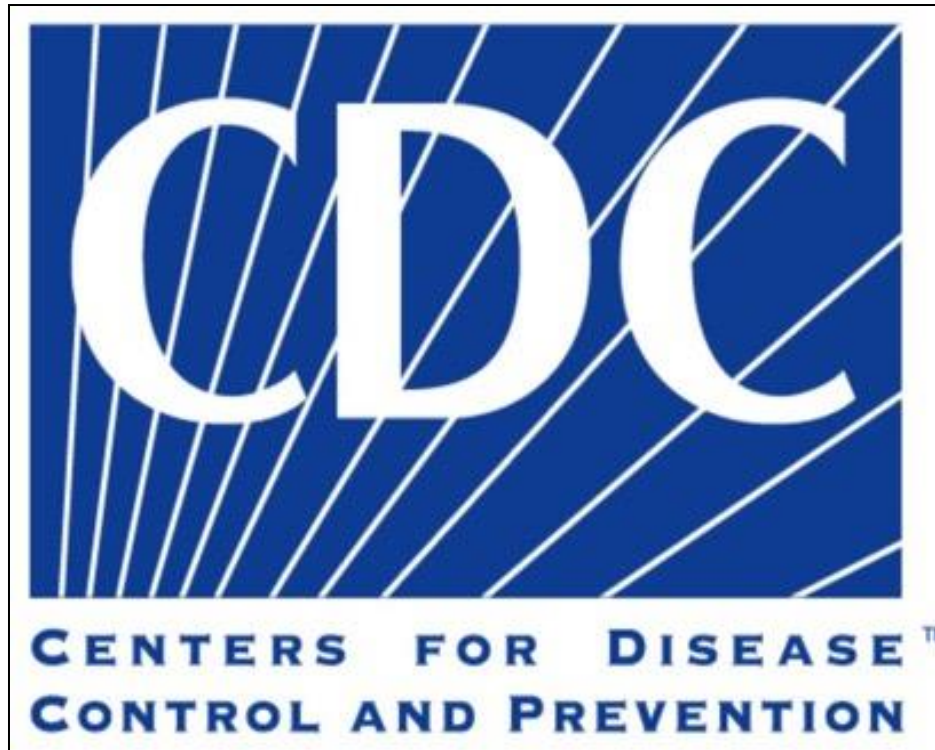


# 1. Institutional Capture by Special Interests



The blogger in the science thriller “Contagion” accused the CDC of being “in bed” with Big Pharma. Is there any merit to this accusation in real life?



The CDC is a government agency that has existed since 1946, but a significant portion of its operating budget comes from donors to the “CDC Foundation,” which was founded in 1992.



## Some CDC jobs are funded through the CDC Foundation.

‘(b) PURPOSE OF FOUNDATION- The purpose of the Foundation shall be to support and carry out activities for the prevention and control of diseases, disorders, injuries, and disabilities, and for promotion of public health.

‘(c) Endowment Fund-

‘(1) IN GENERAL- In carrying out subsection (b), the Foundation shall establish a fund for providing endowments for positions that are associated with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and dedicated to the purpose described in such subsection. Subject to subsection (f)(1)(B), the fund shall consist of such donations as may be provided by non-Federal entities and such non-Federal assets of the Foundation (including earnings of the Foundation and the fund) as the Foundation may elect to transfer to the fund.

‘(2) AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES OF FUND- The provision of endowments under paragraph (1) shall be the exclusive function of the fund established under such paragraph. Such endowments may be expended only for the compensation of individuals holding the positions, for staff, equipment, quarters, travel, and other expenditures that are appropriate in supporting the positions, and for recruiting individuals to hold the positions endowed by the fund.

<https://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/102/hr3635/text>

Many of the main funders of the CDC Foundation are in health, pharmaceutical, and biotechnology industries:



## \$50,000 AND ABOVE

ActBlue Charities

America's Charities

American Type Culture Collection  ← biotech

Anonymous (4) ← ???

