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This document includes the results of a rapid systematic review of current available literature. The information included in this review reflects the evidence as of the date posted in the document. In recognition of the fact that there are numerous ongoing clinical studies, PAHO will periodically update this review and corresponding recommendations as new evidence becomes available.

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Executive summary

Background

The urgent need for evidence on measures to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic had led to a rapid escalation in numbers of studies testing potential therapeutic options. The vast amount of data generated by these studies must be interpreted quickly so that physicians have the information to make optimal treatment decisions and manufacturers can scale-up production and bolster supply chains. Moreover, obtaining a quick answer to the question of whether or not a particular intervention is effective can help investigators involved in the many ongoing clinical trials to change focus and pivot to more promising alternatives. Since many physicians are currently using treatments that rely on compassionate-use exemptions or off-label indications to treat patients with COVID-19, it is crucial that they have access to the most up-to-date research evidence to inform their treatment decisions.

To address this evidence gap, we compiled the following database of evidence on potential therapeutic options for COVID-19. We hope this information will help investigators, policy makers, and prescribers navigate the flood of relevant data to ensure that management of COVID-19, at both individual and population levels, is based on the best available knowledge. We will endeavor to continually update this resource as more research is released into the public space.

Summary of evidence

Tables 1 and 2, which divide the total group of identified studies into randomized (Table 1) and non-randomized (Table 2) designs, indicate the primary outcome measures used for each investigation and the level of certainty. Table 3, below, summarizes the status of evidence for the 147 potential therapeutic options for COVID-19 for which studies were identified through our systematic review.

Table 1. List of RCTs of interventions for COVID-19 with primary outcome measures and certainty (n=421)

| Intervention | Overall number of studies including the intervention, n=421 | Mortality (n of studies) | Invasive mechanical ventilation (n of studies) | Symptom resolution (n of studies) | Prevention of infection (n of studies) | Adverse events (n of studies) | Hospitalization of studies | (n |
|---------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----|
| Hydroxychloroquine or Chloroquine | 49 | 13 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 17 | 7 | |
| Ivermectin | 33 | 6 (*) | 6 | 3 (*) | | 5 | 5 | |
| Tocilizumab | 26 | 20 | 21 | 6 | | 12 | | |
| Convalescent plasma | 24 | 9 (*) | 7 (*) | 9 | | 3 (*) | | |
| Corticosteroids | 18 | 17 (@) | 7 | 6 | | 6 | | |
| Lopinavir-Ritonavir | 16 | 4 | 4 | 2 | | 2 | 1 | |
| Favipiravir | 15 | 5 | 4 | 1 (*) | | 3 | 1 | |
| Sofosbuvir +/- Daclatasvir or others | 13 | 2 (*) | 2 (*) | 2 (*) | | | | |
| Azithromycin | 10 | 4 | 3 | 4 | | 1 | 2 | |
| ACEIs or ARBs | 9 | 8 | 8 | 2 | | | 1 | |
| Mouthwash | 9 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| Sarilumab | 9 | 9 | 7 | 2 | | 3 | | |
| Anticoagulants | 8 | 7 | | | | 5 (*) | | |
| Bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab | 8 | 3 | | 3 | 1 | 5 | 2 | |
| Cocchicine | 7 | 4 (**) | 3 (**) | 1 (**) | | 3 | 2 | |
| Umifenovir | 7 | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | | |
| Remdesivir | 6 | 5 (#) | 5 | 3 | | 3 | | |
| Zinc | 6 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | |
| IVIg | 5 | 8 | 8 | | | | | |
| REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) | 5 | 1 (##) | 1 (##) | 2 (##) | 2 | 2 | 2 | |
| Vitamin D | 5 | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| Bromhexine Hydrochloride | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | |
| Corticosteroids (inhaled) | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | | | 2 | |
| Interferon beta-1a | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | | | | |
| Melatonin | 4 | 2 | 3 | | | | | |
| Mesenchymal cell transplantation | 4 | 3 | | 1 | | 2 | | |
| Nitazoxanide | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | |
| Proxalutide | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | | | 2 | |
| Vitamin C | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | | | | |
| N-acetylcysteine | 3 | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | | |
| Molnupiravir | 3 | | | | | 3 | | |
| Anakinra | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | |
| Aspirin | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| Baricitinib | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | |
| Canakinumab | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Doxycycline | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | 1 | |
| Dutasteride | 2 | | | 1 | | | | |
| Fluvoxamine | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | 2 | 2 | |
| Iota-Carrageenan | 2 | 1 | | | | 2 | 1 | |
| Leflunomide | 2 | | | | | | | |
| Nigella sativa +/- Honey | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Nitric oxide | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | 2 | | |
| Omega-3 fatty acids | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| Ozone | 2 | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Peg-IFN alfa | 2 | 2 | | 2 | | | | |
| Quercetin | 2 | 2 | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Regdanvimab | 2 | | | 2 | | 2 | 1 | |
| 99mTc-MDP | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Adalimumab | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Ammonium chloride | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Aprepitant | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Artemisinin | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Auxora | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Aviptadil | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Azelastine (inhaled) | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Azvidine | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Baloxavir | 1 | | | 1 | | | | |
| BCG | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| Bioven | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | | |
| Camostat mesilate | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | |
| CERC-002 | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | | |
| Chloroquine nasal drops | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Clarithromycin | 1 | | | | | | | |
| CIGB-325 | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Cofactors | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Colchicine + rosuvastatin | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| Darunavir-Cobicistat | 1 | | | | | | | |

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|------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Dapagliflozin | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Dimethyl sulfoxide (DSMO) | 1 | | | | 1 | | |
| Electrolyzed saline | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Emtricitabine/tenofovir | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Enisamium | 1 | | | 1 | | | |
| Famotidine | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Febuxostat | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Finasteride | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Fostamatinib | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Helium (inhaled) | 1 | | | | | | |
| Hyperbaric oxygen | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Hyperimmune anti-COVID-19 IVIG | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| IC1e/K | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Icatibant | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Icosapent ethyl | 1 | | | 1 | | | |
| IFN-alpha2b + IFN-gamma | 1 | | | | | | |
| IFX-1 | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Imatinib | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Indomethacin | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Infliximab | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| INM005 (equine antibodies) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | |
| Interferon beta-1b | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Interferon beta-1a (inhaled) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | |
| Interferon gamma | 1 | | | | | | |
| Interferon kappa + TFF2 | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Itolizumab | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Ivermectin (inhaled) | 1 | | | 1 | | | |
| KB109 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| L-arginine | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Lactococcus Lactis (intranasal) | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Lenzilumab | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Levamisole | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Lincomycin | 1 | | | | | | |
| Low-dose radiation therapy | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Mavrilimumab | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | |
| Metisoprinol | 1 | | | | | | |
| Methylene blue | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Metoprolol | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Mupadolimab | 1 | | | | | 1 | |
| Mycobacterium w | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Namilumab | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Nano-curcumin | 1 | | | | | 1 | |
| Nasal hypertonic saline | 1 | | | 1 | | | |
| Neem (Azadirachta Indica A. Juss) | 1 | | | | 1 | | |
| Nicosamaide | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Novaferon | 1 | | | | | | |
| Otilimab | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Peg-IFN lambda | 1 | | | | | 1 | |
| PNB001 (CCK-A antagonist) | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| Polymerized type I collagen (PT1C) | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Povidone iodine | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Probiotics | 1 | | | | 1 | | |
| Progesterone | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Prolectin-M | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Propolis | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | |
| Pyridostigmine | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | |
| Ramipril | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| Recombinant Super-Compound IFN | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| Ribavirin | 1 | | | | | | |
| Ribavirin + Interferon beta-1b | 1 | | | | | | |
| Resveratrol | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 |
| rhG-CSF | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Ruxolitinib | 1 | | | 1 | | | |
| Secukinumab | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Short-wave diathermy | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Sitagliptin | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Sofosbuvir/ledipasvir | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 |

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|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Sotrovimab | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| Spironolactone | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Statins | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Stem cell nebulization | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Sulodexide | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 |
| TD-0903 (inhaled JAK-inhibitor) | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Thalidomide | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Tenofovid + emtricitabine | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Triazavirin | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Tofacitinib | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| XAV-19 (swine polyclonal antibodies) | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| α-Lipoic acid | 1 | 1 | | | | | |

(*) Based on low risk of bias subgroup of studies; (#) Inconsistent results between included studies. Beigel et al. informed mortality reduction with remdesivir while WHO SOLIDARITY found no significant differences. Pooled estimates show a small non-statistically significant mortality reduction (RR 0.95, 95%CI 0.83 - 1.08); (*) Major bleeding; (**) Observed results apply mostly to hospitalized patients with moderate to critical disease. The COLCORONA trial that included patients with recent onset mild disease showed a tendency to less hospitalizations, less mortality and less mechanical ventilation requirements. However the certainty on those potential benefits was low because of very serious imprecision as the number of events was low; (##) Subgroup of seronegative patients; (@) High dose schemes (i.e dexamethasone 12 mg a day) are probably effective than standard dose schemes (i.e dexamethasone 6 mg a day).

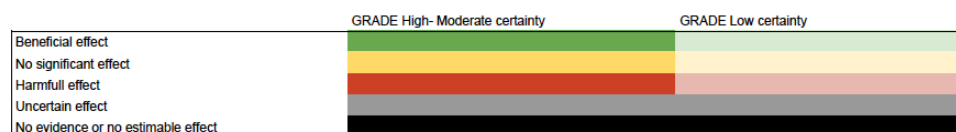


Table 2. List of non-RCTs of interventions for COVID-19 with primary outcome measures and certainty (n=7)

| Intervention | Overall number of studies including the intervention | Mortality (n of studies) | Mechanical ventilation (n of studies) | Symptom resolution (n of studies) | Prevention of infection (n of studies) | Adverse events (n of studies) |
|--------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| NSAID | 7 | 7 | | | | |

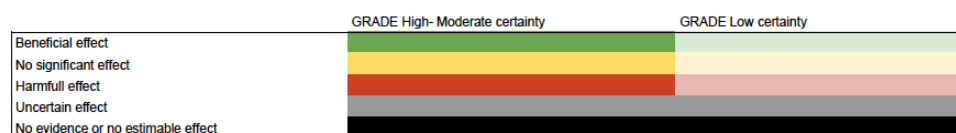


Table 3. Summary of findings on potential therapeutic options for COVID-19 (n=147), as at 30 September 2021

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
|----|-----------------------------|--|
| 1 | ^{99m}Tc-MDP | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 2 | Adalimumab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 3 | Ammonium chloride | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 4 | ACEIs or ARBs | Continuing ACEIs or ARBs in patients with COVID-19 may increase mortality. However, the certainty of the evidence was low. Further research is needed. |
| 5 | Anakinra | It is uncertain if anakinra affects mortality, mechanical ventilation requirements, symptom resolution or increases severe adverse events. Further research is needed. |
| 6 | Anticoagulants | There are specific recommendations on the use of antithrombotic agents ⁸ for thromboprophylaxis in hospitalized patients with COVID-19. Regarding the best thromboprophylactic scheme, anticoagulants in intermediate (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg a day) or full dose (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg twice a day) probably does not decrease mortality in comparison with prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day). Anticoagulants in intermediate or full dose may decrease venous thromboembolic events but increase major bleeding in comparison with prophylactic dose. In mild ambulatory patients, anticoagulants in prophylactic dose may not importantly improve time to symptom resolution. |
| 7 | Aprepitant | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 8 | Artemisinin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 9 | Aspirin | Aspirin probably does not reduce mortality, nor mechanical ventilation and probably does not increase symptom resolution or improvement. |
| 10 | Auxora | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
|----|--|---|
| 11 | Aviptadil | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 12 | Azelastine | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 13 | Azithromycin | Azithromycin probably does not reduce mortality or mechanical ventilation and does not improve time to symptom resolution. |
| 14 | Azvudine | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 15 | Baricitinib | Baricitinib probably reduces mortality and time to symptom resolution. Certainty of the evidence was moderate because of risk of bias. |
| 16 | Baloxavir | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 17 | Bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab (monoclonal antibody) | Bamlanivimab probably reduces hospitalizations in patients with COVID-19 and it probably reduces symptomatic infections in exposed individuals. It is uncertain if it affects mortality or mechanical ventilation requirements. Further research is needed. |
| 18 | BCG | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 19 | Bioven | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 20 | Bromhexine hydrochloride | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 21 | Camostat mesilate | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 22 | Canakinumab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 23 | CERC-002 | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
|----|--|--|
| 24 | Chloroquine nasal drops | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 25 | CIGB-325 | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 26 | Clarithromycin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 27 | Cofactors (L-carnitine, N-acetylcysteine, nicotinamide, serine) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 28 | Colchicine | Colchicine probably does not reduce mortality, mechanical ventilation requirements or increase symptom resolution or improvement with moderate certainty. In patients with mild recent onset COVID-19 colchicine may reduce hospitalizations. However, the certainty of the evidence was low because of imprecision. |
| 29 | Colchicine + rosuvastatin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 30 | Convalescent plasma | Convalescent plasma does not reduce mortality nor reduces mechanical ventilation requirements or improves time to symptom resolution with moderate to high certainty of the evidence. In mild patients' convalescent plasma may not reduce hospitalizations. Convalescent plasma probably increases severe adverse events. |
| 31 | Dapagliflozin | Dapagliflozin may reduce mortality but probably does not increase symptom resolution. Further research is needed. |
| 32 | Darunavir-cobicistat | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 33 | Dimethyl sulfoxide (DSMO) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 34 | Doxycycline | Doxycycline does not increase symptom resolution or improvement and may not reduce hospitalizations. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
|----|---|--|
| 35 | Dutasteride | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 36 | Electrolyzed saline | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 37 | Emtricitabine/tenofovir | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 38 | Enisamium | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 39 | Famotidine | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 40 | Favipiravir | Favipiravir may not reduce mortality nor mechanical ventilation requirements and it probably does not improve time to symptom resolution. |
| 41 | Febuxostat | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 42 | Finasteride | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 43 | Fluvoxamine | Fluvoxamine probably reduces hospitalizations and may not increase severe adverse events. Certainty of the evidence was low to moderate. Further research is needed. |
| 44 | Fostamatinib | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 45 | Helium (inhaled) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 46 | Hydroxychloroquine and chloroquine | Hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine probably does not reduce mortality, invasive mechanical ventilation nor significantly improves time to symptom resolution with moderate certainty. When used prophylactically in persons exposed to COVID-19 it may reduce the risk of infection. However, certainty of the evidence is low because of risk of bias and imprecision. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
|----|--|---|
| 47 | Hyperbaric oxygen | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 48 | Hyperimmune anti-COVID-19 Intravenous Immunoglobulin (C-IVIG) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 49 | Icatibant/iC1e/K | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 50 | Icosapent ethyl | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 51 | IFX-1 | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 52 | Imatinib | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 53 | Indomethacin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 54 | Infliximab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 55 | INM005 (polyclonal fragments of equine antibodies) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 56 | Interferon alpha-2b and interferon gamma | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 57 | Interferon beta-1a | IFN beta-1a probably does not reduce mortality nor invasive mechanical ventilation requirements. Inhaled interferon beta-1a may improve time to symptom resolution. |
| 58 | Interferon beta-1b | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 59 | Interferon gamma | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
|----|---|--|
| 60 | Interferon kappa and TFF2 | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 61 | Iota-carrageenan | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 62 | Itolizumab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 63 | Ivermectin | Although pooled estimates suggest significant benefits with ivermectin, included studies' methodological limitations and a small overall number of events results in very low certainty of the evidence. Based on the results reported by the RCTs classified as low risk of bias, ivermectin may not significantly reduce mortality nor mechanical ventilation requirements, and probably does not improve time to symptom resolution. However, ivermectin may reduce hospitalizations in non-severe patients. Further research is needed to confirm or discard these findings. |
| 64 | Ivermectin (inhaled) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 65 | Intravenous immunoglobulin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 66 | KB109 | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 67 | L-arginine | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 68 | <i>Lactococcus lactis</i> (intranasal) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 69 | Leflunomide | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 70 | Lenzilumab | Lenzilumab may reduce mortality and mechanical ventilation requirements in severe patients. However, the certainty of the evidence is low because of imprecision. Further research is needed. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
|----|--|--|
| 71 | Levamisole | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 72 | Lincomycin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 73 | Lopinavir-ritonavir | Lopinavir-ritonavir probably does not reduce mortality with moderate certainty. Lopinavir-ritonavir may not be associated with a significant increase in severe adverse events. However, the certainty is low because of risk of bias and imprecision. |
| 74 | Low-dose radiation therapy | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 75 | Mavrilimumab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 76 | Melatonin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 77 | Mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation | Mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation may reduce mortality. However, the certainty of the evidence is low. Further research is needed. |
| 78 | Methylene blue | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 79 | Methisoprinol | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 80 | Metoprolol | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
|----|---|--|
| 81 | Molnupiravir | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 82 | Mouthwash | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 83 | Mupadolimab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 84 | Mycobacterium w | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 85 | N-acetylcysteine | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 86 | Namilumab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 87 | Nano-curcumin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 88 | Nasal hypertonic saline | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 89 | Neem (<i>Azadirachta indica</i> A. Juss) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 90 | Niclosamide | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 91 | <i>Nigella sativa</i> +/- honey | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 92 | Nitazoxanide | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
|-----|---|---|
| 93 | Nitric oxide | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 94 | Novaferon | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 95 | Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) | Current best evidence suggests no association between NSAID consumption and COVID-19 related mortality. However, the certainty of the evidence is very low because of the risk of bias. Further research is needed. |
| 96 | Omega-3 fatty acids | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed |
| 97 | Otilimab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed |
| 98 | Ozone | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 99 | Peg-interferon alfa | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 100 | Peg-interferon lamda | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 101 | Pentoxifylline | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 102 | PNB001 (CCK-A antagonist) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 103 | Polymerized type I collagen (PT1C) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 104 | Povidone iodine (nasal spray) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
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| 105 | Probiotics | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 106 | Progesterone | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed |
| 107 | Prolectin-M | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed |
| 108 | Propolis | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed |
| 109 | Proxalutamide | Proxalutamide may reduce mortality, mechanical ventilation and improve time to symptom resolution. However, the certainty of the evidence is low because of risk of bias, imprecision, and indirectness. Further research is needed. |
| 110 | Pyridostigmine | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed |
| 111 | Quercetin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed |
| 112 | Ramipril | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 113 | Recombinant super-compound interferon | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 114 | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) | In seronegative patients with severe to critical disease, REGEN-COV probably reduces mortality and increases symptom resolution and improvement. In patients with mild recent onset disease, REGEN-COV probably reduces hospitalizations and time to symptom resolution without increasing severe adverse events, and in asymptomatic exposed individuals REGEN-COV reduces symptomatic infections. The certainty of the evidence was high for symptomatic infections and low to moderate because of imprecision and indirectness for the remaining outcomes. |
| 115 | Regdanvimab | Regdanvimab may improve time to symptom resolution in mild to moderate patients. Its effects on mortality and mechanical ventilation are uncertain. Further research is needed. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
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| 116 | Remdesivir | Remdesivir may slightly reduce mortality and improve time to symptom resolution without significantly increasing the risk of severe adverse events. However, the certainty is low because of risk of bias and imprecision. |
| 117 | Resveratrol | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 118 | rhG-CSF (in patients with lymphopenia) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 119 | Ribavirin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 120 | Ribavirin + interferon beta-1b | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 121 | Ruxolitinib | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 122 | Sarilumab | Sarilumab may not reduce mortality but may decrease mechanical ventilation requirements without increasing severe adverse events. However, the certainty is low because of imprecision and inconsistency. |
| 123 | Secukinumab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 124 | Short-wave diathermy | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 125 | Siltuximab | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 126 | Sitagliptin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 127 | Sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir, ledipasvir, velpatasvir or ravidasvir | Sofosbuvir with or without daclatasvir or ledipasvir may not reduce mortality nor mechanical ventilation requirements and it probably does |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
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| | | not improve time to symptom resolution. Further research is needed to confirm these findings. |
| 128 | Sotrobimab | Sotrobimab probably reduces hospitalizations in patients with recent onset mild COVID-19. |
| 129 | Spironolactone | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 130 | Statins | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 131 | Stem-cell nebulization | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 132 | Steroids (corticosteroids) | Corticosteroids reduce mortality and probably reduce invasive mechanical ventilation requirements in patients with severe COVID-19 infection with moderate certainty. Corticosteroids may not significantly increase the risk of severe adverse events. Higher-dose schemes (i.e., 12 mg a day) are probably more effective. |
| 133 | Steroids (corticosteroids, inhaled) | Inhaled corticosteroids probably improve time to symptom resolution and may decrease hospitalizations. Further research is needed. |
| 134 | Sulodexide | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 135 | TD-0903 (inhaled JAK-inhibitor) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 136 | Telmisartan | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 137 | Tenofovir + emtricitabine | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |

| | Intervention | Summary of findings |
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| 138 | Thalidomide | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 139 | Tocilizumab | Tocilizumab reduces mortality and reduces mechanical ventilation requirements without possibly increasing severe adverse events. |
| 140 | Tofacitinib | Tofacitinib may increase symptom resolution or improvement and severe adverse events. Certainty of the evidence was low, further research is needed. |
| 141 | Triazavirin | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 142 | Umifenovir | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 143 | Vitamin C | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 144 | Vitamin D | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 145 | XAV-19 (swine glyco-humanized polyclonal antibodies) | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 146 | Zinc | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |
| 147 | α-lipoic acid | Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. |

Key findings

- **Therapeutic options:** According to WHO international registry of clinical trials platform (ICTRP), hundreds of potential interventions are being assessed in more than 10,000 clinical trials and observational studies. In this review, we identified and examined 137 therapeutic options.
- **Corticosteroids:** The body of evidence on corticosteroids, which includes 18 RCTs, shows that low- or moderate-dose treatment schemes (RECOVERY trial dose was 6 mg of oral or intravenous preparation once daily for 10 days) are probably effective in reducing mortality in patients with severe COVID-19 infection. These results remained robust after including studies in which patients with acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) secondary to alternative etiologies (not COVID-19 related) were randomized to corticosteroids or placebo/no corticosteroids. Higher-dose schemes (i.e., 12 mg a day) are probably more effective.
- **Remdesivir:** In the WHO SOLIDARITY trial, remdesivir resulted in little or no effect on overall mortality, initiation of ventilation and duration of hospital stay among hospitalized patients. When combining those findings with those from four other RCTs, remdesivir may slightly reduce mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation requirements and may improve time to symptom resolution. However, overall certainty of the evidence is low and further research is needed to confirm these findings.
- **Hydroxychloroquine, lopinavir–ritonavir, and interferon beta-1a:** The body of evidence on hydroxychloroquine, lopinavir-ritonavir, and interferon beta-1a, including anticipated findings from the RECOVERY and SOLIDARITY trials, showed no benefit in terms of mortality reduction, invasive mechanical ventilation requirements or time to clinical improvement. Furthermore, the analysis showed probable mortality increment in those patients treated with hydroxychloroquine. Nine studies assessed hydroxychloroquine in exposed individuals and showed a non-statistically significant trend towards reduction in symptomatic infection. Further research is needed to confirm these findings.
- **Antibiotics:** The body of evidence on azithromycin and doxycycline shows no significant benefits in patients with mild to moderate or severe to critical COVID-19.
- **Convalescent plasma:** The results of 24 RCTs assessing convalescent plasma in COVID-19, including the RECOVERY trial with 11,558 hospitalized patients, showed no mortality reduction, significant mechanical ventilation requirement reduction or time to symptom resolution improvement with moderate to high certainty of the evidence. In mild patients, convalescent

plasma may not significantly reduce hospitalizations with low certainty. Convalescent plasma probably increases severe adverse events with moderate certainty. No significant differences were observed between patients treated early (< 4 days since symptom onset) or with more advanced disease.

- **Tocilizumab:** The results of 26 RCTs assessing tocilizumab show that, in patients with severe or critical disease, tocilizumab reduces mortality and mechanical ventilation requirements without significantly increasing severe adverse events.

- **Sarilumab:** The results of nine RCTs assessing sarilumab show that, in patients with severe or critical disease, sarilumab may not reduce mortality, but may reduce mechanical ventilation requirements without significantly increasing severe adverse events. However, certainty of the evidence was low and further research is needed to confirm these findings.

- **Anakinra:** The results of two RCTs assessing anakinra in hospitalized patients with non-severe disease, show inconsistent results on mortality and symptom resolution. Certainty of the evidence was very low and further research is needed.

- **Tofacitinib:** The results of one RCT assessing tofacitinib in hospitalized patients with moderate to severe disease, suggest possible increase in symptom resolution or improvement and possible increase in severe adverse events with tofacitinib. Certainty of the evidence was low and further research is needed.

- **Colchicine:** The results of seven RCTs assessing colchicine, including the COLCORONA study that recruited 4,488 patients with recent COVID-19 diagnosis and risk factors for severe diseases and the RECOVERY trial that recruited 11,340 hospitalized patients show that colchicine probably does not reduce mortality, mechanical ventilation requirements or improve time to symptom resolution. These findings are mainly driven by the RECOVERY study. The COLCORONA study that included outpatients with mild early COVID-19 suggest possible reduction in hospitalizations, mechanical ventilation requirements and mortality in this subgroup. However, certainty of the evidence was low because of very severe imprecision because of a small number of events.

- **Ivermectin:** Although 33 RCTs assessed ivermectin in patients with COVID-19, only 14 of those studies reported on clinical important outcomes. Pooled estimates suggest mortality reduction with ivermectin, but the certainty of the evidence was very low because of methodological limitations and small number of events. Based on the results reported by the four RCTs classified as low risk of bias, ivermectin may not significantly reduce mortality nor mechanical ventilation requirements and probably does not improve time to symptom resolution. However, ivermectin may reduce hospitalizations in non-severe patients. Further research is needed to confirm these findings.

