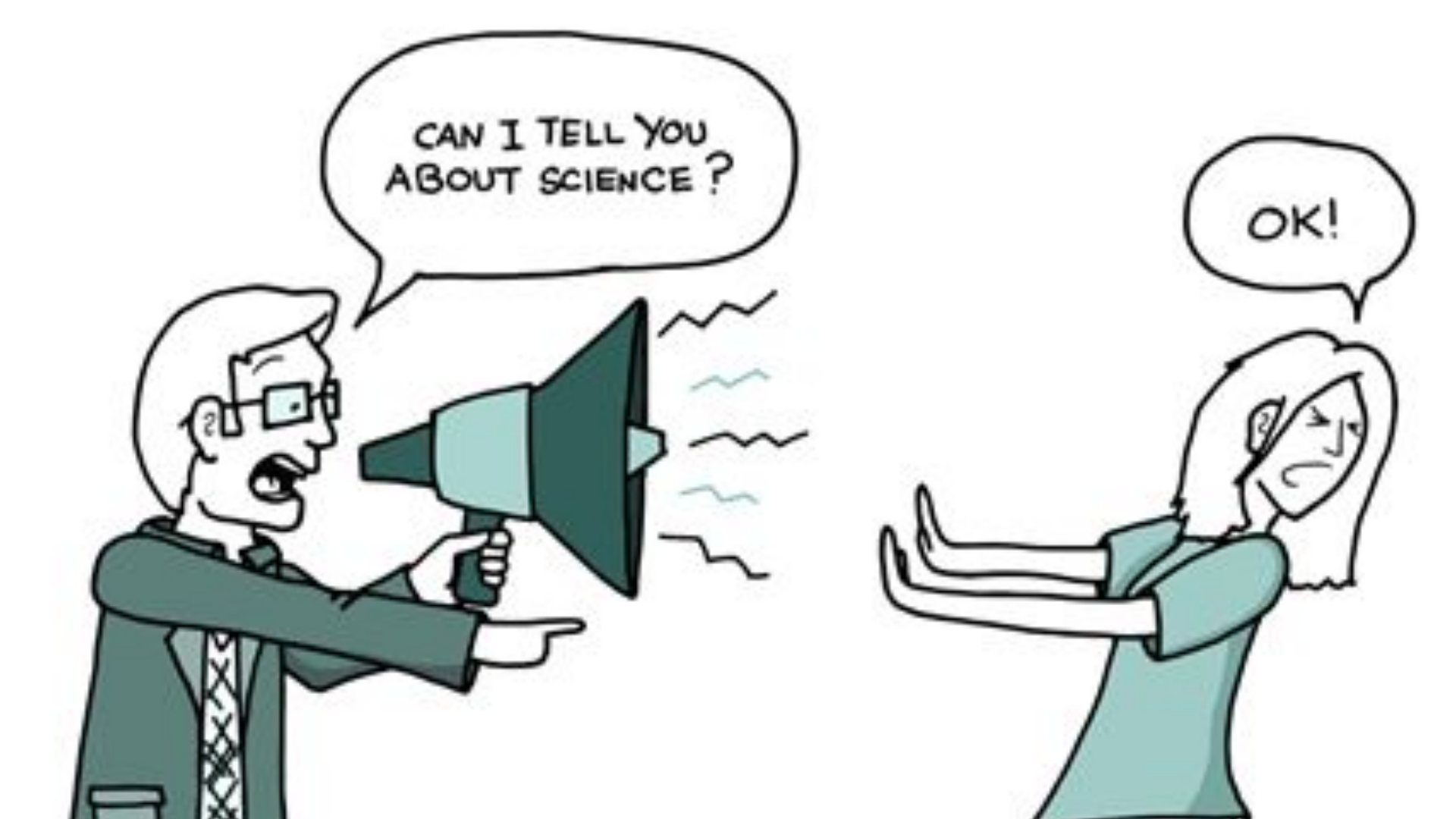


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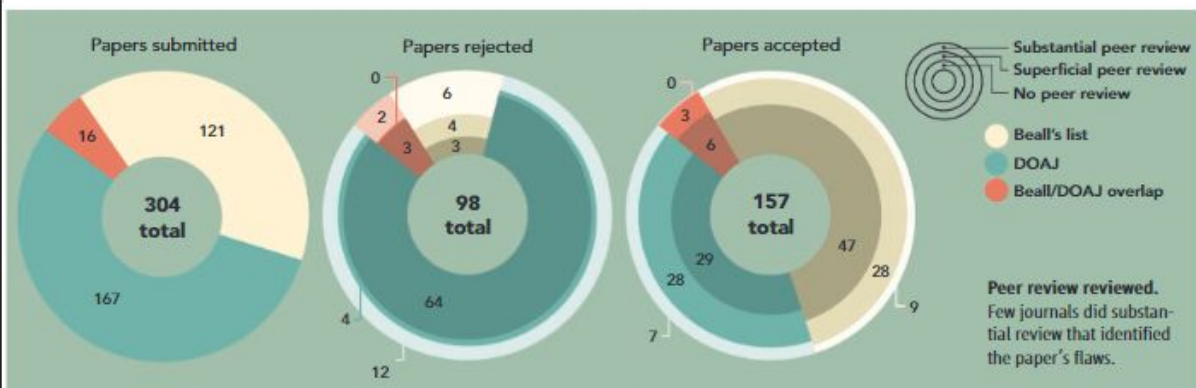
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Predatory journals: no definition, no defence

promise was doubtful and its validity unlikely to have been vetted.

