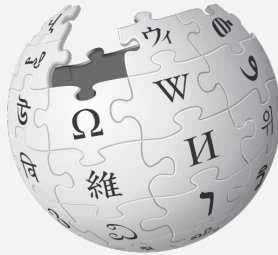


# Vaccine Safety Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

August 28, 2020



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## Agenda

1. Welcome
2. KNoW Science Introduction
3. Wikipedia Editing Training
4. Editing
5. Discussion

# Today's Objectives and Goals

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## Attendees will:

- Gain an understanding of Wikipedia's pillars and policies
- Learn how to:
  - edit existing Wikipedia articles
  - create new articles

## With the goal of:

- Improving Wikipedia by adding and editing content about vaccines, vaccine safety, vaccine-focused organizations, or related topics

# Today's Objectives

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## Attendees will:

- Use the event's wiki page to access a list of suggested articles, tasks, and links to useful secondary sources
- Use an Etherpad document to share chosen articles and avoid cross editing\*

\*Two or more attendees editing the same article simultaneously



# Wikipedia

**What exactly is it, anyway???**

# What is Wikipedia?

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Wikipedia is a multilingual, web-based, **free encyclopedia based** on a model of **openly editable content**. It is the largest and most popular general reference work on the Internet. [Wikipedia] is supported by the Wikimedia Foundation, a non-profit organization which operates on money it receives from donors.

From Wikipedia (en)

# Wikipedia: the 21st-century encyclopedia

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*“Imagine a world in which every single person on the planet is given free access to the sum of all human knowledge. That's what we're doing.”*

-Jimmy Wales, co-founder, Wikipedia

# About us

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6+ million articles, 270+ languages



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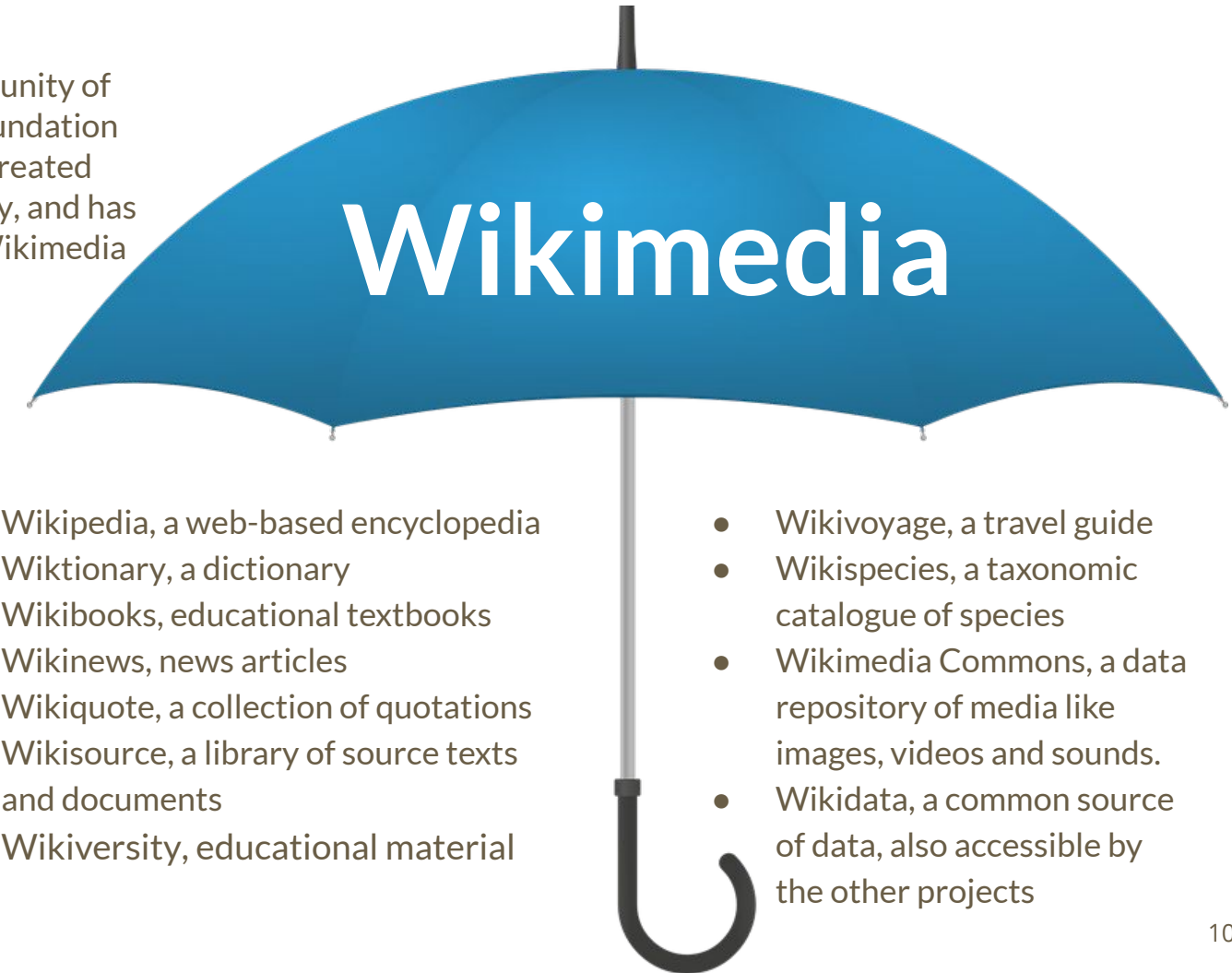
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Wikimedia, is the global community of contributors to Wikimedia Foundation projects. The movement was created around Wikipedia's community, and has since expanded to the other Wikimedia projects.



- Wikipedia, a web-based encyclopedia
- Wiktionary, a dictionary
- Wikibooks, educational textbooks
- Wikinews, news articles
- Wikiquote, a collection of quotations
- Wikisource, a library of source texts and documents
- Wikiversity, educational material
- Wikivoyage, a travel guide
- Wikispecies, a taxonomic catalogue of species
- Wikimedia Commons, a data repository of media like images, videos and sounds.
- Wikidata, a common source of data, also accessible by the other projects

# Wikipedia Basics, Policies, and Oversight



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# Wiki

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- A website where anyone can edit any page at any time
- Meant to be "quick"
- Remembers all versions (nothing ever destroyed)
- Hyperlinks between pages

# Wikipedia: Five Pillars

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- Wikipedia is an encyclopedia
- Wikipedia is written from a neutral point of view
- Wikipedia is free content that anyone can use, edit, and distribute
- Wikipedia's editors should treat each other with respect and civility
- Wikipedia has no firm rules

WP:Pillars

# Wikipedia Policies

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- **Neutral Point of View** - written so all sides can agree (WP:POV)
- **Notability** - significant independent sources -> importance (WP:N)\*
- **Verifiability** - Using reliable sources to reference information (WP:V)
- **No original research** - point to existing scholarship (WP: NOR)
- **Assume good faith** - start with congenial spirit (WP:GF)
- **Conflicts of interest** - disclose and abide by terms of service (WP:COI)

\*See also 'Category:Wikipedia notability guidelines'  
for more on notability by topic

# Is Wikipedia Reliable?

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- Wikipedia should not be considered a definitive source in and of itself
- It can be edited by anyone at any time meaning that any article can be subject to misinformation or vandalism
- Edits on Wikipedia that are in error may eventually be fixed
- Wikipedia is a volunteer-run project and cannot monitor every contribution all the time.
- Errors can go unnoticed for days, weeks, months, or even years

From WP: Wikipedia is not a reliable source

# Is Wikipedia Reliable? Quality Controls

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- Wikipedia is maintained by a community of volunteers
- Vandalism is identified and reverted by a combination of bots and individuals
- Widely read articles, like those about newsworthy topics such as politics, medicine, and science are monitored closer than others due to the number of views
- Wikiprojects, including patrol and thematic address article flaws and content gaps
- Admins and committees resolve issues when necessary

