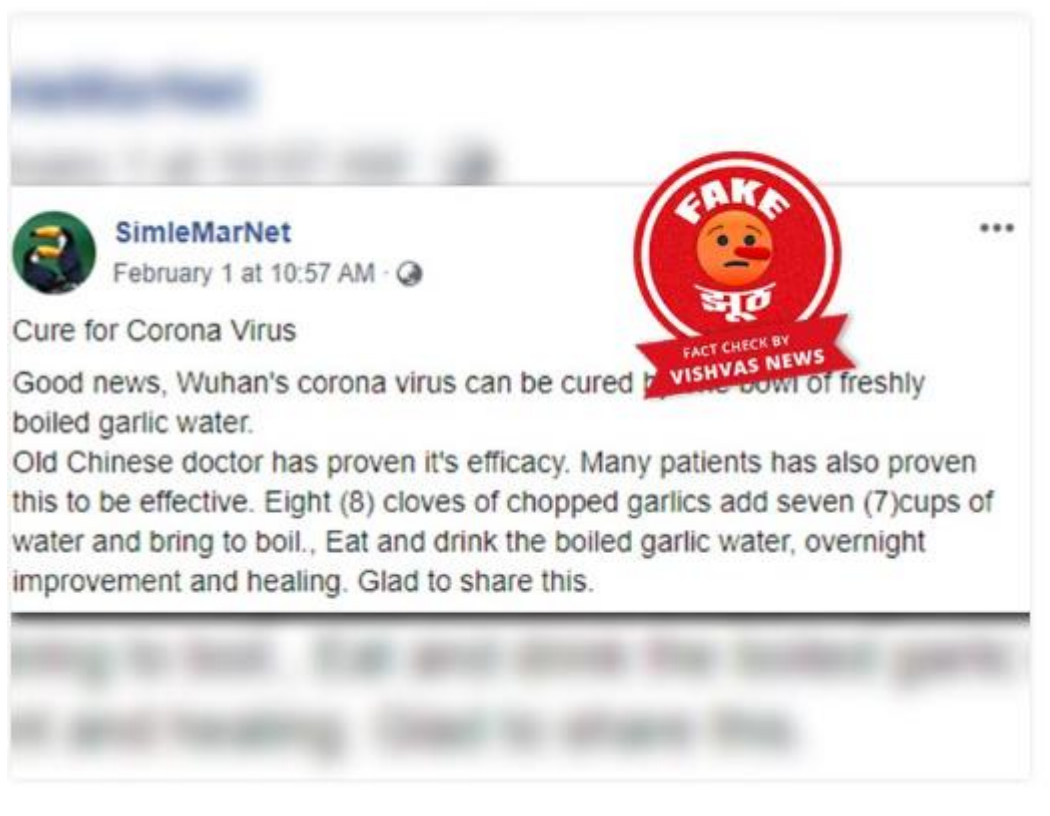


Fake news examples

covid-19:

Fake news: Garlic cures covid



<https://www.vishvasnews.com/english/health/fact-check-post-claiming-garlic-water-can-cure-novel-coronavirus-is-fake/>

<https://www.factcheck.org/2020/02/fake-coronavirus-cures-part-2-garlic-isnt-a-cure/>

- Twitter post on Covid-19 in toilet paper



<https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/covid-19-found-in-toilet-paper/>

- **WhatsApp voice message in Germany: university of Wien supposedly found out that covid-19 is getting worse when taking ibuprofene.:** it was difficult to realize that this message was fake. Signals that it was fake were that the person just quoted “a friend from Wien university” without mentioning the name, that this news hadn’t been published by famous newspapers or news shows or by the university before, the date: that this wasn’t found out until three months after the coronavirus first broke out in China and once it went viral, newspapers, and newscasts on TV and on the radio warned about it that it was fake.

<https://www.deutsche-apotheker-zeitung.de/news/artikel/2020/03/14/fakenews-zu-ibuprofen-und-corona-via-whatsapp>



Tweety Bird in Quarantine (Avian Flu)

@_____Tweety_____



#CoronaVirusUpdate

Scenes from Germany!#coronavirus fears in Germany result in large crowds outside a 🦠🤔🦠 supermarket. People pushing each other to get into store first to get necessary supplies .
 #COVID19 #COVID2019



♡ 12 11:17 AM - Mar 1, 2020



💬 28 people are talking about this



While checking the facts it turned out that the video had nothing to do with coronavirus. In fact this was shot nine years ago in a totally different situation. The original video was posted on January 30, 2011 when there was a special sale of PC, cell phone, printer, and other electronic items at ALDI in Kiel.

The original video was uploaded by netsrot2011 and the person concerned has added a line in the description stating that this video has nothing to do with coronavirus.

<https://www.ibtimes.sg/hoax-debunked-video-showing-panic-buying-germany-goes-viral-here-truth-41423>

b. in the UK:



This is fake because no such thing happened. After mass panic and widespread confusion, the British Transport Police clarified that an evacuation of Oxford Circus took place because of "an altercation" between two men, and not – as far-right ogres had prematurely gloated – an attack by Islamic terrorists.

https://www.vice.com/en_uk/article/ne4ve7/the-top-ten-uk-fake-news-stories-of-2017



<https://indianexpress.com/article/trending/trending-globally/when-people-believed-queen-elizabeth-ii-was-dead-because-bbc-news-tweeted-it-4452282/>

c. in the U.S.:



-> not true, Mark Zuckerberg hasn't died. A first signal might be the spelling mistake in his name and other newspapers didn't publish about his death, and if he died, how can he deny something?

<https://www.gomedia.co/blog/how-to-spot-fake-news/>



<https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/pope-francis-donald-trump-endorsement/>



- for examples from the U.S. presidential election in 2016 see below in the section Web quest on social media in Politics, No. 1.

<https://www.socialmediatoday.com/news/the-top-10-fake-news-articles-on-facebook-in-2018-infographic/545165/>

other examples:

- TikTok Video: Giant rat found in Mexico city sewers



<https://www.mimikama.at/faktencheck/ratte-mexiko-city-unsinn/>
<https://m.rediff.com/news/report/giant-rat-found-in-mexico-drain-video-goes-viral/20200925.htm>