted, the trial phases, and the target pathogens. Our data suggested a major impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the number of vaccine trials, with a peak in 2021 followed by a gradual decline, yet maintaining a higher baseline compared to pre-pandemic years. We also compare the number of...

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Public Consultations/Call for Inputs/Call for Papers

<u>E6(R3) Good Clinical Practice: Annex 2; International Council for Harmonisation; Draft</u> Guidance for Industry; Availability

A Notice by the Food and Drug Administration on 12/30/2024 **Comment period ends 02/28/2025** *SUMMARY:*

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) is announcing the availability of a draft guidance for industry entitled "E6(R3) Good Clinical Practice: Annex 2." The draft guidance was prepared under the auspices of the International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (ICH). The draft guidance is the second annex to "E6(R3) Good Clinical Practice" published June of 2023. This annex provides additional considerations for the application of good clinical practices to a variety of trial designs and data sources. Specifically, this draft guidance discusses trials with decentralized and pragmatic elements and real-world data sources. This draft guidance highlights the importance of quality by design and focusing efforts and resources on critical aspects of the trials that might impact the safety of participants and the reliability of results. The draft guidance is intended to encourage innovation in trial design and provides flexible, modern, and clear good clinical practices for conducting trials, while avoiding unnecessary complexities.

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https://www.who.int/news Selected News/Announcements/Statements 19 February 2025 Joint News Release

Mass polio vaccination campaign to continue in the Gaza Strip

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

:: 18 February 2025

Uganda discharges all eight Ebola disease patients

:: 18 February 2025

Scaling up mpox outbreak response in Sierra Leone

:: 17 February 2025

Protecting the Central African Republic's remote communities from polio

:: 14 February 2025

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: 21 Feb 2025

<u>PAHO and AECID Strengthen Health Cooperation, Focusing on Cervical Cancer Elimination</u> in the Americas

Washington, DC, February 21, 2025 (OPS) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) and the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID) have formalized a memorandum of understanding to reinforce their shared commitment to improving public health across the Americas. This agreement marks a decisive step in the fight against...

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

No new digest content identified.

WHO European Region EURO

:: 17 February 2025 News release

New WHO/Europe report shows mixed picture in response and recovery during the COVID-19 transition period

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: Mass polio vaccination campaign to continue in the Gaza Strip

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WHO Western Pacific Region

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations. Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations.

<u>Multi-country cholera outbreak, external situation report #23 -20 February 2025</u>

Overview

In January 2025 (epidemiological weeks 1 to 4), a total of 34 799 new cholera and/or Acute Watery Diarrhoea cases were reported from 19 countries, territories, areas across three WHO regions, marking a 27% decrease from December 2024. The African Region registered the highest number of cases, followed by the Eastern Mediterranean Region and the South-East Asia Region. **The period also saw 349 cholera-related deaths globally, highlighting a 33% decrease from the previous month**. While the seasonal decline in transmission during winter months may partly explain the reduction in case numbers in some regions, the overall cholera data remains incomplete due to underreporting and reporting delays.

In January, Oral Cholera Vaccines production reached 6.2 million doses, reflecting significant efforts by the supplier and partners. This progress follows the introduction and prequalification of a new vaccine formulation and manufacturing process earlier in 2024. However, current production has yet to meet growing global demand, and demand continues to exceed supply, hindering efforts to control cholera outbreaks, respond rapidly to the disease's spread, and implement preventative campaigns.

Conflict, mass displacement, disasters from natural hazards, and climate change have intensified outbreaks, particularly in rural and flood-affected areas, where poor infrastructure and limited healthcare access delay treatment. These cross-border factors have made cholera outbreaks increasingly complex and harder to control.

Cholera upsurge (2021-present): https://www.who.int/emergencies/situations/cholera-upsurge/

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Disease Outbreak News (DONs)

Latest WHO Disease Outbreak News (DONs), providing information on confirmed acute public health events or potential events of concern.

21 February 2025 | Sudan virus disease - Uganda

Situation at a glance

As of 20 February 2025, a total of nine confirmed cases of Sudan virus disease, including one death have been reported from Uganda, since the outbreak was declared on 30 January 2025. Eight cases received care at treatment centres in the capital Kampala and in Mbale and were discharged on 18 February after two negative tests 72 hours apart. As of 20 February 2025, 58 contacts that have been identified are still under follow up in designated quarantine facilities located in Jinja, Kampala, and Mbale. Sudan virus disease belongs to the same family as Ebola virus disease. It is caused by Sudan virus (SUDV). It is a severe disease with high case fatality ranging from 41% to 70% in past outbreaks. In the absence of licensed vaccines and therapeutics for the prevention and treatment of SVD, the risk of potential serious public health impact is high. Early detection, diagnosis, and optimized supportive care may increase the chance of survival.

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record No new digest content identified.

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New WHO Publications

https://www.who.int/publications Selected

21 February 2025

<u>Call to action on respiratory pathogen pandemic planning: outcomes from the Global</u>
<u>meeting on preparedness and resilience for emerging threats, Geneva, Switzerland, 24-26</u>
April 2023

21 February 2025 | Technical document

21 February 2025

A framework for tracking global progress on preparedness for respiratory pandemics Overview

A global monitoring framework has been developed to support WHO's <u>Preparedness and Resilience</u> <u>for Emerging Threats (PRET) initiative</u>, focusing on respiratory pathogen pandemic preparedness. This

framework enables WHO, countries, and partners to assess functional capacities for respiratory pandemic preparedness in the areas of emergency coordination, collaborative surveillance, community protection, clinical care, and access to countermeasures. Drawing on insights from the COVID-19 pandemic, the framework provides a structured approach to tracking global progress and identifying areas for improvement to strengthen global resilience against respiratory pathogen threats. Annual progress reports will accompany the framework to showcase the global status of functional capacities needed to prepare for future respiratory pandemics.

