# COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

## **Daily evidence digest**

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# Mobile robotics for patient evaluation, SARS-CoV-2 on ocular surfaces, antivaccination infodemic, optimal use of different vaccines

#### Peer reviewed journals featured:

- · Randomised clinical trials on:
  - o Early convalescent plasma therapy in COVID-19 patients here
  - The effect of ivermectin on duration of symptoms in adults with mild COVID-19 here
- A rapid review on the accuracy of chest CT in the diagnosis of COVID-19 here
- A US survey on acceptability and feasibility of mobile robotic systems for patient evaluation <u>here</u>
- A case report on multisystem inflammatory syndrome in a neonate here
- Observational studies on:
  - RT-PCR-based detection of SARS-CoV-2 on ocular surfaces here
  - The prevalence of inflammatory heart disease in athletes with prior COVID-19 infection, assessed by 'return to play' screening here
  - The global effect of COVID-19 on paediatric cancer care here
  - o The anti-vaccination infodemic on social media here
  - Links between COVID-19 and cancer-relevant regulators and clinical markers here
  - Predicting and assessing pandemic risk with network statistics here
  - Quantifying the transmission advantage of N501Y variants in the UK <u>here</u>
- Editorials on:
  - Avoiding exploitation in multinational COVID-19 vaccine trials <u>here</u>
  - Vitamin D and COVID-19 <u>here</u>
- Commentary on:
  - o Approaches for optimal use of different COVID-19 vaccines here
  - Simulation exercises to prepare for COVID-19 vaccine roll-out <u>here</u>
  - Continuing COVID-19 uncertainty in 2021 here

#### Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Electronic vaccination certificates here
- Mental health attendances in Australia during COVID-19 a telehealth success story here
- Delayed large local reactions to mRNA-1273 (Moderna) vaccine against SARS-CoV-2 here



#### **Guidance and reports**

- The National COVID-19 Clinical Evidence Taskforce updated recommendations and clinical flowcharts here
- The Extracorporeal Life Support Organization updated guidelines on ECMO for COVID-19 here

### **News and blogs**

- Young person with post-acute COVID-19 syndrome after mild disease <u>here</u>
- We must tackle obesity and health inequalities in order to build back better here
- The UK's COVID-19 response underscores the danger of a "health versus wealth" approach here

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#### **New Living Evidence Table**

A Living Evidence table on <u>COVID-19 transmission</u> has been added to those on <u>vaccines</u>, and <u>variants</u> of concern

