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Milestones, Perspectives

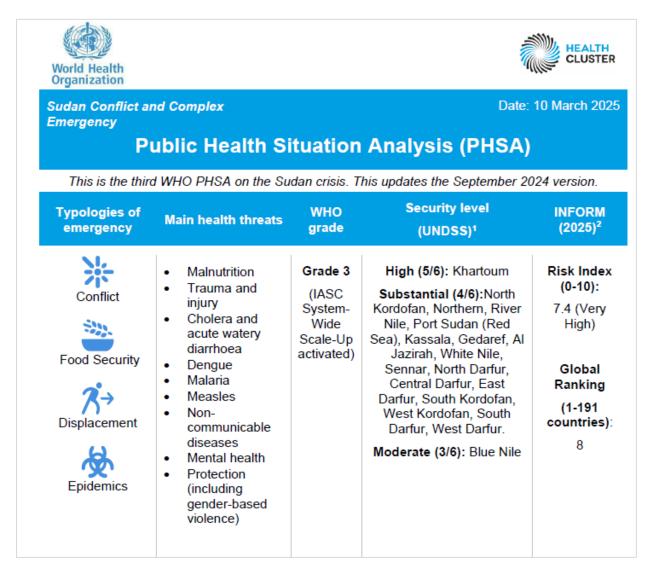
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Sudan

The <u>UN Secretary-General</u> recently described the situation in Sudan as a "crisis of staggering scale and brutality."

Public Health Situation Analysis: Sudan conflict (10 March 2025) - WHO

Nearly two years into the conflict, Sudan faces an unprecedented humanitarian health crisis, with 30.4 million people—over half the population—requiring assistance in 2025, including 16 million children...Disease outbreaks, including cholera, malaria, and measles, are spreading. WHO is supporting emergency response efforts, but insecurity, displacement, and resource shortages continue to hinder healthcare delivery across the country...



SUMMARY OF CRISIS AND KEY FINDINGS

Nearly two years since the escalation of the conflict, Sudan continues to experience a humanitarian crisis of epic proportions. The country faces an unprecedented humanitarian crisis, with 30.4 million people—over half the population—requiring assistance in 2025. Of the total population affected, 16

million are children. The humanitarian crisis has led to a substantial health crisis.

The Sudan conflict is the world's largest and fastest-growing displacement crisis. It is also one of the largest protection crises facing the world today. An estimated 12.8 million people have been forcibly displaced as of March 2025, including over 8.8 million newly displaced internally and over 3.7 million refugees, asylum seekers, and returnees who have crossed Sudan's borders into neighbouring countries...

Sudan ranks among the top four countries globally for the prevalence of global acute malnutrition, at an estimated 13.6%. A staggering 4.9 million children under five years, along with pregnant and nursing women, were estimated to be acutely malnourished in 2024, marking a 22% increase compared to 2023.7 Given the high rates of malnutrition, a debilitated health system and low immunization coverage, disease outbreaks will continue to have catastrophic impacts, particularly for children...

SUDAN: KEY HEALTH RISKS IN THE COMING THREE – FOUR MONTHS						
Public health risk	Level of risk	Rationale				
Cholera and acute watery diarrhoea (AWD)		Sudan declared a cholera outbreak in August 2024 after confirmation of toxigenic <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> in samples from Kassala in July 2024. Fuelled by heavy rains and flooding, coupled with intensified conflict, subsequent internal displacement that brought overcrowding, and lack of access to clean water in displacement sites and communities, the outbreak has spread to 12 states with 88 localities, with over 57 100 cases and 1500 deaths reported, as of 3 March 2025. ⁸⁷ Oral cholera vaccination (OCV) reactive campaigns have targeted eight states, reaching 7.4 million people between 19 August 2024 and 5 January 2025. ⁸⁸ Cholera has a long history in Sudan, characterized by recurrent outbreaks driven by conflict, environmental factors, inadequate water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH), and weak health infrastructure.				
Dengue		The current dengue fever outbreak started in July 2024, and as of 3 March 2025, there have been 10 464 cases and 16 deaths across nine states and 36 localities. Khartoum and Kassala have been the most affected. The spread of vector-borne diseases like dengue is unsurprising, due to climate change, deterioration of routine vector control, poor waste management, and shortage of water supply. Co-occurrence of vector-borne diseases may lead to more severe illnesses.				
Malaria		Malaria has remained stagnant on the list of the top ten causes of illness in Sudan, accounting for around 20% of outpatient department attendance and hospital admission in the country; hence, it remains a national health priority. In November 2024, malaria vaccines were introduced for the first time in Sudan to curtail the impact of the disease. About 186 000 doses targeting 148 000 children across 15 localities in Gedaref and Blue Nile were administered. Efforts are underway to extend vaccination coverage to 129 localities. In 2024, a total of more than 2.54 million malaria cases with 128 associated deaths were recorded across 16 states in the country.				
Measles		The current measles outbreak began in 2023. Between January 2024 and 14 February 2025, 903 cases with 13 deaths (CFR: 1.4%) have been reported from 13 States. In addition, there have been reports of suspected measles in Central Darfur, South Darfur, and East Darfur through the EWARS Mobile system. There is low immunization coverage, particularly in hard-to-reach areas. The risk of measles outbreaks is particularly very high for mobile populations, including IDPs, refugees, and any others in camp settings. This risk is further exacerbated by limited access to vaccination.				

... **Vaccination coverage:** Before the escalation of the conflict, Sudan had witnessed a remarkable improvement in routine vaccination coverage over the prior few years. This was a result of the stable implementation of routine immunization for the prevention and control of vaccine-preventable childhood diseases.76 The routine immunization programme in Sudan had good political support, which has been translated into modest financial support. 77

Since the conflict began in April 2023, health infrastructure and immunization services have been disrupted. Hundreds of thousands of children have been left unvaccinated and at risk of infection from vaccine-preventable diseases, such as measles and polio. This situation is made worse by the displacement of large numbers of people.78 Sudan, Yemen, and Syria are home to nearly 87% of the total zero-dose children in the region, with Sudan alone contributing 42% of these zero-dose children...

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Measles

<u>European Region reports highest number of measles cases in more than 25 years – UNICEF, WHO/Europe</u>

127 350 measles cases reported in the European Region for 2024 – double the number reported for 2023 and the highest number seen in the Region since 1997

Geneva/Copenhagen, 13 March 2025

According to an analysis by WHO and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), **127 350 measles** cases were reported in the European Region for 2024, double the number of cases reported for 2023 and the highest number since 1997.

Children under 5 accounted for more than 40% of reported cases in the Region – comprising 53 countries in Europe and central Asia. More than half of the reported cases required hospitalization. A total of 38 deaths have been reported, based on preliminary data received as of 6 March 2025. Measles cases in the Region have generally been declining since 1997, when some 216 000 were reported, reaching a low of 4440 cases in 2016. However, a resurgence was seen in 2018 and 2019 – with 89 000 and 106 000 cases reported for the 2 years respectively. Following a backsliding in immunization coverage during the COVID-19 pandemic, cases rose significantly again in 2023 and 2024. Vaccination rates in many countries are yet to return to pre-pandemic levels, increasing the risk of outbreaks.

