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#### SWINE FLU IN GERMANY

## Did man (55) die from H1N1 virus vaccine?

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**Authorities in Germany are investigating whether a swine flu inoculation caused the death of a man.**

Some 19 people have so far died of the virus in Germany as the country-wide vaccination process gathers momentum.

But in Thuringia, officials are looking into a mysterious death.

**A 55-year-old man was inoculated against the disease hours before he died in his house on Friday night, according to the 'Thüringer Allgemeine' newspaper.**

Thuringian Health Minister Heike Taubert told the paper that a possible link between the injection and the death was being investigated.

Meanwhile, the [Robert Koch Institute](#) has reported that the H1N1 virus is still spreading across Germany.

**The number of new infections each week has risen to 15,000 laboratory-confirmed cases.**

Johannes Löwer, president of the Paul Ehrlicher Institute, said he had received almost 60 messages about side effects during the mass inoculation against [swine flu](#).

At least two cases reported a life-threatening anaphylactic shock.

A 46-year-old man from Wuppertal and a 65-year-old woman from Thuringia also died after being inoculated, although whether there is a link has not yet been established.

And five victims died after receiving the vaccine in Sweden, although they had all been suffering from chronic illnesses beforehand.

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