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published an article today on the “panic paper”-scandal in Germany.

Title is “Maximum collaboration”, showing @BMI Bund / Horst Seehofer had a secret paper drafted in the 1st COVID-19 wave that dramatically depicted the threat.

A scandal of gigantic proportions. Thread■■■



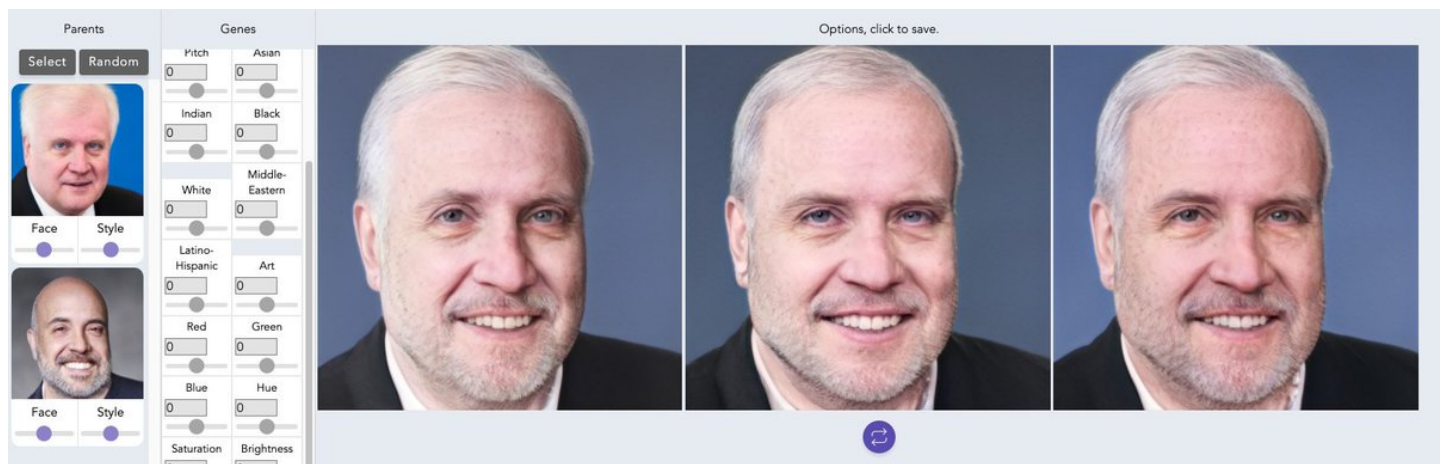
This thread focuses on the long version. It's of crucial importance-people around the globe understand this earthshaking scandal. Share.

German: <https://t.co/W2i1FtVrCg>

fern, es gab wenig Erfahrung mit dem Virus. Das RKI hatte gerade erst selbst ein Modell veröffentlicht. Demnach würden voraussichtlich 0,56 Prozent der Infizierten in Deutschland am Virus sterben. Das RWI nun plädierte aber dafür, mit einer Todesrate von 1,2 Prozent zu arbeiten. Dessen zuständiger Forscher schrieb, man solle im Papier „vom Ziel her“ argumentieren, nämlich „hohen Handlungsdruck aufzuzeigen“ und vom Vorsichtsprinzip „lieber schlimmer als zu gut“. Staatssekretär Kerber las bei all dem mit.

Aus Sicht des Innenministeriums jedenfalls ging das Projekt erfolgreich ins Ziel. Staatssekretär Kerber formulierte am 23. März an die Runde: „Unser Papier kam [...] sehr gut an und wird ob seiner hohen Qualität und Umsicht nun den Weg ins Krisenkabinett der Bundesregierung finden.“

4/: Horst Seehofer sent his Secretary of State Markus Kerber into the lane. The plan was to bring together leading scientists: they should produce a paper that would then serve as legitimation for further tough political measures, beyond Easter - now known as the “panic paper”.



5/: Markus Kerber launched a corresponding call to researchers via e-mail, 4 days later, the request was fulfilled: A classified paper, which presented the danger posed by the virus as dramatically as possible, and which quickly spread through the media.



6/: In a "worst case scenario," they painted: If Germany did nothing, more than a million people in the country would be dead by the end of the pandemic.

Said correspondence is available to [@welt](#), shows exactly what happened during those critical days in Mar 2020 on 200 pages.

>Söder liegt intuitiv richtig: Dass sich ausbreitende Ohnmachtsgefühl
>muss wohl durch den Eindruck eine starken staatlichen Interventionismus
>in Schach gehalten werden.

