COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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Tracking the spread, digital public health, post-acute COVID-19, telmisartan

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A review of smartphones and tracking the spread of COVID-19 here
- A review of immunity to mild versus severe COVID-19 infection here
- A review of recent research on educational technology and COVID-19 here
- Reflections on lessons from public discourse on hydroxychloroquine and COVID-19 here
- A qualitative study on COVID-19 exposure and infection control among home-care agencies <u>here</u>
- Commentary on applications of predictive modelling in COVID-19 here
- Commentary on digital public health and COVID-19 here
- Pointers on the management of post-acute COVID-19 in primary care here
- A discussion about COVID-19 and evidence-based management <u>here</u>
- An editorial on residential aged care facilities and COVID-19 here

Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Re-testing for SARS-CoV-2 and patterns of testing in a large US healthcare system here
- Communicating in a public health crisis here
- Dental procedure aerosols and COVID-19 here
- Testing strategies for the control of COVID-19 in nursing homes here

Pre-peer review articles featured:

- A systematic review on SARS-CoV-2 and the role of oro-faecal transmission here
- A systematic review of the cardiovascular manifestations and outcomes in COVID-19 here
- A systematic review and meta-analysis on Janus Kinase-Inhibitor and Type I Interferon here
- A rapid systematic review on the effectiveness of tests to detect the presence of SARS-CoV-2 virus and antibodies to inform COVID-19 diagnosis <u>here</u>
- A large-scale clinical validation study using nCapp cloud plus terminal for rapid diagnosis of COVID-19 in China <u>here</u>
- An online survey on COVID-19 impact on reproductive health in Australia here
- An observational cohort study on 22,446 patients attending UK emergency departments with suspected COVID-19 infections <u>here</u>



- Preliminary report of an open randomised clinical trial on telmisartan here
- Thematic analyses of social media on psychosocial effects of COVID-19 here
- A review on the use of tocilizumab in hospitalised patients here
- Clinical outcomes and costs of management strategies for people experiencing sheltered homelessness <u>here</u>
- A description of a symptom screening approach applied to retail, restaurants, and schools using relaxed digital signatures <u>here</u>

Reviews

- The Canadian National Collaborating Centre for Methods and Tools released an update on the role of daycare centres and schools in COVID-19 transmission <u>here</u>
- The Centre for Evidence Based Medicine released an update on how healthcare workers can adapt non-pharmacological treatment whilst maintaining safety when treating people with COVID-19 and delirium <u>here</u>

Guidance and reports

• The World Health Organisation released guidance on home care for patients with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 and management of their contacts <u>here</u>

News and blogs featured

- Russia's fast-track COVID-19 vaccine draws outrage over safety <u>here</u>
- Track COVID-19 sickness, not just positive tests and deaths <u>here</u>
- BMJ blogs and news releases:
 - A challenge for critical care teams on clinical communication with families during COVID-19 <u>here</u>
 - NHS staff raising concerns during COVID-19 <u>here</u>
 - o England sees fewer cases of colds, flu, and bronchitis while in COVID-19 lockdown here

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We are assessing the indirect impact of COVID-19 – focusing particularly on the consequences of missed or delayed healthcare. We are conducting a series of activities to gather experiences and perspectives from healthcare staff, consumers and communities in NSW. To find out more and register your interest <u>click here</u> or email <u>NSWH-CriticalIntelligenceUnit@health.nsw.gov.au</u>

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