WP: Quality control, WP: Patrols, WP:Admin



# Wikiprojects

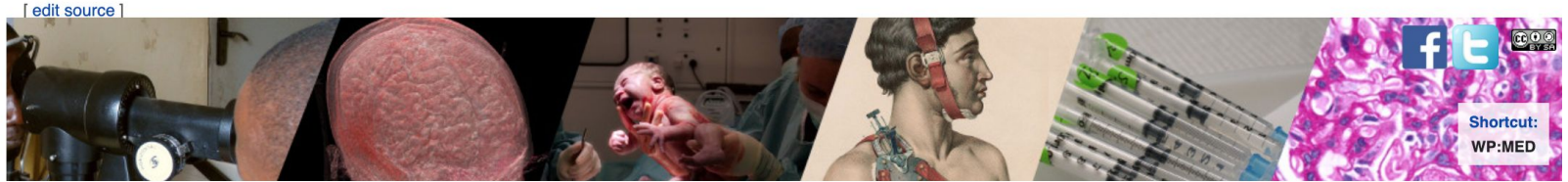
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- A group of contributors who want to work together as a team to improve Wikipedia
- Often focus on a specific topic area (for example, WikiProject Medicine) or a specific part of the encyclopedia (for example, WP:WikiProject Disambiguation), or a specific kind of task (for example, checking newly created pages).
- English Wikipedia currently has over 2,000 WikiProjects, about 1,000 of which are monitored by 30–2,000 editors

WP: Wikiproject

# Wikiproject Medicine

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## WikiProject Medicine

Welcome to **WikiProject Medicine**! We discuss, collaborate, and debate anything and everything relating to [medicine and health on Wikipedia](#) on our [discussion page](#).  
Everyone is welcome to join!

### Meet our members!



**Diptanshu Das**



**Mvolz**



**Petergstrom**

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# Event Page and Article Work List



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# Log in to Wikipedia

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1. Go to **en.wikipedia.org**
2. Create username or log in (top right)

Special page

Not logged in [Talk](#) [Contributions](#) [Create account](#) [Log in](#)

Search Wikipedia

## Log in

Username

Password

# Event page

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1. Go to [en.wikipedia.org](https://en.wikipedia.org)
2. Enter **WMDC-VACC1** into the Wikipedia search bar (top right)

## Vaccine Safety Editathon - August 28, 2020

@WikimediaDC

Shortcut  
WMDC-VACC1

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To help expand Wikipedia's existing vaccine-related content, Wikimedia DC and NewsQ in partnership with WHO's Vaccine Safety Network are organizing a pilot editathon to evaluate and improve Wikimedia content about



# Event page

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- Wikimedia page with links to Wikipedia policies, practices, and tools. Also includes a list Wikipedia articles for creation or improvement and secondary sources
- This page will remain live and accessible after the event.

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# Event page Sign-in

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1. Go to the blue sign-in button
2. Scroll down on the following page and click publish (do not write anything on the empty field)

**Please sign in** [\[ edit source \]](#)

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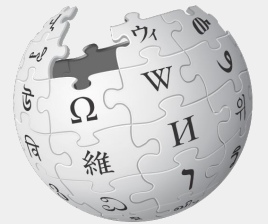
**This is for use on the day of the event.**

- 1) Click 'Sign in' here.
- 2) Scroll down on the page that follows and click 'Save changes'. Your username will then be added to the



Sign in

# Set Editing Preferences



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# Wikipedia Editing Tools

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## VisualEditor

'Edit' button

VisualEditor is a "visual" way of editing Wikipedia that does not require editors to learn wiki markup. Until Visual Editor, editors had to learn wiki markup to make most edits.

VisualEditor works like a word processor. While is simpler to use, the Source Editor can be more effective for some tasks.

## Source Editor

'Edit source' button

Source editor uses Wikitext, also known as Wiki markup or Wikicode, which consists of the syntax and keywords used by the MediaWiki software to format a page.

# Set Editing Preferences: Activate Visual Editor

1. Open the Wiki event page or any Wikipedia article
2. Select 'Preferences' (Top right)



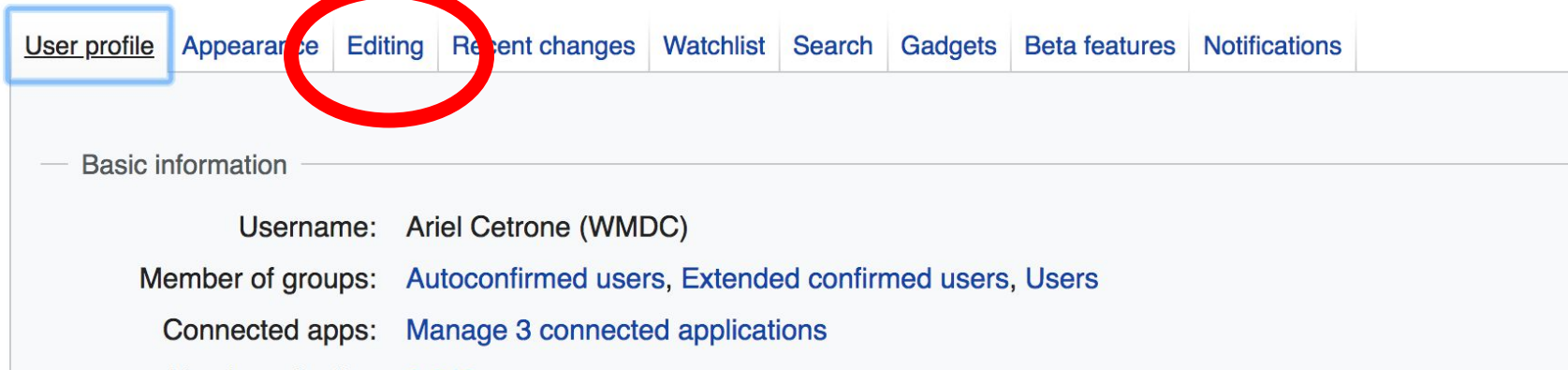
The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of a Wikipedia article. The user is logged in as 'Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)'. The navigation bar includes links for 'Talk', 'Inbox', 'Preferences', 'Beta', 'Watchlist', 'Contributions', and 'Log out'. The 'Preferences' link is circled in red. Below the navigation bar, the article title is 'Wikipedia:Meetup/DC/Vaccine initiative pilot editing event'. The main content area features a blue header for 'Vaccine Safety Editathon - August 28, 2020' with the handle '@WikimediaDC'. The text below the header discusses vaccine hesitancy and the importance of Wikipedia for vaccine information. A photograph of the WHO building is visible on the right side of the content area.

# Set Editing Preferences: Activate Visual Editor

## 3. Select the 'Editing' tab

### Preferences

For information about the settings on this page, see [Help:Preferences](#).



The screenshot shows the 'Preferences' page for a user. At the top, there is a navigation bar with several tabs: 'User profile', 'Appearance', 'Editing', 'Recent changes', 'Watchlist', 'Search', 'Gadgets', 'Beta features', and 'Notifications'. The 'Editing' tab is circled in red. Below the navigation bar, the 'Basic information' section is visible, showing the user's username as 'Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)', their group memberships as 'Autoconfirmed users, Extended confirmed users, Users', and their connected applications as 'Manage 3 connected applications'.

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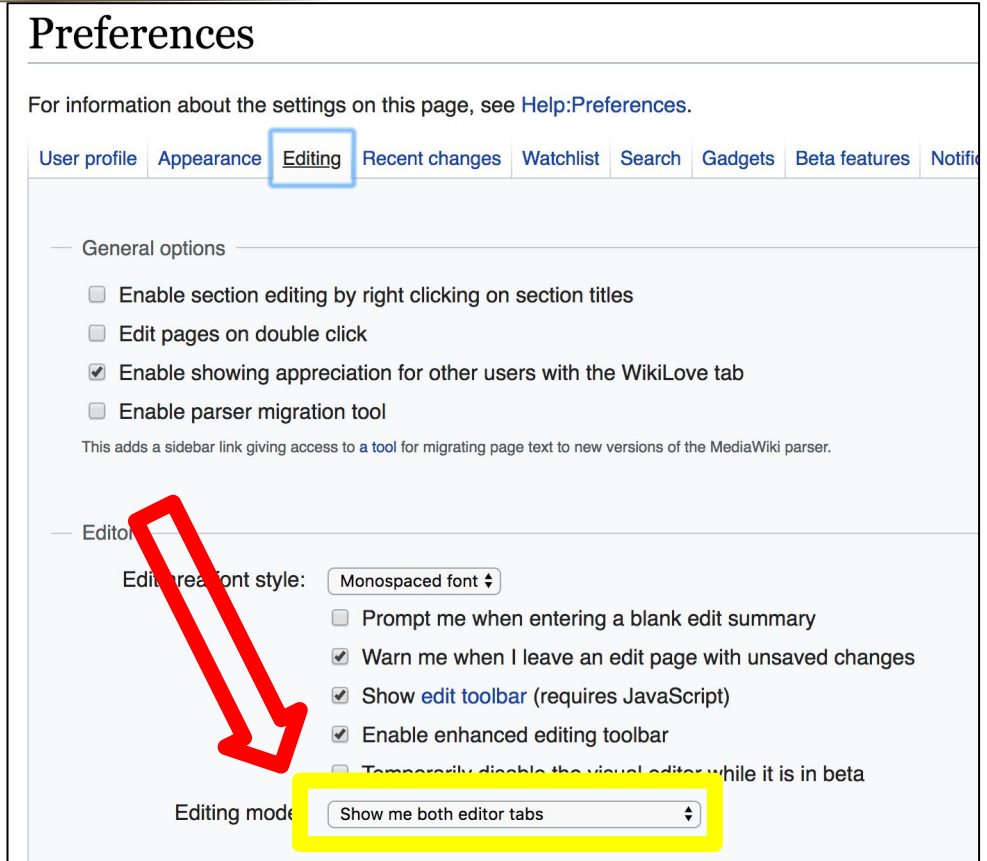
- Username: Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)
- Member of groups: [Autoconfirmed users](#), [Extended confirmed users](#), [Users](#)
- Connected apps: [Manage 3 connected applications](#)

