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With the rapid rate of COVID-19 infections and deaths, treatments and cures are urgently needed beyond handwashing, social distancing, masks, isolation, and quarantines. The treatments and vaccines rely on fundamental understanding of the complex viral apparatus, from the protein exterior to the RNA viral genome. Better mathematical analysis to understand the spread of infections and how many factors influence such disease spread are also needed. Biophysicists have been at the forefront of these multidisciplinary efforts, with research on the basic biophysical elements of the viral machinery, drug and vaccine design, infection analysis, and more.

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