Anthem Foundation ← health

Avram Corporation ← health

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation  ← biotech/vaccines

Alabama Department of Public Health

American Online Giving Foundation

Amgen Inc.  ← biotech

Anthem Blue Cross ← health

Arizona Department of Health Services

Benevity

Bloomberg Philanthropies 

<https://www.cdcfoundation.org/FY2021/donors?group=corp>

**Hat Tip "The COVID Blog:** <https://thecovidblog.com/2021/03/23/cdc-foundation-is-not-a-government-entity-has-many-conflicts-of-interest/>

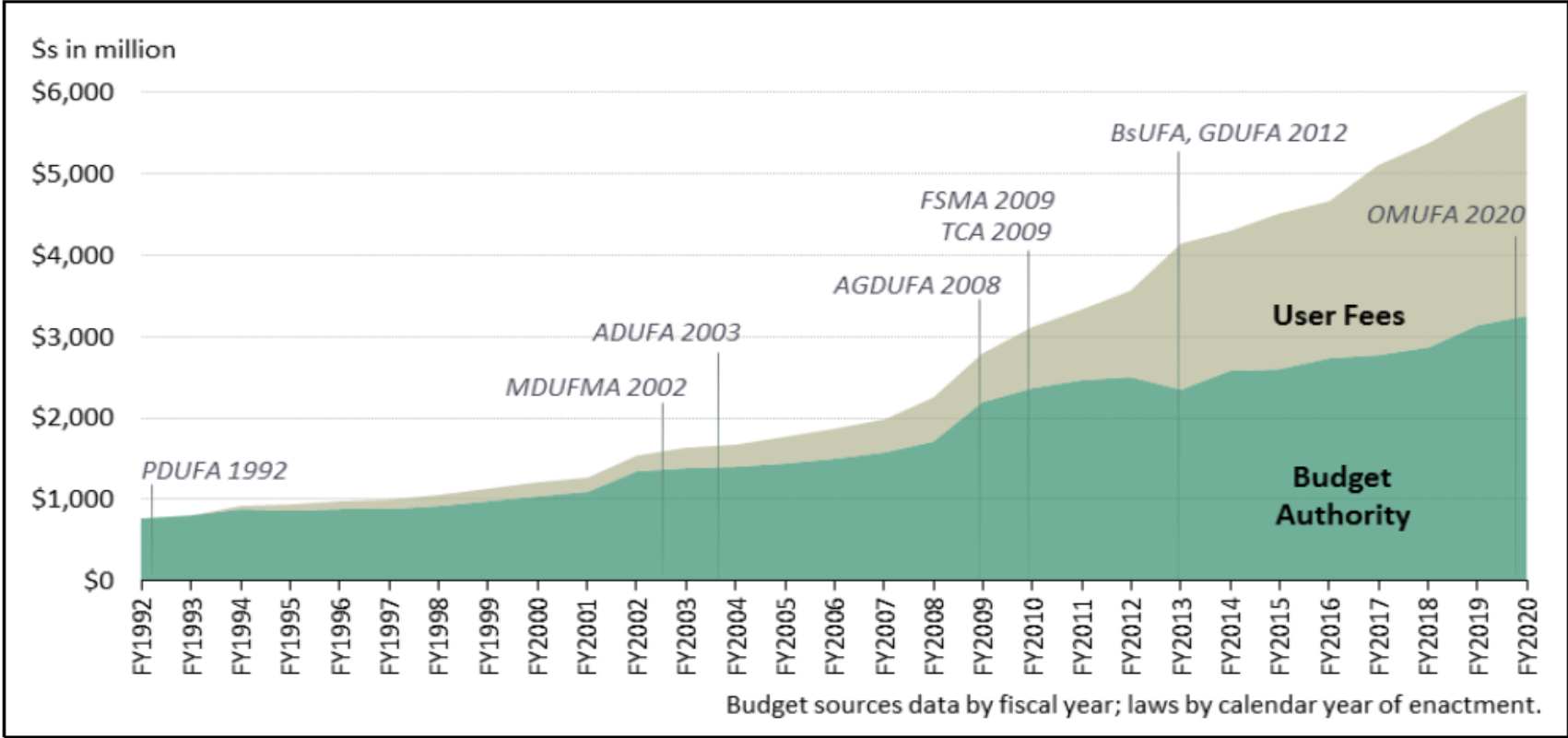
## What about the Food and Drug Administration?



The FDA is increasingly dependent on funding from drug makers because user fees now cover nearly half of the FDA operating budget. What are the implications?

**Figure 1. FDA Spending, by Source, FY 1992-FY2020**

(in millions of dollars)



Source: Figure created by CRS using the FY 1992 through FY 2022 FDA CJs.

According to this FDA executive, reviewers are under pressure to expedite approval of products from the companies that provide the most funding.