"Measles is back, and it's a wake-up call. Without high vaccination rates, there is no health security. As we shape our new regional health strategy for Europe and central Asia, we cannot afford to lose ground. Every country must step up efforts to reach under-vaccinated communities," warned Dr Hans Henri P. Kluge, WHO Regional Director for Europe. "The measles virus never rests – and neither can we."...

...**Measles remains a significant global threat**. In 2024, 359 521 cases of measles were reported worldwide. Transmission of the virus across borders and continents occurs regularly, and outbreaks of this highly infectious disease will occur wherever the virus finds pockets of un- or under-vaccinated people, particularly children.

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<u>Data from MSF facilities records one child has died from measles each day in Afghanistan in 2025 – Médecins Sans Frontières</u>

Press Release 12 Mar 2025

- Our teams in Afghanistan are reporting an alarming surge of measles at three hospitals where we provide support.
- We have seen nearly 4,799 children suspected of having measles in the first eight weeks of 2025 at these three hospitals.
- Community-level, rapid, targeted vaccination in the districts most affected by ongoing outbreaks would help reduce the number of measles cases, and in turn free up hospital beds for children with less preventable conditions.

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<u>Measles outbreaks in the Americas: PAHO calls for strengthened vaccination and surveillance</u>

Washington, D.C., 3 March 2025 (PAHO) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) has **issued** an <u>epidemiological alert</u> due to an increase in measles cases in several countries in the **Americas...**.

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mPox - PHEIC

Multi-country outbreak of mpox, External situation report #48 - 10 March 2025

Highlights

- :: Following the convening of the Emergency Committee under the International Health Regulations (2005) (IHR) on 25 February 2025, the WHO Director-General determined that the ongoing upsurge of mpox continues to be a public health emergency of international concern (PHEIC). The WHO Director-General issued a revised set of temporary recommendations to this effect.
- :: The rapid risk assessment of the overall public health risk posed by mpox was updated on 24 February 2025. The overall public health risk posed by mpox was assessed as moderate at the global level...

5. Access to and delivery of countermeasures Access and Allocation Mechanism (AAM) Vaccines

- :: WHO continues to provide technical support to accelerate implementation and uptake of mpox vaccination in affected countries in at-risk groups, in support of controlling the surge in mpox cases on the African continent.
- :: A total of 1 137 300 doses have been allocated in two rounds to 12 countries (Angola, the Central African Republic, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, South Africa, and Uganda)
- :: To date, 816 580 vaccine doses have been delivered to eight countries, including 50 000 doses of LC16m8 vaccine from Japan to the Democratic Republic of the Congo in January 2025.
- :: Vaccination activities have started in four countries (, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Nigeria, Rwanda, and Uganda).
- :: On 22 February 2025, the Democratic Republic of the Congo launched their accelerated mpox vaccination activities for 10 days in Kinshasa, aligned with the revised vaccination strategy, targeting more than 660 000 people including 337 000 children aged one to 17 years old.

- :: Bavarian Nordic's position on product liability: When national regulatory authorities allow age indications which are not on the label of the product (e.g. 1 year and above, or 12 years and above) in the Marketing Authorization (MA) or Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)., Bavarian Nordic covers the product liability as per the authorized indicated age groups.
- :: The AAM partners continue to work together to ensure countries receive guidance to get operational funds for implementation of the national vaccination plans.

Polio - PHEIC

Polio this week - 12 March 2025

Headlines

- Strategy Committee Dr Ahmed is a long-time polio eradicator, having served since 2022 as Coordinator of WHO's Africa Regional Office (AFRO) Polio Eradication Programme, based in Brazzaville, Republic of the Congo. Prior to that, he worked for WHO's polio eradication programme in Geneva as Team Lead for Surveillance, Lab and Data, and as Chair of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative's (GPEI) Surveillance Group. He has also served in the WHO Pakistan Country Office as Coordinator of the Polio Team and as the lead for the Risk Assessment and Decision Support Unit. Dr Ahmed takes over this critical role in the polio eradication programme, following the sudden and tragic passing of previous director Aidan O'Leary in August 2024. His notable expertise and experience, in particular at regional and country level, will be crucial in helping drive the partnership towards successful implementation of its strategies, to secure a lasting world free of all forms of poliovirus. More.
- :: **Polio at <u>EIB Group Forum 2025</u>**: last week, at the European Investment Bank (EIB) Group Forum in Luxembourg, Ted Chaiban (Deputy Executive Director, UNICEF), Mike Ryan (Deputy Director General, WHO), Sania Nishtar (CEO, Gavi) and Thomas Östros (Vice President, EIB) took part in a <u>panel on global health partnerships</u>, including the GPEI, and their value in overcoming barriers in global health. Immediately afterwards, a dedicated session on polio featured remarks from WHO, UNICEF and Gates Foundation leadership.
- :: Expert groups convene on polio eradication. The Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on immunization (SAGE) is meeting this week at WHO in Geneva, following last week's meeting of the IHR Emergency Committee on Polio Eradication (IHR EC). Among a wide range of immunization topics, SAGE is expected to review the global poliovirus epidemiology and current status of bivalent OPV cessation planning and preferred routine immunization schedule with whole-cell pertussis hexavalent vaccine; while the IHR EC reviewed latest international detections of WPVs and cVDPVs. The reports from both meetings will be published over the coming weeks.
- :: **Breakthrough in next-generation polio vaccines:** researchers have taken a major step towards producing a more affordable and lower-risk polio vaccine using virus-like particles (VLPs). Such new technologies could make for ideal tools especially for the post-eradication era, with the aim of having cost-effective vaccines available in an equitable manner. More.

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

- Pakistan: 18 WPV1-positive environmental samples
- Chad: three cVDPV2 cases and three cVDPV2-positive environmental samples
- DR Congo: one cVDPV2 case
- Nigeria: three cVDPV2 cases
- Occupied Palestinian territory: three cVDPV2-positive environmental samples
- Tanzania: two cVDPV2-positive environmental samples

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https://www.who.int/news

Selected News/Announcements/Statements

8 March 2025 News release

Many pregnancy-related complications going undetected and untreated - WHO

6 March 2025 News release

WHO announces new collaborating centre on AI for health governance

The World Health Organization (WHO) today designated the Digital Ethics Centre at Delft University of Technology in the Netherlands as a WHO Collaborating Centre on artificial intelligence (AI) for health governance...

The WHO Collaborating Centre designation recognizes the Digital Ethics Centre at Delft University of Technology's decades-long history of cutting-edge research on responsible innovation, and its leadership in incorporating ethical values into design requirements for digital technologies. This inauguration marks the continuation of a strong partnership between the Digital Ethics Centre and WHO with the two entities jointly organizing international consultations, workshops, and the development of normative guidance and training in the past...

