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Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review

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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

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PABS Annex

A/IGWG/9 - Intergovernmental Working Group [IGWG] on the WHO Pandemic Agreement – 02-13 November 2026
The IGWG serves as a platform for countries to collaboratively shape the operational details of the WHO Pandemic Agreement. The Group's work includes the development of an annex on Pathogen Access and Benefit Sharing (PABS) – a system designed to ensure transparent and equitable sharing of pathogen samples and genetic sequence data.
:: A/IGWG/9/1 - Provisional agenda
:: A/IGWG/9/2 - Draft programme of work

> ***GWG9 - Session 1***
> **Item 1 - Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda and programme of work**
> 02/11/2026 – Video: 09:15-10:45

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COVID-19 Vaccines: Economics

COVID-19 vaccinations generated trillions of dollars' worth of economic and health benefits
First of its kind analysis led by LSHTM academics highlights economic value, return on investment and lifesaving benefits of global COVID-19
London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
LSHTM News, 6 November 2026

COVID-19 vaccines generated between $6.4 trillion and $64.3 trillion in benefits during their first year, according to a new global analysis from the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM), Imperial College London and New York University.



The study also found that the vaccines prevented 1.5 billion infections and 51.5 million hospitalisations and delivered returns of up to $809 for every dollar invested.

Published in PLOS Medicine, the findings highlight the long-term value of vaccine investment, with the study's authors promoting the need for future investments in vaccines for both health and economic purposes.

Using previously published data from an epidemiological transmission model and conducting a return on investment analysis, **the researchers quantified the global health, productivity, and healthcare benefits of COVID-19 vaccination in monetary terms. They then compared these benefits with the global costs of vaccine research, development, manufacturing and delivery.**

In addition to reducing infections and hospitalisations, the analysis also found that **during the first year of vaccination (8 December 2020 to 8 December 2021), the vaccines were estimated to have generated 364 million quality-adjusted life years through reducing deaths and illness**. This is the equivalent of giving every person in the UK more than five additional years of life in perfect health.

From an economic perspective, while $79.4 billion was spent globally on COVID-19 vaccine development, manufacturing and delivery during the first year of vaccination, the total value of the benefits generated was estimated at between $6.43 trillion to $64.3 trillion. These benefits are roughly equivalent to between two and twenty years of the UK's entire economic output, based on World Bank data from 2021.

Hallie Benjamin, lead author of the paper who worked on the research as a MSc Public Health student at LSHTM, said: "We found that the first year of COVID-19 vaccination delivered a significant return on investment. While developing and rolling out these vaccines at unprecedented speed required substantial upfront investment, the health and economic benefits far outweighed the costs within just one year…

For the global economy, the vaccination benefits saved $564 billion in productivity losses (around 0.73% of global Gross Domestic Product (GDP)) and $222 billion in healthcare costs (around 0.29% of global GDP). When the value of improved health was also included, the total benefits generated were worth 82.7% of global GDP, broadly equivalent to the 2021 annual economic output of the United States, China, Japan, Germany, the United Kingdom, India, France, Italy and Canada combined.

Despite the globally positive picture, the researchers also assessed differences in the benefits across World Bank income groups and found substantial disparities: High income countries gained the greatest economic benefits due to early access, higher coverage, and faster rollouts. They also benefitted from being able to afford vaccines that are the most effective against COVID-19, particularly mRNA vaccines.

By contrast, many low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) had slower roll outs and achieved less overall vaccine coverage, leading to lower economic benefits. Importantly, low-income countries (LICs) had relatively high health benefits per-person vaccinated and averted the most healthcare and productivity costs per-person relative to GDP.

As such, the researchers highlight the importance of investments to lower vaccine costs and roll out times across LMICs and LICs and the sharing of vaccines and vaccine-related information across borders to achieve equitable vaccine distribution that enhances health equity and global economic stability. This echoes findings from other LSHTM researchers who also examined the equity of the

COVID-19 vaccine roll out and recently published a United Nations (UN) University policy brief proposing an 'equity-by-design' framework to ensure better vaccine preparedness for future epidemics and pandemics.

By estimating the vaccination return on investment, the study provides important evidence in a long-running discussion around pandemic planning and whether similar public investments should be completed for future global health emergencies…

Professor Melissa Parker, Co-Director of LSHTM's Centre for Epidemic Preparedness & Response, said: "This study highlights in clear terms that investing in vaccine research and development is worth every dollar and that this vital work must continue before the next pandemic strikes…

"To truly prepare against future pandemics, it is vital that countries agree to work together for the greater public good by ratifying the UN Pandemic Agreement to ensure that the benefits of vaccine and outbreak research are available to all, regardless of income differences between countries."

Mark Jit, Honorary Professor at LSHTM and Professor of Global Health at NYU School of Global Public Health and co-lead of the study, said: "There should be a way to get vaccines like this to countries that need it faster. Because of the delays, it wasn't as useful to many of those countries as it could have been."

The findings of the paper were developed from the master's dissertation of lead author Hallie Benjamin, who studied an MSc in Public Health at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine from 2023-24.

The authors note that the study does not examine the economic benefit of COVID-19 vaccines beyond their first year, when rates of infection were lower and most people had developed some immunity. However, in the face of a new viral threat, the findings show that rapidly investing in vaccine development can safeguard public health and preserve economic stability.

PLOS Medicine
Published: November 5, 2026 https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pmed.1004772
Research Article
Global return-on-investment of COVID-19 vaccines in the first year of the vaccination programme: A model-based economic evaluation
Hallie Benjamin, Gregory Barnsley, Oliver J. Watson, Mark Jit
Abstract
Background
COVID-19 vaccines played a critical role in reducing global health burden during the COVID-19 pandemic, but their rapid development required extraordinary effort. This study aims to evaluate their global return-on-investment (ROI) during the first year of the vaccination programme (8 December 2020–8 December 2021) to provide insights into the economic benefits relative to the costs of vaccine development, manufacturing, and delivery.
Methods and findings
Public health outcomes of COVID-19 vaccination, including life years and quality-adjusted life years (QALYs) gained from averted deaths, infections, and hospitalizations, were estimated. Health benefits were valued using two approaches: i) cost-benefit analysis and ii) cost-effectiveness analysis. These benefits were compared to the costs of vaccine development, manufacturing, and delivery to estimate the ROI under both approaches. Probabilistic sensitivity analyses were conducted to assess the impact of parameter uncertainty on ROI estimates.

Vaccine development and delivery cost $79.4 billion, but the health and economic benefits of vaccination were valued between $6.43 and $64.3 trillion. High-income countries saw the greatest health benefits per-person vaccinated, and low-income countries gained the greatest nonhealth benefits per-person vaccinated, when expressed as a proportion of gross domestic product per capita. This estimated ROIs of $59.7–$809 per dollar invested in the base case analysis. ROIs ranged between $60.3–$753 across probabilistic sensitivity analyses for both approaches. Limitations include reliance on previous analyses of COVID-19 vaccination impact and a time horizon limited to the first year of COVID-19 vaccination.

