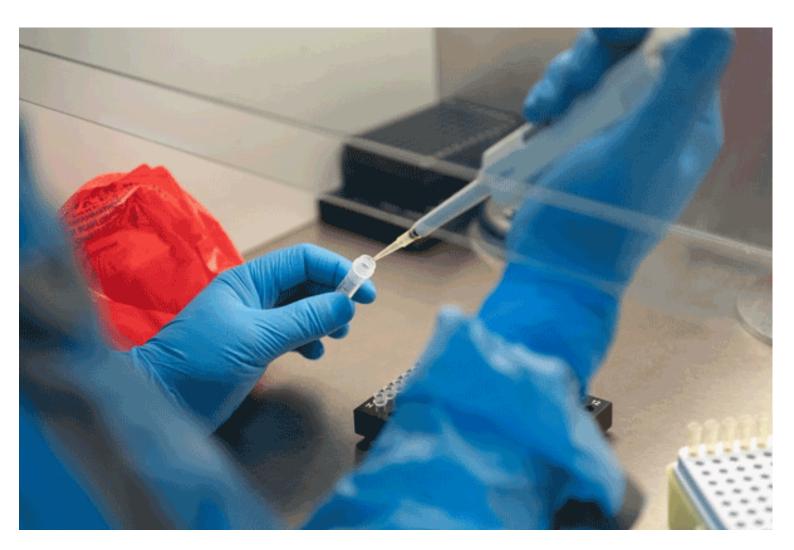


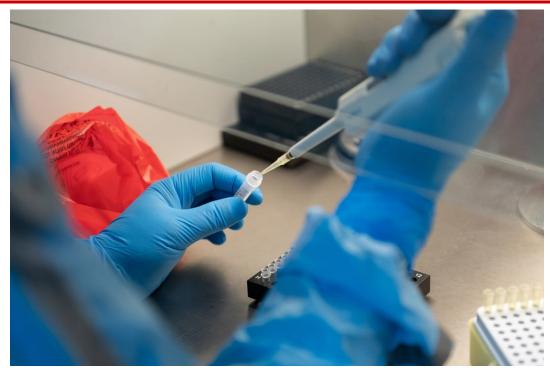
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The World Health Organization (WHO) announces the Health Technology Access Pool (HTAP).



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About Health Technology Access Pool (HTAP):

- The Health Technology Access Pool (HTAP) is the successor to the COVID-19 Technology
 Access Pool (C-TAP) designed to facilitate equitable and affordable access to essential health
 technologies.
- Objective:
 - Accelerate technological innovation, and
 - Expand access to health tools necessary for addressing public health priorities.

About COVID-19 Technology Access Pool (C-TAP):

- The COVID-19 Technology Access Pool (C-TAP) was an initiative launched in 2020 by the WHO, to boost the global supply of these critical technologies and accelerate the end of the pandemic.
- It was designed to address the **urgent global need for equitable** and **affordable access to COVID-19 health technologies** such as vaccines, tests, medical devices, and treatments.
- It was endorsed by nearly 45 Member States.