

The Covid Crisis: A Brief History of the Pandemics of the 21st Century (2000-2020)

What brought us here? What is the origin of this road?

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In times of great confusion and anxiety, when it feels like everything is going down the drain, like everyone is stumbling down a steep road, driven by a supposedly unstoppable disaster, it might be helpful to take a moment and a deep breath, to step aside and turn around. One might ask: What brought us here? What is the origin of this road? From where did we follow it? Who was sending us in this direction? Have we been here before? And, maybe even more important: Where will it lead us?

As the Spanish philosopher George Santayana wrote:

“Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.”

In this sense, the following is meant as a chronology of some selected events of the last twenty years related to our current situation, some more or less known, some more or less forgotten.

CHRONOLOGY (2000 -2020)

2000

The **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation** (founded in 1999), **UNICEF**, the **World Health Organization (WHO)** and the **World Bank** found the “**Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization**”, **GAVI**. The main [goal](#) of this **PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP)** is to **shape “healthy vaccine markets”**. “*GAVI brings together the vaccine industry with governments in both developing and industrialized countries, technical agencies, civil society and private **PHILANTROPISTS**.*” In 1999, the Gates Foundation had pledged **\$ 750 million** to set up GAVI and will make additional future donations of more than **\$ 4 billion** until 2020.

March 15, 2003

Gro Harlem Brundtland, **WHO** Director-General, states in an alert about the “[Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome](#)”: “*This syndrome, **SARS**, is now a **worldwide health threat**. The world needs to **work together** to find its cause, cure the sick, and stop its spread.*”

Note: SARS, “[the **FIRST** Pandemic of the 21st Century](#)”, caused by the **coronavirus SARS-CoV**, originated from China, lead to 8,096 [reported](#) cases of illness and 774 deaths worldwide.

Note: Later, in 2019, Brundtland will be [co-chair](#) on the “**Global Preparedness Monitoring Board**” (GPMB), when the SARS-CoV-2 outbreak begins.

November 11-12, 2004

An “[Informal meeting](#) on influenza pandemic vaccines” of **WHO**, influenza vaccine manufacturers, national drug licensing agencies and government representatives takes place in Geneva, Switzerland. The meeting’s goal is to “*explore **ways to expedite the development of pandemic vaccines***” by establishing **PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS**.

January 2005

As a result of the meeting in November the **WHO** publishes a [report](#) with the title “**Avian influenza: assessing the pandemic threat**”. The authors claim that “*during **2004**, the world moved **closer to a further pandemic than it has been at any time since 1968.***” About the **H5N1 bird flu** virus: “**NEVER BEFORE** had any avian influenza virus caused such **extremely high fatality** in humans, taking its **heaviest toll** on children and young adults in the prime of life.”

Note: At this [point](#), the **bird flu has caused 50 cases** in South-East-Asia during the years 2003 / 2004.

The report emphasizes the importance of **vaccination during a pandemic**. Under the heading “**Vaccines: the first line of defence**” it says: “*WHO network laboratories developed a **prototype virus**, for use as the “seed” for vaccine production, and made it available to manufacturers in April 2004.*

*During pandemics, more severe disease tends to arrive with **the SECOND WAVE**. Should this happen, a **few more months** could be **available to augment vaccine supplies**. Each day gained means an additional 5 million doses of vaccine. **Larger quantities of vaccine**, supported by well-planned distribution strategies, **will SAVE many LIVES**.*

*Ideally, safety **testing** should be exceptionally extensive, but the **pressure to manufacture RAPIDLY** during a public health emergency is expected to **shorten the time available for testing.***”

The authors also recommend the use of the antiviral drugs **Tamiflu (Roche)** and **Relenza (GlaxoSmithKline)** for treatment and prevention: “... *Drugs in the second and newer class, the neuraminidase inhibitors (oseltamivir and zanamivir), **have a better safety profile** and are less prone to the development of drug resistance. Here, the main constraints are price and supplies. The drugs are **much more expensive** than the M2 inhibitors and **supplies are very limited.***”

March 7, 2005

In an [interview](#) with the German news magazine SPIEGEL, **Klaus Stoehr**, virologist and leader of **WHO**’s Global Influenza Program, is asked about the **bird flu**: “*How dangerous will this pandemic be?*” He replies:

“The pandemics in 1957 and 1968 were relatively mild with between 1 to 4 million dying in each. (...) Taking into account the increase in the world

population since then, one would estimate that a mild pandemic would result in between **2 to 7 million deaths** and a further **28 million hospitalized**. Health care systems will be **OVERWHELMED** very **QUICKLY** .”

Note: Later **Stoehr** will [become](#) Vice President and Global Head of the Influenza Strategy Liaison for **Novartis Vaccines**, “...driving influenza based interactions with national and international authorities.”

August 3, 2005

Neil Ferguson, professor of mathematical biology at the **Imperial College** London, UK, warns THE GUARDIAN about the **bird flu virus H5N1**:

“What can we do if it hits our shores? We couldn’t stop it. There would be a constant number of **NEW** cases and we would be **OVERWHELMED** very **RAPIDLY**. (...) In just one year, half the world’s population – **more than 3 billion people** – would be **infected**.”

According to the [article](#), Ferguson, other researchers and British government officials recommend to **create a stock of millions doses** of **antiviral treatment** and **vaccines** as a “**first line of defence**” against a catastrophic virus outbreak. “Currently the antiviral drug **Tamiflu**, made by Swiss-based pharmaceutical company **Roche**, stands the best chance of **curbing pandemic bird flu**. (...) Prof Ferguson said he understood Roche was prepared to make free donations of Tamiflu to the **World Health Organization** to help meet the threat.”

Note: In 2002 **Ferguson** had [predicted](#) **150.000 deaths** in the UK from the Bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), also known as the mad-cow-disease. During the following 16 years **178 persons** [died](#) from BSE in the UK.

September 20, 2005



In an [interview](#), published under the headline “**H5N1 - KILLER Flu**”, **Antony Fauci**, immunologist and director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (**NIAID**) suggests that the **US should buy at least 100 million vaccine doses**.

“Well, that takes many months. It takes several months to do if you’re doing nothing else. And that’s the reason why one of the issues that comes up when you talk about pandemic flu, is that the **vaccine development and production** enterprise in this country and worldwide is **very fragile**.”

... the **vaccine industry is fragile**. It is **not a big money maker**."

September 29, 2005

WHO's Director-General for Health Action in Crises, **David Nabarro**, physician and newly appointed senior **UN** system coordinator for avian and human influenza (**bird flu**), [states](#) in a UN [press conference](#):

"I'm not, at the moment, at liberty to give you a prediction on numbers, but I just want to stress, that, let's say, the range of **deaths** could be **anything from 5 to 150 million**."

Note: Following WHO's recommendations and driven by panic about an expectable outbreak of a bird flu pandemic, governments worldwide started stockpiling antiviral drugs and vaccines for large parts of their populations.

September 30, 2005

Neil Ferguson is quoted in an [article](#) in THE GUARDIAN: "*Last month Neil Ferguson, a professor of mathematical biology at Imperial College London, told Guardian Unlimited that up to **200 million people could be KILLED** (Note: by the **bird flu**).*"

"Around 40 million people died in 1918 Spanish flu outbreak," said Prof Ferguson. "There are six times more people on the planet now so you could scale it up to around 200 million people probably."

Note: Between 2003 and 2009 worldwide [282 people died](#) from the **bird flu**.

2006

Warren Buffett, US American business tycoon and **Philanthropist**, [pledges](#) **\$ 37 billion** (85% of his fortune) to the **Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation**.

November 26, 2006



Warren Buffett is [quoted](#) in the NEW YORK TIMES: "*There's **class warfare**, all right, but it's my class, **the rich class**, that's **making war** and **We're winning**.*"

April 24, 2009

WHO [announces](#) an outbreak of human cases of **H1N1**, the **swine flu**, confirmed in Mexico

and the USA.

