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CONGRESSWOMAN MARJORIE TAYLOR GREENE (R-GA): Should be prosecuted for crimes against humanity. You belong in prison, Dr. Fauci.

JON STEWART [on Comedy Central's *The Daily Show*, 06/03/24]: Dr. Anthony Fauci testified in front of Congress today. And ironically, contracted rabies then. Terrible. [LAUGHTER]

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Dr. Fauci Grilled on Covid Response; GOP Lawmakers Accuse Fauci of Crimes Without Evidence]

VLADIMIR DUTHIERS: Dr. Anthony Fauci, who helped lead the nation's response to the Covid pandemic, returned to Washington yesterday to be accused of a series of crimes by Republican lawmakers who had no evidence to back up their claims. Fauci denied allegations that he helped cover up a theory that the virus began in a Chinese laboratory and that his office directly funded Chinese research that could have sparked the outbreak. Fauci called the accusations absolutely false and simply preposterous. He said he kept an open mind to different explanations for how Covid began.

DR. ANTHONY FAUCI: I don't think the concept of there being a lab leak is inherently a conspiracy theory. What is conspiracy is the kind of distortions of that particular subject, like it was a lab leak and I was parachuted into the CIA like Jason Bourne and told the CIA that they should really not be talking about a lab leak.

DUTHIERS: That Republican-led House committee has spent more than a year investigating how the outbreak began in 2020. Fauci told the panel that most of the evidence points to a natural spread of the virus.