- **Favipiravir:** Fifteen RCTs assessed favipiravir vs SOC or other interventions. Their results suggest that favipiravir may not reduce mortality nor mechanical ventilation requirements and it probably does not improve time to symptom resolution. Further research is needed to confirm these findings.
- **Sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir, ledipasvir, velpatasvir, or ravidasvir:** Thirteen RCTs assessed sofosbuvir with or without daclatasvir, ledipasvir or velpatasvir against standard of care or other interventions. Subgroup analysis showed significant differences between low risk of bias and high risk of bias studies. The results of the two studies classified as low risk of bias suggest that sofosbuvir alone or in combination may not reduce mortality nor mechanical ventilation requirements and it probably does not improve time to symptom resolution. Further research is needed to confirm these findings.
- **Baricitinib:** The results of two RCTs show that, in patients with moderate to severe disease, baricitinib probably reduces mortality and time to symptom resolution. The certainty of the evidence was moderate because of risk of bias.
- **REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab):** The results of five RCTs show that, in patients with severe to critical disease, overall REGEN-COV does not significantly reduce mortality, mechanical ventilation or increase symptom resolution or improvement. However, subgroup analysis suggests a differential effect on seronegative patients in which REGEN-COV probably reduces mortality and mechanical ventilation requirements, and increases symptom resolution or improvement. In patients with mild recent onset COVID-19, REGEN-COV probably reduces hospitalizations and improves time to symptom resolution without increasing severe adverse events, and in exposed asymptomatic individuals REGEN-COV reduces symptomatic infections. The certainty of the evidence was high for symptomatic infections and low to moderate because of indirectness and imprecision for the remaining outcomes. One study that compared REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) against bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab in non-severe patients with risk factors for severity, reported no important differences in hospitalizations.
- **Bamlinivimab +/- etesevimab:** The results of six RCTs suggest that bamlinivimab probably decreases hospitalizations in patients with COVID-19 and probably decreases symptomatic infection in exposed individuals. Its effects on other clinical important outcomes are uncertain. Further research is needed. One study that compared bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab against REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) in non-severe patients with risk factors for severity, reported no important differences in hospitalizations.
- **Sotrovimab:** The results of one RCT show that, in patients with mild recent onset COVID-19, sotrovimab probably reduces hospitalizations and improves time to symptom resolution without

increasing severe adverse events. The certainty of the evidence was moderate because of imprecision.

- **Regdanvimab:** The results of two RCTs show that, in patients with mild to moderate disease, regdanvimab may improve time to symptom resolution. However, the certainty of the evidence was low because of imprecision. Its effects on other important outcomes are uncertain. Further research is needed to confirm or discard these findings.
- **Proxalutamide:** The results of four RCTs show that, in patients with mild to severe, proxalutamide may reduce mortality, mechanical ventilation requirements and time to symptom resolution. However, the certainty of the evidence was low because of risk of bias, imprecision, and indirectness. Further research is needed to confirm or discard these findings.
- **Dapagliflozin:** The results of one RCT suggest that, in patients with cardiometabolic risk factors hospitalized with moderate COVID-19, dapagliflozin may reduce mortality, but probably does not increase symptom resolution. However, the certainty of the evidence was low because of imprecision. Further research is needed to confirm or discard these findings.
- **Mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation:** The results of four RCTs show that, in patients with severe to critical, mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation may reduce mortality. However, the certainty of the evidence was low because of imprecision. Further research is needed to confirm or discard these findings.
- **Inhaled corticosteroids:** The results of four RCTs suggest that inhaled corticosteroids probably improve time to symptom resolution and may reduce hospitalizations. However, the certainty of the evidence was moderate to low and its effects on other relevant outcomes are uncertain. Further research is needed.
- **Fluvoxamine:** The results of two RCTs suggest that in patients with mild disease, fluvoxamine probably reduces hospitalizations and may not increase adverse events. The certainty of the evidence was moderate to low because of imprecision. Further research is needed.
- **Lenzilumab:** The results of one RCT suggest that lenzilumab may reduce mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation requirements in severe patients. However, the certainty of the evidence was low because of imprecision. Further research is needed.
- **INM005 (polyclonal fragments of equine antibodies):** Currently, there is very low certainty about the effects of INM005 on clinically important outcomes.

- **Famotidine:** Currently, there is very low certainty about the effects of famotidine on clinically important outcomes.
- **Anticoagulants:** Thromboembolic complications in patients infected with COVID-19 are relatively frequent. As for hospitalized patients with severe medical conditions, current guidelines recommend thromboprophylactic measures to be adopted for inpatients with COVID-19 infection. Regarding the best thromboprophylactic scheme, the results of seven RCTs that compared anticoagulants in intermediate (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg a day) or full dose (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg twice a day) versus prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day) showed no differences in mortality with moderate certainty. Results of two RCTs inform that aspirin probably does not reduce mortality, nor mechanical ventilation and probably does not increase symptom resolution or improvement. In mild ambulatory patients, one RCT suggests that rivaroxaban in prophylactic dose may not significantly improve time to symptom resolution.
- **NSAIDs:** No association between NSAID exposure and increased mortality was observed. However, certainty of the evidence is very low and further research is needed to confirm these findings.
- **ACEIs or ARBs:** The results of five low-risk of bias RCTs suggest that initiating or continuing ACEIs or ARBs in patients with COVID-19 may increase mortality. However, certainty of the evidence is low because of imprecision and further research is needed to confirm these findings.

Changes since previous edition

- **Bamlanivimab:** New evidence included without significant changes.
- **Anticoagulants:** New evidence included affecting results interpretation and/or certainty of the evidence judgments.
- **Azelastine (inhaled):** New evidence included affecting results interpretation and/or certainty of the evidence judgments.
- **Ivermectin:** New evidence included without significant changes.
- **Resveratrol:** New evidence included affecting results interpretation and/or certainty of the evidence judgments.
- **Corticosteroids:** New evidence included affecting results interpretation and/or certainty of the evidence judgments.

- **Lopinavir-ritonavir:** New evidence included without significant changes.
- **Azithromycin:** New evidence included without significant changes.
- **Colchicine:** New evidence included without significant changes.
- **Nano-curcumin:** New evidence included affecting results interpretation and/or certainty of the evidence judgments.
- **Umifenovir:** New evidence included without significant changes.
- **Mupadolimab:** New evidence included affecting results interpretation and/or certainty of the evidence judgments.
- **Mouthwash:** New evidence included without significant changes.
- **Regdanvimab:** New evidence included without significant changes.

Concluding remarks

- The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) is continually monitoring ongoing research on any possible therapeutic options. As evidence emerges, then PAHO will immediately assess and update its position, particularly as it applies to any special subgroup populations such as children, expectant mothers, and those with immune conditions.
- PAHO is also mindful of the emerging differential impact of COVID-19 on ethnic and minority groups and is continuously seeking data that could help in mitigating excess risk of severe illness or death in minority sub-groups. These groups are plagued by social and structural inequities that bring to bear a disproportionate burden of COVID illness.
- The safety of the patient suffering from COVID-19 is a key priority to improve the quality of care in the provision of health services.
- There remains an urgent need for additional high-quality randomized controlled trials that include patients with COVID-19 before most therapeutic options can be administered with any confidence. Adequately designed and reported clinical trials are crucial for the practice of evidence-based medicine. Most of the research to date on COVID-19 has very poor methodology that is hidden and very difficult to validate. Greater transparency and better designed studies are urgently needed.

Hallazgos clave

Opciones terapéuticas: Según el portal de búsqueda de la Plataforma Internacional de Registro de Ensayos Clínicos (ICTRP) de la OMS, se están investigando cientos de posibles tratamientos o sus combinaciones en más de 10.000 ensayos clínicos y estudios observacionales. En esta revisión, examinamos 137 opciones terapéuticas potenciales.

- **Corticosteroides:** El conjunto de evidencia sobre los corticosteroides incluye 18 ensayos clínicos controlados aleatorizados (ECCA) y muestra que la administración de dosis bajas y moderadas (la dosis utilizada en el estudio RECOVERY fue dexametasona 6 mg diarios por vía oral o intravenosa durante 10 días) probablemente reducen la mortalidad en pacientes con infección grave por COVID-19. Los resultados se mantuvieron uniformes tras agregar al análisis estudios en los que pacientes con SDRA de otras etiologías recibieron corticosteroides o manejo estándar de forma aleatoria. Esquemas con dosis más altas (por ejemplo dexametasona 12 mg por día) probablemente resulten más efectivos.

- **Remdesivir:** En el estudio Solidaridad de la OMS, el remdesivir no tuvo un efecto clínicamente relevante sobre la mortalidad global, la necesidad de ventilación mecánica invasiva o la duración de la estadía hospitalaria. Tras combinar dichos resultados con otros cuatro ECCA, se observó que el remdesivir podría reducir la mortalidad, la necesidad de ventilación mecánica invasiva y mejorar el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es baja y se necesita más información para confirmar estas conclusiones.

- **Hidroxicloroquina, interferón beta 1-a y Lopinavir-ritonavir:** El conjunto de evidencia sobre hidroxicloroquina, interferón beta 1-a y Lopinavir-ritonavir, incluidos los resultados preliminares de los estudios RECOVERY y Solidaridad, no muestra beneficios en la reducción de la mortalidad, necesidad de ventilación mecánica invasiva o el plazo necesario para la mejoría clínica. Incluso la evidencia sobre hidroxicloroquina sugiere que su utilización probablemente genere un incremento en la mortalidad. Nueve estudios que evaluaron la hidroxicloroquina en personas expuestas a la COVID-19 mostraron una tendencia hacia una reducción en el riesgo de infección, pero esta no resulta estadísticamente significativa. Se necesita más información para confirmar estas conclusiones.

- **Antibióticos:** El cuerpo de evidencia identificado sobre azitromicina y doxiciclina muestra ausencia de beneficios significativos en pacientes con COVID-19 leve a moderada, o grave a crítica.

- **Plasma de convalecientes:** Los resultados de 24 ECCA que evaluaron el uso de plasma de convalecientes en pacientes con COVID-19, incluido el estudio RECOVERY que incorpora 11.558 pacientes, mostraron ausencia de reducción de la mortalidad, ausencia de reducción en la necesidad de ventilación mecánica invasiva y ausencia de mejoría en el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas con certeza moderada. En pacientes leves, el plasma de convalecientes podría no reducir las hospitalizaciones con certeza baja. El plasma de convalecientes probablemente se asocia a un aumento en los eventos adversos graves con certeza moderada. No se observó un efecto diferencial entre aquellos pacientes tratados rápidamente (menos de 4 días desde el inicio de los síntomas) y aquellos con enfermedad más avanzada al iniciar dicho tratamiento.

- **Tocilizumab:** Los resultados de 26 ECCA muestran que tocilizumab reduce la mortalidad y la necesidad de ventilación invasiva sin un incremento importante en efectos adversos graves en pacientes con enfermedad grave o crítica.

- **Sarilumab:** Los resultados de nueve ECCA muestran que sarilumab podría no reducir la mortalidad, aunque sí podría reducir la necesidad de ventilación invasiva sin un incremento importante en efectos adversos graves en pacientes con enfermedad grave o crítica. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es baja y se necesita más información para confirmar estas conclusiones.

- **Anakinra:** Los resultados de dos ECCA que evaluaron anakinra en pacientes hospitalizados con enfermedad no grave muestran resultados incongruentes en mortalidad y resolución de síntomas. La certeza en la evidencia es muy baja y se necesita más información.
- **Tofacitinib:** Los resultados de un ECCA que evaluó tofacitinib en pacientes hospitalizados con enfermedad moderada a grave indican una posible mejora en la resolución de los síntomas, aunque con un posible aumento de eventos adversos graves. La certeza en la evidencia es baja y se necesita más información.
- **Colchicina:** Los resultados de siete ECCA, entre los que se encuentra el estudio COLCORONA, que incluyó 4488 pacientes con diagnóstico reciente de COVID-19 y factores de riesgo para enfermedad grave y el estudio RECOVERY que incorpora 11.340 pacientes hospitalizados muestran que colchicina probablemente no reduce la mortalidad, la necesidad de ventilación mecánica o mejora la velocidad de resolución de los síntomas. Estos resultados están fundamentalmente sustentados en el estudio RECOVERY. El estudio COLCORONA, que incluyó pacientes ambulatorios con enfermedad leve, apunta una posible reducción en las hospitalizaciones, la necesidad de ventilación mecánica y la mortalidad en este subgrupo. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es baja por imprecisión muy grave, ya que el número de eventos fue bajo.
- **Ivermectina:** A pesar de que 33 ECCA evaluaron ivermectina en pacientes con COVID-19, solo 14 de estos estudios notificaron desenlaces clínicamente importantes. Los resultados combinados de estos estudios indican una reducción en la mortalidad con ivermectina. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es muy baja por limitaciones metodológicas y un número reducido de eventos. Con base en la información facilitada por los cuatro estudios con riesgo bajo de sesgo, la ivermectina podría no reducir de forma significativa la mortalidad ni la necesidad de ventilación mecánica invasiva, y probablemente no se asocie a una mejoría en la velocidad de resolución de los síntomas. Sin embargo, la ivermectina podría reducir las hospitalizaciones en pacientes con enfermedad leve. Se necesita más información para confirmar estas conclusiones.
- **Favipiravir:** Quince ECCA evaluaron favipiravir en comparación con la prestación de cuidados estándares u otras intervenciones. Sus resultados sugieren que favipiravir podría no reducir la mortalidad ni la necesidad de ventilación invasiva mecánica, y probablemente no mejore el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas. Se necesita más información para confirmar estas conclusiones.
- **Sofosbuvir con o sin daclatasvir, ledipasvir, velpatasvir o ravidasvir:** Trece ECCA evaluaron sofosbuvir solo o en combinación con daclatasvir, ledipasvir o velpatasvir en comparación con la prestación de cuidados estándares u otras intervenciones. Los resultados de

los estudios con un riesgo alto de sesgo y con un riesgo bajo de sesgo mostraron resultados sustancialmente diferentes. Los resultados de los dos estudios con riesgo bajo de sesgo sugieren que sofosbuvir solo o en combinación podría no reducir la mortalidad ni la necesidad de ventilación invasiva mecánica, y probablemente no mejore el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas. Se necesita más información para confirmar estas conclusiones.

- **Baricitinib:** Los resultados de dos ECCA muestran que, en pacientes con enfermedad de moderada a grave, baricitinib probablemente reduce la mortalidad y mejora el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas. La certeza en la evidencia es moderada por riesgo de sesgo.

- **REGEN-COV (casirivimab e imdevimab):** Los resultados de cinco ECCA muestran que, en pacientes con enfermedad grave o crítica, REGEN-COV probablemente no reduzca la mortalidad, la necesidad de ventilación invasiva ni mejore la resolución de los síntomas de forma significativa. Sin embargo, un análisis de subgrupo mostró un efecto diferencial en pacientes con anticuerpos negativos. En este subgrupo, REGEN-COV probablemente reduzca la mortalidad, la necesidad de ventilación mecánica e incremente la resolución de síntomas. En pacientes con enfermedad leve de comienzo reciente, REGEN-COV probablemente reduce las hospitalizaciones y mejora el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas sin aumentar el riesgo de eventos adversos graves, y en personas asintomáticas, expuestas a SARS-CoV-2, REGEN-COV reduce las infecciones sintomáticas. La certeza en la evidencia es alta para infecciones sintomáticas y de baja a moderada por información indirecta e imprecisión para los restantes desenlaces. Un estudio que comparó REGEN-COV (casirivimab e imdevimab) con bamlanivimab con o sin etesevimab en pacientes con diagnóstico leve y factores de riesgo para enfermedad grave notificó ausencia de diferencias importantes en las hospitalizaciones.

- **Bamlinivimab con o sin etesevimab:** Los resultados de seis ECCA indican que bamlanivimab probablemente reduce las hospitalizaciones en pacientes con COVID-19 y probablemente disminuye las infecciones sintomáticas en personas expuestas. Sus efectos sobre otros desenlaces importantes son inciertos. Se necesita más información. Un estudio que comparó bamlanivimab con o sin etesevimab con REGEN-COV (casirivimab e imdevimab) en pacientes con diagnóstico leve y factores de riesgo para enfermedad grave notificó ausencia de diferencias importantes en las hospitalizaciones.

- **Sotrovimab:** Los resultados de un ECCA muestran que, en pacientes con enfermedad leve de comienzo reciente, sotrovimab probablemente reduce las hospitalizaciones y mejora el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas sin aumentar el riesgo de eventos adversos graves. La certeza en la evidencia es moderada por imprecisión.

- **Regdanvimab:** Los resultados de dos ECCA muestran que, en pacientes con enfermedad leve a moderada, regdanvimab podría mejorar el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es baja por imprecisión. Sus efectos sobre otros desenlaces importantes son inciertos. Se necesita más información para confirmar o descartar estas conclusiones.
- **Proxalutamide:** Los resultados de cuatro ECCA muestran que, en pacientes con enfermedad de leve a moderada, proxalutamide podría reducir la mortalidad, la ventilación mecánica y mejorar el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es baja por riesgo de sesgo, imprecisión e información indirecta. Se necesita más información para confirmar o descartar estas conclusiones.
- **Dapagliflozina:** Los resultados de un ECCA muestran que, en pacientes con factores de riesgo cardiometabólicos hospitalizados por COVID-19 moderada, dapagliflozina podría reducir la mortalidad, pero probablemente no mejora la resolución de los síntomas. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es baja por imprecisión. Se necesita más información para confirmar o descartar estas conclusiones.
- **Trasplante de células madre mesenquimatosas:** Los resultados de cuatro ECCA apuntan que, en pacientes con enfermedad de grave a crítica, el trasplante de células madre mesenquimatosas podría reducir la mortalidad. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es baja por imprecisión. Se necesita más información para confirmar o descartar estas conclusiones.
- **Corticosteroides inhalados:** Los resultados de cuatro ECCA sugieren que los corticosteroides inhalados probablemente mejoran el tiempo de resolución de los síntomas y podrían reducir las hospitalizaciones. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es de moderada a baja y sus efectos sobre otros desenlaces importantes son inciertos. Se necesita más información.
- **Fluvoxamina:** Los resultados de dos ECCA sugieren que, en pacientes con enfermedad leve, fluvoxamina probablemente reduzca las hospitalizaciones y podría no incrementar los eventos adversos. La certeza en la evidencia es de baja a moderada por imprecisión. Se necesita más información.
- **Lenzilumab:** Los resultados de un ECCA sugieren que lenzilumab podría reducir la mortalidad y la necesidad de ventilación invasiva en pacientes graves. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es baja por imprecisión. Se necesita más información.
- **INM005 (fragmentos policlonales de anticuerpos equinos):** Hasta el momento, la evidencia sobre los efectos de INM005 en desenlaces críticos es de muy baja certeza.

- **Famotidina:** Hasta el momento, la evidencia sobre los efectos de la famotidina es de muy baja certeza.
- **Complicaciones tromboembólicas:** Las complicaciones tromboembólicas en pacientes con COVID-19 son frecuentes. Al igual que en pacientes hospitalizados por afecciones médicas graves, las directrices de práctica clínica vigentes indican que los pacientes hospitalizados por COVID-19 sean tratados con medidas tromboprolifácticas. En relación con el esquema tromboprolifáctico, los resultados de siete estudios aleatorizados y controlados que compararon dosis intermedias (p. ej., enoxaparina 1 mg/kg por día) o dosis completas (p. ej., enoxaparina 1 mg/kg cada 12 h por día) frente a dosis profilácticas (p. ej., enoxaparina 40 mg por día) mostraron ausencia de diferencias en la mortalidad con certeza moderada. Los resultados de dos estudios aleatorizados informan que la indicación de aspirina probablemente tampoco se asocia a una reducción en la mortalidad, la ventilación mecánica o la mejoría en la velocidad de resolución de los síntomas. Los resultados de un ECA sugieren que, en pacientes ambulatorios con enfermedad leve, rivaroxaban en dosis profilácticas podría no mejorar el tiempo a la resolución de los síntomas en forma importante.
- **Antiinflamatorios no esteroideos (AINE):** Hasta el momento, el uso de AINE no está asociado con un incremento en la mortalidad. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es muy baja, por lo que se necesita más información para confirmar estas conclusiones.
- **IECA y ARB:** Los resultados de cinco ECCA con riesgo bajo de sesgo sugieren que el inicio o continuación de IECA y ARB en pacientes con COVID-19 podría aumentar la mortalidad. Sin embargo, la certeza en la evidencia es baja, por lo que se necesita más información para confirmar estas conclusiones.

Cambios respecto a la versión anterior

- **Bamlanivimab:** La evidencia nueva incluida no modifica la interpretación de los resultados ni la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Anticoagulantes:** La evidencia nueva incluida modifica la interpretación de los resultados o la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Azelastina (inhhalada):** La evidencia nueva incluida modifica la interpretación de los resultados o la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Ivermectina:** La evidencia nueva incluida no modifica la interpretación de los resultados ni la certeza de la evidencia.

- **Resveratrol:** La evidencia nueva incluida modifica la interpretación de los resultados o la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Corticosteroides:** La evidencia nueva incluida modifica la interpretación de los resultados o la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Lopinavir-ritonavir:** La evidencia nueva incluida no modifica la interpretación de los resultados ni la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Azithromicina:** La evidencia nueva incluida no modifica la interpretación de los resultados ni la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Colchicina:** La evidencia nueva incluida no modifica la interpretación de los resultados ni la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Nano-curcumina:** La evidencia nueva incluida modifica la interpretación de los resultados o la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Umifenovir:** La evidencia nueva incluida no modifica la interpretación de los resultados ni la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Mupadolimab:** La evidencia nueva incluida modifica la interpretación de los resultados o la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Enjuague bucal:** La evidencia nueva incluida no modifica la interpretación de los resultados ni la certeza de la evidencia.
- **Regdanvimab:** La evidencia nueva incluida no modifica la interpretación de los resultados ni la certeza de la evidencia.

Conclusiones

- La Organización Panamericana de la Salud (OPS) hace seguimiento en todo momento de la evidencia en relación con cualquier posible intervención terapéutica. A medida que se disponga de evidencia nueva, la OPS la incorporará con rapidez y actualizará sus recomendaciones, especialmente si dicha evidencia se refiere a grupos en situación de vulnerabilidad como los niños, las mujeres embarazadas, las personas mayores o los pacientes inmunocomprometidos, entre otros.
- La OPS también tiene en cuenta las diferencias en el impacto de la COVID-19 sobre las minorías y los diferentes grupos étnicos. En consecuencia, la Organización recopila constantemente información que pueda servir para mitigar el exceso de riesgo de enfermedad grave o muerte de estas minorías. Estos grupos sufren inequidades sociales y estructurales que conllevan una carga de enfermedad desproporcionada.
- La seguridad de los pacientes afectados por la COVID-19 es una prioridad clave de la mejora de la calidad de la atención y los servicios de salud.
- Sigue siendo apremiante la necesidad de elaborar ensayos clínicos aleatorizados de alta calidad que incluyan pacientes con COVID-19 a fin de poder desarrollar estrategias de manejo confiables. La importancia de los ensayos clínicos controlados aleatorizados con un diseño adecuado es fundamental en la toma de decisiones basadas en la evidencia. Hasta el momento, la mayoría de la investigación en el campo de la COVID-19 tiene muy baja calidad metodológica, lo que dificulta su uso y aplicación.

Systematic review of therapeutic options for treatment of COVID-19

Background

The vast amount of data generated by clinical studies of potential therapeutic options for COVID-19 presents important challenges. This new information must be interpreted quickly so that prescribers can make optimal treatment decisions with as little harm to patients as possible, and so that medicines manufacturers can scale-up production rapidly and bolster their supply chains. Interpreting new data quickly will save lives by ensuring that reportedly successful drugs can be administered to as many patients as possible as quickly as possible. Moreover, if evidence indicates that a medication is not effective, then ongoing clinical trials could change focus and pivot to more promising alternatives. Since many physicians are currently using treatments that rely on compassionate-use exemptions or off-label indications to treat patients with COVID-19,¹ it is crucial that they have access to the most up-to-date research evidence to inform their treatment decisions.

To address this evidence gap, we compiled the following database of evidence on potential therapeutic options for COVID-19. We hope this information will help investigators, policy makers, and prescribers navigate the flood of relevant data to ensure that management of COVID-19 at both individual and population levels is based on the best available knowledge. We will endeavor to continually update this resource as more research is released into the public space.

Methods

We used the Living Overview of Evidence (L·OVE; <https://iloveevidence.com>) platform to identify studies for inclusion in this review. This platform is a system that maps PICO (Patient–Intervention–Comparison–Outcome) questions to a repository developed by Epistemonikos Foundation. This repository is continuously updated through searches in electronic databases, preprint servers, trial registries, and other resources relevant to COVID-19. The last version of the methods, the total number of sources screened, and a living flow diagram and report of the project is updated regularly on the L·OVE website.²

Search strategy

We systematically searched in L·OVE for COVID-19. The search terms and databases covered are described on the L·OVE search strategy methods page available at: https://app.iloveevidence.com/loves/5e6fdb9669c00e4ac072701d?question_domain=undefined§ion=methods. The repository is continuously updated, and the information is transmitted in real-time to the L·OVE platform, however, it was last checked for this review on 30 September 2021. The searches covered the period from the inception date of each database, and no study design, publication status or language restriction was applied.

Study selection

The results of the searches in the individual sources were de-duplicated by an algorithm that compares unique identifiers (database identification number, digital object identifier (DOI), trial registry identification number), and citation details (i.e., author names, journal, year of publication, volume, number, pages, article title, and article abstract). Then, the information matching the search strategy was sent in real-time to the L·OVE platform where at least two authors independently screened the titles and abstracts yielded against the inclusion criteria. We obtained the full reports for all titles that appeared to meet the inclusion criteria or required further analysis and then decided about their inclusion.

Inclusion criteria

We aimed to find all available RCTs for potential therapeutic pharmacological interventions for COVID-19 with study designs that included head-to-head comparisons, or control groups with no intervention or a placebo. Target patient populations included both adults and children exposed to or with confirmed or suspected COVID-19. We focused on comparative effectiveness studies that provide evidence on outcomes of crucial importance to patients (mortality, invasive mechanical ventilation, symptom resolution or improvement, infection [prophylaxis studies] and severe adverse events).³ In addition to RCTs, we included comparative non-RCTs that report on effects of NSAID consumption on mortality. We only incorporated non-RCTs that included at least 100 patients. We presented results of RCTs and non-RCTs separately.⁴

Living evidence synthesis

An artificial intelligence algorithm deployed in the Coronavirus/COVID-19 topic of the L·OVE platform provides instant notification of articles with a high likelihood of being eligible. The authors review them, decide upon inclusion, and update the living web version of the review

accordingly. If meta-analytical pooling is possible from retrieved evidence, we will do this to derive more precise estimates of effect and derive additional statistical power.

The focus has been on RCTs studies for all included therapeutic pharmacological interventions (adults and children). Adults and children exposed to or with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 were and will be included. Trials that compare interventions head-to-head or against no intervention or placebo is the focus. We have focused on comparative effectiveness studies that provide evidence on patient-important outcomes (mortality, invasive mechanical ventilation, symptom resolution or improvement, infection (prophylaxis studies), hospitalization (studies that included patients with non-severe disease) and severe adverse events).³ For studies that assessed thromboprophylactic interventions we also assessed venous thromboembolic events and major bleeding. For the outcome “hospitalization” we included information from studies reporting the number of hospitalizations or the number of hospitalizations combined with the number of deaths without hospitalization. We did not include information from studies reporting a combination of hospitalizations and medical consultations. No electronic database search restrictions were imposed.

