COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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Research letters on aortic valve replacement, in-hospital cardiac arrests, older people in vaccine trials

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A systematic review and meta-analysis on susceptibility to COVID-19 infection among children and adolescents compared with adults here
- A rapid review and meta-analysis on facemask use in community settings here
- An open-label, randomised trial of the combination of IFN-κ plus TFF2 compared with standard care
 in the treatment of moderate COVID-19 here
- A BMJ data briefing on the effect of COVID-19 and system recovery for the NHS here
- A cohort study on clinical criteria for COVID-19-associated hyperinflammatory syndrome here
- A statistical analysis of the characteristics of COVID-19 transmission to high risk contacts here
- Two studies from Ireland on the impact of COVID-19 on emergency presentations to a tertiary hospital with self-harm <u>here</u> and psychiatry presentations to the emergency department <u>here</u>
- A genetic association study on a risk factor for COVID-19 inherited from Neanderthals here
- An editorial on developing infectious disease surveillance systems here
- JAMA viewpoints on COVID-19 and:
 - o heart failure with preserved ejection fraction here
 - o prevention and response on US college campuses here
- Commentaries on:
 - Allied health student placements in remote northern Australia during COVID-19 here
 - o The use of mobile phone data to inform the COVID-19 response here
 - o False-positive COVID-19 results here



Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Aortic valve replacement during COVID-19 <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> and associated commentary <u>here</u>
- Clinical outcomes of in-hospital cardiac arrest in COVID-19 here and associated commentary here
- The exclusion of older persons from vaccine and treatment trials for COVID-19 here
- Screening for COVID-19 in asymptomatic patients with cancer here
- Gastrointestinal complications in critically ill patients with and without COVID-19 here
- The impact of lockdown on COVID-19 epidemics across metropolitan France here
- Differences between reporting of randomised controlled trials in medRxiv and PubMed here
- The low risk of COVID-19 transmission by fomites in real-life conditions <u>here</u>

Reviews

 The Cochrane Library published a review on thoracic imaging tests for the diagnosis of COVID-19 here

Guidance and reports

- The World Health Organization's Regional Office for Europe published recommendations on influenza vaccination for the 2020/2021 season during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic here
- Australian Department of Health's released its fortnightly epidemiology report here

News and blogs

- Two BMJ blogs on pooled testing for COVID-19 in the UK <u>here</u> and the importance of a One Health approach to improve human pandemic infection control <u>here</u>
- A Q&A from Nature Communications on a vision for actionable science in a pandemic here
- The COVID-19 death toll here
- Using people's voices to diagnose coronavirus infections here

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