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Meet three Reddit moderators fighting disinformation on r/Coronavirus | Science News

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Combating misinformation online is an ongoing challenge for big tech, and it's especially difficult when it's on a discussion board with millions of people during a pandemic.

One such place is the r/Coronavirus community on the website Reddit. In January 2020, it had around 1,000 members. That number spiked to 1.5 million by March of 2020, partly due to Reddit highlighting it on their homepage over any of the other related subreddits. Today, the page has 2.4 million users, with around 10,000 new comments a day.

The forum has become a one-stop shop for up-to-date coronavirus information, offering up pandemic news, locations of vaccination sites and how to sign up for clinical trials.

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