

## Doc Accused of 15 Murders; Actress's Cause of Death; Harvard Cuts Will 'Cost Lives'

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A 40-year-old German palliative care doctor was charged with [murdering 15 patients](#) with lethal drugs. (*BBC*)

Due to CDC staff cuts, the U.S. National Electronic Injury Surveillance System will [no longer collect data on injuries](#) from incidents involving car accidents, alcohol, adverse drug effects, and more. (*Reuters*)

Among the [experts cut last month](#) from boards reviewing science and research at NIH labs, 38 of 43 were female, Black, or Hispanic. (*Washington Post*)

Actress Michelle Trachtenberg died at age 39 from [complications with diabetes](#), the New York City Medical Examiner's Office said. (*NBC News*)

The Salvation Army was sued for [denying methadone and buprenorphine](#) as opioid addiction treatments at its facilities. (*STAT*)

The latest tally of employees at Mass General Brigham's Newton-Wellesley hospital who [developed brain tumors](#) while working on the same floor has increased to six. (*The Guardian*)

A Harvard University medical professor said the [Trump administration's cut to the university's funding](#) will "cost lives." (*The Hill*)

Orforglipron, a daily GLP-1 receptor agonist pill, [lowered HbA1c by up to 1.6% and body weight by 7.9%](#) in a phase III trial of adults with inadequately controlled type 2 diabetes, said developer Eli Lilly.

A top [NIH nutrition scientist left](#) after federal officials allegedly censored his research. (*New York Times*)

Pakistan and Afghanistan had [increases in polio cases](#) tied to disruptions in ongoing vaccine campaigns. (*NPR*)

The FDA expanded approval of osilodrostat (Isturisa) for [adults with Cushing's syndrome](#) for whom surgery is not an option or it wasn't curative, said maker Recordati.

Three children [underwent a new heart procedure](#) never performed in New York before, each receiving a heart valve that came from a little girl's heart. (*ABC7NY*)

Methamphetamine use is [on the upswing in Maine](#), just as fentanyl deaths were dropping. (*New York Times*)

The start of deer hunting season in the U.S. was tied with increases in [non-hunting related firearm incidents](#), including violent crime and suicide. (*BMJ*)

Radio and television entertainer [Wink Martindale died](#) at age 91. (*CNN*)

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