

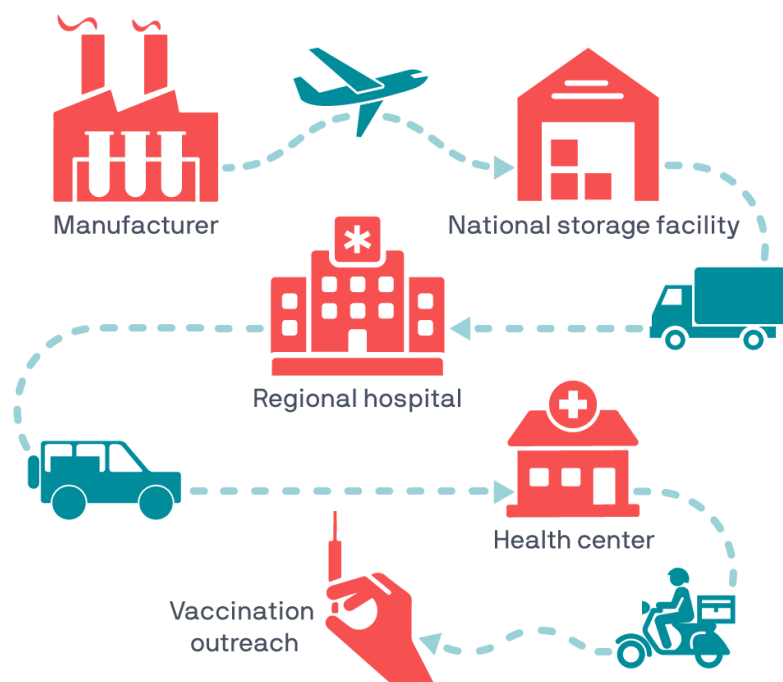
Blockchain Supply Chain POC: COVID-19 Vaccine Passports

1] Goal

Design and implement a system that solves a known problem of trust in the COVID-19 vaccine supply chain.

2] Requirements Gathering

2.1] Vaccine Cold Chain



Source: [Vaccine cold chain Q&A](#)

2.2] System Actors

1. **Manufacturer**
 - process raw materials into vaccines
2. **Distributor**
 - transports vaccines between locations
3. **Inspector**
 - performs quality checks on vaccines

- performs quality checks on manufacturing plants
- 4. **Storage Facility**
 - store vaccines in cold temperatures
- 5. **Immunizer** (the doctors, nurses)
 - vaccinates people
 - provides vaccine passport/certificates
- 6. **Traveller** (the patient):
 - receives vaccine
 - receives vaccine certificate
 - presents vaccine certificate at the border of the destination country
- 7. **Border Agent**
 - verifies the vaccine certificates/passports

2.3] Problem-Solution Map

No.	Problems	Affected Actors	Proposed Solutions
1	Vaccine passports can be falsified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Border Agent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cryptographically verify using on-chain data
2	Key facilities may not meet quality standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publish inspection results to blockchain • Verify presented inspection results
3	Vaccine passports may not be recognized by destination countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distributor • Traveller • Immunizer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verify signatures in presented certificates

2.4] Why Blockchain?