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

:: 13 March 2025

Tanzania declares end of Marburg virus disease outbreak

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: 11 Mar 2025

<u>PAHO Director meets with newly elected OAS Secretary General Albert Ramdin to discuss</u> the Interamerican System and health priorities in the Americas

Washington, DC, March 11, 2025 (PAHO) — The Director of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Dr. Jarbas Barbosa, met with Albert Ramdin, newly elected Secretary General of the Organization of American States (OAS), following his election during the 56th Special Session of the OAS General Assembly in Washington, D.C. Ramdin, from Suriname,...

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

:: 13 March 2025 News release

WHO South-East Asia Region enhancing multi-source surveillance to strengthen response to health emergencies

WHO European Region EURO

:: 13 March 2025 Media release

<u>European Region reports highest number of measles cases in more than 25 years – UNICEF, WHO/Europe</u>

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: 12 March 2025

Afghanistan's new National Health Policy (2025–2030): a roadmap to a healthier future

WHO Western Pacific Region

No new digest content identified.

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

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

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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.

13 March 2025 | Marburg virus disease— United Republic of Tanzania

13 March 2025 | Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

2025, Vol. 100, No. 11, pp. 87-90 14 March 2025

https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record

PDF: https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/380785/WER10011-eng-fre.pdf

:: Egypt and Georgia certified as malaria-free by WHO

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New WHO Publications

https://www.who.int/publications

Selected

13 March 2025

<u>Pandemic influenza severity assessment (PISA): a WHO guide to assess the severity of influenza in I epidemics and pandemics, second edition</u>

Download (670.7 kB)

Overview

The updated WHO pandemic influenza severity assessment (PISA) framework set out in this document provides a systematic approach for interpreting data collected through existing surveillance systems and improving their usefulness for risk communication and decision-making. The approach enables the severity of current influenza and syndromic respiratory illness activity to be assessed relative to previous years by using historical data to set thresholds that then allow for the qualitative categorization of such activity. PISA is designed to be implemented continuously based on stable/routine reporting systems, enabling activity during epidemic and pandemic periods to be compared. Information to assess severity especially early and throughout the course of a pandemic will also be provided through investigations, studies and modelling.

12 March 2025

<u>Strengthening the delivery of HIV testing services and linkage to care during pregnancy and postpartum...</u>

11 March 2025

<u>Subregional networks of antimalaria drug efficacy and resistance in Eastern Africa and</u> Horn of Africa...

11 March 2025

<u>Integration of HIV and syphilis testing services as part of mpox response: standard operating procedures</u>

11 March 2025

Regional Workshop on implementation of good reliance practices for vaccines regulation based on emerging novel technologies

Overview

The WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia had organized a four-day regional hybrid workshop on implementation of good reliance practices for vaccines regulation based on emerging novel technologies, in Pune, India, for the national regulatory authorities (NRAs) of Member States.

COVID-19 vaccines produced through mRNA and other novel technologies have introduced many challenges for vaccine regulation such as approving facilities for multiproduct manufacturing. Approval of these new vaccines requires application of novel approaches with regulatory inspections and dossier assessment by the NRAs. NRAs, especially of non-vaccine producing countries, have limited resources and expertise for vaccine regulation. They must thus rely on other NRAs and NCLs for expedited and effective vaccine regulation to ensure timely and sufficient availability of vaccines for immunization programmes, including pandemic situations. This workshop was focused on supporting the NRAs in the Region to build expertise with good reliance practices (GRP) in the regulation of vaccines.

Key takeaways from the workshop were training of Member State NRA staff on conducting virtual GMP inspections of vaccines produced through novel technologies including joint review of marketing authorization (MA) dossiers. This report provides an overview of the proceedings and action points from the workshop.

11 March 2025

Regional stakeholder meeting on the response to antimalarial drug resistance in Africa: meeting report,...

Extending the WHO scheme for external quality assessment of nucleic acid amplification testing for monitoring antimalarial drug resistance: meeting report, 14 July 2023

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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

News

No new digest content identified.

FDA

Press Announcements

FDA Roundup: March 14, 2025

:: On Thursday, the FDA posted information on the flu vaccine composition for the 2025-2026 U.S. flu season. The agency, in consultation with our federal partners, reviewed the available data and made its recommendations to manufacturers of the U.S.-licensed influenza vaccines for the production of updated vaccines for the 2025-2026 flu season. Based on this timing, the agency does not anticipate any impact on vaccine supply or timing of availability....

<u>Influenza Vaccine Composition for the 2025-2026 U.S. Influenza Season</u> - FDA 03/13/2025

Today, the FDA made recommendations to vaccine manufacturers for the virus strains to be used in influenza (flu) vaccines for the 2025-2026 U.S. flu season following a thorough and comprehensive review of U.S. and global surveillance data. With today's action, the FDA does not anticipate any impact on timing or availability of vaccines for the American public. The recommendations are similar to the previous year's strain selection.

To inform the selection of the flu virus strains, the FDA convened a meeting of scientific and public health experts from the FDA, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Department of Defense for this in-depth discussion. During the meeting, these federal partners collaboratively evaluated and analyzed U.S. and global surveillance data related to the epidemiology and antigenic characteristics of flu viruses currently circulating....

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 15 Mar 2025] http://www.cdc.gov/media/index.html Latest News
No new digest content identified.

ACIP Meetings [to 15 Mar 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/index2025.html

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:: <u>Human Cases of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A(H5N1) — California, September–December</u> 2024

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Europe

European Medicines Agency [EMA]

https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/news

News & Press Releases

First vaccine against epizootic haemorrhagic disease recommended for approval

The vaccine will protect cattle from outbreaks, protect animal health and prevent economic losses 14 March 2025

<u>Meeting highlights from the Pharmacovigilance Risk Assessment Committee (PRAC) 10-13</u> <u>March 2025</u>

PRAC carried out its broad range of responsibilities for managing the risks associated with medicine use

14 March 2025

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en

News/Updates/Reports/Publications [Selected]

News

Measles on the rise again in Europe: time to check your vaccination status

11 Mar 2025

Assessment

ECDC assessment of public health workforce capacity in prevention and control of infectious diseases in the EU/EEA

13 Mar 2025

Report on the findings of a survey on public health workforce capacity in the field of prevention and control of infectious diseases in the EU/EEA.

Surveillance and monitoring

Monthly measles and rubella monitoring report - February 2025

11 Mar 2025

This report provides an overview of measles and rubella cases reported to ECDC through The European Surveillance System (TESSy).

