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### **Variants and vaccines, telehealth in Australian cardiology, COVID-19 outcomes in Sydney, asymptomatic rapid testing**

#### **Peer reviewed journals featured:**

- A narrative review on SARS-CoV-2 variants and vaccines [here](#)
- Observational studies on:
  - Telehealth in Australian cardiology during COVID-19 [here](#)
  - COVID-19 outcomes in a low-prevalence and well-resourced setting in Sydney [here](#)
  - COVID-19 case fatality rates during the first pandemic wave in England [here](#)
  - Effectiveness of an inactivated vaccine - Sinovac (CoronaVac) in Chile [here](#)
- An editorial on asymptomatic rapid testing for SARS-CoV-2 [here](#)
- Commentary on:
  - Addressing vaccine hesitancy in communities of various races and cultures [here](#)
  - COVID-19 vaccine follow-through and continued protective measures [here](#)
  - Waiving intellectual property protections for COVID-19 vaccines [here](#)
  - Lay epidemiology and vaccine acceptance [here](#)
  - Why children should not be targeted in COVID-19 vaccination [here](#)

#### **Letters and correspondence discussed:**

- Infection and vaccine-induced neutralising-antibody responses to the Kappa and Delta variants [here](#)
- Therapeutic plasma exchange in vaccine-induced immune thrombotic thrombocytopenia [here](#)
- Prolonged physiological and behavioural changes associated with COVID-19 infection [here](#)
- Mass infection is not an option in the UK [here](#)

#### **Pre-peer review articles featured:**

- Incidence of SARS-CoV-2 infection among previously infected or vaccinated employees [here](#)

## Guidance and reports

- The World Health Organization published:
  - An updated overview of study designs assessing effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccination [here](#)
  - Snapshots of stroke care in Italy during COVID-19 [here](#) and chronic respiratory disease in the UK [here](#)
  - An analytic plan for the clinical characterization of COVID-19 [here](#)

## News and blogs

- COVID-19 and the brain [here](#)
- In England, adults in the poorest areas are almost four times more likely to die [here](#)
- *Vaccines* journal retracts controversial paper [here](#)
- Daily contact testing COVID-19 trials in schools and colleges [here](#)
- NEJM audio interview on how well COVID-19 vaccines work [here](#)

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### Living Evidence Tables

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