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Why coronavirus misinformation is so hard to fight | PBS NewsHour

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If you've been paying attention to the news lately, you've probably heard some wild claims about the coronavirus. We talk to two fact checkers who walk us through what they're seeing during this pandemic — including one specific claim about the virus' origins — and a scientist explains why we believe misinformation in the first place.

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