# Set Editing Preferences: Activate Visual Editor

4. Scroll down to 'Editor'

5. Select 'Show me Both Editor Tabs' from the 'Editing Mode' dropdown menu

6. Save (bottom left)



The screenshot shows the 'Preferences' page on MediaWiki. The 'Editing' tab is selected and highlighted with a blue box. Under the 'General options' section, there are four checkboxes: 'Enable section editing by right clicking on section titles' (unchecked), 'Edit pages on double click' (unchecked), 'Enable showing appreciation for other users with the WikiLove tab' (checked), and 'Enable parser migration tool' (unchecked). Below this is a note: 'This adds a sidebar link giving access to a tool for migrating page text to new versions of the MediaWiki parser.' Under the 'Editor' section, there is a dropdown for 'Editing mode' set to 'Show me both editor tabs', which is highlighted with a yellow box. A red arrow points from the 'Show me both editor tabs' option to the 'Editing mode' dropdown. Other options in the 'Editor' section include 'Edit area font style' (set to 'Monospaced font'), 'Prompt me when entering a blank edit summary' (unchecked), 'Warn me when I leave an edit page with unsaved changes' (checked), 'Show edit toolbar (requires JavaScript)' (checked), 'Enable enhanced editing toolbar' (checked), and 'Temporarily disable the visual editor while it is in beta' (unchecked).

## Preferences

For information about the settings on this page, see [Help:Preferences](#).

User profile Appearance **Editing** Recent changes Watchlist Search Gadgets Beta features Notif

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— Editor —

Edit area font style:

- Prompt me when entering a blank edit summary
- Warn me when I leave an edit page with unsaved changes
- Show [edit toolbar](#) (requires JavaScript)
- Enable enhanced editing toolbar
- Temporarily disable the visual editor while it is in beta

Editing mode:

# User Page



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# User Page

- All users/editors are assigned a user page
- Access user page by selecting your username (top right)

User page Talk

Ariel Cetrone (WMDC) 6 16 Talk


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## User:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)

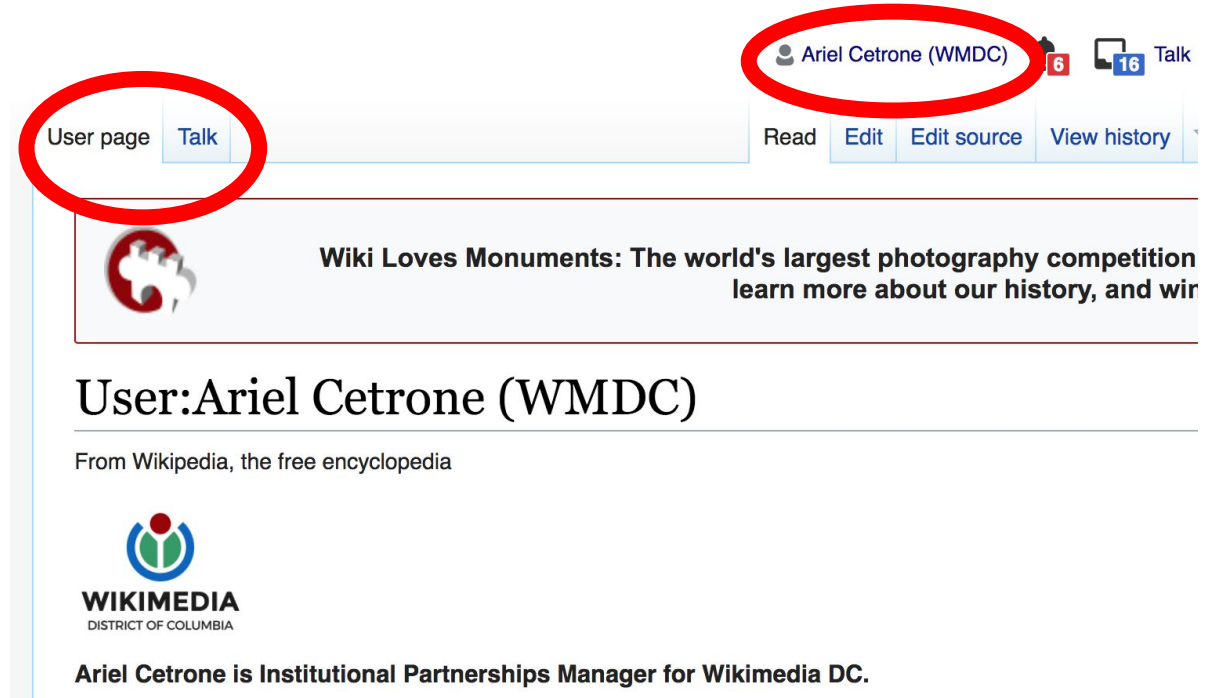
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# User Page

- Share information and interests
- Use is optional unless editing as part of official duties




User page [Talk](#)

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# User Page: Sample Conflict of Interest Statement

For those editing as part of their professional duties

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## About Me

I am a paid employee of XYZ organization. We are working to make our resources more accessible to the public by working directly with Wikipedia.

## Conflict of interest statement

I am editing Wikipedia as part of my official duties at XYZ organization. I will abide by Wikipedia's accepted practices on conflicts of interest, neutrality, and notability. Because the mission of XYZ organization is in line with Wikipedia's mission to disseminate knowledge, I will not make edits that I do not believe are in accordance with Wikipedia's practices and procedures. If you believe I have made an error or violated Wikipedia's norms, please let me know.



# Talk Page

- Receive messages
- Communicate with other users

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of a Wikipedia talk page. The 'Talk' tab is highlighted with a red circle. The page title is 'User talk:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)'. Below the title is a 'Contents' table of contents with five items: 'Welcome!', 'Hi from the Teahouse!', 'Edit-a-thon', 'Ways to improve Shoomaker's Saloon', and 'ArbCom 2017 election voter message'.

User page Talk

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## User talk:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC) [edit source]

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**Contents** [hide]

- 1 Welcome!
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# Tabs and Article Anatomy



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# Exploring Tabs: Article History

View all edits ever made by selecting 'View History'

Article [Talk](#) [Read](#) [Edit](#) [Edit source](#) [View history](#) [☆](#) [More](#) [TW](#)

## Polio vaccine [[edit](#) | [edit source](#)] [+](#)

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*A [good article](#) from Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia*

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**Polio vaccine**



[Vaccine description](#)

# Exploring Tabs: Article History

View all edits ever made by selecting 'View History'

The screenshot shows the 'Revision history' page for the article 'Polio vaccine'. The page title is 'Polio vaccine: Revision history'. Below the title, there is a search bar and navigation tabs for 'Article' and 'Talk'. The main content area shows a list of revisions, each with a date, time, editor username, and a summary of the edit. Three callouts are present: 'Date' points to the date '22:43, 11 August 2020', 'Editor username' points to the editor 'Pikaryaa', and 'Edit summary' points to the summary '(Improve wording)'. The page also includes a 'Filter revisions' section and a 'Compare selected revisions' section.

