COVID-19 Critical Intelligence Unit

Daily evidence digest

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Vaccine effectiveness against Omicron, wearable devices that detect COVID-19, the US COVID-19 preparedness plan

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- · Narrative reviews on:
 - Analgesics and antipyretics in managing symptoms associated with COVID-19 vaccination <u>here</u>
- Observational studies on:
 - o COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness against the Omicron variant here
 - Detection of COVID-19 using multimodal data from a wearable device <u>here</u>
 - Association between two mass-gathering outdoor events and incidence of SARS-CoV-2 infections in north-east Spain here
- Commentary on delivering pandemic vaccines in 100 days <u>here</u>

Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) vs Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccines for COVID-19 hospitalisations here
- Association of COVID-19 infection with survival after in-hospital cardiac arrest in US adults here
- Durability of Omicron-neutralising serum activity after mRNA booster in older adults here

Pre-peer review articles featured:

- Myocarditis and pericarditis following COVID-19 vaccination <u>here</u>
- COVID-19 patients with chronic lymphocytic leukemia and risk of death from Omicron variant here

Guidance and reports

- The World Health Organization published a scientific brief on mental health and COVID-19 here
- The US Government released its national COVID-19 preparedness plan here
- The Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) published guidance on the use of a booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine here



News and blogs

- COVID-19 pandemic triggers 25% increase in prevalence of anxiety and depression worldwide here
- One year after SARS-CoV-2 infection, patients have an array of increased cardiovascular risks 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>, <u>surgery and COVID-19</u>, <u>rapid testing and risk mitigation strategies</u>.



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