

# **OPERATION WARP SPEED:**

## Overview of COVID Vaccine Efficacy Trials

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# Science

## **A Strategic Approach to COVID-19 Vaccine R&D**

L Corey, JR Mascola, AS Fauci & FS Collins

The full development pathway for an effective vaccine for SARS-CoV2 **will require that industry, government, and academia collaborate in unprecedented ways, each adding their individual strengths. . . .We further discuss a collaborative platform for conducting harmonized, randomized controlled vaccine efficacy trials.** This mechanism aims to generate essential safety and efficacy data for several candidate vaccines in parallel, so as to accelerate the licensure and distribution of multiple vaccine platforms and vaccines to protect against COVID-19

# Three Entities with Distinct Roles in COVID-19 Response

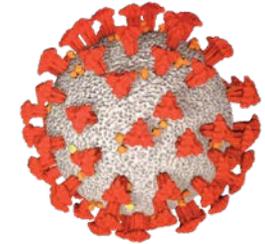
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Operation Warp  
Speed

**USG body responsible for strategic approach, coordination and resource allocation**

Accelerating COVID-19  
Therapeutic  
Interventions and  
Vaccines (ACTIV)

**NIH established Public-private partnership for coordinating COVID-19 response**



**COVID-19**  
Prevention Network

**NIH Funded networks - Phase 3 trial execution**

# Conducting Clinical Research: A Network Approach

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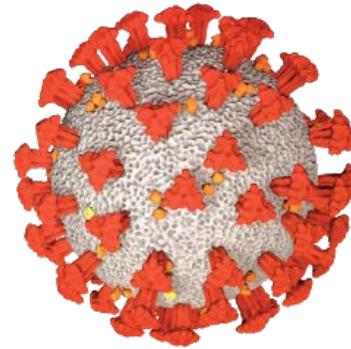
HIV VACCINE  
TRIALS NETWORK



Infectious Diseases Clinical Research Consortium



HPTN  
HIV Prevention  
Trials Network



COVID-19  
Prevention Network

(CoVPN)

