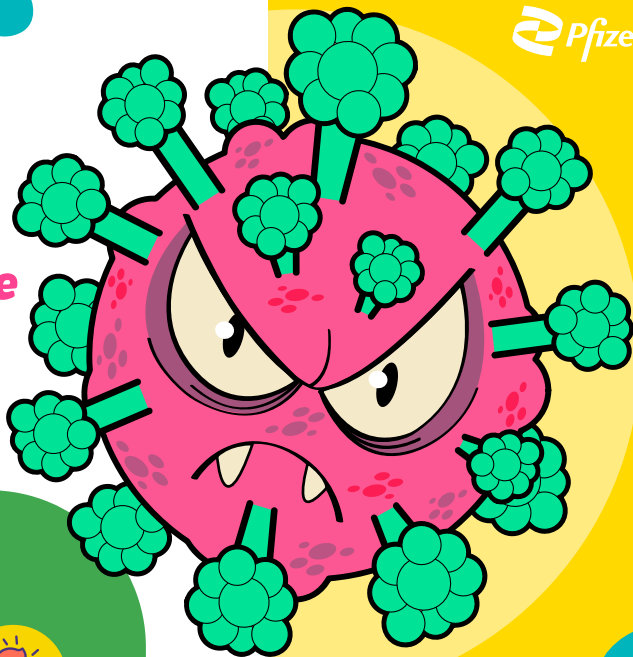


# WHO:

## Severe acute respiratory syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)



### DISEASE:<sup>1,2</sup>



### HOW:<sup>3</sup>



### DANGER:<sup>1,2</sup>



### COVID-19 VACCINES<sup>2</sup>



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### VACCINES TO COMBAT IT:<sup>4</sup>



There are different types of COVID-19 vaccines available

### MORE TOOLS TO COMBAT IT:<sup>1,2</sup>

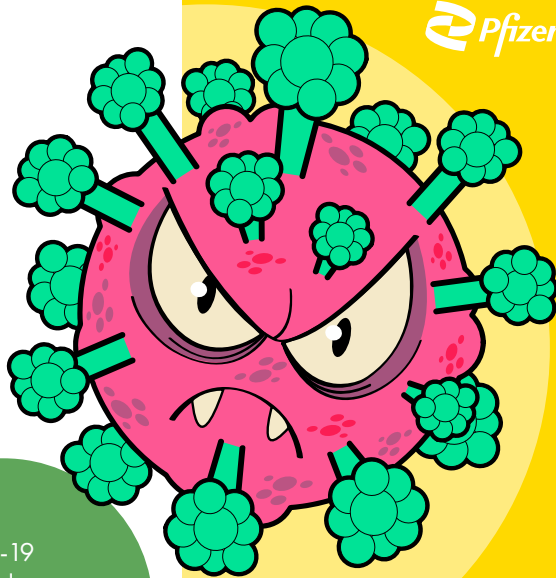


# WHO:

## Severe acute respiratory syndrome

## Coronavirus 2

### (SARS-CoV-2)



### DISEASE:

The SARS-CoV-2 virus causes COVID-19. COVID-19 is highly infectious that can cause serious illness and even death.<sup>2</sup> The most common COVID-19 symptoms are fever, dry cough and fatigue.<sup>1,2</sup> Other symptoms may include loss of taste/smell, headache, muscle or joint ache, nausea, diarrhoea, sore throat.<sup>1,2</sup> Some symptoms of severe COVID-19 include shortness of breath, confusion, and high temperature.<sup>1,2</sup>



### HOW:

Contagious viruses are spread by close contact with an infected person<sup>3</sup>



### LEVEL OF DANGER:

Certain groups are at higher risk of severe COVID-19. These include people over the age of 60 years and those with underlying medical problems. However, anyone can contract COVID-19 and become unwell.<sup>2</sup>

### COVID-19 VACCINES:

Scientists have developed a number of COVID-19 vaccines which are now available, and there are more in development. New vaccines must be demonstrated to be safe and effective in a clinical trial before they are approved for use.<sup>2</sup>

### VACCINES TO COMBAT IT:

#### COVID-19 vaccines



If you are exposed to COVID-19 after vaccination, you should be protected from the severe illness the virus can sometimes cause<sup>4</sup>

### MORE TOOLS TO COMBAT IT:<sup>1,2</sup>

- Hand washing
- Using an alcohol-based rub frequently
- Not touching your face
- Physical distancing
- Wearing a mask
- Coughing into a bent elbow or tissue
- Antibiotics don't work for viruses



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