April 27, 2009

The first two UK [cases](#) of **H1N1** are confirmed in a couple from Scotland, **WHO** raises its alert level to Phase 4.

April 29, 2009

British PM **Gordon Brown** [announces](#) that the **stockpile of antivirals** will be increased from 33.5 to **50 million**.

Note: The UK government spent £ 424 million on flu drug **Tamiflu**, the US government spent \$ 1.3 billion on stockpiling 65 million dosages. Global sales of Tamiflu is [estimated](#) at almost \$ 3 billion at the height of the **swine flu pandemic**.

May 4, 2009

On **WHO's website**, the criteria for a pandemic

"An influenza pandemic occurs when a new influenza virus appears against which the human population has **no immunity**, resulting in **several simultaneous epidemics worldwide** with **enormous numbers of deaths** and illness." are [altered](#).

The new definition is: "*An influenza pandemic may occur when a new **influenza virus appears** against which the human population has **no immunity**.*" For the **declaration of phase 6** (the highest level, the pandemic) the presence of several simultaneous epidemics and high death numbers are **no longer necessary**.

Note: Later Andrej Hunko, German MP, will say in a [speech](#) at the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe on 24.06.2010:

"Here I have **secret contracts** that were signed in Germany between **GlaxoSmithKline** and the German state. As a simple Member of Parliament, officially I am not allowed to view these contracts. They were posted on the Internet by whistleblowers in Germany.

These contracts specify exactly what needs to happen **when phase 6 is announced**: what amounts of vaccine doses the states have to buy, etc.. Such contracts were concluded by most states **before the criteria have been changed**."

June 11, 2009

WHO's Director-General Margaret Chan [declares](#) the swine flu pandemic:

"This particular **H1N1** strain has not circulated previously in humans. The virus is entirely new (...) Further spread is considered inevitable. On the basis of available evidence, and these expert assessments of the evidence, the scientific **criteria for an influenza pandemic have been met**. I have therefore decided to raise the level of influenza pandemic alert from phase 5 to

phase 6. The world is now at the **START** of the 2009 influenza pandemic.

WHO has been in close dialogue with influenza **vaccine manufacturers**. I understand that production of vaccines for seasonal influenza will be completed soon, and that full capacity will be available to ensure the **largest possible supply of pandemic vaccine** in the months to come.”

Note: Under enormous pressure (and because of the existing contracts) governments bought millions of vaccine doses. **Germany** for example, bought **34 million doses** for **€ 280 million**. Only 14% were used, the rest had to be disposed as hazardous waste at high costs.

July 16, 2009

Based on **Neil Ferguson**'s advice, the British government [warns](#) about the **swine flu** that *“in the worst case scenario 30% of the UK population could be infected by the **H1N1** virus, with **65,000 Killed**.”*

Note: Eventually, the swine flu [killed 457 people](#) in the UK.

December 18, 2009

The Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (**PACE**) publishes a [motion for a recommendation](#) with the title **“Faked Pandemics - a Threat for Health”**.

The [document](#) states about the **“birds-flu-campaign (2005/06)”** and the **“swine-flu-campaign (2009/10)”**:

“In order to promote their **patented drugs** and **vaccines** against flu, pharmaceutical companies have influenced scientists and official agencies (...) to **alarm governments worldwide**. They have made them squander tight health care resources for inefficient vaccine strategies and needlessly **exposed millions of healthy people** to the risk of unknown **side-effects** of **insufficiently tested vaccines**.”

The authors also see **“a great deal of damage”** for the **“credibility and accountability of important international health agencies”**. Meant is the **WHO**: *“The definition of an alarming pandemic must not be under the **influence of drug-sellers**.”*

January 2010

Exactly 10 years before the [outbreak](#) of the “pneumonia of unknown etiology” in Wuhan, **Bill Gates** [calls](#) for a **“DECADE of Vaccines”** and [pledges \\$ 10 billion](#) to the **WHO** for this purpose.

February 2010



In a [TED talk](#) **Bill Gates** says:

*“First, we’ve got **population**. The world today has **6.8 billion people**. That’s headed up to about nine billion.*

*Now, if we do a really great job on new **vaccines**, health care, reproductive health services, we could **lower that by, perhaps, 10 or 15 percent.**”*

May 2010

The **Rockefeller Foundation** publishes “**Scenarios for the Future of Technology and International Development**”. The [report](#) predicts four different possible future scenarios. In one of them, called “**LOCK STEP**”,

*“...the pandemic that the world had been **anticipating for years** finally hit. Unlike 2009’s H1N1, this **NEW** influenza strain (...) was **extremely virulent** and **deadly**. Even the most pandemic-prepared nations were **QUICKLY OVERWHELMED** when the virus streaked around the world, infecting nearly 20 percent of the global population and **KILLING 8 million** in just seven months.*

*The pandemic also had a **deadly effect on economies**: international mobility of both people and goods screeched to a halt, debilitating industries like tourism and breaking global supply chains.*

*The **Chinese** government’s quick imposition and enforcement of **mandatory quarantine** for all citizens, as well as its instant and near-hermetic sealing off of all borders, **SAVED millions of LIVES**, stopping the spread of the virus far earlier than in other countries.*

*During the pandemic, national leaders around the world flexed their authority and imposed airtight rules and restrictions, from the **mandatory wearing of FACE MASKS** to body-temperature checks at the entries to communal spaces like **train stations** and **supermarkets**. Even after the pandemic faded, this more authoritarian control and oversight of citizens and their activities stuck and even intensified.*

***Citizens willingly gave up** some of **their sovereignty** - and **their privacy** - to more paternalistic states in exchange for greater safety and stability. Citizens were more tolerant, and even eager, for **top-down direction and oversight**, and national leaders had more latitude to impose order in the ways they saw fit. In developed countries, this heightened oversight took many forms: **BIOMETRIC IDs for all citizens**, for example...”*

June 7, 2010

PACE, the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe publishes the [report](#) “**The handling of the H1N1 pandemic: more transparency needed**”. The report criticizes

*“possible **influence of the pharmaceutical industry** on some of the major decisions relating to the pandemic.*

*The way in which the H1N1 influenza pandemic has been handled, not only by **WHO**, but also by the competent health authorities at the level of the **European Union** and at national level, **gives rise to alarm**. Some of the consequences of decisions taken and advice given are particularly troubling, as they led to distortion of priorities of public health services across Europe, **waste of large sums of public money** and also **unjustified scares and fears** about health risks faced by the European public at large.”*

August 10, 2010

The Director-General of **WHO**, **Margaret Chan**, [declares](#) the end of the influenza (H1N1) pandemic.

Note: The **swine flu** killed **18.500 people worldwide**. For comparison: the **seasonal flu 2017 / 2018** killed **25.000** in [Germany](#) alone.

December 2, 2010

WHO, **UNICEF**, US’s National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (**NIAID**) and the **Gates Foundation** [announce](#) the “**DECADE of Vaccines Collaboration**”, a partnership to increase coordination across the international vaccine community and create a “**Global Vaccine Action Plan**” ([GVAP](#)).

*“The collaboration follows the January 2010 call by **Bill and Melinda Gates** for the next ten years to be the Decade of Vaccines. The Global Vaccine Action Plan will enable greater coordination across all **STAKEHOLDER** groups – national governments, multilateral organizations, civil society, the private sector and **Philanthropic** organizations.”*

Note: Among others, the Leadership Council is comprised of **Margaret Chan** and **Anthony Fauci**, [Director of NIAID](#), part of the National Institutes of Health (**NIH**). The Steering Committee includes (among others) **Seth Berkley**, President & CEO, International AIDS Vaccine Initiative (**IAVI**).

September 2012

The “**Better Than Cash Alliance**” is launched by the **UN** Capital Development Fund, the United States Agency for International Development, the **Gates Foundation**, Citigroup, the Ford Foundation, the **Omidyar Network**, and **VISA**. The global **PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP** consisting of companies, international organizations and 25 (mostly developing) countries, aims to “accelerate the **transition from cash to DIGITAL PAYMENTS**.”