For any meta-analytical pooling, if and when data allow, we pool all studies and present the combined analysis with relative and absolute effect sizes. To assess interventions’ absolute effects, we applied relative effects to baseline risks (risks with no intervention). We extracted mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation baseline risks from the ISARIC cohort as of 18 December 2020.^{5,6} For baseline infection risk in exposed to COVID-19 we used estimates from a SR on physical distancing and mask utilization,⁷ and for adverse events and symptom resolution/improvement we used the mean risk in the control groups from included RCTs until 18 December 2020. For venous thromboembolic events and major bleeding baseline risk we used the mean risk in the control groups from included RCTs until 25 March 2021. For hospitalization baseline risk we used the mean risk in the control groups from included RCTs until 14 April 2021. We continuously monitor baseline risks by assessing the mean risk of every outcome in the control groups of included RCTs. When substantial changes to baseline risks are detected, we update the estimates used for absolute effects calculations. For mortality, there were some drug instances whereby we provide systematic-review (meta-analysis) evidence indirectly related to patients with COVID-19, e.g. corticosteroids in patients with ARDS.

For some interventions when we found significant heterogeneity, we performed subgroup analysis considering: 1) risk of bias (high/moderate vs low risk of bias); 2) disease severity (mild, moderate, severe, or critical); and 3) intervention’s characteristics (i.e., different doses or administration

schemes). When we observed significant differences between subgroups, we presented individual subgroup's estimates of effect and certainty of the evidence assessment.

A risk of bias assessment was applied to RCTs focusing on randomization, allocation concealment, blinding, attrition, or other biases relevant to the estimates of effect (Table 4).⁸ For non-RCTs, potential residual confounding was assumed in all cases and certainty of the evidence was downgraded twice for risk of bias. The GRADE approach was used to assess the certainty on the body of evidence for every comparison on an outcome basis (Table 5).⁹ Risk of bias judgments were compared against other similar projects ([Drug treatments for covid-19: living systematic review and network meta-analysis](#) and [The COVID-NMA initiative](#)). Significant discrepancies were discussed until a final decision was reached.

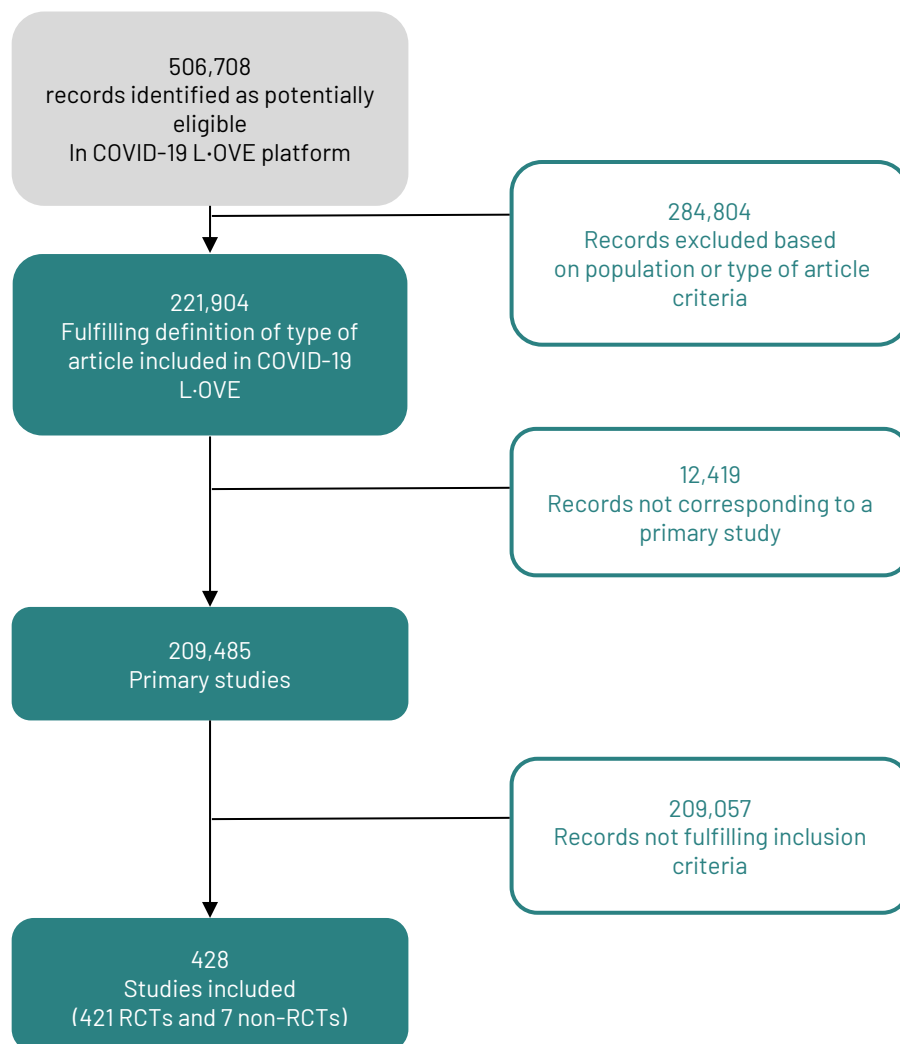
We used MAGIC authoring and publication platform (<https://app.magicapp.org/>) to generate the tables summarizing our findings, which are included in Appendix 1.

Results

Studies identified and included

Study identification and selection process is described in Figure 1. A total of 428 studies were selected for inclusion, 421 RCTs and 7 non-RCTs. A list of excluded studies is available upon request.

Figure 1. Study identification and selection process



Risk of bias

Overall, our risk of bias assessment for the limited reported RCTs resulted in high risk of bias due to suboptimal randomization, allocation concealment, and blinding (as well as other methodological and reporting concerns). Most RCTs were also very small in size and had small event numbers. The methods were very poor overall, and the reporting was suboptimal. For the

observational studies, we had concerns with the representativeness of study groups (selection bias) and imbalance of the known and unknown prognostic factors (confounding). Many studies are also at risk of being confounded by indication. Most are not prospective in nature and the outcome measures are mainly heterogeneous with wide variation in reporting across the included studies. In general, follow-up was short and as mentioned, confounded potentially by the severity of disease, comorbidities, and previous or concomitant COVID-19 treatment. The risk of bias assessment of each RCT is presented in Table 4.

Table 4. Risk of bias of included RCTs

| Study | Risk-of-bias arising from randomization process | Risk-of-bias due to deviations from the intended interventions | Risk-of-bias due to missing outcome data | Risk-of-bias in measurement of the outcome | Risk-of-bias in selection of the reported result | Overall Risk-of-bias judgement | Mortality and Invasive mechanical ventilation | Symptoms, infection and adverse events |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--------------------------------|---|--|
| RECOVERY - Dexamethasone | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| RECOVERY - Hydroxychloroquine | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| BCN PEP CoV-2 | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Low | NA | NA | Some Concerns |
| ACTT-1 | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COVID-19 PEP | Low | Low | High | Low | Low | NA | NA | High |
| Cavalcanti et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Kamran SM et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | High | Low | NA | NA | High |
| COVID-19 PET | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| SIMPLE | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| BCN PEP CoV-2 | High | Some Concerns | Low | High | Low | NA | NA | High |
| Chen C et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| CAP-China remdesivir 2 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| LOTUS China | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Tang et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Hung IF et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| GRECCO-19 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Li L et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| RASTAVI | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | Low | NA | NA | High |
| Chen, Zeng et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Zheng et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| ELACOI | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| CONCOVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| GLUCOCOVID | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| CloroCOVID19 | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Davoudi-Monfared et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Chen et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Davoodi L et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Ivashchenko AA et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Rasheed AM et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Chen et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Cao Y et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Chen PC et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| HC-nCoV | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Lou Y et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Ylaar APJ et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| DC-COVID-19 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Guvemmez O et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Huang et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Yuan et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Ren Z et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Mehboob R et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Zhong et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Sakoulas et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Hu K, Wang M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| ESPERANZA | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Lopes et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Duarte M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | High | High | High |
| Metcovid | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Mansour E et al | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Zhang J et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| RECOVERY - Lopinavir-ritonavir | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| Miller J et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | High | High | High |
| Abbaspour Kasgari H et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Sadeghi A et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High | High | High |
| Shu L et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| SIMPLE 2 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | High |
| Abd-Elisalam S et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Sekhavati E et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Zagazig University | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Rahmani H et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| ConPlas-19 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| REMAP-CAP | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| CoDEX | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| COVIDIOL | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| CAPE COVID | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COVACTA | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COALITION II | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Li T et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Wang D et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Mohiuddin ATMM et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| PLACID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Gharebaghi N et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Some Concerns |
| TX-COVID19 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Cheng LL et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Farahani R et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Kimura KS et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| ATENEA-Co-300 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Wu X et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Balcells ME et al (Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile) | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Edalatfard M et al (Tehran University of Medical Sciences) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| COVID-19 PREP | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Wang M, Hu K et al (Renmin Hospital of Wuhan University) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Doi Y et al (Fujita Health University Hospital) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Podder CS et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| HESACOVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Edalatfard M et al (Tehran University of Medical Sciences) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| COVID-19 PREP | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Wang M, Hu K et al (Renmin Hospital of Wuhan University) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |
| Doi Y et al (Fujita Health University Hospital) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High | High |

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|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------|---------------|---------------|
| Podder et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| HESACOVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| TEACH | High | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Nojomi et al (Iran University of Medical Sciences) | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| PrEP_COVID | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| de Alencar JCG et al (Universidade de São Paulo) | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Fu W et al (Shanghai Public Health Clinical Center) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Salehzadeh F (Ardabil University of Medical Sciences) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Dabbous H et al (Ain Shams University) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| PATCH | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Zhao H et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| PLASMAR | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COVID-19-MCS | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns | High | Low | High |
| Ansarin K (Tabriz University of Medical Sciences) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| WHO SOLIDARITY - HCQ | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| WHO SOLIDARITY - LPV/r | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| WHO SOLIDARITY - remdesivir | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| WHO SOLIDARITY - IFN | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| WHO SOLIDARITY - IFN | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| Yehindra V et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Shi L et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| RCT-TCZ-COVID-19 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| BACC Bay Tocilizumab Trial | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| SARITA-2 | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Ghaderkhani S et al (Tehran University of Medical Sciences) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| COVID-19 PEP (University of Washington) | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | NA | Low |
| Hashim HA et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ILBS-COVID-02 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| PROBIOCOVID | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Padmanabhan U et al (Medical Education and Drugs Department) | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| AlQantani M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Khamis F et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| BLAZE-1 | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| PETAL | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Lanzoni G et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| Ruzhentsova T et al (R-Pharm) | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Lenze E et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Monk P et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| SHADE trial | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Yakoot M et al (Pharco Corporate) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Ghandehari S et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| HAHPS | Low | High | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Elgazzar et al (mild) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Elgazzar et al (severe) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Elgazzar et al (prophylaxis) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Tabarsi P et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| FAV052020 (Promomed, LLC) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Murai IH et al (University of Sao Paulo) | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Udwadia ZF et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| CORIMUNO-TOCI 1 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| EMPACTA | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| HYCOVID | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Krotewiecki et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| ILIAD | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| AB-DRUG-SARS-004 | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| Q-PROTECT | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Hassan M et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| FundacionINFANT-Plasma | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COVID-Lambda | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Niaee et al | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| PICP19 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Mukhtar K et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Ahmed et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| ITOLI-C19-02-4-00 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Abd-Elasalam S et al (Tanta University) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Prolectin-M | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Maldonado V et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| GARGLES | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ERSul | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns |
| Chaccour et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| ACTT-2 | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns |
| RECOVERY | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| EIDD-2801-1001 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Weinreich | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Roozbeh F et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| ACTIV-3/TICO | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Chachar et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Balykova LA et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Babalola et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| REMAP-CAP - tocilizumab | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Abdelmaksoud AA et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| REPLACE COVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Kirti et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Kumari P et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| FK/FAV00A-CoV/2020 | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| Chahla et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| COVIFERON | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| RECOVERY-Plasma | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| Interferon in COVID (Alavi Darazam I et al) | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| AB-DRUG-SARS-004 (Cadejani FA et al) | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| JamaliMoghadamSiahkhalil S et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Sedighyan M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |

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| Roostaei A et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| Bee-Covid | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| SEOT | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Mohan et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Shahbaznejad et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Spoorhi et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Samaha et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Bukhari et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Okumus et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Veiga | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| Gottlieb | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| BRACE CORONA | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | High |
| CORIMUNO-ANA-1 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Thakar A et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Onal H et al | High | High | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Tang X et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COLCORONA | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Lopardo | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | Low | Low |
| Dabbous HM et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ATTRACT | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Ranjbar K et al | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns |
| EAT-DUTA AndroCoV | Low | Low | High | Low | Low | High | High |
| Farnoosh G et al | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | High | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Khalili H et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Bakaushev VP et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| KILLER | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| HYDRA | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Sali S et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| NITFMQ0320OR | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| SVU-MED-CHT019-420860 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| STOIC | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Borges M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| RECOVERY-TCZ | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| COVIDatoZ -Zinc | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| COVIDatoZ - Vit C | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| COVID-19 Early Treatment | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Shogenova LV et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| EFC16844 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| ARTI-19 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Purwati | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| VB-N-IVIG-COVID-19/2020-CT2 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Jamaati H et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Beltran-HCQ | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Beltran et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ZINC COVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| PATCH 1 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| AB-DRUG-SARS-004-2 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Nouri-Vaskeh M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Lopez-Medina et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Lakkireddy M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Silva | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| PRINCIPLE | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | High |
| Bermejo Galan et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Pott-Junior et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Mikhaylov | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| 2GAMMACOVID-19 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| AAAS9924 | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns |
| Tolouian et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| EiZein R et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| PEGL20.002 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| MASH-COVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| INSPIRATION | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Zarychanski | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Santos PSS et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Solaymani-Dodaran M et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| TD-0903-0188 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| DISCOVER | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| SURG-2020-28683 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Alavi-Moghaddam M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| CT-PS9 3.2 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Yadollahzadeh M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| BBCovid | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Hanna Huang Y et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Gaynldinova VV et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| K031-120 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Beltran Gonzalez JL et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Doael S et al | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | High |
| COVID-AIV | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Anra B et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Ribakov AR et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Kishoria N et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| CERC-002-CVID-201 | High | Low | High | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Mahajan L et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| PRINCIPLE | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns |
| Pouladzadeh M et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| HBOTCOVID19 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| RESIST | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| CARR-COV-02 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Seet | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| SBU-COVID19-ConvalescentPlasma | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| TOGETHER | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Zhao H et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |

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| OSCAR | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| POLYCOR | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Yanguard | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Samimagham HR et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| CamoCO-19 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| BCR-PNB-001 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ATOMIC2 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Siami Z et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| CLOROTRIAL | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| PROBCO | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Nesari TM et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| PISCO | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| HNS-COVID-PK | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Rashad A et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Moni M et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| FACCT | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| COV-BARRIER | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| LIVE-AIR | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| PreToVid | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Mahmoudi M et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| AGILE | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Hamdy Salman O et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COVID-RT-01 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COVID-ARB | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Perepu U et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Zarychanski-Non-critical | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Sarilumab-COVID19 Study | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| CAPSID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| CHEER | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| RECOVERY - Colchicine | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Silvia Mendez-Flores S et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| SAVE-MORE | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Winchester S et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Elghohary MAS et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ARMY-1 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| Hamidi-Alamdari D et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| Zarehoseinzade E et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Mahmud et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| Abd-El salam S et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Biber et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Faisal et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| SOVECOD | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ACTION | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| BLAZE-2 | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| ProPAC-COVID | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Tian F et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| RECOVERY - ASA | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| HONEST | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COMET-ICE | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| ISMMSCCOVID19 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| SENTAD-COVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| SEV-COVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| CATALYST | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Ali S et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| RECOVERY - REGEN-COV | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Taher A et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ACEI-COVID | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Covid-19 Phase 3 Prevention Trial | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| EIDD-2801-2003 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| REMAP-CAP | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| STOP-COVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| Vallejos et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| CONCOR-1 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| ALBERTA HOPE-Covid19 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Hamed DM et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COUNTER-COVID | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Some Concerns |
| Abdulmir AS et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| KP-DRUG-SARS-003 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Aref ZF et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Di Piero F et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| ARD-CORONA | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ARCHITECTS | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| CORIMUNO-TOCI ICU | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| COV-AID | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COVIDOSE-2 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| COVIDSTORM | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| COVITQZ-01 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| HMO-0224-20 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| REMDACTA | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| ImmCoVA | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Davoudian N et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| TOCOVID | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COVINTOC | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| CORIMUNO-SARI | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| CORIMUNO-SARI ICU | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| SARCOVID | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| SARICOR | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| SARTRE | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COV-AID-2 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| REGENERON Sari P3 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| COPEP | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| RAPID | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |

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| Wang Q et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Hosseinzadeh A et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| BLAZE-1 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Najmuddin F et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| CAN-COVID | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Eduardo FP et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| AB-DRUG-SARS-005 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| COVID STEROID 2 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| ACTION | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Gaitan-Duarte HG et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Sabico S et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| PLACOVID | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| UAIC | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| BISHOP | Low | Low | High | Low | Low | Some Concerns | Some Concerns |
| Asadipooya K et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Ravichandran et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| DARE-19 | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| DOXYCOV | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| PRINCIPLE | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Parikh D et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Covid-19 Phase 3 Prevention Trial - Exposed | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Three C | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| COVIDIT | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| KUMC-COVID-19 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Abbass S et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| C3PO | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Kosak et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| TOGHETER-Fluvoxamine | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| TOCIDEX | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Fakharian A et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| HERO-HCQ | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Alizadeh Z et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Bhushan S et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| VASCEPA COVID-19 CARDIOLINK-9 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Shinkai M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Rodrigues C et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Mousavi SA et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Strich | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| MADRID-COVID | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| J2W-MC-PYAA | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| DAWn-Plasma | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| OPTIMISE-C19 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Coppola | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| ALV-020-001 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Gates MRI RESPOND-1 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| ACTIV-2 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| CARVIN | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Buonfrate et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| McCreary M et al | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | Low | High |
| Ghanei M et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Maskin et al | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | High |
| COL-COVID | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| PRINCIPLE - Colchicine | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Hassanizad M et al | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |
| Ramachandran R et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| CPI-006-002 | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Di-Doménico MB et al | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| CT-P59 1.2 | High | Some Concerns | Low | Some Concerns | Low | High | High |

Main findings

Corticosteroids

[See Summary of findings Table 1, Appendix 1](#)

We identified 18 RCTs including 9,570 participants in which systemic corticosteroids (dexamethasone, methylprednisolone, or hydrocortisone) were compared against standard of care or other treatments. Thirteen of these trials provided information on mortality for the corticosteroids against standard of care comparison. The RECOVERY trial was the biggest with 2,104 patients assigned to dexamethasone and 4,321 to standard of care. All 13 studies included patients with severe to critical disease, as shown by the fact that mortality in the control groups

ranged from 14.2% to 61.4%. In the RECOVERY trial, a subgroup analysis which stratified patients by the amount of baseline respiratory support they received, showed significant differences favoring those with oxygen requirements. However, as mortality was high in the subgroup of patients that did not receive baseline oxygen treatment (14%), we decided to adopt a conservative approach and include the primary analysis considering all randomized patients. Our results showed:

- Corticosteroids probably reduce mortality, RR 0.90 (95%CI 0.80 to 1.01); RD -1.6% (95%CI -3.2% to 0.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 2)
- Corticosteroids probably reduce invasive mechanical ventilation requirement, RR 0.87 (95%CI 0.73 to 1.04); RD -2.2% (95%CI -4.7% to 0.7%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Corticosteroids may improve time-to-symptom resolution, RR 1.19 (95%CI 0.95 to 1.5); RD 11.5% (95%CI -3% to 30%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- Corticosteroids may not significantly increase the risk of severe adverse events, RR 0.89 (95%CI 0.68 to 1.17); RD -1.1% (95%CI -3.3% to 1.7%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- Results were consistent with trials in which corticosteroids were used to treat non COVID-19 patients with ARDS. No significant differences between subgroups of studies using different corticosteroids were observed. (Figures 3 and 4)
- High-dose corticosteroids (i.e., dexamethasone 12 mg a day) probably reduce mortality compared to standard-dose corticosteroids (i.e., dexamethasone 6 mg a day), RR 0.84 (95%CI 0.67 to 1.04); RD -2.6% (95%CI -5.3% to 0.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 5)
- High-dose corticosteroids (i.e., dexamethasone 12 mg a day) may not increase severe adverse events compared to standard-dose corticosteroids (i.e., dexamethasone 6 mg a day), RR 0.85 (95%CI 0.61 to 1.19); RD -1.5% (95%CI -4% to 1.9%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 2. All-cause mortality in RCTs comparing corticosteroids with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19

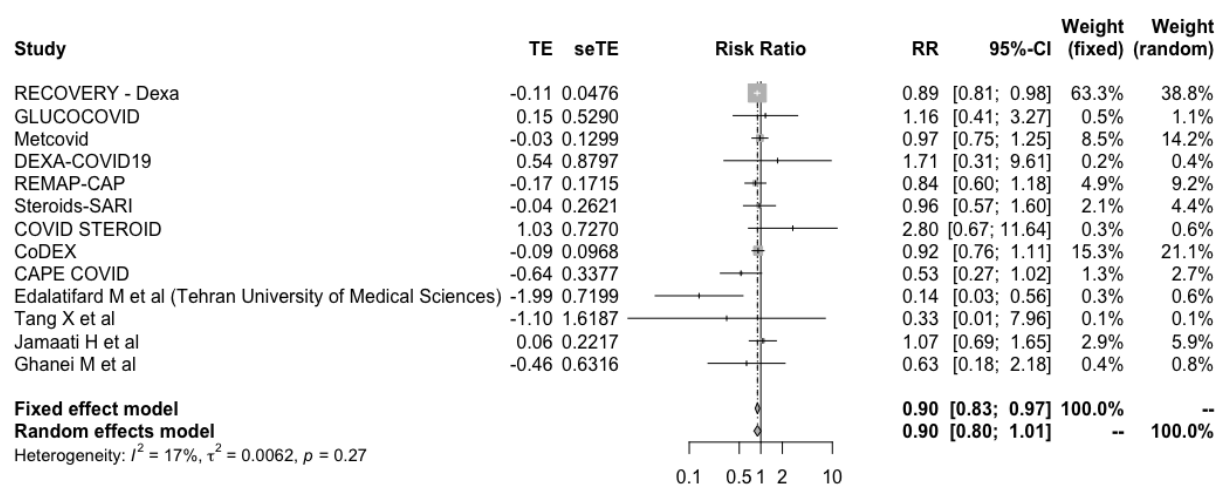


Figure 3. All-cause mortality in RCTs comparing corticosteroids with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19 or ARDS without COVID-19

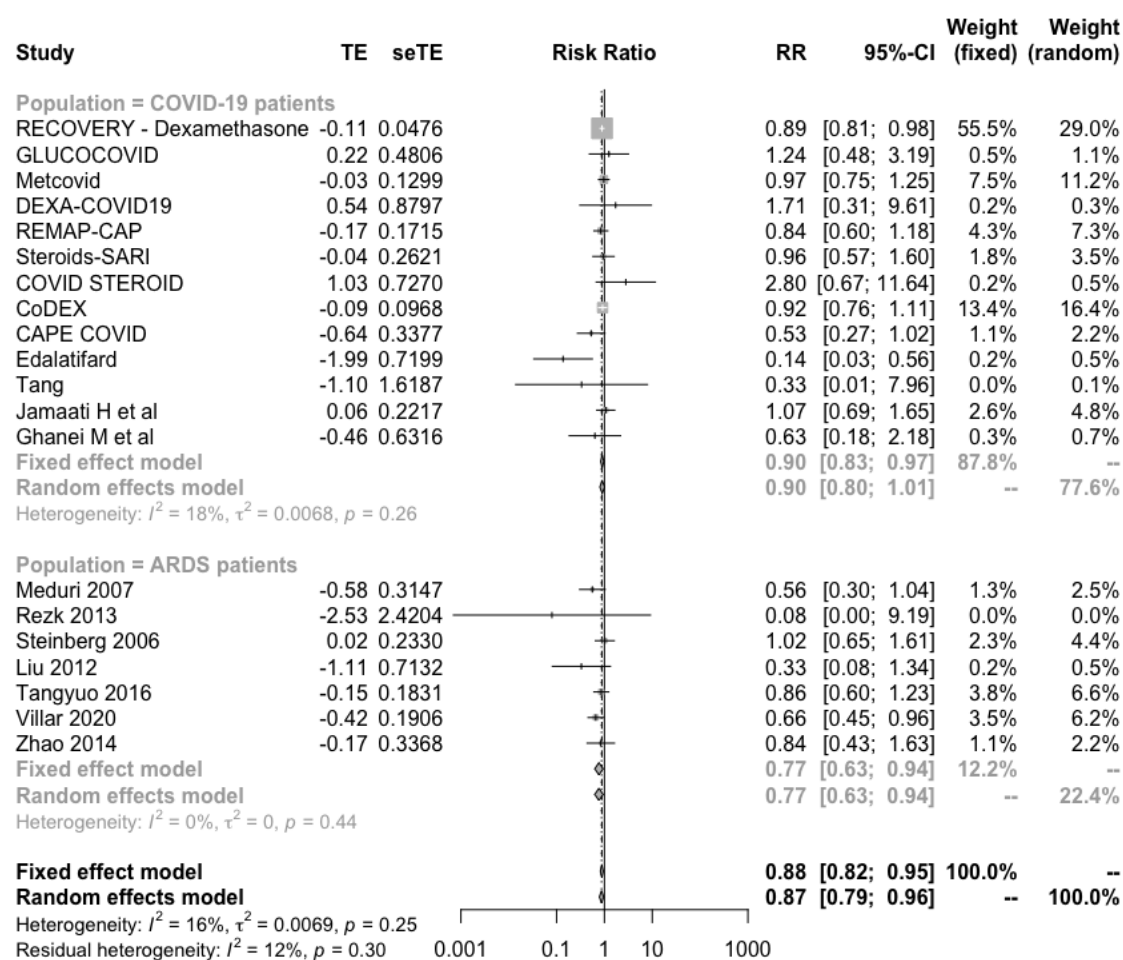


Figure 4. All-cause mortality by type of corticosteroids in RCTs using comparison with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19 or ARDS without COVID-19

