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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Dr. Fauci Grilled on Capitol Hill]

NORAH O'DONNELL: Here's a look at tonight's other top stories, starting on Capitol Hill where Dr. Anthony Fauci was grilled for more than three hours by Republican lawmakers. The former government scientist is considered the face of the Covid pandemic response. As CBS's Nikole Killion shows us, it was a heated hearing.

NIKOLE KILLION: Dr. Fauci called GOP claims that he covered up information about the Coronavirus simply preposterous.

CONGRESSMAN JIM JORDAN (R-OH): Do you agree that there was a push to downplay the lab league theory?

DR. ANTHONY FAUCI: Not on my part.

JORDAN: Really?

FAUCI: Really!

KILLION: At times, the hearing devolved into attacks.

CONGRESSWOMAN MARJORIE TAYLOR GREENE (R-GA): That man does not deserve to have a license. As a matter of fact, it should be revoked and he belongs in prison.

KILLION: Dr. Fauci also got emotional about some of the death threats he's received.

FAUCI: They've involved my wife and my three daughters.

KILLION: And Dr. Fauci was questioned about social distancing and vaccine mandates and said that public health officials should reevaluate.