COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

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Azithromycin, mRNA vaccines in pregnancy, fact checking and the 'infodemic'

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- · Systematic reviews on:
 - o Azithromycin for patients with COVID-19 here
 - o mRNA vaccines in pregnancy here
- Observational studies on:
 - o The effect of fact-checks on COVID-19 perceptions in the US, Britain, and Canada here
 - COVID-19 severity and polygenic phenotypes <u>here</u>
- Commentary on:
 - o Fighting the COVID-19 'infodemic' here
 - o Data regarding responses to the pandemic's impact on cancer in Europe here
 - o Simultaneous COVID-19 and tuberculosis testing in high-burden countries here
- Case studies on:
 - o SARS-CoV-2 variant tracking and mitigation at a US residential university campus here
 - The development of a leadership support service for nurses and midwives' during COVID-19 in the UK here

Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Delayed-interval Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccination, humoral immunity and T cell responses here
- Prevalence and durability of SARS-CoV-2 antibodies in unvaccinated US adults with COVID-19 infection here
- SARS-CoV-2 infections in close contacts of cases at the 2021 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic games <u>here</u>
- Use of single-dose tocilizumab for the treatment of severe COVID-19 in pregnancy here

Pre-peer review articles featured:

• Why the Omicron variant is milder here



Guidance and reports

- The World Health Organization published:
 - Updates of its landscape of observational studies on the effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccination here
 - o Seroprevalence studies on true extent of SARS-CoV-2 infection here
 - o A series of COVID-19 articles in the WHO South-East Asia Journal of Public Health here
 - o A data report on COVID-19 health in prisons here
- The National COVID-19 Clinical Evidence Taskforce released updated recommendations and clinical flowcharts <u>here</u>

News and blogs

- Breakthrough COVID-19 and immune response to SARS-CoV-2 variants here
- South African scientists copy the Spikevax (Moderna) vaccine 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 COVID-19 (PASC)</u>, surgery and <u>COVID-19</u>, rapid testing and <u>risk mitigation strategies</u>.



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