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<u>Infection prevention and control and water, sanitation and hygiene measures during mpox vaccination activities</u>

Overview

This document outlines key infection prevention and control (IPC) principles for safely administering mpox vaccines. Standard precautions should be followed, including ensuring a clean, well-ventilated environment and providing training for health workers and information for the public. Vaccination delivery should align with national IPC guidance, include proper waste management, and avoid unnecessary PPE use.

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Technical Science for Health Network: Techne: activity report 2020-2024

Overview

The Technical Science for Health Network (WHO-Techne) is a global community of accredited architectural and engineering universities, institutions and associations established by WHO to strengthen emergency preparedness and response operations. To this end, WHO-Techne develops and designs innovative health facility solutions and provides Member States and health partners rapid and customized technical support to realise agreed objectives.

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Encephalitis: global threats, trends and public health implications: a technical brief

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USA - HHS, FDA, CDC+

Editor's Note:

We employ bolded red text below to identify observations we assess might be useful to readers.

HHS

<u>News</u>

HHS' Civil Rights Office Takes Action to Support President Trump's Executive Orders to Protect Minors and Restore Biological Truth

February 20, 2025 News Release

HHS Takes Action on President Trump's Executive Orders Defending Women and Children February 19, 2025 News Release

FDA

<u>Press Announcements</u> No new digest content identified.

FDA VRBPAC

Advisory Committee Calendar

The Advisory Committee calendar does not list any future scheduled meetings of any FDA advisory committee, including VRBPAC.

CDC/ACIP [U.S.] [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.cdc.gov/media/index.html

Latest News

Last news release 10 Jan 2025.

ACIP Meetings [to 22 Feb 2025]

Next ACIP Meeting

ACIP Meeting February 26-28, 2025 Postponed

The ACIP meeting will be postponed to accommodate public comment in advance of the meeting. The ACIP workgroups met as scheduled this month and will present at the upcoming ACIP meeting. Agenda for February 26-28

[Agenda appears stable from earlier agenda versions]

National Vaccine Program

https://www.hhs.gov/vaccines/about/index.html
Upcoming Meetings/Latest Updates
No 2025 meeting dates posted.

MMWR Weekly

https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/index2024.html

MMWR Weekly, January 16, 2025 / No. 2

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- Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices Recommended Immunization Schedule for Children and Adolescents Aged 18 Years or Younger United States, 2025
- Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices Recommended Immunization Schedule for Adults Aged 19 Years or Older United States, 2025

The January 16th MMWR which we carried in an earlier edition no longer appears on the MMWR webpage. We note the two ACIP recommended immunization schedules that comprise this edition. The PDF link below is still active.

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Europe

European Medicines Agency [EMA]

https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/news News & Press Releases No new digest content identified. https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en

News/Updates/Reports/Publications [Selected]

Surveillance and monitoring

Communicable disease threats report, 15 - 21 February 2025, week 8

21 Feb 2025

This issue of the ECDC Communicable Disease Threats Report (CDTR) covers the period 15-21 February and includes updates on cholera, avian influenza A(H9N2) and A(H5N1), chikungunya, Ebola, Legionnaires' disease, dengue, an unknown disease in DRC, and an overview of respiratory virus epidemiology in the EU/EEA.

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Africa CDC [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://africacdc.org/

Press Releases, Statements [Selected]

Press Releases

Africa CDC and Global Health EDCTP3 sign Memorandum of Understanding to promote public health in Africa

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... Building on a previous <u>MoU</u> concluded between the EDCTP Association and Africa CDC in 2021, this new agreement introduces a structured Joint Action Plan (2025-2027) with six key areas of collaboration:

- Strengthening the public health workforce in sub-Saharan Africa, through health research capacity building and training of researchers.
- Strengthening AU member States' clinical trials ecosystems.
- Advancing the clinical development and research on new or improved interventions against infectious diseases prevalent across AU Member States.
- Supporting capacity building activities that are linked to research and innovation, as well as
 regulatory pathway strengthening, enabling the expansion of local manufacturing of vaccines,
 diagnostics, and therapeutics in Africa
- Enabling equitable action-oriented partnerships.
- Collaborating on the Pandemic Fund as implementing entities depending on the outcome of the selection process.

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China CDC+

http://www.chinacdc.cn/en/

National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://en.nhc.gov.cn/

News

Chinese delegation attends 156th session of WHO Executive Board

Updated: 2025-02-15

The 156th session of the World Health Organization (WHO) Executive Board was held in Geneva, Switzerland, from Feb 3 to 11. Around 800 representatives from WHO member states, relevant international organizations and non-governmental organizations attended the meeting.

The Chinese delegation comprised representatives from relevant departments of the National Health Commission, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Ecology and Environment, the National Administration of Traditional Chinese Medicine, the National Disease Control and Prevention Administration, the National Healthcare Security Administration, and the National Medical Products

Administration, the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations Office at Geneva as well as relevant experts...

