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Peer reviewed journals featured:

- A systematic review of anakinra, sarilumab, siltuximab and tocilizumab for COVID-19 here
- A randomised clinical trial on high-dose zinc and ascorbic acid supplementation in ambulatory patients with SARS-CoV-2 here and associated commentary here
- Observational studies on:
  - The burden of COVID-19 on Australian healthcare workers here
  - The impact of COPD on COVID-19 prognosis in South Korea here
  - Early initiation of prophylactic anticoagulation for prevention of COVID-19 mortality in hospital patients, in the US here
  - SARS-CoV-2 transmission during rugby league matches here
  - The impact from early vaccination in healthcare workers and responses to a single dose of the BNT162b2 mRNA (Pfizer) vaccine, in Israel here
  - Reports of anaphylaxis after receipt of Moderna COVID-19 vaccines in the US here
- A cross-sectional survey on SARS-CoV-2 outbreaks in long-term care facilities in England here and associated commentary here
- A policy review on the challenges in ensuring global access to COVID-19 vaccines here
- A narrative review on allergic reactions and anaphylaxis to mRNA COVID-19 vaccines here
- An editorial on the lead up to two million related COVID-19 deaths in the UK here
- Commentary on:
  - Priorities for the COVID-19 pandemic at the start of 2021, from the Lancet COVID-19 Commission here
  - The implications of SARS-CoV-2 variants for ending the COVID-19 pandemic here

Letters and correspondence discussed:

- The need for a prediction model assessment framework here and authors' reply here
- The second COVID-19 wave and new virus variant P.1 detected in Manaus City, Brazil here
- Why a German newspaper insisted the AstraZeneca vaccine is inefficacious for older people here
- Familial thrombocytopenia flare-up following the first dose of mRNA-1273 (Moderna) COVID-19 vaccine here
- Prevalence of frailty in patients with COVID-19 here
Pre-peer review articles featured:

- Safety and efficacy of the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine against the B.1.351 variant in South Africa [here](#)

Guidance and reports

- The World Health Organization published:
  - Guidance on COVID-19 vaccination: supply and logistics [here](#)
  - The COVID-19 Weekly Epidemiological Update [here](#)
- The Australian COVID-19 National Incident Room Surveillance Team published the latest edition of its epidemiology report [here](#)

News and blogs

- COVID-19 must be a tipping point for tackling inequalities [here](#)
- How can we hold political leaders accountable for failures in pandemics [here](#)
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