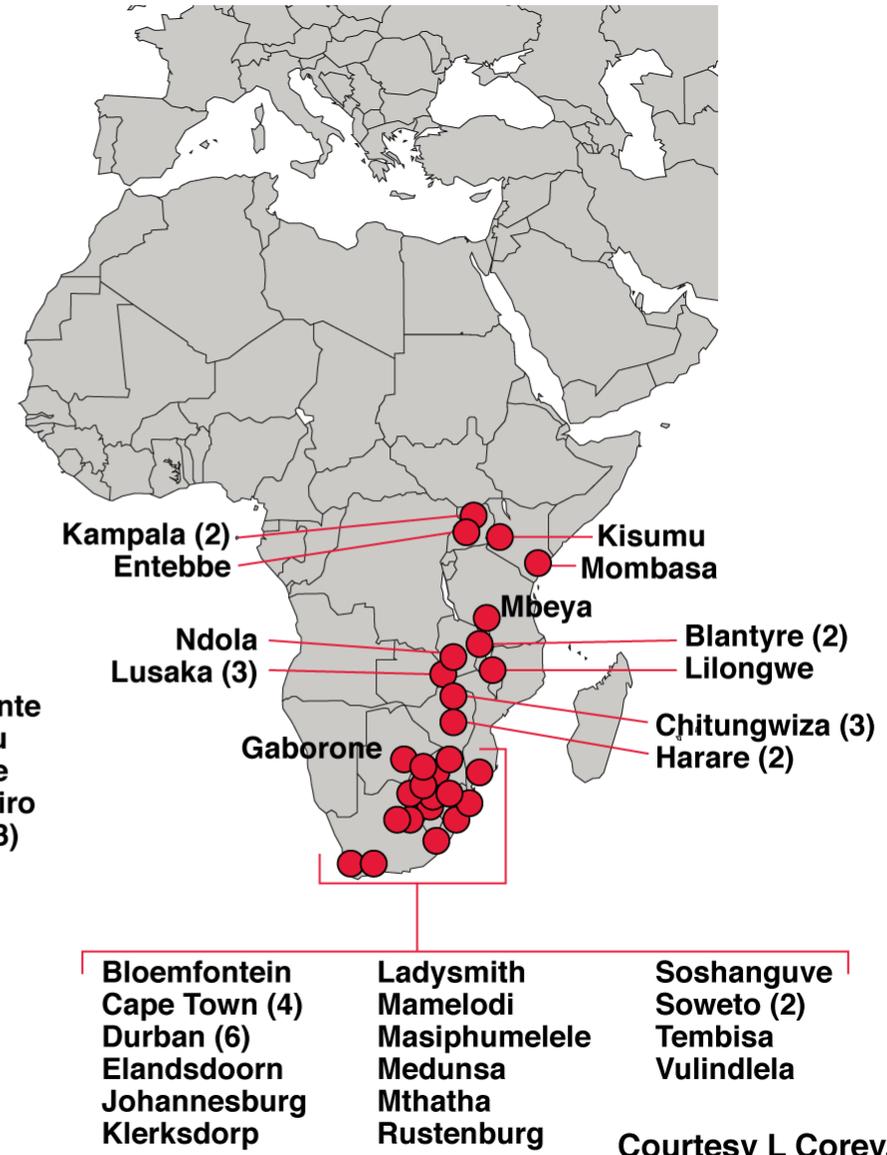
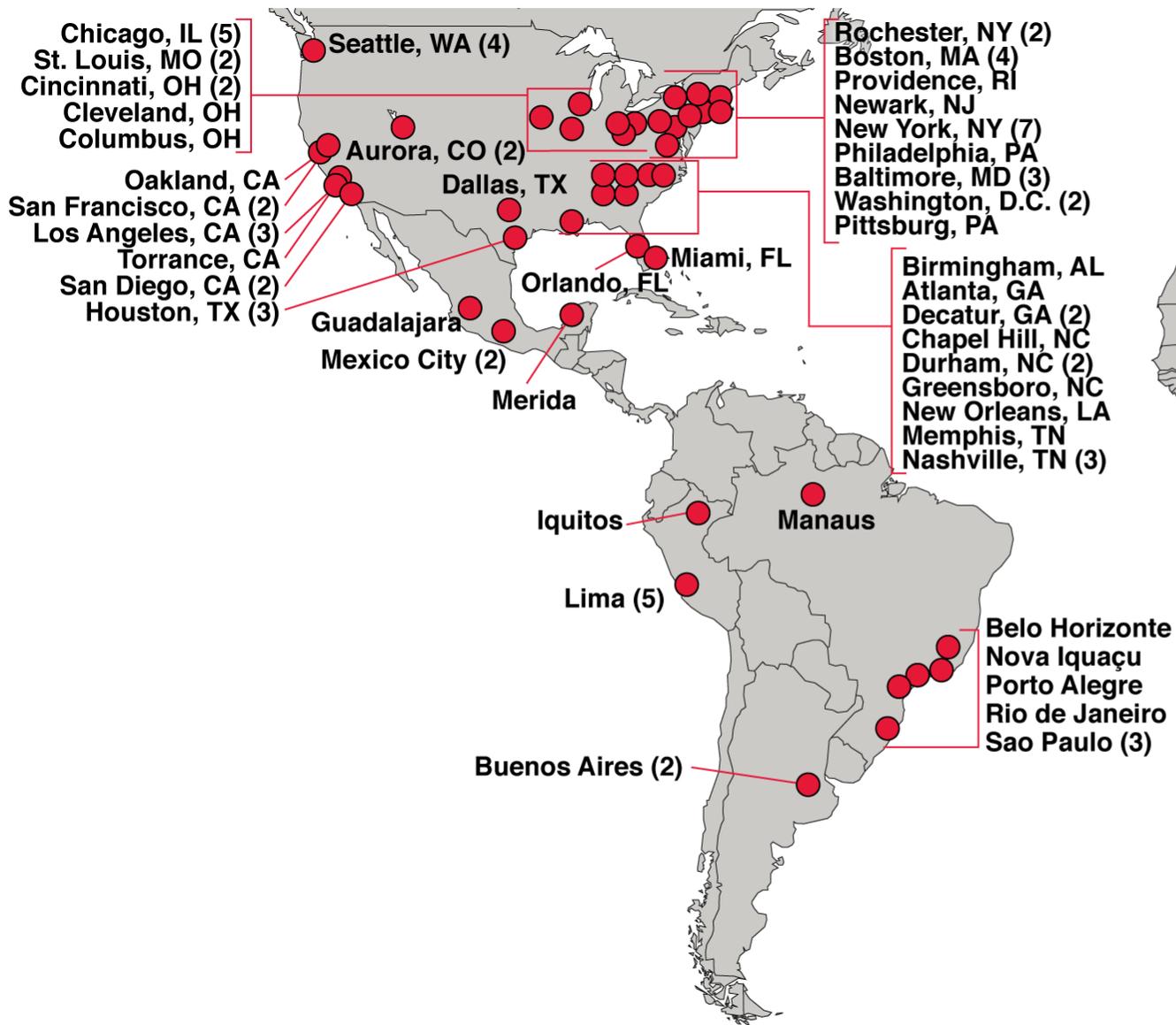
## Vaccine Efficacy Trials