Conclusions

Rapid COVID-19 vaccine development and delivery were an excellent investment. Vaccine development and equitable vaccine distribution globally should be prioritized before and during global health crises.

Author summary

Why was this study done?

- Extraordinarily rapid and large investments were made globally into developing COVID-19 vaccines during the pandemic in 2020.
- COVID-19 vaccination significantly reduced morbidity and mortality worldwide in its first year (December 2020–December 2021), but it remains unclear whether these benefits were worth the investments.

What did the researchers do and find?

- Using previously published data from an epidemiological transmission model, we quantified the global health, productivity, and healthcare benefits of COVID-19 vaccination in monetary terms.
- We compared these benefits with the global costs of vaccine research, development, manufacturing, and delivery, and assessed differences across World Bank income groups.
- The benefits of global COVID-19 vaccination in its first year were at least 70 times greater than the costs, although substantial disparities existed across income groups.

What do these findings mean?

- Our findings mean that the investments made into COVID-19 vaccines largely paid off, promoting the need for future investments into vaccines for both health and economic purposes.
- The disparities observed between income groups reflect the need for equitable vaccine distribution and the sharing of vaccines and vaccine-related information across borders.
- Despite study limitations, including reliance on previous analyses of COVID-19 vaccine impact and a year-long time horizon, the large net positive return suggests that investments in COVID-19 vaccines and vaccination programs were highly worthwhile.

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Global Biopharma

Biopharmaceutical CEO Roundtable meets in New York

IFPMA Statement 05 November 2026 –

The Biopharmaceutical CEO Roundtable (BCR), bringing together CEOs from leading global biopharmaceutical companies, met in New York on 3–4 November to discuss the changing global policy environment and priorities for strengthening innovation, access, and the long-term competitiveness of the sector.

Discussions centered on the contribution of innovative medicines and vaccines to better health, stronger health systems, economic growth, and health security, and the role of the

biopharmaceutical industry as a strategic partner to governments in achieving these outcomes.

The meeting also focused on the policy conditions required to support both patient access today and continued investment in future innovation. These include **appropriate recognition of the value of innovative medicines and vaccines, strong intellectual property frameworks, agile regulatory systems, resilient health systems, and sustainable financing that keeps pace with evolving patient needs and scientific progress.**

Countries with predictable policy environments that recognize the value of medical innovation are better positioned to attract R&D, advanced manufacturing, investment, and skilled jobs. This requires governments to view spending on health and medicines not simply as a cost, but as an investment in healthier populations, stronger economies, and more resilient societies.

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Ebola – Bundibugyo virus disease (BVD) – PHEIC/PHECS

WHO

Disease Outbreak News
6 November 2026 | Ebola disease caused by Bundibugyo virus - Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kenya and Nigeria
Situation at a glance
Since the publication of the previous Disease Outbreak News on 23 October 2026, the Bundibugyo virus disease (BVD) outbreak has expanded geographically in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. While some areas have seen a slight decline in cases, sustained, high-level transmission continues overall in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

As of 3 November 2026, a total of 10 668 confirmed cases, including 5198 deaths (crude case fatality ratio: 48.7%), have been reported across 67 health zones in eight provinces, with active transmission ongoing in 51 health zones. The high proportion of deaths occurring in communities, especially among young children, continues to highlight challenges in early case detection and timely access to appropriate care. Of the 512 deaths reported since 21 October, 335 occurred in communities and 177 in treatment centres.

Since the last Disease Outbreak News, no new cases have been reported from Kenya or Nigeria. However, the high-level transmission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo indicates a continued need for readiness in the region, including cross-border surveillance, points of entry monitoring, timely case detection and coordinated preparedness and response measures.

No new country has reported cases since the last Disease Outbreak News was published, **however, two countries have medically evacuated confirmed cases among citizens: Switzerland and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.**

Based on the currently available information, **WHO advises against any restriction of travel to, or trade with, States Parties experiencing and/or responding to the public health event**…

Two new candidate vaccines to join Ebola trial as treatment research advances

4 November 2026 *News release*
Expert groups convened by the World Health Organization (WHO) have recommended adding **two new Ebola vaccine candidates to the ongoing Tumaini clinical trial in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). The recommendation marks the first time vaccines specifically designed to protect against Bundibugyo virus, the virus responsible for the current outbreak, will be evaluated during an outbreak of the disease.**

The two vaccine candidates are ChAdOx1, developed by the University of Oxford with the Serum Institute of India, and Moderna's mRNA-1469.

WHO's independent Technical Advisory Group on Candidate Vaccines Prioritization recommended both for further clinical evaluation this week, based on available preclinical and early clinical evidence. The companies were informed on Monday. The vaccine candidates will enter the trial following national approvals.

"The fact that these vaccines are ready to enter clinical trials is a testament to the power of science and partnership," said Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General. "I thank the scientists, health workers and partners in the DRC and around the world who have brought us to this point, and especially the people taking part in the trial. Their participation will generate vital evidence that could help save lives. Vaccines alone will not end this outbreak, but they could become a powerful new tool for bringing it under control."

The Institut National de Recherche Biomédicale, the DRC's national public health and biomedical research institute is leading the Tumani vaccines trial, with the University of Antwerp, Belgium, in close collaboration with WHO, Epicentre, Médecins Sans Frontières, the Institute of Tropical Medicine of Antwerp, and the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, the Ministry of Health of the DRC and the Institut National de Santé Publique. The rapid development of candidate vaccines is made possible by investments by the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations…

See WHO Africa Region/AFRO coverage here.

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Africa

Africa CDC
Press Releases
Africa CDC Stands with Kenya, Calls for Lifting of Unjustified Ebola Travel Restrictions
Addis Ababa, 3 November 2026
The Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) expresses its strong solidarity with the Government and people of the Republic of Kenya and supports their call for the urgent review and lifting of the Ebola-related travel restrictions imposed by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia…

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UN System/Multilateral Institutions/Economic Development Alliances
No new digest content identified.

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Regions / Nation States
No new digest content identified.