The Chinese delegation played an active part in the discussions on various topics, commended the work done by the WHO, and expressed support for the organization in playing a leading and coordinating role in global health governance. The delegation also shared Chinese experience in relevant fields and called on the WHO to focus on its primary responsibilities and work to further improve efficiency and performance.

They said China is ready to promote cooperation with all parties involved so as to jointly advance the building a global community of health for all.

National Medical Products Administration – PRC [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://english.nmpa.gov.cn/

News

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China CDC

CCDC Weekly Reports: Current Volume (7)

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- <u>Vital Surveillances: The Impact of ART on Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Among HIV-positive</u> <u>Pregnant Women — Yunnan Province, China, 2013–2022</u>
- <u>Preplanned Studies: Risk Assessment of Cardiovascular Disease in HIV Infected Individuals</u> Receiving Antiretroviral Therapy — Shanghai Municipality, China, 2023
- <u>Preplanned Studies: Association Between Incorrect Use of Pre- and Post-Exposure Prophylaxis and HIV infection Among Men Who Have Sex with Men Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province, China, 2021–2023</u>
- <u>Methods and Applications: Identification of Multiple Unique HIV-1 Recombinant Forms in Newly Reported HIV-1 Infected Individuals Anhui Province, China, 2023</u>
- <u>Notifiable Infectious Diseases Reports: Reported Cases and Deaths of National Notifiable Infectious Diseases China, January 2025*</u>

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Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [to 22 Feb 2025]

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News

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BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center

Press Releases & Statements No new digest content identified.

Bill & Melinda Gates Medical Research Institute [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.gatesmri.org/news

The Bill & Melinda Gates Medical Research Institute is a non-profit biotech organization. Our mission is to develop products to fight malaria, tuberculosis, and diarrheal diseases—three major causes of mortality, poverty, and inequality in developing countries. The world has unprecedented scientific tools at its disposal; now is the time to use them to save the lives of the world's poorest people

News: Articles and Publications No new digest content identified.

CARB-X [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://carb-x.org/

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Chan Zuckerberg Initiative [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://chanzuckerberg.com/newsroom/

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

CEPI – Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://cepi.net/ CEPI News, Blog

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Dr Rima Sahay: My Fellowship at CEPI

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Fama Sakho: My Fellowship at CEPI

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CIOMS – COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 22]

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https://cioms.ch/

News; Publications; Events No new digest content identified.

DARPA - Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.darpa.mil/news

News

No new digest content identified.

DNDI – Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://dndi.org/press/press-releases/

Press Releases

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Duke Global Health Innovation Center [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://dukeghic.org/

News

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EDCTP [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.edctp.org/

The European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP) aims to accelerate the development of new or improved drugs, vaccines, microbicides and diagnostics against HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria as well as other poverty-related and neglected infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa, with a focus on phase II and III clinical trials

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EMA publishes positive opinion on a fixed-dose combination of albendazole and ivermectin to treat parasitic worm infections

Emory Vaccine Center [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.vaccines.emory.edu/ Vaccine Center News No new digest content identified.

European Vaccine Initiative [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.euvaccine.eu/ Latest News, Events No new digest content identified.

Fondation Merieux [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.fondation-merieux.org/ News, Events No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 22 Feb 2025] https://www.gavi.org/ Press Releases No new digest content identified.

GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 22 Feb 2025]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements

- :: Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review Current edition
- :: Informed Consent: A Monthly Review February 2025
- :: Public Consultations Watch :: Global Calls for Input/Public Comment 21 Feb 2025

GHIT Fund [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/

News Releases

18 February 2025

<u>South Africa and the United Kingdom Unite to Co-Host the Eighth Replenishment of the</u> Global Fund, Reinforcing Their Commitment to Global Health

Under its G20 Presidency, South Africa highlights the urgent need for sustained investment in health systems, vital for the continent and the world's stability, while the UK remains committed to building modern partnerships able to deliver sustainabl...

18 February 2025

Global Fund Partnership Launches Investment Case for Eighth Replenishment

The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (the Global Fund) today launched the Investment Case for its Eighth Replenishment during a global virtual event emphasizing strong collaboration with global donors and partners in an effort to a...

Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness [GloPID-R] [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.glopid-r.org/news/

News

No new digest content identified.

Hilleman Laboratories [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.hilleman-labs.org/

News & Insights

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.hhmi.org/news

Press Room

No new digest content identified.

Human Immunome Project [nee Human Vaccines Project] [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.humanimmunomeproject.org/

News

<u>Human Immunome Project and Michelson Medical Research Foundation Award \$150,000</u>
<u>Grants to Three Early-Career Scientists Advancing Immunology and Vaccines</u>

Dr. Omar Abudayyeh, Dr. Caleb Lareau, and Dr. Yuzhong Liu, to receive \$150,000 grants for immunology and vaccine research.

NEW YORK, February 19, 2025 — The Human Immunome Project (HIP) and Michelson Medical Research Foundation (MMRF) have awarded Dr. Omar Abudayyeh (Brigham and Women's Hospital; Harvard Medical School), Dr. Caleb Lareau (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer... February 19, 2025

IAVI [to 22 Feb 2025] https://www.iavi.org/ Press Releases Features

IAVI opens new Vaccine Design and Development Laboratory space in Jersey City, NJ

February 14, 2025

Leading vaccine research and development lab now housed in an upgraded, fit-for-purpose life sciences facility.

