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Mold cases a challenge for UPMC

Medical giant has to determine how, why it struck, impacting transplant patients

BY WES VENTEICHER AND BEN SCHMITT

As federal investigators probe a rare mold outbreak at UPMC, experts say the focus will be on how well the hospital handled a nearly impossible task: preventing a common organism from getting into the building.

"It isn't really possible to reduce the risk for fungal infection to zero," said Dr. Daniel J. Diekema, director of the division of infectious diseases at the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine.

Representatives from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

arrived in Pittsburgh on Tuesday to investigate how a type of mold commonly found in soil, leaves and wood reached transplant patients whose weakened immune systems made them vulnerable. UPMC voluntarily shut down its internationally recognized program Monday.

Four patients contracted mold infections during the past year in UPMC Presbyterian and UPMC Montefiore, UPMC officials said.



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» Dr. Amesh Adalja, a representative of the Infectious Disease Society of America, spoke to the Trib about the dangers of mold. To see his interview, visit triblive.com.

Three of those patients died, though their deaths cannot be directly attributed to the infections. A fourth transplant patient has a mold infection and remains

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Scandal over VW emissions widens

German automaker admits I/M of its diesel vehicles have test-defeating software

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DETROIT — Volkswagen AG's smog-test scandal escalated Tuesday as the company acknowledged putting stealth software in millions of vehicles worldwide.

The world's top-selling carmaker has admitted that 11 million of its diesel vehicles contain software that evades emissions controls — more than the 10 million or so cars the company sold last year and far more than the 482,000 cars identified by the Environmental Protection Agency as violating clean air laws.

Volkswagen has set aside \$7.3 billion in its third-quarter accounts to help cover the costs of the biggest scandal in its 78-year-history and "win back the trust" of customers. It said this year's profit projections will change and warned that future costs remain undetermined.

CEO Martin Winterkorn apologized for the deception under his leadership and pledged a fast and thorough investigation, but he gave no indication that he might resign. Authorities looking into VW's actions include Germany, the French government, South Korea and the European Commission. The Justice Department is involved, and New York's attorney general has announced a multi-state investigation.

Meanwhile, Volkswagen's ordinary shares fell 20 percent Tuesday, closing at 111.20 euros. The crisis has cost VW more than \$26 billion in market value.

"Millions of people across the world trust our brands, our cars and our technologies," Winterkorn said in a video message. "I am endlessly sorry that we have disappointed this trust. I apologize in every way to our customers, to authorities and the whole public for the wrongdoing."

"We are asking, I am asking for your trust on our way forward," he said.

That could be a tall order for people who bought "clean diesel" VWs believing they could get peppy rides but still be environmentally friendly.

"I thought I was doing something good, not something bad," said Zandy Hartig, an actress in Los Angeles who bought a diesel-powered Jetta



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POPE IN AMERICA



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Agree or not, people will listen

Francis not one to duck politically divisive topics

BY NATASHA LINDSTROM

Pennsylvania Congressman Tim Murphy is among those eager to hear Pope Francis' message even if he doesn't always agree with him.

The House Republican from Upper St. Clair says he's interested to hear the 78-year-old Argentinian's perspective on a range of issues.

"We recognize the pope's role to be one to provide guidance, his approach to be the one to challenge us to do better — not to mandate what we do," said Murphy, who saw the pope last month at a Catholic legislators' conference in Rome with 50 lawmakers from five continents. "That's what Jesuits do — challenge people to do things."

During his first 2½ years in the papacy, Pope Francis hasn't shied from politically charged topics, from the treatment of undocumented immigrants to the social impacts of "unchecked" capitalism, hot topics for U.S. political debate of late. He rattled some conservatives with this summer's encyclical on climate change, criticism of Reagan-era trickle-down economics and his softer tone while addressing questions about gays. He's urged Catholics to stop being "obsessed" about divisive issues related to sex.

"He has effectively communicated the full range of the church's moral concerns — which it's already had, but up until now has been effectively edited to represent only culture-war issues," said Vincent Miller, religious studies professor at University of Dayton, Ohio. "The church has always been concerned with the environment, with immigration, with inequality, as well as with



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Pope Francis is greeted by President Obama, first lady Michelle Obama and invited guests upon the pontiff's arrival at Joint Base Andrews, Md. Francis will visit Washington, New York City and Philadelphia.

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abortion and marriage."

On Thursday, Francis will make history as the first pontiff to address Congress. He's expected to discuss issues surrounding global poverty and climate change.

"He doesn't come here offering a particular political ideology or lobbying for a very specific agenda," Miller said. "He's going to disrupt politics by asking that question: Can you open yourself to the suffering of the world around you, or are your political commitments so rigid that you'll deny the world

around you to hold onto them?"

Shortly after, rather than dine with Washington's political bigwigs, the pope will head to an outdoor lunch for the homeless hosted by Catholic Charities. Such stops signal the pastoral approach that has earned Francis the moniker "the people's pope" and approval ratings that any leader would envy.

"He is a very shrewd politician in the best sense," said Leonard Swidler, professor of Catholic thought and interreligious dialogue at Temple University and

president of the Dialogue Institute.

"He's going over the heads of the power brokers, meaning his apparatus in Rome and around the world and the bishops and their flunkies," added Swidler, who co-founded the Journal of Ecumenical Studies while teaching at Duquesne University in the 1960s. "He's not changing doctrine; he's undermining it by going to the people."

The papal plane arrived in

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Reporter's visit keeps him from coup

Preparation for vote spurs trip to W.Pa. from Burkina Faso

BY ANDREW CONTE

While an African journalist was in Pittsburgh on Tuesday learning about American-style democracy, some of his countrymen at home remained engaged in overthrowing the government.

Hyacinthe Sanou works as an enterprise reporter for the French-language newspaper L'Observateur Paalga in Burkina Faso, where military leaders and elected officials have been vying for control of the country.



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"I want to learn how you manage to cover an election," Hyacinthe Sanou said, "and now we don't know whether we will have an election."

rica has been in turmoil since October, when a popular revolution overthrew former

president Blaise Compaore as he sought a constitutional amendment to extend his 27

years in power.

As an interim government prepared to hold elections next month, military leaders with the presidential guard arrested the interim president, Michel Kafando, and interim prime minister Yacouba Isaac Zida. Coup leaders released the politicians early Tuesday as an opposing faction of the military advanced toward the capital, but a compromise proposal to hold elections in November didn't appear to be in play.

West African leaders will head to Burkina Faso on Wednesday to try to resolve the country's political crisis. There was a tense standoff in the capital Tuesday when

BURKINA FASO • A7

Somerset County priest found guilty

Sex abuse at Honduran orphanage carries maximum prison term of 130 years

BY PAUL PEIRCE

A Somerset County priest was found guilty Tuesday of having sex with three boys at a Honduran orphanage that he supported through his non-profit foundation, transferring money outside the United States to fund his illicit activities and having pornographic photos of children.

The Rev. Joseph D. Maurizio Jr., 70, showed no reaction when the verdict was read in a federal courtroom in Johnstown.

Maurizio's two sisters and two nieces, who attended every day of the trial, sat in the courtroom with parishioners of his former parish, Our Lady Queen of Angels Church in Central City.

The women gasped as the



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