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(11)(1) Ik begreep dat Angelique vandaag een overleg van de alliantie met de EC heeft over het overnemen van de az contract.

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Herkennen jullie deze inzet? Viel me gisteren ook op dat PG voor de stemverklaring GGO expliciet weer de Alliantie benoemde.

‘VACCINE ALLIANCE STILL GOING STRONG: To listen to German Health Minister Jens Spahn in the ENVI Committee Monday, it doesn't sound like the vaccine alliance of France, Germany, Italy and the Netherlands is quite ready to merge with the Commission's efforts. Outlining the German Council Presidency's plans for MEPs, Spahn said, "We need to step up the vaccine alliance in parallel with the work done by the Commission, which needs a specific mandate." That statement comes despite [confirmations last month](#) that the quartet was pausing its efforts.'

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****A message from Incisive Health:** Encouraging findings from our new [EU polling](#) show that European citizens trust doctors and scientific advisors the most when it comes to reopening health services post-COVID-19. Interestingly, 25 percent of German respondents do not trust anyone to make decisions. **

VACCINES

SOME RICH COUNTRIES INTERESTED IN GAVI JOINT PROCUREMENT: When Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, launched its COVAX Facility and invited rich countries to work with them to secure coronavirus vaccines in advance, the big question was whether any would bite ([refresher](#)). So far, a few have, Gavi spokesperson Frédérique Tissandier told Sarah. The public-private partnership, whose founding mandate is to secure shots for poor countries, has received about two dozen expressions of interest for the COVAX project, “including from several G20 members,” Tissandier said, with more still coming in. Last week, she noted, [New Zealand’s government said](#) it wants to participate.

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The vaccine purchasing efforts are, of course, the EU's response to U.S. and British moves to pin down vaccines and meds — we'll have more from Spahn on the fight to supply remdesivir lower down.

COUNCIL EYES PARLIAMENT ON GMOS: National diplomats are waiting to see the outcome of the plenary vote, [set for Wednesday](#), on the [Commission's proposal](#) to give experimental coronavirus vaccines a temporary pass on some rules for genetically-modified organisms. While the Council may opt to add some start- and end-dates into the legislation, a Council spokesperson said, the goal is to avoid modifying the Parliament's measure — and thus avoid negotiations. The Council could adopt the measure through written procedure shortly after July 15.

PUBLIC HEALTH

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SPAHN ON MANDATORY MASKS: Germany's Health Minister Jens Spahn is against potential plans by some German states to end mandatory mask-wearing, he told [Deutschlandfunk](#) on Monday. He urged "caution," warning that if measures are lifted, the virus can easily spread again. Similarly, [Der Spiegel](#) reports that the Christian Democrats' chairwoman, Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer, has said that lifting mandatory mask wearing would send the wrong signal.

And on remdesivir: Spahn also addressed the revelation that Gilead had [sold the next three months of its stock](#) of remdesivir to the U.S., saying that Germany had enough stock at the moment. He added that Germany is looking for cooperation partners and that Gilead was one possibility here — leaving it open to interpretation as to whether Berlin would consider compulsory licensing of the drug, something [floated by German MEP Liese](#).

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TEST AND TRACE PROGRESS: England is working to ensure that it can trace who infected positive cases, the head of the NHS's test and trace program, Dido Harding, told the House of Lords Science and Technology Committee Monday. Currently, the program traces only people who have been in contact with a positive case, but "backward tracing" to the individual who infected the positive case is currently being trialled in Leicester — the first region to have a [local lockdown imposed on it](#).

GREEN LIGHT FOR PATIENT DATA PROTECTIONS: Germany's parliament [passed](#) its Patient Data Protection Act late last week, which is expected to enter into force in the fall. However, it's only from 2021 when electronic records will be available in the country, meaning that the data protection mechanisms contained in the new act will in effect only be applicable then.

SPAIN PUBLISHES ANTIBODY STUDY: Spain's health ministry published the [outcome](#) of a wide-ranging public health study on Monday, showing that about 5 percent of the country's population has COVID-19 antibodies, while the rate for medical staff is about 10 percent.

Daily [El Mundo](#) noted that about 14 percent of those who tested positive for antibodies in the first round of the study then went on to test negative in the final one. This loss of antibodies is more prevalent in patients without symptoms, the paper added. El Mundo cites Marina Pollán, director of the National Center for Epidemiology, who says that this result doesn't necessarily imply the loss of immunity to the disease.

WHAT WE'RE READING

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****A message from Incisive Health:** As the pandemic continues to hold Europe in its grip, it is important to make well-informed decisions on reopening health services. But who do you trust to make these decisions? Our new [survey](#) asked Europe's citizens and found that doctors are most trusted (40 percent of respondents) to make decisions on re-opening health services as part of COVID-19 recovery plans. However, not everyone is equally trusting. While trust in doctors is particularly high in Spain (48 percent) and France (46 percent), in the UK scientific advisors are trusted most (35 percent). And an impressive 25 percent of Germans say that they do not trust anyone to make these decisions — more than three times more than their peers in Spain (8 percent). [Incisive Health](#) commits to listening to EU citizens in order to help our clients and stakeholders make the best decisions on how to lead Europe into the recovery phase.**

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