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John P. A. Ioannidis

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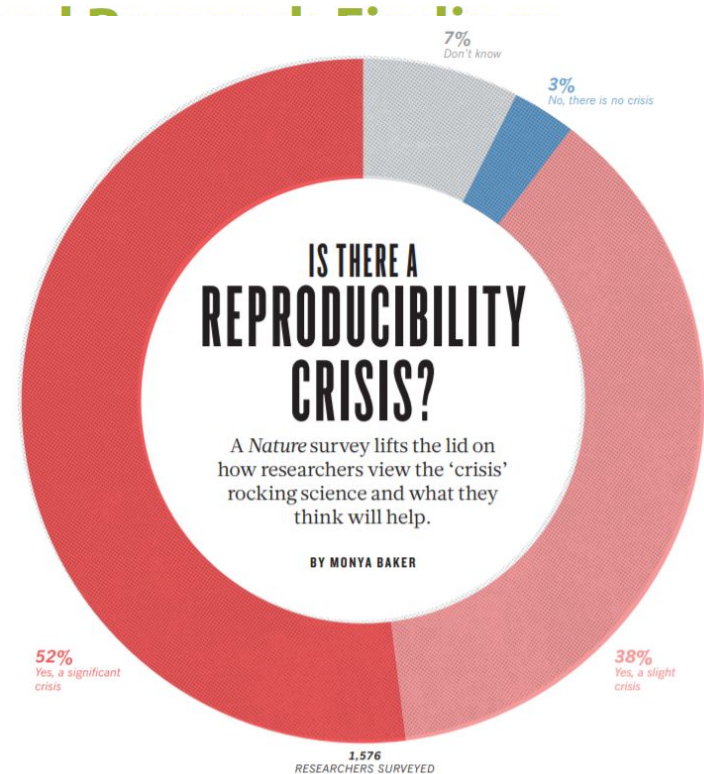