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Africa CDC [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://africacdc.org/

Press Releases, Statements [Selected]

Newly Launched African Epidemic Fund to Strengthen Health Security

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Traditional Healers Join Tanzania's Marburg Response

9 March 2025

Funding Options for Health Products Manufacturing in Africa Tabled

9 March 2025

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China CDC+

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

National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

News

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National Medical Products Administration – PRC [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

News

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China CDC

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- <u>Preplanned Studies: Two-Year Surveillance of Dengue, Zika, and Chikungunya Viruses Among Chinese Blood Donors Guangxi and Yunnan PLADs, China, 2022–2023</u>
- <u>Preplanned Studies: Developing Machine Learning Models Based on Clinical Manifestations to Predict Influenza Chongging Municipality, China, 2022–2023</u>
- <u>Preplanned Studies: Infodemic Management and Public Health Emergency Preparedness Capacities</u>
 Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan, 2024

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Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://alleninstitute.org/news-press/

News

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BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Press Releases & Statements Statement Mar 12, 2025

Mark Suzman's Statement on the important role of US Federal Government in Education

Every child growing up in America deserves a high-quality education that equips them with the knowledge, skills, and opportunities they need to thrive. The U.S. federal government plays a vital role in ensuring that students and teachers—regardless of zip code—have the resources they need to succeed by providing funding to schools serving low-income communities, expanding access to affordable college opportunities, and using data to drive smart education polices. The administration must put a real plan in place to continue this important work. Without it, students, communities, and our nation's economy will face devastating consequences.

Bill & Melinda Gates Medical Research Institute [to 15 Mar 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

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CARB-X [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://carb-x.org/

News

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Chan Zuckerberg Initiative [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://chanzuckerberg.com/newsroom/

Newsroom

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CEPI – Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations [to 15 Mar 2025]

http://cepi.net/

CEPI News, Blog

News

Nagasaki University's 'Nanoball' technology could help defeat the next Disease X

OSLO/ NAGASAKI, JAPAN, 10 March 2025—A new 'nanoball' vaccine platform developed by experts in Japan will be tested as part of new research, supported by CEPI, looking for promising tools that could help fight an infectious disease outbreak with pandemic potential.

Researchers at Nagasaki University have developed the pioneering innovation as a novel approach to aid the delivery of messenger RNA (mRNA) vaccines in the body...

CIOMS - COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 15

Mar 2025]

https://cioms.ch/

News; Publications; Events No new digest content identified.

DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.darpa.mil/news

News

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DNDI – Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Press Releases

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Duke Global Health Innovation Center [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://dukeghic.org/

News

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EDCTP [to 15 Mar 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 No new digest content identified.

Emory Vaccine Center [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

European Vaccine Initiative [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Fondation Merieux [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Gavi [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.gavi.org/

Press Releases 14 March 2025

Gavi welcomes first-ever prequalification of a maternal RSV vaccine

Geneva, 13 March 2025 – Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance welcomes the first-ever <u>prequalification</u> [Abrysvo, Pfizer Europe MA EEIG] of a maternal respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine to protect infants by the World Health Organization (WHO). This is an important step towards curbing one of the leading causes of acute lower respiratory infections in children globally...

GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 15 Mar 2025]

www.ge2p2.org

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- :: Informed Consent: A Monthly Review February 2025
- :: Public Consultations Watch :: Global Calls for Input/Public Comment 21 Feb 2025
- :: Genomics :: Governance, Ethics, Policy, Practice A Monthly Digest February 2025

GHIT Fund [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Press Releases March 5, 2025

<u>GHIT-backed Innovation Achieves Landmark: New Treatment Option for Schistosomiasis Reaches Preschool-Aged Children</u>

Global Fund [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

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Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness [GloPID-R] [to 15 Mar

2025]

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

News

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Hilleman Laboratories [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

News & Insights

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HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.hhmi.org/news

Press Room

No new digest content identified.

Human Immunome Project [nee Human Vaccines Project] [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.humanimmunomeproject.org/

News

No new digest content identified.

IAVI [to 15 Mar 2025] https://www.iavi.org/ *Press Releases, Features*No new digest content identified.

INSERM [to 15 Mar 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

13 March 2025

ICMRA PQKMS Collaborative Hybrid Inspection Pilot Summary Report

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.ich.org/

News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selective]

14 March 2025

ICH M13B Draft Guideline & Step 2 Presentation Now Available on the ICH Website

The ICH M13B draft Guideline on Bioequivalence for Immediate-Release Solid Oral Dosage Forms – Additional Strengths Biowaiver reached Step 2b of the ICH Process on 13 March 2025 and entered the public consultation period.

14 March 2025

ICH M11 Updated Technical Specification Document Now Available on the ICH Website

The ICH M11 updated version of the Technical Specification document, which incorporates comments received during the first public consultation, reached Step 2b of the ICH process in March 2025 and now enters the second round of public consultation. [M11 EWG Clinical electronic Structured Harmonised Protocol (CeSHarP)]

https://www.icrc.org/en/whats-new

Latest press releases and statements [Selected]

News release 10-03-2025

Israel and the occupied territories: ICRC warns of worsening humanitarian crisis in Gaza

IFFIm

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

IFRC [to 15 Mar 2025]

http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/

Press Releases [Selected] Press release 11/03/2025

Statement: Gaza's humanitarian crisis deepens as aid dwindles and power cuts bite

IPPS - International Pandemic Preparedness Secretariat [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://ippsecretariat.org/news/

News

No new digest content identified.

Institut Pasteur [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Press Documents

No new digest content identified.

ISC / International Science Council [to 15 Mar 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

No new digest content identified.

International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS)

https://iuis.org/

News/Events [Selected]

19th International Congress of Immunology

Vienna, August 17-22, 2025.

IVAC [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Updates; Events

No new digest content identified.

IVI [to 15 Mar 2025] http://www.ivi.int/ IVI News & Announcements No new digest content identified.

Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières_[to 15 Mar 2025]

http://www.msf.org/

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Afghanistan

<u>Data from MSF facilities records one child has died from measles each day in Afghanistan</u> in 2025

Press Release 12 Mar 2025

Gaza-Israel war

Israeli authorities must stop use of aid as a tool of war in Gaza

Press Release 11 Mar 2025

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://nam.edu/programs/

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom

News

No new digest content identified.

NIH [to 15 Mar 2025]

http://www.nih.gov/

News Releases

Tecovirimat is safe but ineffective as treatment for clade II mpox

March 12, 2025 — NIH-sponsored trial data offer further evidence to help inform mpox treatment decisions.

PATH [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.path.org/media-center/

Newsroom [Selected]

PATH welcomes maternal RSV vaccine WHO pregualification

The milestone marks the first-ever prequalification of an RSV vaccine and paves the way for improving respiratory disease prevention for infants around the world.

Published: March 2025 Statement

PATH launches new Center for Policy and Advocacy

The new Center enhances collaboration between PATH's technical and advocacy experts, boosting our ability to expand access to lifesaving health care through policy.

Published: March 2025 Press Release

PATH launches clinical trial on the use of artificial intelligence in primary health care

The Nairobi-based trial aims to build evidence for whether AI can improve quality of care, by reducing instances of incorrect or missed diagnoses, spare patients unnecessary repeat visits, and ensure quideline-based treatment plans.