INSERM [to 22 Feb 2025] https://www.inserm.fr/en/home/ Press Releases No new digest content identified.

International Coalition of Medicines Regulatory Authorities [ICMRA]

http://www.icmra.info/drupal/en/news Selected Statements, Press Releases, Research No new digest content identified.

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.ich.org/ News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selective] No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.icrc.org/en/whats-new Latest press releases and statements [Selected] No new digest content identified.

IFFIm

http://www.iffim.org/ Press Releases/Announcements No new digest content identified.

IFRC [to 22 Feb 2025] http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/ Press Releases [Selected]

Türkiye and Syria earthquakes two years on: A long road to recovery

05/02/2025 | Press release

IPPS - International Pandemic Preparedness Secretariat [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://ippsecretariat.org/news/

News

No new digest content identified.

Institut Pasteur [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.pasteur.fr/en/press-area

Press Documents

No new digest content identified.

ISC / International Science Council [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://council.science/current/

ISC is a non-governmental organization with a unique global membership that brings together 40 international scientific Unions and Associations and over 140 national and regional scientific organizations including Academies and Research Councils.

Latest Updates

Expanded edition of the paper on AI in national research ecosystems focuses on the Global South

February 17, 2025

The ISC Centre for Science Futures has released the second edition of its working paper — Preparing national research ecosystems for AI — building on the first collection of country case studies. The new edition continues to map the integration of AI into research and science ecosystems, with a particular focus on the Global South.

International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS)

https://iuis.org/

News/Events [Selected]

19th International Congress of Immunology

Vienna, August 17-22, 2025.

IVAC [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.ihsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/ivac/index.html

Updates; Events

No new digest content identified.

IVI [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.ivi.int/

IVI News & Announcements

<u>International Vaccine Institute Appoints Seth Berkley and Srishti Gupta to Board of</u>

<u>Trustees</u>

February 20, 2025

<u>For Africa, in Africa: Leaders Accelerate Action on Vaccine Self-Sufficiency during AU</u> Summit

February 16, 2025, ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia – With a strong commitment to vaccine self-sufficiency, African leaders resolve to intensify efforts to enhance vaccine production and access across the continent.

At a key side event at the 38th Ordinary Session of the Assembly of the African Union (AU) in Addis Ababa, hosted by the Rwandan Ministry of Health, the African Medicines Agency (AMA), and International Vaccine Institute (IVI), policymakers and industry experts convened to advance strategies for sustainable vaccine manufacturing, focusing on continent-wide approaches to regulation, distribution, and equitable access. The discussion underscored the urgent need to strengthen regulatory frameworks, enhance capacity-building, bolster manufacturing capabilities, and foster partnerships to secure Africa's health future...

Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://centerforhealthsecurity.org/newsroom
Center News [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.msf.org/ Latest [Selected Announcements] Sudan

Over 800 people hospitalised and dozens are dead from waterborne infection in Sudan's White Nile state

Press Release 21 Feb 2025

Ukraine

The medical humanitarian needs in Ukraine remain as urgent as ever

Press Release 21 Feb 2025

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://nam.edu/programs/ News [Selected] No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom

News

No new digest content identified.

NIH [to 22 Feb 2025] http://www.nih.gov/ News Releases No new digest content identified. https://www.path.org/media-center/ Newsroom No new digest content identified.

Sabin Vaccine Institute [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.sabin.org/press/ Latest News & Press Releases No new digest content identified.

UNAIDS [to 22 Feb 2025] http://www.unaids.org/en News, Stories, Updates Feature story

UNAIDS launches the development of the new Global AIDS Strategy 2026-2031

20 February 2025

In the past two decades, HIV-related deaths have been reduced by more than half, and millions of people have gained access to life-saving treatment. Scientific breakthroughs, strong political commitment, and community leadership have transformed the HIV response. Yet, despite these remarkable achievements, the path to ending AIDS is still full of challenges.

Today, the HIV response is at a crossroads. Persistent inequalities, financial constraints, and emerging health threats risk derailing progress. The hard-won gains of recent decades must not only be safeguarded but accelerated. This is why UNAIDS is launching the development of the new Global AIDS Strategy 2026-2031, an ambitious, inclusive, and action-driven plan that will guide the global HIV response for the next five years and help end AIDS as a public health threat.

Feature Story

The critical impact of the PEPFAR funding freeze for HIV across Latin America and the Caribbean

19 February 2025

The U.S. decision in January to freeze all funding for U.S. foreign assistance, including for the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), has had a critical impact on several countries in Latin America and the Caribbean, exacerbating existing challenges in the HIV response. More than 20 countries in the region rely on these funds to deliver HIV treatment, prevention, and care services, including community-led services focused on the most discriminated and marginalized communities.

UNICEF [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases Latest press releases, news notes and statements News note 19 February 2025

Mass polio vaccination campaign to continue in the Gaza Strip

EAST JERUSALEM/AMMAN/GENEVA/NEW YORK, 19 February 2025 - The emergency polio outbreak response in the Gaza Strip is continuing, with a mass vaccination campaign scheduled from 22 to 26 February 2025. The novel oral polio vaccine type 2 (nOPV2) will be administered to over 591,000 children under 10 years of age to ...

Press release 19 February 2025

<u>Multiple disease outbreaks heighten public health emergencies for children across Eastern and Southern Africa</u>

NAIROBI, 19 February 2025 - Public health emergencies, including outbreaks of cholera, mpox and, more recently, viral haemorrhagic fevers, are posing significant threats to the safety and wellbeing of millions of children in Eastern and Southern Africa, UNICEF said today...