... danke. Habe ich jetzt direkt ohne weitere Kommentierung eingebaut. Siehe anbei in blauer Schrift. Das RKI würde damit aber zu deutlich weniger Todesfällen im Worst Case kommen. Dann sollten wir unsere höhere Zahl rechtfertigen, auch wenn wir zu den gleichen Schlussfolgerungen gelangen, was ich über die [REDACTED] - Daten tun würde. Hier gibt es offenbar unterschiedliche Ansichten zwischen [REDACTED] und RKI, die ich nicht lösen kann. Ich würde vom Ziel her argumentieren, nämlich "hohen Handlungsdruck aufzeigen" und vom Vorsichtsprinzip: "lieber schlimmer als zu gut".

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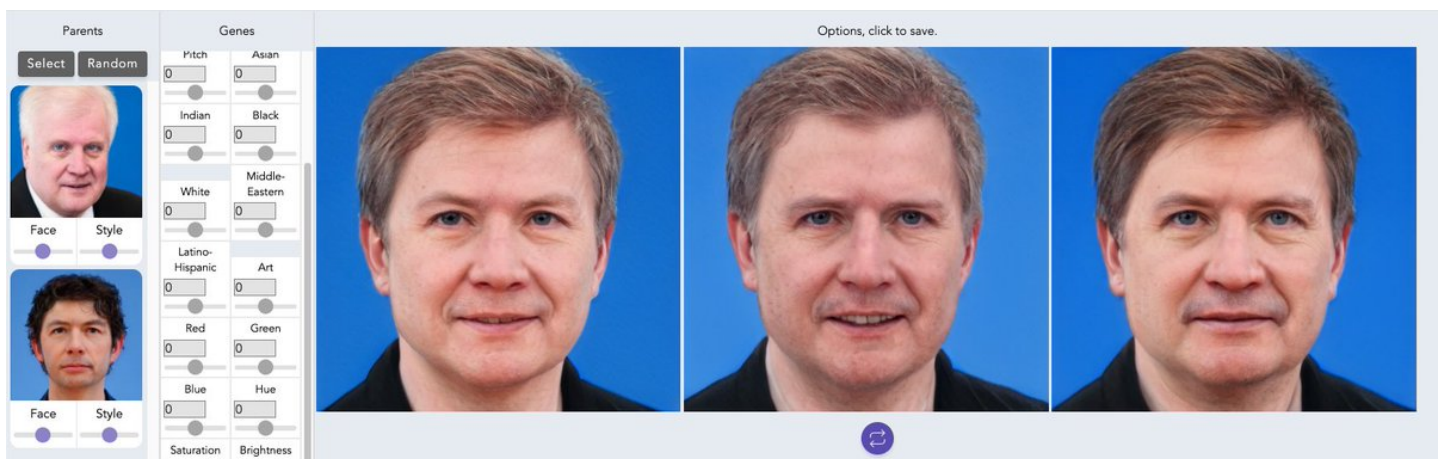
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ich berichte Ihnen vom heutigen Tag das Folgende:

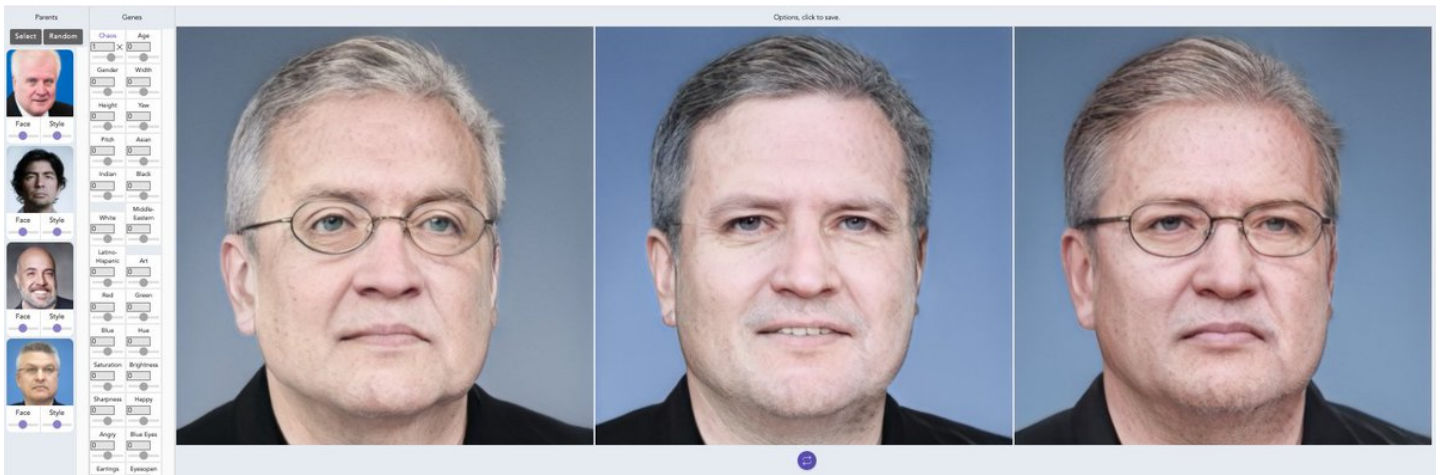
1. Unser Papier kam bei den beiden [REDACTED] sehr gut an und wird ob seiner hohen Qualität und Umsicht nun den Weg in das Krisenkabinett der Bundesregierung finden.

