COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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SARS-CoV-2 infection and vaccination in rheumatic and musculoskeletal disease, Australia's genomics surveillance platform (AusTrakka)

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- Systematic reviews on:
 - Risk and prognosis of SARS-CoV-2 infection and vaccination in rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases <u>here</u>
 - The efficacy and safety of Janus Kinase inhibitors for COVID-19 patients here
 - o Intravenous vitamin C use and risk of COVID-19 severity and mortality here
- A phase lb/lla trial of intravenous nafamostat mesylate in COVID pneumonitis <u>here</u>
- Observational studies on:
 - Association of COVID-19 vaccination with symptomatic SARS-CoV-2 infection, by time since vaccination and Delta variant predominance <u>here</u>
 - Comparison of racial, ethnic, and geographic location diversity of participants in clinicbased vs 2 remote COVID-19 clinical trials <u>here</u> and associated commentary <u>here</u>
 - Mobilisation of expert knowledge and advice for management of the COVID-19 pandemic in Italy <u>here</u>
 - Antibody responses and correlates of protection after two doses of Vaxzevria (AstraZeneca) or Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccines <u>here</u>
 - o Risks of COVID-19 by occupation in NHS workers in England here
- A modelling study on simulated US school–related SARS-CoV-2 transmission, mitigation interventions, and vaccination coverage <u>here</u>
- Commentary on Australia's pathogen genomics surveillance for COVID-19 (AusTrakka) here

Pre-peer review articles featured:

 Omicron as a trigger for cross-reactive neutralisation and Fc effector functions in previously vaccinated, but not unvaccinated individuals <u>here</u>

Guidance and reports

• The World Health Organization published guidance on public health surveillance for COVID-19 here



News and blogs

- Omicron-targeted vaccines do no better than original jabs in early tests here
- Even mild infections can cause long term heart problems 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 or long COVID)</u>, <u>surgery and COVID-19</u>, <u>rapid testing</u> and <u>risk mitigation strategies</u>.



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