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INGOs, CSOs

IVI and Minapharm to cooperate on the development of a Bundibugyo ebolavirus vaccine
Joint Announcement
4 November 2026 — The International Vaccine Institute (IVI) has joined Bayer AG and the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) to support Minapharm Group in advancing the development of a Bundibugyo ebolavirus vaccine candidate, in response to the current outbreak and to prepare for future ones…

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Polio – PHEIC

Polio this week [21 Oct 2026]
Headlines [Selected]

Summary of new polioviruses this week:
:: Afghanistan: eight WPV1 cases and 16 WPV1-positive environmental samples
:: Pakistan: one WPV1 case and 11 WPV1-positive environmental samples
:: DR Congo: nine cVDPV2 cases
:: Ethiopia: two cVDPV1 cases
:: Somalia: one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample
:: Uganda: two cVDPV2-positive environmental samples

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WHO & Regional Offices [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.who.int/news
Selected News/Announcements/Statements
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WHO: GHA – Global Health Architecture

Reforming the global health architecture
WHO webpage for the GHA initiative
[Last update posted 26 June 2026]

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WHO Vaccines and Immunization [IVB]

https://www.who.int/health-topics/vaccines-and-immunization#tab=tab_1
News
4 November 2026 *News release*
Two new candidate vaccines to join Ebola trial as treatment research advances

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements
WHO African Region AFRO
:: 5 November 2026 | *Feature Stories*
Alain Alithum: restoring trust in communities affected by Bundibugyo virus disease
:: 4 November 2026 | *Feature Stories*
Community surveys contribute to behaviour change in response to Bundibugyo virus disease
:: 3 November 2026 | *Photo story*
Mozambique puts its response capacity to the test at its main points of entry
:: 3 November 2026 | *Feature Stories*
Taking care of others despite fear: a doctor facing Ebola

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO
:: 6 Nov 2026
New PAHO plan aims to accelerate malaria elimination in the Americas over the next four years
the Americas reported approximately 458,000 malaria cases in 2025, 18% fewer than in 2020. But malaria transmission continues in the Region, threatening progress towards elimination. The new 2026–2030 Action Plan sets out measures to strengthen the response, make better use of new tools and approaches, and bring diagnosis and treatment closer to…
:: 5 Nov 2026
PAHO calls for health to take a central place on Ibero-America's political agenda
Madrid, November 5, 2026 (PAHO) – The Director of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Dr. Jarbas Barbosa, called for health to be placed among the political and diplomatic priorities of Ibero-America during a series of high-level meetings held in Madrid on the sidelines of the XXX Ibero-American Summit of Heads of State and Government.…
:: 2 Nov 2026
PAHO expands partnerships with Barcelona institutions to drive innovation and strengthen health systems in the Americas
Barcelona, Spain, November 2, 2026 (PAHO) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) strengthened its cooperation with institutions in Catalonia during a visit to Barcelona by its Director, Dr. Jarbas Barbosa, from October 30 to November 2.During the visit, PAHO signed two letters of intent, with the Government of Catalonia and Hospital Clínic…

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

No new digest content identified.

WHO European Region EURO
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WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO
No new digest content identified.

WHO Western Pacific Region
:: 3 November 2026 *Joint News Release*
Twenty-two nations join forces to address challenges in developing the health workforce
:: 2 November 2026
Launch of WHO's first Collaborating Centre for One Health Implementation in the Western Pa...

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WHO - Emergency situation reports
Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations. Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations.
No new digest content identified.

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Disease Outbreak News (DONs)
Latest WHO Disease Outbreak News (DONs), providing information on confirmed acute public health Disease Outbreak News
6 November 2026 | Ebola disease caused by Bundibugyo virus - Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kenya and Nigeria

6 November 2026 | Yellow fever - WHO African Region

2 November 2026 | Shamonda virus in human - France

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Weekly Epidemiological Record
https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record
Volume 101 Issue 44 Epidemiological Week 44 (26 October – 1 November 2026)
https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record/wer101-42
- Highlighted signals and events
- Multi-country outbreak of cholera
- Global leishmaniasis surveillance updates 2025

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New WHO Publications
https://www.who.int/publications
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No new relevant publications identified.

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Africa CDC [07 Nov 2026]
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Africa CDC Stands with Kenya, Calls for Lifting of Unjustified Ebola Travel Restrictions
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Press Releases
New Multisectoral Framework to Cocreate National Multisectoral Action Plan to Improve NCDs, Injuries and Mental Health
KIGALI, Rwanda, 30 October 2026 – African Union Member States are a step closer to a coordinated response to non-communicable diseases (NCDs), injuries and mental health conditions following the finalisation of a multisectoral action plan at a five-day technical meeting convened by the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC)…

African Medicines Agency [07 Nov 2026]
https://au-ama.africa/news-events/
Latest News & Events
No new digest content identified.

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China – CDC+

National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China [07 Nov 2026]
http://en.nhc.gov.cn/
News
No new digest content identified.

National Medical Products Administration – PRC [07 Nov 2026]
https://english.nmpa.gov.cn/
Website not responding at inquiry.

China CDC
***CCDC Weekly Reports*: Current Volume (8)**
2026 Vol. 8 No. 45 PDF
https://weekly.chinacdc.cn/article/current
:: *Recommendations*
Childhood Immunization Schedule for National Immunization Program Vaccines, China (Version 2026)
2026, 8(45): 1361-1369. DOI: 10.46234/ccdcw2026.221

In June 2026, the National Disease Control and Prevention Administration and the National Health Commission issued the Childhood Immunization Schedule for National Immunization Program Vaccines (Version 2026).
:: *Notifiable Infectious Diseases Reports*
Reported Cases and Deaths of National Notifiable Infectious Diseases — China, September 2026*

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Europe

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control
https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en
News/Updates/Reports/Publications [Selected]
From preparedness to response: EU Reference Laboratories for Public Health in action
5 November 2026
Strong laboratory capacity is the backbone of Europe's preparedness in the face of increasing communicable disease threats, said the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control on the occasion of today's European Laboratory Day, celebrated every year on 5 November to recognise the essential contribution of laboratory professionals across Europe.

Surveillance and monitoring
Influenza virus characteristics, week 40 2025 to week 33 2026, EU/EEA
6 November 2026

Operational support
A guide to EU Reference Laboratories for Public Health
5 November 2026

European Medicines Agency [EMA]
https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/news
News & Press Releases
Meeting highlights from the Committee for Veterinary Medicinal Products (CVMP) 3-5 November 2026
Outcomes of the Committee for Veterinary Medicinal Products (CVMP) meeting
6 November 2026

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India

National Centre for Disease Control
Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Announcements
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Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)
Press Releases
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Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
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U.S. Immunization and Public Health Governance/Policy/Funding