- Larry Corey and Kathy Neuzil

## mAb Prevention Trials

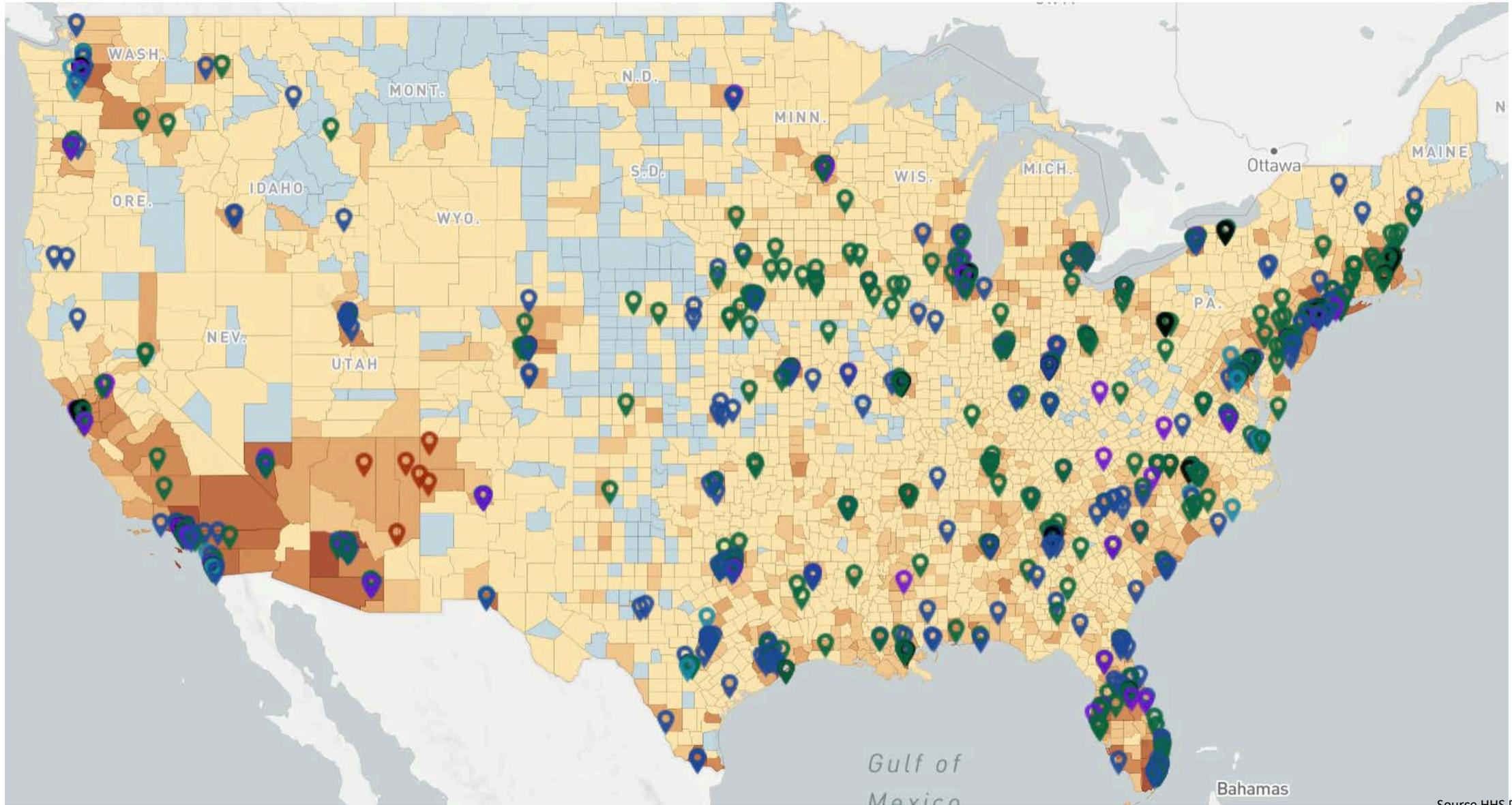
- Mike Cohen and David Stephens

# CoVPN Clinical Sites



Courtesy L Corey, HVTN

# Potential CoVPN, DoD and CRO US Clinical Sites



# Semi-Independent Harmonized Trials

## Candidate COVID-19 vaccines

Platform 1

Platform 2

Platform 3

Platform 4

Platform 5

Harmonized efficacy trials

Collaborating clinical trials networks

### Collaborating labs

- 1) Defining COVID infections from vaccination
- 2) Quantitative immune responses to spike and spike epitopes
- 3) T-cell responses