7/: Seehofer's authority was intent on enlisting the commissioned scientists for the political purpose he had in mind - and that they were happy to heed the call.

The 200 or so pages of e-mails thus prove that.



8/: The researchers were by no means acting as independently as scientists and the federal government have been constantly emphasizing since the beginning of the pandemic - but were working toward a predetermined, fixed result dictated by politicians.



9/: A group of lawyers, represented by Berlin attorney [@nhaerting](#) obtained the 200 pages/emails in a months-long legal dispute, they reveal a lot about how the Interior Ministry influenced researchers & how they collaborated to portray the situation as threatening as possible.



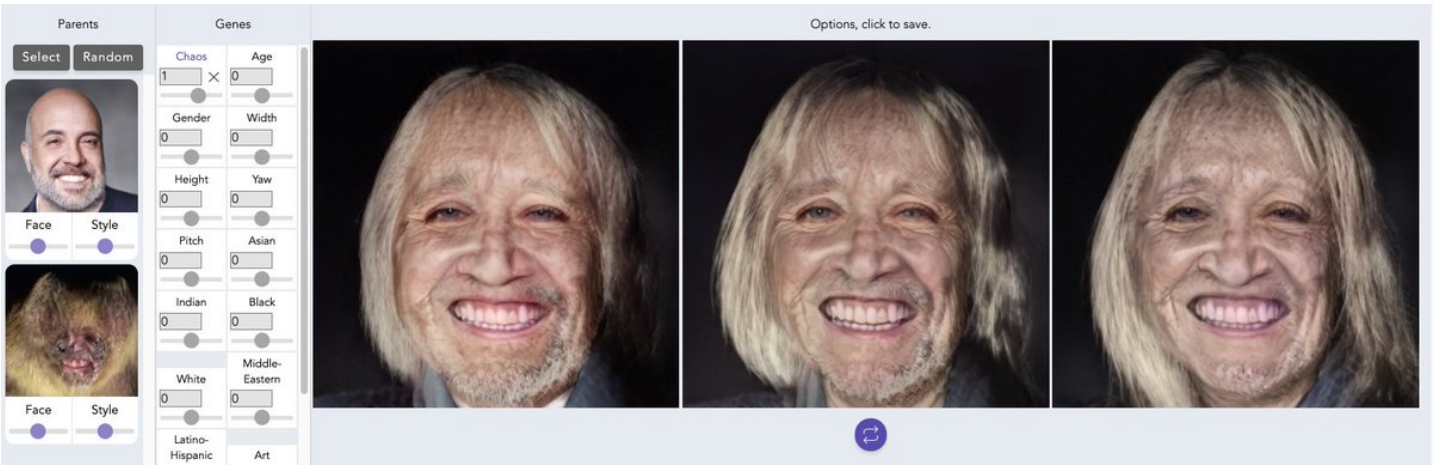
10/: A calculation model was needed to "get 'in front of the situation' mentally, in terms of planning, measures of a preventive & repressive nature."

The secretary painted a dystopia: It was a matter of "maintaining internal security & stability of public order in Germany."



11/: Kerber asked for secrecy: what would be discussed in these circles in the coming days should be kept confidential "outside of operationally active crisis management institutions."

"Without bureaucracy. Maximum courage," Kerber wrote.



12/: "Whether & how long the networks would continue to function reliably," the participants were to transmit telephone numbers, private e-mail addys.

Compared the situation "with Apollo 13" to Wieler: "Very difficult task, but with a happy ending due to maximum collaboration."



13/: He set the tone for the approach that the Minister of the Interior apparently expected from the scientists he had written to:

a presentation of the situation that was as threatening as possible.