<https://www.projectveritas.com/news/fda-executive-officer-on-hidden-camera-reveals-future-covid-policy-biden/>

**Cole:** *The drug companies, the food companies, the vaccine companies, they pay us hundreds of millions of dollars per year to hire and keep reviewers to approve their products.*

**Project Veritas:** What happens if you speak out?

**Cole:** *You're not going to get to certain levels of government.*

*It's better to stay quiet and accept it.*



In 2004, FDA research epidemiologist David Graham testified before congress on how the FDA suppressed safety concerns over the anti-inflammatory Vioxx. Graham estimates that the FDA's negligence led to at least 100,000 heart attacks with as many as 40,000 deaths. Eventually, the makers of Vioxx pulled this drug from the market on their own initiative.

Graham claimed this was not isolated incident, and that the FDA consistently downplayed new safety concerns on drugs that were previously FDA-approved.



<https://x.com/MidwesternDoc/status/1817610306782425133>

## Another concern is how the revolving door between these agencies & Big Pharma contributes to this ongoing conflict of interest in public health and special interests.

Former CDC  
head lands  
vaccine job at  
Merck



Dr. Julie Gerberding, former director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, was named president of Merck & Co Inc's vaccine division, the company said on Monday.

Mark B.  
McClellan, M.D.,  
Ph.D.



Independent Director  
since 2013

Johnson & Johnson

Institution. Dr. McClellan served as Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services from 2004 to 2006 and as Commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) from 2002 to 2004.



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Stephen Hahn  
joining venture  
capital firm  
behind Moderna



Stephen Hahn, a former commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), is set to serve as a chief medical officer at the venture capital firm that launched Moderna, according to a statement...