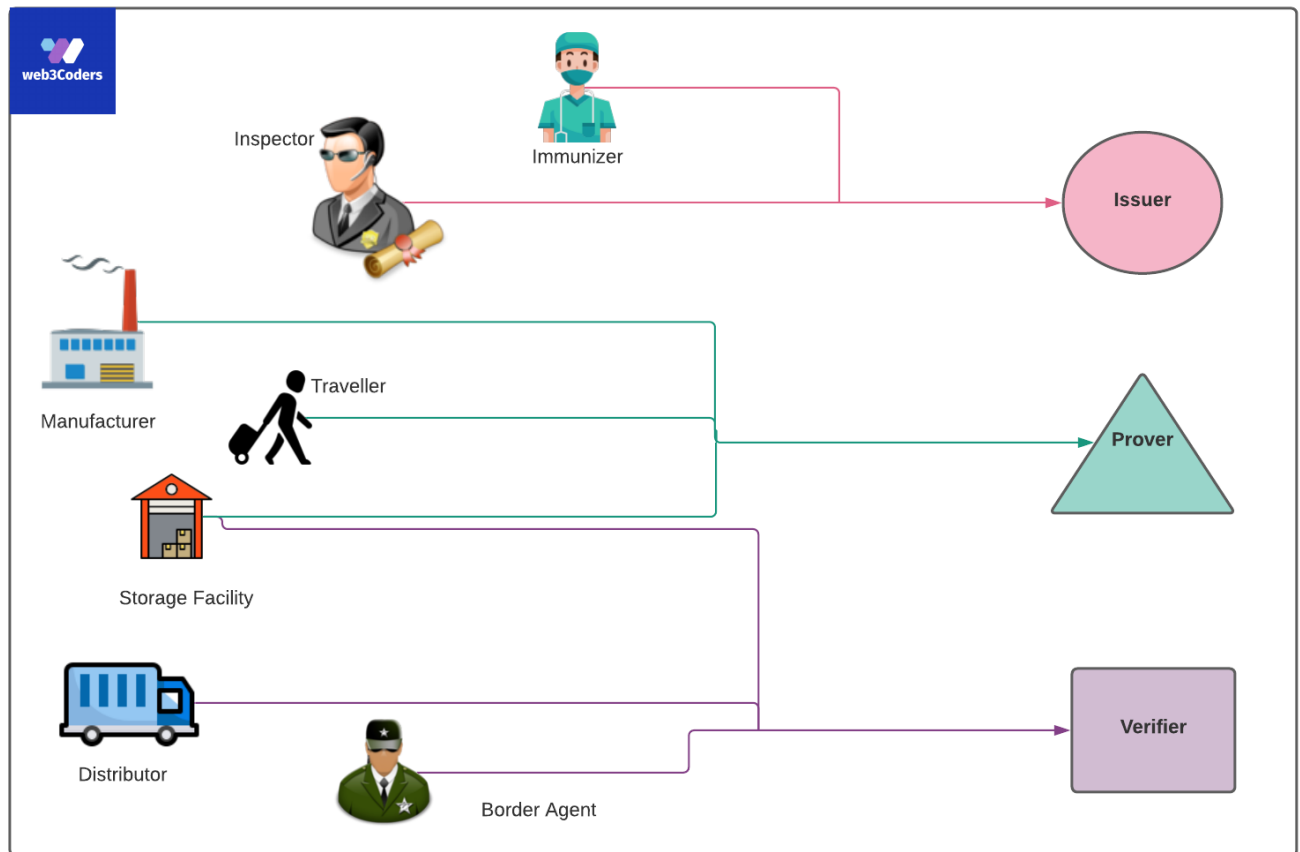
1. **Tamper-Proof Provenance**
 - does the label on the vaccine's vial accurately represent its contents?
 - did the vaccine come from an inspected batch?
2. **Credential Issuance & Verification**
 - cryptographic signatures that are easily verified with on-chain identities
3. **Data Redundancy**
 - the data can't be lost even if a Traveller "misplaces" their device
 - the data can't be lost even if the vials are damaged

3] System Design

3.1] Flow

1. Inspector issues certificate for batch to Manufacturer
2. **<batch status updated to MANUFACTURED>**
3. Manufacturer presents certificate to Distributor
4. Distributor verifies each certificate
5. **<batch status updated to DELIVERING_INTERNATIONAL>**
6. Distributor presents updated certificate to Storage Facility
7. Storage Facility verifies each batch certificate
8. **<batch status updated to STORED>**
9. Storage Facility presents certificates to Distributor
10. Distributor verifies each certificate
11. **<batch status updated to DELIVERING_LOCAL>**
12. Distributor presents updated certificate to Immunizer
13. Immunizer verifies certificates
14. **<batch status updated to DELIVERED>**
15. Immunizer vaccinates Traveller and issues vaccine passport
16. **<certificate issued with status VACCINATED>**
17. Traveller presents vaccine passport to Border Agent
18. Border Agent verifies vaccine passport