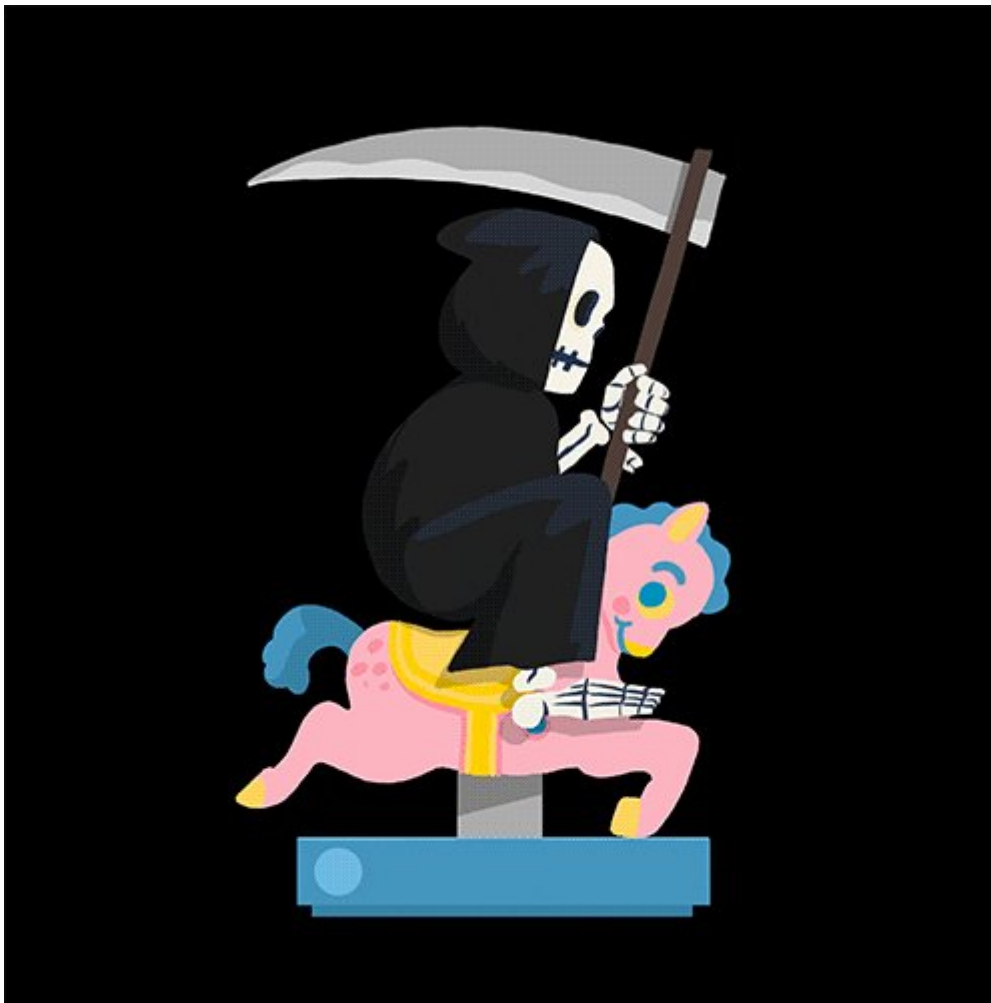
14/: The result was available only four days later: That secret paper, stamped "VS - For official use only," about the looming prospect of up to a million dead.

It also said how to achieve the "desired shock effect" in society in order to avoid this worst acceptable case.