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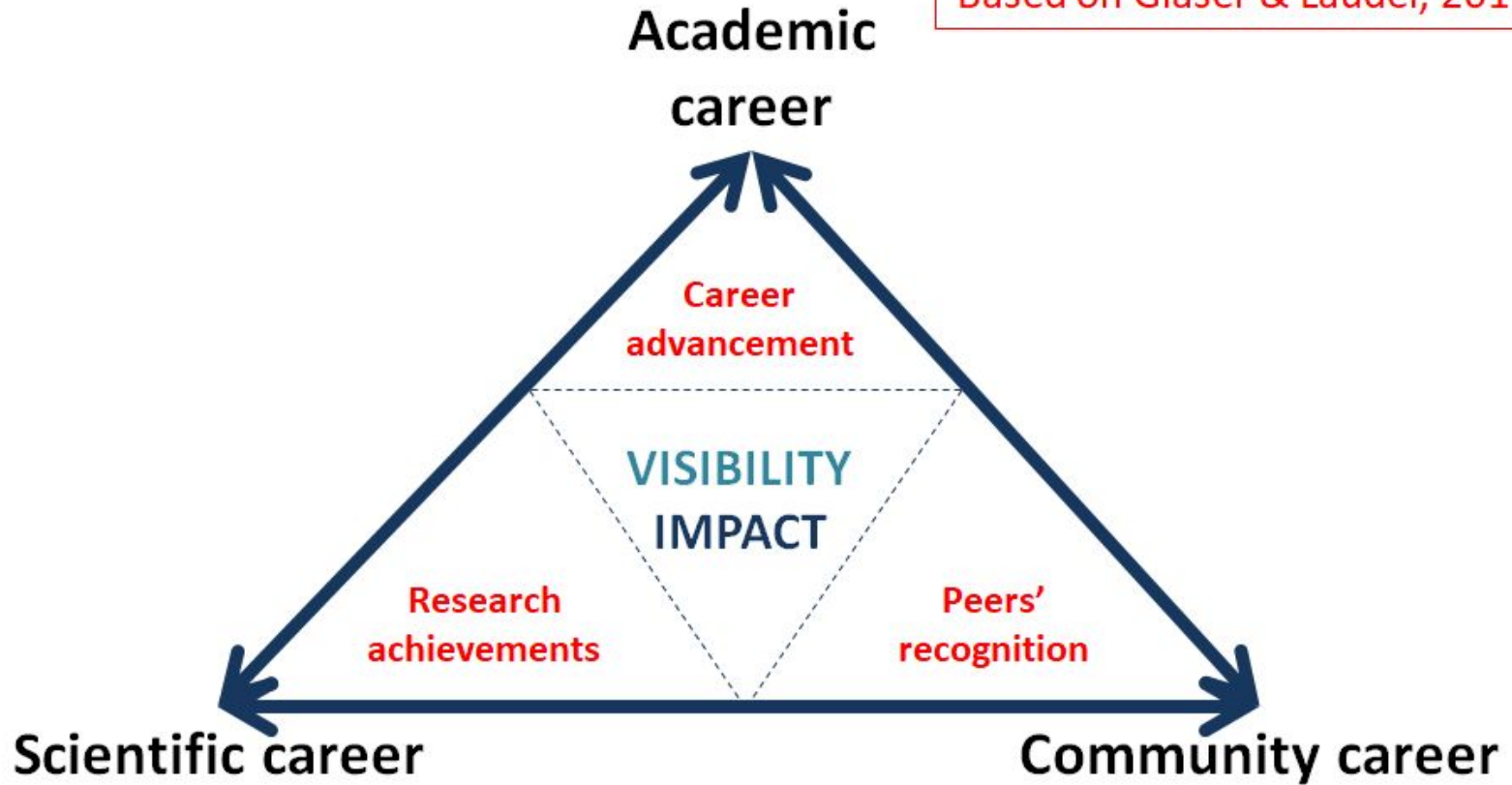
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