3.2] User Classifications



3.3] Use Cases

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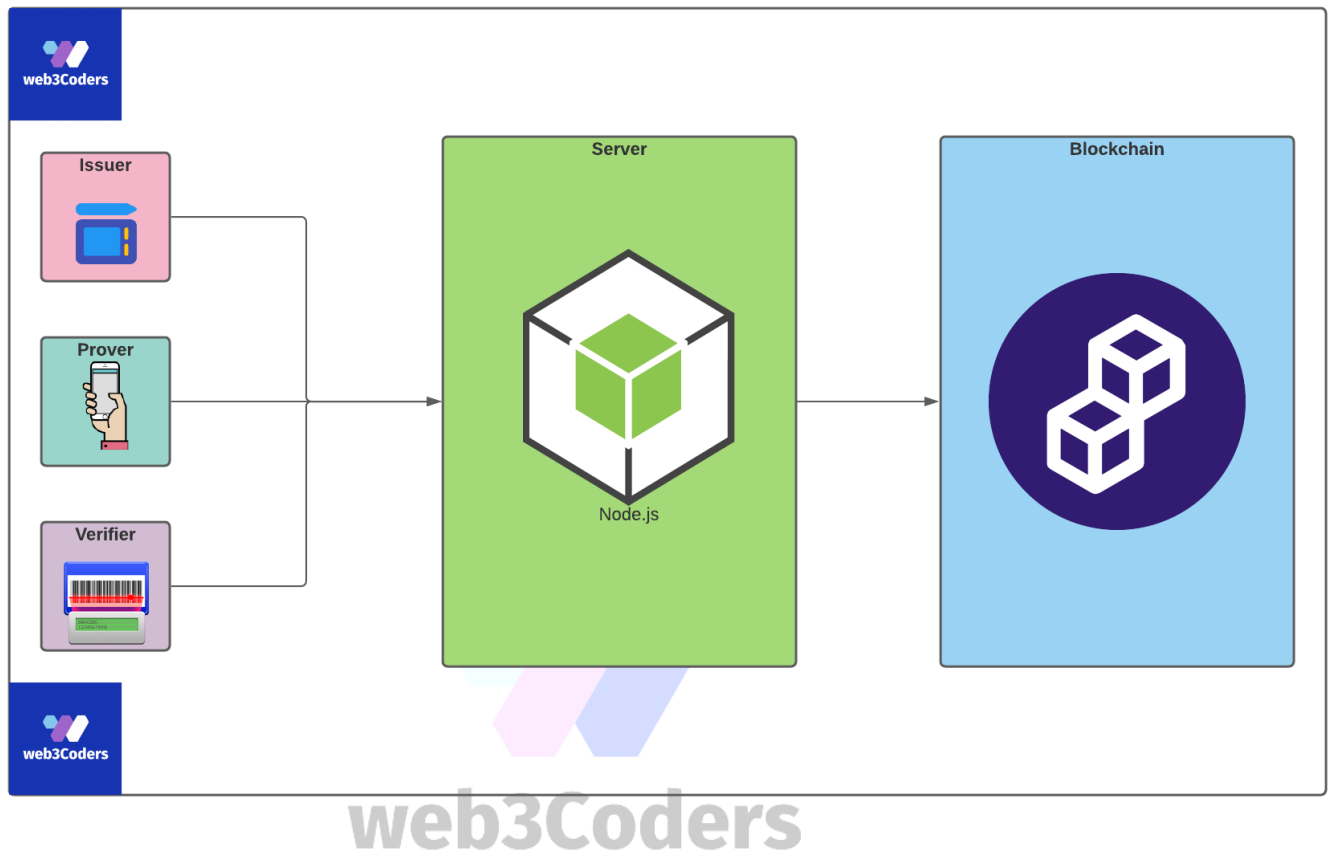
1. As an **Issuer**, I can issue a signature representing a digital certificate for a manufacturer's plant or storage facility
2. As a **Prover**, I can present a certificate/signature issued to me
3. As a **Verifier**, I can validate the signature on the blockchain for a vaccine