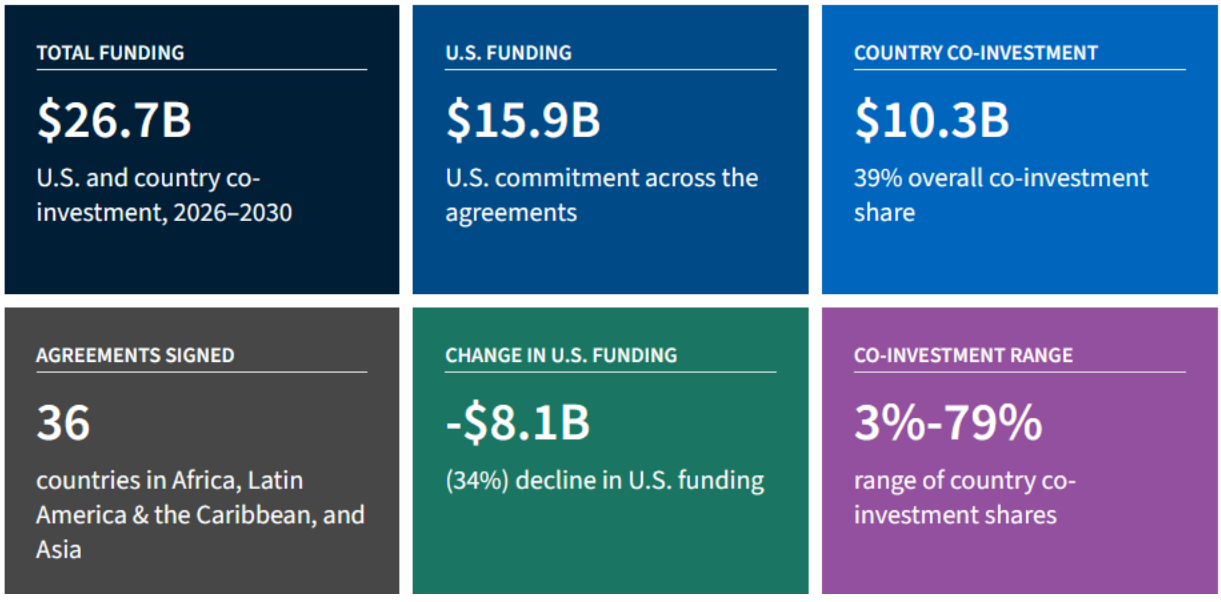
Given the continuing extraordinary situation in the U.S., we have established a separate section of the digest to capture and organize key content. Please note that we will selectively include external analysis and comment, either boxing or indenting this content under the relevant organization/action. We recognize that despite the volume of content in this section, this summary is indicative and not exhaustive

Executive Branch - White House, State, HHS, FDA, CDC+

White House
Presidential Actions – Executive Orders; Memoranda; Proclamations
No new digest content identified.

Department of State
Press Releases - Selected
No new digest content identified.

KFF Tracker: America First MOU Bilateral Global Health Agreements
Nov 6, 2026 *Tracker*
Research, Analysis
This tracker provides an overview of the MOUs signed to date. Data are based on press releases issued by the State Department, U.S. embassies and partner country Ministries of Health, as well as MOU documents (if publicly available). See Methods for more information. This tracker will be updated as agreements are signed and more data become available.



HHS

Press Room - Selected
No new digest content identified.

NIH
News Releases
No new digest content identified.

FDA
Press Announcements
November 2, 2026 - **FDA Provides Clarity to Support Cell and Gene Therapy Development and Quality**

FDA CBER
What's New for Biologics
No new digest content identified.

FDA VRBPAC [Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee]
Advisory Committee Calendar
No new committee meeting announcements identified.

FDA Pediatric Advisory Committee Meeting
Advisory Committee Calendar
No new committee meeting announcements identified.

CDC
http://www.cdc.gov/media/index.html
Latest News - Selected
No new digest content identified.

CDC – Immunization Safety Office (ISO)
https://www.cdc.gov/vaccine-safety-systems/about/cdc-monitoring-program.html
No new digest content identified [last updated August 7, 2024]

ACIP
2026 Meetings Schedule *[as posted]*
- March 18-19 (Due to ongoing litigation, this meeting is cancelled)
- June 24-26 (Due to ongoing litigation, this meeting is cancelled)
- October 21-23 (Due to ongoing litigation, this meeting is cancelled)

Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices
A Notice by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on 10/30/2026
SUMMARY:
In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is seeking nominations for membership on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). The ACIP consists of up to 19 experts that collectively represent a balanced range of scientific, clinical, and public health expertise relevant to the Committee's mission, including person(s) knowledgeable about consumer perspectives and/or social and community aspects of immunization programs.
DATES:
Nominations for membership on the ACIP must be received no later than December 31, 2026. Submissions received after this time will not be considered for the current membership cycle.

National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC)
https://www.hhs.gov/programs/national-vaccine-program/nvac/index.html
Upcoming Meetings/Latest Updates
No new meeting dates posted.

Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines (ACCV)
https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/vaccines/meetings
Next ACCV meetings – TBD

MMWR Weekly
https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/index2026.html
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PDF of this issue
:: Hantavirus Outbreak Caused by Andes Virus Linked to International Cruise Ship Travel — United States, 2026

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National Science Foundation/NSF
News
No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Congress

House
No new digest content identified.

Senate
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Supreme Court, Federal & Appellate Courts

O'Neill Institute – Health Care Litigation Tracker [Georgetown University]
https://litigationtracker.law.georgetown.edu/
No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Medical, Scientific, Professional Societies; Health Organizations

This inventory is evolving and may not capture all instances of relevant comment and analysis.

American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)
https://www.aafp.org/news/media-center.html
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
No new digest content identified.

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
https://www.aap.org/en/news-room/news-releases-from-the-aap/
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
News
AAP president: Child's death in New York 'another painful reminder that measles can be a serious illness'
November 3, 2026

American College of Physicians (ACP)
https://www.acponline.org/more-acp-news
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
Florida Chapter of ACP works to maintain vaccine mandates for school-aged children
11/06/26
ACP Advocate

America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)
https://www.ahip.org/news
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
News
No new digest content identified.

American Geriatrics Society (AGS)
https://www.americangeriatrics.org/media-center
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
Recent Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

American Medical Association (AMA)
https://www.ama-assn.org/press-center
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

American Osteopathic Association (AOA)
https://osteopathic.org/news/
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
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No new digest content identified.

American Public Health Association (APHA)
https://www.apha.org/news-and-media/news-releases?sortFieldName=ItemDate&sortDisplayName=Newest&sortMode=desc
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
No new digest content identified.

Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA)
https://www.idsociety.org/
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
News
No new digest content identified.

National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID)
https://www.nfid.org/news-updates/
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
News and Updates
No new digest content identified.

National Medical Association (NMA)
https://nmanet.org/blog/
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
Latest News
No new digest content identified.

Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society (PIDS)
https://pids.org/news-announcements/
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
News & Announcements
No new digest content identified.

Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA)
https://shea-online.org/news/
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
No new digest content identified.

Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine (SMFM)
https://www.smfm.org/
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Civil Society – Individuals, Organizations, Institutions *[Selected]*

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Kaiser Family Foundation/KFF [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.kff.org/search/?post_type=press-release
Research, Analysis
KFF Tracker: America First MOU Bilateral Global Health Agreements

Nov 6, 2026 *Tracker*
This tracker provides up-to-date information on countries with signed bilateral MOU global health agreements with the U.S.

