COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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Randomised trials, politicisation of science, superspreading

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A systematic review and meta-analysis on ethnicity and clinical outcomes in COVID-19 here
- · Randomised trials of:
 - o Inhaled nebulised interferon beta-1a (SNG001) here and commentary here
 - Favipiravir combined with inhaled interferon beta-1b in hospitalised patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 pneumonia here
 - o Fluvoxamine in outpatients with symptomatic COVID-19 here
 - Short term, high-dose vitamin D for COVID-19 <u>here</u>
- A predictive model to estimate progression to severe COVID-19 in hospitalised patients here
- A multi-site mixed methods study on remote home monitoring during COVID-19 in England here
- A national survey of mental health in the first month of COVID-19 restrictions in Australia here
- A Delphi study on an early warning score for remote assessment of suspected COVID-19 here
- A longitudinal study on changes in mental health and the COVID-19 pandemic in the UK here
- A case report on intrauterine transmission of COVID-19 here
- A narrative review on COVID-19 conspiracy theories in a forensic psychiatric hospital <u>here</u>
- Observational studies on:
 - o Associations between blood type and COVID-19 infection, intubation, and death here
 - Surveillance and identification of clusters of health care workers with COVID-19 here
 - The role of the social vulnerability index (SVI) in PPE shortages, number of cases, and associated mortality during COVID-19 in Michigan skilled nursing facilities here
- An editorial on COVID-19 and the politicisation and suppression of science here
- Commentary on:
 - The effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on international vaccination rates and future increases in measles and measles deaths <u>here</u>
 - o COVID-19 pneumonia and the appropriate use of antibiotics here
 - o Disparities in post-intensive care syndrome during COVID-19 here
 - The UK government response to COVID-19 and protecting the NHS here
 - Outbreaks of COVID-19 in health care workers at the Royal Melbourne Hospital here
 - Superspreaders, asymptomatics and COVID-19 elimination here
 - Superspreading events in the transmission dynamics of COVID-19 here
 - The role of children and schools in community transmission of COVID-19 here



- o Applications of artificial intelligence (AI) relevant to COVID-19 here
- o Clinical and pragmatic challenges for post-acute care for COVID-19 pneumonia here
- Challenges for governance and oversight of COVID-19 apps here
- Hospital-acquired COVID-19 and risks to healthcare workers <u>here</u>

Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Associations between restrictions on public mobility and slowing of new COVID-19 case rates <u>here</u>
- Successful containment to date of COVID-19 transmission in the Northern Territory here
- Environmentally sustainable health care <u>here</u>
- Public health crises and the need for accessible information here
- ECG and care of patients with COVID-19 <u>here</u>
- Using Apple Siri as a communication conduit during COVID-19 here
- Responses to a paper on pathophysiology of COVID-19-associated acute respiratory distress syndrome <u>here</u>, <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> and authors' reply <u>here</u>

Pre-peer review articles featured:

- A panel study of 21,000 UK adults on predictors for adherence to COVID-19 guidelines here
- An analysis of the natural history, trajectory, and management of mechanically ventilated COVID-19
 patients in the UK here
- An observational study of cognitive deficits, after respiratory assistance, in a Milan COVIDrehabilitation unit here

Guidance and reports

- The Cochrane Library updated its Special Collections with new clinical answers here
- The World Health Organization published guidance on technical PPE specifications here

News and blogs

- The Australian Department of Health published an update following the National Cabinet meeting on 13 November 2020 here
- The impact of COVID-19 on lung cancer control in the UK here
- Opinion on public acceptance of a COVID-19 vaccine here
- Book review 'How to Stay Sane in an Age of Division' <u>here</u>

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