In 2025, 17 countries in Eastern and Southern Africa are grappling with multiple public health emergencies, the majority of which are outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases such as polio, measles and diphtheria. Years of stagnating and declining immunization rates across many countries in the region have resulted in a resurgence of these preventable diseases.

The region is experiencing major outbreaks of viral haemorrhagic fevers, including Marburg virus disease in Tanzania and Ebola disease caused by the Sudan virus in Uganda. Additionally, mpox continues to be a significant health concern, particularly in Burundi and Uganda, with risks of cross-border transmission due to high levels of population movement.

Furthermore, cholera is currently affecting 12 countries, including Angola, Burundi, South Sudan, Zambia, and Zimbabwe, with the region recording the highest number of cholera and acute watery diarrhoea deaths globally.

Unitaid [to 22 Feb 2025] https://unitaid.org/ Featured News No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Equity Cooperative [nee Initiative] [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://vaccineequitycooperative.org/news/ News

No new digest content identified.

Vaccination Acceptance & Demand Initiative [Sabin) [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.vaccineacceptance.org/ No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Confidence Project [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.vaccineconfidence.org/ News, Research and Reports No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Education Center - Children's Hospital of Philadelphia [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.chop.edu/centers-programs/vaccine-education-center
News

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://wellcome.org/news/all News. Opinion, Reports

World Mosquito Program: life-saving innovation in disease control

21 February 2025

The Wistar Institute [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases

Press Releases

February 17, 2025

<u>Scientists at The Wistar Institute's HIV Cure and Viral Diseases Center Develop New Natural Killer Cell Strategy to Target HIV</u>

PHILADELPHIA — (February 17th, 2025) — Researchers at The Wistar Institute's HIV Cure and Viral Diseases Center have successfully identified a new approach using natural killer (NK) cells to target a...

World Bank [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all

All News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

WFPHA: World Federation of Public Health Associations [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.wfpha.org/

Blog, Events

US withdrawl from WHO

Feb 20, 2025

The US Withdrawal from WHO: A Threat to Global Health The decision by the US government to sever ties with the World Health Organization (WHO) has far-reaching consequences for public health in the US and globally. The US withdrawal from WHO...

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Organisation for Animal Health [OIE] [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.oie.int/

Press Releases, Statements

News

New Global Strategy for the Prevention and Control of High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza

Published on 21 February 2025

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ARM [Alliance for Regenerative Medicine] [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://alliancerm.org/press-releases/

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

BIO [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.bio.org/press-releases

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

DCVMN – Developing Country Vaccine Manufacturers Network [to 22 Feb 2025]

http://www.dcvmn.org/ News; Upcoming events No new digest announcements identified.

ICBA – International Council of Biotechnology Associations [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://internationalbiotech.org/news/

News

No new digest announcements identified.

IFPMA [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://ifpma.org/ News, Statements [Selected] Statement 17 February 2025

Statement delivered at the 13th Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB 13)

By IFPMA

On 17 February 2025, IFPMA delivered a statement at the INB 13.

The biopharmaceutical industry plays a crucial role in pandemic preparedness and response, driving the innovation needed to create pharmaceutical and other relevant products for future health crises.

In strengthening pandemic preparedness and response, there needs to be a clear focus on how to maintain the scientific research on pathogens of pandemic potential, while enhancing equitable access to vaccines and treatments in the event of a pandemic emergency. This can only happen through a robust intellectual property system, which must be safeguarded.

The pharmaceutical industry is committed to expanding access to its products during pandemic emergencies through various means, including donations, equity-based tiered pricing, voluntary licensing, and voluntary technology transfers on mutually agreed terms.

Each pathogen with pandemic potential is unique, and so too will be the response of each company. Different situations and countries may require various interventions at different stages of a pandemic emergency. Therefore, it is crucial to establish a system that is flexible enough to allow a wide variety of companies to leverage their skills and expertise.

To strengthen equitable access, we call on Member States to focus on measures both before and during a pandemic to support healthcare systems, enhance surveillance mechanisms, improve regulatory procedures, develop accurate forecasts, and ensure that companies receive the necessary orders to guide the scale up of production. By overcoming these barriers, Member States can help ensure that life-saving innovations reach those in need. This preparedness and response system must operate effectively at global, regional, and country levels.

We remain dedicated to sharing our experience and providing our expertise to support global health efforts and enhance pandemic preparedness and response.

International Alliance of Patients' Organizations – IAPO [to 22 Feb 2025]

https://www.iapo.org.uk/news Press and media [Selected] No new digest announcements identified.

International Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association [IGBA]

https://www.igbamedicines.org/

News

IGBA releases first global Intellectual Property and Competition Report (February 2025)

The International Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association (IGBA) in line with its goals of promoting the widest possible access to safe, effective, and quality-assured medicines; and of promoting intellectual property regimes which foster innovation and allow the timely entry of generic and biosimilar medicines, has released its report called "GAMING THE SYSTEM- An overview of originator companies" evergreening strategies used to hinder access to generic and biosimilar products".

PDF: https://www.igbamedicines.org/doc/IGBA IP&Comp Report-v20250123.pdf

PhRMA [to 22 Feb 2025]
http://www.phrma.org/
Press Releases
No new digest announcements identified.