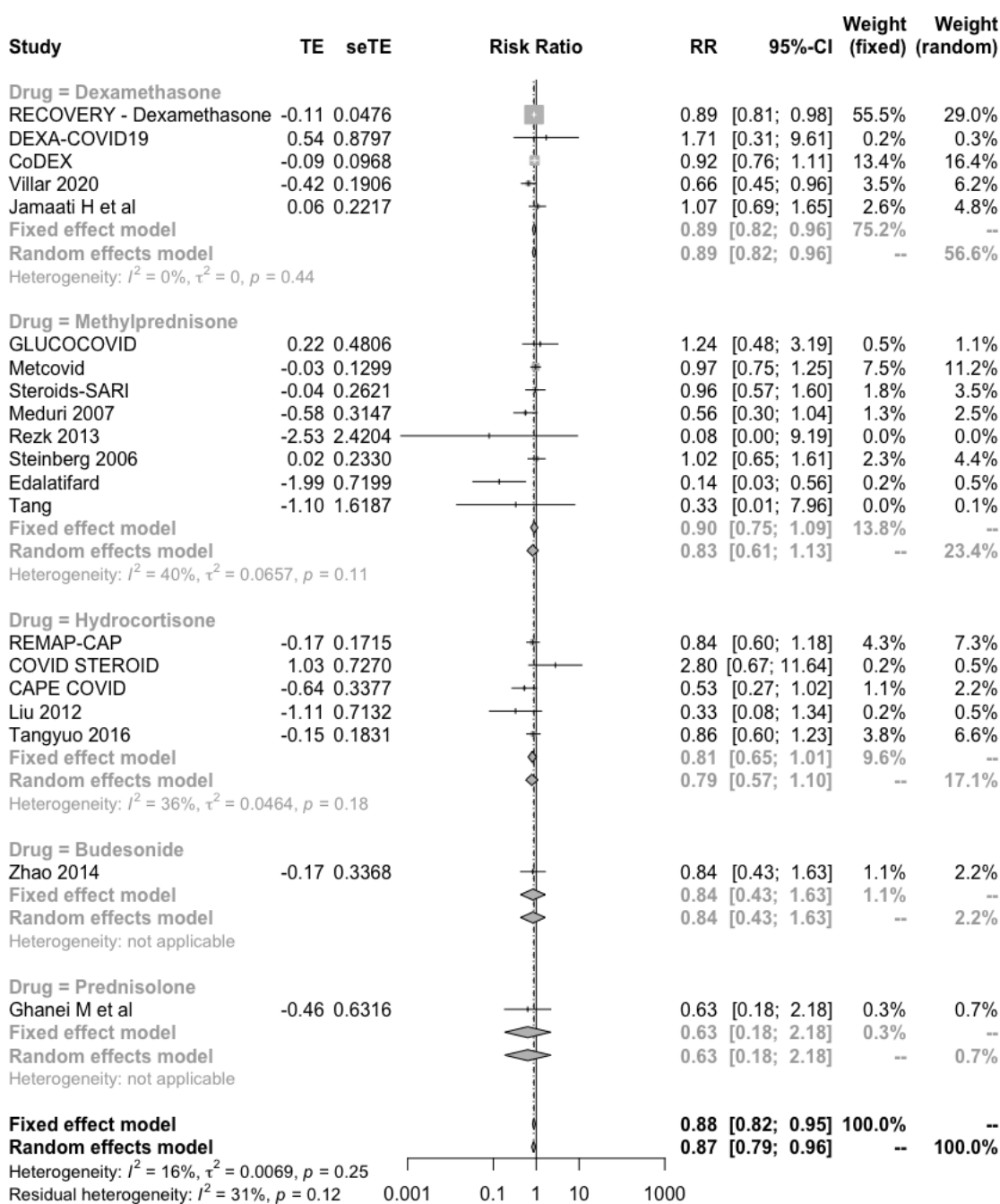
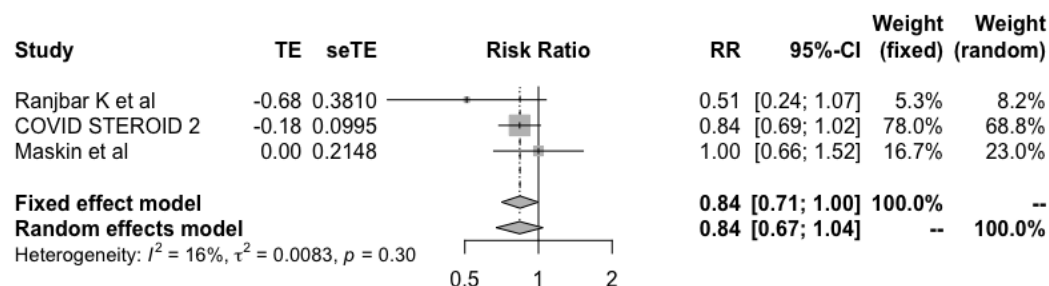


Figure 5. All-cause mortality in RCTs comparing high-dose corticosteroids (i.e., dexamethasone 12 mg a day) with standard-dose corticosteroids (i.e., dexamethasone 6 mg a day) in patients with COVID-19



Remdesivir

[See Summary of findings Table 2, Appendix 1](#)

We identified five RCTs including 7,400 patients in which remdesivir was compared against standard of care or other treatments. In addition, we identified one study that compared different remdesivir dosage schemes. The WHO SOLIDARITY trial was the biggest with 2,734 patients assigned to remdesivir and 2,708 to standard of care. Five studies included patients with severe disease as shown by the fact that mortality in the control groups ranged from 8.3% to 12.6%, and one study included non-severe patients with 2% mortality in the control arm. Our results showed:

- Remdesivir may slightly reduce mortality, RR 0.95 (95%CI 0.83 to 1.08); RD -0.8% (95%CI -2.7% to 1.3%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ (Figure 6)
- Remdesivir may reduce invasive mechanical ventilation requirement, RR 0.71 (95%CI 0.43 to 1.18); RD -5% (95%CI -9.9% to 3.1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ (Figure 7)
- Remdesivir may improve time to symptom resolution, RR 1.17 (95%CI 1.03 to 1.33); RD 10.3% (95%CI 1.8% to 20%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ (Figure 8)
- Remdesivir may not significantly increase the risk of severe adverse events, RR 0.8 (95%CI 0.48 to 1.33); RD -2% (95%CI -5.3% to 3.4%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 6. All-cause mortality with remdesivir use vs. standard of care in randomized control trials including COVID-19 patients

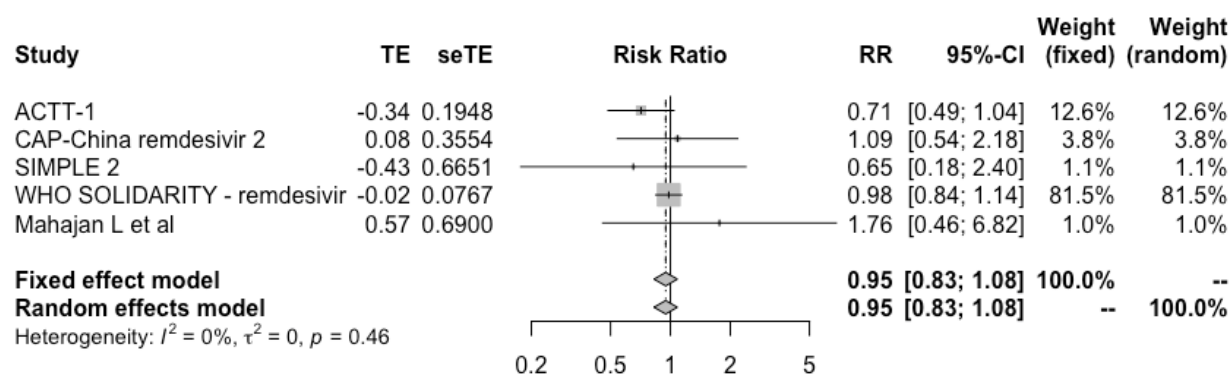


Figure 7. Invasive mechanical ventilation requirements in RCTs comparing remdesivir with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19

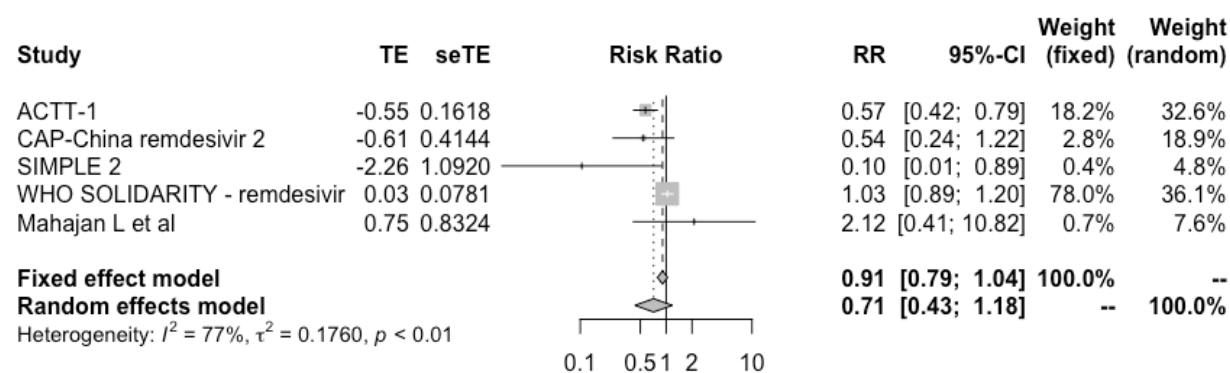
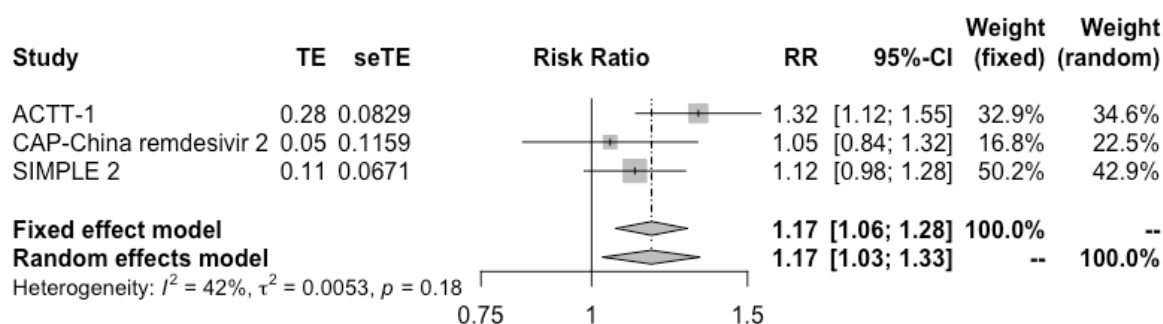


Figure 8. Symptom resolution or improvement in RCTs comparing remdesivir with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19



Hydroxychloroquine and Chloroquine

[See Summary of findings Table 3, Appendix 1](#)

We identified 49 RCTs including 21,859 patients in which hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine were compared against standard of care or other treatments. The RECOVERY trial was the biggest with 1,561 patients assigned to dexamethasone and 3,155 to standard of care. In both the RECOVERY and SOLIDARITY trials, patients had severe disease as shown by the high mortality risk in control arms (24.9% and 9.2%, respectively). The remaining studies included patients with non-severe disease, as shown by the lower mortality risk in control arms, ranging from 0 to 5.2%. Additionally, we identified nine studies in which hydroxychloroquine was used in healthy persons to prevent COVID-19 infection. Our results showed:

- Hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine probably increase mortality, RR 1.07 (95%CI 0.98 to 1.17); RD 1.1% (95%CI -0.3% to 2.7%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 9)
- Hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine probably does not reduce invasive mechanical ventilation requirement; RR 1.07 (95%CI 0.93 to 1.24); RD 1.2% (95%CI -1.2% to 4.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine probably does not improve time to symptom resolution, RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.94 to 1.1); RD 1.2% (95%CI -3.6% to 6.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine may reduce COVID-19 symptomatic infection in exposed individuals, RR 0.85 (95%CI 0.72 to 1.01); RD -2.6% (95%CI -4.9% to 0.2%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ (Figure 10) (based on low risk of bias studies)
- Hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine may not significantly increase the risk of severe adverse events, RR 0.94 (95%CI 0.66 to 1.34); RD -0.6% (95%CI -3.5% to 3.5%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- It is uncertain if hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine affects hospitalizations in patients with mild COVID-19, RR 0.91 (95%CI 0.56 to 1.47); RD -0.7% (95%CI -3.3% to 3.5%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○

Figure 9. All-cause mortality in RCTs comparing hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine with standard of care in patients with COVID-19

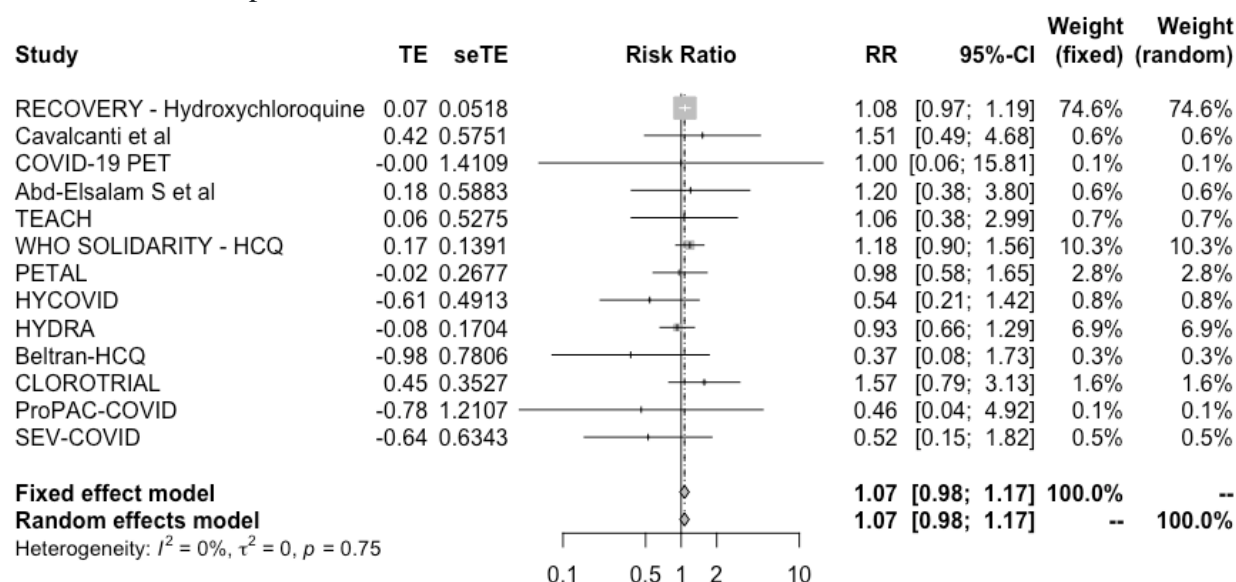
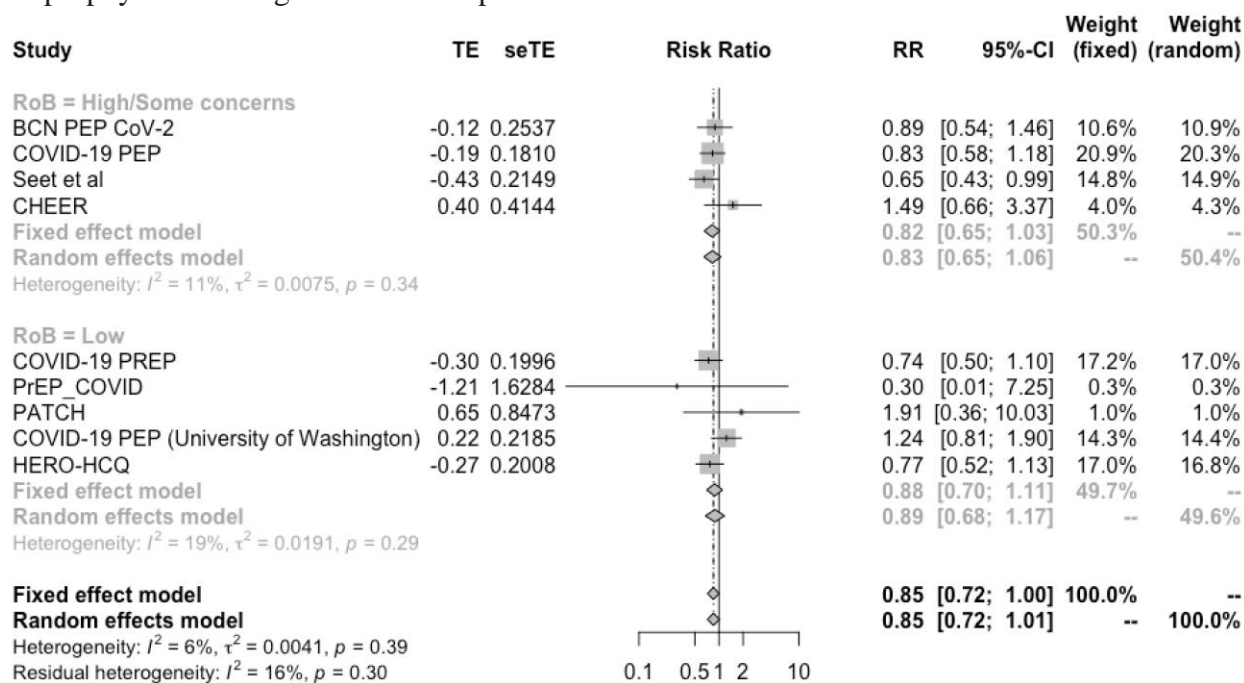


Figure 10. Symptomatic infection in RCTs comparing hydroxychloroquine or chloroquine with no prophylaxis among individuals exposed to COVID-19



In addition, we identified a systematic review¹⁰ that included 12 unpublished studies providing information on mortality outcome. Overall pooled estimates did not differ when including unpublished information (OR 1.08, 95%CI 0.99 to 1.18).

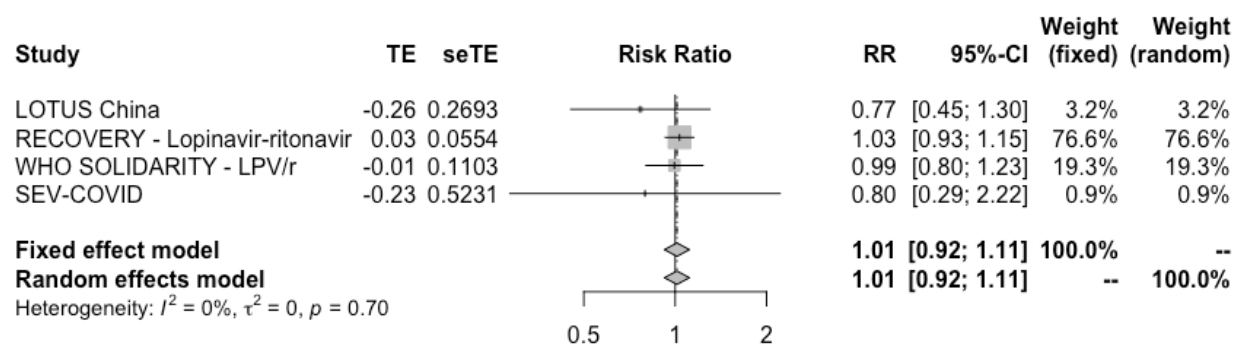
Lopinavir-ritonavir

[See Summary of findings Table 4, Appendix 1](#)

We identified 16 RCTs including 10,002 patients in which lopinavir-ritonavir was compared against standard of care or other treatments. The RECOVERY trial was the biggest with 1,616 patients assigned to dexamethasone and 3,424 to standard of care. Three studies provided information on mortality outcome, all of which included patients with severe disease, as shown by the mortality risk in control arms, which ranged from 10.6% to 25%. Our results showed:

- Lopinavir-ritonavir probably does not reduce mortality, RR 1.01 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.11); RD 0.2% (95%CI -1.3% to 1.8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 11)
- Lopinavir-ritonavir does not reduce invasive mechanical ventilation requirement; RR 1.07 (95%CI 0.98 to 1.17); RD 1.2% (95%CI -0.3% to 2.9%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕
- Lopinavir-ritonavir probably does not improve symptom resolution or improvement; RR 1.03 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.15); RD 1.8% (95%CI -4.8% to 9%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Lopinavir-ritonavir may not increase the risk of severe adverse events, RR 0.6 (95%CI 0.37 to 0.98); RD -4.1% (95%CI -6.5% to -0.2%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○○
- It is uncertain if lopinavir-ritonavir increases or decreases symptomatic infections in exposed individuals, RR 1.40 (95%CI 0.78 to 2.54); RD 1.8% (95%CI -3.8% to -26.8%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○○
- It is uncertain if lopinavir-ritonavir increases or decreases hospitalizations, RR 1.24 (95%CI 0.6 to 2.56); RD 1.8% (95%CI -3% to -11.6%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○○

Figure 11. All-cause mortality in RCTs comparing lopinavir–ritonavir with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19



Convalescent plasma

[See summary of findings Table 5 in appendix 1](#)

We identified 24 RCTs including 17,930 patients in which convalescent plasma was compared against standard of care or other treatments. RECOVERY was the largest study including 11,588 patients. Most studies (21/24) included severely ill patients, as shown by the mortality rate in the control arms, ranging from 8.5% to 53%. The remaining studies included patients with recent onset symptoms and reported a control-arm mortality rate of 0.4% to 6.6%. Convalescent plasma was administered in one or two infusions to symptomatic patients in all cases. Our results showed:

- Convalescent plasma does not reduce mortality, RR 1 (95%CI 0.94 to 1.06); RD 0% (95%CI -1% to 1%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕ (Figure 12) (based on low risk of bias studies)
- Convalescent plasma does not significantly reduce invasive mechanical ventilation requirements, RR 1.05 (95% CI 0.94 to 1.17); RD 0.8% (95%CI -1% to 2.9%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕.
- Convalescent plasma probably does not improve symptom resolution or improvement, RR 0.99 (95% CI 0.94 to 1.05); RD -0.6% (95%CI -3.6% to 3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Convalescent plasma probably increases severe adverse events, RR 1.38 (95% CI 1.07 to 1.78); RD 3.9% (95%CI 0.7% to 8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 13) (based on low risk of bias studies)
- Convalescent plasma may not significantly reduce hospitalizations, RR 0.90 (95% CI 0.64 to 1.26); RD -0.7% (95%CI -2.7% to 1.9%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 12. All-cause mortality in RCTs comparing convalescent plasma with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19

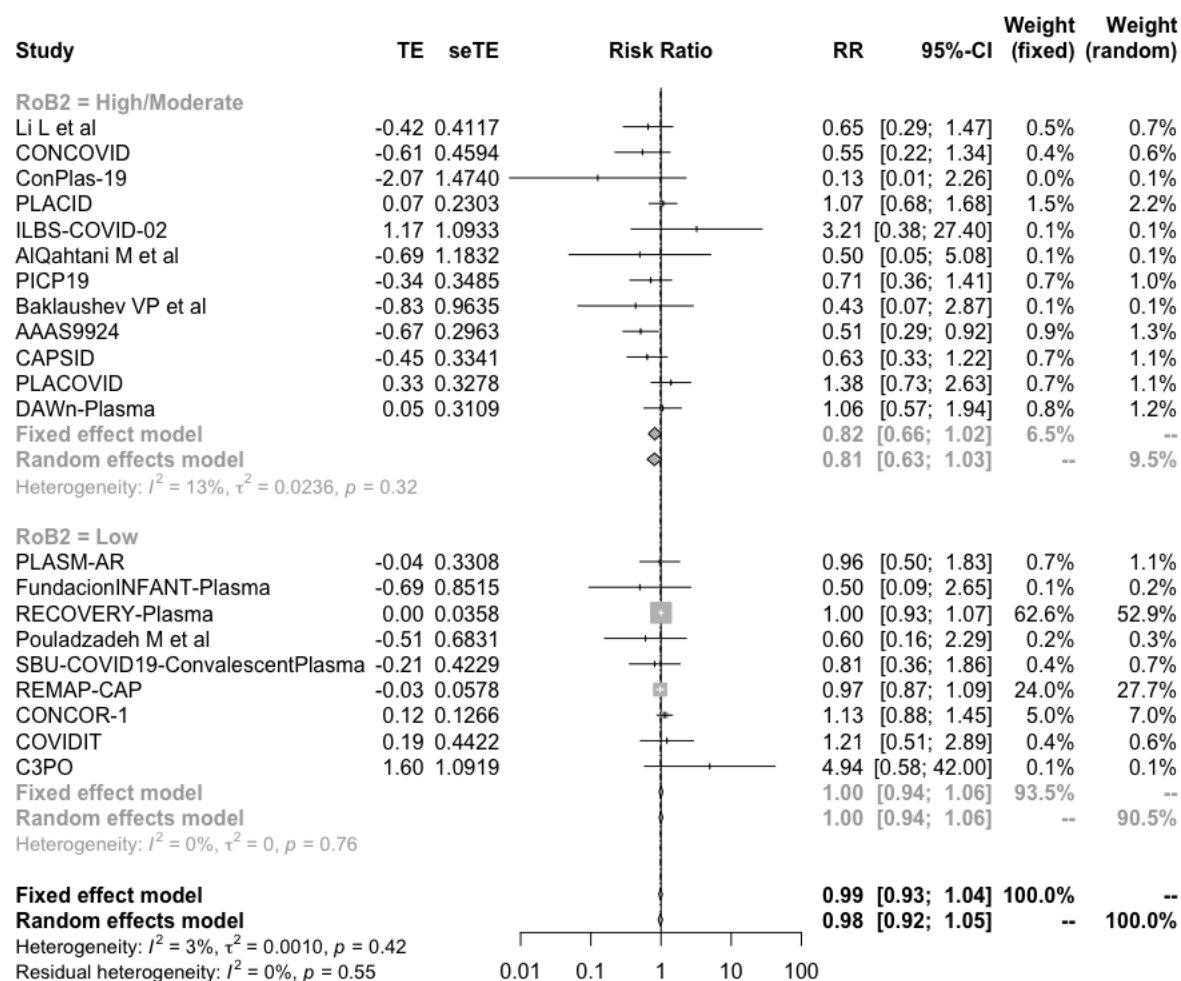
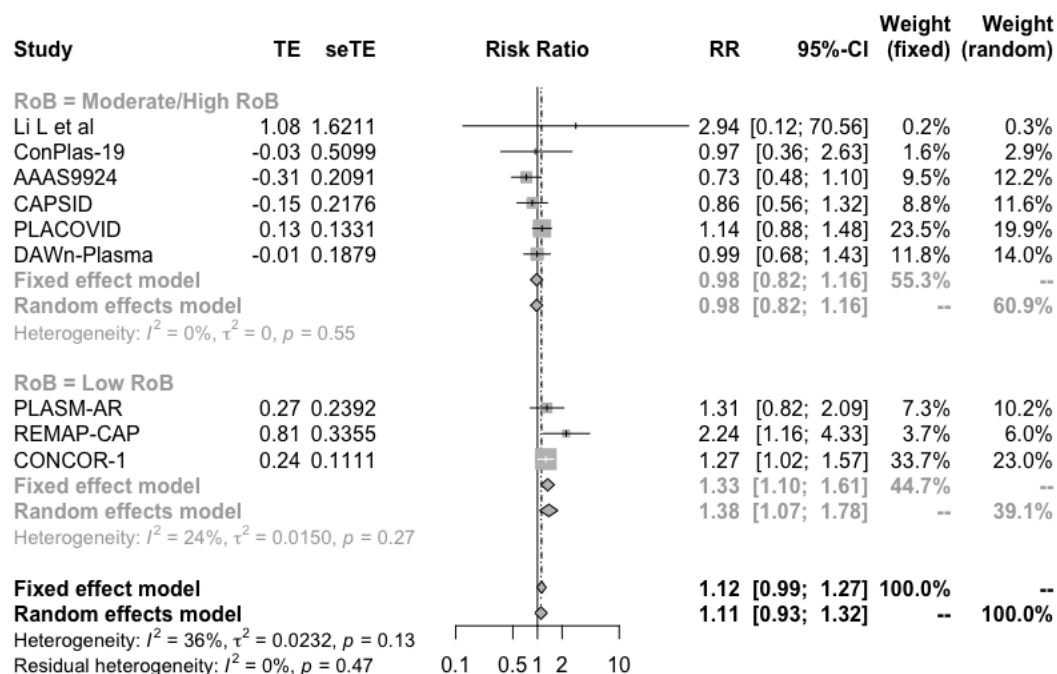


Figure 13. Severe adverse events in RCTs comparing convalescent plasma with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19



In one of the studies, 58 patients were randomized to early administration of convalescent plasma (at the time they were randomized) or late administration (only if clinical deterioration was observed). All patients in the early arm received the treatment, while just 43.3% of patients received it in the late arm. Results showed no mortality reduction (OR 4.22, 95%CI 0.33 to 53.57) nor reduction in the need for invasive mechanical ventilation requirement reduction (OR 2.98, 95%CI 0.41 to 21.57) with early infusion. However, the certainty of the evidence was very low ⊕○○○ because of imprecision. In addition, no significant differences were observed in the subgroup of patients treated early (< 4 days since the beginning of symptoms) versus late (> 4 days since the beginning of symptoms) with convalescent plasma, in the RECOVERY trial.