Sabin Vaccine Institute [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

UNAIDS [to 15 Mar 2025]

http://www.unaids.org/en News, Stories, Updates Feature Story

Impact of US funding cuts on the global AIDS response — Weekly update 10 March 2025 12 March 2025

This weekly update summarizes reports on the impact of US funding cuts on national AIDS responses from 20 UNAIDS Country Offices received during the week of 3-7 March 2025. These reports show that an increasing number of US-funded implementing partners—including in Botswana, South Africa and Zambia—have received notices that their funding awards have been terminated. In some cases, these notices have led to the closure of HIV services that had previously been allowed to operate under terms of waivers.

UNICEF [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases

Latest press releases, news notes and statements [Seelected]

Remarks 14 March 2025

Geneva Palais briefing note: Children in Sudan: a generation at risk

GENEVA/NEW YORK, 14 March 2024 – "This morning, I would like to bring your attention to Sudan's children—trapped in one of the world's worst humanitarian crises. I returned last week from a country where conflict, displacement, and hunger are destroying young lives. "More than 16 million children in Sudan urgently...

Remarks 13 March 2025

UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell's remarks at UN Security Council meeting on Sudan

NEW YORK, 13 March 2025 - "Excellencies, colleagues, thank you for inviting me to speak here today. "I'd like to express my appreciation to Denmark and to the United Kingdom for convening and hosting this briefing during Denmark's presidency of the Security Council. I'd also like to acknowledge my colleague from M...

Press release 13 March 2025

<u>European Region reports highest number of measles cases in more than 25 years – UNICEF, WHO/Europe</u>

GENEVA/COPENHAGEN, 13 March 2025 – 127,350 measles cases were reported in the European Region in 2024, double the number of cases reported for 2023 and the highest number since 1997, according to an analysis by WHO and UNICEF. Children under five accounted for more than 40 per cent of reported cases in the Region ...

Remarks 11 March 2025

<u>Geneva Palais briefing note: Malnutrition tightening its grip on children in Rohingya</u> refugee Camps

DHAKA/GENEVA, 11 March 2025 – "Children in the world's largest refugee camp are experiencing the worst levels of malnutrition since the massive displacement that occurred in 2017. "In February this year, admissions for severe acute malnutrition surged by over 27 per cent compared to the same month last year. "Th...

Press release 11 March 2025

27 per cent surge in number of children admitted for severe acute malnutrition treatment in Rohingya refugee camps

DHAKA/COX'S BAZAR, Bangladesh, 11 March 2025 – The number of children needing emergency treatment for severe acute malnutrition in the Rohingya refugee camps in Bangladesh has surged by 27 per cent in February 2025 compared to the same period last year, as worsening conditions push more young children into life-th...

Unitaid [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://unitaid.org/ Featured News News releases

<u>Unitaid earns A+ rating in UK FCDO annual review, reinforcing its leadership in global health innovation</u>

11 March 2025

Vaccine Equity Cooperative [nee Initiative] [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://vaccineequitycooperative.org/news/

News

No new digest content identified.

Vaccination Acceptance & Demand Initiative [Sabin) [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.vaccineacceptance.org/

News

Explainer

Will climate change lead to more fungal infections?

14 March 2025 7-minute read

Vaccine Confidence Project [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Vaccine Education Center – Children's Hospital of Philadelphia [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Will climate change lead to more fungal infections?

14 March 2025 7-minute read

The Wistar Institute [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

World Bank [to 15 Mar 2025]

http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all All News [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

WFPHA: World Federation of Public Health Associations [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.wfpha.org/

Blog, Events

No new digest content identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Organisation for Animal Health [OIE] [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://www.oie.int/ Press Releases, Statements No new digest content identified.

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ARM [Alliance for Regenerative Medicine] [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

BIO [to 15 Mar 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

DCVMN – Developing Country Vaccine Manufacturers Network [to 15 Mar 2025]

http://www.dcvmn.org/
News; Upcoming events

No new digest announcements identified.

ICBA – International Council of Biotechnology Associations [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://internationalbiotech.org/news/

News

No new digest announcements identified.

IFPMA [to 15 Mar 2025]

https://ifpma.org/

News, Statements [Selected]

Expert insight

Strong regulatory systems support the pharmaceutical industry in delivering better health outcomes

13 March 2025

Strong regulatory frameworks provide a predictable and efficient pathway for scientific advancements to translate into real-world impact, ultimately leading to better health outcomes for patients worldwide.

Position paper 11 Mar 2025

<u>Trade and Health Agenda: A Meaningful World Trade Organization Roadmap to Strengthen</u> <u>Global Health</u>

Ahead of the 14th WTO Ministerial Conference (MC14), trade associations representing the pharmaceutical industry provide a perspective on how WTO Members can a roadmap to strengthen global health through meaningful trade policies.

External study 11 Mar 2025

<u>Value of investment on NCDs: Impact on health outcomes in low- and middle-income countries</u>

In new research commissioned by IFPMA, Airfinity has determined that an additional investment of 1% of GDP toward domestic general government health expenditure in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) would amount to a US\$ 310 billion additional investment, representing a 33% increase in current spending. This research is a response to the UHC 2030 action agenda...

Press release 11 March 2025

<u>Pharmaceutical industry issues call for collective action to address the rising global burden of chronic disease</u>

Bv IFPMA

- Non-communicable diseases (NCDs) including cancer, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, lung disease, mental health, and neurological disorders are responsible for 75% of deaths worldwide.

- New research demonstrates that investing an additional 1% of GDP in public healthcare spending, where at least 40% is aimed at preventing and treating NCDs, could save close to 5 million lives each year in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).
- Ahead of the Fourth High-Level Meeting of the UN General Assembly on the prevention and control
 of NCDs and mental health this September, the global trade association representing the
 pharmaceutical industry urges collective action to reduce premature deaths from NCDs through
 existing cost-effective interventions.

International Alliance of Patients' Organizations – IAPO [to 15 Mar 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

No new digest announcements identified.

PhRMA [to 15 Mar 2025]
http://www.phrma.org/
Press Releases
No new digest announcements identified.

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Vaccines/Therapeutics/Medicines - Selected Developer/Manufacturer Announcements

AstraZeneca

Press Releases - No new digest content identified.

Bavarian Nordic

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

Bharat Biotech

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified

BioCubaFarma – Cuba

<u>Últimas Noticias</u> - No new digest announcements identified

Biological E

News - No new digest announcements identified

BioNTech

Press Releases

<u>BioNTech Announces Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2024 Financial Results and Corporate Update</u>

10 March 2025

[Excerpts from bulleted headlines]

- Advanced oncology pipeline including more than 20 active Phase 2 and Phase 3 clinical trials with a strategic focus on two priority pan-tumor programs: next-generation immunomodulator candidate BNT327 and mRNA cancer immunotherapies
- Multiple data readouts expected in 2025 and 2026 aimed at providing clinical proof of BioNTech's pipeline strategy and advancing the Company towards becoming a diversified multi-product oncology portfolio company by 2030
- Successfully launched JN.1- and KP.2-adapted COVID-19 vaccines across different countries and regions and maintained global market leadership...

Boehringer

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

CanSinoBIO

<u>News</u> - Website not responding at inquiry

CIGB

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

CinnaGen

Recent News - No new digest announcements identified.

