

# autismovaccini.org

An anonymously run website that promotes the debunked claim that vaccines are linked to autism, as well as false health claims about COVID-19.



Proceed with caution: This website severely violates basic journalistic standards.

Score: 7.5/100

## Ownership and Financing

AutismoVaccini.org does not disclose its ownership. The website describes itself at the top of the homepage as a “tool of independent information managed by the Movement Against Autism” (“strumento d’informazione indipendente a cura del Movimento Contro l’Autismo”).

However, NewsGuard could not find any information about the Movement Against Autism.

The site generates revenue through advertising and solicits donations from users.

## Content

AutismoVaccini.org (Autism and Vaccines in English) divides articles into sections such as Timeline Autism and Vaccines (Timeline Autismo e Vaccini), Statistics (Statistiche), Sources (Fonti) and Main Vaccines (Vaccini Principali).

Typical headlines on the site have included “CORONAVIRUS: warnings published on The Lancet” (“CORONAVIRUS: avvertimenti pubblicati su The Lancet”); “Vaccines, trust in crisis in Europe” (“Vaccini, fiducia in crisi in Europa”); and “CORONAVIRUS: real numbers or hidden numbers?” (“CORONAVIRUS: numeri reali o numeri nascosti?”).

The website also publishes informational pages on specific vaccines, with titles such as “Anthrax” and “Cholera.”

## Credibility

AutismoVaccini.org has published false claims about the health risks of vaccines and about the COVID-19 virus.

For example, in a February 2020 article headlined “CORONAVIRUS: why it is a biological warfare weapon” (“CORONAVIRUS: perché è un’arma da guerra biologica”), the author said, “In our opinion this virus is in fact a biological weapon launched by the usual “globalist” criminals that have many business partners in Chinese laboratories” (“La nostra opinione è

- ✗ Does not repeatedly publish false content (22points)
- ✗ Gathers and presents information responsibly (18)
- ✗ Regularly corrects or clarifies errors (12.5)
- ✗ Handles the difference between news and opinion responsibly (12.5)
- ✗ Avoids deceptive headlines (10)
- ✗ Website discloses ownership and financing (7.5)
- ✓ Clearly labels advertising (7.5)
- ✗ Reveals who's in charge, including any possible conflicts of interest (5)
- ✗ The site provides names of content creators, along with either contact or biographical information (5)

Criteria are listed in order of importance.

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che questo virus si tratti effettivamente di un'arma biologica lanciata dai soliti criminali "globalisti" che hanno numerosi partner d'affari nei laboratori cinesi").

A March 2020 study published in the journal Nature Medicine concluded that the virus "is not a laboratory construct or a purposefully manipulated virus." An earlier study, published in February 2020 in the journal Nature, found that the COVID-19 virus is "96% percent identical at the whole-genome level to a bat coronavirus."

In an April 2020 statement, the U.S. intelligence community said it "concur[s] with the wide scientific consensus that the COVID-19 virus was not man made or genetically modified."

In another February 2020 article headlined "CORONAVIRUS: let's imagine the scenario of depopulation that the 'globalists' want to achieve" ("CORONAVIRUS: ipotizziamo lo scenario di depopolamento che vorrebbero realizzare i 'globalisti'"), the author stated, "There are no more doubts that the coronavirus is an armed virus manufactured in a lab, deliberately released by the BSL4 [Biosafety Level 4] lab in Wuhan with the complicity of two other labs (a Canadian and a Texan one), as part of a multiphase plan to place in circulation a more lethal airborne virus." ("Ormai non ci sono più dubbi che il coronavirus è un virus armato e fabbricato in laboratorio, rilasciato deliberatamente dal laboratorio BSL4 di Wuhan BSL4, con la complicità di altri due laboratori [uno canadese ed uno texano] come parte di un piano multifase per mettere in circolazione un virus a diffusione aerea maggiormente letale.")

PolitiFact, FactCheck.org, and the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. all concluded that there is no evidence that the COVID-19 virus came from a Canadian lab and was brought purposefully to the Wuhan Institute of Virology in Wuhan, China, where the COVID-19 virus first emerged.

While two Chinese scientists were escorted from Canada's National Microbiology Lab in July 2019, the Public Health Agency of Canada had asked the scientists to leave due to an investigation of what it described as a "policy breach" and "administrative matter," the CBC reported. Their removal was not connected to the COVID-19 virus outbreak. "This is

misinformation and there is no factual basis for claims being made on social media,” PHAC spokesperson Eric Morrissette told the CBC in January 2020.

The AutismoVaccini.org article does not explain its claim about the “complicity” of a Texas lab in producing the virus. According to a January 2020 FactCheck.org article, a Texas money manager initially tweeted the false claim that linked the Canadian lab to the COVID-19 virus.

The site also regularly publishes stories that falsely link autism to vaccines. On a page titled “Adjuvants in aluminum and neurological disorders” the website says, “Everything that has been described on this page shows in an incontestable manner that the Disorders of the Autistic Spectrum are in fact a neurological pathology based on immunity, allergy and toxicity (rather than psychiatry, as they want to make you think), induced by vaccinations.” (“Tutto ciò che è stato descritto in questa pagina dimostra in modo inoppugnabile che il Disturbo dello Spettro Autistico rappresenta di fatto una patologia neurologica su base immuno-allergo-tossica [anziché psichiatrica come vogliono farvi credere] indotta dalle vaccinazioni.”).

