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Worth its long length, although the conclusion is muted, for acceptability I imagine.

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This may be the great scientific meta-experiment of the 21st century. Could a world full of scientists do all kinds of reckless recombinant things with viral diseases for many years and successfully avoid a serious outbreak? The hypothesis was that, yes, it was doable. The risk was worth taking. There would be no pandemic.

I hope the vaccine works.

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Some takes out of this master piece. Head been spinning for some time.

Implications!

phone and asked the CDC's representative,

n. His head was spinning, he told me later.

@BillyBostickson @Rossana38510044 @ydeigin @MonaRahalkar @BahulikarRahul @nicholsonbaker8 1- It was Fauxi & his moneytrail from the beginning:

After the 9/11 attacks, and the mysterious anthrax mailings that began a week later (which said, "TAKE PENACILIN [sic] NOW / DEATH TO AMERICA / DEATH TO ISRAEL / ALLAH IS GREAT"), the desire for biopreparedness became all consuming. Now there were emerging biothreats from humans as well as from the evolving natural world. Fauci's antiterror budget went from \$53 million in 2001 to \$1.7 billion in 2003. Setting aside his work toward an AIDS vaccine, which was taking longer than he'd foreseen, Fauci said he would be going all out to defend against a suite of known Cold War agents, all of which had been bred and perfected in American weapons programs many years before — brucellosis, anthrax, tularemia, and plague, for instance. "We are making this the highest priority," Fauci said. "We are really marshaling all available resources."

=> 2003: So SARS-COV-1 also came out of that madness. It already had these HIV inserts, they were already HIV-pseudotyping.

@BillyBostickson @Rossana38510044 @ydeigin @MonaRahalkar @BahulikarRahul @nicholsonbaker8 The Wuhan Lab&Leak "coincidence" argument leads to the other Lab&Leak "coincidence" argument:

In 2010, by one count, there were 249 BSL-3 laboratories and seven BSL-4 laboratories in the U.S., and more than 11,000 scientists and staffers were authorized to handle the ultralethal germs on the government's select pathogen list. And yet the sole bioterrorist in

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What's the chance of the coincidence that the SARS-COV-2 appeared in the COUNTRY where there are THE MOST BSL3-4 laboratories and the largest collection of manipulated Bat viruses? and the largest number of cases?

Who did really cover-up? (also cover-up)

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Baric hoped to find a SARS vaccine, but he couldn't; he kept looking for it, year after year, supported by the NIH, long after the disease itself had been contained. It wasn't really gone, Baric believed. Like other epidemics that pop up and then disappear, as he told a university audience some years later, "they don't go extinct. They are waiting to return." What do you do if you run a well-funded laboratory, an NIH "center of excellence," and your emergent virus is no longer actually making people sick? You start squeezing it and twisting it into different shapes. Making it stand on its hind legs and quack like a duck, or a bat. Or breathe like a person.

=> That's quite DAMNING.

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Follow-up article coming soon?

mutational drift, no period of accommodation and adjustment, or perhaps some lab worker somewhere, inspired by Baric's work with human airway tissue, took a spike protein that was specially groomed to colonize and thrive deep in the ciliated, mucosal tunnels of our inner core and cloned it onto some existing viral bat backbone. It could have happened in Wuhan, but — because anyone can now "print out" a fully infectious clone of any sequenced disease — it could also have happened at Fort Detrick, or in Texas, or in Italy, or in Rotterdam, or in Wisconsin, or in some other citadel of coronaviral inquiry. No conspiracy — just scientific ambition, and the urge to take exciting risks and make new things, and the fear of terrorism, and the fear of getting sick. Plus a whole lot of government money.

=> Especially with history of GAO documented leaks & blunders & documented structural deficiencies in "Wastes" processing.

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mine in 2012. I corresponded with Alina Chan (now the subject of a nicely turned piece in Boston magazine by Rowan Jacobsen) and with the pseudonymous Billy Bostickson, a tireless researcher whose Twitter photo is a cartoon of an injured experimental monkey, and

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Duhhh!! They knew it was pure madness.

Hoping to smooth over controversy by showing due diligence, the National Science Advisory Board for Biosecurity, founded in the BioShield era under President Bush, paid a consulting firm, Gryphon Scientific, to write a report on gain-of-function research, which by now was simply referred to as GoF. In chapter six of this thousand-page dissertation, published in April 2016, the consultants take up the question of coronaviruses. "Increasing the transmissibility of the coronaviruses could significantly increase the chance of a global pandemic due to a laboratory accident," they wrote.

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The Trump/Fauxi virus.

Gain-of-function research came roaring back under Trump and Fauci. "The National Institutes of Health will again fund research that makes viruses more dangerous," said an article in *Nature* in December 2017. Carrie Wolinetz of the NIH's office of science policy defended the decision. "These experiments will help us get ahead of viruses that are already out there and pose a real and present danger to human health," she told *The Lancet*. The NIH, Wolinetz said, was committed to a leadership role with gain-of-function research internationally. "If we are pursuing this research in an active way, we will be much better positioned to develop protection and countermeasures should something bad happen in another country."

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Like:

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They deserve to be put on trial.

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