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Vaccine Integrity Project – CIDRAP [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/vaccine-integrity-project
Announcements, Viewpoints
No new digest content identified.

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Center for Vaccine Ethics & Policy - GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.net/
No new digest content identified.

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Paul Offit, MD – *Beyond the Noise*
Substack: https://pauloffit.substack.com/
Break Out the Tin Foil Hats
RFK Jr.'s keynote address at a recent meeting of anti-vaccine activists revealed the depths of his paranoia.
Nov 02, 2026

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Organization Announcements

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [07 Nov 2026]
https://alleninstitute.org/news-press/
News
No new digest content identified.

Gates Foundation [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center
Press Releases & Statements
What two decades of partnership with AGRA have taught us
Statement - Enock Chikava, Director, Economic Opportunity, Africa, Gates Foundation

Nov 02, 2026

CARB-X [07 Nov 2026]
https://carb-x.org/
News
11.05.2026 |
CARB-X–supported trivalent Salmonella vaccine advances to Phase 2 clinical trials
CARB-X today announced that GSK's global health vaccine program for a combined invasive nontyphoidal Salmonella and typhoid fever (iNTS-TCV) has advanced into a Phase 2 clinical trial. The program is the first-ever CARB-X-supported vaccine candidate to reach this stage of advanced development.

Chan Zuckerberg Initiative [07 Nov 2026]
https://chanzuckerberg.com/newsroom/
Newsroom
No new digest content identified.

CEPI – Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations [07 Nov 2026]
http://cepi.net/
News
No new digest content identified.

CIOMS – COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://cioms.ch/
News; Publications; Events
No new digest content identified.

DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.darpa.mil/news
News
No new digest content identified.

DNDI – Drugs for Neglected Diseases Initiative [07 Nov 2026]
https://dndi.org/press/press-releases/
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Duke Global Health Innovation Center [07 Nov 2026]
https://dukeghic.org/
News
No new digest content identified.

EDCTP [07 Nov 2026]

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
News
06 November 2026
Comoros joins the EDCTP Association
The EDCTP Association is pleased to announce that Comoros has become its newest member country, bringing the total number of participating African countries to 34. The General Assembly of the EDCTP Association formally approved Comoros as a member on 2 November 2026, further strengthening regional collaboration in global health research.

Emory Vaccine Center [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.vaccines.emory.edu/
Vaccine Center News
No new digest content identified.

European Vaccine Initiative [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.euvaccine.eu/
News
No new digest content identified.

Fondation Merieux [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.fondation-merieux.org/
Actualités
No new digest content identified.

Gates Medical Research Institute [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.gatesmri.org/news
News: Articles and Publications
No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.gavi.org/
News Releases, VaccinesWork
No new digest content identified.

GE2P2 Global Foundation [07 Nov 2026]
www.ge2p2.org
News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements/Digests
:: The Sentinel *– Health :: Human Rights :: Humanitarian Action :: Peace :: Heritage/Literacy/Education :: Climate :: Sustainable Development* - Current edition
:: **Public Consultations Watch - Global Calls for Input/Public Comment/RFIs**
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GHIT Fund [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/
News Releases
05 November 2026
Emergency Campaign to Protect 1.1 Million People from Malaria and Help Strengthen Ebola Response in Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo

03 November 2026
Global Fund Board Approves New Financing Mechanism to Accelerate Progress Against Malaria and Marks Leadership Transition

30 October 2026
Global Fund Approves Emergency Funding for Nepal to Restore Essential HIV and TB Services After Devastating Floods

Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness [GloPID-R] [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.glopid-r.org/
News & Event
No new digest content identified.

Hilleman Laboratories [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.hilleman-labs.org/
News & Insights
No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.hhmi.org/news
News & Stories
No new digest content identified.

Human Immunome Project [nee Human Vaccines Project] [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.humanimmunomeproject.org/
News
No new digest content identified.

IAVI [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.iavi.org/
Press Releases, Features
Press Releases

IAVI announces award from BARDA to transfer manufacturing of viral hemorrhagic fever vaccine candidates
October 30, 2026
New agreement will onshore and boost domestic manufacturing capabilities to ensure readiness against deadly outbreaks

INSERM [07 Nov 2026]
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 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.ich.org/page/public-consultations
News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.icrc.org/en/news
Latest press releases and statements
News release 04-11-2026
Yemen: ICRC delivers shipment of vital medical supplies to health facilities in Taiz city

Article 05-11-2026
Protecting the natural environment in armed conflict
New guidance from the ICRC

IFFIm [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.iffim.org/
No new digest content identified.

IFRC [to 07 Nov 2026]
http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/
Press releases
Press release 06/11/2026
El Niño deepens across Asia Pacific, highlighting future climate risks and the need for greater preparedness

Press release 04/11/2026
COP31: IFRC calls for urgent investment to protect world's most vulnerable

IPPS - International Pandemic Preparedness Secretariat [07 Nov 2026]
https://ippsecretariat.org/news/
News
Registration now open: 100 Days Mission Report Launch and IPPS Transition Event
October 20, 2026
Hybrid Event | Wednesday 3rd February 2027 | London and online
Register here

Institut Pasteur [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.pasteur.fr/en/press-area
Press Documents
No new digest content identified.

InterAcademy Partnership (IAP)
https://www.interacademies.org/news/press-releases
News
No new digest content identified.

ISC / International Science Council [to 07 Nov 2026]
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.*
News, Blogs
November 5, 2026
Reflecting on the Georgiou case and scientific freedom
After 15 years of legal proceedings, Greece's Supreme Court has annulled the conviction of Dr. Andreas Georgiou, former head of the Hellenic Statistical Authority. The ISC now reflects on what his case means for scientists who face political pressure.

International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS)
https://iuis.org/
News, Resources
No new digest content identified.

IVAC [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/ivac/index.html
Updates; Events
No new digest content identified.

IVI [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.ivi.int/
IVI News & Announcements
IVI and Minapharm to cooperate on the development of a Bundibugyo ebolavirus vaccine
Joint Announcement

4 November 2026 — The International Vaccine Institute (IVI) has joined Bayer AG and the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) to support Minapharm Group in advancing the development of a Bundibugyo ebolavirus vaccine candidate, in response to the current outbreak and to prepare for future ones…

Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security [07 Nov 2026]
https://centerforhealthsecurity.org/newsroom
Center News [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html
Latest News and Highlights
No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 07 Nov 2026]
http://www.msf.org/
Latest [Selected Announcements]
Sudan
Vaccine-preventable disease outbreaks in Darfur
Report 4 Nov 2026

Sudan
Routine immunisation must be restored in Darfur
Press Release 4 Nov 2026

South Sudan
Funding cuts leave 150,000 displaced people at risk of diseases in Bentiu and Malakal
Press Release 4 Nov 2026

Ukraine
Temporary ceasefire enables MSF to deliver medicines to Kherson villages near frontline
Press Release 2 Nov 2026

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://nam.edu/programs/
News, Stories, Insights
No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM] - USA [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom
News
No new digest content identified.