Clover Biopharmaceuticals – China

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Curevac

News - No new digest announcements identified.

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

12 March 2025

<u>ViiV Healthcare's investigational broadly neutralising antibody - N6LS - successfully maintains viral suppression in long-acting treatment of HIV</u>

12 March 2025

<u>ViiV Healthcare announces new implementation study data showing zero cases of HIV with</u>

<u>Apretude, the only long-acting injectable approved for HIV PrEP</u>

11 March 2025

<u>ViiV Healthcare showcases leadership in long-acting injectables innovation at CROI 2025</u> <u>with data on third-generation integrase inhibitor (INSTI) and highly potent capsid</u> <u>inhibitor against HIV-1</u>

EuBiologics, S Korea

News - No new digest announcements identified.

IMBCAMS, China

<u>Home</u> - Website not responding at inquiry.

JNJ Innovative Medicine [Janssen]

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

Merck

News releases

March 12, 2025

Merck Announces Positive Data from Phase 3 Trials that Show the Investigational, Once-Daily, Oral, Two-Drug Regimen of Doravirine/Islatravir (DOR/ISL) Maintained HIV-1 Viral Suppression at Week 48

March 11, 2025

Merck Unveils New Facility to Increase Vaccine Production Capacity

Opening highlights effort to expand U.S. manufacturing through a \$1 billion investment

DURHAM, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Merck (NYSE: MRK), known as MSD outside of the United States and Canada, announced today the opening of a new, \$1 billion, 225,000-square-foot facility dedicated to vaccine manufacturing at its Durham, North Carolina, site.

This expansion of our Durham plant is a crucial component of the more than \$12 billion Merck has invested toward U.S. capital investment since 2018 focused on expanding domestic manufacturing and research and development capabilities and creating new jobs in the U.S., with another \$8 billion of U.S. capital investment expected by 2028...

Moderna

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

Nanogen

News - No new digest announcements identified

Novartis

News - 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

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Serum Institute

News & Announcements - No new digest announcements identified.

Sinopharm/WIBPBIBP

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Sinovac

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

SK Biosciences

Press Releases

SK bioscience Expands Influenza Vaccine Exports to Southern Hemisphere Market

750,000 doses of influenza vaccine to be supplied to Southeast Asia and Latin America in the first half of the year. Expanded exports markets ensure year-round vaccine production, enhancing supply stability and cost efficiency. Company accelerates global market entry with in-house developed vaccines for influenza, varicella, shingles, and typhoid. 2025.03.12

Takeda

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

Valneva

<u>Press Releases</u> - 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

March 2025 Volume 27, Number 3: E167-236

https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/regret-moral-psychology-surgical-professionalism

Issue Theme: Regret in the Moral Psychology of Surgical Professionalism

Along a physician's training path to becoming a surgeon, there are few, if any, formal or structured opportunities to reflect upon regret experiences. But the influences regret can have in surgeons' practices is worth considering, given that some patients suffer poor outcomes despite surgeons' long-term training, sound decision-making, competent practice, best efforts, and good intentions. This theme issue investigates regret as an expression of a surgeon's moral psychological development and their deep internalization of their capacity to harm. This theme issue also considers how we should regard regret and its kindred moral emotions—loss, grief, remorse, shame, guilt—in surgical life, training, and practice.

American Journal of Human Genetics

Mar 06, 2025 Volume 112 Issue 3 p457-724 https://www.cell.com/ajhg/current

This month in *The Journal*

Alyson B. Barnes, Sara B. Cullinan

Publication of the 2023 NASEM report sparked discussions on the use of population descriptors in genetics and genomics research. Experts have offered guidance to researchers in various sub-fields, but little guidance has been provided for clinical laboratory settings. In this issue, Hatchell et al. build on their experience in clinical genomics laboratories to provide insight into the relevance of both conventional and ancestry-based population descriptors for genetic testing and reporting. There are advantages and disadvantages to the use of both types of descriptors.

American Journal of Infection Control

March 2025 Volume 53 Issue 3 p285-414 http://www.ajicjournal.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

March 2025 Volume 68 Issue 3 p429-644 https://www.ajpmonline.org/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

March 2025 115(3) http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current [Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 112 (2025): Issue 2 (Feb 2025) https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/112/2/tpmd.112.issue-2.xml [Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

February 2025 Volume 178, Issue 2 https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current [Reviewed earlier]

Artificial Intelligence - An International Journal

Volume 340 March 2025 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/340/suppl/C [New issue; No digest content identified]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/ (Accessed 15 Mar 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content (Accessed 15 Mar 2025 [No new digest content identified]

BMC Infectious Diseases

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content (Accessed 15 Mar 2025)

The efficacy of COVID-19 vaccination in cystic fibrosis patients: a systematic review

This systematic review evaluates the efficacy and safety of COVID-19 vaccines in individuals with cystic fibrosis (CF). A systematic search of major databases conducted between December 2019 and January 2024 i...

Authors: Azam Gholami Shahrebabak, Masoud Rezaei, Amirhossein Shahpar, Nazanin Zeinali Nezhad, Mohammad Sharifi Sarasyabi, Mohsen Nakhaie, Maryam Gholami Shahrebabak and Razman Arabzadeh Bahri

Citation: *BMC Infectious Diseases* 2025 25:358

Content type: Systematic Review Published on: 13 March 2025

<u>Comparative study of stigma and discrimination among vaccinated and non-vaccinated</u> <u>COVID-19 survivors in Bangladesh</u>

This study investigates the stigmatized experiences of vaccinated and non-vaccinated COVID-19 survivors in Bangladesh, emphasizing the factors contributing to stigma, the lived realities of stigmatization, and...

Authors: Tamanna Rashid, Shamsul Arefin, Mowsume Bhattacharjee and Ashraful Islam

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2025 25:338

Content type: Research Published on: 10 March 2025

BMC Medical Ethics

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content (Accessed 15 Mar 2025)

A scoping review of human genetic resources management policies and databases in highand middle-low-income countries

This review examines global human genetic resources management, focusing on genetic data policies and repositories in high- and middle-low-income countries.

Authors: Hongwei Liu, Yin Liu, Yanyan Zhao, Yingqi Ma, Qiong Chen, Huifang Xu, Xiaoyang Wang,

Xiaoli Guo, Hong Wang, Zelong Chen, Shaokai Zhang and Binbin Han

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2025 26:37

Content type: Systematic Review Published on: 15 March 2025

Balancing benefits and burdens: a systematic review on ethical and social dimensions of gene and cell therapies for hereditary blood diseases

Sickle cell disease (SCD) and Diamond-Blackfan anemia syndrome (DBAS) are two hereditary blood diseases that present significant challenges to patients, their caregivers, and the healthcare system. Both condit...

Authors: L. C. van Hooff, E.-M. Merz, A. S. Kidane Gebremeskel, J. A. de Jong, G. L. Burchell and J. E.