April 10, 2014

The international network of researchers, **Cochrane**, provider of “evidence-based

informations to make health decisions”, publishes a [systematic review](#) about neuraminidase inhibitors (NIs) like **Tamiflu**. The researchers were also able to use **previously secret studies** conducted by the manufacturers.

The review [found](#) that

*“while oseltamivir and zanamivir have **small, non-specific effects** on reducing the time to alleviation of influenza symptoms, oseltamivir (Tamiflu) increases the **risk of adverse effects**, such as nausea, vomiting, psychiatric effects and renal events in adults and vomiting in children, and **both drugs do not reduce the important outcomes** such as pneumonia and hospitalizations.”*

January 17-20, 2017

World Economic Forum (WEF) Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland. Official announcement of the foundation of the **“Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations” (CEPI)**, a global partnership to **“develop vaccines to stop future epidemics”** by the **Gates Foundation, Wellcome Trust, WEF** and the governments of Norway and India.

February 8, 2017

The government of India [cuts all ties](#) with **Gates Foundation** on immunization, after scientists blamed the Gates-funded **polio vaccination campaign** for almost [half a million cases of childhood paralysis](#). From an [article](#) of the INDIAN JOURNAL OF MEDICAL ETHICS: *“During the last five years, globally, cases of **polio caused by vaccine** viruses have **outnumbered** those of polio caused by natural **(wild) polioviruses”**.*

July 2017

WHO [downgrades](#) the status of **Tamiflu** from a “core” drug to a “complementary” drug. At this point, **Roche’s Tamiflu** has [generated over \\$18 billion in sales](#) worldwide, half of it from **governments stockpiling the drug**.

November 13, 2017

Seth Berkley, CEO of **GAVI** and [board member](#) of **ID2020**, publishes his [article](#) **“Immunization needs a technology boost”** in the science magazine NATURE. Berkley emphasizes the importance of **digital tracking** of children who receive vaccines in order to provide **“a full course of a vaccine regime”** to 100% of **“infants living in the world’s 73 poorest countries”** and to **“ensure that everyone has a legal identity by 2030.”**

January 23, 2018

WEF’s [report](#) **“The Known Traveller - Unlocking the potential of DIGITAL IDENTITY for secure and seamless travel”** is published in consultation with **Accenture**, the **Government of Canada, Google, Interpol, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Marriott International, UK National Crime Agency, US Department of Homeland Security, VISA** and others.

The **“Known Traveler Digital Identity” (KTDI)** website [claims](#) that KTDI

*“brings together a **global consortium** of individuals, governments, authorities and the travel industry to **enhance security** in world travel. (...) KTDI allows individuals to manage their own profile and collect **DIGITAL ‘ATTESTATIONS’ of their personal data**, deciding what data to share and when. **The more** attestations a traveller accumulates and shares, **the better** consortium partners, governments and other parties **can provide a smooth and safe travel experience.**”*

Note: Conversely, this could imply that a person unwilling to share data might have to face a hard time in an attempt to travel.

January 25, 2018

At the 48th **World Economic Forum’s** Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland, several **“STAKEHOLDERS”** from finance, business, tech companies, foundations and international organizations [call to unite](#) in a global **PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP** in order to push along the idea of a **“DIGITAL IDENTITY for everyone”**. Among them: **ID2020, World Bank, Barclays, Deutsche Bank, Mastercard, Visa, Microsoft, Accenture, Consumers International, Omidyar Network, FIDO Alliance, GSMA, Hyperledger, Open Identity Exchange, World Identity Network, sedicii, World Food Programme and the UNHCR.**

Derek O’Halloran, WEF:

*“Digital identities and access systems are **foundational elements of our shared digital future**. They offer **tremendous opportunities** for individuals and society, especially for those without formal ID.”*

The **Government of Canada** [announces](#) that it will pioneer the **testing of the KTDI prototype** system together with the with the Kingdom of the **Netherlands** to *“explore opportunities for demonstrating the potential of digital identity systems to engender trust and **cooperation between international partners.**”*

April 18, 2018

At the Malaria Summit in London **Bill Gates** [says](#): *“The world needs to **prepare for pandemics** in the same serious way it **prepares for WAR.**”*

September 25, 2018

At the **“Sustainable Development Impact Summit 2018”** in New York, USA, the **WEF** is [announcing](#) the launch of a shared platform for **“Good Digital Identity”**. [Good DIGITAL ID](#) is [supposed](#) to provide *“access to digital services, enabling personalization, customer loyalty, increased security and reduced costs. Innovative customer services are possible: telemedicine and digital prescriptions, gig economy, more fluid workforce, **DIGITAL BANKING via devices** in the internet of things (IoT), digital transformation of supply chains and the provision of government services.”*

November 18, 2018



Billionaire Media Mogul and former mayor of New York City, **Michael Bloomberg** [donates \\$ 1,8 billion](#) to the **Johns Hopkins University**, the **largest donation** on record to an American academic institution.

September 12, 2019

“Global Vaccination Summit”, Brussels, Belgium. Organized by the **European Commission** and the **WHO**, the [event](#)’s overall objective is to *“demonstrate **EU leadership for global commitment to vaccination**, boost political commitment towards eliminating vaccine preventable diseases and engage political leaders and leaders from scientific, medical, industry, **PHILANTROPIC** and civil society in **global action against the spread of vaccine MISINFORMATION.**”*

The summit’s [synopsis](#)

“Ten Actions Towards Vaccination For All” complains that *“vaccine shortages, **misinformation**, complacency towards disease risks, **diminishing public confidence** in the value of vaccines and disinvestments are **harming vaccination rates** worldwide.”*

September 19, 2019

At the annual summit of the **ID2020** Alliance in New York, USA, the **“Good Digital ID”** project named **“Access to Information Cooperation”** ([a2i](#)) is [announced](#), run by ID2020, **GAVI** and the Government of **Bangladesh**. *“Recognizing the opportunity for **immunization** to serve **as a platform for DIGITAL IDENTITY**, this program leverages existing vaccination and birth registration operations to offer newborns a **persistent and portable biometrically-linked digital identity.**”*

Note: Immunization means vaccination.

September 24, 2019

António Guterres, **UN**’s Secretary General, [calls](#) on all sectors of society to mobilize for a **“DECADE of Action to deliver the Global Goals”**.

October 18, 2019

Event 201, a high-level pandemic exercise takes place in New York, USA. Organized by the **Johns Hopkins University**, the **World Economic Forum** and the **Gates Foundation**, the

exercise simulates a **pandemic outbreak of a NEW coronavirus** from the **SARS** family. Purpose of the exercise is to show that only with the help of **PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS** the states will be able to face the next severe pandemic(s) without **catastrophic loss of lives** and **economic destruction**.

