

# Nuvaxovid™ COVID-19 Vaccine Showed Better Tolerability than mNEXSPIKE in Head-to-head Sanofi-led Phase 4 Study

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Today, Sanofi presented [positive results](#) from COMPARE, the first head-to-head, double-blind, randomized Phase 4 study powered to directly compare the tolerability profiles of Novavax's protein-based non-mRNA COVID-19 vaccine Nuvaxovid™ (NVX-CoV2705) and mNEXSPIKE (mRNA-1283), Moderna's latest mRNA COVID-19 vaccine. The study showed that Nuvaxovid demonstrated statistically significant lower systemic reactogenicity (the expected side effects that might occur following vaccination) compared to mNEXSPIKE across all pre-specified endpoints. The results were presented by Sanofi at the European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Global Congress in Munich, Germany.

These data support the well-established reactogenicity profile of our vaccine and could have a positive impact on improving vaccination uptake as Sanofi continues to lead commercialization of Nuvaxovid this upcoming vaccination season.

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