COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

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COVID-19 and the ageing immune system, self-sanitising masks, effectiveness and protection period of Pfizer, AstraZeneca and Moderna

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- Narrative reviews on:
 - o SARS-CoV-2, COVID-19 and the ageing immune system here
 - The development of a self-sanitising mask prototype (ARMOR) here
- Observational studies on:
 - Patterns of compliance with COVID-19 preventive behaviours in the UK <u>here</u>
 - Production and persistence of specific antibodies in COVID-19 patients with hematologic malignancies <u>here</u>
 - Diagnostic accuracy and acceptability of molecular diagnosis of COVID-19 in saliva samples compared with nasopharyngeal swabs <u>here</u>
- A modelling study on trade-offs between domestic-only and cooperative distribution of vaccines here

Letters and correspondence discussed:

Increased incidence of severe nutritional anaemia during COVID-19 in Yorkshire and Humber here

Pre-peer review articles featured:

- Vaccine effectiveness and protection period of Pfizer, AstraZeneca and Moderna in the UK here
- Reports of myocarditis and pericarditis following mRNA vaccines from the UK, US, and Europe here

Guidance and reports

- The World Health Organization published:
 - o A policy brief on the use of digital health tools in Europe during COVID-19 here
 - Updates of its COVID-19 vaccine tracker <u>here</u> and COVID-19 epidemiological report <u>here</u>



News and blogs

- Booster doses to be offered to 30 million people in the UK here
- Post-acute COVID-19 syndrome as occupational disease <u>here</u>
- Vaccinating children will help end the pandemic here
- Boys are more at risk of myocarditis after vaccination than of COVID-19 hospital admission here
- How patient data underpin COVID-19 research here

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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, <u>post-acute sequelae of</u> <u>COVID-19 (PASC)</u>, <u>surgery and COVID-19</u>, and <u>rapid testing</u>.



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