

# Coronavirus: Social media ‘spreading virus conspiracy theories’ | BBC News

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Unregulated social media platforms like Facebook and YouTube may present a health risk to the UK because they are spreading conspiracy theories about coronavirus.

That’s the conclusion of a peer-reviewed study published in the journal Psychological Medicine, which finds people who get their news from social media sources are more likely to break lockdown rules.

The research team from Kings College London suggests social media news sites may need to do more to regulate misleading content.

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