Lunshof

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2025 26:36

Content type: Systematic Review Published on: 14 March 2025

BMC Medicine

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content

(Accessed 15 Mar 2025)

Reduced risks of influenza-associated hospitalization and complications following vaccination among over 2 million older individuals: a nationwide study using target trial emulation framework

Current evidence on influenza vaccine effectiveness (VE), which is predominately derived from small high-risk older populations and focuses on specific influenza-related complications, might not be generalizab...

Authors: Zi-Yang Peng, Yun-Ting Hua, Wan-Ting Huang, Jin-Shang Wu and Huang-Tz Ou

Citation: BMC Medicine 2025 23:157

Content type: Research Published on: 13 March 2025

Modifiable risk factors of vaccine hesitancy: insights from a mixed methods multiple population study combining machine learning and thematic analysis during the COVID-19 pandemic

Vaccine hesitancy, the delay in acceptance or reluctance to vaccinate, ranks among the top threats to global health. Identifying modifiable factors contributing to vaccine hesitancy is crucial for developing t...

Authors: Omid V. Ebrahimi, Ella Marie Sandbakken, Sigrun Marie Moss, Sverre Urnes Johnson, Asle Hoffart, Sarah Bauermeister, Ole André Solbakken, Lars T. Westlye and Esten H. Leonardsen

Citation: BMC Medicine 2025 23:155

Content type: Research Published on: 12 March 2025

Research prioritisation in preparedness for and response to outbreaks of highconsequence pathogens: a scoping review

Priority setting for research on epidemic/pandemic-prone pathogens is essential for the allocation of limited resources to optimise impact. It involves the identification of gaps in knowledge crucial to effect...

Authors: Emilia Antonio, Nicolas Pulik, Susan Khader Ibrahim, Adebisi Adenipekun, Shanthi Levanita, Isabel Foster, Dorothy Chepkirui, Eli Harriss, Louise Sigfrid and Alice Norton

Citation: BMC Medicine 2025 23:147

Content type: Research Published on: 10 March 2025

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content (Accessed 15 Mar 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles

(Accessed 15 Mar 2025)

<u>Longitudinal association between parents' reported vaccination program preferences and children's actual immunization patterns in Shanghai, China</u>

As China expands its national immunization program, it is essential to understand parents' beliefs about pediatric vaccination programs and the translation into actual vaccination decision-making for their chi...

Authors: Zhuoying Huang, Mengdi Ji, Matthew L. Boulton, Jia Ren, Xiaodong Sun and Abram L. Wagner

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:999

Content type: Research Published on: 14 March 2025

Vaccination coverage and its associated factors among children under-5 in Somalia

Despite global efforts to improve vaccination, the coverage of completing basic immunization (BCG, Polio 3, DPT 3, and Measles vaccines) remains unsatisfactory in Somalia. Limited research exists on the determ...

Authors: Mohamed Said Hassan, Faruq Abdulla and Moyazzem Hossain

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:997

Content type: Research Published on: 13 March 2025

<u>Vaccination and rheumatoid arthritis: an updated systematic review and meta-analysis of data from 25,949,597 participants</u>

This systematic review and meta-analysis aimed to investigate the association between vaccinations and the risk of rheumatoid arthritis (RA), specifically addressing concerns about a potential increased risk a...

Authors: Hejing Pan, Yin Yu, Xuanlin Li, Meijiao Wang, Chengping Wen, Qiaoding Dai and Lin Huang

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:933

Content type: Research Published on: 10 March 2025

BMC Research Notes

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content (Accessed 15 Mar 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

February 2025 - Volume 30 - 1 https://ebm.bmj.com/content/30/1 [Reviewed earlier] February 2025 - Volume 10 - 2 https://gh.bmj.com/content/10/2 [Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

2025 Mar 1; 103(3) https://www.who.int/publications/journals/bulletin/ [Reviewed earlier]

Cell

Mar 06, 2025 Volume 188 Issue 5 p1175-1456 https://www.cell.com/cell/current [Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 51, Issue 2 March 2025 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 117, Issue 3 Pages: 599-857 March 2025 https://ascpt.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15326535/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

March 2025 Volume 47 Issue 3 p179-248 http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 22 Issue 1, February 2025 https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/22/1 [Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

http://www.conflictandhealth.com/ [Accessed 15 Mar 2025] [No new digest content identified]

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 150 March 2025 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/150/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

The CRISPR Journal

Volume 8, Issue 1 / February 2025 https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/8/1 [Reviewed earlier]

Current Genetic Medicine Reports

Volume 13, Issue 1 December 2025

https://link.springer.com/journal/40142/volumes-and-issues/13-1

<u>Science and Society: Pathways to Equitable Access and Delivery of Genomics Medicine in</u>
Africa

Nchangwi Syntia Munung
REVIEW Open access 24 February 2025

Current Medical Research and Opinion

Volume 41, Issue 1 2025 https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/icmo20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

February 2025 - Volume 38 - Issue 1 https://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

Current Protocols in Human Genetics

https://currentprotocols.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/19348258 [Accessed 15 Mar 2025] [No new digest content identified]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 25, Issue 1 Pages: 1-79 March 2025 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current [Reviewed earlier]

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The US, the World Health Organization, and the Global Health Infrastructure

Sandro Galea, MD, DrPH

... The second Trump Administration similarly withdrew from the WHO during its first week in office. This immediately threatened the function of the WHO. The WHO Director-General subsequently issued a hiring freeze, and noted a range of consequences that US withdrawal may have on the capacity of the WHO to carry out its mission.⁴

Academic analysis has also noted a range of harmful consequences that may follow the US withdrawal from the WHO.⁵ These include, but are certainly not limited to, having less access to surveillance data needed to anticipate outbreaks and losing influence on what remains the world's most important health agency. The global consequences may be even more severe given the funding cuts, threatening the organization's ability to function effectively, particularly during global health crises. Therefore, the US finds itself at a worrisome inflection point in its alignment with global health infrastructure. Time will tell whether the anticipated consequences—for the US and global health—of disengagement from the WHO will emerge, but if they do, they will be an unfortunate and self-inflicted undercutting of US leadership in global health.

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Science diplomacy can help to heal global rifts — if research is respected

The universal language of science allows nations to reach a mutual understanding of shared problems. But that requires politicians not to meddle in how science is done.

Perspective 09 Dec 2024

A framework for neural organoids, assembloids and transplantation studies

Sergiu P. Pașca, Paola Arlotta, Tracy Young-Pearse

Abstract

As the field of neural organoids and assembloids expands, there is an emergent need for guidance and advice on designing, conducting and reporting experiments to increase the reproducibility and utility of these models. In this Perspective, we present a framework for the experimental process that encompasses ensuring the quality and integrity of human pluripotent stem cells, characterizing and manipulating neural cells in vitro, transplantation techniques and considerations for modelling human development, evolution and disease. As with all scientific endeavours, we advocate for rigorous experimental designs tailored to explicit scientific questions as well as transparent methodologies and data sharing to provide useful knowledge for current research practices and for developing regulatory standards.

