

**Supplementary information**

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**The mRNA vaccine development landscape  
for infectious diseases**

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## **Data sourcing and analysis**

From February 2020 onwards, CEPI has studied the mRNA vaccine development landscape for infectious diseases by using internal and external data sources, including:

- CEPI internal sources: Call for proposal process, direct interaction with mRNA vaccine developers
- Clinical trial databases (ClinicalTrials.gov)
- WHO
- Publicly available literature (PubMed)
- Media and press releases

Our search collected, documented and updated information regarding platform technology, development status, and consortium partners including manufacturing from the available data sources on a weekly basis.

***Inclusion criteria.*** Our search identified and operationalized three data sources:

- Vaccine developers with detailed vaccine development plans recorded through the CEPI Call for proposal process or through personal communication
- Vaccine candidates that have been announced publicly by the product developer, including details on the platform technology and/or current development status
- Vaccine developers which licensed their technology to several partners, which are listed only once.

There are several reasons for the selection of these data sources. First, the CEPI team has been uniquely positioned to outline these data, since CEPI has undertaken the lead role of processing these applications. Second, the criteria of public announcement relate to the retrievability, transparency and reliability of our sources.

This landscape analysis focuses on mRNA vaccines for infectious diseases only.

***Exclusion criteria.*** Vaccine candidates in clinical phases without confirmation of dosing start/trial registration were not listed in the database.

***Limitations.*** Vaccine development programmes described in languages other than English have not been systematically screened. A large amount of publicly available information comes from media sources, which might not be completely reliable. Internal or public information about development status (that is, exploratory, preclinical or later development stage) is not available for some vaccine candidates.

Supplementary Table 1 | **Current pipeline of mRNA platform-based vaccine candidates in clinical development**

| Lead organization                   | mRNA platform   | Pathogen                            | mRNA ID               | Phase     | Source  |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---|
| Moderna                             | Modified        | SARS-CoV-2                          | mRNA-1273             | Approved  | <a href="https://www.modernatx.com">https://www.modernatx.com</a>                             |
|                                     |                 | SARS-CoV-2 Beta variant             | mRNA-1273.351         | Phase 1   |   |
|                                     |                 | SARS-CoV-2 Delta variant            | mRNA-1273.617         | Phase 2   |   |
|                                     |                 | SARS-CoV-2 Wild + beta variant      | mRNA-1273.211         | Phase 2   |   |
|                                     |                 | SARS-CoV-2 Omicron variant          | mRNA-1273.529         | Phase 2   |   |
|                                     |                 | SARS-CoV-2 Beta + delta variant     | mRNA-1273.213         | Phase 2   |   |
|                                     |                 | SARS-CoV-2 Next-generation (2-5 °C) | mRNA-1283             | Phase 2   |   |
|                                     |                 | Flu                                 | mRNA-1010             | Phase 2   |   |
|                                     |                 | CMV                                 | mRNA-1647             | Phase 3   |   |
|                                     |                 | EBV                                 | mRNA-1189             | Phase 1   |   |
|                                     |                 | Paediatric hMPV+PIV3                | mRNA-1653             | Phase 1   |   |
|                                     |                 | RSV                                 | mRNA-1345             | Phase 2/3 |   |
|                                     |                 | Zika                                | mRNA-1893             | Phase 2   |   |
| HIV                                 | mRNA-1644       | Phase 1                             |                       |           |   |
| CureVac                             | Non-modified    | SARS-CoV-2*                         | CVnCoV                | Phase 3   | <a href="https://www.curevac.com">https://www.curevac.com</a>                                 |
|                                     |                 | Rabies                              | CV7202                | Phase 1   |   |
| Imperial College                    | Self-amplifying | SARS-CoV-2*                         | LNP-nCoV saRNA        | Phase 1/2 | <a href="https://www.isrctn.com/ISRCTN17072692">ISRCTN17072692</a>                            |
| Sanofi (TranslateBio)               | Non-modified    | SARS-CoV-2*                         | MRT5500               | Phase 1/2 | <a href="https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04798027">NCT04798027</a>           |
|                                     |                 | Flu                                 | MRT5400/5401          | Phase 1/2 | <a href="#">Source</a>  |
| StemiRNA                            | Modified        | SARS-CoV-2                          | mRNA Covid-19 vaccine | Phase 1   | <a href="https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/ChiCTR2100045984">ChiCTR2100045984</a> |
| BioNTech/ Pfizer                    | Modified        | SARS-CoV-2                          | BNT162b2              | Approved  | <a href="https://www.biontech.de/">https://www.biontech.de/</a>                               |
|                                     |                 | Flu                                 | BNT161                | Phase 1   |   |
| Arcturus Therapeutics               | Self-amplifying | SARS-CoV-2                          | ARCT-021              | Phase 2   | <a href="https://www.arcturusrx.com/">https://www.arcturusrx.com/</a>                         |
|                                     |                 | SARS-CoV-2 (variants)               | ARCT-154              | Phase 3   |   |
| Gennova Biopharmaceuticals          | Self-amplifying | SARS-CoV-2                          | HGC019                | Phase 2/3 | <a href="https://www.hgco19.com/">https://www.hgco19.com/</a>                                 |
| Daiichi Sankyo/ University of Tokyo | NA              | SARS-CoV-2                          | DS-5670a              | Phase 1/2 | <a href="https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04821674">NCT04821674</a>           |
| Chula/ BioNet Asia                  | Modified        | SARS-CoV-2                          | ChulaCoV19            | Phase 1/2 | <a href="https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04566276">NCT04566276</a>           |
| Walvax Biotechnology                | Modified        | SARS-CoV-2                          | ARCoV                 | Phase 3   | <a href="https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04847102">NCT04847102</a>           |
| Elixirgen                           | Self-amplifying | SARS-CoV-2                          | EXG-5003              | Phase 1/2 | <a href="https://www.elixirgen.com/">https://www.elixirgen.com</a>                            |
| Providence Therapeutics             | Modified        | SARS-CoV-2                          | PTX-COVID19-B         | Phase 2   | <a href="https://www.providencetherapeutics.com/">https://www.providencetherapeutics.com/</a> |
| GSK                                 | Self-amplifying | SARS-CoV-2                          | GSK4184258A           | Phase 1   | <a href="https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04758962">NCT04758962</a>           |
|                                     |                 | Rabies                              | GSK3903133A           | Phase 1   | <a href="https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04062669">NCT04062669</a>           |
| Gritstone Bio                       | Self-amplifying | SARS-CoV-2                          | SAM-LNP-S             | Phase 1   | <a href="https://www.gritstonebio.com/">https://www.gritstonebio.com/</a>                     |

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## **Supplementary Box 1 | Key challenges for mRNA vaccines**

### **Disease target**

- Pathogen and strain coverage — multivalency yet to be established across strains and pathogens

### **Clinical**

- Reactogenicity — unclear safety risk/benefit outside a pandemic setting
- Immunogenicity — some pathogens other than SARS-CoV-2 may require greater cellular response
- Durability — unproven durability of protective immunity

### **Delivery**

- Thermostability — stability at 4°C or ambient temperature in liquid formulation currently not available
- Deployability — syringe and needle intramuscular administration requires skilled personnel

### **Manufacturing/other**

- IP restrictions — uncertain freedom to operate in various countries
- Geographic diversity — production and expertise concentrated in US and EU
- Response time — 10–12 months from sequence to EUA
- Regulatory pathway — traditional efficacy pathway currently required for initial vaccines
- Bottlenecks in availability of raw materials