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## Civil Society



### What to expect on Antimicrobial Resistance in 2020

European Public Health Alliance

The recent Coronavirus outbreak has reminded us that health threats do not stop at borders and health security matters. No country can tackle a threat alone and a weak response or inaction in one country or region affects us too. This is also true for the fight against Antimicrobial Resistance [...]

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### MEP Interest Group on Antimicrobial Resistance Official Launch Event

European Patients Forum

EPHA's AMR Policy Coordinator gives a brief account of the high-level launch of the MEP Interest Group on AMR which took place on 19 February 2020 at the European Parliament.

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## European & International Media



## AI offers new hope in defeating superbugs

The Financial Times

In lab tests the antibiotic, discovered by an AI program, was able to kill 35 powerful bacteria, some considered untreatable with current antibiotics.

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## Powerful antibiotic discovered using machine learning for the first time

The Guardian

A powerful antibiotic that kills some of the most dangerous drug-resistant bacteria in the world has been discovered using artificial intelligence.

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## New initiatives and partnerships point the way forward for antimicrobial resistance response

Open Access Government

The Director of the UK R&D Center for Antimicrobial Resistance describes new initiatives and partnerships that point the way forward for the UK's AMR response

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## European & International Organisations

### Categorisation of antibiotics used in animals promotes responsible use to protect public and animal health

European Medicines Agency

EMA's Antimicrobial Advice Ad Hoc Expert Group (AMEG) has categorised antibiotics based on the potential consequences to public health of increased AMR when used in animals and the need for their use in veterinary medicine. All veterinarians are encouraged to check the AMEG categorisation before prescribing antibiotics for animals in their care.

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### Commission publishes progress report on its AMR Action Plan

European Commission

The European Commission published its 4th progress report on the implementation of the European One Health Action Plan against AMR.

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## UN General Assembly High-level Interactive Dialogue on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)

### United Nations

The UN will convene a High Level Dialogue on Antimicrobial Resistance on April 14, 2020 for stocktaking on commitments of the 2016 UNGA Political Declaration and on the implementation of the IACG recommendations. This hopes to catalyze action in countries by leveraging on the existing best practices to identify gaps and promote measures that could accelerate progress in eliminating AMR at national level.

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## Achieving Equitable Access to Healthcare Interventions

### Wellcome

The world urgently needs new treatments, as well as improved use and stewardship of existing antibiotics in humans and animals, to tackle the rising global threat of drug resistance. There is lack of R&D in areas of unmet needs. Developing urgently needed antibiotics is important while at the same time ensuring their appropriate access. CARB-X is a non-profit partnership providing the world's largest early-development pipeline of new antibiotics, vaccines and rapid diagnostics.

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## Supermarket antibiotics policies assessment 2019

### Alliance to save our antibiotics

Three British supermarkets allow their suppliers to use antibiotics routinely in animal feed and drinking water, according to this new report.

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## National Media



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The Lancet

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