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Vaccines/Therapeutics/Medicines - Selected Developer/Manufacturer Announcements

AstraZeneca

<u>Press Releases</u> - No new digest content identified.

Bavarian Nordic

Latest News - No new digest content identified.

Bharat Biotech

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified

BioCubaFarma – Cuba

Últimas Noticias - No new digest announcements identified

Biological E

News - No new digest announcements identified

BioNTech

<u>Press Releases</u> - No new digest announcements identified

Boehringer

Press Releases

Boehringer Ingelheim and partners start clinical development of a first-in-class, inhaled gene therapy for people with cystic fibrosis

Ingelheim, Germany, Thu, 20/02/2025 - 14:00

Boehringer Ingelheim, IP Group, the UK Respiratory Gene Therapy Consortium $(GTC)^{[\![1]\!]}$ and OXB, $[\![2]\!]$ today announce the start of LENTICLAIRTM 1, a Phase I/II trial of BI 3720931, a novel, first-in-class, gene therapy aiming to improve disease outcomes in people with cystic fibrosis (CF), regardless of gene mutations that are causing the disease. The trial specifically focuses on adults with CF who genetically cannot benefit from cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR) modulators. $[\![i]\!]$

CanSinoBIO

News - Website not responding at inquiry

CIGB

<u>Latest News</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Cinnagen

<u>Recent News</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Clover Biopharmaceuticals – China

<u>News</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Curevac

<u>News</u>

February 18, 2025

CureVac Earns Repeat Recognition by LexisNexis® as One of the World's Top Innovators

Gamaleya National Center/Sputnik

<u>Latest News and Events</u> - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 09 Nov 2020] <u>https://sputnikvaccine.com/</u> - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 31 Aug 2022]

GSK

Press releases for media

21 February 2025

GSK announces Dr Gavin Screaton to join the Board as Non-Executive Director

EuBiologics, S Korea

News - No new digest announcements identified.

IMBCAMS, China

Home - Website not responding at inquiry.

JNJ Innovative Medicine [Janssen]

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Merck

News releases - No new digest announcements identified

Moderna

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified

Nanogen

News - No new digest announcements identified

Novartis

<u>News</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Novavax

<u>Press Releases</u> - No new digest announcements identified

Pfizer

Recent Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

R-Pharm

https://rpharm-us.com/index.php
[No news or media page identified]

Sanofi Pasteur

<u>Press Releases</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Serum Institute

News & Announcements

<u>European Commission Grants Marketing Authorisation for SIILTIBCY® – A Novel Tuberculosis Skin Test in Europe</u>

- :: SIILTIBCY® is a tuberculosis skin test approved in European Union that detects tuberculosis infection regardless of BCG vaccination status with demonstrated sensitivity and specificity.
- :: Full marketing authorisation granted by the European Commission following positive CHMP opinion.
- :: The CHMP considered "rdESAT-6 and rCFP-10" as new active substances (NAS).
- :: SIILTIBCY® will be launched across EU and EEA member states starting in the first quarter of 2025, with availability varying by country based on local requirements and logistics. February 18, 2025

Sinopharm/WIBPBIBP

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Sinovac

<u>Press Releases</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

SK Biosciences

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Takeda

Newsroom - No new digest announcements identified.

Valneva

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Vector State Research Centre of Viralogy and Biotechnology

<u>Home</u> - [Website not responding [404 error]

WestVac Biopharma

Media - No new digest announcements identified.

Zhifei Longcom, China

[Anhui Zhifei Longcom Biologic Pharmacy Co., Ltd.] <u>Website</u> [No News/Announcements page identified]

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Journal Watch

Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review continues its weekly scanning of key peer-reviewed journals to identify and cite articles, commentary and editorials, books reviews and other content supporting our focus on vaccine ethics and policy. Journal Watch is not intended to be exhaustive, but indicative of themes and issues the Center is actively tracking. We selectively provide full text of some editorial and comment articles that are specifically relevant to our work. Successful access to some of the links provided may require subscription or other access arrangement unique to the publisher.

If you would like to suggest other journal titles to include in this service, please contact David Curry at: david.r.curry@centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.org

AJOB Empirical Bioethics

Volume 16, 2025 Issue 1 https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current [Reviewed earlier]

AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 27, Number 2: E67-166 Feb 2025

https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/pain-management-non-labor-and-delivery-obgyn-procedures

Issue Theme: Pain Management in Non-Labor and Delivery OBGYN Procedures

American Journal of Human Genetics

Feb 06, 2025 Volume 112 Issue 2 p199-456 https://www.cell.com/ajhg/current

This month in The Journal

Alyson B. Barnes, Kylee L. Spencer, Sara B. Cullinan

Many tools developed for genome-wide analyses perform best in cohorts of a single ancestry group. The genomes of admixed populations contain segments from different ancestry groups and vary from person to person. These features present challenges to investigators who would like to expand the depth, breadth, and diversity of their studies. One approach to control for population structure in admixed populations is local ancestry interference (LAI). By assigning ancestry groups to discrete genomic regions, LAI can boost the power of multiple genomic analyses.