PATH [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.path.org/media-center/

Newsroom [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/
News and Announcements
No new digest content identified.

Sabin Vaccine Institute [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.sabin.org/press/
Latest News & Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

UNAIDS [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.unaids.org/en
News, Stories, Updates
Press Release
UNAIDS congratulates Winnie Byanyima on her appointment as chair of the board of the International Institute for Environment and Development
GENEVA, 03 November 2026—UNAIDS extends its warmest congratulations to the Executive Director of UNAIDS Winnie Byanyima on her appointment as chair of the board of trustees of the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED)…

UNICEF [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases
Latest press releases, news notes and statements [Selected]
Press release 05 November 2026
Reported attacks damaging water systems in conflict triple as children lose access to safe water - UNICEF
NEW YORK, 5 November 2026 –, Reported attacks that damaged or destroyed water and sanitation systems in conflict rose threefold between 2021 and 2025, heightening children's risk to disease outbreaks, malnutrition and violence, according to a new UNICEF report released today. Water Under Fire Volume 4 documents a...

Unitaid [07 Nov 2026]
https://unitaid.org/
News releases
U.S. FDA approves first generic injectable lenacapavir for HIV prevention
02 November 2026
:: The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved the first generic long-acting injectable for HIV prevention, just 16 months after the approval of the originator product. A novel regulatory strategy resulted in one of the fastest timelines to approval for a major HIV innovation to date.
:: Developed by Dr. Reddy's Laboratories with financial, technical, and regulatory support from Unitaid, Wits RHI, and the Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) to accelerate the product's development and regulatory filing and speed up lenacapavir's market entry.

:: Under the existing partnership agreement, Dr. Reddy's lenacapavir injection will be available at US$40 per person per year for the 120 low- and middle-income countries included in Gilead's voluntary license.
:: First supplies of the generic are expected to reach countries before the end of the year, with broader availability in 2027.

Vaccine Equity Cooperative [nee Initiative] [07 Nov 2026]
https://vaccineequitycooperative.org/news/
News
No new digest content identified. [Last update Jun 30, 2023]

Vaccine Confidence Project [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.vaccineconfidence.org/
News, Research and Reports
No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Education Center – Children's Hospital of Philadelphia [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.chop.edu/centers-programs/vaccine-education-center
News
Vaccine Update Newsletter October 2026

Wellcome Trust [07 Nov 2026]
https://wellcome.org/
News. Opinion, Reports
No new digest announcements identified.

The Wistar Institute [to 07 Nov 2026]
https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases
Press Releases
No new digest announcements identified.

World Bank [to 07 Nov 2026]
http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all
News
Developing Countries' External Debt Surges to Record $9.4 Trillion
External debt of developing countries jumped 5.5% to a record $9.4 trillion in 2025, the fastest pace since 2021 and about four times the 2022–24 average, according to the World Bank Group's International Debt Report 2026. Access to international finance has improved, but the price of finance has not, and high debt burdens in the poorest countries threaten to crowd out essential investments in people.
November 5, 2026| *Press Release*

WFPHA: World Federation of Public Health Associations [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.wfpha.org/
Blog, Events

No new digest announcements identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 06 Sep 025]
https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/
Press Releases
WMA Brings the Voice of Physicians to COP31 Climate Negotiations
06.11.28
The World Medical Association (WMA) will send a delegation to the 31st United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP31) in Antalya, Türkiye (9–20 November), to follow the negotiations and advocate for stronger action to protect health from the growing impacts of climate change.

World Organisation for Animal Health [WOAH/OIE] [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.oie.int/
Latest News
No new digest announcements identified.

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ARM [Alliance for Regenerative Medicine] [07 Nov 2026]
https://alliancerm.org/press-releases/
Selected Press Releases
No new digest announcements identified.

BIO [07 Nov 2026]
https://www.bio.org/press-releases
Press Releases
BIO, Biocom, and California Life Sciences Sue to Block CMS GLOBE Rule
November 6, 2026
Complaint argues HHS and CMS exceeded statutory authority; rule puts patient access, investment in future innovation, and America's long-term biotechnology leadership at risk.

DCVMN – Developing Country Vaccine Manufacturers Network [07 Nov 2026]
http://www.dcvmn.org/
News, Events
No new digest announcements identified.

EFPIA – European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations
https://www.efpia.eu/news-events/
News & Events
No new digest announcements identified.

ICBA – International Council of Biotechnology Associations [07 Nov 2026]
https://internationalbiotech.org/
News
No new digest announcements identified.

IFPMA [07 Nov 2026]
https://ifpma.org/
News & Resources
Statement 5 Nov 2026
Biopharmaceutical CEO Roundtable meets in New York
05 November 2026 – The Biopharmaceutical CEO Roundtable (BCR), bringing together CEOs from leading global biopharmaceutical companies, met in New York on 3–4 November to discuss the changing global policy environment and priorities for strengthening innovation, access, and the long-term competitiveness of the sector.

Statement 5 Nov 2026
WIPO's 38th Standing Committee on Patents: Technology transfer
On 5 November 2026, IFPMA delivered a statement on technology transfer at WIPO's 38th Standing Committee on Patents. IFPMA notes the study in document SCP/38/9 on collaboration between industry and academia. We welcome the study's recognition that robust intellectual property frameworks, capable partners, and appropriate financing help turn research into practical applications. Furthermore, we welcome...

Statement 4 Nov 2026
WIPO's 38th Standing Committee on Patents: Patents and health
On 4 November 2026, IFPMA delivered a statement on patents and health at WIPO's 38th Standing Committee on Patents. A robust, stable, and predictable intellectual property system supports research and development, investment, and voluntary partnerships needed to translate scientific discoveries into innovative medicines and vaccines. As users of the patent system, including the Patent Cooperation...

Statement 3 Nov 2026
Statement delivered at the opening plenary of the WHO Fair Pricing Forum 2026
On 3 November 2026, IFPMA delivered a statement at the opening plenary of the WHO Fair Pricing Forum.

Statement 2 Nov 2026
Statement on PABS Instrument at the ninth meeting of the Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG 9) on the WHO Pandemic Agreement
On 2 November 2026, IFPMA delivered a statement at the ninth meeting of the Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG 9) on the WHO Pandemic Agreement.