The participants ("*players*"):

- [Brad Connet](#), President of Henry Schein's U.S. Medical Group
- [Adrian Thomas](#), Vice President Global Public Health at **Johnson & Johnson**
- [Christopher Elias](#), President of the Global Development Program of **Gates Foundation**, adviser of the U.S. **CDC** (Center for Disease Control and Prevention)
- [Tim Evans](#), formerly **World Bank** Group, **WHO**, **Rockefeller Foundation**, co-founder of **GAVI**
- [Avril Haines](#), formerly Deputy Director **CIA**
- [Jane Halton](#), later member of Australia's COVID-19 Coordination Commission in **March 2020**
- [Matthew Harington](#), CEO of [Edelman](#), the world's **biggest PR and marketing** consultancy firm
- **George Fu Gao**, [Director-General](#), Chinese Center for Disease Control
- [Steven Redd](#), Incident Commander of **CDC's swine flu** response (including vaccination of 81 million US citizens) in 2009 / 2010.
- [Sofia Borges](#), Vice President of the **UN** foundation
- [Hasti Taghi](#), Vice President & Executive Advisor, **NBCUniversal Media**
- [Eduardo Martinez](#), **WEF's "Managing the Risk and Impact of Future Epidemics Steering Committee**. *Dr. Martinez also serves on the UN Global Logistics Cluster's Logistics Emergency Team Steering Council (...) and he serves on the Executive Committee of IMPACT 2030, a business-led coalition to advance the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and on the Board of UN's public-private sector coalition innovation incubator, Global Humanitarian Lab."*
- [Latoya Abbott](#), **Marriott International**
- [Martin Knuchel](#), **Lufthansa** Group
- [Lavan Thiru](#), "**Monetary Authority**" of Singapore

"In this **NEW ERA of extreme pandemic threat, public-private cooperation is essential** for an effective response." [said](#) Tom Inglesby, Director of Center for Health Security, **Hopkins Bloomberg School** of Public Health. "While governments and public health systems are already **strained** due to the increase in dangerous outbreaks, experts agree that a **severe, fast-spreading human-to-human pandemic incident could happen at any time.**"

Note: **Tom Inglesby, Christopher Elias** and **George Fu Gao** are, together with **Antony Fauci** and **Jeremy Farrar** (Director **Wellcome Trust**) [board](#) members of the "Global Preparedness Monitoring Board" (GPMB), the "*joint forces*" of **WHO** and **World Bank**.

Michael Ryan, Executive Director of **WHO's "Health Emergencies Programme"**, [stated](#) in his introduction:

"I don't think we have ever been in the situation where we have had to

respond to so many health emergencies at once. This is a **NEW NORMAL.**"

According to the event's [scenario](#), the number of cases would **increase exponentially**, because the **whole human population is vulnerable**. Until the end of the pandemic 18 months later, when a vaccine is available, the disease will cause **65 million deaths**.

One segment of the exercise deals with "**MISINFORMATION and disinformation**". From the [fact sheet](#) "*Communication in a Pandemic*":

"Disinformation campaigns are widely recognized in the political world but have been identified in the public health realm as well. In the fall of 2018, a team of researchers systematically identified a concerted effort to spread **disinformation and discord about vaccine safety**.

More than 50 countries globally have taken different government-led actions that, in theory, aim to **combat misinformation**. These actions can range from media literacy campaigns and **fact-checking websites** to more extreme measures, such as **jailing users for publishing content** deemed to be misinformation. In some cases, authorities have **shut down social media sites or the internet entirely**.

Misinformation and disinformation are likely to be **serious threats** during a public health emergency. Unfortunately, thus far, there are limited ways to control the propagation of misinformation, leading to potentially **draconian methods** to manage this problem."

Note: Later, the **European Commission** will state on its [website](#):

"**MISINFORMATION and disinformation** in the health space are thriving, including on COVID-19. It is important that you **rely only on authoritative sources** to get updated information on the COVID-19 outbreak.

WE suggest that you follow the advice of your public health authorities, and the websites of relevant **EU** and international organizations: ECDC and **WHO**. You can also help by not sharing unverified information coming from dubious sources. The **fight against coronavirus misinformation and disinformation SAVES LIVES.**"

November 2019

The Robert Koch Institute (**RKI**), Germany's **national public health institute**, receives a \$ **253,000 donation** from the **Gates Foundation**.

November 20, 2019

After a prioritized procedure, the **European Patent Office** grants a [patent](#) on a genetically modified coronavirus. Patent claim #5: "*The coronavirus (...) is an **infectious bronchitis virus (IBV)**, preferably IBV M41.*"

Patent holder: the **Pirbright Institute** in Surrey, England. Major [STAKEHOLDERS](#) (among others): the **WHO**, the **European Commission** and the **Gates Foundation**.

December 1, 2019

China's new "[Law on Vaccine Administration](#)" comes into effect. According to the law, China is to implement a state immunization program, and residents living within the territory of China are **legally obligated to be vaccinated** with immunization program vaccines, which are provided by the government free of charge. Local governments and **parents or other guardians of children must ensure that children be vaccinated** with the immunization program vaccines.

An [electronic information system](#) will be set up to make **all information of vaccines trackable**, such as production and package information of vaccines, period of validity, date of vaccination, medical workers who conduct **the vaccination and the recipients**.

The law introduces a **compensation system** for cases of adverse events leading to death, serious disability or organ damage during or after vaccination. For **mandatory vaccination**, the compensation must be paid through **local fiscal budgets**, while for voluntary vaccination, the vaccine license-holder must shoulder the responsibility.

December 18, 2019

Researchers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) [announce](#) the development of a "**NOVEL way to record a patient's vaccination history**", using smartphone-readable nano-crystals called "quantum dots" embedded in the skin using micro-needles. *"The work was [funded](#) by the **Gates Foundation** and came about because of a **direct request** from Microsoft founder and Philanthropist **Bill Gates himself**."*

December 31, 2019

Wuhan Municipal Health Commission, China, [reports](#) a **cluster of cases of pneumonia** to the **WHO**.

January 11, 2020

China publicly [shares](#) a **draft** of the genetic sequence of the "Wuhan virus".

January 13, 2020



Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director General, states:

"WE face shared threats and **WE** have a shared responsibility to act. With the deadline for the **2030 Sustainable Development Goals QUICKLY** approaching, the United Nations General Assembly has underscored that the next 10 years must be the **"DECADE of Action"**.

Declared goals (among others): “Expanding access to medicines”, “Stopping infectious diseases”, “Preparing for epidemics”, “Earning public trust”, “Harnessing **NEW technologies**”, “Protecting the **medicines that protect us**”.

January 16, 2020

The **Charité** university in Berlin, Germany, [announces](#) the **successful development of a test** for the Wuhan virus, based on the Chinese researchers’ description of the virus’ genetic sequence:

*“The coronavirus, which first emerged in Wuhan, China, and can cause severe pneumonia, can now be detected in the laboratory. Developed by a group of DZIF researchers working under the leadership of Prof. Dr. **Christian Drosten**, Director of the Institute of Virology on Campus **Charité** Mitte, the world’s first diagnostic test for the coronavirus has now been made publicly available. Following its **online publication by the WHO**, the test protocol will now serve as a guideline for laboratories. An international consortium is currently conducting a joint evaluation study.”*

Note: Drosten was also the first to develop tests for **SARS-CoV** (2003), **bird flu** (2005), **swine flu** (2009), **Chikungunya virus**(2009), **MERS** (2012), **ZIKA** (2016) and **yellow fever** in Brazil (2017).

Note: The PCR tests that will be developed later, based on this invention, are **not approved for diagnostic use**. The instruction manual of “[RealStar](#)” by Altona Diagnostics: “For research use only! Not for use in diagnostic procedures.” “[Multiplex RT-qPCR Kit](#)” of Creative Diagnostics: “This product is for research use only and is **not intended for diagnostic use**.” The product [announcement](#) of the “LightMix Modular Assays” by **Roche**: “These assays are not intended for use as an aid in the diagnosis of coronavirus infection. **For research use only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.**”

January 16, 2020

Germany joins the “1+Million Genomes Initiative”. German Research Minister Anja Karliczek and Health Minister **Jens Spahn** [sign](#) the declaration “Towards access of at least 1 million sequenced genomes in the EU by 2022” in Berlin. The aim of the initiative is to enable “safe and regulated **access to at least one million complete genome sequences and other health data** across national borders.”

January 21-24, 2020

At its 50th Annual [Meeting](#) in Davos, Switzerland, the **World Economic Forum** celebrates “**STAKEHOLDERS for a Cohesive and Sustainable World**” and “**Defining the DECADE of Delivery**”.

January 22-23, 2020

Meeting of the **WHO Emergency Committee** in Geneva, Switzerland.

From the [statement](#) about the meeting:

“The Committee’s role is to give advice to the Director-General, who makes the final

decision on the determination of a **Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)**.