Tocilizumab

[See Summary of findings Table 6 in Appendix 1](#)

We identified 26 RCTs including 9,029 patients in which tocilizumab was compared against standard of care or other interventions. Twenty studies reported on the mortality outcome, including the RECOVERY study that recruited 4,116 patients. All studies included severe patients,

but some excluded critical patients. The proportion of critical patients in those studies that included them was 16.5% to 47.5%. Our results showed:

- Tocilizumab probably reduces mortality, RR 0.85 (95%CI 0.79 to 0.93); RD -2.4% (95%CI -3.4% to -1.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕ (Figure 14)
- Tocilizumab reduces invasive mechanical ventilation requirements, RR 0.83 (95%CI 0.78 to 0.90); RD -2.9% (95%CI -3.8% to -1.7%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕ (Figure 15)
- Tocilizumab may improve time to symptom resolution, RR 1.1 (95%CI 1.02 to 1.2); RD 6.1% (95%CI 1.2% to 12.1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- Tocilizumab probably does not significantly increase severe adverse events at 28-30 days, RR 0.94 (95%CI 0.85 to 1.05); RD -0.6% (95%CI -1.5% to 0.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○

Figure 14. All-cause mortality in RCTs comparing tocilizumab with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19

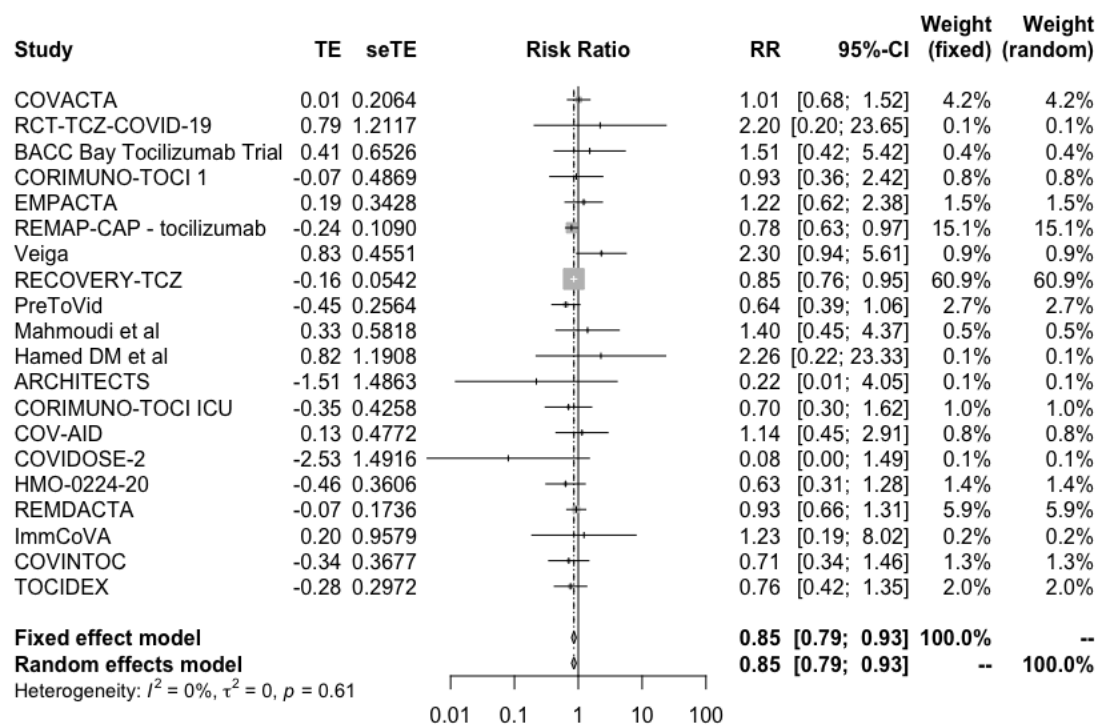
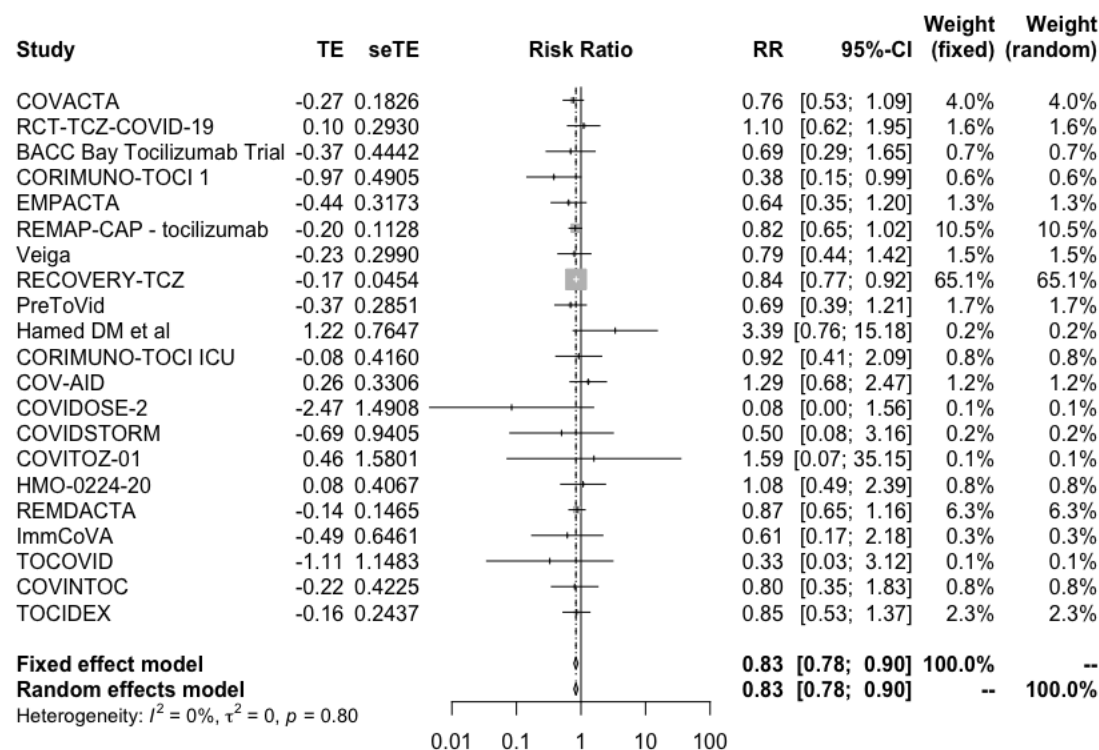


Figure 15. Mechanical ventilation requirement in RCTs comparing tocilizumab with standard of care for treatment of patients with COVID-19



A subgroup analysis, performed in the RECOVERY trial, comparing the effect of tocilizumab in severe and critical patients, did not suggest a subgroup modification effect according to baseline disease severity ($p=0.52$).

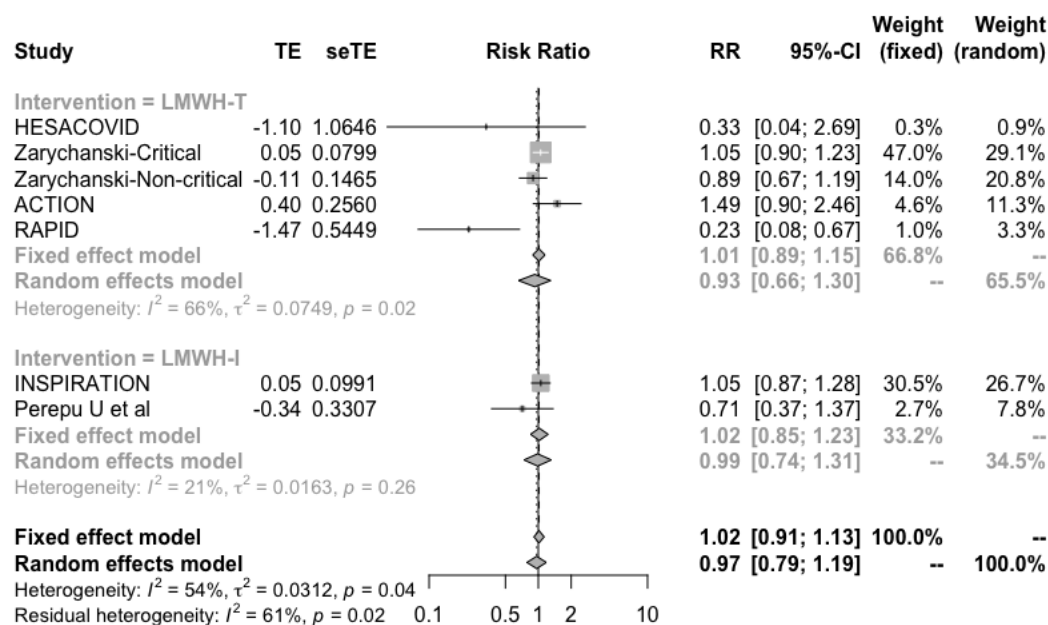
Anticoagulants

[See Summary of findings Table 7, Appendix 1](#)

Thromboembolic complications in patients infected with COVID-19 are relatively frequent.¹¹ As for hospitalized patients with severe medical conditions, current guidelines recommend thromboprophylaxis measures should be used for inpatients with COVID-19 infection.¹² Regarding the best thromboprophylactic scheme, we identified eight RCTs including 5,596 patients that compared anticoagulants in intermediate (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg a day) or full dose (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg twice a day) versus prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day). All studies included hospitalized patients with COVID-19. Our results showed:

- Anticoagulants in intermediate dose or full dose probably does not reduce mortality in comparison with prophylactic dose, RR 0.97 (95%CI 0.79 to 1.19); RD -0.5% (95%CI -3.4% to 3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 16)
- Anticoagulants in intermediate dose may not reduce venous thromboembolic events in comparison with prophylactic dose, RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.53 to 1.96); RD 0.1% (95%CI -3.3% to 6.7%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- Anticoagulants in full dose probably reduce venous thromboembolic events in comparison with prophylactic dose, RR 0.59 (95%CI 0.44 to 0.79); RD -2.9% (95%CI -3.9% to -1.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Anticoagulants in intermediate dose or full dose probably increase major bleeding in comparison with prophylactic dose, RR 1.72 (95%CI 1.14 to 2.61); RD 1.4% (95%CI 0.3% to 3.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- In mild ambulatory patients, anticoagulants in prophylactic dose may not improve time to symptom resolution, RR 1.08 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.27); RD 4.8% (95%CI -4.8% to 16.4%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- In mild ambulatory patients, it is uncertain if anticoagulants ion prophylactic dose increase or decrease clinically important bleeding and hospitalization; Very low certainty ⊕○○○

Figure 16. All-cause mortality in RCTs using anticoagulants in therapeutic dose, intermediate dose, or prophylactic dose for treatment of hospitalized patients with COVID-19



Although the subgroup of noncritical patients reported by Zarychanski et al. showed a trend toward less mortality in comparison with severe patients, we did not report results according to severity because we consider that the mentioned differential effect is implausible.

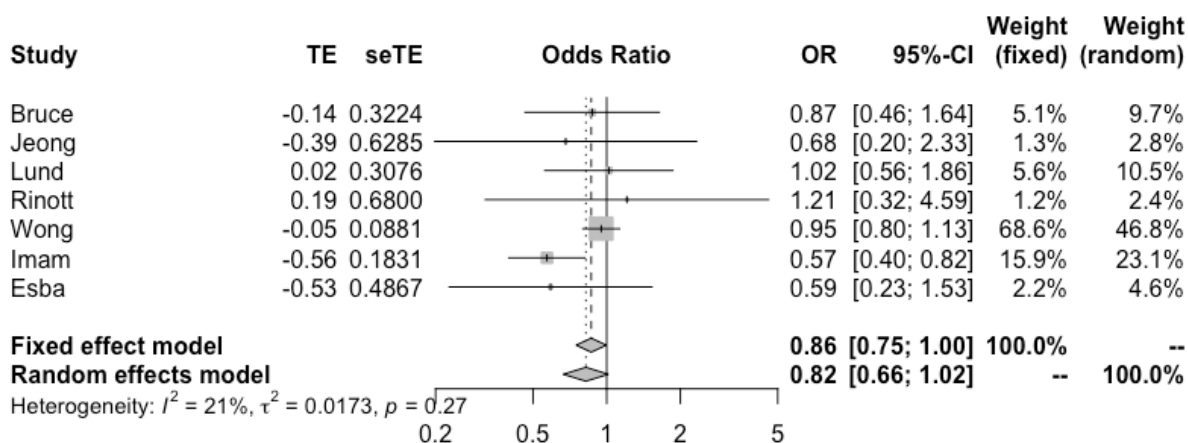
NSAIDs

[See Summary of findings Table 8, Appendix 1](#)

We identified seven non-RCTs including at least 100 patients in which COVID-19 mortality risk was compared between groups of patients exposed to NSAIDs and those that were not. Populations varied between studies. For example, Wong et al. included individuals exposed to COVID-19 (living in a region affected by the pandemic) while other studies included only patients with confirmed COVID-19 infection. Our results showed:

- No association between NSAID exposure and mortality, OR 0.82 (95%CI 0.66 to 1.02); Very low certainty ⊕○○○ (Figure 17)

Figure 17. All-cause mortality in non-RCTs comparing exposure to NSAIDs with no exposure in individuals exposed to or infected with COVID-19



Interferon Beta-1a

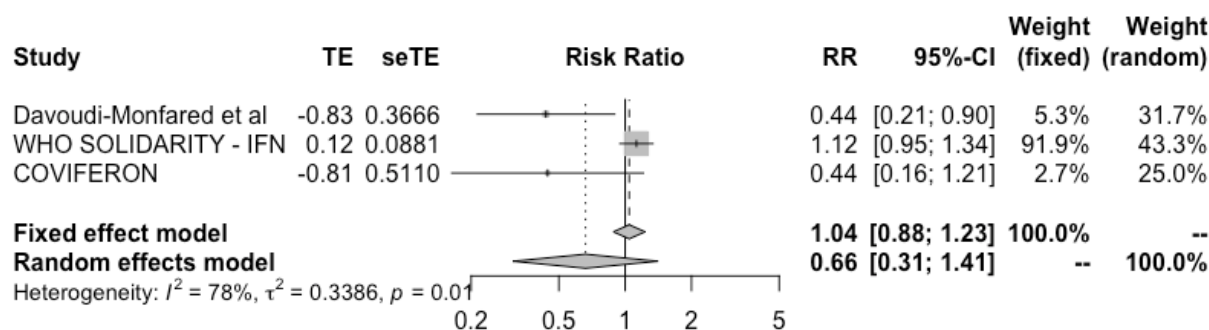
[See Summary of findings Table 9, Appendix 1](#)

We identified five RCTs including 4,487 patients in which interferon beta-1a was compared against standard of care or other treatments and informed on mortality outcome. The WHO SOLIDARITY trial was the biggest, with 2,050 patients assigned to intervention and 2,050 to

control. The studies included severe patients, as shown by the fact that mortality in the control arms ranged from 10.5% to 45%. Our results showed:

- Interferon beta-1a (subcutaneous) probably does not reduce mortality, RR 1.04 (95%CI 0.88 to 1.23); RD 0.6% (95%CI -1.9% to 3.7%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 18)
- Interferon beta-1a (subcutaneous) probably does not reduce invasive mechanical ventilation requirements, RR 0.98 (95%CI 0.83 to 1.16); RD -0.3% (95%CI -2.9% to 2.8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- It is uncertain if interferon beta-1a (subcutaneous) affects symptom resolution or improvement; HR 1.1 (95%CI 0.64 to 1.87); RD 6% (95%CI -21.8% to 52.7%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○
- Interferon beta-1a (inhaled) may increase symptom resolution or improvement, HR 2.19 (95%CI 1.03 to 4.69); RD 26.4% (95%CI 1.1% to 38.1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 18. All-cause mortality with IFN beta-1a vs. standard of care in randomized studies including COVID-19 patients



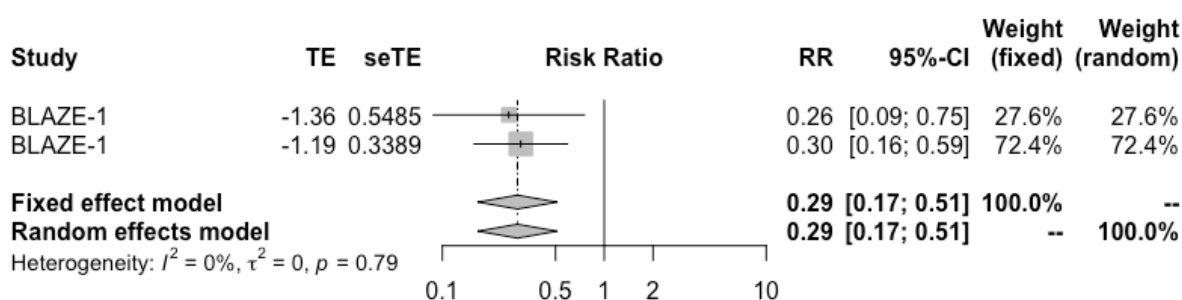
Bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab (monoclonal antibody)

[See Summary of findings Table 10, Appendix 1](#)

We identified eight RCTs including 5,464 patients in which bamlanivimab was compared against standard of care. Three studies included patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 and one included exposed individuals and assessed bamlanivimab as a prophylactic intervention. Our results showed:

- It is uncertain if bamlanivimab reduces mortality or mechanical ventilation requirements; RR 0.68 (95%CI 0.17 to 2.8); RD -5.1% (95%CI -13.2% to 2.8%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○
- Bamlanivimab probably does not significantly improve time to symptom resolution, RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.99 to 1.06); RD 1.2% (95%CI 3.6% to 5.4%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Bamlanivimab probably decreases symptomatic infection in exposed individuals, RR 0.56 (95%CI 0.39 to 0.81); RD -7.6% (95%CI -10.6% to -3.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Bamlanivimab may increase severe adverse events; RR 1.16 (95%CI 0.76 to 1.78); RD 1.6% (95%CI -0.2% to -7.9%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- Bamlanivimab probably reduces hospitalizations in patients with non-severe disease; RR 0.29 (95%CI 0.17 to 0.51); RD -5.2% (95%CI -6.1% to -3.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 19)

Figure 19. Hospitalizations with bamlanivimab vs. standard of care in randomized studies including COVID-19 patients



In addition, one study that compared bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab against REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) in non-severe patients with risk factors for severity reported no important differences in hospitalizations.

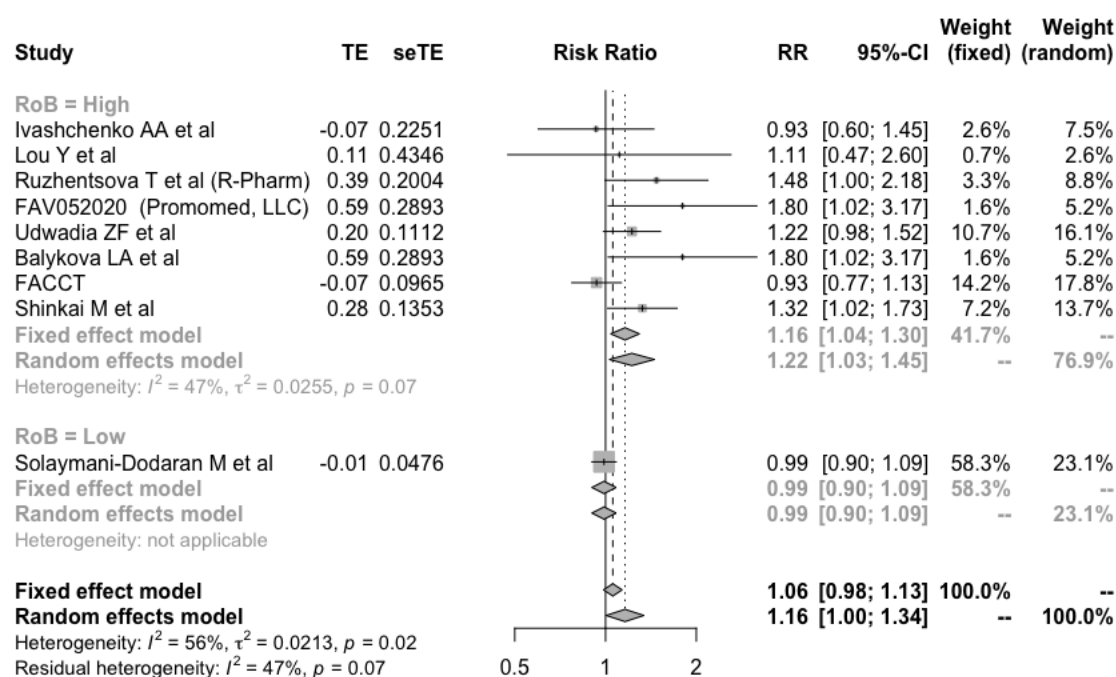
Favipiravir

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We identified 15 RCTs including 2,184 patients in which favipiravir was compared against standard of care or other treatments. Seven studies reported on favipiravir with or without HCQ versus standard of care, two studies reported on favipiravir vs HCQ or CQ, one study reported on favipiravir vs lopinavir ritonavir and the remaining studies compared favipiravir against other active interventions. As there is moderate to high certainty that HCQ and lopinavir-ritonavir are not related to significant benefits, we assumed those interventions as equivalent to standard of care. Our results showed:

- Favipiravir may not reduce mortality; RR 1.09 (95%CI 0.72 to 1.64); RD 1.4% (95%CI -4.5% to 10.2%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- Favipiravir may not reduce mechanical ventilation requirements; RR 1.24 (95%CI 0.72 to 2.12); RD 4.2% (95%CI -4.8% to 19.5%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- Favipiravir probably does not increase symptom resolution or improvement, RR 0.99 (95%CI 0.9 to 1.09); RD -0.6% (95%CI -6% to 5.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 20) (based on low risk of bias studies)
- It is uncertain if favipiravir increases the risk of severe adverse events; RR 0.64 (95%CI 0.29 to 1.41); RD -3.7% (95%CI -7.2% to 4.2%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○
- It is uncertain if favipiravir affects hospitalizations in patients with non-severe disease; RR 0.75 (95%CI 0.13 to 4.36); RD -1.8% (95%CI -6.4% to 24.9%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○

Figure 20. Symptom resolution at 7-15 days in randomized studies comparing favipiravir with standard of care in patient with COVID-19



Ivermectin

[See Summary of findings Table 12, Appendix 1](#)

We identified 33 RCTs including 5,785 patients in which ivermectin was compared against standard of care or other treatments. Studies included patients with mild to severe disease, as

shown by the mortality rates in the control arms, which ranged from 0% to 21.7%. Most studies did not report on clinical important outcomes and most of the ones that did have important methodological limitations including inappropriate randomization process and lack or unclear report of allocation concealment. Our results showed:

- Ivermectin may not significantly reduce mortality, RR 0.96 (95%CI 0.58 to 1.59); RD - 0.6% (95%CI -6.7% to 9.4%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ (Figure 21) (based on low risk of bias studies)
- Ivermectin may not reduce mechanical ventilation requirements, RR 1.05 (95%CI 0.64 to 1.72); RD 0.9% (95%CI -6.2% to 12.5%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- Ivermectin probably does not improve symptom resolution or improvement, RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.96 to 1.1); RD 1.2% (95%CI -2.4% to 6.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 22) (based on low risk of bias studies)
- It is uncertain if ivermectin affects symptomatic infection, RR 0.22 (95%CI 0.09 to 0.53); RD -13.6% (95%CI -15.8% to -8.2%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○
- It is uncertain if ivermectin affects severe adverse events, RR 1.29 (95%CI 0.44 to 3.85); RD 2.9% (95%CI -5.7% to 29%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○
- Ivermectin may reduce hospitalizations in non-severe patients, RR 0.67 (95%CI 0.39 to 1.14); RD -2.4% (95%CI -4.5% to 1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 21. Mortality in randomized studies comparing ivermectin with standard of care or other treatments in patients with COVID-19

