COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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Out of hospital cardiac arrest, organotropism, neurological and rheumatic manifestions, near-source wastewater tracking

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- · Systematic reviews on:
 - COVID-19 and out-of-hospital cardiac arrest <u>here</u>
 - o The organotropism of COVID-19 here
 - Neurological manifestations in COVID-19-infected patients here
 - o The cost effectiveness of antiviral treatments for COVID-19 here
 - o Photobiomodulation as an adjunct treatment in COVID-19 here
 - o The impact of COVID-19 on blood glucose here
 - o Rheumatic manifestations of COVID-19 here
- A longitudinal analysis of COVID-19 viral load and increased disease severity and mortality here
- A randomised controlled trial on baloxavir marboxil and favipiravir in COVID-19 patients here
- A retrospective cohort study on a virtual-clinic pathway from a diabetes eye screening program here
- A literature review on the effectiveness of surgical masks and respirators for COVID-19 here
- Observational studies on:
 - o Positive RT-PCR test results in 420 patients recovered from COVID-19 in Wuhan here
 - Paediatric patients seen in 18 emergency departments in British Columbia <u>here</u>
 - Use of tele-neuropsychology by the Australian Epilepsy Project during COVID-19 here
- An editorial on COVID-19 transmission and infective microdroplets here
- The impact of COVID-19 social restrictions on trauma presentations in South Australia here
- Perspective on COVID-19 from a cardiothoracic surgery practice in Australian here
- A global analysis on the effects of climatic factors on COVID-19 here
- An ethics analysis of delivering bad news during COVID-19 <u>here</u>
- A crossover study on peripheral oxygen saturation in older people wearing face masks here
- Commentary on:
 - o The use of dexamethasone in hospitalised patients with COVID-19 here
 - Wastewater near-source tracking for rapid identification of COVID-19 in schools here
 - o Public health, COVID-19 control and Foucault here



Letters and correspondence discussed:

Overcoming bleeding events related to ECMO in COVID-19 <u>here</u> and authors' reply <u>here</u>

Pre-peer review articles featured:

• An analysis of indirect acute effects of COVID-19 on physical and mental health in the UK here

Guidance and reports

- The US Agency for Health Research and Quality (AHRQ) updated its living rapid review on masks for prevention of COVID-19 in community and healthcare settings <u>here</u>
- The World Health Organization released interim guidance on:
 - Prevention, identification and management of health worker infection in the context of COVID-19 here
 - o Continuity of essential health services here
 - Infection prevention and control health-care facility response for COVID-19 here
 - Diagnostics, therapeutics, vaccine readiness, and other health products for COVID-19 here
 - o Safe environments for patients and staff in COVID-19 health-care facilities here
 - Supporting healthy urban transport and mobility in the context of COVID-19 here
 - An investigation protocol for COVID-19 transmission in schools and other educational institutions <u>here</u>

News and blogs

- Slovakia to test all adults for COVID-19 <u>here</u>
- The impact of COVID-19 on defensive medicine and non-essential care here
- New Australian Department of Health COVID-19 mental health campaign here

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