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## Polio vaccine: Revision history [? Help](#)

[View logs for this page \(view filter log\)](#)

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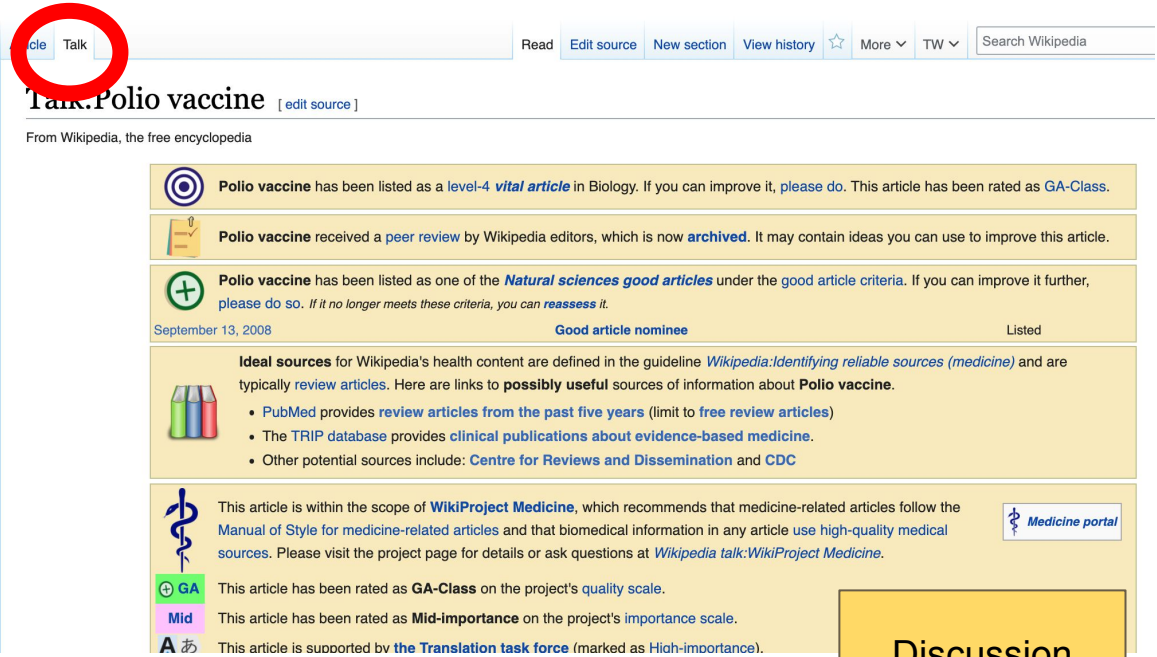
For any version listed below, click on its date to view it. For more help, see [Help:Page history](#) and [Help:Edit summary](#). (cur) = difference from current version, (prev) = difference from preceding version, **m** = minor edit → = section edit ← = automatic edit summary (newest | oldest) View (newer 50 | older 50) (20)

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# Exploring Tabs: Talk Page - Community Discussion

- Discuss the article with other editors
- Use is optional
- Can be used to add suggestions when one believes they have a conflict of interest





Article Talk


Read Edit source New section View history More TW Search Wikipedia

## Talk:Polio vaccine [edit source]

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 **Polio vaccine** has been listed as a **level-4 vital article** in Biology. If you can improve it, [please do](#). This article has been rated as **GA-Class**.



 **Polio vaccine** received a **peer review** by Wikipedia editors, which is now **archived**. It may contain ideas you can use to improve this article.


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September 13, 2008 **Good article nominee** Listed


**Ideal sources** for Wikipedia's health content are defined in the guideline *Wikipedia:Identifying reliable sources (medicine)* and are typically **review articles**. Here are links to **possibly useful** sources of information about **Polio vaccine**.

- PubMed provides **review articles from the past five years** (limit to **free review articles**)
- The TRIP database provides **clinical publications about evidence-based medicine**.
- Other potential sources include: **Centre for Reviews and Dissemination** and **CDC**

 This article is within the scope of **WikiProject Medicine**, which recommends that medicine-related articles follow the *Manual of Style for medicine-related articles* and that biomedical information in any article [use high-quality medical sources](#). Please visit the project page for details or ask questions at *Wikipedia talk:WikiProject Medicine*.  [Medicine portal](#)

 **GA** This article has been rated as **GA-Class** on the project's [quality scale](#).

 **Mid** This article has been rated as **Mid-importance** on the project's [importance scale](#).

 **Aa** This article is supported by **the Translation task force** (marked as **High-importance**).

Discussion

# Article Sections: Lead Paragraphs and infoboxes

Article Talk Read Edit Edit source View history ☆ More TW Search

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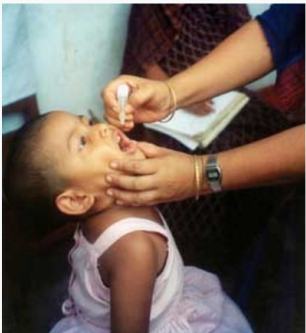
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- Medical uses**

**Main photo or Infobox placement**

**Lead paragraphs**

### Polio vaccine



**Vaccine description**

<b>Target disease</b>	Poliomyelitis
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# Article Sections: References

To combat this, the WHO in 2016, decided to switch from the trivalent polio vaccine to the bivalent polio vaccine.<sup>[29]</sup> This vaccine no longer contains the type 2 polio virus because it was eradicated in 1999.<sup>[30]</sup>

## References [\[edit\]](#) [\[edit source\]](#)

- <sup>1</sup> <sup>^</sup> <sup>a</sup> <sup>b</sup> [Use During Pregnancy and Breastfeeding](#)
- <sup>2</sup> <sup>^</sup> <sup>a</sup> <sup>b</sup> <sup>c</sup> <sup>d</sup> <sup>e</sup> <sup>f</sup> <sup>g</sup> <sup>h</sup> <sup>i</sup> <sup>j</sup> <sup>k</sup> <sup>l</sup> [World Health Organization \(March 2016\). "Polio vaccines: WHO position paper". \*Weekly Epidemiological Record\*. \*\*91\*\* \(12\): 145–68. \[hdl:110665/254399\]\(#\) \[PMID 27039410\]\(#\) \[Lev summary\]\(#\)](#)
- <sup>29</sup> <sup>^</sup> ["Re-vaccination of children in the Americas". \*Organization of American States\*](#)
- <sup>30</sup> <sup>^</sup> ["Poliomyelitis". \*World Health Organization\*. 2019. Retrieved 18 October 2019.](#)
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# Additional Sections

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## Further reading [\[ edit | edit source \]](#)

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# Editing Existing Articles



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# Editing with Visual Editor

1. Open a Wikipedia article
2. Select 'Edit'
3. Add and remove text as you would in a word processor

Unsure if you are in Visual Editor? Are you not seeing the 'Edit' button?  
Select 'Edit Source', select the Pencil (red), select 'Visual editing'