Data and Safety Monitoring Board

Between-trial statistical group for correlates of protection

**NIH/COVID Network-supported infrastructure**

# Development and Licensure of Vaccines to Prevent COVID-19

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## Guidance for Industry

*This guidance represents the current thinking of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) on this topic. It does not establish any rights for any person and is not binding on FDA or the public. You can use an alternative approach if it satisfies the requirements of the applicable statutes and regulations. To discuss an alternative approach, contact the FDA staff responsible for this guidance as listed on the title page.*

### I. INTRODUCTION

FDA plays a critical role in protecting the United States from threats such as emerging infectious diseases, including the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic which has been caused by the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2). FDA is committed to providing timely guidance to support response efforts to this pandemic.

FDA is issuing this guidance to assist sponsors in the clinical development and licensure of vaccines for the prevention of COVID-19. *Posted June 2020*

<https://www.fda.gov/media/139638/download>

# OWS Phase 3 Efficacy Trial Principles

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- Randomized, Placebo-Controlled Efficacy Trial
- Sample size: approximately 30,000 volunteers
- Study Population: age  $\geq$  18 years, targeting subset at higher risk of severe disease, diverse populations
- Primary Endpoint: Prevention of symptomatic COVID-19 disease (virologically confirmed)
  - The primary efficacy endpoint point-estimate at least 50%
  - the statistical success criterion should be lower bound of the CI confidence around the point estimate is  $>30\%$ .\*
- Harmonized OWS immunogenicity assays and correlates analysis
- Common DSMB (NIAID Managed)

# COVID-19 Vaccines in OWS Development

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**Vaccine companies  
Participating in OWS Led  
BARDA & NIH Funded  
Phase 3 Efficacy Trials**

**Phase 3 Open to Accrual  
(projected as of July 29, 2020)**

**moderna**

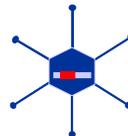
mRNA



July 27, 2020

**AstraZeneca**

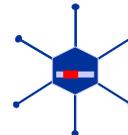
Ad Vector



TBD

**Janssen**

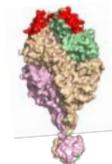
Ad Vector



September 2020 (projected)

**NOVAVAX**  
Creating Tomorrow's Vaccines Today

Recombinant  
Protein+adjuvant



October 2020 (projected)

Monday, July 27, 2020

## Phase 3 clinical trial of investigational vaccine for COVID-19 begins

*Multi-site trial to test candidate developed by Moderna and NIH.*



*People 18 years of age and older who are interested in participating in this trial can visit*

*<https://www.coronaviruspreventionnetwork.org> or [ClinicalTrials.gov](https://ClinicalTrials.gov) and search identifier [NCT04470427](https://ClinicalTrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04470427) for details.*

*Please do not contact the NIAID media phone number or email to enroll in this trial.*

A Phase 3 clinical trial designed to evaluate if an investigational vaccine can prevent symptomatic coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in adults has begun. The vaccine, known as mRNA-1273, was co-developed by the Cambridge, Massachusetts-based biotechnology company Moderna, Inc., and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), part of the National Institutes of Health. The trial, which will be conducted at U.S. clinical research sites, is expected to enroll approximately 30,000 adult volunteers who do not have COVID-19.

# mRNA-1273 Phase 3

Trial record 1 of 1 for: NCT04470427

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## A Study to Evaluate Efficacy, Safety, and Immunogenicity of mRNA-1273 Vaccine in Adults Aged 18 Years and Older to Prevent COVID-19

### Sponsor:

ModernaTX, Inc.

### Collaborators:

Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority  
National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

### Information provided by (Responsible Party):

ModernaTX, Inc.