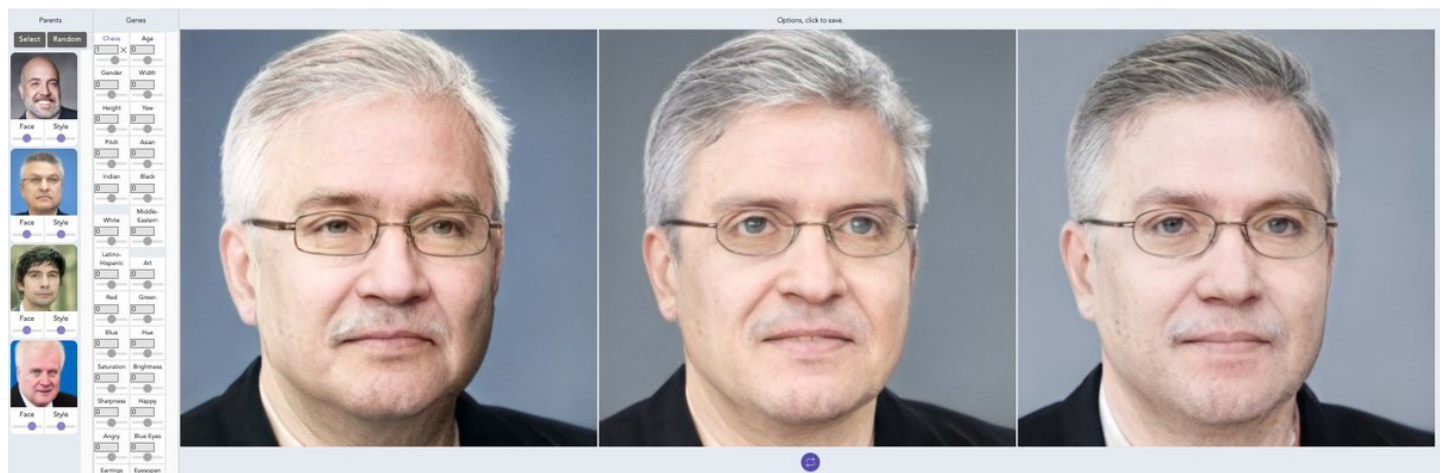
15/: "Many seriously ill people are brought to the hospital by their relatives, but are turned away, and die agonizingly at home, gasping for breath."

Thus, it is hoped to make it acceptable among citizens understanding, among other things, a "sharp but short exit restriction."



16/: During those four days, Kerber & other high-ranking ministry officials meticulously followed the researchers' work and dictated the course of action.

Correspondence shows: conference calls between @BMI_Bund & the researchers at short intervals.



17/: The scientists also made concrete suggestions-how to address "fear and readiness to follow in the population."

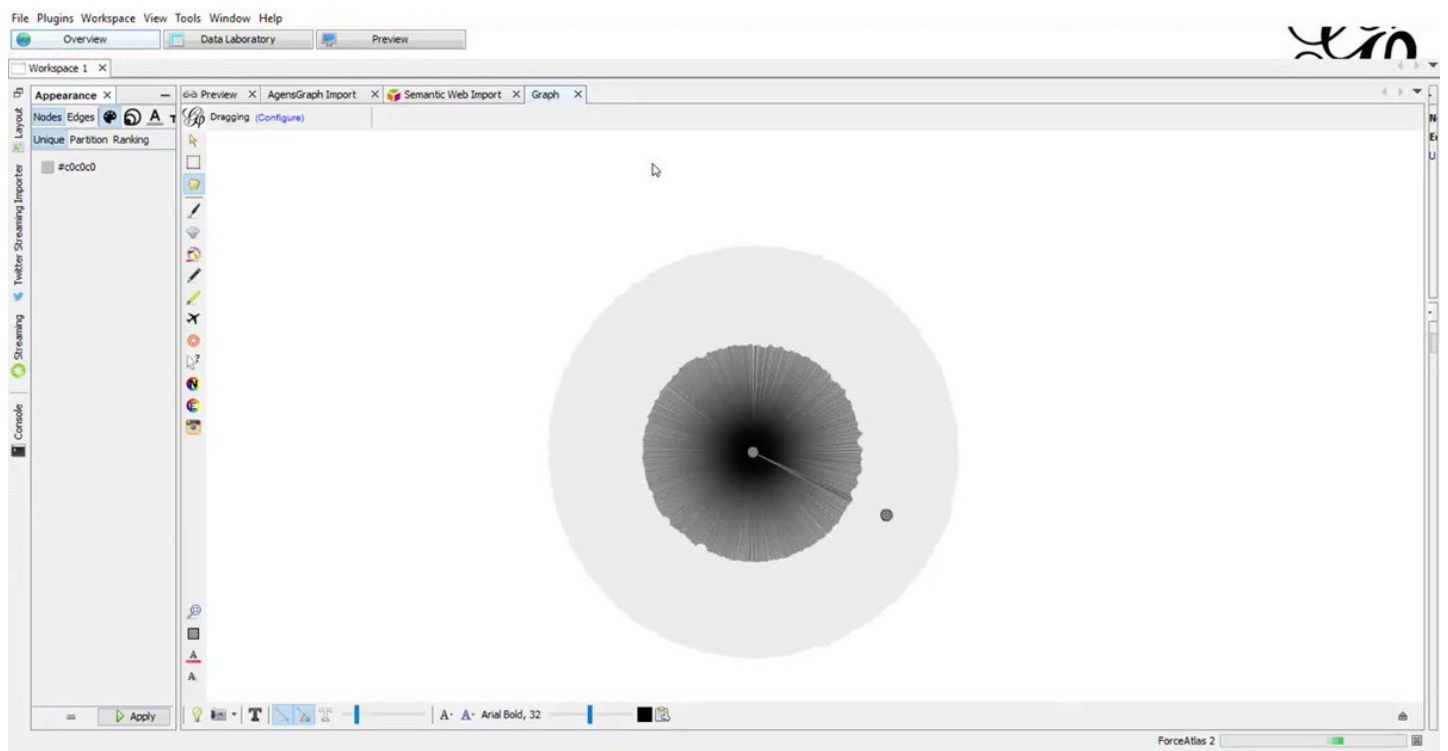
"Söder is intuitively right," wrote one.