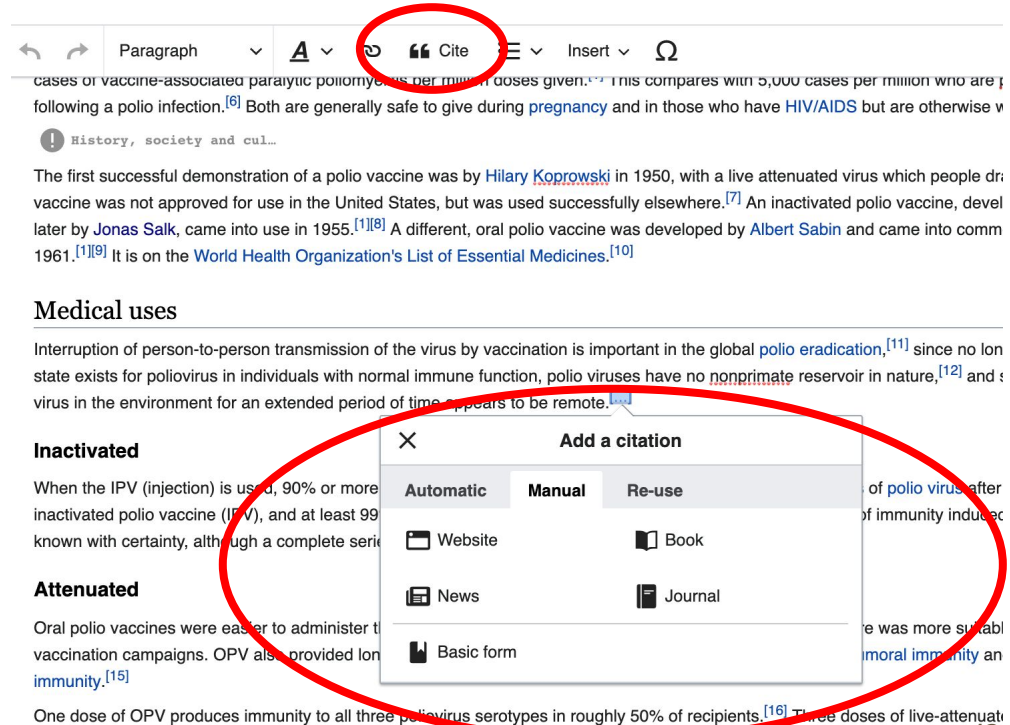
The screenshot shows the Wikipedia article 'Polio vaccine' in edit mode. A yellow callout box labeled 'Formatting buttons' points to the top toolbar. Another yellow callout box labeled 'Edit buttons' points to the 'Edit source' button and the pencil icon, with the text 'Edit = Visual Editor, Edit Source = Code'. A red circle highlights the pencil icon, and another red circle highlights the dropdown menu that appears when the pencil is clicked, showing 'Visual editing' (selected) and 'Source editing'. The article content includes a title 'Polio vaccine', a quality rating of 'FA (5.26)', and a snippet of text: 'Polio vaccines are vaccines used to prevent poliomyelitis (polio).<sup>[1]</sup> Two types are used: an inactivated poliovirus given by injection (IPV) and a weakened poliovirus given by mouth (OPV).<sup>[1]</sup> The World Health Organization (WHO) recommends all children be fully vaccinated against polio.<sup>[1]</sup>'

# Citing Your Sources

1. Place cursor in desired location

2. Select 'Cite'

3. Select 'Automatic' (for URLs, etc.), 'Manual' (to customize fields), or 'Reuse' (to cite a source that has already been used)



Paragraph

Cite

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### Medical uses

Interruption of person-to-person transmission of the virus by vaccination is important in the global polio eradication,<sup>[11]</sup> since no lon state exists for poliovirus in individuals with normal immune function, polio viruses have no nonprimate reservoir in nature,<sup>[12]</sup> and s virus in the environment for an extended period of time appears to be remote.<sup>[13]</sup>

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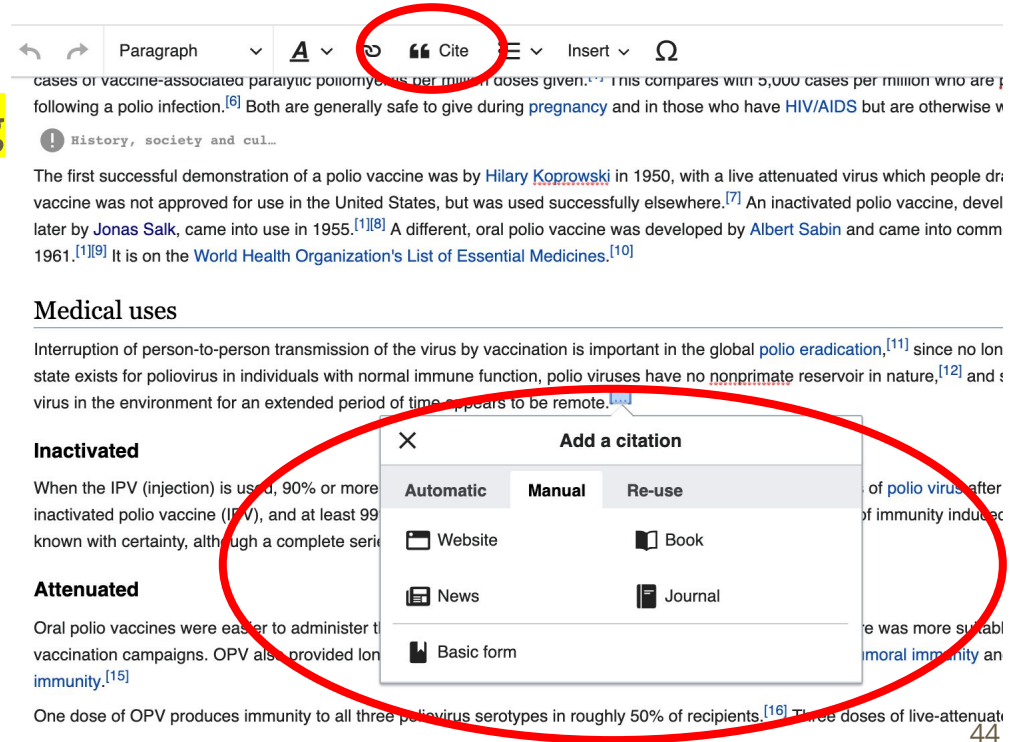
Basic form

# Citing Your Sources

4a. Populate fields (when selecting 'Automatic' and 'Manual')

4b. Select source that's already listed (when selecting 'Reuse')

5. Select 'Insert'



The screenshot shows a document editor interface. At the top, a menu bar includes 'Paragraph', 'A', and 'Cite'. The 'Cite' menu is highlighted with a red circle. Below the menu bar, the document text discusses polio vaccine-associated paralytic poliomyelitis per million doses given, comparing it to 5,000 cases per million who are following a polio infection.<sup>[6]</sup> Both are generally safe to give during pregnancy and in those who have HIV/AIDS but are otherwise v...  
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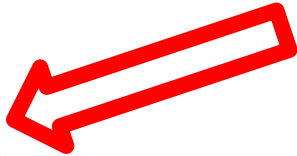
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The 'Add a citation' dialog box is open, showing three tabs: 'Automatic', 'Manual', and 'Re-use'. The 'Re-use' tab is selected and highlighted with a red circle. Under the 'Re-use' tab, there are four options: 'Website', 'Book', 'News', and 'Basic form'. The 'Basic form' option is selected with a radio button.

# Adding Sections with Headings

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## Manufacture [\[ edit | edit source \]](#)

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### Inactivated [\[ edit | edit source \]](#)

The Salk vaccine, IPV, is based on three wild, [virulent](#) reference strains, Mahoney (type 1 poliovirus), MEF-1 (type 2 poliovirus), and Saukett (type 3 poliovirus), grown in a type of monkey [kidney](#) tissue culture ([Vero cell](#) line), which are then inactivated with [formalin](#).<sup>[47]</sup> The injected Salk vaccine confers [IgG](#)-mediated immunity in the bloodstream, which prevents polio infection from progressing to [viremia](#) and protects the [motor neurons](#), thus eliminating the risk of [bulbar polio](#) and [post-polio syndrome](#).

In the United States, vaccine is administered along with the [tetanus](#), [diphtheria](#), and [acellular pertussis](#) vaccines ([DTaP](#)) and a pediatric dose of [hepatitis B](#) vaccine.<sup>[16]</sup> In the UK, IPV is combined with tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis, and [Haemophilus influenzae](#) type b vaccines.<sup>[48]</sup>

# Adding Sections with Headings

1. Place cursor

2. Select 'Paragraph'

3. Select 'Heading'

The screenshot shows a text editor interface. At the top, a dropdown menu is open, displaying various text formatting options. The 'Paragraph' option is circled in red, and the 'Heading' option is also circled in red. Below the menu, a new section with the heading 'Manufacture' is highlighted in yellow, with a red arrow pointing to it. The text in the background is partially visible, showing a paragraph about polio vaccine contamination and a list of references.

