Antiviral agents, telehealth, palliative care, translated COVID-19 resources

Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A systematic review and meta-analysis on antiviral agents, glucocorticoids, antibiotics, and intravenous immunoglobulin usage [here](#).
- A systematic review on telemedicine in orthopaedics and potential applications during COVID-19 [here](#).
- A cohort study of Department of Veterans Affairs and the use of telehealth outpatient visits during COVID-19 [here](#) and an editorial on virtual care and the pandemic [here](#).
- Commentary on the use of medical face masks versus particulate respirators as a component of personal protective equipment for healthcare workers [here](#).
- A survey of spine surgeons focused on the influence of practice type on preparedness and response to COVID-19 [here](#).
- A survey of healthcare workers regarding work-related and personal factors associated with mental well-being during COVID-19 response [here](#).

Letters and correspondence discussed:

- Patient-reported outcomes and the management of COVID-19 [here](#).
- A need for open public data standards and sharing in light of COVID-19 [here](#).
- Negative pressure airway management hood for COVID-19 patients during invasive airway procedures [here](#).
- Myasthenia gravis associated with SARS-CoV-2 infection [here](#).

Pre-peer review articles featured:

- A randomised, double-blind, and placebo-controlled phase 2 clinical trial on immunogenicity and safety of a SARS-CoV-2 inactivated vaccine in healthy adults aged 18-59 years [here](#).
Reviews

- The Centre for Evidence Based Medicine published a review on guidelines for community palliative care [here](#) and a drug vignette on remdesivir [here](#).

Guidance and reports

- The OECD published a policy brief on harmonisation of clinical trial regulations for COVID-19 [here](#).
- The UK’s National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) updated its COVID-19 rapid guideline on dialysis service delivery [here](#).
- The Sydney Partnership for Health Education Research and Enterprise (SPHERE) released fact sheets on COVID-19 [here](#).
- The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) published a survey on telehealth video consultations [here](#).
- Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists updated advice on the protection of midwives and doctors in the birth unit [here](#) and released an associated message for pregnant women and their families [here](#).

News and blogs

- The Royal Australasian College of Physicians published a survey on PPE [here](#).

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