[Study Details](#) [Tabular View](#) [No Results Posted](#) [Disclaimer](#) [How to Read a Study Record](#)

### Study Description

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#### Brief Summary:

The mRNA-1273 vaccine is being developed to prevent COVID-19, the disease resulting from Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) infection. The study is designed to primarily evaluate the efficacy, safety, and immunogenicity of mRNA-1273 to prevent COVID-19 for up to 2 years after the second dose of mRNA-1273.

Condition or disease <sup>?</sup>	Intervention/treatment <sup>?</sup>	Phase <sup>?</sup>
SARS-CoV-2	Biological: mRNA-1273 Biological: Placebo	Phase 3

### Study Design

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**Study Type <sup>?</sup>:** Interventional (Clinical Trial)  
**Estimated Enrollment <sup>?</sup>:** 30000 participants  
**Allocation:** Randomized  
**Intervention Model:** Parallel Assignment  
**Masking:** Quadruple (Participant, Care Provider, Investigator, Outcomes Assessor)  
**Primary Purpose:** Prevention  
**Official Title:** A Phase 3, Randomized, Stratified, Observer-Blind, Placebo-Controlled Study to Evaluate the Efficacy, Safety, and Immunogenicity of mRNA-1273 SARS-CoV-2 Vaccine in Adults Aged 18 Years and Older  
**Actual Study Start Date <sup>?</sup>:** July 27, 2020  
**Estimated Primary Completion Date <sup>?</sup>:** October 27, 2022  
**Estimated Study Completion Date <sup>?</sup>:** October 27, 2022



# Spreading the Word: Coronaviruspreventionnetwork.org

Interested in volunteering for a COVID-19 Prevention Clinical Study?

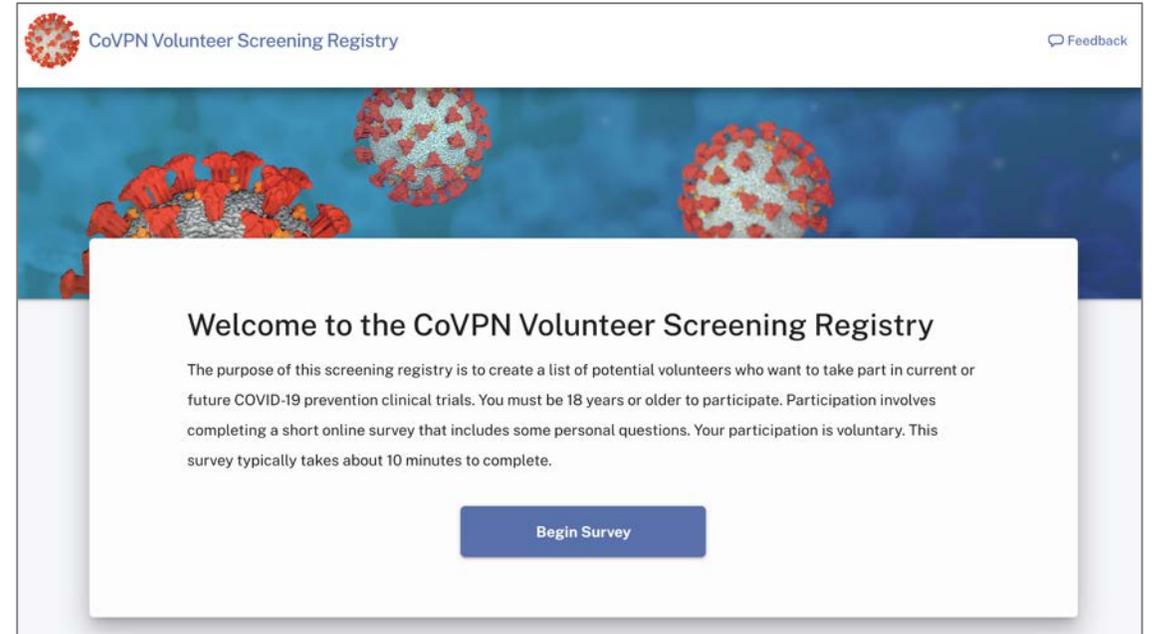
Selecting the button below will take you to the CoVPN Volunteer Screening Registry.

[Volunteer Now!](#)

# Community Engagement and Volunteer Registry



Example US trial site map  
with broad US coverage



As of July 28, 2020

- 4.5 million views
- 200,000 completed registries in initial 20 days
  - Nationwide Community Outreach and Engagement Ongoing
- Key to Recruiting High Risk Volunteers from Diverse Populations

# Collaborations / Partners / Acknowledgements

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- OWS Leadership
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