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What drove the COVID misinformation 'infodemic'? | Cornell Alliance for Science

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> The Cornell Alliance for Science has just released a <u>media analysis</u> that identifies the hot topics and major players in the misinformation "infodemic" that has accompanied the global COVID-19 pandemic.

The study, which evaluated 38 million articles published by English-language, traditional media worldwide, identified over 1.1 million news articles that disseminated, amplified or reported on misinformation related to the pandemic. The misinformation conversation was dominated by 11 primary topics, ranging from conspiracy theories to attacks against Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

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