Several members considered that it is still **too early to declare a PHEIC**, given its restrictive and binary nature. Based on these **divergent views**, the EC formulates the following advice: To WHO – The Committee stands ready to be reconvened in approximately ten days' time, or earlier should the Director-General deem it necessary."

January 29, 2020

The **Institut Pasteur**, which is responsible for monitoring respiratory viruses in France, **sequenced the whole genome** of the coronavirus known as "2019-nCoV", becoming **"the first institution in Europe to sequence the virus since the START of the outbreak"**.

February 11-12, 2020

WHO holds a "**Research and Innovation Forum**" on COVID-19 in Geneva, Switzerland, attended by more than 400 experts **and funders** from around the world, which included presentations by **George Fu Gao**, Director General of China CDC.

The meeting was hosted in **collaboration** with "**Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness**" (GloPID-R), a global network, launched in Brussels, Belgium, in February 2013. The **members: Gates Foundation, Wellcome Trust**, numerous international governmental organizations, the **European Commission (secretariat)** and, as observers, the **WHO** and **CEPI**.

The network's **mission**: "GloPID-R is the **only alliance of its kind** to bring together research funding organizations on a global scale to facilitate an effective and rapid research of a significant outbreak of a **NEW** or re-emerging infectious disease **with epidemic and pandemic potential**."

February 12, 2020

HEALTHINSIGHT UK's **article** "**Coronavirus: a reliable test is badly needed. We don't have one**" talks about the Canadian Scientist David Crowe:

*"Crowe describes the current response as a 'rush to judgement, based on the rapid application of an **unproven test**, made worse by the use of powerful **unproven drugs with toxic side-effects** on those who **test positive**.'*

False positives are dangerously misleading. For instance, even if an epidemic began to die out, public health officials would still be getting positive results from an unreliable test and insist that the epidemic was still a threat. **Testing all of Wuhan's 10 million inhabitants** with a 99% accurate test would give you **100,000 false positives**.

The original **WHO** guidelines for diagnosing 2019 Coronavirus said that **a positive test was all that was needed**. The person **didn't need to have symptoms** or to have had recent contact with someone who was infected."

Crowe about Chinese government's new way of counting: "Now cases that were

diagnosed without symptoms are being removed from the record of new cases if they don't develop them. A **recognition of the failings of the test** that should **make infection figures more realistic**.

With the **unreliable test**, however, uninfected healthy people may be treated with toxic drugs, and unhealthy people, sick for some other reason, may also be treated with inappropriate drugs. Isolation, and other medical procedures such as invasive ventilation, also have their own side effects. This means that **we cannot distinguish the dangers of testing positive from the dangers of the virus.**"

February 27, 2020

From an article published in the German medical journal AERZTEBLATT: "According to the Robert Koch Institute (RKI), the **NOVEL** coronavirus **Sars-CoV-2 is more deadly than the flu**. The likelihood of dying from flu is 0.1 to 0.2 percent, [said](#) RKI President **Lothar Wieler** today.

According to the figures known to date, the rate for the Sars-CoV-2 virus is **almost ten times higher** - at one to two percent. Eighty percent of those infected had mild symptoms, but **15 percent were seriously ill** with Covid-19 lung disease. "**That's a lot,**" said Wieler."

February 29, 2020

The [Robert Koch Institute](#) (RKI) is Germany's [national public health institute](#) in the field of surveillance, control and prevention of diseases. It "evaluates, analyses and researches diseases that are very dangerous or very prevalent or of increased public or health-related political significance."

RKI's Arbeitsgemeinschaft Influenza (**AGI**) (Influenza Working Group) has established a so-called **sentinel** system, a representative network of doctor's offices from all over the country (including more than 1% of Germany's primary care physicians), who report their cases of acute respiratory diseases and send samples to the AGI to be tested for viruses. Since 2009, AGI publishes **weekly reports about virus activities** during the flu season.

From this day on, AGI will also examine the samples for SARS-CoV-2 viruses, with **validated, officially approved tests**.

March 2020

German **Charité university** receives a [donation](#) of almost **\$ 250,000** from the **Gates Foundation**. Purpose: "To **develop diagnostics** and virology tools to enable a **RAPID** response to the **NOVEL** 2019 coronavirus."

March 10, 2020

The **Gates Foundation**, **Wellcome Trust**, and **Mastercard** [commit](#) up to **\$ 125 million** in seed funding to "**SPEED-UP** the response to the COVID-19 epidemic by identifying, assessing, developing, and scaling-up treatments."

March 11, 2020

Anthony Fauci, who has become the “face of America’s response to the coronavirus”, [states](#) that the Coronavirus is “**10 times more lethal than the seasonal flu.**”

March 11, 2020

Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, current **WHO** director, [declares](#) the next pandemic:

*“... WHO has been assessing this outbreak around the clock and we are deeply concerned both by the **alarming levels of spread and severity**, and by the **alarming levels of inaction**. **WE** have therefore made the assessment that **COVID-19 can be characterized as a pandemic.**”*

*Pandemic is not a word to use lightly or carelessly. It is a word that, if misused, **can cause unreasonable fear**, or **unjustified acceptance that the fight is over**, leading to unnecessary suffering and death. (...) We have **NEVER BEFORE** seen a pandemic sparked by a coronavirus. This is the **FIRST pandemic caused by a coronavirus.**”*

March 11, 2020

AGI publishes the [report](#) for the **10th calendar week** (29.2.- 6.3.2020), when the scientists detected the **SARS-CoV-2 virus** for the first time in **one** sentinel sample. The other positive tested samples of this week: 106 influenza viruses, 20 rhinoviruses, 17 hMP-viruses, 15 RS-viruses, 1 PIV (1-4) viruses.

Note: see table on page 4 of the report(s).

Note: Statistically, the numbers **multiplied by 100** would be what to expect for the **whole country**.

March 13, 2020

Bill Gates [steps down](#) from **Microsoft**’s and Berkshire Hathaway’s boards of directors to “**dedicate more time to PHILANTROPIC priorities**”.

March 13, 2020

According to the NYT and others, the Center for Disease Control (**CDC**) [estimates](#) that in a **worst case scenario** 214 Million US Americans would be infected and **1.7 Million dead**.

March 16, 2020



Media [briefing](#) by **Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus**:

“...**We** have not seen an **urgent enough escalation in testing**, isolation and contact tracing – which is the backbone of the response. (...) **WE** have a simple message for all countries: **test, test, test**.

This is **the defining global health crisis of our time**. The days, weeks and months ahead will be a **test** of our **resolve**, a **test** of our **trust in science**, and a **test** of **solidarity**.”

March 16, 2020

Neil Ferguson, adviser of the British government and leader of the **Imperial College** COVID-19 Response Team, publishes his [study](#) about COVID-19:

“In total, in an unmitigated epidemic, we would predict approximately **510,000 deaths in Great Britain** and **2.2 million in the US**, not accounting for the potential negative effects of **health systems being OVERWHELMED** on mortality.”

Note: The same month the **Imperial College** receives a **\$ 79 million** [donation](#) from the **Gates Foundation**.

March 16, 2020

Antony Fauci [demands](#) that “Americans must be ready to **take more drastic steps**.”

March 16, 2020

French President Emmanuel Macron announces the nationwide lockdown. “**WE are at WAR**”, Macron [said](#) several times during his TV speech.

March 17, 2020

Robert Koch Institute President **Lothar Wieler** [increases](#) the risk classification of the Coronavirus from “**moderate**” to “**high**”, in parts of the country even “**very high**”. He justifies this with the “**great dynamics of the pandemic and the sharp increase in the case numbers**.”

Note: It seems hardly credible that Wieler doesn’t know about the findings of the Arbeitsgemeinschaft Influenza (AGI) affiliated to the *Robert Koch-Institute*., which is subordinated to the RKI.