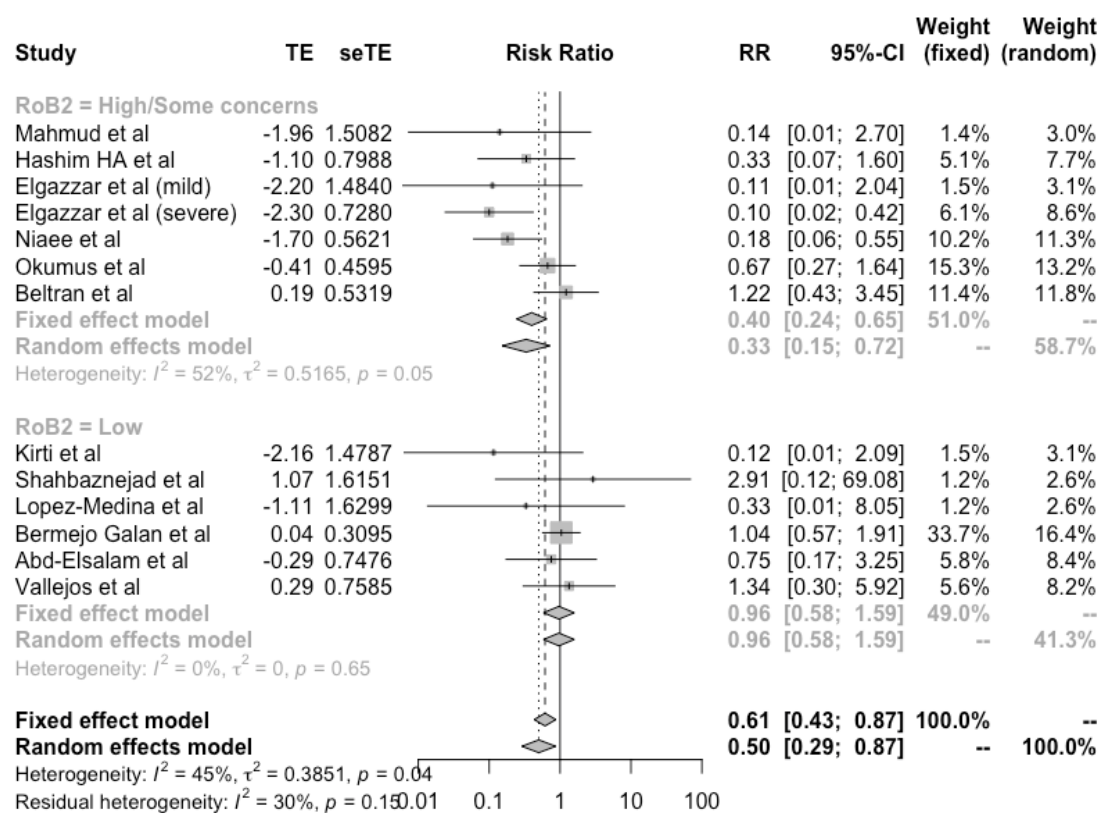
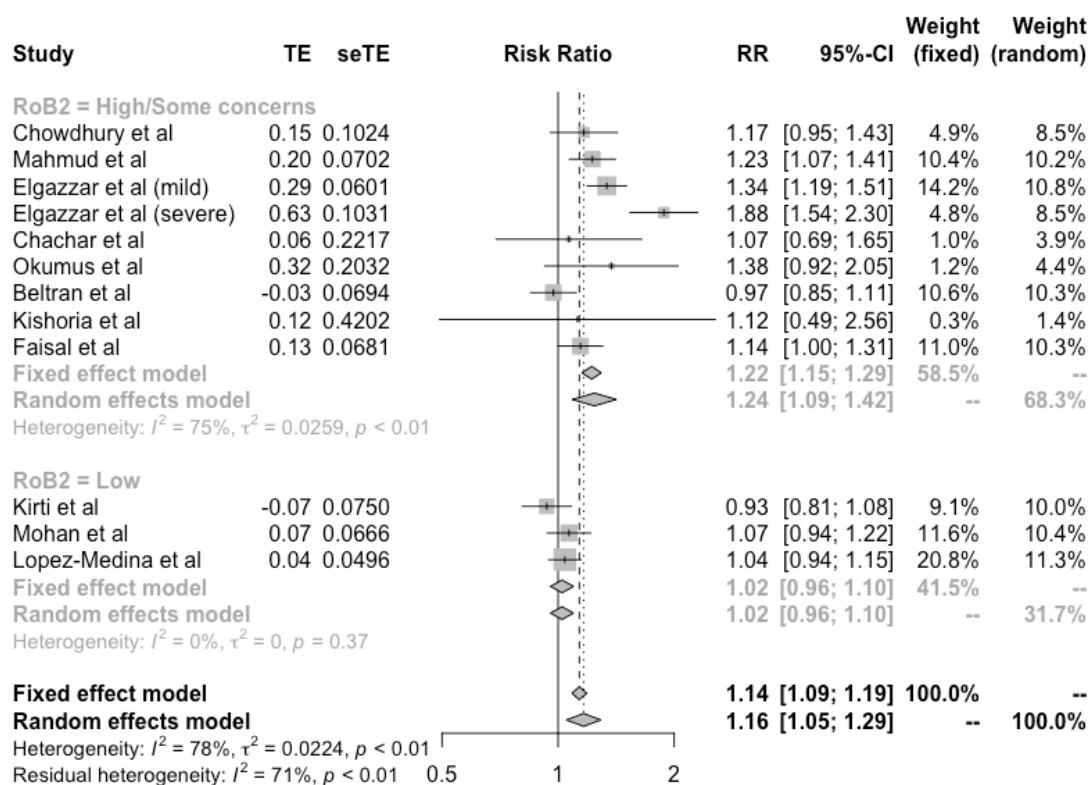


Figure 22. Symptom resolution or improvement in randomized studies comparing ivermectin with standard of care or other treatments in patients with COVID-19



Although pooled estimates suggest significant benefits with ivermectin for some critical outcomes, these are mainly driven by studies with important methodological limitations. Furthermore, results of the studies classified as low risk of bias significantly differ from those classified as high risk of bias which results in significant uncertainty about ivermectin effects. Further research is needed to confirm or discard those findings.

Baricitinib

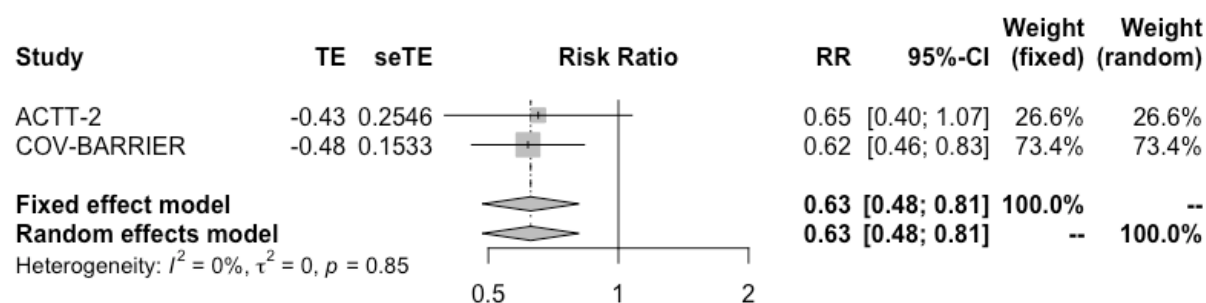
[See Summary of findings Table 13, Appendix 1](#)

We identified two RCTs including 2,558 patients in which baricitinib was compared against standard of care. Both studies included moderate to severe hospitalized patients. Critical patients were excluded. Our results showed:

- Baricitinib may reduce mortality, RR 0.63 (95%CI 0.48 to 0.81); RD -5.9% (95%CI -8.3% to -3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 23)

- Baricitinib may reduce mechanical ventilation, RR 0.66 (95%CI 0.46 to 0.93); RD -5.9% (95%CI -9.2% to -1.2%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○
- Baricitinib probably increases time to symptom resolution, RR 1.25 (95%CI 1.11 to 1.41); RD 15.1% (95%CI 6.6% to 24.8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Baricitinib may not increase severe adverse events, RR 0.77 (95%CI 0.63 to 0.95); RD -2.3% (95%CI -3.7% to -0.5%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 23. Mortality in randomized studies comparing baricitinib with standard of care in patients with COVID-19



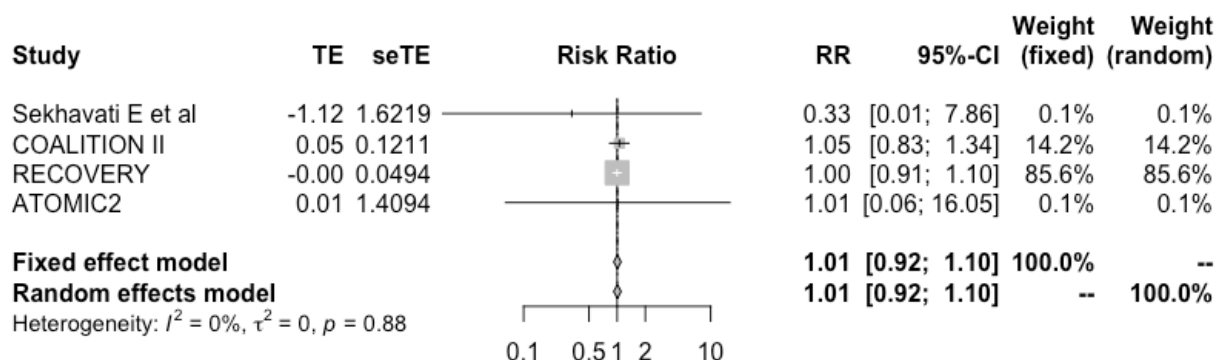
Azithromycin

[See Summary of findings Table 14, Appendix 1](#)

We identified 10 RCTs including 10,429 patients in which azithromycin was compared against standard of care or other treatments. RECOVERY trial was the biggest study including 7,762 patients with severe disease (mortality in the control arm 19%). Our results showed:

- Azithromycin probably does not reduce mortality, RR 1.01 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.1); RD 0.2% (95%CI -1.3% to 1.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 24)
- Azithromycin probably does not reduce mechanical ventilation requirements, RR 0.94 (95%CI 0.78 to 1.13); RD -1% (95%CI -3.8% to 2.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Azithromycin does not improve time to symptom resolution, RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.99 to 1.04); RD 1.2% (95%CI -0.6% to 2.4%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕
- It is uncertain if azithromycin increases severe adverse events, RR 1.23 (95%CI 0.51 to 2.96); RD 2.4% (95%CI -5% to 19.9%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○
- Azithromycin may not reduce hospitalizations, RR 0.98 (95%CI 0.52 to 1.86); RD -0.1% (95%CI -3.6% to 6.4%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 24. Mortality in randomized studies comparing azithromycin with standard of care in patients with COVID-19

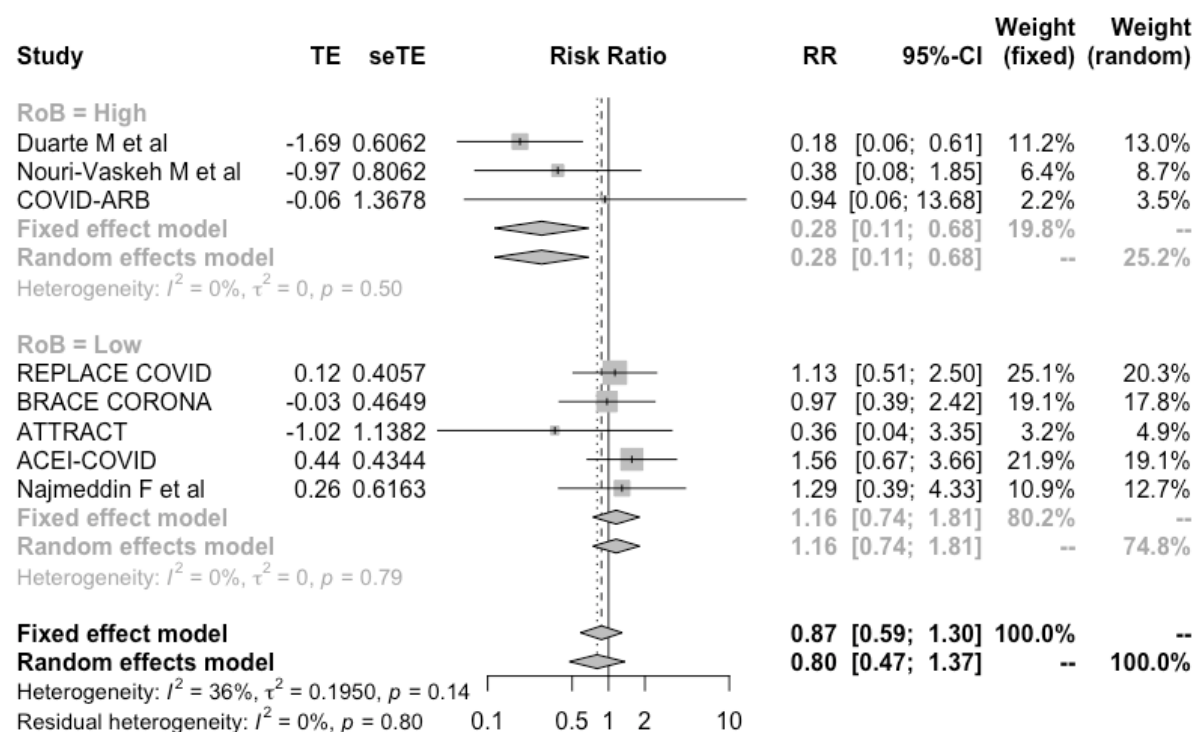


ACEI/ARB initiation or continuation

We identified nine RCTs including 1,547 patients in which patients with COVID-19 were randomized to initiate or continue ACEI/ARB treatment and compared to standard of care or discontinue ACEI/ARB. Our results showed:

- ACEI/ARB initiation or continuation may increase mortality, RR 1.16 (95%CI 0.74 to 1.81); RD 2.6% (95%CI -4.2% to 13%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ (Figure 25) (based on low risk of bias studies)
- ACEI/ARB discontinuation may reduce mechanical ventilation requirements, RR 0.92 (95%CI 0.67 to 1.25); RD -1.4% (95%CI -5.7% to 4.3%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 25. Mortality in randomized studies comparing initiation or continuation vs standard of care or discontinuation of ACEI/ARB in patients with COVID-19



Colchicine

[See Summary of findings Table 15, Appendix 1](#)

We identified seven RCTs including 16,497 patients in which colchicine was compared against standard of care or other treatments. The COLCORONA trial was the biggest including mild ambulatory patients, with 2,235 patients assigned to intervention and 2,253 to control, and the RECOVERY trial was the biggest including moderate to critical hospitalized patients, with 5,610 patients assigned to intervention and 5,730 assigned to control. Our results showed:

- Colchicine probably does not reduce mortality, RR 1 (95%CI 0.93 to 1.07); RD 0% (95%CI -1.1% to 1.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 26)
- Colchicine probably does not reduce mechanical ventilation requirements, RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.13); RD 0.3% (95%CI -1.4% to -2.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 27)

- Colchicine does not increase symptom resolution or improvement, RR 1 (95%CI 0.97 to 1.02); RD 0% (95%CI -1.8% to 1.2%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕
- Colchicine does not significantly increase severe adverse events, RR 0.78 (95%CI 0.61 to 0.99); RD -2.2% (95%CI -4% to -0.1%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕
- Colchicine may not significantly increase pulmonary embolism, RR 5.55 (95%CI 1.23 to 25); RD 0.4% (95%CI 0.02% to 2.2%); Low certainty ⊕○○○
- Colchicine may reduce hospitalizations in patients with recent onset disease, RR 0.81 (95%CI 0.63 to 1.04); RD -1.4% (95%CI -2.7% to 0.3%); Low certainty ⊕○○○

Figure 26. Mortality in randomized studies comparing colchicine vs standard of care in patients with COVID-19

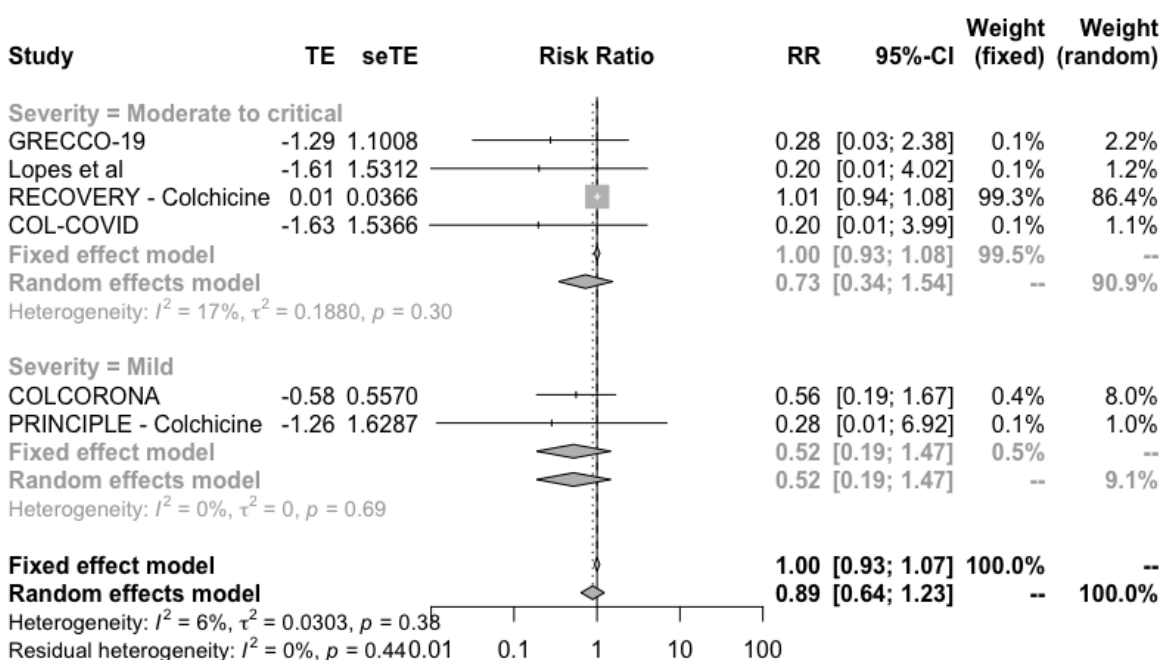
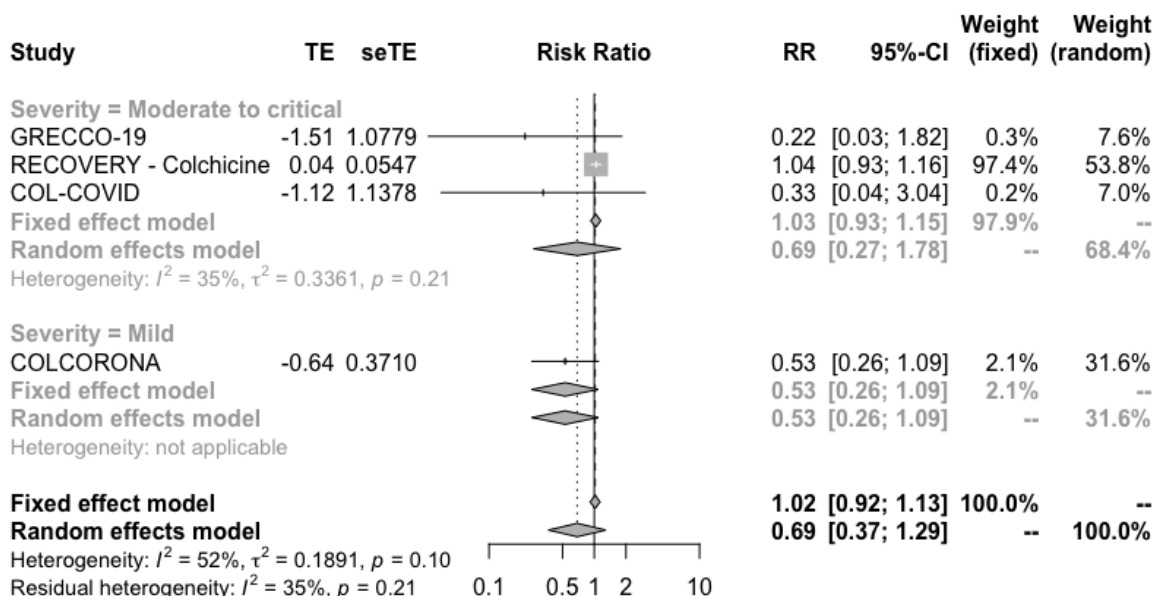


Figure 27. Mechanical ventilation in randomized studies comparing colchicine vs standard of care in patients with COVID-19



Observed results apply mostly to hospitalized patients with moderate to critical disease. The COLCORONA trial that included patients with recent onset mild disease showed a tendency to less hospitalizations, less mortality and less mechanical ventilation requirements. However, the certainty on those potential benefits was low because of very serious imprecision because of a small number of events.

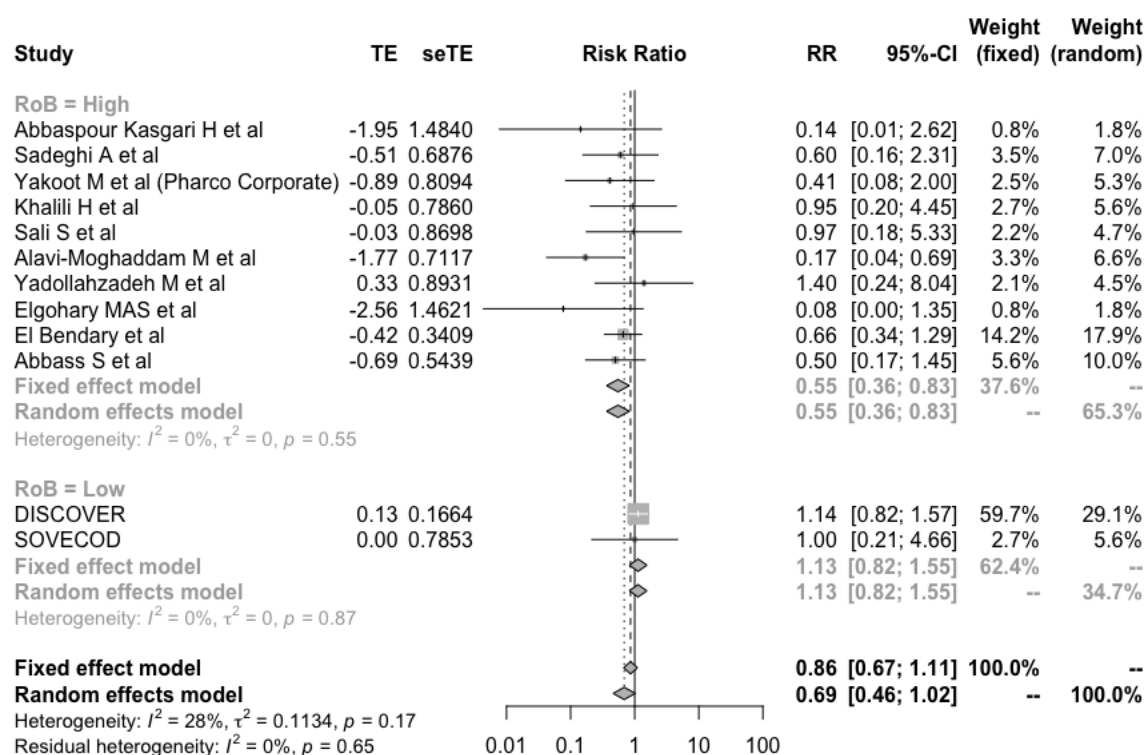
Sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir, ledipasvir, or velpatasvir

[See Summary of findings Table 16, Appendix 1](#)

We identified 13 RCTs including 2,270 patients in which sofosbuvir alone or in combination with daclatasvir or ledipasvir was compared against standard of care or other treatments. One study compared sofosbuvir alone vs. standard of care, one study compared sofosbuvir + ravidasvir vs. standard of care, one study compared sofosbuvir alone vs. lopinavir-ritonavir, four studies compared sofosbuvir + daclatasvir vs. standard of care, two studies compared sofosbuvir + daclatasvir vs. lopinavir-ritonavir, and two studies compared sofosbuvir + ledipasvir vs. standard of care. As there is moderate to high certainty that lopinavir-ritonavir is not related to significant benefits, we assumed that intervention as equivalent to standard of care. The DISCOVER trial was the biggest, with 1,083 patients and the only one categorized as with low risk of bias. Studies included patients with mild to severe disease. Our results showed:

- Sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir or ledipasvir may not reduce mortality, RR 1.13 (95%CI 0.82 to 1.55); RD 2% (95%CI -2.9% to 8.8%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ (Figure 28) (based on low risk of bias studies)
- Sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir or ledipasvir may not reduce mechanical ventilation requirements, RR 1.04 (95%CI 0.29 to 3.7); RD 0.7% (95%CI -12.3% to 46.7%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○ (based on low risk of bias studies)
- Sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir or ledipasvir probably does not improve time to symptom resolution, RR 0.97 (95%CI 0.9 to 1.06); RD -1.8% (95%CI -6% to 3.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (based on low risk of bias studies)

Figure 28. Mortality in randomized studies comparing sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir or ledipasvir vs standard of care in patients with COVID-19



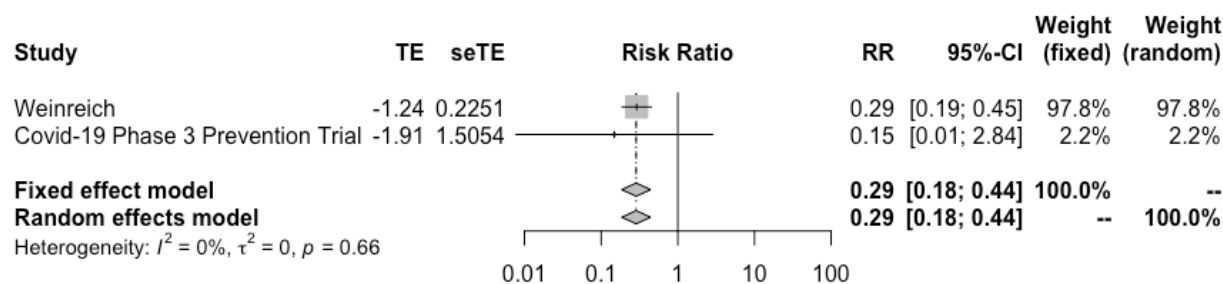
REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab)

[See Summary of findings Table 17, Appendix 1](#)

We identified five RCTs including 17,609 patients in which REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) was compared against standard of care in patients with recent onset COVID-19. RECOVERY trial was the biggest, included severe to critical patients and reported differential effect in seronegative patients at baseline. The other three studies included mild patients with recent onset disease and exposed individuals with negative PCR. Our results showed:

- Overall REGEN-COV probably does not significantly decrease mortality, RR 0.94 (95%CI 0.87 to 1.02); RD -1% (95%CI -2.1% to 0.3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- In seronegative patients REGEN-COV probably decreases mortality, RR 0.8 (95%CI 0.7 to 0.91); RD -3.2% (95%CI -4.8% to -1.4%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Overall REGEN-COV probably does not significantly decrease mechanical ventilation, RR 0.96 (95%CI 0.89 to 1.03); RD -0.7% (95%CI -1.9% to -0.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- In seronegative patients REGEN-COV probably reduces mechanical ventilation, RR 0.83 (95%CI 0.75 to 0.92); RD -2.9% (95%CI -4.3% to -1.4%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Overall REGEN-COV probably does not increase symptom resolution, RR 1.06 (95%CI 0.96 to 1.16); RD 3.6% (95%CI -2.4% to 9.7%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- In seronegative patients REGEN-COV probably increases symptom resolution, RR 1.12 (95%CI 1.01 to 1.25); RD 7.2% (95%CI 0.6% to 15.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- REGEN-COV reduces symptomatic infections in exposed individuals, RR 0.49 (95%CI 0.35 to 0.67); RD -8.9% (95%CI -11.3% to -5.7%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕
- REGEN-COV probably does not increase severe adverse events, RR 0.63 (95%CI 0.48 to 0.81); RD -3.8% (95%CI -5.3% to -1.9%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- REGEN-COV probably reduces hospitalization, RR 0.29 (95%CI 0.18 to 0.44); RD -5.3% (95%CI -6.1% to -4.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 29)

Figure 29. Hospitalization in randomized studies comparing REGEN-COV vs standard of care in patients with COVID-19



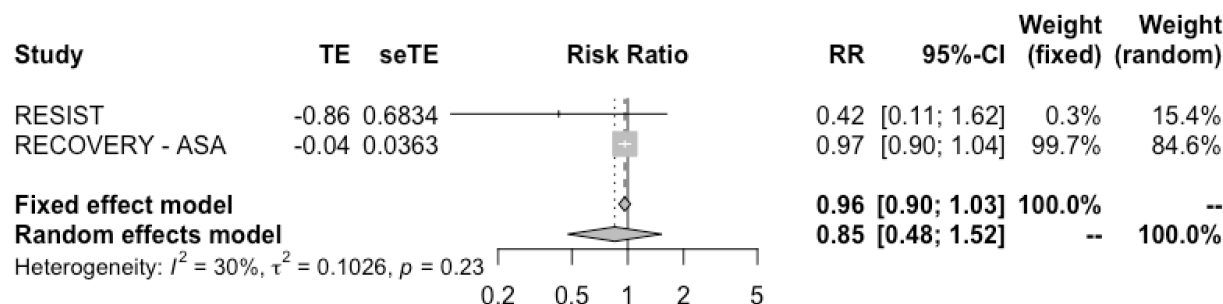
In addition, one study that compared REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) against bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab in non-severe patients with risk factors for severity reported no important differences in hospitalizations.