"The spreading sense of powerlessness must probably be held in check by the impression of strong state interventionism."



18/: The e-mails show something else, perhaps far more serious: The scientists did not agree on the scientific assessment of the situation.

They discussed among themselves, for example, which figures they should use as a basis for calculating the desired scenarios.



19/: The question was: What assumption should be made about what percentage of infected persons in Germany would die from the virus?

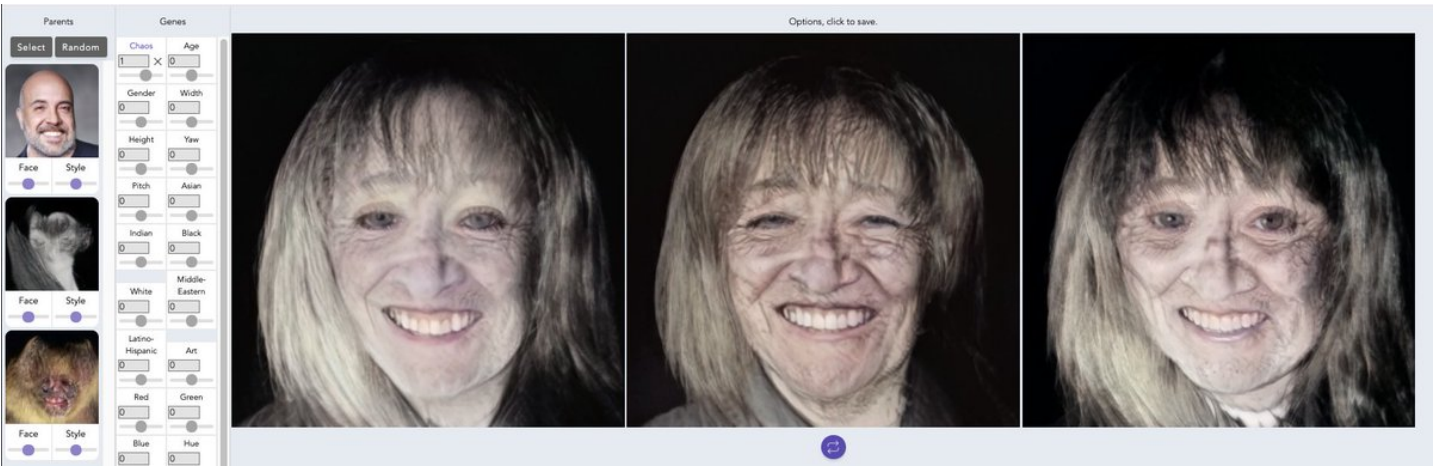


20/: This value was not easy to quantify; there was little experience with the virus. [@rki_de](#) had just published its own model. According to it, 0.56 % of infected persons in Germany were expected to die from the virus.