March 17, 2020



UK's Prime Minister **Boris Johnson** [states](#) in a press conference:

*"This is a disease that is **so dangerous and so infectious** that **without drastic measures** to check its progress it would **OVERWHELM** any health system in the world. (...) That is why **WE** announced the steps yesterday that we did - advising against all unnecessary contact - steps that are unprecedented since World **WAR II**.*

WE must act like any **WARTIME government** and do whatever it takes to support our economy."

March 17, 2020

Microsoft, Google, YouTube, Facebook and other social media platforms [declare](#) in a joint statement that "**WE** are combating fraud and **MISINFORMATION** about the virus, **elevating authoritative content**" and "sharing critical updates in coordination with government healthcare agencies around the world."

March 18, 2020

At a White House press conference, US president **Donald Trump** [says](#) about the fight against corona: "I view it - in a sense as a **WARTIME president.**"

March 18, 2020

AGI publishes the [report](#) for the **11th calendar week** (07.-13.3.2020). **Positive tested samples** from the sentinel this week: 66 influenza viruses, 18 rhinoviruses, 14 hMP-viruses, 8 RS-viruses, 2 PIV (1-4) viruses, **1 SARS-CoV-2**.

March 18, 2020

The German Federal Ministry of the Interior distributes an **internal strategy paper** to other German ministries. An excerpt:

"In order to achieve the **desired shock effect**, concrete effects of a spreading infection on human society must be communicated (...) **Choking** or not getting enough air is **a primal fear for everyone**. The situation in which there is nothing you can do to help relatives who are in danger of life, also. The **pictures from Italy are disturbing**.

Children will get infected easily, even with exit restrictions, e.g. from the neighboring children. When they **infect their parents** afterwards and one of them dies painfully at home and they feel guilty because, e.g. they forgot to

wash their hands after playing, it's **the most terrible thing a child can ever experience.**

Consequential damage: Even if we only have reports on individual cases so far, they paint an alarming picture. Even **those who seem to have healed** after a mild course can apparently experience relapses at any time, which then **suddenly end in death**, due to cardiac infarction or lung failure, because the virus has unnoticed found its way into the lungs or heart. These might be isolated cases, but will **always hover like a sword of Damocles** over those who have been infected once."

Note: The paper will be [leaked](#) in April.

March 19, 2020

[Announcement](#) on the website of the British government: "*Status of Covid-19: As of 19 March 2020, **COVID-19 is no longer considered to be a high consequence infectious disease (HCID) in the UK.***"

March 20, 2020

The **WHO guideline** on "*Implementation of global surveillance of COVID-19*" defines a "**confirmed case**" as "*a person with **laboratory confirmation** of COVID-19 infection, irrespective of clinical signs and symptoms.*"

20.03.2020

Yuval Noah Harari, Israeli history professor, author, and [participant](#) of the 2020 **WEF** meeting, [writes](#) about the corona crisis in the FINANCIAL TIMES: "*Yes, the storm will pass (...) but **WE** will inhabit a **DIFFERENT WORLD.***"

March 20, 2020

Meeting of Chancellor **Angela Merkel** with the heads of the German federal states. From the [protocol](#): "***The rapid spread of the coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) in the past few days in Germany is worrying.***" Drastic measures to limit social contacts are agreed, including **restriction of fundamental civil rights** like the **right to demonstrate.**

March 23, 2020

Britain's Prime Minister **Boris Johnson** [announces](#) the **lockdown.**

March 24, 2020

In an [interview](#) with "[TED Connects](#)" **Bill Gates** states:

"WE don't want to have a lot of recovered people. To be clear, **WE're** trying - through the shut-down in the United States - to not get to one percent of the population infected. **WE're** well below that today, but with **exponentiation**, you could get past that three million. I believe **WE will be able to avoid that with having this economic pain.**

Eventually what **WE'll** have to have is **certificates of who's a recovered person, who's a vaccinated person**, because you don't want people moving

around the world where you'll have some countries that won't have it under control, sadly. You don't want to completely block off the ability for people to go there and come back and move around. So eventually there will be this **DIGITAL IMMUNITY PROOF** that will help facilitate the **global reopening up.**"

Note: One week later, the last sentence was edited out of the official TED [video](#).

March 25, 2020

AGI publishes the [report](#) for the **12th calendar week** (14.-20.03.2020). **Positive tested samples** from the sentinel this week: 40 influenza viruses, 13 rhinoviruses, 14 hMP-viruses, 16 RS-viruses, 3 PIV (1-4) viruses, **3 SARS-CoV-2**.

March 26, 2020

British Ex-Prime Minister **Gordon Brown** [calls](#) for a **global government** to handle the Corona crisis. *"This is not something that can be dealt with in one country. There has to be a coordinated global response. (...) This is first and foremost a medical emergency and there has to be **joint action** to deal with that."*

March 27, 2020

The "American Association For The Advancement Of Science" (AAAS) publishes an [interview](#) with **George Fu Gao**:

"The **big mistake** in the U.S. and Europe, in my opinion, is that **people aren't wearing MASKS**. (...) Many people have **asymptomatic** or presymptomatic **infections**. If they are wearing face masks, it can prevent droplets that carry the virus from escaping and infecting others.

And a really important outstanding question is **how stable this virus is in the environment**. Because it's an enveloped virus, people think it's fragile and particularly sensitive to surface temperature or humidity. But from both U.S. results and Chinese studies, it looks like it's **very resistant to destruction** on some surfaces. It **may be able to survive in many environments**.

We shared the information with scientific colleagues promptly, but this involved public health and we had to wait for policymakers to announce it publicly. **You don't want the public to panic, right?** And no one in any country could have predicted that the virus would cause a pandemic. This is the **FIRST noninfluenza pandemic EVER.**"

March 29, 2020

Larry Fink, founder and CEO of **BlackRock**, the largest money-management firm in the world, writes in his "Chairman's [letter](#) to **SHAREHOLDERS**": *"When **WE** exit this crisis, **the WORLD will be DIFFERENT.**"*

March 30, 2020

As Part of "**Operation Warp SPEED**", that aims to deliver **300 million doses of vaccine** for COVID-19 by January 2021, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (**HHS**)

[announced](#) \$ 456 million in funds for **Johnson & Johnson's** candidate vaccine, with Phase 1 clinical trials set to begin this summer.

April 1, 2020

AGI publishes the [report](#) for the **13rd calendar week** (21.-27.3.2020). **Positive tested samples** of this week: 13 rhinoviruses, 11 influenza viruses, 10 hMP-viruses, 8 RS-viruses, **3 SARS-CoV-2**, 1 PIV (1-4) virus.

April 1, 2020

During a White House [briefing](#), **Antony Fauci** says: *"I think if we get to the part of the curve (...) **when it goes down to essentially no NEW cases**, no **NEW deaths** at a period of time, I think it makes sense that you gonna have **to relax social distancing.**"*

Note: With an estimated **false-positive rate** of the PCR test between 1 and 5% and all positive tested persons considered as "new cases", it is **statistically impossible to ever** get to this point.

April 2, 2020

In an [interview](#) with the FINANCIAL TIMES, **Bill Gates** is asked if he sees

*"a situation where the global economy could be virtually at a standstill for a year or even more". He replies: "Well, it won't go to zero, but it will shrink. (...) But in my lifetime this will be **the greatest economic hit**. But you don't have a choice. **People act like you have a choice.***

*There will be the ability, particularly in rich countries, to **open up if things are done well** over the next few months. But for the world at large, **NORMALCY ONLY returns** when **WE've largely vaccinated the ENTIRE global population.**" [\[videoclip\]](#)*

Note: Exactly 100 years ago, "**Return to normalcy**" was presidential candidate Warren G. Harding's campaign slogan for the first US election after World **WAR I** in **1920**. He was elected with 60,3% of the votes.

April 3, 2020

According to an EURONEWS [article](#) *"more than 3.9 billion people, or **half of the world's population**, have now been asked or **ordered to stay at home** by their governments to prevent the spread of the **deadly COVID-19 virus.**"*

April 1, 2020

Henry Kissinger [writes](#) in the WALL STREET JOURNAL: *"The Coronavirus Pandemic **Will Forever ALTER THE WORLD ORDER.**"*

April 7, 2020

The **WHO** [warns](#) against **too early easing** of coronavirus restrictions.

