COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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Melatonin, P2Y12 inhibitors in non-critical patients, COVID and pregnancy outcomes, mental health service for Australian healthcare workers

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- Systematic reviews on:
 - o Melatonin for treating COVID-19 patients here
 - School closures, and mental health and well-being in children and adolescents during the first COVID-19 wave <u>here</u>
 - Frequency of adverse events in placebo arms of COVID-19 vaccine trials <u>here</u>
- A randomised clinical trial on P2Y12 inhibitors in non–critically ill hospitalised COVID-19 patients here and associated editorial here
- Observational studies on:
 - o Maternal-foetal immune responses in SARS-CoV-2 infected pregnant women here
 - o The impact of COVID-19 on pregnancy outcomes in England here
 - o Trends in US ambulatory care patterns during COVID-19, 2019-2021 here
 - A case series of thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome after COVID-19 vaccination in the US <u>here</u> and associated editorial <u>here</u>
 - Severe versus common COVID-19 in an early warning nomogram model here
 - o A digital-first mental health solution for Australian healthcare workers (TEN) here

Letters and correspondence discussed:

• T cell epitopes in SARS-CoV-2 proteins are substantially conserved in the Omicron variant here

Pre-peer review articles featured:

- Multisystemic inflammatory syndrome following mRNA vaccine in children <u>here</u>
- Cross-variant immunity after infection with the Omicron variant without vaccination here
- Vaccination of COVID-19 convalescents and neutralisation of Delta and Omicron variants <u>here</u>



Guidance and reports

- The World Health Organization published:
 - The latest edition of the Eurohealth, featuring articles on health system resilience post-COVID <u>here</u>
 - Updates of its COVID-19 epidemiological report <u>here</u>, operational report <u>here</u>, COVID-19 vaccine tracker <u>here</u>, technical document on the SARS-CoV-2 variant of concern Omicron <u>here</u>, and the landscape of observational studies on the effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccination <u>here</u>

News and blogs

- The effects of mandatory vaccination on healthcare staffing in the UK <u>here</u>
- Brazil sees Omicron cases soar but data blackout obscures true impact here
- The pandemic's true death toll <u>here</u>
- Vaccine passports help boost lagging vaccination rates here
- Former Biden-Harris transition advisors propose a new US national strategy for COVID-19 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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