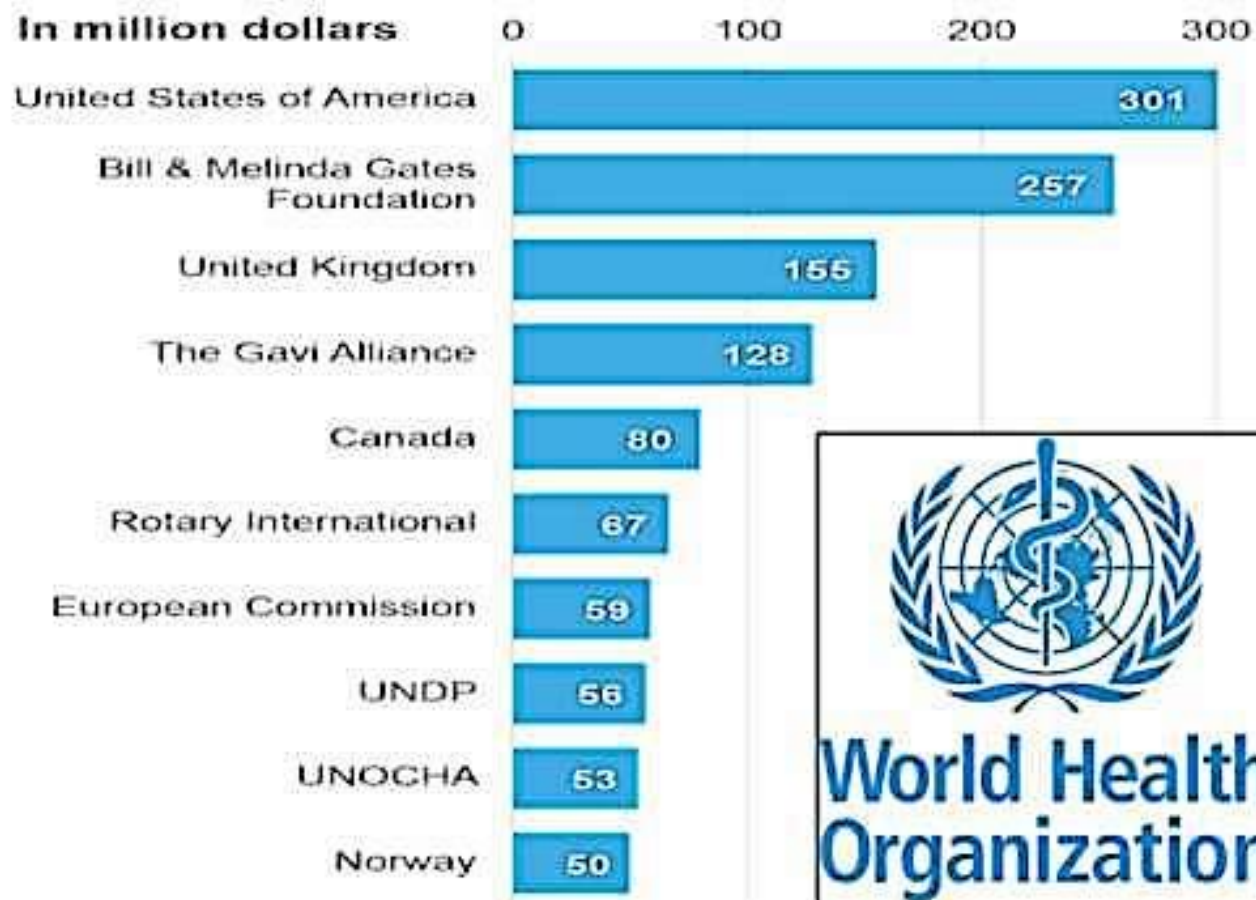
The Hill

## Who funds the WHO?



**World Health  
Organization**

# Top 10 WHO voluntary contributors in 2014



UNDP: United Nations Development Programme.  
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The Gates Foundation is the (unofficial) top funder of the WHO.

In 2019 Gates partnered with one of the main producers of mRNA vaccines, so it was in their interest to fund influential institutions of public health like the WHO and CDC.

September 6, 2019 09:45 AM EDT Updated 10:32 AM | News Briefing  

## BioNTech partners with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, scoring \$55M equity investment; BeiGene brushes off short attack

 **Natalie Grover**  
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### Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine (also known as BNT162b2)

This product information is intended only for residents of the United States.

**Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine (2023-2024 Formula) has not been approved or licensed by FDA, but has been authorized for emergency use by FDA, under an EUA to prevent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) for use in individuals 6 months through 11 years of age. The emergency use of this product is only authorized for the duration of the declaration that circumstances exist justifying the authorization of emergency use of the medical product under Section 564(b)(1) of the FD&C Act unless the declaration is terminated or authorization revoked sooner.**

<https://www.pfizer.com/products/product-detail/pfizer-biontech-covid-19-vaccine>

<https://endpts.com/biontech-partners-with-bill-and-melinda-gates-foundation-scoring-55m-equity-investment-novartis-sells-china-unit/>

## 2. Problematic Legislation



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The **Bayh-Dole Act** of 1980 allowed federal agencies to collect royalties.

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2023/03/21/hhs-doc-announce-plan-review-march-in-authority.html>.



NIH now benefits from all purchases of mRNA vaccines because Moderna and NIH “co-own” the patent for this commercial product.

This is a conflict of interest because NIH is also the primary US government agency responsible for research that determines public health.







## About the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program

The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986 (PDF - 312 KB), as amended, created the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP), a no-fault alternative to the traditional tort system. It provides compensation to people found to be injured by certain vaccines. Even in cases in which such a finding is not made, petitioners may receive compensation through a settlement.

The **National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act** of 1986 provided liability protection to manufacturers of all products listed on the childhood immunization schedule.

<https://digitalcommons.law.uw.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=3792&context=wlr>.

This made childhood vaccines far more profitable because it shifted financial responsibility for vaccine injury to taxpayers by means of a “vaccine court” administered by Health and Human Services. <https://www.hrsa.gov/vaccine-compensation/about>

**HR-5736 Smith Mundt Modernization Act** of 2012 lifted the domestic ban on government propaganda. Prior to this law, most government propaganda could only be disseminated in other nations. <https://www.usagm.gov/who-we-are/oversight/legislation/smith-mundt-faqs/>

A critic raised concerns that this law lacked oversight, and that there was no way of assuring the accuracy of this information.

<https://www.buzzfeednews.com/article/mhastings/congressmen-seek-to-lift-propaganda-ban>



The daughter of a Kuwaiti ambassador presenting fictitious testimony to garner support for the Gulf War.



Head of CDC Rochelle Wallensky presenting unsupported claims to garner wider acceptance of COVID vaccines.

The **Prep Act** of 2020 provided liability protection to health workers and manufacturers from all procedures and products designated as “pandemic countermeasures.”