American Journal of Infection Control

February 2025 Volume 53 Issue 2 p175-284 http://www.ajicjournal.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

February 2025 Volume 68 Issue 2 p217-428 https://www.ajpmonline.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

February 2025 115(2) http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 112 (2025): Issue 1 (Jan 2025) https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/111/4/tpmd.112.issue-1.xml [Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

February 2025 Volume 178, Issue 2 https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current Clinical Guidelines

<u>Incorporating Economic Evidence in Clinical Guidelines: A Framework From the Clinical Guidelines Committee of the American College of Physicians</u>

Amir Qaseem, MD, PhD, MHA, Tatyana Shamliyan, MD, MS, Douglas K. Owens, MD, MS, <u>... et al.</u> Pages:241–248

Ideas and Opinions

The Nuances of Performance Measurement and Clinical Guidelines

Amir Qaseem, MD, PhD, MHA, Caroline L. Goldzweig, MD, MSHS, Karen Campos, CHES, Brook Watts, MD, ... et al. Pages:288–289

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 339 February 2025 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/339/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/ (Accessed 22 Feb 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content (Accessed 22 Feb 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Infectious Diseases

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content (Accessed 22 Feb 2025)

Measles in Canada: modelling outbreaks with variable vaccine coverage and interventions

The global incidence of measles has increased markedly since 2023. In Canada, where measles has had elimination status for more than two decades, most cases can typically be traced to travel. While the majorit...

Authors: Jennifer McNichol, Javad Valizadeh, Samara Chaudhury and Caroline Colijn

Citation: *BMC Infectious Diseases* 2025 25:236

Content type: Research Published on: 19 February 2025

BMC Medical Ethics

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content (Accessed 22 Feb 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Medicine

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content (Accessed 22 Feb 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content (Accessed 22 Feb 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles

(Accessed 22 Feb 2025)

<u>Full vaccination coverage for children aged 12–23 months in Madagascar: Analysis of the 2021 Demographic and Health Survey</u>

Vaccination plays a pivotal role in safeguarding the health and wellbeing of children worldwide, preventing the spread of infectious diseases, and reducing mortality rates. Despite significant progress in glob...

Authors: Florence Gyembuzie Wongnaah, Richard Gyan Aboagye, Augustus Osborne, Abdul-Aziz Seidu

and Bright Opoku Ahinkorah

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:727

Content type: Research Published on: 21 February 2025

<u>Drivers of inappropriate use of antibiotics among community members in low- and middle-</u>income countries: a systematic review of qualitative studies

The inappropriate use of antibiotics is a major driver of antimicrobial resistance worldwide. Antimicrobial resistance is an alarming public health problem leading to significant morbidity and mortality, parti...

Authors: Pendo M. Ndaki, Joseph R. Mwanga, Martha F. Mushi, Eveline T. Konje, Stanley M. Mwita and

Stephen E. Mshana

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:705

Content type: Research Published on: 20 February 2025

Approaches to engaging faith communities in public health efforts regarding vaccination, genetics, and colorectal cancer: a systematic review

Public health professionals regularly engage faith communities to improve public health. This systematic review characterizes approaches that public health professionals have used to engage faith communities a...

Authors: Ana S. Iltis, Lauren L. Baker, Kari Baldwin, Lucas Cruz, Lauren H. Yaeger and James M.

DuBois

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:703

Content type: Systematic Review Published on: 20 February 2025

<u>Influence of maternal risk perception and vaccination knowledge on childhood vaccination</u> intentions

Vaccine hesitancy remains a significant barrier to effective public health strategies aimed at overcoming the resurgence of vaccine-preventable diseases globally. This study aims to explore the roles of matern...

Authors: Teh Muthmainnah Md Suhaimi, Aniza Ismail, Rohani Ismail, Nur Syahmina Rasudin, Norhayati

Mohd Noor, Ashvini Jayapalan, Zailiza Suli and Mohd Nazir Mohd Nazori

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:671

Content type: Research Published on: 18 February 2025

Perceived social support and self-stigma as factors of COVID-19 booster vaccination behavior and intention via cognitive coping and emotion regulation among people infected with COVID-19 in Hong Kong

It is imperative to promote behavior/intention of taking up booster COVID-19 vaccination (BI-BV) among people who have ever contracted COVID-19 (PECC). The aims were to investigate the prevalence of BI-BV and ...

Authors: Xiaoying Zhang, Yiming Luan, Yihan Tang, Mason M. C. Lau, Yanqiu Yu, Jing Gu and Joseph

Г. F. Lau

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:659

Content type: Research Published on: 18 February 2025

BMC Research Notes

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content (Accessed 22 Feb 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

February 2025 - Volume 30 - 1 https://ebm.bmj.com/content/30/1 [Reviewed earlier]

BMJ Global Health

February 2025 - Volume 10 - 2 https://gh.bmj.com/content/10/2 [Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 103, Number 1, January 2025, 1-80 https://www.who.int/publications/journals/bulletin/ In this month's Bulletin In the editorial section, Katherine Littler et al. (2) call for papers for a special theme issue on the ethics of research into health and climate change.