Paragraph

Paragraph

Heading

Sub-heading 1

Sub-heading 2

Sub-heading 3

Sub-heading 4

Preformatted

Block quote

Page title

New section with heading

Manufacture

Inactivated

# Adding Sections with Headings

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## 4. Name heading

## 5. Hit return/enter to default back to 'paragraph text and begin typing

contaminated polio vaccine as late as 1957; the study again revealed no increased cancer incidence between persons who received the vaccine and those who did not. The question of whether SV40 causes cancer in humans remains controversial, however, and the development of improved methods to resolve the controversy.<sup>[34]</sup>

During the race to develop an oral polio vaccine, several large-scale human trials were undertaken. By 1958, the National Institutes of Health determined that OPV produced using the Sabin strains were the safest.<sup>[38]</sup> Between 1957 and 1960, however, Hilary Koprowski administered his vaccine around the world. In Africa, the vaccines were administered to roughly one million people in the Belgian territories of the Congo, Rwanda, and Burundi.<sup>[39][40]</sup> The results of these human trials have been controversial,<sup>[41]</sup> and unforeseen complications in the 1990s arose that the vaccine had created the conditions necessary for transmission of simian immunodeficiency virus from chimpanzees to humans, causing HIV/AIDS. These hypotheses, however, have been conclusively refuted.<sup>[39]</sup> By 2004, cases of poliomyelitis in Africa were limited to a small number of isolated regions in the western portion of the continent, with sporadic cases elsewhere. Recent local opposition to vaccination campaigns have evolved due to lack of adequate information,<sup>[42][43]</sup> often relating to fears that the vaccine might induce sterility, which has since resurged in Nigeria and in several other African nations without necessary information, which epidemiologists believe is due to local populations not allowing their children to receive the polio vaccine.<sup>[45]</sup>

### Sample article heading

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#### Manufacture

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#### Inactivated

# Creating Links Between Wikipedia Articles

1. Select text

2. Select link icon

3. Select article and  
'Done'

\*When adding an external link in an external links section, enter the title of what you are adding, highlight the text, select the link icon, paste a URL, and select 'Done'.

The screenshot shows the Wikipedia editor interface for the article "Polio vaccine". The top toolbar includes a "Link" icon (a chain link) which is circled in red. Below the toolbar, the article title "Polio vaccine" is visible, along with a quality indicator (FA 5.26) and a note that it is a "good article". The main text of the article is partially visible, starting with "Polio vaccines are vaccines used to prevent poliomyelitis (polio). Two types are used: an inactivated poliovirus given by injection (IPV) ; weakened poliovirus given by mouth (OPV). The World Health Organization (WHO) recommends all children be fully vaccinated against | The two vaccines have eliminate 350,000 in 1988 to 33 in 2018. Safety The inactivated polio vaccines a cases of vaccine-associated par following a polio infection. History, society and cul. The first successful demonstrati vaccine was not approved for us later by Jonas Salk, came into u 1961. It is on the World Hea Medical uses Interruption of person-to-person state exists for poliovirus in indiv virus in the environment for an e". An "Edit link" dialog box is open, showing search results for "World Health Organization". The dialog box has a search bar with "World Health Organization" entered and a "Done" button. The search results list several items, including "World Health Organization" (Specialized agency of the United Nations), "World Health Organization's response to the...", "World Health Organization ranking of health...", "World Health Organization Goodwill Amba...", and "World Health Organization collaborating cen...".

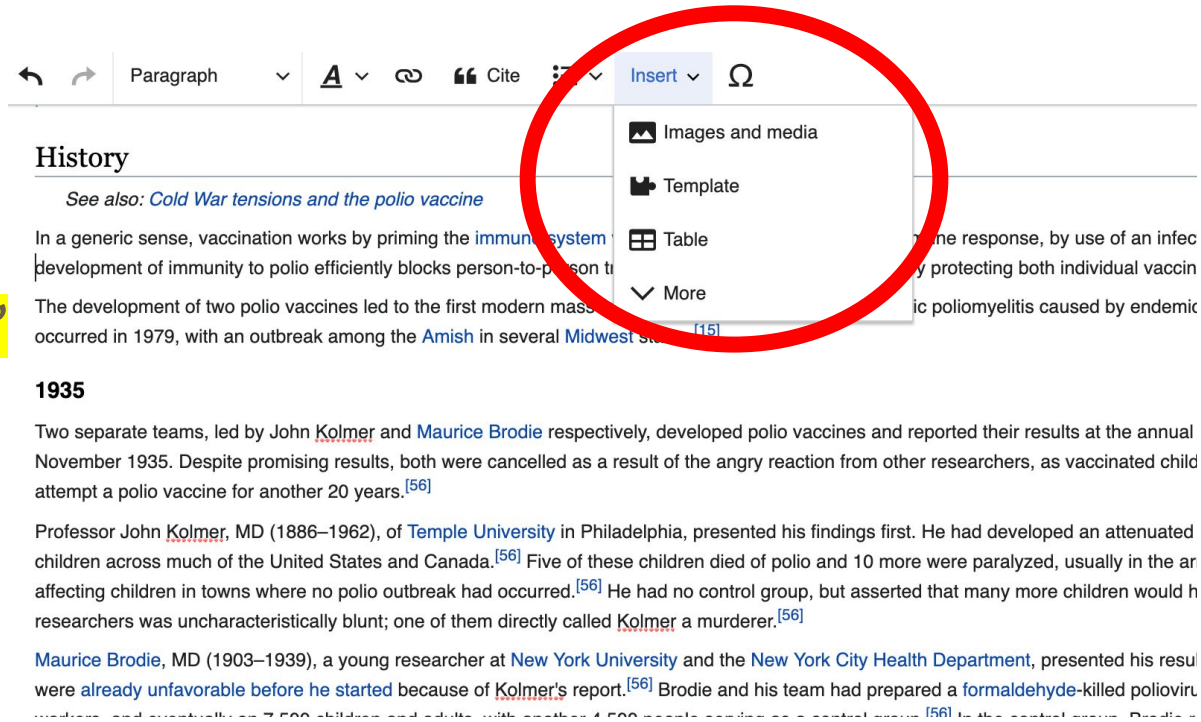


# Adding Photos with Wikimedia Commons

1. Place cursor in desired location (left or right)

2. Select: 'Insert' + Media'

3. Enter search term



The screenshot shows the top toolbar of a Wikipedia editor. The 'Insert' dropdown menu is open, and the 'Images and media' option is highlighted with a red circle. The background shows the 'History' section of a Wikipedia article, with the text: 'See also: *Cold War tensions and the polio vaccine*  
In a generic sense, vaccination works by priming the [immune system](#) development of immunity to polio efficiently blocks person-to-person transmission. The development of two polio vaccines led to the first modern mass vaccination program, which occurred in 1979, with an outbreak among the [Amish](#) in several [Midwest states](#).<sup>[15]</sup>

### 1935

Two separate teams, led by John [Kolmer](#) and [Maurice Brodie](#) respectively, developed polio vaccines and reported their results at the annual November 1935. Despite promising results, both were cancelled as a result of the angry reaction from other researchers, as vaccinated child attempt a polio vaccine for another 20 years.<sup>[56]</sup>

Professor John [Kolmer](#), MD (1886–1962), of [Temple University](#) in Philadelphia, presented his findings first. He had developed an attenuated children across much of the United States and Canada.<sup>[56]</sup> Five of these children died of polio and 10 more were paralyzed, usually in the arm affecting children in towns where no polio outbreak had occurred.<sup>[56]</sup> He had no control group, but asserted that many more children would have been infected if researchers was uncharacteristically blunt; one of them directly called [Kolmer](#) a murderer.<sup>[56]</sup>

[Maurice Brodie](#), MD (1903–1939), a young researcher at [New York University](#) and the [New York City Health Department](#), presented his results were already unfavorable before he started because of [Kolmer's](#) report.<sup>[56]</sup> Brodie and his team had prepared a formaldehyde-killed poliovirus vaccine, and eventually on 7,500 children and adults, with another 4,500 people receiving a control vaccine.<sup>[56]</sup> In the control group, Brodie's

# Adding Photos with Wikimedia Commons

4. Enter search term

5. Select photo + 'Use this image'

Media settings

Search Upload

Polio Vaccine

The screenshot shows the Wikimedia Commons search results for 'Polio Vaccine'. The search bar contains 'Polio Vaccine'. Below the search bar, there are six search results displayed in a grid. The first result is a photo of a child receiving a polio vaccine, with the caption 'Poliodrops'. The second result is a historical poster titled 'The Salt Vaccine' and 'Here's why Polio isn't licked yet!', with the caption 'Here's Why Polio Isn't Licked Yet (IA PolioIsntLickedYet)'. The third result is a document titled 'THE SV-40 VIRUS- HAS TAI...', with the caption 'THE SV-40 VIRUS- HAS TAI...'. The fourth result is a world map showing the global distribution of polio, with the caption 'Poliodrops'. The fifth result is a document titled 'GENERAL BOARD OF HEALTH OF POLIO AND THE POLIO...', with the caption 'GENERAL BOARD OF HEALTH OF POLIO AND THE POLIO...'. The sixth result is a line graph titled 'Poliomyelitis in Deutschland, 1910 - 2018', with the caption 'Poliomyelitis in Deutschland, 1910 - 2018'. The graph shows the number of polio cases in Germany from 1910 to 2018, with a significant peak in the 1950s and a sharp decline after the introduction of the OPV vaccine in 1955. The graph is labeled with 'Beginn Impfung (OPV)' and 'Umstellung Impfung (IPV) Europa ist poliofrei'.