Aspirin

We identified two RCTs including 15,332 patients in which aspirin was compared against standard of care in patients with COVID-19. Our results showed:

- Aspirin probably does not reduce mortality, RR 0.96 (95%CI 0.90 to 1.03); RD -0.6% (95%CI -1.6% to 0.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 30)
- Aspirin probably does not reduce mechanical ventilation, RR 0.95 (95%CI 0.87 to 1.05); RD -0.8% (95%CI -2.2% to 0.9%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Aspirin probably does not increase symptom resolution or improvement, RR 1.02 (95%CI 1.0 to 1.04); RD 1% (95%CI -0.1% to 2.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○

Figure 30. Mortality in randomized studies comparing aspirin vs standard of care in patients with COVID-19



Sotrovimab

We identified one RCT including 583 patients with recent onset mild COVID-19 and risk factors for severe disease, in which sotrovimab was compared against standard of care. Our results showed:

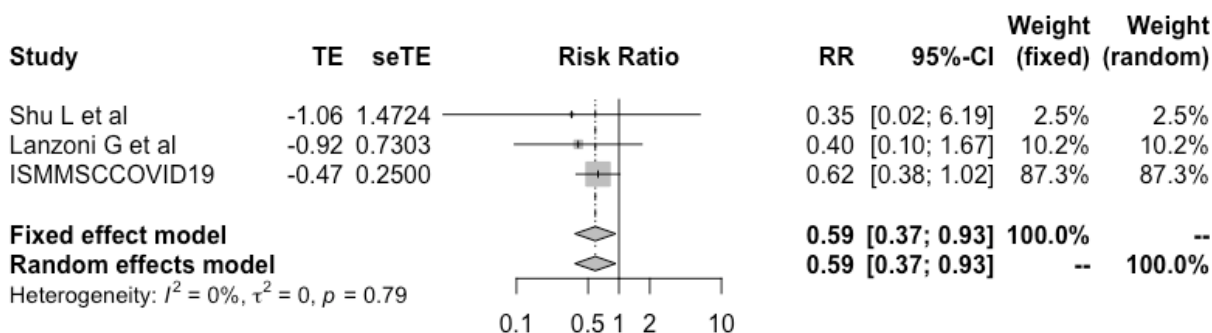
- Sotrovimab probably reduces hospitalizations, RR 0.14 (95%CI 0.04 to 0.48); RD -6.3% (95%CI -7.1% to -3.8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○
- Severe adverse events, RR 0.29 (95%CI 0.12 to 0.63); RD -7.1% (95%CI -8.9% to -3.8%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation

We identified four RCTs including 205 patients with severe to critical COVID-19, in which mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation was compared against standard of care. Only three of those studies including 105 patients reported on mortality outcome. Our results showed:

- Mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation may reduce mortality, RR 0.59 (95%CI 0.37 to 0.93); RD -6.2% (95%CI -9.8% to -1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ (Figure 31)

Figure 31. Mortality in randomized studies comparing mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation vs standard of care in patients with COVID-19

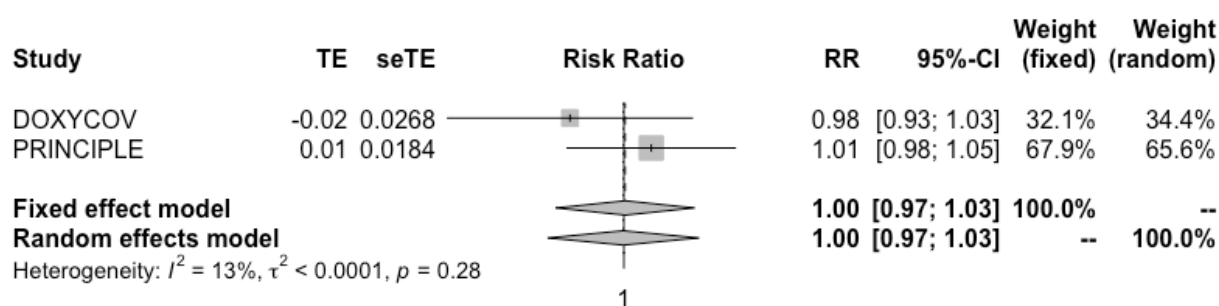


Doxycycline

We identified two RCTs including 1,015 patients with mild COVID-19, in which doxycycline was compared against standard of care. Our results showed:

- Doxycycline does not increase symptom resolution or improvement, RR 1 (95% CI 0.97 to 1.03); RD -0% (95% CI -91.8% to -1.8%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕ (Figure 32)
- Doxycycline may not reduce hospitalizations, RR 1.13 (95% CI 0.73 to 1.74); RD 0.5% (95% CI -1.4% to 2.6%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 32. Symptom resolution or improvement in randomized studies comparing doxycycline vs standard of care in patients with COVID-19



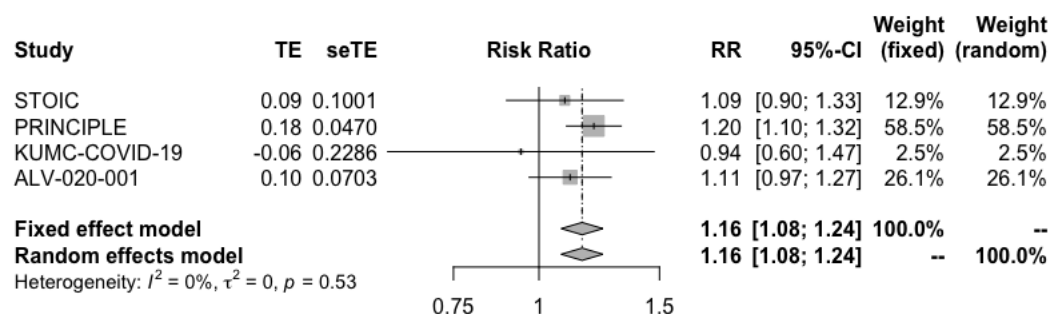
Inhaled corticosteroids

[See Summary of findings Table 18, Appendix 1](#)

We identified four RCTs including 2,467 patients with mild COVID-19, in which inhaled corticosteroids were compared against standard of care. Our results showed:

- It is uncertain if inhaled corticosteroids reduce or increase mortality, RR 0.74 (95% CI 0.28 to 1.99); RD -4.1% (95% CI -11.5% to 15.9%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○
- It is uncertain if inhaled corticosteroids reduce or increase mechanical ventilation, RR 0.94 (95% CI 0.44 to 1.98); RD -1% (95% CI -9.6% to 17%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○
- Inhaled corticosteroids probably increase symptom resolution or improvement, RR 1.16 (95% CI 1.08 to 1.24); RD 9.6% (95% CI 4.8% to 14.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 33)
- Inhaled corticosteroids may reduce hospitalizations, RR 0.82 (95% CI 0.62 to 1.08); RD -1.3% (95% CI -2.8% to 0.6%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 33. Symptom resolution or improvement in randomized studies comparing inhaled corticosteroids vs standard of care in patients with COVID-19



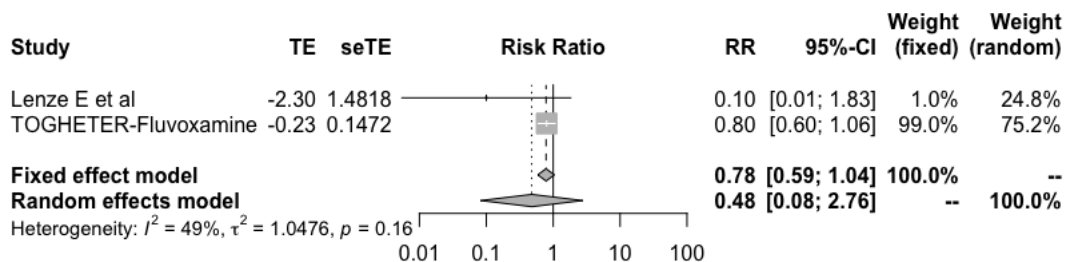
Fluvoxamine

[See Summary of findings Table 19, Appendix 1](#)

We identified two RCTs including 1,624 patients with COVID-19, in which inhaled fluvoxamine was compared against standard of care. Our results showed:

- It is uncertain if fluvoxamine reduces or increase mortality, RR 0.70 (95%CI 0.38 to 1.30); RD -4.8% (95%CI -9.9% to 4.8%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○
- Fluvoxamine probably reduces hospitalizations, RR 0.78 (95%CI 0.59 to 1.04); RD -1.6% (95%CI -3% to 0.3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ (Figure 34)
- Fluvoxamine may not increase severe adverse events, RR 0.74 (95%CI 0.49 to 1.13); RD -2.7% (95%CI -5.2% to 1.3%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○

Figure 34. Hospitalizations in randomized studies comparing fluvoxamine vs standard of care in patients with COVID-19



Full description of included studies

Table 5, below, lists all the identified studies that were included in this systematic review by intervention. The treatments are arranged in alphabetical order. Study or author names, publication status, patient populations, interventions, sources of bias, outcomes, effect sizes and certainty are listed for each study.

Table 5. Description of included studies and interventions effects

| 99mTc-MDP Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (SOC) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Yuan et al. ¹³ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned to 99mTc-MDP 5/ml once a day for 7 days and 11 assigned to standard of care. | Median age 61 ± 20, male 42.9% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Adalimumab

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| RCT | | | | | |
| Fakharian A et al trial ¹⁴ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 34 assigned to adalimumab 40 mg once and 34 assigned to SOC | Mean age 54.6 ± 12, male 58.8%, hypertension 29.4%, diabetes 27.9%, COPD 1.5%, CHD 4.4%, CKD 1.5%, cancer 1.5% | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 100% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Ammonium chloride

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|--|---|---------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| RCT | | | | | |
| Siami et al. ¹⁵ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 60 assigned to ammonium chloride 125 mg and 60 assigned to SOC | NR | Corticosteroids 100%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Blinding and concealment probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Anakinra

Anakinra may not improve time to symptom resolution. Further research is needed to confirm or discard these findings

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|
| RCT | | | | | |
| CORIMUNO-ANA-1 trial ; ¹⁶ Bureau et al; Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 59 assigned to anakinra 400 mg a day for 3 days followed by 200 mg for 1 day followed by 100 mg for 1 day and 55 assigned to SOC | Median age 66 ± 17, male 70%, diabetes 29.8%, COPD 7.9%, asthma 7%, CHD 31.6%, cancer 9.6%, | Corticosteroids 46.5%, hydroxychloroquine 5.3%, lopinavir-ritonavir 3.5%, tocilizumab 0.8%, azithromycin 24.6%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| SAVE-MORE trial ; ¹⁷ Kyriazopoulou et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 405 assigned to Anakinra 100 mg SC a day for 7 to 10 days and 189 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.9 ± 12.1, male 57.9%, diabetes 15.8%, COPD 4%, asthma %, CHD 3%, CKD 1.7% | Corticosteroids 86.2%, remdesivir 71.9%, azithromycin 18.7% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors (ACEIs) or angiotensin receptor blockers (ARBs)

Continuing or initiating ACEIs or ARBs may not reduce mortality. Further research is needed to confirm or discard these findings

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|---|--|--|--|--|---|
| RCT | | | | | |
| REPLACE COVID trial ; ¹⁸ Cohen et al; Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 previously treated with ACEI/ARB. 75 assigned to continuation of ACEI/ARB and 77 assigned to discontinuation of ACEI/ARB | Mean age 62 ± 12, male 55.5%, hypertension 100%, diabetes 37%, COPD 17%, asthma %, CHD 12%, | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: RR 1.16 (95%CI 0.74 to 1.81); RD 2.6% (95%CI - 4.2% to 13%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.92 (95%CI 0.67 to 1.25); RD -1.4% (95%CI - 5.7% to 4.3%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| BRACE CORONA trial ; ¹⁹ Lopes et al; Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 334 assigned to continuation of ACEI/ARB and 325 assigned to discontinuation of ACEI/ARB | Median age 55.5 ± 19, male 59.6%, hypertension 100%, diabetes 31.9%, COPD %, asthma 3.9%, CHD 4.6%, CKD 1.4%, cancer 1.5%, | Corticosteroids 49.5%, hydroxychloroquine 19.7%, tocilizumab 3.6%, azithromycin 90.6%, convalescent plasma %, antivirals 42% | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Open label study with blinded outcome assessment. Significant number of patients excluded after randomization. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

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| <p>ACEI-COVID trial;²⁰ Bauer et al; peer reviewed; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 100 assigned to continuation of ACEI/ARB and 104 assigned to discontinuation of ACEI/ARB</p> | <p>Mean age 72 ± 11, male 63%, hypertension 98%, diabetes 33%, CHD 22%</p> | <p>Remdesivir 6.8%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; some Concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results.</p> | |
| <p>ATTRACT trial;²¹ Tornling et al; Preprint; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 51 assigned to C21 (ARB) 200 mg a day for 7 days and 55 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Mean age 52.6 ± 10.3, male 75.5%, hypertension 30.2%, diabetes 34%</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 84.9%, remdesivir 67%, hydroxychloroquine 13.2%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> | |
| <p>Nouri-Vaskeh et al;²² Peer reviewed; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection and non-treated hypertension. 41 assigned to losartan 50 mg a day for 14 days and 39 assigned to Amlodipine 5 mg a day for 14 days</p> | <p>Mean age 63.5 ± 16, male 51.2%, diabetes 23.7%, COPD 15%, asthma %, CHD 18.7%</p> | <p>NR</p> | <p>High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate.</p> | |
| <p>SURG-2020-28683 trial;²³ Puskarich et al; Preprint; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 58 assigned to losartan 25 mg a day for 10 days and 59 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Age (35-54) 46%, male 51.4%, hypertension 7.7%, diabetes 6%, COPD %, asthma 10.2%</p> | <p>NR</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> | |

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| <p>COVID-ARB trial;²⁴ Geriak et al; peer reviewed; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 16 assigned to losartan 25 mg a day for 10 days and 15 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Median age 53, male %, hypertension 38.7%, diabetes 25.8%, CHD 3.2%, obesity 41.9%</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 22.6%, remdesivir 29%, hydroxychloroquine 9.7%, , azithromycin 16.1%, convalescent plasma 6.5%</p> | <p>High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate.</p> | |
| <p>Duarte et al;²⁵ peer reviewed; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 71 assigned to Telmisartan 80 mg twice daily and 70 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Mean age 66 ± 17, male 53.2%, hypertension 44.3%, diabetes 19%, chronic lung disease 11.4%, asthma 1.3%, CHD NR%, CKD 3.2%, cerebrovascular disease 6.9%, obesity 15.2%</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 50.6%</p> | <p>High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. Significant number of exclusions post randomization. Stop early for benefit in the context of multiple interim analysis.</p> | |
| <p>Najmeddin et al;²⁶ peer reviewed; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 28 assigned to continuation of ACEI/ARB and 29 assigned to discontinuation of ACEI/ARB</p> | <p>Mean age 66.3 ± 9.9, male 46.9%, diabetes 50%, COPD 1.6%, CHD 25%, CKD 1.6%, cancer 4.7%,</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 42.2%, remdesivir 10.9%, , azithromycin 9.4%,</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: 10.9% lost to follow-up</p> | |

Anticoagulants

There are specific recommendations on the use of antithrombotic agents⁸ for thromboprophylaxis in hospitalized patients with COVID-19. Regarding the best thromboprophylactic scheme, anticoagulants in intermediate (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg a day) or full dose (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg twice a day) probably does not decrease mortality in comparison with prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day). Anticoagulants in intermediate or full dose may decrease venous thromboembolic events but increase major bleeding in comparison with prophylactic dose.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| HESACOVID trial ; ²⁷ Bertoldi Lemos et al; peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with critical COVID-19. Ten assigned to low molecular weight heparin therapeutic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg twice a day) and 10 assigned to prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day) | Mean age 56.5 ± 13, male 80%, hypertension 35%, diabetes 35%, coronary heart disease 10%, immunosuppression 5% | Corticosteroids 70%, hydroxy-chloroquine 25%, azithromycin 90% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: RR 0.97 (95%CI 0.79 to 1.19); RD -0.5% (95%CI -3.4% to 3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information |
| REMAP-CAP , ACTIV-4a , ATTACC trial ; ²⁸ Zarychanski et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 534 assigned low molecular weight heparin therapeutic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg twice a day) and 564 assigned to prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day) | Mean age 61 ± 12.5, male 70%, diabetes 32.7%, COPD 24.1%, CHD 6.9%, CKD 9.6%, | Corticosteroids 79.3%, remdesivir 30.8%, tocilizumab 1.8%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Open-label study but outcome assessors were blinded. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Venous thromboembolic events (intermediate dose): RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.53 to 1.96); RD 0.1% (95%CI -3.3% to 6.7%); Low ⊕⊕○○ |
| INSPIRATION trial ; ²⁹ Sadeghipour et al; peer reviewed; | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. | Median age 62 ± 21, male 57.8%, hypertension 44.3%, | Corticosteroids 93.2%, remdesivir 60.1%, lopinavir-ritonavir 1%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom | |

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| 2021 | 276 assigned to low molecular weight heparin intermediate dose (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg a day) and 286 assigned to low molecular weight heparin prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day) | diabetes 27.7%, COPD 6.9%, CHD 13.9%, CKD %, cerebrovascular disease 3% | tocilizumab 13.2% | resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Open-label study but outcome assessors were blinded. | Venous thromboembolic events (therapeutic dose): RR 0.59 (95%CI 0.44 to 0.79); RD -2.9% (95%CI -3.9% to -1.5%); Moderate ⊕⊕⊕○ Major bleeding: RR 1.72 (95%CI 1.14 to 2.61); RD 1.4% (95%CI 0.3% to 3.1%); Moderate ⊕⊕⊕○ Hospitalization: No information |
| Perepu et al; ³⁰ preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 87 assigned to low molecular weight heparin intermediate dose (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg a day) and 86 assigned to low molecular weight heparin prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day) | Median age 64 ± 62, male 56%, hypertension 60%, diabetes 37%, COPD 23%, CHD 31%, cancer 12%, obesity 49% | Corticosteroids 75%, remdesivir 61%, azithromycin 21%, convalescent plasma 27% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| REMAP-CAP, ACTIV-4a, ATTACC trial; ³¹ Zarychanski et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 1171 assigned to enoxaparin 1 mg/kg twice a day and 1048 assigned to low molecular weight heparin prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day) | Mean age 59 ± 14, male 58.7%, hypertension 51.8%, diabetes 29.7%, COPD 21.7%, CHD 10.6%, CKD 6.9%, immunosuppressive therapy 9.7% | Corticosteroids 61.7%, remdesivir 36.4%, tocilizumab 0.6% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Open-label study but outcome assessors were blinded. | |
| ACTION trial; ³² Lopes et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 311 assigned | Mean age 56.6 ± 14.3, male 60%, hypertension 49.1%, diabetes 24.4%, | Corticosteroids 83% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom | |

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| | to enoxaparin 1 mg/kg twice a day or rivaroxaban 20 mg a day and 304 assigned to low molecular weight heparin prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day) or unfractionated heparin prophylactic dose | COPD 3.1%, asthma 4.7%, CHD 4.6%, cancer 2.6%, | | resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Although patients and carers were aware of the intervention arm assigned, outcome assessors were blinded. | |
| RAPID trial , ³³ Sholzberg et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 228 assigned to therapeutic anticoagulation (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg) twice a day and 237 assigned to low molecular weight heparin prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day) or unfractionated heparin prophylactic dose | Mean age 60 ± 14.5, male 56.8%, hypertension 43.8%, diabetes 34.4%, COPD 13.5%, asthma %, CHD 7.3%, CKD 7.1%, cerebrovascular disease 4.1%, cancer 6.9%, | Corticosteroids 69.4% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Open-label study but outcome assessors were blinded. | |
| Gates MRI RESPOND-1 trial , ³⁴ Ananworanich et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild covid-19 and risk factors for severity. 222 assigned to rivaroxaban 10 mg a day and 222 assigned to SOC | Median age 49, male 39.3%, hypertension 51.8%, diabetes 27.7%, COPD 6.1%, immunosuppressive therapy 3.4% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.08 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.27); RD 4.8% |

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Aprepitant

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Mehboob et al. ³⁵ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned to aprepitant 80 mg once a day for 3-5 days and 8 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 54.2 ± 10.91, male 61.1%, | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No</p> |
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Artemisinin

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| ARTI-19 trial , ³⁶ Tieu et al; Preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 39 assigned to artemisinin 500 mg for 5 days and 21 assigned to SOC | Mean age 43.3 ± 11.9, male 63.3% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty |
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Aspirin

Aspirin probably does not reduce mortality, nor mechanical ventilation and probably does not increase symptom resolution or improvement.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| RESIST trial , ³⁷ Ghati et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 221 assigned to aspirin 75 mg once a day for 10 days and 219 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53.1 ± 9.2, male 73.3%, hypertension 28.6%, diabetes 27.7%, CHD 1.1%, CKD 2.4% | Corticosteroids 27.3%, remdesivir 20.6%, hydroxychloroquine 9.9%, tocilizumab 0.6%, convalescent plasma 0.2% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Blinding and concealment probably inappropriate. | Mortality: RR 0.96 (95%CI 0.90 to 1.03); RD -0.6% (95%CI -1.6% to 0.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.95 (95%CI 0.87 to 1.05); RD -0.8% (95%CI -2.2% to 0.9%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| RECOVERY-ASA trial , ³⁸ Horby et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 7351 assigned to aspirin 150 mg a day and 7541 assigned to SOC | Median age 59.2 ± 14.2, male 61.5%, diabetes 22%, COPD 19%, asthma %, CHD 10.5%, CKD 3%, | Corticosteroids 94% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.02 (95%CI 1.0 to 1.04); RD 1% (95%CI -0.1% to 2.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No |

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| Auxora Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Miller et al. ³⁹ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 17 assigned to Auxora initial dose 2.0 mg/kg (max 250 mg), followed by 1.6 mg/kg (max 200 mg) at 24 and 48 h and nine assigned to standard of care | Mean age 60 ± 12, male 46.1%, hypertension 46.1%, diabetes 38.4%, | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. Analysis performed on a subgroup (patients that required high-flow nasal cannula (HFNC) were excluded from primary analysis). | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Aviptadil

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| COVID-AIV trial ⁴⁰ Jihad et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 136 assigned to aviptadil three infusions of 50, 100 and 150 pmol/kg/hr and 67 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61 ± NR, male 69%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Blinding and concealment probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Azelaatine (inhaled)

Azelaatine probably does not reduce mortality or mechanical ventilation and does not improve time to symptom resolution.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| <p>CARVIN trial;⁴¹ Klussmann et al; preprint; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 56 assigned to azelaatine (inhaled) 0.02 to 0.1% twice a day for 11 days and 28 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>NR</p> | <p>NR</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Azithromycin

Azithromycin probably does not reduce mortality or mechanical ventilation and does not improve time to symptom resolution.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Sekhavati et al. ⁴² peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 56 assigned to azithromycin 500 mg twice daily and 55 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 57.1 ± 15.73, male 45.9% | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, lopinavir-ritonavir 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: RR 1.01 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.1); RD 0.2% (95%CI -1.3% to 1.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.94 (95%CI 0.78 to 1.13); RD -1% (95%CI -3.8% to 2.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| Guvenmez et al. ⁴³ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 12 assigned to lincomycin 600 mg twice a day for 5 days and 12 assigned to azithromycin 500 mg on first day followed by 250 mg a day for 5 days | Mean age 58.7 ± 16, male 70.8%, | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.99 to 1.04); RD 1.2% (95%CI -0.6% to 2.4%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |
| COALITION II trial ⁴⁴ Furtado et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 214 assigned to azithromycin 500 mg once a day for 10 days and 183 assigned to | Median age 59.8 ± 19.5, male 66%, hypertension 60.7%, diabetes 38.2%, chronic lung disease 6%, asthma %, coronary heart disease 5.8%, | Corticosteroids 18.1%, lopinavir-ritonavir 1%, oseltamivir 46%, ATB 85% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Adverse events: RR 1.23 (95%CI 0.51 to 2.96); RD 2.4% (95%CI -5% to |