International Alliance of Patients' Organizations – IAPO [07 Nov 2026]
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 [07 Nov 2026]

http://www.phrma.org/
Press Releases
No new digest announcements identified.

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Vaccines/Therapeutics/Medicines – Selected Developer/Manufacturer Announcements
We recognize that this listing is indicative but certainly not exhaustive. We invite nomination of other vaccine developers for potential addition to those monitored below.
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AstraZeneca
Press Releases - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Bavarian Nordic
Latest News
November 02, 2026
Bavarian Nordic Awarded Multi-Year Vaccine Contract by UK Government
COPENHAGEN, Denmark, November 2, 2026 – Bavarian Nordic A/S (OMX: BAVA) today announced that it has been awarded a new multi-year contract by the UK Government through the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) for the supply of MVA-BN®, a non-replicating vaccine indicated for the prevention of mpox and smallpox, further supporting the UK's long-term preparedness against emerging infectious disease threats.
Under the four-year contract, Bavarian Nordic will supply MVA-BN through scheduled deliveries across the term. The contract also includes optional flexibility provisions…

BioCubaFarma – Cuba
Últimas Noticias - *Website not responding at inquiry.*

Biological E
News - *No new digest announcements identified.*

BioNTech
Press Releases - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Boehringer
Press Releases - *No new digest announcements identified.*

CanSinoBIO
News - *Website not responding at inquiry.*

CIGB
Latest News - *No new digest announcements identified.*

CinnaGen – Iran
CinnaGen News - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Clover Biopharmaceuticals – China
News - *No new digest announcements identified.*

CSL Sequirus
News Releases - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Curevac
News - *Website now directs to BioNTech site*

Dailchi Sankyo
Press Releases - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Gamaleya National Center/Sputnik
Latest News and Events - *No new digest announcements identified [Last: 09 Nov 2020]*
https://sputnikvaccine.com/ - *No new digest announcements identified [Last: 31 Aug 2022]*

GSK
Press releases for media - *No new digest announcements identified.*

EuBiologics, S Korea
News - *Website not responding at inquiry.*

HIPRA
Press releases
HIPRA Appoints Meritxell Ferraté as Chief People & Organization Officer
02-11-2026

JNJ Innovative Medicine [Janssen]
Press Releases - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Merck
News releases
Merck to Present New Data from Its Broad Oral HIV Portfolio and Pipeline at HIV Glasgow 2026
November 2, 2026

Moderna
News and Blog Posts
November 5, 2026
Health Canada Authorizes Moderna's mRNA Influenza and Combination Influenza and COVID-19 Vaccines
Canada becomes the first country to authorize both Moderna's mRNA seasonal influenza vaccine, mFLUSIVA®, and combination influenza and COVID-19 vaccine, mCOFLU®

November 4, 2026
Moderna Advances Investigational Bundibugyo Ebolavirus Vaccine Toward Phase 2/3 Study
WHO Technical Advisory Group recommends mRNA-1469 for inclusion in efficacy study following encouraging Phase 1 clinical results

Nanogen
News - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Novartis
News - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Novavax

Press Releases - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Pfizer
Recent Press Releases
Pfizer Appoints Cecile Guegan as Chief Financial Officer
11.03.2026

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

Samsung Biologics
Latest News - *No new digest announcements 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
Press Releases
2026/11/04
SINOVAC's Anflu Influenza Vaccine Passes WHO Prequalification
On November 02, 2026, the World Health Organization (WHO) confirmed that Anflu, a trivalent split-virion influenza vaccine manufactured by SINOVAC, was prequalified. Anflu is the fourth SINOVAC vaccine prequalified by WHO, following the Hepatitis A Vaccine (Human Diploid Cell), Inactivated, the Poliomyelitis Vaccine (Vero Cell), Inactivated, Sabin Strains, and the Varicella Vaccine, Live. The prequalified presentation is 0.5 mL single-dose vial, and is indicated for people aged 6 months and older.

SK Biosciences
Press Releases - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Takeda
Newsroom - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Valneva
Press Releases *No new digest announcements identified.*

WestVac Biopharma
Media - *No new digest announcements identified.*

Zhifei Longcom, China
[Anhui Zhifei Longcom Biologic Pharmacy Co., Ltd.]
Website *[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 17 2026 Issue 3
https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Human Genetics
Oct 01, 2026 Volume 113 Issue 10 p2023-2204
https://www.cell.com/ajhg/current
This month in *The Journal*
Paul W. Hook, Alyson B. Barnes

Large structural variants (SVs) impact a higher percentage of individual human genomes than SNVs or indels. Despite growing evidence that links them to a variety of phenotypes, SVs have received less attention during investigations into the genetic architecture of diseases, including Alzheimer disease (AD). While some population-based studies have been performed, few individual SVs, or genes repeatedly impacted by SVs, have been robustly identified. In this issue, Quenez et al. set out to expand the catalog of SVs associated with AD risk by using exome sequencing to identify copy-number variants (CNVs) in a large case-control AD cohort.
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Infection Control
October 2026 Volume 54 Issue 10 p1045-1142
http://www.ajicjournal.org/current
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine
November 2026 Volume 71 Issue 5
https://www.ajpmonline.org/current
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health
October 2026 116(10)
http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene
Volume 115 (2026): Issue 4 (Oct 2026)
https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/115/4/tpmd.115.issue-4.xml
[Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine
October 2026Volume 179, Issue 10
https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current
[Reviewed earlier]

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal
Volume 359 October 2026
https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/359/suppl/C
[New issue; No digest content identified]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation
http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026]
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Infectious Diseases
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
Model-based evaluation of an infant HPV prophylactic vaccination program in Nigeria
Robyn M. Stuart
Umeh Ifeoma Blessing
Jamie A. Cohen
Research Open access 06 November 2026

Immunogenicity of COVID-19 vaccines in the upper respiratory tract: a comparative study of Pfizer-BioNTech and Johnson & Johnson vaccines among Ugandan adults
Victoria Menya Biribawa
Kizito Musema
Aloysious Ssemaganda

Research Open access 05 November 2026

Epidemiological characteristics and vaccination profiles of pertussis in Xicheng District, Beijing, China, 2014–2025

Yadi Fan
Ning Xu
Chenggang Li

Research Open access 05 November 2026

BMC Medical Ethics

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)

Perspectives on the ethical, legal, and social implications of pathogen genomics: lessons from a tuberculosis outbreak

Daisy Wang
Justin T. Denholm
Angeline S. Ferdinand

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BMC Medicine

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)

Cost-effectiveness of 20-valent versus 15-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccines for infants in the Netherlands, taking into account indirect effects and adult vaccination

Pieter T. de Boer
Albert Jan van Hoek
Anneke Steens

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BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)

The role of socioeconomic status in HPV-related knowledge, attitude, vaccination willingness and preference among college males