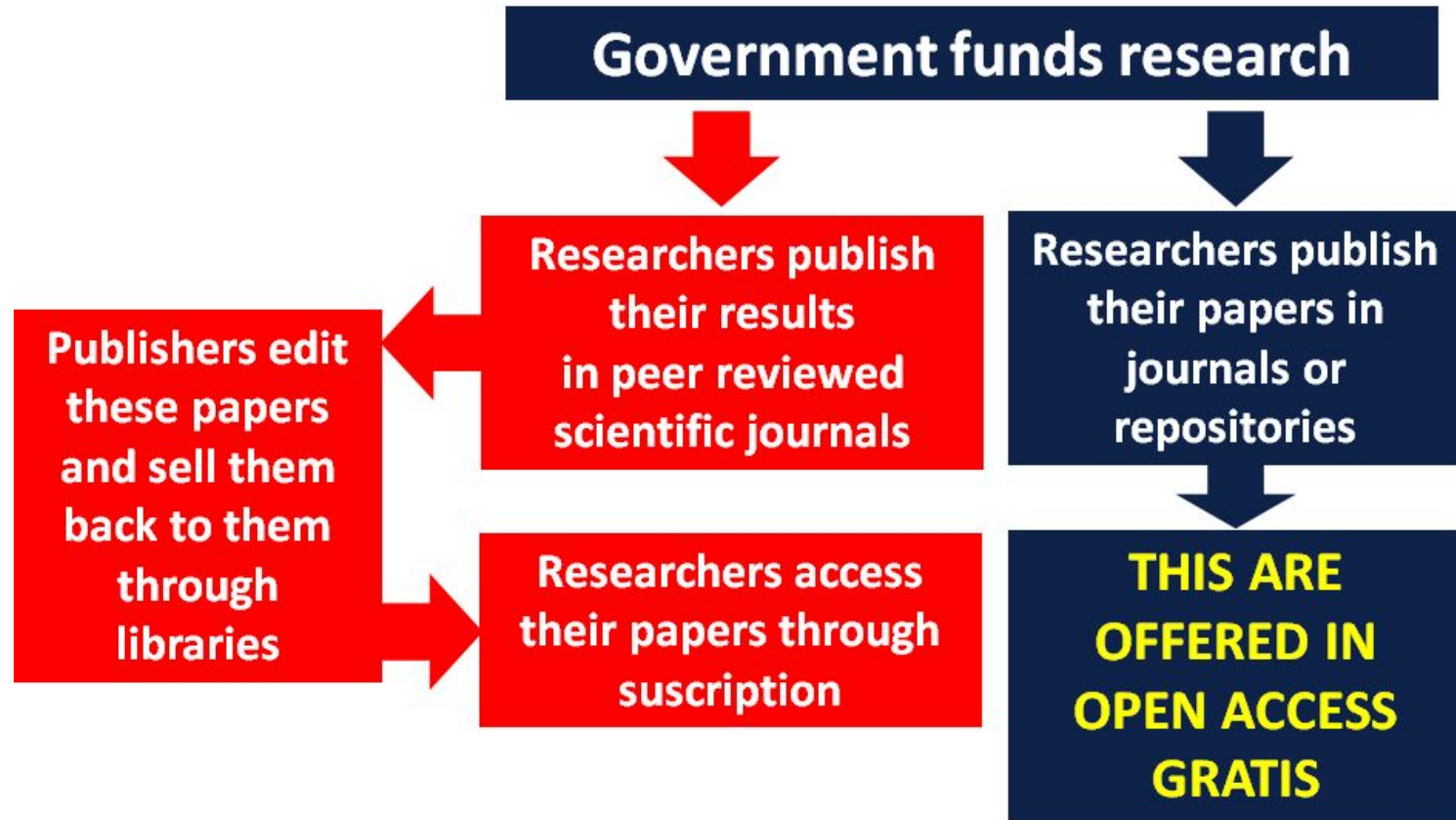
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Los retos de la comunicación científica