Poliodrops

Here's Why Polio Isn't Licked Yet (IA PolioIsntLickedYet)

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Poliodrops

Poliomyelitis in Deutschland, 1910 - 2018

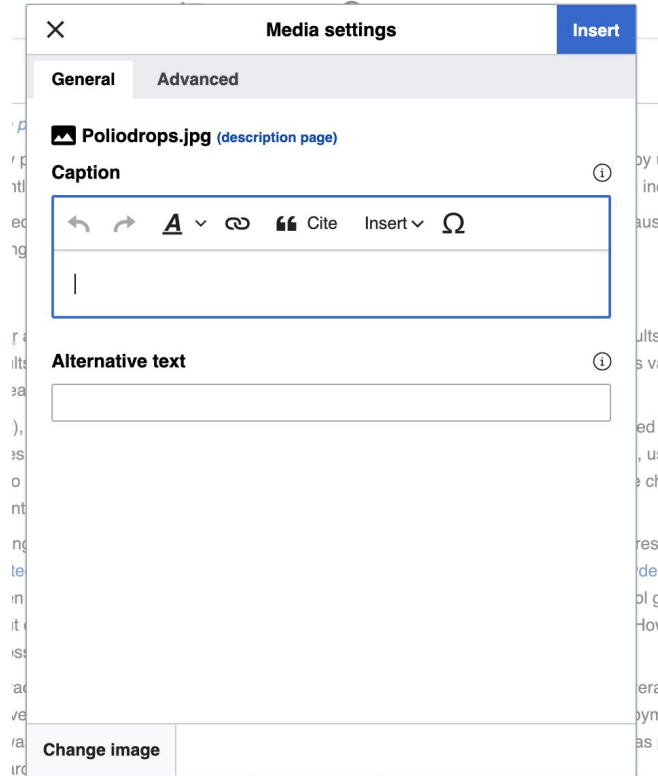
Beginn Impfung (OPV)

Umstellung Impfung (IPV) Europa ist poliofrei

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# Adding Categories

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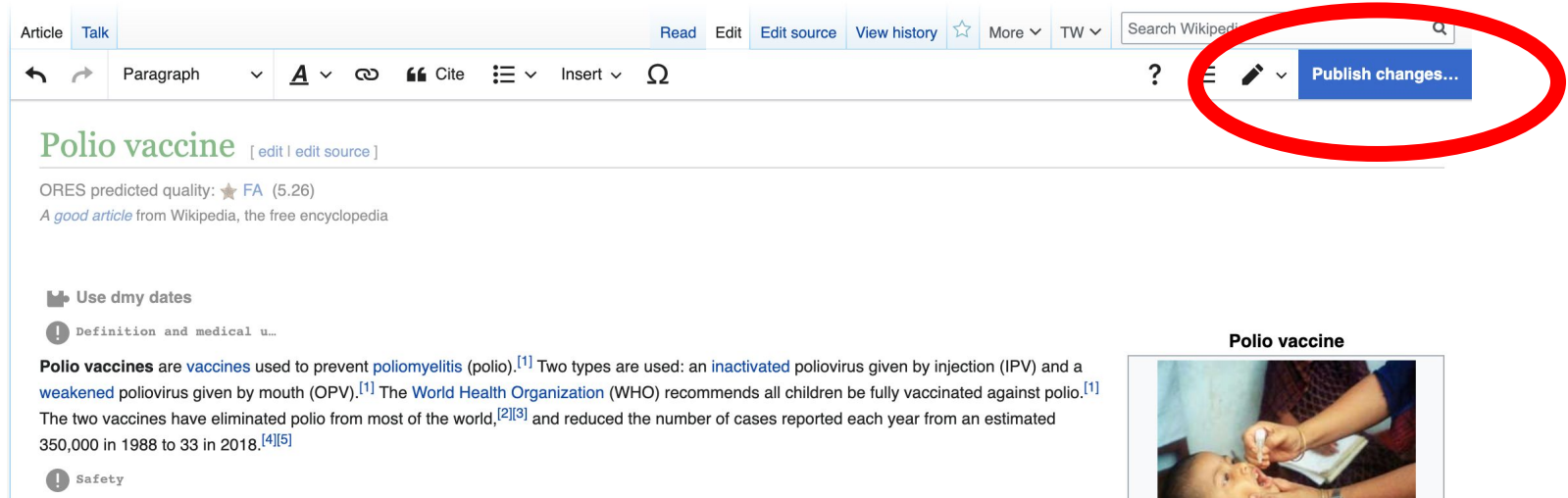
2. Select +

3. Type the category name into the field, i.e. 'Vaccines'. Only existing categories will appear in the list of options. You may create new categories.

4. Select 'Apply Changes'

Categories (+): Polio (-) (±) | 1952 in biology (-) (±) | 1955 introduction (-) (±) | American inventions (-) (±) | Inactivated vaccines (-) (±) | Live vaccines (-) (±) | Vaccines (-) (±)  
| World Health Organization essential medicines (vaccines) (-) (±) | (+)

# Don't forget to 'Publish' often



The screenshot shows the Wikipedia article edit interface for "Polio vaccine". The top navigation bar includes "Article" and "Talk" tabs, and a search box. Below this is a toolbar with various editing tools like "Paragraph", "Text", "Link", "Cite", "List", "Insert", and "Undo". The "Publish changes..." button is highlighted with a red circle. The article content includes a quality rating of "FA (5.26)", a "Use dmy dates" warning, and a "Definition and medical u..." warning. The main text describes polio vaccines and their effectiveness, citing the WHO and a reduction in cases from 350,000 in 1988 to 33 in 2018. A "Safety" warning is also present. An image of a child receiving a vaccine is shown on the right.

To quickly abandon changes made to an article, select 'Read' (next to Edit/Edit Source) and your edits will not be saved.

# Additional tips

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- Search hyperlinked articles for relevant information
- 'Copy and Paste' is acceptable between WP articles as long as content is relevant and the original articles/editors are credited in the 'Edit Summary' box
- Also a good way to find new sources

# Creating New Articles

## Three Methods



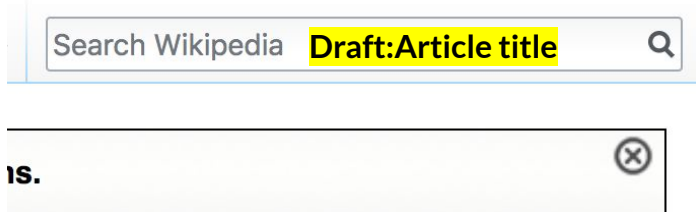
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# Creating Articles: Drafts

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## 1a. Start a 'Draft'

- Enter **Draft:Article title** into WP search bar
- Click the red link to start the article
- Start writing and publish as you go

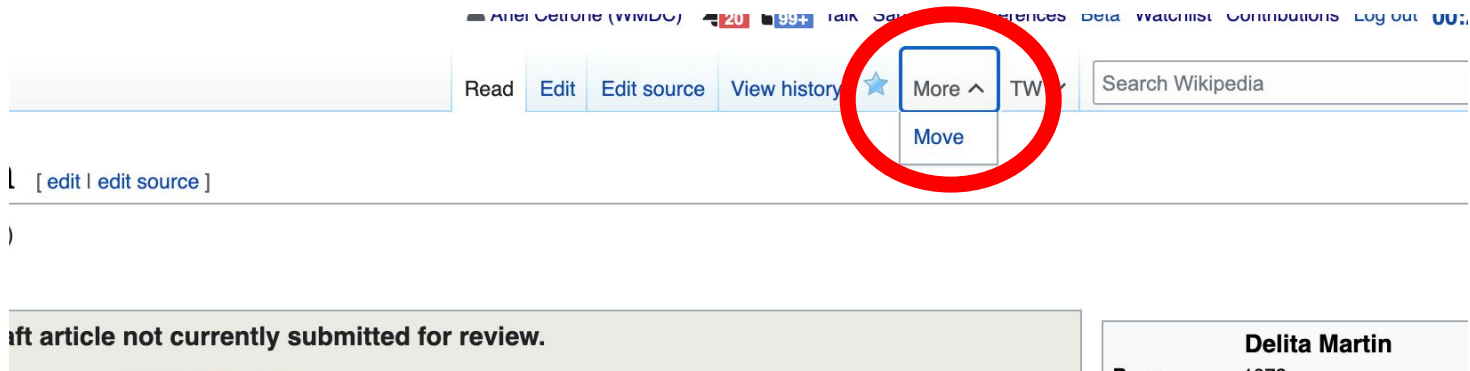




# Creating Articles: Drafts

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- When ready to move your draft to Wikipedia mainspace, go to the draft and select 'More' then 'Move'



