COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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Cardiac abnormalities in COVID-19 patients, monoclonal antibodies, the P1 (Brazil) variant and increased mortality in young people

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A systematic review on cardiac abnormalities in hospitalised COVID-19 patients <u>here</u>
- · Narrative reviews on
 - o Neutralising monoclonal antibodies for the treatment of COVID-19 here
 - o COVID-19 dynamics after a national immunisation program in Israel here
- Observational studies on:
 - o Side effects of Pfizer vaccine in healthcare workers here
 - Reduced humoral response to Pfizer vaccine in kidney transplant recipients with no prior exposure to the virus <u>here</u>
- Commentary on:
 - o The fear of adverse effects and COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy here
 - Indoor air changes and potential implications for SARS-CoV-2 transmission here
 - Metabolic risk factors and novel therapeutics for post-acute COVID-19 syndrome here
 - Access to COVID-19 vaccines for refugee and displaced populations here

Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Respiratory viral shedding in healthcare workers reinfected with SARS-CoV-2 in Brazil here
- Fitted filtration efficiency of double masking <u>here</u>
- A case report of SARS-CoV-2 reinfection in a liver transplant recipient here

Pre-peer review articles featured:

- Increase in risk severity and fatality rate of COVID-19 in southern Brazil after the emergence of the P.1 variant (Brazil) here
- A comparison of SARS-CoV-2 antibody responses elicited by natural infection and mRNA vaccination here
- A comparison of preprints and final journal publications from COVID-19 studies here
- Increased transmissibility of SARS-CoV-2 lineage B.1.1.7 (UK / Kent) by age and viral load here



Guidance and reports

 The World Health Organization published a policy brief on ethical considerations about COVID-19 mandatory vaccination here

News and blogs

- UK advisory committee on pregnant women and Pfizer or Moderna vaccine here
- COVID-19 as an entrenched disease of poverty <u>here</u>

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Living Evidence Tables

Living Evidence tables are up-to-date summaries of emerging evidence. Tables are available on <u>COVID-19 transmission</u>, SARS-CoV-2 <u>vaccines</u>, and <u>variants</u> of concern.