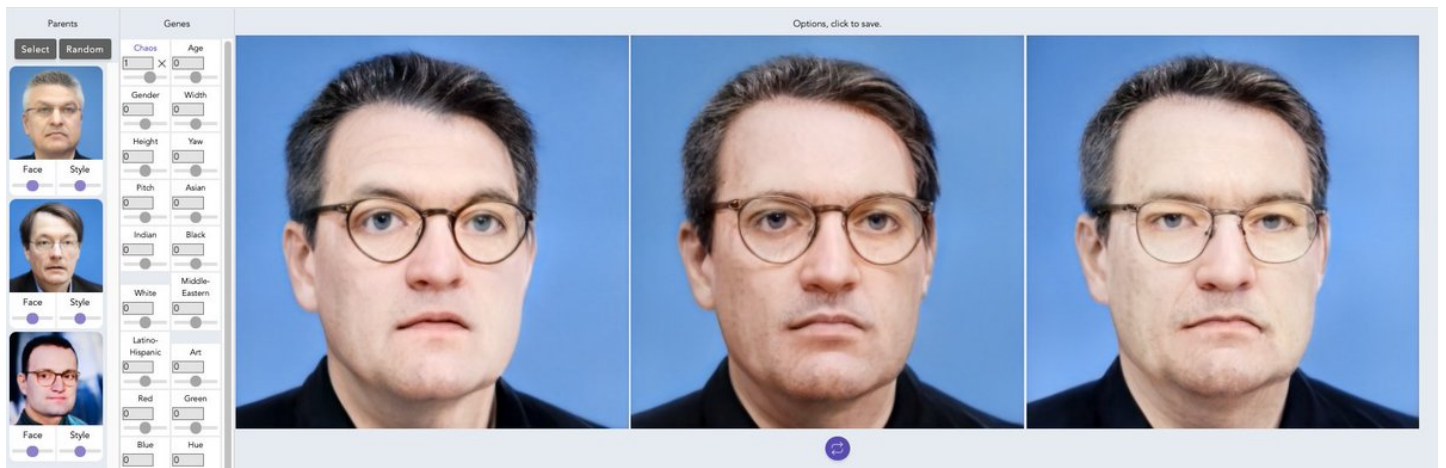
The RWI, however, argued for a death rate of 1.2 %.



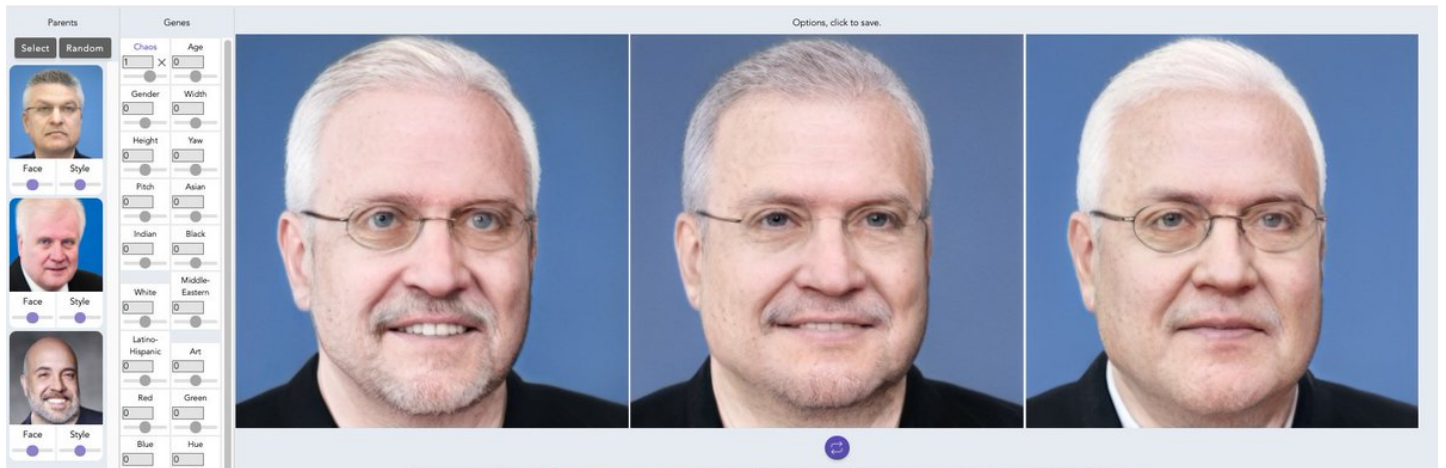
21/ : Its responsible researcher wrote that one should argue in the paper "from the goal", namely "to show high pressure for action" and from the precautionary principle "rather worse than too good". State Secretary Kerber read along with all this.



22/: It is conspicuous that both figures appear in the paper finally prepared by the ministry. There it says: "In a very moderate scenario, the RKI currently assumes a lethality of 0.56 percent. Further modeling uses a case mortality of 1.2 percent."



23/: In other words, @BMI_Bund explicitly decided VS using only the @rki_de's restrained value for its calculations - even though Wieler's agency is precisely responsible for that: providing the figures on the basis of which the government argues when planning its measures.



24/: The ministry used the "worst case" - how many would die if life continued completely as before Corona? This is the logic of @BMI_Bund: Because Seehofer's agency is responsible for the internal security, they always want to be prepared for the greatest possible damage.



25/: From the point of view of @bmi_bund, the project was successful. State Secretary Kerber formulated on March 23: "Our paper was [...] very well received and will now find its way into the crisis cabinet of the federal government due to its high quality and prudence."



