

Dr. Fauci calls stories of a relationship between 5G and COVID-19 “ridiculous”

What the experts say when asked about stories of a relationship between 5G & COVID-19:



“...that’s thoroughly preposterous, untrue, and actually ridiculous... 5G doesn’t have any impact on the immune system.”

—DR. ANTHONY FAUCI

Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases



“It’s a ridiculous concept.”

—DR. JOHN BUCHER

Senior Scientist, National Toxicology Program

A New York Times investigation revealed that the Russian government is “doing its best to stoke the fears of American viewers,” by spreading false information about 5G and health, including “claims that lack scientific support.” Recent conspiracy theories and misinformation about a relationship between 5G and COVID-19 may be the latest in their efforts. But there’s no dispute that animals are the source of the coronavirus, according to experts, including the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control.

“Coronaviruses are zoonotic, meaning they are transmitted between animals and people. Detailed investigations found that SARS-CoV was transmitted from civet cats to humans and MERS-CoV from dromedary camels to humans. Several known coronaviruses are circulating in animals that have not yet infected humans.”—[World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#)

“Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that are common in people and many different species of animals, including camels, cattle, cats, and bats. Rarely, animal coronaviruses can infect people and then spread between people such as with MERS-CoV, SARS-CoV, and now with this new virus (named SARS-CoV-2). The SARS-CoV-2 virus is a betacoronavirus, like MERS-CoV and SARS-CoV. All three of these viruses have their origins in bats. The sequences from U.S. patients are similar to the one that China initially posted, suggesting a likely single, recent emergence of this virus from an animal reservoir.”

—[Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#)

The Federal Communications Commission and WHO also said stories of a link between 5G and COVID-19 are false:

“A worldwide online conspiracy theory has attempted to link 5G cell phone technology as being one of the causes of the coronavirus. Many cell towers have been set on fire as a result. 5G technology does NOT cause coronavirus.”

—[FCC/FEMA](#)

“Fact: 5G mobile networks DO NOT spread COVID-19... Viruses cannot travel on radio waves/mobile networks. COVID-19 is spreading in many countries that do not have 5G mobile networks.”—[WHO](#)

Other experts weighed in on stories of a relationship between 5G and COVID-19:

“There is no relation between 5G and [COVID-19]. The theory that 5G might compromise the immune system and thus enable people to get sick from coronavirus is based on nothing. There are no indications from scientific studies that 5G (or any other G) affects the immune system. If that would be the case, we would have seen effects on the scale and severity of infectious diseases already decades ago. And we don’t.”—[Eric van Rongen](#), *Chairman, International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection*

“The 5G story is complete and utter rubbish, it’s nonsense, it’s the worst kind of fake news... I’m absolutely outraged, absolutely disgusted that people would be taking action against the very infrastructure that we need to respond to this health emergency.”—[Stephen Powis](#), *National Medical Director, NHS England*

“The coronavirus is not being spread by radio waves. It’s a real shame, during this time when there are real concerns about the health and well-being of the general public, and the economic toll that the fight against this pandemic is taking, that any time or energy has to be put into fighting this and other false rumours.”—[Monika Gehner](#), *Spokesperson, International Telecommunication Union, UN*

“This story about 5G has no credence scientifically and is certainly a potential distraction, as is other such misinformation, from controlling the COVID-19 epidemic.”—[Dr. Jonathan M. Samet](#), *Dean of the Colorado School of Public Health*

“The idea that 5G lowers your immune system doesn't stand up to scrutiny... [the energy levels from] 5G radio waves are tiny and they are nowhere near strong enough to affect the immune system. There have been lots of studies on this.”—[Dr. Simon Clarke](#), *Associate Professor in Cellular Microbiology, University of Reading*

“There is no established evidence that low level radio wave exposure from 5G and other wireless telecommunications can affect the immune system or cause any other long term or short term health effects.”—[Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency \(ARPANSA\)](#)