

Universal Health Organisation (UHO)

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The weekly newsletters bring the updates on the science, battered and bruised during the pandemic, legal updates and impact of activism for a just society, across the world. These are small steps to promote Transparency, Empowerment and Accountability – the ethos of the UHO.

Announcement: Membership & endorsements to the UHO invited: <https://uho.org.in/member.php>

Recommendation for the 8th Shot of the Covid-19 vaccine

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Magazine, the largest circulating magazine in the USA with around 38 million readers annually has [recommended](#) its readers to go for the 8th shot of the Covid-19 vaccine. In response to a reader's question, "I am up to 5 Covid shots (boosters). Should I really be signing up for another one now?" – the magazine recommends that all Americans above 6 months of age should get the booster with the new shot which targets the latest circulating strains of the coronavirus. A person who already has taken 5 boosters in addition to the primary vaccination with two jabs is being advised by the magazine to take the 8th jab! Never in public health history were so many boosters at such short intervals recommended for any infection. And the mortality from Covid-19 is the least of all infections!

UHO is of the opinion that there is zero science and 100% commercial interest in this strategy and hopes our country is able to resist the high pressure marketing by the vaccine industry. With investments in vaccines and pharmaceuticals instead of promotion of health by our policy makers this is going to be difficult. The proposed WHO Pandemic Treaty which the Indian government seems only too keen to sign is all about trade and politics and least about health. Many vaccine manufacturers & "philanthropists" like Bill Gates see India offering huge business prospects given our large population. The mRNA vaccine is being [developed](#) in India and promoted against the Covid-19 Omicron variants. So we expect market forces will come into play to promote the vaccine and hype up the panic of Covid-19 in cahoots with vested interests. Awareness and empowerment of people on these dynamics is important to prevent commerce taking precedence over science as there is no proper monitoring and reporting of adverse events following immunization (AEFI).

Economic Times – Pardon me, Your Slip is Showing!

Cover up is not easy. Currently the media is going into overdrive trying to project that the new coronavirus variant, JN.1 can cause a pandemic of heart attacks globally. This is based on a "proof of concept" [study](#) by researchers in Japan. They cultured cardiac cells outside the body from stem cells. They infected these cells by the virus to see how soon the heart cells get rid of it. The scientists speculated that since the virus has an affinity for ACE-2 receptors and the heart muscles are rich in these, the virus can harbor in the heart for long leading to myocarditis and heart attacks. This whiff was enough for the mainstream media to start the propaganda and raise the panic of pandemic of heart attacks due to the JN.1 variant.

"Proof of concept" studies are very preliminary studies which have yet to be validated in practice. It is highly irresponsible for the authors of the paper to raise the panic on basis of mere speculation. Even their "proof of concept" could be challenged as the earlier variants which were more virulent also attached to the ACE-2 receptors and during the first wave before the vaccines were introduced there

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was no increase in cardiac events, particularly in the young.

Proof of concept is also wrong in its assumption that the virus reaches the heart in all the persons who get infected. The less virulent mutants don't even go to lower respiratory tract and even with pneumonia the heart may not be affected. If we split hairs, even the [common cold virus can cause myocarditis](#) in rare instances.

Among the mainstream media, The Economic Times takes the cake in how to shoot oneself in the foot! In a recent [feature in its Healthworld section](#), it starts the op-ed with the news about the recent spike in Covid-19 cases, and particularly warns that the JN.1 variant can lead to a pandemic of heart attacks based on the "proof of concept" Japanese [study](#). But at the end of the column, it cites a study from Switzerland published in the European Journal of Heart failure in October 2023, to support their views that the new variants can cause a pandemic of heart attacks. Here is the paradox. The paper from Switzerland incriminates the Covid-19 vaccine as causing heart cell damage and myocarditis. It makes no mention of the virus as causing myocarditis. Cover up, is not easy. The skeletons are tumbling out of the closet. The Economic Times is not only indulging in irresponsible reporting but also exposing its casual approach, and its stupidity, in cross checking the facts or interpreting them.

Covid-19 Vaccine inquiry in the UK postponed

According to BBC [news](#), the Covid-19 inquiry in progress in the UK has postponed the Covid-19 vaccine inquiry indefinitely, likely after the next general election. This move will be disappointing for many. The Covid-19 public inquiry underway in the UK has been divided into a number of phases, called modules, each covering a different aspect.

The first phase, which started in June 2023, looked at planning for the pandemic. This report will likely be tabled this summer. The second phase, looking at political decisions started in October 2023. The module investigating vaccines and therapeutics was originally planned to start in the summer of 2024 but now has been postponed indefinitely. The investigation into vaccines was supposed to look into the details or rollout of the jabs, and concerns about safety aspects including any link between the vaccines and heart attacks. It is likely that this part of the inquiry will be pushed beyond the general elections in UK which is scheduled in Jan 2025.

UHO expresses concerns that this postponement seems to be driven by politics not science. Science demands immediate answers when human lives are at stake as obvious from [excess death reports](#) and heart related events at a global level.

The Indian Covid-19 Vaccine Investigation

The Indian investigation of the link between excess cardiac events and the Covid-19 jabs is even more dismal. The much touted [ICMR study](#) conceals more than it reveals. The study title is "Factors associated with unexplained sudden deaths among adults aged 18-45 years in India..." The title cleverly fails to mention that the association between the vaccines and heart attack deaths has been investigated in the study. This is for a purpose which the lay person will not understand.

The purpose is to mask the link by diverting attention to other risk factors. The most crucial omission

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in this study is that they took the controls from the same neighborhood as the cases that died. This will [efface any link](#) between the vaccines and sudden deaths since the vaccine uptake will tend to be equal among the cases and controls, and so even if the vaccine is strongly related to sudden deaths, this will not be detected by this study design. In case control study this phenomenon is called “overmatching.” Besides this major flaw, there are many [other weaknesses](#) in the study.

The UHO regrets that an august body like the ICMR has conducted such a sloppy study on an issue where human lives, including those of young people are at stake. With the resources and funds at its disposal the ICMR could have undertaken a proper study in which vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals could have been followed forward in time to compare the adverse, events, if any, in both the groups. Rather this system of close monitoring should have been in place before the mass vaccine rollout particularly for an experimental vaccine. Given our digital dividend, the UHO thinks it is possible even now to retrieve this data from the Cowin platform. Provided, of course, our policy makers want to know the unpalatable truth. Like the politicians in the UK our leaders too have an eye on the coming elections this year!

Over 200 US military personnel demand the President Joe Biden be court-martialed for forced experimentation on troops with Covid-19 vaccines

The mainstream USA newspaper Daily Mail [reports](#) that over 200 US military personnel have asked for the court-martial of President Joe Biden for forcefully implementing mandatory vaccination in the military which left many service personnel mentally and physically scarred. Those who refused, about 8,000, were fired from their jobs. Biden has been accused of ignoring the pleas of the military personnel for justice. The complainants have also asked for the military leaders who were close to Biden and have retired to be recalled for the trial. The mandate in the military was issued in August 2021 which led to the firing of 8,000 soldiers who refused the vaccine.

Military organizations are by ethos and nature of the task required of them, authoritarian, and this development is significant in this context. The loss of trust among the disciplined forces may be the tip of the iceberg of overall population level distrust.

In the Indian Armed Forces there was only one case of an [air force personnel refusing](#) the vaccine and his dismissal was stayed by the Gujarat High Court.

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