Xiyu Zhang
Juan Du
Qing-Bin Lu

Research Open access 05 November 2026

Journey to immunization service: identifying barriers and enablers to routine immunization service uptake among communities residing in urban slum areas of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 2023

Eshetu Girma

Finina Abebe
Menen Tsegaw
Research Open access 03 November 2026

Trust in HPV vaccine effectiveness and safety and willingness to initiate HPV vaccination among unvaccinated female college students recruited through university-based online networks in China: a cross-sectional study
Wei Bian
Weiwei Sun
Wenming Cao
Research Open access 03 November 2026

BMC Research Notes
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content
(Accessed 07 Nov 2026)
Determinants of persistent COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy: a preliminary study among healthcare providers in Lubumbashi, DR Congo
Peniel Masele-Kyaite
Marc Ilunga-Kasambayi
Philippe Mulenga-Cilundika
Research Note Open access 06 November 2026

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine
October 2026 - Volume 31 - 5
https://ebm.bmj.com/content/31/5
[Reviewed earlier]

BMJ Global Health
October 2026 - Volume 11 - 10
https://gh.bmj.com/content/11/10
[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists
DIGITAL MAGAZINE - July 2026
https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2026-05/
[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization
Volume 104, Number 10, October 2026, 657-716
https://www.who.int/publications/journals/bulletin
Articles
[Reviewed earlier]

Cell
Oct 15, 2026 Volume 189 Issue 21 p6561-6898
https://www.cell.com/cell/current

[Reviewed earlier]

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Timir Weston, et al.
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The World Health Organization (WHO) Global Measles and Rubella Laboratory Network (GMRLN) collects molecular and epidemiological data to monitor progress towards the elimination of measles and rubella. This report summarises global trends from the da...

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Beyond the Adolescent Window: HPV Vaccination in Adult Women
Isadora Rodrigues Almeida, et al.
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Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination has traditionally targeted girls and adolescents before sexual debut, when its preventive potential is greatest. However, many women reach adulthood unvaccinated or incompletely vaccinated, a gap widened by the...

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REVISED - A genomic toolkit for surveillance and elimination of the principal malaria vectors in Southeast Asia.
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Tristan P.W. Dennis, et al.
Abstract
While substantial progress has been made toward malaria elimination in Southeast Asia, major challenges remain. The principal mosquito vectors, Anopheles dirus and Anopheles minimus, inhabit diverse ecological niches and exhibit a wide range of behavioural and physiological insecticide resistance phenotypes, complicating vector control efforts. In Africa, genomic surveillance has transformed our understanding of vector evolution and resistance, supported by open-access tools and data. Comparable resources for Southeast Asian vectors remain limited.

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REVISED - Living mapping review of global research funding for high-risk pathogens- Pandemic PACT Grant Tracker
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Rodrigo Furst, et al.
Abstract
Background
The COVID-19 pandemic spurred an unprecedented global research response, highlighting the need for better coordination amid limited resources and the ongoing threat of emerging diseases. The Pandemic PACT Programme has developed a live database tracking funded research on high-risk pathogens and broader preparedness efforts to facilitate improved pandemic preparedness. This paper presents the first analysis update of this dataset, examining trends in research funding identified by the Pandemic PACT programme by disease, geography and research topic, and identifying which funders are supporting high-risk pathogen research, particularly in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).

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How the United States uses multilateral channels for its aid - A comparison with other large donors
Homi Kharas
November 2, 2026
:: Multilaterals earn their place where scale, pooling, neutrality, and leverage matter: humanitarian logistics, global health commodities, large-scale concessional finance, and budget support in high-risk settings.
:: Excluding contributions to EU institutions, the U.S. provided about one-third of its total aid to or through multilateral agencies in 2025, roughly comparable with other major donors (members of the OECD Development Assistance Committee, or DAC).
:: The U.S. provides its fair share of multilateral humanitarian aid but far less than others in core contributions to multilaterals.
:: The U.S. is a heavy user of earmarked funding. Earmarking has considerable costs. Most U.S. earmarks pay for single-donor projects rather than thematic programs or pooled funds. Reducing earmarking could free up hundreds of millions of dollars annually.
:: The U.S. has never conducted an evidence-based multilateral aid review. The U.S. is a member of the Multilateral Organisation Performance Assessment Network (MOPAN) but has not transparently used this evidence in deciding which multilateral agencies to support and where to request reforms.

Research
Federal deportation efforts: Implications for state child support agencies
Vicki Turetsky and Mark H. Greenberg
November 2, 2026
:: Federal immigration enforcement is likely increasing the number of parents with child support orders who are being detained or deported. Though no research tracks how many parents with child support orders are affected, ICE arrests leading to detention have more than quadrupled since late 2024, there has been a significant increase in interior apprehensions, and more people are at risk of deportation.
:: Detention and deportation can happen quickly. Nearly half of those detained in January 2026 were removed within 30 days, and child support caseworkers may not be able to tell whether a parent who has disappeared was detained, deported, or avoiding contact out of fear. This highlights the need for rapid action by child support agencies to learn if the reason for sudden non-payment is immigration detention.
:: Child support orders don't stop when a parent is detained or deported. Arrears keep accumulating unless the agency reviews the case, talks with custodial parents about their options, and determines whether to act to suspend or review the order. The agency also needs to consider options for international enforcement or case closure if the parent has left the country.
:: Child support agencies need to develop protocols and partnerships, with attention to staff training, clear procedures, task systems, and outreach to immigrant advocacy groups.

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More than 1,200 Health Professionals and Researchers Across Europe Demand Urgent, Binding EU Action to Tackle Extreme Heat
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The open letter, promoted by the Planetary Health Alliance Europe Regional Hub, will be formally submitted to the European Parliament and the European Commission on 10 December

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Report
Advancing adaptation: Breaking barriers to a trillion-dollar opportunity
November 3, 2026 -
Climate adaptation delivers benefits far greater than its costs, but investment lags. What are the barriers to scaling adaptation and how could they be overcome?

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...The Declaration of Taipei tries to achieve a balance between the rights of individuals giving their tissue or data for research and other purposes based on confidentiality and privacy rules while at the same time recognising that health data has become a very powerful tool for increasing knowledge.

In analysing the scenarios that already exist for the use (and misuse) of health data and biobanks, we came to the conclusion that the major risk scenarios may not result from science, but from the commercial, administrative or political use of such data. Limiting our guidelines to research only would have left us blind to the imminent risk of abuse from outside the field of medicine: commercialization, cost-cutting and potential political abuse.

Therefore, in contrast to the Declaration of Helsinki, this policy aims to address any use of health databases and biobanks excluding individual treatment and is not restricted to research. As physicians are the primary custodians of confidential health information, they feel an obligation towards their patients and other persons who entrust them with their data and specimens...

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