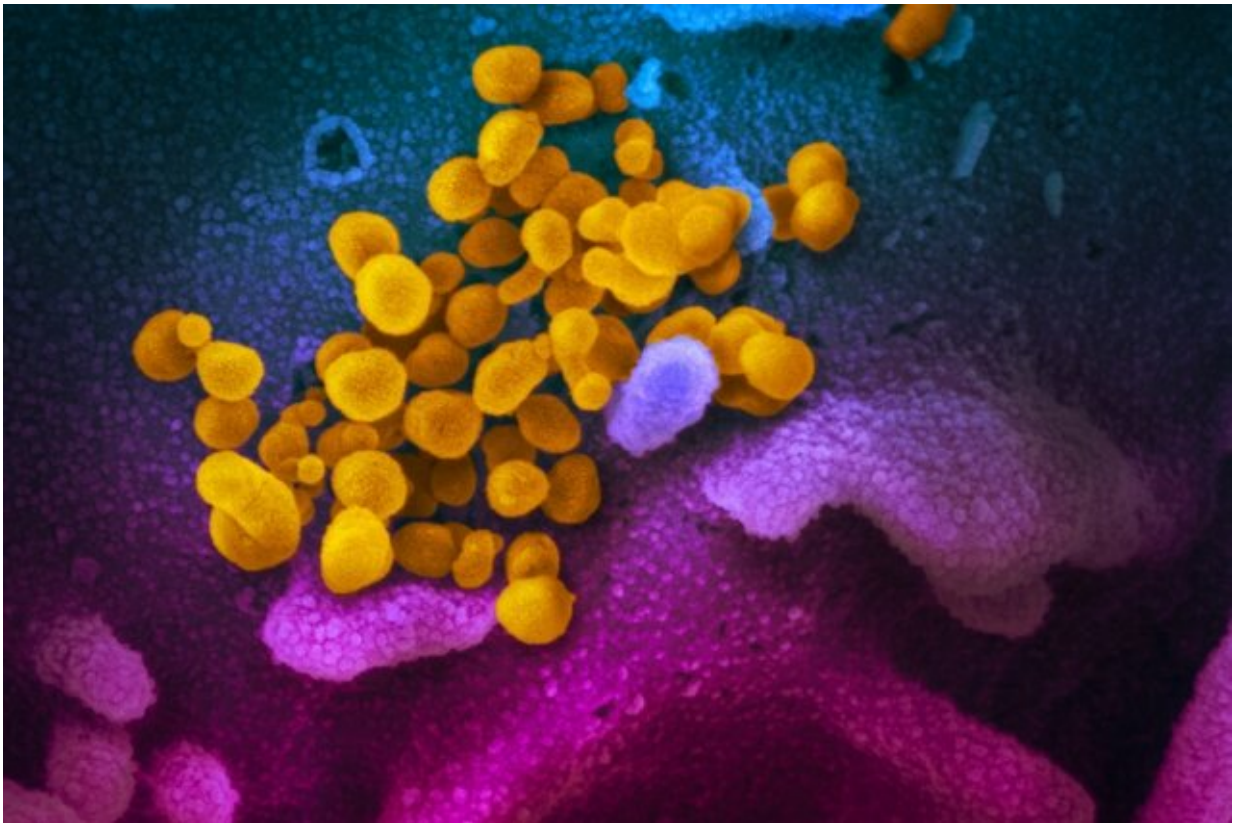


Iran reports 123 more coronavirus deaths, toll at 2,640

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This scanning electron microscope image shows SARS-CoV-2 (yellow)—also known as 2019-nCoV, the virus that causes COVID-19—isolated from a patient, emerging from the surface of cells (blue/pink) cultured in the lab. Credit: NIAID-RML

Iran on Sunday said that 123 more people had died of the novel

coronavirus, raising the country's official death toll to 2,640.

A health ministry spokesman told a news conference that 2,901 more [cases](#) had been confirmed in the past 24 hours, bringing total infections to 38,309.

"Fortunately 12,391 of those who had been hospitalised have now recovered and returned to their families," he added, while 3,467 were in a "critical" condition.

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