April 8, 2020

AGI publishes the [report](#) for the **14th calendar week** (28.03.-03.04.2020). **Positive tested samples** of this week: 8 rhinoviruses, 8 hMP-viruses, **3 SARS-CoV-2**, 3 PIV (1-4) viruses, 1 influenza virus, 1 RS-virus.

April 8, 2020

Beate Bahner, German specialist lawyer for medical law, [applies](#) for an **immediate suspension of all Corona restrictions** at the Bundesverfassungsgericht, Germany's highest court. On her homepage, she [calls](#) upon participation in a **demonstration for fundamental civil rights** on Easter Saturday.

Note: Next day Bahner's homepage will be [shut down](#) by her internet provider.

April 9, 2020

German Chancellor **Angela Merkel** [prepares](#) the people for a "life with the virus". "Even if the numbers get better one day, **the pandemic will not go away until WE really have a vaccine with which WE can immunize the population.**"

April 11, 2020

Swiss medical doctor **Thomas Binder** is [arrested](#) by a heavily armed police squad and brought to a **closed department of a Psychiatric ward**. Binder had criticized the government's corona measures, claimed that there is **only a simple flu virus** around and called German virologist **Christian Drosten** a "clown" in a Twitter post.

April 15, 2020

While lawyer **Beate Bahner** is interrogated by the police in Heidelberg, between 150 and 200 demonstrators [express](#) their solidarity with her in front of the police station. The police forces on site do not intervene.

Later that day police headquarters in Mannheim [establishes](#) a **twelve-head task force** to identify the participants and **bring them to prosecution**.

April 15, 2020

AGI publishes the [report](#) for the **15th calendar week** (04.-10.04.2020). **Positive tested samples** of this week: **1 SARS-CoV-2**, 0 rhinoviruses, 0 hMP-viruses, 0 PIV (1-4) viruses, 0 influenza viruses, 0 RS-viruses. In this calendar week, **SARS-CoV-2 is detected for the last time** by the sentinel until now.

Later **AGI** will announce on its [homepage](#) that "**The flu wave of the 2019/20 season ended with the 12th KW 2020.**"(12th calendar week 2020, 14.-20.03.2020)

April 15, 2020

In a telephone [conference](#) German Chancellor **Angela Merkel** and the Heads of government of the federal states agree on the following: "Due to the **high dynamics of the spread** of the coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) in Germany in the first half of March, federal and state governments had to impose **drastic restrictions** on citizens in order to protect people from the infection and to avoid an **OVERLOAD of the Health system.**" It is agreed

that the measures like social distancing remain in place.

*“Germany has a high test capacity of up to **650,000 tests per week** to determine corona infections (**PCR tests**).” It is agreed that the government **guarantees the purchase** of additional test kits and equipment.*

*“A fast achievement of immunity against SARS-CoV-2 in the population without a vaccine is not possible without **OVERWHELMING the health system** and the risk of **MANY DEATHS**. This is why vaccine development is of central importance. The Federal Government supports German companies and international organizations in advancing vaccine development as **QUICKLY** as possible. A **vaccine is the key to getting back to NORMAL life**. As soon as a vaccine is available, **sufficient vaccine doses** must be available as **QUICKLY** as possible **for the entire population**.”*

April 16, 2020

As Part of “**Operation Warp SPEED**”, the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) [announces](#) up to **\$ 483 million** in support for Moderna’s candidate **vaccine**, which **began Phase 1 trials on March 16** and received a **fast-track designation** from **FDA**.

April 21, 2020

The **Rockefeller Foundation** [publishes](#) its “**National Covid-19 Testing Action Plan: Pragmatic steps to reopen our workplaces and our communities**”.

The first step of the [plan](#) is a **massive expansion of Covid-19 testing**: 3 million US citizens tested weekly, with an increase of the number to 30 million per week within six months. The goal to be achieved within one year: the ability to test **30 million people a day**. For each test, a “**reasonable market price**” of **\$ 100** is estimated.

Note: Because of the 1% false-positive results, mathematically, 30 million tests per day would **inevitably generate** at least **9 million false-positive tested persons** (subsequently **quarantined**) and costs of **\$ 90 billion per month**, paid by **taxpayer’s money**.

Step two: The creation of a **Covid Community Healthcare Corps (CCHC)**, “... **at least 100,000 people** and perhaps as many as 300,000 must be hired to undertake a vigorous campaign of test administration and **contact tracing**.” Also, “a national **system to track Covid-19 status** must be created.”

Step three: “Integrate and expand Federal, state, and private **data platforms** to cover the full range of data **required to monitor** the pandemic.”

In the appendix of the paper (page 28):

*“We therefore propose the creation of a **Pandemic Testing Board (PTB)**, akin to the **WAR Production Board** that the United States created in World **WAR II**, in order to massively scale up production and deployment of testing. The Pandemic Testing Board would consist of **leaders from business**, government, academia, and labor.*

*It would have **authority** to identify supply chain elements necessary for manufacturing, procuring, scaling, and deploying any items related to testing, the power to procure*

these materials via contracting with producers and servicers, and the **power to mandate** production or services, **akin to authorities in the Defense Production Act.**” Finally, if necessary, the PTB will also be “**authorized to create a Pandemic Response Corps, comprised of tested civilians**, to assist in the testing.”

April 21, 2020

Lars Schade, **RKI**’s Vice-President, [claims](#) that “there is **no end of the epidemic in sight**, the number of cases may rise again. (...) As long as there is **no vaccine**, the **restrictions** must remain in place. Even if there are no **NEW** cases in Germany, **the virus could come back** into the country from outside.”

24.04.2020

The Cologne District Court orders **Beate Bahner**’s compulsory [detention](#) in the **closed department in a Psychiatric ward**. According to her testimony, she was repeatedly [exposed](#) to **massive physical violence**, “fixation” and multiple accommodation in an isolation room. She was also given **forced medication**. One month later she will be released.

April 30, 2020

A representative [study](#), commissioned by the Austrian Government and carried out in the beginning of April, finds that (with a 95 percent probability) between **0.12 and 0.77% of the population** in Austria would show a **positive SARS-CoV-2 PCR test**.

Note: This result [corresponds](#) to the estimated percentage of **false-positive results of PCR tests**.

May 4, 2020

Austria’s Chancellor Sebastian Kurz states in an [interview](#): “As long as there is **no vaccination** or no effective medication, this disease will accompany us. And as long as that, the **unrestricted freedom of travel** as we have known it **will not come back**.”

May 12, 2020

The BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL publishes the [article](#) “**Interpreting a covid-19 test result**”:

*“No test gives a 100% accurate result; **tests need to be evaluated** to determine their sensitivity and specificity, ideally by comparison with a “gold standard”. The lack of such a clear-cut “gold-standard” for covid-19 testing makes **evaluation of test accuracy challenging**.”*

The researchers work shows that the “**Pre-Test probability**” (the likelihood a person has covid-19 based on their characteristics) has a decisive influence on the probability of a **false-positive result**. E.g. a Pre-test probability of 80% (using a PCR test with a standard sensitivity of 70% and a specificity of 95%) leads to one false-positive in 100 tests. If the influenza season is over, no significant virus activity left and therefore, for example, the Pre-test probability is assumed to be 5%, the number of **false-positive test results** raises to **5 in 100 tests**.

May 15, 2020

A leaked [paper](#) of Germany's **Federal Ministry of the Interior** "**Internal evaluation of Corona crisis management**" claims that an expert panel considers the dangerousness of Covid-19 was highly overestimated: "**Probably at no point did the danger posed by the new virus go beyond the normal level. There is no evidence that this was more than a false alarm.**

The people who die from Corona are essentially those who would statistically die this year, because they have reached the end of their lives and their weakened bodies can no longer cope with any random everyday stress (including the approximately 150 viruses currently in circulation).