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<u>The Federated European Genome-Phenome Archive as a global network for sharing human genomics data</u>

In this era of rapidly expanding human genomics in research and healthcare, efficient data reuse is essential to maximize benefits for society. In response, the Federated European Genome—Phenome Archive (FEGA) was launched in 2022, and as of 2024, the FEGA network was composed of seven national nodes. Here we describe the complexities, challenges and achievements of FEGA, unravelling the dynamic interplay of regulatory frameworks, technical challenges and the shared vision of advancing genomic research.

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The origin of vaccine nationalism

Qi Shao

Article 126897

Highlights

- :: There is a serious conflict between medical and political ethics over the global COVID-19 vaccine distribution, which has created a rift between the medical and political communities.
- :: Vaccine nationalism originates from the reality that political ethics dominate global vaccine distribution during a pandemic.
- :: As long as political ethics dominate global vaccine distribution, vaccine nationalism is an ideology common to countries.
- :: Countries differ only in their capacity to prioritise vaccinating their populations, not in their willingness to do so, let alone in their level of morality.
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The Mpox Response Among Key Populations at High Risk of or Living with HIV in Rwanda: Leveraging the Successful National HIV Control Program for More Impactful Interventions

by Gallican Rwibasira, Tafadzwa Dzinamarira, Jean Claude Semuto Ngabonziza, Albert Tuyishime, Ayman Ahmed and Claude Mambo Muvunyi

Vaccines 2025, 13(3), 307; https://doi.org/10.3390/vaccines13030307 - 13 Mar 2025 Abstract

Mpox, an emerging zoonotic infectious disease, presents a significant public health threat, especially among high-risk groups like female sex workers and men who have sex with men. This commentary reviews and summarizes Rwanda's response to mpox, focusing on its intersection with HIV. Rwanda [...

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<u>Impact of Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Vaccination on Hospitalizations and Human</u> <u>Capital: Evidence from Copenhagen School Health Records</u>

by Onur Altindag, Jane Greve and Erdal Tekin

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Abstract

Background: This paper investigates the long-term effects of the measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine on healthcare, education, and economic outcomes using a novel dataset from the Copenhagen

School Health Records Register. Methods: To address potential endogeneity, we use within-sibling variation in vaccination [...]

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<u>Can A Society of Generative Agents Simulate Human Behavior and Inform Public Health Policy? A Case Study on Vaccine Hesitancy</u>

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Can we simulate a sandbox society with generative agents to model human behavior, thereby reducing the over-reliance on real human trials for assessing public policies? In this work, we investigate the feasibility of simulating health-related decision-making, using vaccine hesitancy, defined as the delay in acceptance or refusal of vaccines despite the availability of vaccination services (MacDonald, 2015), as a case study. To this end, we introduce the VacSim framework with 100 generative agents powered by Large Language Models (LLMs). VacSim simulates vaccine policy outcomes with the following steps: 1) instantiate a population of agents with demographics based on census data; 2) connect the agents via a social network and model vaccine attitudes as a function of social dynamics and disease-related information; 3) design and evaluate various public health interventions aimed at mitigating vaccine hesitancy. To align with real-world results, we also introduce simulation warmup and attitude modulation to adjust agents' attitudes. We propose a series of evaluations to assess the reliability of various LLM simulations. Experiments indicate that models like

Llama and Qwen can simulate aspects of human behavior but also highlight real-world alignment challenges, such as inconsistent responses with demographic profiles. This early exploration of LLM-driven simulations is not meant to serve as definitive policy guidance; instead, it serves as a call for action to examine social simulation for policy development.

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<u>Community Perspectives on COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation Ethical Principles in Uganda: A</u> Descriptive Cross-Sectional Study

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The COVID-19 pandemic has posed significant challenges globally, necessitating the rapid development and distribution of vaccines. This study aimed to engage community members in Uganda to understand their perceptions of the ethical principles and prioritisation criteria for COVID-19 vaccine allocation. Employing a mixed-method approach of quantitative survey and qualitative key informant interviews, the study yielded significant findings crucial for understanding community perspectives on COVID-19 vaccine allocation in Uganda. This study investigated Ugandan community perspectives on the ethical principles governing COVID-19 vaccine allocation. While 82% of respondents were familiar with vaccination guidelines, vaccine hesitancy was evident due to mistrust, concerns about information quality, preference for alternative medicine, and doubts regarding vaccine efficacy. Despite general support for ethical principles, many participants doubted the government's ability to ensure equitable vaccine distribution. Concerns about fairness and global equity for low-middle-income countries were raised, emphasising the need to address cost, corruption, and political influence. The study highlights the importance of contextualising and localising ethical principles to enhance their relevance and acceptance within communities. Effective communication, community engagement, and addressing underlying sociocultural and systemic barriers are crucial for successful vaccine deployment. Incorporating community perspectives can foster trust and ownership, ultimately improving vaccine uptake and pandemic response.

<u>Architecture of systems affecting disease trajectories in a conflict zone: A community-centered systems inquiry in North Gaza</u>

Yahya Shaikh, Mohammed O. A. Hamouda, Shatha Elnakib medRxiv 2025.03.11.25323741; doi: https://doi.org/10.1101/2025.03.11.25323741

Humanitarian crises, particularly in conflict zones, create cascading disruptions that impact every aspect of daily life, including health and disease outcomes. While international humanitarian frameworks categorize these crises into discrete operational clusters, affected populations experience them as interwoven, systemic failures. This study examines how conflict-induced disruptions transform a preventable and typically self-limiting disease—Hepatitis A—into a fatal outcome in North Gaza...

From Research to Impact: Assessing a Decade of CDC's Public Health Science by Topic Area, 2014-2023

Joy Ortega, Martha Knuth, Victoria E. Dunkley, Christie Kim, Elissa Meites, Brian B. Yoo, Katlyn Wainwright, Bao-Ping Zhu, Mary G. Reynolds

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This study provides an objective, in-depth overview of a large body of science output addressing public health. We apply topic modeling and bibliometric tools to explore the relevance and impact of a decade of CDC-authored publications. Methods: We identified 34,104 scientific publications from 2014-2023 with ≥1 CDC-affiliated author using Science Clips, a CDC library database...Publications in this collection addressed an array of public health topic themes and demonstrated resonance within academic and policy arenas as well as with the public.

<u>Impact of an international HIV funding crisis on HIV infections and mortality in low- and middle-income countries: a modelling study</u>

Debra ten Brink, Rowan Martin-Hughes, Anna Bowring, Nisaa Wulan, Kelvin Burke, Tom Tidhar, Shona Dalal, Nick Scott

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Poll: Most Republicans Do Not Trust CDC On Bird Flu

March 13, 2025 News Release

As bird flu continues to circulate among animals in the U.S. with some human cases, about six in 10 (58%) people overall have at least "a fair amount" of trust in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide reliable information about bird flu, though only 21% have...

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Policy Options to Prevent the Creation of Mirror Organisms

Ongoing research could lead to the creation of mirror organisms, whose molecular components are mirror images of those found in nature. This paper examines policy options to prevent their creation, given the potential risks such organisms pose.

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