26/: The actual authors of the so-called "panic paper" are known, it is also known that Lothar Wieler did not actively write text-parts for that paper, only served as "consultant", investigative journalist @aya_velazquez found that out via @OttoKolbl.

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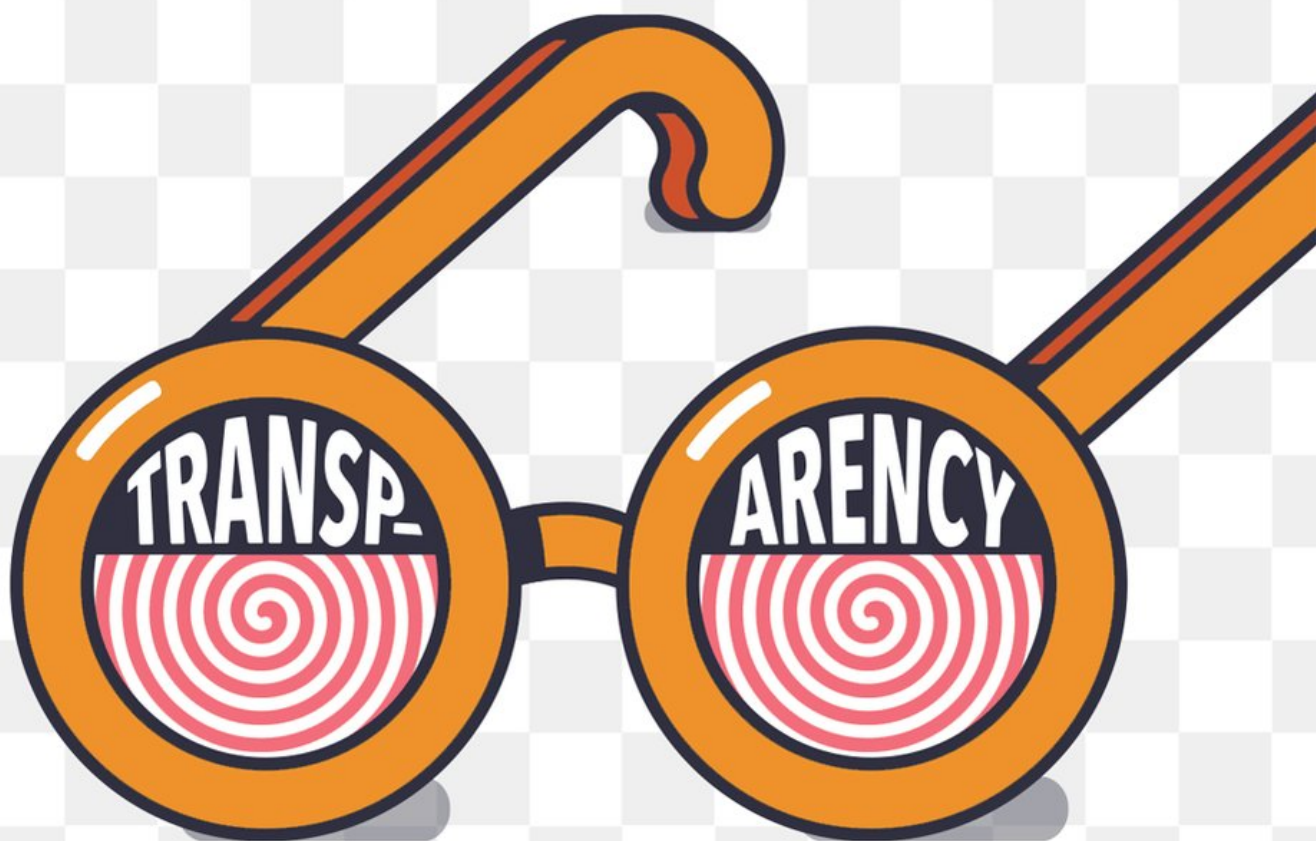
Die Autoren des Strategiepapiers sind bekannt. pic.twitter.com/345PyUra4s

— Der Informant\u2122 (@DerInformant_) February 7, 2021

27/: It's of crucial importance that all parties involved @welt release all 200 pages of email communication concerning that matter:

@nhaerting, @antennedowideit, @Nabertronic.

No sense in #gatekeeping here, this is of great public interest & should be in the public domain.



28/: You can help by spreading the news and by sharing this thread to raise the pressure on the parties involved. Thank you for reading through this thread.



Add.a): Release the 200 pages #1:

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