*The danger is obviously no greater than that of many other viruses. We are probably dealing with a **global false alarm** that has remained undetected for a long time.*

*The **collateral damage** (Note: of the lockdown measures) is now **higher than the apparent benefit.***"

May 21, 2020

A REUTERS [article](#) quotes **Seth Berkley**, CEO of **GAVI**, speaking at **WHO's** 73rd World Health Assembly in Geneva, Switzerland:

***"Doubts about vaccines** have spread across social media like a disease and **FALSE INFORMATION** that **"KILLS people"** **should be taken down** by the companies running digital platforms." ... **"WE** have to think about it as a disease. **This is a disease**", Berkley said, "this spreads at the speed of light, literally."*

May 21, 2020

As Part of "**Operation Warp SPEED**", the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) [announced](#) up to **\$ 1,2 billion** in support for **AstraZeneca's** candidate vaccine. The agreement is to make available at least 300 million doses of the vaccine for the United States, with the first doses delivered as **early as October 2020** and Phase 3 clinical **studies beginning this summer** with approximately **30,000 volunteers** in the United States.

May 27, 2020

[Statement](#) of German Chancellor **Angela Merkel** about easing the Corona measures:

*"We are still living at the **beginning of the pandemic. We don't have a vaccine**, we don't have any medication yet. **But WE have gained better control.**" She is grateful to the **citizens** for that: "They are the ones who have made a significant contribution to this, and they are the ones **who have the essential control that this will continue to be the case.**"*

June 9, 2020

Analyzing approximately 35,000 SARS-CoV-2 RNA sequences, British / Australian scientists have [identified](#) more than **100 different virus strains of SARS-CoV-2** until now. The

“original” **Wuhan virus** is [no longer detectable](#).

June 13, 2020

Researchers of the **University Barcelona**, Spain, [detect](#) the presence of the **SARS-CoV-2** virus in **samples of waste water** in Barcelona, collected on **12.03.2019**.

June 14, 2020

Jens Spahn, German Minister of Health, [says](#): “Now we have to be careful that we don’t have **too many false-positive results** in the end, because of **too extensive testing**. Because the tests are not 100 percent accurate, they also have a small, but still existing error rate. And when, so to speak, the overall **infection process continues to decrease**, and you **expand testing to millions** at the same time, you suddenly have a **lot more false-positives than true-positives**.”

June 22, 2020

In a [study](#) of the University of Calgary, Canada, the researchers come to the conclusion that the **SARS-CoV-2** virus “has likely possessed **high affinity for human cell targets since at least 2013**.”

June 23, 2020

In an [interview](#) with the “US Chamber of Commerce Foundation” **Bill Gates** is asked about his current concerns.

*“This won’t be the last pandemic that we face. (...) **WE**’ll have to invest in making sure that **WE** catch the disease sooner and that **WE** have platforms to **make diagnostics, therapeutics, and vaccines very QUICKLY** .*

***WE**’ll have to prepare for **the next one. THAT...** you know, what I would say is... **WILL get attention this time.**”[\[videoclip\]](#)*

June 27, 2020

John Ioannidis, leading epidemiologist at Stanford University [states](#) in an interview with the GREEK REPORTER:

*“I feel extremely sad that my predictions were verified. **Major consequences** on the **economy, society and mental health** have already occurred.*

*Globally, the **lockdown measures have increased the number of people at risk of starvation to 1.1 billion**, and they are putting at risk millions of lives, with the potential resurgence of tuberculosis, childhood diseases like measles where vaccination programs are disrupted, and malaria. I hope that policymakers look at the big picture of all the potential problems and not only on the very important, but relatively **thin slice of evidence that is COVID-19**.”*

July 1, 2020

The **Bulgarian Pathology Association** publishes the [article](#) “**COVID19 PCR Tests are Scientifically Meaningless**”. The authors state: “*Though the whole world relies on RT-PCR*

to “diagnose” Sars-Cov-2 infection, the science is clear: **they are not fit for purpose.**

Lockdowns and hygienic measures around the world are based on numbers of cases and mortality rates created by the so-called SARS-CoV-2 RT-PCR tests used to identify “positive” patients, whereby “**positive**” is usually equated with “**infected**”.

But looking closely at the facts, the conclusion is that these PCR tests are meaningless as a diagnostic tool to determine an **alleged infection** by a **supposedly new virus** called SARS-CoV-2.”

July 2, 2020

Wellcome Trust’s Director **Jeremy Farrar**, board member of the “**Global Preparedness Monitoring Board**” [writes](#) in the GUARDIAN:

*“Forget any false sense of security: **WE are still at the START of the global pandemic.**”*

Note: Make yourself a little more familiar with the Wellcome Trust [here](#).

July 17, 2020

Klaus Schwab, WEF founder, [presents](#) “**The Great Reset**”, his vision of a post-COVID world.

*“**WE are at a turning point of humankind** – **WE should not underestimate the historical significance of the situation WE are in.**”*

Note: At WEF’s “*Strategic Intelligence*” [website](#) one can explore all the connections between the **topics of the Great Reset**(activated java script necessary).

July 21, 2020

The EVENING STANDARD [quotes](#) **Jeremy Farrar**:

*“Even, actually, if **WE** have a **vaccine** or very good treatments, humanity will still be **living with this virus for very many, many years... DECADES** to come.”*

July 23, 2020

Antony Fauci [tells](#) CNN that life could **return to NORMAL by sometime next year** with sufficient coronavirus vaccine production:

*“The timetable you suggested of getting into **2021**, well into the year, then I can think with a successful vaccine – if **WE** could **vaccinate the OVERWHELMING majority of the population** – **WE could start talking about real NORMALITY** again.”*

He added:

“But it is going to be a gradual process.”

Note: In his 2005 book “**Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed**”, the American evolutionary biologist Jared Diamond presented the concept of “**Creeping**

normality” as a way, in which **a major change will be accepted as a normal situation** if it happens slowly through unnoticeable increments of change. If the change would take place in a single step or a short period, it could be rejected.

July 24, 2020

[Statement](#) on the homepage of the **German Federal Statistical Office**: “According to the preliminary death figures, **the effects of the flu wave in 2020 were very slight compared to previous years.**”

August 8, 2020

The Daily Situation [Report](#) of the **Robert Koch Institute** shows (**Note**: see page 9, table 5) that in beginning of June during **23rd calendar week 340,986 tests** have been conducted, leading to 3,208 positive results (**0,9%**). Until beginning of August the **number of tests** was **almost doubled. 32rd calendar week: 672,171 tests**, 6,909 positive (**1%** of the tests).

August 13, 2020

From an [article](#) in the German newspaper RNZ: “On Thursday, the Robert Koch Institute (**RKI**) reported **1,445 NEW corona infections in Germany within 24 hours.**”

Note: A accurate term would be “**1,445 positive RT-PCR test results**“. Also, a serious, respectable report would present the number of positive tested persons **in proportion to the absolute number** of conducted tests.

*“The peak of the **daily reported NEW infections** was at more than 6000 in beginning of April. The number had tended to fall after the values still exceeded 1000 in May, and has been **rising again since the end of July**. A further **worsening of the situation** must be **avoided at all costs**, warns the RKI.”*

August 19, 2020

Robert-Koch-Institute’s “Daily Situation [Report](#)” (**Note**: see page 9, table 5) shows that during the **33rd calendar week** (08.-14.08.2020) no less than **875,524 RT-PCR tests** (over **200,000** or **30% tests more** than the previous week) in Germany had been necessary to manufacture the reported “1,445 new corona infections in 24 hours”. For the whole week, 8407 positive test results (**0,96%**) were recorded. This percentage **equals the estimated false-positive rate of the RT-PCR test.**

Note: In the [German version](#) of the reports the **numbers of tests** carried out are **not mentioned** at all.

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