Media and the COVID-19 Infodemic

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Actively seeking out news had no effect on belief in COVID-19 disinformation.

"The news-finds-me effect stems from individuals’ perceptions that they are well informed about current events despite not purposely following the news because the important information “finds them” anyway, through their general media use, peers, and social connections" (Zuniga et al, 2017).

There is no correlation between belief in disinformation and a news-finds-me perception.