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In the Coronavirus 'Infodemic,' Here's How to Avoid Bad Information | Wall Street Journal

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The same coronavirus post kept popping up on my Facebook feed last week. People in my network—a friend's mom, a college classmate and another "friend," who I'm not sure I've even met in person—had somehow obtained identical symptom and treatment guidance from Stanford University.

There were details about an at-home testing technique involving breath holding, as well as something truly dubious about sipping water every 15 minutes. On March 12, the university said the text was "not from Stanford."

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