COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

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Subcutaneous interferon-beta, neurological complications of COVID-19, TGA approval for RONAPREVE (casirivimab + imdevimab)

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- Systematic reviews on:
 - The efficacy of subcutaneous interferon-beta in COVID-19 here
 - Comparing the clinical efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines here
- A randomised controlled trial on neutralisation of SARS-CoV-2 variants in transplant recipients after two or three doses of Spikevax (Moderna) vaccine <u>here</u>
- Narrative reviews on:
 - Neurological complications and infection mechanism of SARS-CoV-2 <u>here</u>
 - o Zero-COVID, risk and health disparities here
- Observational studies on:
 - o Seroprevalence of SARS-CoV-2 antibodies among children in Montreal here
 - o Comparison of mortality risk evaluation tools in critically ill COVID-19 patients here

Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Antibody response to Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccine in paediatric patients with inflammatory bowel disease treated with anti-TNF therapy <u>here</u>
- Risks of SARS-CoV-2 breakthrough infection and hospitalisation in fully vaccinated patients with multiple myeloma <u>here</u>

Guidance and reports

- The World Health Organization published:
 - A clinical training module on casirivimab and imdevimab for COVID-19 here
 - An update on COVID-19 and influenza here
 - Updated living guidance for clinical management of COVID-19 <u>here</u>
 - Its weekly COVID-19 epidemiological report <u>here</u>, COVID-19 vaccine tracker <u>here</u>, and COVID-19 operational report <u>here</u>
- The National COVID-19 Clinical Evidence Taskforce released updated recommendations and clinical flowcharts <u>here</u>
- The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) issued provisional approval to RONAPREVE (casirivimab + imdevimab) for COVID-19 treatment <u>here</u>



News and blogs

- COVID-19 vaccines protective effect against post-acute COVID-19 syndrome here
- COVID-19 vaccine highly effective against adolescent hospitalisations 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>, <u>rapid testing</u> and <u>risk mitigation strategies</u>.



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