# Creating Articles: Drafts

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- Select 'Article' from the New Title dropdown menu and check that 'Draft' has been removed from the title
- Select 'Move Page'

← Draft:Delita Martin

Using the form below will rename a page, moving all of its history to the new name. The old title will become a [redirect](#) page to the new title. **Links to the old page** This can be a drastic and unexpected change for a **popular page**; please be sure you understand the consequences of this before proceeding. Please read [Wikipedia:Moving a page](#) for detailed instructions.

**Move page**

New title:

Reason:

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**Or...**

# Creating Articles: Drafts

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## 1b. Use the Article Wizard - (Search [Wikipedia: Article Wizard](#))

- Follow prompts
- Publish in draft form



### Wikipedia Article Wizard

#### Welcome

Thank you for your interest in contributing to Wikipedia!

Before starting the process of creating an article, you can get the hang of things by first editing in **your sandbox**. It's a great way to practice your editing skills without affecting live articles.

If you need some help along the way, check out our [editing guide](#).

Next

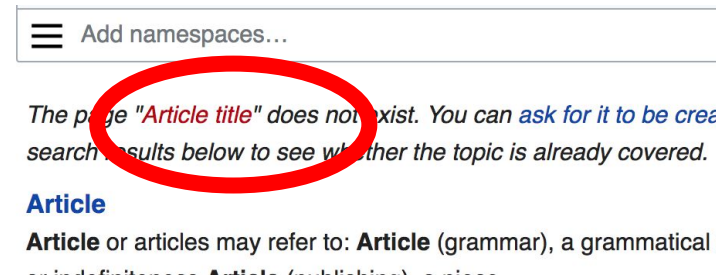
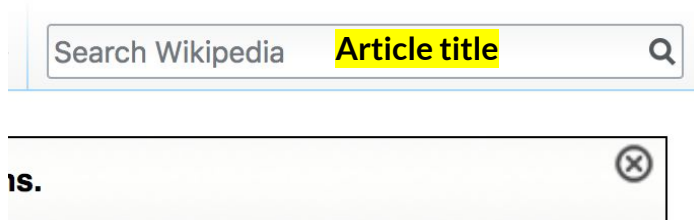
Edit sandbox

# Creating Articles: Wikipedia Mainspace

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## 2. Start a 'Mainspace' article

- Enter **Article title** into WP search bar
- Click the **red link** to start the article
- Create
- Publish



# Creating Articles: Sandbox

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## 3. Practice using your Sandbox

- Select Sandbox
- Select Edit or Edit Source
- Create article or section
- Copy/Paste Sandbox content into a draft of mainspace article

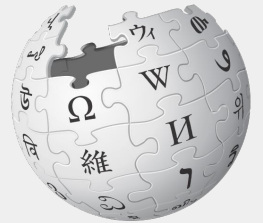


The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of a Wikipedia user page. The user is identified as 'Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)'. There are notification icons for 7 new messages and 23 new pages. The navigation menu includes 'Talk', 'Sandbox', 'Preferences', 'Beta', 'Watchlist', and 'Contributions'. The 'Sandbox' link is circled in red. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for 'User page' and 'Talk'. A search bar is visible on the right side of the page.

User:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)/sandbox

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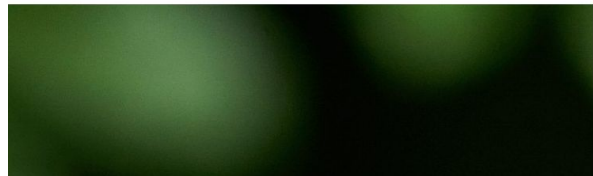
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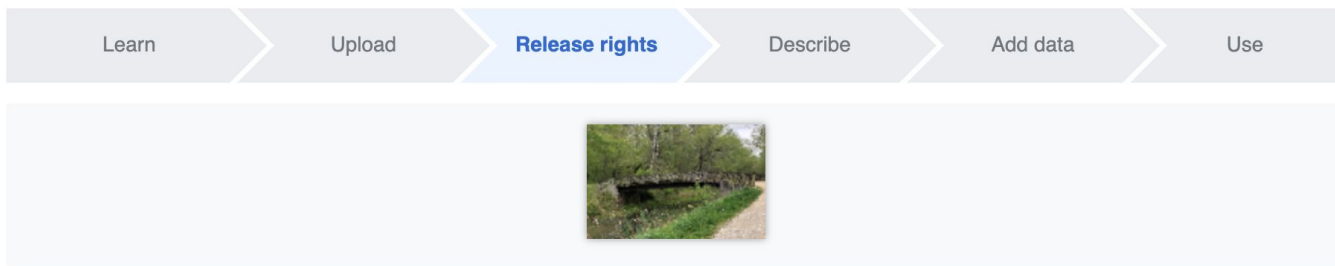
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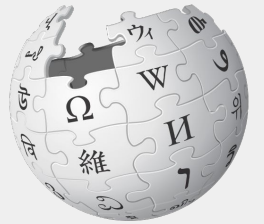
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# Event Page, Article Worklist, and Sources



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# Event page

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- Wikimedia page with links to Wikipedia policies, practices, and tools. Also includes a list Wikipedia articles for creation or improvement and secondary sources
- This page will remain live and accessible after the event.

## Vaccine Safety Editathon - August 28, 2020

@WikimediaDC

Shortcut  
WMDC-VACC1

The World Health Organization has named vaccine hesitancy, or anti-vaccination, as one of the top ten threats to global health in 2019. At the same time, the spread of health-related misinformation has fueled concerns about the potential dangers or inefficacy of vaccines.

Wikipedia is an important resource for up-to-date, accurate vaccine information, and it is currently one of the most frequently visited sites for healthcare information worldwide.

To help expand Wikipedia's existing vaccine-related content, Wikimedia DC and NewsQ in partnership with WHO's Vaccine Safety Network are organizing a pilot editathon to evaluate and improve Wikimedia content about



# Article Worklist Review

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## Articles needing creation [\[ edit source \]](#)

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### Low expertise [\[ edit source \]](#)

Please consider creating an article about one of the organizations listed [here](#). Here is a sample article on [GAVI](#) that can be used for inspiration.

### Medium expertise [\[ edit source \]](#)

Please consider creating an article about the vaccination situation in one of the countries listed [here](#).

### High expertise [\[ edit source \]](#)

Please choose one of the general topics listed [here](#) or one of the italicised topics listed [here](#).

## Suggested Worklist [\[ edit source \]](#)

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### For expansion or other editing

- [Emergency use authorization](#) -- US specific; should we expand it with international coverage? or create a new article for that? I did not find one.
- *Vaxxed* -- combine footnotes to the same source
- *Efficacy* -- a longstanding banner warning requests expert attention
- *Pragmatic clinical trial* -- there are big and apparently sophisticated suggestions on the talk page
- Adjuvant research:
  - [Adjuvant](#) <== has two Mechanism sections
  - [Immunologic adjuvant](#) <== more narrowly our topic of interest
  - [CDC on adjuvants](#) & <== this is good but doesn't say how adjuvants work ; wp's articles don't appear to cite it
  - look for sources from WHO
- [Research exemption](#) -- Good but should be written with international frame, moving national-specific stuff below the lede. [This reference](#) & or something parallel should communicate that such exemptions exist EU-wide, in plain language. One source at least says the US does NOT have such an exemption but it was considered in legislation within the last two years.

For creation

# Suggested Sources

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## Potential References [\[ edit source \]](#)

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