COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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Heparin, corticosteroids, favipiravir and arbidol, lung ultrasound for diagnosis

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A systematic review on prophylactic and therapeutic low molecular weight heparin for mortality reduction <u>here</u>
- Randomised trials on:
 - o Corticosteroids therapy in moderate to severe COVID-19 patients here
 - o Favipiravir versus arbidol in moderate and severe COVID-19 patients here
 - o Atorvastatin for COVID-19 in adult inpatients here
- A narrative review on a point of care ELISA platform for antibody assays here
- Observational studies on:
 - The severity of SARS-CoV-2 infection and albumin levels here
 - o Antigen tests as a screening tool for SARS-CoV-2 in an emergency department here
 - Lung ultrasound in COVID-19 here
 - o A cost-value approach to boredom with pandemic containment measures here
- Commentary on data in the US public health response to COVID-19 here

Pre-peer review articles featured:

- Long term physical, mental and social health effects of COVID-19 in the paediatric population here
- Optimised post-vaccination strategies and preventative measures for SARS-CoV-2 here
- · Access to personal protective equipment in healthcare workers during COVID-19 in the UK here
- COVID-19 vaccination and healthcare demand <u>here</u>
- Quantitative measurement of infectivity in Alpha, Delta and Epsilon variants here

Guidance and reports

- The World Health Organization published:
 - o Updates of the COVID-19 epidemiological report here and vaccine tracker here
 - o A working paper on the impact of COVID-19 on health and care workers here
 - A case report form for COVID-19 sequelae <u>here</u>



News and blogs

- Obesity in US children increased at an unprecedented rate during COVID-19 here
- Monoclonal antibody treatment for hospital patients with no antibody response in the UK <u>here</u>
- A paradigm shift in how we think about health to build back better <u>here</u>
- Supporting and retaining NHS staff already stretched to their limit 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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