



## STUDY: 99% of people with previous COVID-19 infection develop natural immunity that lasts over a year

### Description

USA: A new study from [Johns Hopkins University](#) (JHU) has found that 99 percent of people who have recovered from a previous Wuhan coronavirus (COVID-19) infection developed natural immunity to the virus [that still remain more than a year later](#).

The JHU research team was led by Dr. Marty Makary, a professor of public health policy, an expert surgeon and [a regular medical commentator for Fox News](#).

“My Johns Hopkins research team is leading a long-term study of natural immunity because the NIH [*National Institutes of Health*] and the CDC [*Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*] are not doing it,” announced Makary back in October. “They have \$50 billion and 30,000 employees and yet can’t seem to conduct one of the most important studies we need done to inform the public.”

The study involved 1,580 individuals who the JHU team had invited to undergo serologic testing, which is being used [to evaluate the presence of SARS-CoV-2 antibodies](#) in a person’s system.

Only around half of those who were invited went in for testing during the study’s testing period between Sept. 24 and Nov. 5, 2021. Among the participants, 295 reported having a previous COVID-19 infection. When their blood was tested, 293 of them – or over 99 percent – tested positive for COVID-19 antibodies.

An additional 275 individuals were COVID-unconfirmed patients. Of those, 152 – or 55 percent – tested positive for COVID-19 antibodies. The remaining 246 participants supposedly had never had COVID-19. Of this group, 11 percent tested positive for COVID-19 antibodies. (Related: [STUDY: Natural immunity provides significantly better protection against COVID than vaccine immunity](#).)

What this data indisputably proves is that natural immunity is far more durable than vaccinated immunity. The protection those with a previous COVID-19 infection had against a recurrence of the

virus lasted so long that it was still around more than a year later with no noticeable decline.

## Makary wants more people to learn about natural immunity

During an interview with *Fox News* journalist and TV anchor Shannon Bream, Makary said he and the other doctors in the research team felt that they needed to do this study on their own because neither the CDC nor the NIH were releasing their data on reinfections and natural immunity.

Makary also pointed out that it is very easy for people who have recovered from COVID-19 to get tested to find out if they have sufficient antibodies in their systems to prevent reinfection, thus proving their status as having natural immunities. Unfortunately, this knowledge isn't widespread and it does not receive a lot of attention in mainstream media outlets.

According to Makary, the antibodies people receive from [the COVID-19 vaccines](#) diminish within months after getting the injections. But "with natural immunity, that protection was better. It's more durable, and that's consistent with what the CDC found," Makary noted.

He added that he wants society to be more precise in its language by not dividing people based on whether they are vaccinated or unvaccinated, but rather in terms of "the immune and the non-immune."

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