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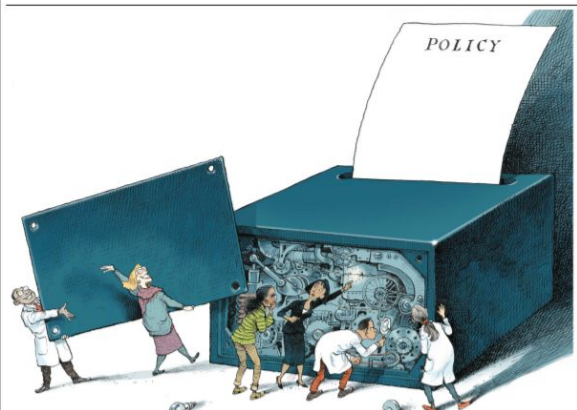
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Pandemic politics highlight how predictions need to be transparent and humble to invite insight, not blame.

The COVID-19 pandemic illustrates perfectly how the operation of science changes when questions of urgency, stakes, values and uncertainty collide – in the ‘post-normal’ regime. Well before the coronavirus pandemic, statisticians were debating how to prevent malpractice such as p-hacking, particularly

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Coronavirus: the spread of misinformation

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There has been a global rise recently in the spread of misinformation that has plagued the scientific community and public. Disconnect between scientific consensus and members of the public on topics such as vaccine safety, the shape of the earth, and climate change has existed for a number of years. However, this has progressively worsened as society has become further divided in the political climate of today. In turn, it has created an optimal environment for antisocial groups to gain footing and propagate their false theories and information. The public health crisis emerging due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) is also now beginning to feel the effects of misinformation.

We stand with our colleagues Calisher et al., who recently published a statement of solidarity to fight against COVID-19 and to promote scientific evidence and unity over misinformation and conjecture [1]. Just as the coronavirus itself, misinformation has spread far and wide, drowning out credible sources of information. Over the last couple of months, posts from the World Health Organization (WHO) and the US Center for Disease Control (CDC) have cumulatively only achieved several hundred thousand engagements, considerably eclipsed by hoax and conspiracy theory sites, which have amassed over 52 million. This serves to emphasise the popularity of unverified sources of information.

Similarly, misinformation was widespread during the early years of the HIV epidemic. It too was plagued by conspiracy theories, rumours, and misinformation for many years, with the effects still visible in regions to this day. Many people continue to argue that HIV does not exist, or cause AIDS, and that its therapies are toxic to human health. All the arguments provided by these

deniers have been rebuked through a multitude of scientific publications and debate. Yet, they continue to persist. The influence of these false arguments can be so infectious that it can influence governmental policy, which has the potential to be fatal. This was particularly highlighted by the Mbeki South African government's denialism of HIV in the early 2000s and their infamous rejection of the evidence surrounding the efficacy of HIV medication. In turn, thousands of mothers were denied access to antiretroviral therapies. Instead, the government promoted the unsubstantiated use of herbal remedies including garlic, beetroot, and lemon juice for AIDS treatment [2], leading to unnecessary HIV transmission, especially to children from pregnant mothers. This costs more than 300,000 lives [3]. It is important that we learn from past mistakes, and the media has a large role to play in this. It seems in a bid to increase viewership, major media organisations are creating dramatic headlines but are instead inciting panic amongst the public. Whilst healthcare professionals are still learning about the virus, the media has already begun to speculate about the potential health impact that the virus can have, and by publishing the potential worst effects of the virus, it only serves to fuel panic amongst the general public.

As COVID-19 turns into full-fledged public health crisis, multiple theories regarding the virus' origin have taken hold on the internet, all with a common theme: the virus was artificially created in a lab by a rogue government with an agenda. This misinformation originated from social media accounts and websites with no credible evidence to support their claims. These posts have amassed over 20 million engagements, rising each day, and the theories continue to gain traction and following on the internet, despite scientific reports from multiple nations

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Evidence-based strategies to combat scientific misinformation

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Nowhere has the impact of scientific misinformation been more profound than on the issue of climate change in the United States. Effective responses to this multifaceted problem have been slow to develop, in large part because many experts have not only underestimated its impact, but have also overlooked the underlying institutional structure, organizational power and financial roots of misinformation. Fortunately, a growing body of sophisticated research has emerged that can help us to better understand these dynamics and provide the basis for developing a coordinated set of strategies across four related areas (public inoculation, legal strategies, political mechanisms and financial transparency) to thwart large-scale misinformation campaigns before they begin, or after they have taken root.

