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Woman in her 20s confirmed as 3rd case of coronavirus in Ontario



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— Coronavirus outbreak: 3rd case confirmed in Ontario

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A woman in her 20s has been confirmed by health officials as the third case of the new [coronavirus](#) in Ontario on Friday.

The patient returned from Wuhan, China — which is said to be the

epicentre of the outbreak — to Toronto and took a “private vehicle” to London, Ont. Officials said the woman was asymptomatic when she arrived on Jan. 23, however, they said she began to exhibit symptoms of the virus the next day and went to the hospital.

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Chief Medical Officer of Health Dr. David Williams said the woman originally tested negative for the virus, however, after additional testing, he said she was found to be positive by the National Microbiology Lab.

Williams said the national lab “uses a more sensitive test that can identify the smallest trace of the virus.”

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Officials said the woman had limited exposure to other people since returning from China and has since been in isolation, except for time spent in the hospital. The woman's recovery was quick and she was fully recovered within two to three days.

Western University issued a statement Friday confirming the woman is a student of theirs but said she has not been on campus since returning from China. The statement said the Middlesex-London Health Unit confirmed there is very low risk to Western students.

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"I want to re-emphasize that the risk to Ontarians remains low," said Williams. "It is clear that we are learning more and more about the coronavirus each day, and our testing procedures are evolving and getting more and more precise, which is good news for everyone throughout Ontario and Canada."

Williams said in order to keep the community informed, a new category of "presumptive negative" will be used in the province's reporting of the virus. Public Health Ontario and the Public Health Agency of Canada

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He and his wife, who was diagnosed shortly after her husband, are said to be recovering at home in isolation.

The couple had recently travelled from Wuhan.



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[Symptoms of the illness](#), according to Canada's chief medical officer, Dr. Theresa Tam, may take about two weeks to manifest and are similar to those of the common flu.

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The symptoms include coughing, a fever and a general feeling of malaise. Some people may also have difficulty breathing.

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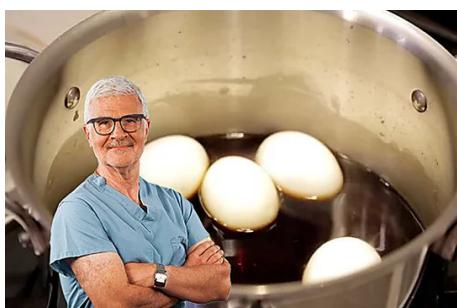
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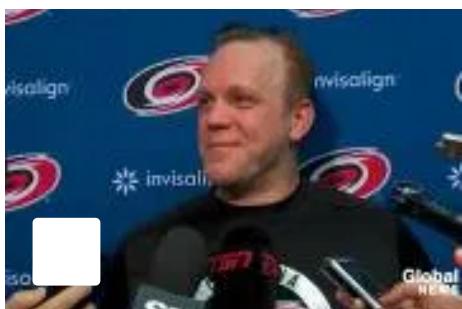
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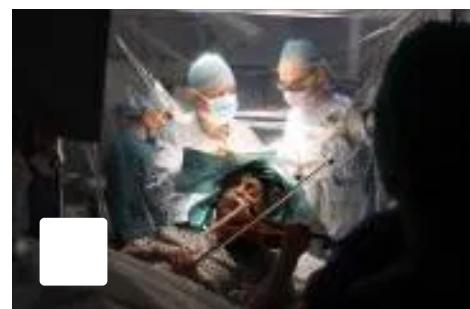
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Shut the border! How many deaths is it going to take Justin Trudeau? Hey, Mr. Diversity is our Strength, people are dying, the virus is spreading and you're carrying on like it's a Sunday picnic. I know you need the imported voters, but this isn't a political game anymore. Close the border to China! Now!

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Fayaz Muhammad

Why can every one coming from China not be stopped and tested for that virus. Canadian authorities should not let this spread in our Country. I would suggest stopping flight operations with China as many other countries has done.

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Yulia Likh

Why is it so difficult to find all the people who travelled with the first sick person in Toronto from China (30 people) and isolate them or at least test for a virus, since it spreads on a initial stage. What are they doing over there, for what getting salary?

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**Matthew Smith**

So...lol...2-3 days and she's fine. So...about as bad as a typical cold.

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**Jay Desmarais**

Never heard of chronic cold symptoms? She might seem fine now.

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This is nothing to even report.

At this point I'd say China has made a tremendous effort to contain this.

If it was the 200th case I'd start to feel concerned.

Nobody wants this...especially China...it will destroy there economy and they are just beginning to enjoy Capitalism.

Stop whining Canada....it's not a problem here.

It's a couple of ISOLATED cases.

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**Curtis R Libby**

Trudeau is trying to bring back 200 more.

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**David Young**

For now,if it turns for the worst Trudeau will be saying he experienced things differently.Take caution and follow the States lead,we are all North America for God's sake.

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**Ed Knobison**

Sorry to sound pessimistic but your calculation may be off a hair....the basis for your argument is that there are 200 deaths in China...have you ever imagined what the real numbers look like? It wouldn't be like China to intentionally



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