3.3.1] Out of Scope

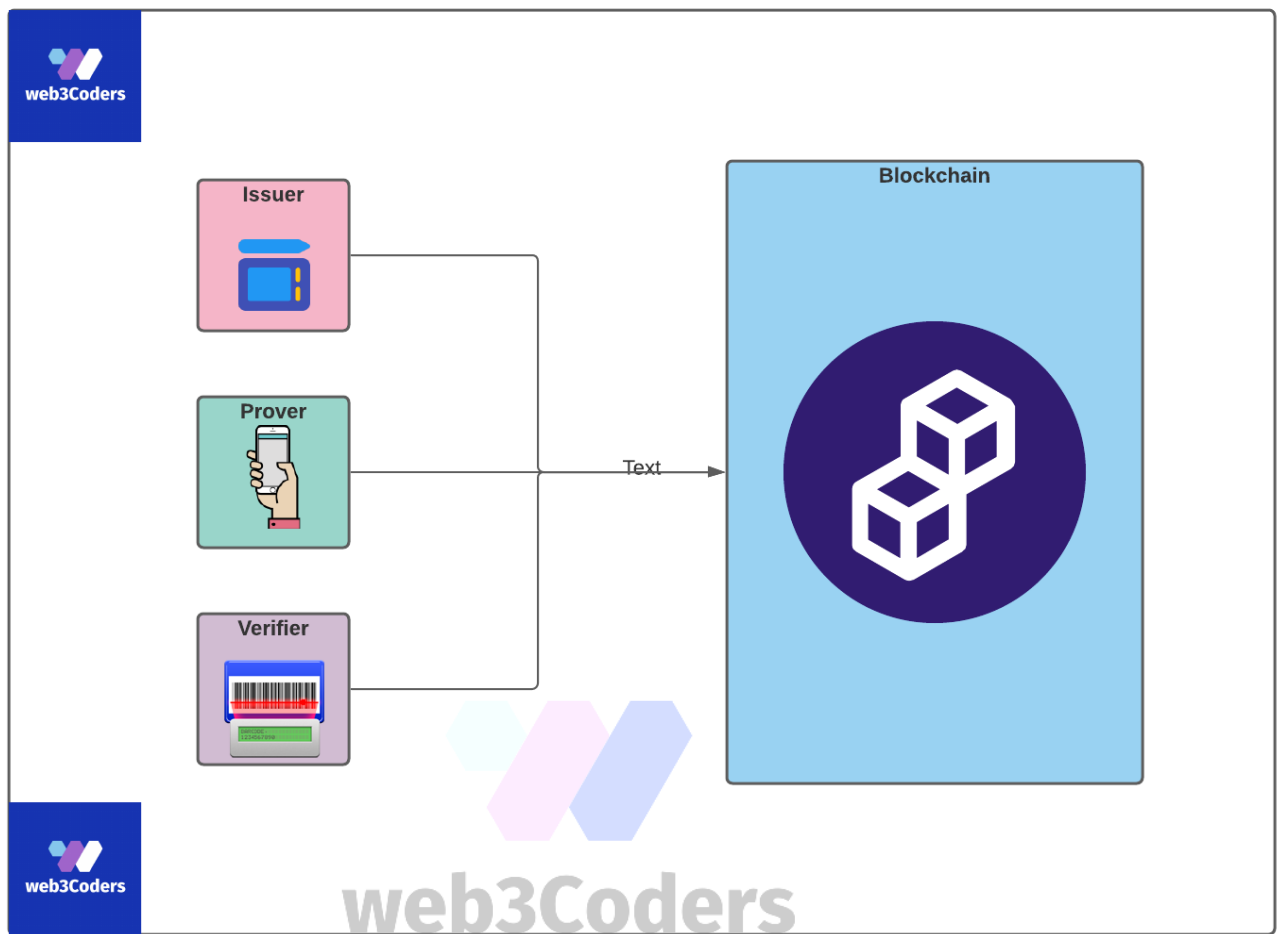
- Payments between system agents;
- Dishonest doctors/immunizers;
- Suppliers of raw materials to the manufacturers;
- Image capture & QR code scanning;
- Scalability;
- Distribution to areas without internet access;
- IoT;
- Machine learning;
- Regulatory compliance (e.g. GDPR, HIPAA, etc.); and
- Anything not addressed in this video.

3.4] High-level Diagram

3.4.1] 3-Tiered Architecture



3.4.2] 2-Tiered “dApp” Architecture



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