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and many other health and science authorities, including the U.K. National Health Service and the World Health Organization, have repeatedly stated that there is no link between vaccines and autism, based on an abundance of scientific evidence.

The World Health Organization states on its website that, “reviews of the potential association between the preservative thimerosal and aluminium adjuvants contained in inactivated vaccines and the risk of ASD [Autism Spectrum Disorders] strongly concluded that vaccines do not increase the risk of ASDs.”

A January 2020 article questioned the safety of aluminum in vaccines. The article, headlined “Newborns are extremely vulnerable to aluminum in vaccines,” said, “The total concentration of aluminum in a vaccine is hexavalent and enough to cause cellular death within a few hours or a few minutes from when one receives the injection. (“la concentrazione totale di alluminio in un vaccino esavalente è sufficiente per causare la morte cellulare entro poche ore e forse pochi minuti dalla ricezione dell’iniezione”).

A CDC website page dedicated to vaccine safety says that aluminum has been safely used as an adjuvant in vaccines -- an ingredient that strengthens the recipient's immune response to the vaccine -- since the 1930s, and all vaccines containing adjuvants are tested for safety and efficacy before they are licensed for use. A study conducted by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, which was published in the peer-reviewed journal *Vaccine* in November 2011, concluded that "episodic exposures to vaccines that contain aluminum adjuvant continue to be extremely low risk to infants" and that "the benefits of using vaccines containing aluminum adjuvant outweigh any theoretical concerns."

Because AutismoVaccini.org regularly publishes false information regarding vaccines and their health effects, as well as about COVID-19, NewsGuard has determined that the site repeatedly publishes false content, does not gather and present information responsibly, and does not avoid the use of deceptive headlines.

AutismoVaccini.org discloses its overall point of view on the homepage, with a tagline next to its logo saying, "Stop Autism and Vaccines." However, AutismoVaccini.org also publishes opinionated languages in stories that it labels as news and health, which does not meet NewsGuard's standard for handling the difference between news and opinion responsibly.

For example, in a February 2020 article labeled as News and Health Statement (Denuncia Sanitaria) and headlined "Coronavirus: Professor Charles Lieber arrested" ("Coronavirus: arrestato il Prof. Charles Lieber"), the author said, "It is now increasingly clear that the Coronavirus epidemic is part of an international scenario of borderless filth" ("Ormai è sempre più chiaro che l'epidemia di Coronavirus rientra in uno scenario internazionale di porcate senza confini").

The article added, "The monopoly of genetic manipulation, information, nuclear power, bacteriology, finance, pharmaceuticals, politics, and the various main sectors of modern society, is in the hands of a bunch of madmen, and who often pay the price are innocent citizens" ("Il monopolio della manipolazione genetica, dell'informazione, del nucleare, del batteriologico, della finanza, della farmaceutica, della politica, e dei vari

settori nevralgici della società moderna, è in mano a un branco di pazzi, e spesso ne fanno le spese inermi e incolpevoli cittadini”).

In a June 2020 article, labeled as Health Statement (Denuncia Sanitaria) and headlined “Bill Gates’ plan to vaccinate the world” (“Il programma di Bill Gates per vaccinare il mondo”), the author said, “In June 2010 Bill and Melinda Gates announced that they would invest 10 billion dollars to inaugurate a decade of vaccines. This is far from a pure and good act, but rather this attempt to direct the global health economy is part of a much bigger agenda. An agenda that in the end would bring major profits to the big pharmaceutical companies, a bigger control by the Gates Foundation on the global health scene and more power to Bill Gates to shape the future of billions of people around the globe.”

(“Nel gennaio del 2010, Bill e Melinda Gates hanno annunciato un impegno di 10 miliardi di dollari per inaugurare un decennio di vaccini. Ma lungi dall’essere un bene puro, la verità è che questo tentativo di orientare l’economia sanitaria globale faceva parte di un’agenda molto più ampia. Un’agenda che alla fine porterebbe a maggiori profitti per le grandi aziende farmaceutiche, un maggiore controllo da parte della Fondazione Gates sul campo della salute globale e un maggiore potere per Bill Gates di plasmare il corso del futuro per miliardi di persone in tutto il pianeta.”)

AutismoVaccini.org does not publish a correction policy and NewsGuard could not find any examples of corrections.

NewsGuard was unable to seek comment from AutismoVaccini.org on its false health claims, lack of corrections, and unlabeled opinion because the website does not provide contact information. An email sent to an address listed on AutismoVaccini.org’s Facebook page was not deliverable.

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Transparency

AutismoVaccini.org does not disclose its ownership or editorial leadership on the website.

Articles are usually signed “Movement Against Autism.” The website does not publish a separate staff list.

NewsGuard was unable to seek comment from AutismoVaccini.org on its failure to disclose ownership and editorial leaders or provide information about content creators. The website does not provide contact information. An email sent to an address listed on AutismoVaccini.org's Facebook page was not deliverable.

Advertisements are clearly distinguishable from editorial content.

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History                    The domain AutismoVaccini.org was registered in 2013.

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