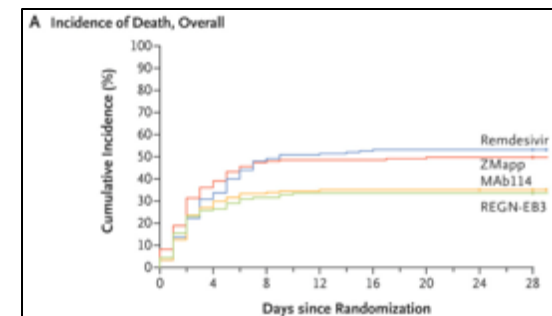
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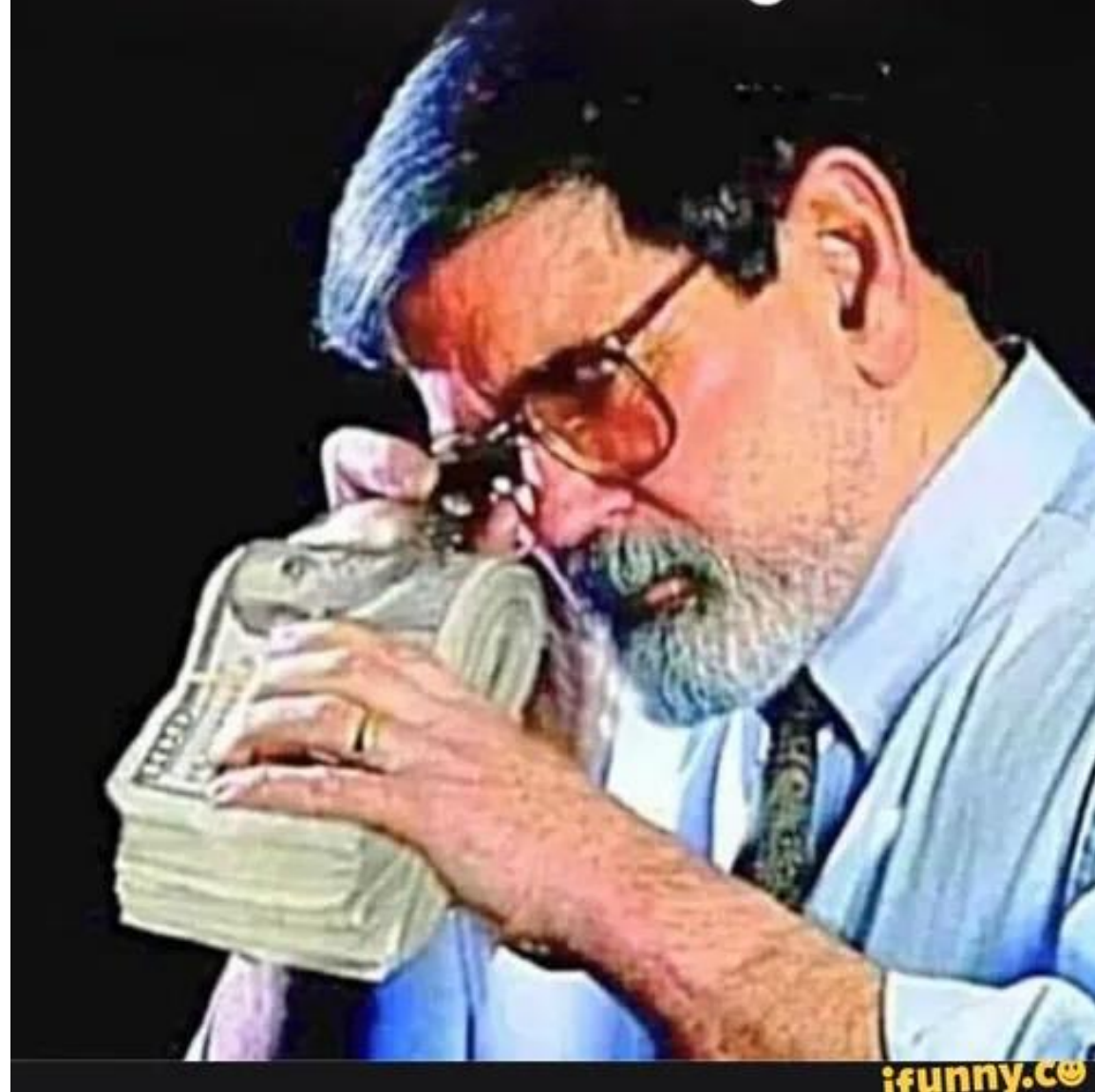
A repurposed Ebola drug became the “standard of care” for hospitalized COVID-19 patients despite its deeply problematic safety profile.

[https://www.nejm.org/doi/10.1056/NEJMoa1910993?url\\_ver=Z39.88-2003&rfr\\_id=ori:rid:crossref.org&rfr\\_dat=cr\\_pub%20%20pubmed](https://www.nejm.org/doi/10.1056/NEJMoa1910993?url_ver=Z39.88-2003&rfr_id=ori:rid:crossref.org&rfr_dat=cr_pub%20%20pubmed)

<https://principia-scientific.com/doctor-reveals-remdesivir-is-real-cause-of-covid-19-maladies/>



97% of scientists agree with  
whoever is funding them



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