COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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The daily evidence digest collates recently released reports and evidence – provision of these links does not imply endorsement nor recommendation.

Antiplatelet therapy, perinatal complications associated with SARS-CoV-2 infection during pregnancy, COVID-19 pneumonitis in children

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A randomised clinical trial of antiplatelet therapy in critically ill COVID-19 patients here and associated editorial here
- A meta-analysis comparing ivermectin trials in regions with high and low prevalence of strongyloidiasis <u>here</u>
- · Observational studies on:
 - Childhood, teenage and young adult cancer diagnosis during the first wave of COVID-19 in England <u>here</u>
 - o COVID-19 deaths in nursing homes in the UK here
 - o Perinatal complications associated with SARS-CoV-2 infection during pregnancy here
- Commentary on:
 - The effectiveness of Comirnaty (Pfizer) in adolescents here
 - The US shouldn't settle for its current COVID-19 deaths or vaccination rates here

Letters and correspondence discussed:

 SARS-CoV-2 placentitis and intraparenchymal thrombohematomas among COVID-19 infections in pregnancy <u>here</u>

Pre-peer review articles featured:

- Severe pneumonitis in children, markers of severe COVID-19, and the need for admission here
- Multi-organ impairment and post-acute COVID-19 syndrome (long COVID) at one year here
- Identification of a novel Delta-Omicron recombinant virus in the US here
- The use of renin-angiotensin system drugs and COVID-19 outcomes here
- Evaluation of the Panbio™ COVID-19 rapid antigen test in subjects infected with Omicron here

Guidance and reports

The World Health Organization published updates of its COVID-19 epidemiological report here, operational report here, COVID-19 vaccine tracker here

