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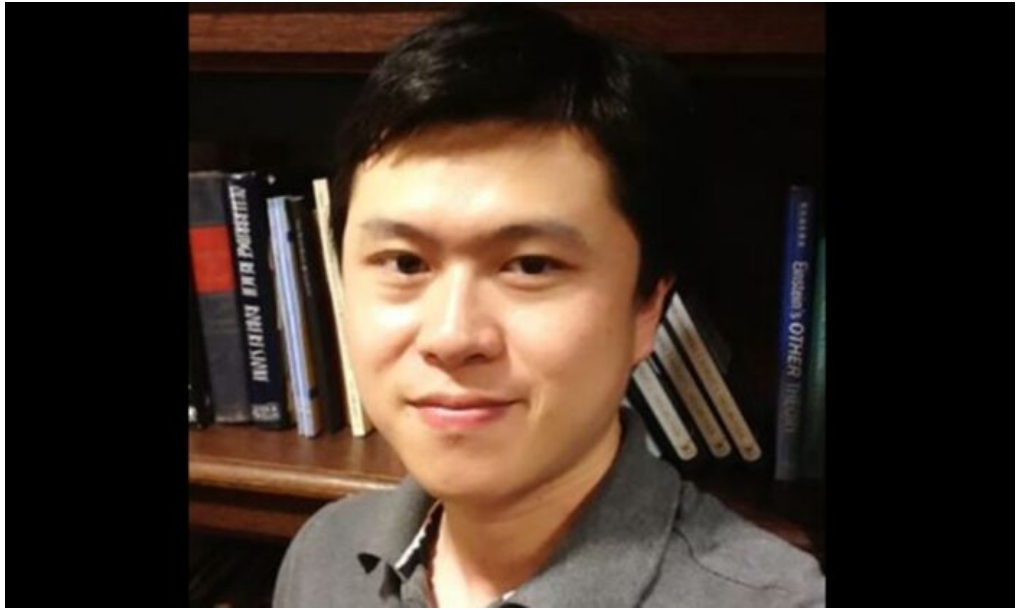
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Bing Liu in a file photo. (University of Pittsburgh)

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COVID-19 Researcher Killed in Murder-Suicide, Police Say It's Not Related to Research

Officials add there was 'zero indication that there was targeting due to his being Chinese'

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Detective Sgt. Brian Kohlhepp told [CNN](#) that there is “zero indication that there was targeting due to his (Liu) being Chinese.” Police said that a second man, who was found dead in his vehicle, shot Liu before returning to his vehicle and killing himself.

The University of Pittsburgh also confirmed Liu’s death in a statement this week.

Officials identified the suspect as 46-year-old Hao Gu, and officials believe that the murder-suicide was not connected to