Gary Humphreys (5–6) reports on initiatives to mitigate unintended consequences of health policies. Glenda Gray talks to Humphreys (7–8) about her career working on HIV prevention and treatment. [Reviewed earlier]

Cell

Feb 06, 2025 Volume 188 Issue 3 p573-868 https://www.cell.com/cell/current
[New issue; No digest content identified]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 51, Issue 1 January 2025 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 117, Issue 2 Pages: 311-598 February 2025 https://ascpt.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15326535/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

February 2025 Volume 47 Issue 2 p115-178 http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 22 Issue 1, February 2025 https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/22/1 [New issue; No digest content identified]

Conflict and Health

http://www.conflictandhealth.com/ [Accessed 22 Feb 2025] [No new digest content identified]

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 149 February 2025

https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/149/suppl/C

Research article Abstract only

Advancing vaccine research in Africa: A comprehensive analysis of vaccine clinical trials landscape

Lindi Mathebula, Thobile Malinga, Chinwe Iwu-Jaja, Duduzile Ndwandwe Article 107779 Abstract This study presents an in-depth analysis of vaccine clinical trials in Africa, emphasising the significance of local investments to address the continent's healthcare requirements. The research scrutinises vaccine trials across various African nations, focusing on trial distribution, phases, funding sources, recruitment sites, recruitment statuses, and age group participation.

The findings suggest substantial trial activity in countries like Kenya, Ghana, and Gambia, whereas nations like the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Tunisia exhibit minimal representation. Notably, COVID-19, HIV, and Yellow Fever vaccines prominently feature in the trials, with Phase 3 trials being the most prevalent. The presence of "Not Applicable" trials indicates adopting adaptive trial designs.

Analysis of funding patterns reveals substantial international and local support, reflecting an escalating commitment to vaccine research in Africa. Nevertheless, concerns persist regarding disparities in trial distribution and age group participation, underscoring the necessity for robust regulatory frameworks and augmented local R&D capacity. Addressing these disparities can enhance the efficacy of vaccine research and elevate health outcomes across the African continent.

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Artificial intelligence for modelling infectious disease epidemics

This Perspective considers the application to infectious disease modelling of AI systems that combine machine learning, computational statistics, information retrieval and data science.

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Abstract

Infectious disease threats to individual and public health are numerous, varied and frequently unexpected. Artificial intelligence (AI) and related technologies, which are already supporting human decision making in economics, medicine and social science, have the potential to transform the scope and power of infectious disease epidemiology. Here we consider the application to infectious disease modelling of AI systems that combine machine learning, computational statistics, information retrieval and data science. We first outline how recent advances in AI can accelerate breakthroughs in answering key epidemiological questions and we discuss specific AI methods that can be applied to routinely collected infectious disease surveillance data. Second, we elaborate on the social context of AI for infectious disease epidemiology, including issues such as explainability, safety, accountability and ethics. Finally, we summarize some limitations of AI applications in this field and provide recommendations for how infectious disease epidemiology can harness most effectively current and future developments in AI.

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Clinical applications of human organoids

Organoid research is moving beyond developmental and disease biology, driving insights into current and emerging health threats and enabling personalized and regenerative medicine applications. Monique M. A. Verstegen, Rob P. Coppes, Luc J. W. van der Laan *Abstract*

Organoids are innovative three-dimensional and self-organizing cell cultures of various lineages that can be used to study diverse tissues and organs. Human organoids have dramatically increased our understanding of developmental and disease biology. They provide a patient-specific model to study known diseases, with advantages over animal models, and can also provide insights into emerging and future health threats related to climate change, zoonotic infections, environmental pollutants or even microgravity during space exploration. Furthermore, organoids show potential for regenerative cell therapies and organ transplantation. Still, several challenges for broad clinical application remain, including inefficiencies in initiation and expansion, increasing model complexity and difficulties with upscaling clinical-grade cultures and developing more organ-specific human tissue microenvironments. To achieve the full potential of organoid technology, interdisciplinary efforts are needed, integrating advances from biology, bioengineering, computational science, ethics and clinical research. In this Review, we showcase pivotal achievements in epithelial organoid research and technologies and provide an outlook for the future of organoids in advancing human health and medicine.

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A direct hit

BY H. Holden Thorp 11 Feb 2025 [Excerpt]

Earlier this month, the Trump administration set off a frenzy in the US scientific community when the National Institutes of Health (NIH) announced that indirect cost reimbursement for federally funded research would be capped at 15%, a drastic cut from a usual range of 50 to 70%. In the American system, a federal research grant comes with one component that pays the direct costs of research—covering salaries of the researchers and supplies and equipment they use—and a so-called indirect component that represents the government's contribution to facilities and administration—the overhead necessary to do the work. The indirect contribution does not cover everything needed to support the research; the remainder is provided by the university. This agreement between higher education and the government has been a hallmark of the funding system for 70 years. The scientific community must unite in speaking out against this betrayal of a partnership that has enabled American innovation and progress...

These cuts should be a rallying cry for higher education to come together to make the case for the American system of research and teaching. Leaders have an opportunity to step forward and marshal their campuses in the effort. Conflicts between faculty and administrators, no matter how justifiable, should be set aside to focus attention on this ruthless takedown of academia. All disciplines will be affected by these cuts, not just science. This is a moment to unite.

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Do We Have a Common Understanding of How Vaccine Policy Affects Health Equity? Evaluating Variability in the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices' Equity Assessment

by Kathleen Dooling, Elif Alyanak, Dial Hewlett, Haley Payne, Vincenza Snow, Mitchell Finkel, Maura Burns, Brett Hauber, Joshua Coulter and Ronika Alexander-Parrish

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Abstract

Background/Objectives: The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices' (ACIP) Evidence to Recommendation (EtR) Framework has assessed vaccine equity, in addition to clinical and epidemiological data, since 2020. The domain's use has not yet been evaluated. Methods: Authors assessed web-published, Equity domain-inclusive ACIP Work Group [...

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Abstract

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