Scientific misinformation undermines public understanding of science, erodes basic trust in research findings and stalls evidence-based policymaking¹. For example, in April 2018, Scott Pruitt (former administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency) signed a proposed rule that would sharply reduce the number of scientific studies the EPA can take into account, effectively limiting the agency's ability to regulate toxic chemicals, air pollution, carbon emissions and industries that science has already shown to have lethal impacts on human and environmental health². This rule would, in effect, limit the amount of evidence-based information for environmental decision-making. The rule itself does not directly propagate misinformation (only the limiting of information). However, the political groundwork for such a rule was laid by a long-term and well-coordinated misinformation effort. Pruitt was joined at the announcement by Steve Milloy, a member of President Trump's EPA transition team, and perhaps the nation's most influential climate science contrarian. Milloy has a long history of working on behalf of industry-led scientific misinformation campaigns – first for tobacco companies to discredit research on the public health risks of smoking and, more recently, for fossil-fuel companies aiming to refute, confuse and obstruct acceptance of the reality of climate change³.

Milloy declared that this new EPA rule to stamp out ‘secret science’ by ‘taxpayer-funded university researchers’ is, in his words, ‘one of my proudest achievements’. The reason this is anywhere is because of Steve Milloy⁴. In another interview, Milloy explained his reasoning to *The New Yorker*: ‘I do have a bias. I’m all for the coal industry, the fossil fuel industry. Wealth is what makes people happy, not prettiness, which you’ll never get’⁵. The new EPA rule was a long time in the making, proposed as legislation twice by Representative Lamar Smith (TX)⁶. Smith himself has been an outspoken climate science contrarian, has received more funding (US\$772,347) from the oil and gas industry than any other sector⁷, and is chair of the House Science Committee.

Similarly, when President Trump announced the withdrawal of the United States from the Paris Agreement, he was accompanied by Myron Ebell, the leader of the administration's EPA transition team, and an influential climate change contrarian. According to Internal Revenue Service filings, Ebell and connected think-tanks and front groups have taken in tens of millions of dollars from fossil

fuel companies and wealthy family foundations such as Koch, Scife and Mercer⁸. Echoing Steve Milloy (about the EPA rule, Ebell similarly reflected about the decades of political work that it took to get to this point. ‘This was a very long fight. And we have turned the corner’⁹).

Many, especially climate scientists who have seen the evidence of warming first hand, wondered how we had reached this point. How had these once fringe actors, who tended to be overlooked and at times even laughed off as irrelevant bloggers, managed to embed their ideas so deeply into mainstream US politics? And how, over the course of the 1990s and 2000s, did half of the American public – and the large majority of the Republican Party and its supporters – increasingly lose trust in, and become so antagonistic towards, robust scientific facts with such dire consequences?

Recent research has shown us that the spread of scientific misinformation – at a scale and level of complexity never before witnessed – was the main culprit behind this trend, altering the nature of public debate, sowing seeds of cultural and political polarization, and making meaningful legislative action nearly impossible^{10–14}.

But scientific misinformation is not a modern invention. We know from the seminal work of science historians that it has been produced and deployed to confuse people throughout the ages, creating false controversy about, for example, the scientific evidence of the dangers of smoking tobacco, the causes of acid rain, the role of chlorofluorocarbons on ozone depletion and, most recently, the reality of anthropogenic climate change¹⁵.

Fortunately, recent years have seen considerable progress in both the scale and complexity of research into the origins and impacts of scientific misinformation campaigns. In particular, this research has focused on identifying the elaborate institutional structures behind these campaigns and the coordination amongst institutional actors. In addition, it has shown there to be a patterned organizational topology in the production of misinformation that is intended to confuse the public and/or block science-based policy change. These organizations include think-tanks, philanthropic foundations, corporations, trade associations, advocacy groups, front groups, shell corporations, lobby groups and public relations firms¹⁶.

Aiming to drive the cultural and political conversation, research has shown that this coordinated network employs a multifaceted strategy to develop and promulgate ideological viewpoints and

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