COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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Pfizer vaccine neutralisation of new variants, ivermectin, effective communication strategies

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A randomised controlled trial on early treatment with ivermectin in non-severe COVID-19 here
- A case control study comparing COVID-19 patients who had a first negative RT-PCR test with those with a first positive RT-PCR test here
- · Editorials on:
 - o Effective government communication strategies in the era of COVID-19 here
 - o How epidemiology has shaped the COVID-19 pandemic here

Letters and correspondence discussed:

Trends in oncology clinical trials launched before and during COVID-19 here

Pre-peer review papers featured:

 Neutralisation of SARS-CoV-2 variants with spike mutation (from UK and South Africa) by Pfizer vaccine-elicited sera <u>here</u>

Guidance and reports

- A special edition of the World Health Organization's Eurohealth included articles on:
 - o Fighting health infodemics using citizen empowerment here
 - The health democracy deficit and COVID-19 here
 - The role of performance intelligence in managing health systems <u>here</u>

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