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| | standard of care | chronic kidney disease 11%, cerebrovascular disease 3.8%, immunosuppression %, cancer 3.5%, obesity % | | Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | 19.9%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: RR 0.98 (95%CI 0.52 to 1.86); RD -0.1% (95%CI -3.6% to 6.4%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| RECOVERY trial ⁴⁵ Horby et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19. 2582 assigned to azithromycin 500 mg a day for 10 days and 5182 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 65.3 ± 15.6, male 62%, diabetes 27.5%, COPD 24.5%, asthma %, coronary heart disease 26.5%, chronic kidney disease 6% | Corticosteroids 61%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Rashad et al ; ⁴⁶ preprint ; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 107 assigned to AZT 500 mg a day for 7 days, 99 assigned to Clarithromycin 1000 mg a day for 7 days and 99 assigned to SOC | Mean age 44.4 ± 18, male 29.8% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| PRINCIPLE trial ; ⁴⁷ Butler et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 500 assigned to azithromycin 500 mg a day for 3 days and 629 assigned to SOC | Mean age 60.7 ± 7.8, male 43%, hypertension 42%, diabetes 18%, COPD 38%, asthma %, CHD 15%, cerebrovascular disease 6%, | NR | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have | |

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| | | | | introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. Significant loss to follow-up. | |
| ATOMIC2 trial ; ⁴⁸ Hinks et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 145 assigned to azithromycin 500 mg a day for 14 days and 147 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45.9 ± 14.8, male 51.5%, hypertension 17.6%, diabetes 8.5%, COPD 4.1%, asthma 18%, CHD 4.1%, cancer 0.3%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| ACTION trial ; ⁴⁹ Oldenburg et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 131 assigned to azithromycin 1.2 g once and 70 assigned to SOC | Median age 43, male 44%, hypertension 12.2%, diabetes 3.8%, COPD 1.5%, asthma 12%, CKD 1%, cerebrovascular disease 1%, cancer 0.4%, | NR | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Significant loss to follow-up. | |
| Ghanei et al ; ⁵⁰ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 110 assigned to Lopinavir-Ritonavir 200/50 mg twice a day for 7 days and 110 assigned to azithromycin 500 mg once followed by 250 mg a day for 5 | Mean age 58.1 ± 16.3, male 51.5%, hypertension 24.7%, diabetes 12.2%, asthma 4.5%, CHD 8.9%, CKD 1.2%, | Convalescent plasma 1.8% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | |

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| Azvadine Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Ren et al ; ⁵¹ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned to azvadine 5 mg once a day and 10 assigned to standard of care | Median age 52 ± 59, male 60%, hypertension 5%, diabetes 5%, coronary heart disease 5% | Antivirals 100%, antibiotics 40% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Baloxavir

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Lou et al. ⁵² preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned to baloxavir 80 mg a day on days 1, 4 and 7, 9 assigned to favipiravir and 10 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 52.5 ± 12.5, male 72.4%, hypertension 20.7%, diabetes 6.9%, coronary heart disease 13.8% | Antivirals 100%, interferon 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab (monoclonal antibody)

Bamlanivimab may reduce hospitalizations and infections in exposed individuals. It is uncertain if it affects mortality, mechanical ventilation requirements. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| BLAZE-1 trial , ⁵³ Chen et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 309 assigned to bamlanivimab 700 mg, 2800 mg, or 7000 mg once and 143 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 45 ± 68, male 55% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.99 to 1.06); RD 1.2% (95%CI 3.6% to 5.4%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| ACTIV-3/TICO trial , ⁵⁴ Lundgren et al; Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 163 assigned to bamlanivimab 7000 mg once and 151 assigned to SOC | Median age 71 ± 22, male 66%, hypertension 49%, diabetes 29%, COPD %, asthma 9%, CHD 4%, CKD 11%, obesity 52% | Corticosteroids 49%, remdesivir 95% | Low for mortality and adverse events; high for symptom resolution. Notes: Significant loss to follow-up for symptom improvement/resolution outcome. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): RR 0.56 (95%CI 0.39 to 0.81); RD -7.6% (95%CI -10.6% to -3.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| Gottlieb et al , ⁵⁵ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 309 assigned to bamlanivimab 700-7000 mg once, 112 assigned to bamlanivimab + etesevimab and 156 assigned to SOC | Mean age 44.7 ± 15.7, male 45.4% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Adverse events: RR 1.16 (95%CI 0.76 to 1.78); RD 1.6% (95%CI -0.2% to -7.9%); Low certainty |

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| BLAZE-2 trial ; ⁵⁶ Cohen et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients exposed to SARS-CoV2. 484 assigned to bamlanivimab 4200 mg once and 482 assigned to SOC | Median age 53 | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | ⊕⊕○○ Hospitalization: RR 0.29 (95%CI 0.17 to 0.51); RD -5.2% (95%CI -6.1% to -3.6%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| BLAZE-1 trial ; ⁵⁷ Dougan et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 518 assigned to bamlanivimab + etesevimab 2800/2800 mg and 517 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53.8 ± 16.8, hypertension 33.9%, diabetes 27.5%, COPD %, CHD 7.4%, CKD 3.5%, immunosuppressive therapy 4.9% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| J2W-MC-PYAA trial ; ⁵⁸ Chen et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 18 assigned to bamlanivimab 700 to 7000 mg once and 6 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53.9, male 54.2%, hypertension 33.3%, diabetes 25%, asthma 25%, CHD 12.5%, CKD 4%, obesity 8.3% | Corticosteroids 29.1%, remdesivir 50%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| OPTIMISE-C19 trial ; ⁵⁹ McCreary et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection disease and risk factors for severity. 922 assigned to REGN-CoV2 (Regeneron) and 1013 assigned to bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab | Mean age 56 ± 16, male 46%, hypertension 53%, diabetes 25%, COPD 19%, asthma %, CHD 18%, CKD 6.5%, immunosuppressive therapy 27%, obesity 48% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| ACTIV-2 trial ; ⁶⁰ Choudhary et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 159 assigned to bamlanivimab 700 to 7000 mg and 158 assigned to SOC | Nr | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | |

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| Baricitinib | | | | | |
| Baricitinib probably reduces mortality and time to symptom resolution. Certainty of the evidence was moderate because of risk of bias. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| ACTT-2 trial ; ⁶¹ Kalil et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 515 assigned to baricitinib + remdesivir 4 mg a day for 14 days + 200 mg once followed by 100 mg a day for 10 days and 518 assigned to remdesivir | Mean age 55.4 ± 15.7, male 63.1%, comorbidities 84.4% | Corticosteroids 11.9% | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Significant loss to follow-up. | Mortality: RR 0.63 (95%CI 0.48 to 0.81); RD -5.9% (95%CI -8.3% to -3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.66 (95%CI 0.46 to 0.93); RD -5.9% (95%CI -9.2% to -1.2%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.25 (95%CI 1.11 to 1.41); RD 15.1% (95%CI 6.6% to 24.8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |

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| COV-BARRIER trial ; ⁶² Marconi et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 764 assigned to baricitinib 4 mg for 14 days and 761 assigned to SOC | Mean age 57.6 ± 14.1, male 63.1%, hypertension 47.9%, diabetes 30%, COPD 4.6%, obesity 33% | Corticosteroids 79.3%, remdesivir 18.9% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

BCG

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Padmanabhan et al ; ⁶³ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 30 assigned to BCG 0.1 ml once and 30 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 45.2 ± 36.5, male 60%, obesity 23% | Remdesivir 6.6% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |
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| Bioven Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Rybakov et al; ⁶⁴ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 32 assigned to bioven 0.8-1 g/kg once a day for 2 days and 34 assigned to SOC | NA | NA | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

Bromhexine hydrochloride

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Li T et al ; ⁶⁵ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 12 assigned to bromhexine hydrochloride 32 mf three times a day for 14 days and 6 assigned to standard of care | Median age 52 ± 15.5, male 77.8%, hypertension 33.3%, diabetes 11.1% | Corticosteroids 22.2%, interferon 77.7% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Ansarin et al ; ⁶⁶ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19. 39 assigned to bromhexine 8 mg three time a day for 14 days and 39 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 59.7 ± 14.9, male 55.1%, hypertension 50%, diabetes 33.3% | Hydroxychloroquine 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |
| Mikhaylov et al ; ⁶⁷ Preprint; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 25 assigned to bromhexine 12 mg a day and 25 assigned to SOC | Mean age 40.6 ± 7.6, male 42%, comorbidity 6% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| Tolouian et al. ⁶⁸ Peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 48 assigned to bromhexine 32 mg a day for 14 days and 52 assigned to SOC | Mean age 52 ± 16, male 46%, hypertension 39%, diabetes 33%, COPD 7%, asthma 6%, CHD 9%, CKD 5%, cerebrovascular disease 2%, cancer 6%, | Lopinavir-ritonavir 100%, interferon 100% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |

Camostat mesilate

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| CamoCO-19 trial ; ⁶⁹ Gunst et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 137 assigned to camostat mesilate 200 mg a day for 5 days and 68 assigned to SOC | Median age 61 ± 23, male 60%, hypertension 34%, diabetes 17%, COPD 10%, asthma 13%, CHD 19%, cancer 14%, obesity 33% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

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| <p>Canakinumab</p> <p>Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.</p> | | | | | |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| <p>CAN-COVID trial;⁷⁰ Caricchio et al; peer reviewed; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 223 assigned to canakinumab 450-750 mg/kg once and 223 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Median age 59, male 58.8%, hypertension 55.7%, diabetes 36.1%, COPD 7.3%, asthma 7.7%, CHD 20.3%, CKD 8.8%, cerebrovascular disease 5.9%</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 36.3%, remdesivir 20.7%, hydroxychloroquine 13.2%, azithromycin 37.4%, convalescent plasma 3.5%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty</p> |
| <p>Three C trial;⁷¹ Cremer et al; peer reviewed; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 29 assigned to canakinumab 300 to 600 mg once and 16 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Mean age 68.8 ± 13.2, male 73.3%, hypertension 71.1%, diabetes 46.7%, COPD 17.8% CHD 22.2%, CKD 33.3%, cerebrovascular disease 4.4%</p> | <p>Steroids 46.7%, remdesivir 46.7%, convalescent plasma 9%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty</p> |

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CERC-002 (monoclonal antibody)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Perlin et al. ⁷² preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 31 assigned to CERC-002 16 mg/kg once and 31 assigned to SOC | Mean age 58.5 ± 14, male 69.5% | Corticosteroids 91.5%, remdesivir 68.2% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. Significant loss to follow-up. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Chloroquine nasal drops

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Thakar et al ; ⁷³ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 30 assigned to chloroquine nasal drops 0.03% six times a day for 10 days and 30 assigned to SOC | Mean age 34.9 ± 10.35, male 78.3% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

CIGB-325

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| ATENEA-Co-300 trial ; ⁷⁴ Cruz et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 10 assigned to CIGB-325 2.5 mg/kg/day during 5-consecutive days) and 10 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 45.3 ± 12, male 70%, hypertension 25%, diabetes 0%, cancer 5%, obesity 25% | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, lopinavir-ritonavir 100%, IFN 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Clarithromycin

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Rashad et al; ⁴⁶ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 107 assigned to AZT 500 mg a day for 7 days, 99 assigned to clarithromycin 1000 mg a day for 7 days and 99 assigned to SOC | Mean age 44.4 ± 18, male 29.8% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Cofactors (L-carnitine, N-acetylcysteine, nicotinamide, serine)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| COVID-19-MCS trial ; ⁷⁵ Altay et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 71 assigned to cofactors (L-carnitine, N-acetylcysteine, nicotinamide, serine) and 22 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 35.6 ± 47, male 60% | Hydroxychloroquine 100% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Outcome assessors not blinded. Possible reporting bias. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Colchicine

Colchicine probably does not reduce mortality and mechanical ventilation requirements nor improve time to symptom resolution; In mild ambulatory patients it may reduce hospitalizations, but the certainty of the evidence is low. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care (standard of care) and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| GRECCO-19 trial ; ⁷⁶ Deftereos et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 50 assigned to colchicine 1.5 mg once followed by 0.5 mg twice daily until hospital discharge or 21 days and 55 assigned to standard of care | Median age 64 ± 11, male 58.1%, hypertension 45%, diabetes 20%, chronic lung disease 4.8%, coronary heart disease 13.3%, immunosuppression 3.75% | Hydroxychloroquine 98%, lopinavir-ritonavir 31.4%, tocilizumab 3.8%, azithromycin 92% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: RR 1 (95%CI 0.93 to 1.07); RD 0% (95%CI -1.1% to 1.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.13); RD 0.3% (95%CI -1.4% to -2.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| Lopes et al ; ⁷⁷ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 19 assigned to colchicine 0.5 mg three times a day, for 5 days followed by 0.5 mg twice daily for 5 days and 19 assigned to standard of care | Median age 50.75 ± 26.2, male 40%, diabetes 31.4%, chronic lung disease 14.2%, coronary heart disease 40% | Corticosteroids 40%, hydroxychloroquine 100%, azithromycin 100%, heparin 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1 (95%CI 0.97 to 1.02); RD 0% (95%CI -1.8% to 1.2%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |
| Salehzadeh et al ; ⁷⁸ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19. 50 assigned to colchicine | Mean age 56, male 41%, hypertension 11%, diabetes 11%, chronic lung disease 4%, | Hydroxychloroquine 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, | Adverse events: RR 0.78 (95%CI 0.61 to 0.99); RD -2.2% (95%CI -4% to -0.1%); |

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| | 1 mg a day for 6 days and 50 assigned to standard of care | coronary heart disease 15%, chronic kidney disease 5% | | infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕ Pulmonary embolism: RR 5.55 (95%CI 1.23 to 25); RD 0.4% (95%CI 0.02% to 2.2%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| Tardif et al ; ⁷⁹ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients recently diagnosed mild COVID-19 and risk factors for severe disease. 2235 assigned to colchicine 1 mg a day for 3 days followed by 0.5 mg for a total of 27 days and 2253 assigned to SOC | Mean age 54.3, male 46%, hypertension 36.3%, diabetes 19.9%, COPD 26.5%, CHD 5.4%, obesity 45.7% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Hospitalization: RR 0.81 (95%CI 0.63 to 1.04); RD -1.4% (95%CI -2.7% to 0.3%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| RECOVERY- Colchicine trial ; ⁸⁰ Horby et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 5610 assigned to colchicine 500 mg twice a day for 10 days and 5730 assigned to SOC | Mean age 63.4 ± 13.8, male 69.5%, diabetes 25.5%, COPD 21.5%, asthma %, CHD 21%, CKD 3% | Corticosteroids 94% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| COL-COVID trial ; ⁸¹ Figal et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 52 assigned to colchicine 1.5 g once followed by 1 g a day for 7 days and 51 | Mean age 51 ± 12, male 52.4%, hypertension 27.2%, diabetes 14.6%, COPD 1%, CHD 2.9%, CKD 6.8%, cerebrovascular disease 1.9%, | Corticosteroids 74.8%, remdesivir 32%, lopinavir-ritonavir 1%, tocilizumab 9.7%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | |

| | assigned to SOC | immunosuppressive therapy %, cancer %, obesity 21.4% | | study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | |
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| PRINCIPLE - Colchicine trial , ⁸² Dorward et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 156 assigned to colchicine 500 µg a day for 14 days and 133 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61, male 50%, hypertension 19.5%, diabetes 10.9%, COPD or asthma 32.2%, CHD 8%, cerebrovascular disease or other neurological diseases 5.2%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, hospitalization, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Colchicine + rosuvastatin Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Gaitan-Duarte et al , ⁸³ preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 153 assigned to colchicine + rosuvastatin 1 mg + 40 mg a day for 14 days and 161 assigned to SOC | Mean age 55.4 ± 12.8, male 68%, hypertension 28%, diabetes 12%, COPD 4% | Corticosteroids 98%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic |

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Convalescent plasma

Convalescent plasma does not reduce mortality nor mechanical ventilation requirements nor improves time to symptom resolution. Convalescent plasma probably increases severe adverse events.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Li et al. , ⁸⁴ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 52 assigned to convalescent plasma 4 to 13 mL/kg of recipient body weight and 51 assigned to standard of care | Median age 70 ± 8, male 58.3%, hypertension 54.3%, diabetes 10.6%, coronary heart disease 25%, chronic kidney disease 5.8%, cerebrovascular disease 17.45%, cancer 2.9%, liver disease 10.7% | Corticosteroids 39.2%, antivirals 89.3%, ATB 81%, IFN 20.2%, IVIG 25.4% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: RR 1 (95%CI 0.94 to 1.06); RD 0% (95%CI -1% to 1%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 1.05 (95% CI 0.94 to 1.17); RD 0.8% (95%CI -1% to 2.9%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕</p> |
| CONCOVID trial: Gharbharan et al; ⁸⁵ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 43 assigned to convalescent plasma 300 ml once or twice and 43 assigned to standard of care | Median age 62 ± 18, male 72%, hypertension 26%, diabetes 24.4%, chronic lung disease 26.7%, coronary heart disease 23.2%, chronic kidney disease 8.1%, immunosuppression | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 0.99 (95% CI 0.94 to 1.05); RD -0.6% (95%CI -3.6% to 3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> |

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| | | 12.8%, cancer 9.3% | | study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: RR 1.38 (95% CI 1.07 to 1.78); RD 3.9% (95%CI 0.7% to 8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> <p>Hospitalization: RR 0.90 (95% CI 0.64 to 1.26); RD -0.7% (95%CI -2.7% to 1.9%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> |
| Avendaño-Solá et al , ⁸⁶ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 38 assigned to convalescent plasma 250-300 ml once and 43 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 60.8 ± 15.5, male 54.3%, hypertension 39.5%, diabetes 20.9%, chronic lung disease 12.3%, asthma NR%, coronary heart disease 18.5%, chronic kidney disease 4.9% | Corticosteroids 56.8%, remdesivir 4.94%, hydroxychloroquine 86.4%, lopinavir-ritonavir 41.9%, tocilizumab 28.4%, azithromycin 61.7% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| PLACID trial , ⁸⁷ Agarwal et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 235 assigned to convalescent plasma 200 ml twice in 24 h and 229 assigned to standard of care | Median age 52 ± 18, male 76.3%, hypertension 37.3%, diabetes 43.1%, chronic lung disease 3.2%, coronary heart disease 6.9%, chronic kidney disease 3.7%, cerebrovascular disease 0.9%, cancer 0.2%, obesity 7.1% | Corticosteroids 64.4%, remdesivir 4.3%, hydroxychloroquine 67.7%, lopinavir-ritonavir 14.2%, tocilizumab 9%, azithromycin 63.8% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| PLASM-AR trial , ⁸⁸ Simonovich et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 228 assigned to convalescent plasma and 105 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 62 ± 20, male 67.6%, hypertension 47.7%, diabetes 18.3%, COPD 7.5%, asthma 4.2%, coronary heart disease 3.3%, chronic kidney disease 4.2% | Corticosteroids 93.3%, hydroxychloroquine 0.3%, lopinavir-ritonavir 3%, tocilizumab 4.2% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| ILBS-COVID-02 trial ; ⁸⁹ Bajpai et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 14 assigned to convalescent plasma 500 ml twice and 15 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 48.2 ± 9.8, male 75.9%, | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, azithromycin 100%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| AlQahtani et al ; ⁹⁰ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 20 assigned to convalescent plasma 200 ml twice and 20 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 51.6 ± 13.7, male 80%, hypertension 25%, diabetes 30%, COPD 7.5%, asthma %, coronary heart disease 10%, chronic kidney disease 5% | Corticosteroids 12.5%, hydroxychloroquine 92.5%, lopinavir-ritonavir 85%, tocilizumab 30%, azithromycin 87.5% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Fundacion INFANT-Plasma trial ; ⁹¹ Libster et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 80 assigned to convalescent plasma 250 ml and 80 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 77.1 ± 8.6, male 47.5%, hypertension 71.2%, diabetes 22.5%, COPD 4.4%, asthma 3.8%, coronary heart disease 13.1%, chronic kidney disease 2.5%, cancer 3.8%, obesity 7.5% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| PICP19 trial ; ⁹² Ray et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 40 assigned to convalescent plasma 200 ml and 40 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 61 ± 11.5, male 71.2%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| RECOVERY-Plasma trial ; ⁹³ Horby et al; Other; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 5795 assigned to CP 275 ml a day for two days and 5763 assigned to SOC | Median age 63.5 ± 14.7, male 64.2%, diabetes 26%, COPD 24%, CHD 22% | Corticosteroids <1%, lopinavir-ritonavir <1%, azithromycin 10%, colchicine 14% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Baklaushev et al ; ⁹⁴ peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 46 assigned to CP 640 ml divided in two infusions and 20 assigned to SOC | Age 56.3 ± 11, male 60.6% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| O'Donnell et al ; ⁹⁵ Peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 150 assigned to CP one infusion and 73 assigned to SOC | Median age 61 ± 23, male 65.9%, hypertension 33.6%, diabetes 36.8%, COPD 9%, CHD 37.7%, CKD 9.4%, obesity 48.8% | Corticosteroids 81%, remdesivir 6%, hydroxychloroquine 6% | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Sensitivity analysis including loss to |

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| | | | | follow-up patients significantly modified results. At the time mortality was measured the number of patients on IMV was significantly higher in the intervention arm. | |
| Beltran Gonzalez et al ; ⁹⁶ preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 130 assigned to CP 200 ml a day for 2 days and 60 assigned to IVIG | Mean age 58 ± 25, male 62.6%, hypertension 35.2%, diabetes 34.7%, COPD 4.7%, CHD 3.1%, CKD 3.1%, cerebrovascular disease 1.05%, cancer 0.53%, obesity 41.5% | Corticosteroids 82.6% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Pouladzadeh et al ; ⁹⁷ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 30 assigned to CP 500 ml once or twice and 30 assigned to SOC | Mean age 55.3 ± 13.6, male 55%, comorbidities 50% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| SBU-COVID19-Convalescent Plasma trial ; ⁹⁸ Bennett-Guerrero et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 59 assigned to CP 480 ml once and 15 assigned to SOC | Mean age 65.5 ± 16.6, male 59.5%, hypertension 68.9%, diabetes 33.7%, COPD 12.1%, CHD 17.6%, CKD 9.5%, cerebrovascular disease | Corticosteroids 60.8%, remdesivir 24.3%, hydroxychloroquine 31%, tocilizumab 21.6% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| | | 14.8%, immunosuppressive therapy 8.1% | | | |
| Salman et al; ⁹⁹ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 15 assigned to CP 250 ml once and 15 assigned to SOC | Median age 57 ± 10, male 70%, diabetes 30%, asthma 16.6%, cerebrovascular disease 43.3% | Corticosteroids 76.6% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| CAPSID trial; ¹⁰⁰ Koerper et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 53 assigned to CP 850 ml in three infusions and 52 assigned to SOC | Mean age 60 ± 13, male 73.3%, hypertension 56.2%, diabetes 31.4%, COPD 16.2%, CHD 21.9%, cancer 4.7%, obesity 54.2% | Corticosteroids 89.5% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| REMAP-CAP trial; ¹⁰¹ Green et al; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 1075 assigned to CP 550-700 ml and 904 assigned to SOC | Mean age 62 ± 12.9, male 67.6%, diabetes 30.9%, COPD 23.2%, asthma 19.4%, CHD 8.1%, CKD 10.4%, immunosuppressive therapy 6.4%, cancer 1.4% | Corticosteroids 93.4%, remdesivir 45.1%, tocilizumab 2% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| CONCOR-1 trial; ¹⁰² Bégín et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 614 assigned to CP 500 ml and 307 assigned to SOC | Mean age 67.5 ± 15.6, male 59.1%, diabetes 35%, COPD 24.1%, CHD 62% | Corticosteroids 80.4%, azithromycin 44.3% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| PLACOVID trial , ¹⁰³ Sekine et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 80 assigned to CP 300 ml twice and 80 assigned to SOC | Median age 60.5 ± 20, male 58.1%, hypertension 61.3%, diabetes 39.4%, COPD 13.8%, CHD 21.9%, obesity 56.9% | Corticosteroids 98.8% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| COVIDIT trial , ¹⁰⁴ Kirenga et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 69 assigned to CP 150 -300 ml twice and 67 assigned to SOC | Mean age 50 ± 23.5, male 71.3%, hypertension 36%, diabetes 32%, asthma 3.7%, obesity 33.3% | Corticosteroids 58.8%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| C3PO trial , ¹⁰⁵ Korley et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with early mild to moderate COVID-19 infection with risk factors for severe disease. 257 assigned to CP 250 ml and 254 assigned to SOC | Median age 54 ± 21, male 46%, hypertension 42.3%, diabetes 27.8%, COPD 6.1%, CHD 10%, CKD 5.3%, cancer 0.8%, obesity % | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |

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| <p>DAWn-Plasma trial;¹⁰⁶ Devos et al; peer reviewed; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 320 assigned to CP 200 to 250 ml once or twice and 163 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Mean age 62 ± 14, male 68.7%, hypertension %, diabetes 29.6%, COPD 9.4%, asthma 10.1%, CHD 14.1%, CKD 13.4%,</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 66.4%, remdesivir 14.8%, hydroxychloroquine 1.4%, lopinavir-ritonavir 0.4%, tocilizumab 0.6%,</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results.</p> | |
| <p>Balcels et al;¹⁰⁷ peer reviewed; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 28 assigned to convalescent plasma at enrolment, 200 mg twice and 30 assigned to convalescent plasma when clinical deterioration was observed (43.3% received CP in this arm)</p> | <p>Mean age 65.8 ± 65, male 50%, hypertension 67.2%, diabetes 36.2%, chronic lung disease %, asthma 5.1%, coronary heart disease %, chronic kidney disease 8.6%, cerebrovascular disease 5.1%, immunosuppression 12%, cancer 7%, obesity 12%</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 51.7%, hydroxychloroquine 12%, lopinavir-ritonavir 1.7%, tocilizumab 3.4%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results.</p> | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |
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| <p>Joyner et al;¹⁰⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection.</p> | <p>Median age 62.3 ± 79.3, male 60.8%</p> | <p>NR</p> | <p>Low for specific transfusion related adverse events</p> | <p>Adverse events: Transfusion related circulatory overload</p> |

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Dapagliflozin

Dapagliflozin may reduce mortality but probably does not increase symptom resolution. Further research is needed.

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| DARE-19 trial ¹⁰⁹ Kosiborod et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection and cardiometabolic risk factors. 625 assigned to dapagliflozin 10 mg for 30 days and 625 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.4 ± 13.5, male 57.4%, hypertension 84.8%, diabetes 50.9%, COPD 4.6%, CHD 7.2%, CKD 6.6%, obesity 48.1% | Corticosteroids 28.4%, remdesivir 18% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: RR 0.76 (95%CI 0.51 to 1.12); RD -3.8% (95%CI -7.8% to 1.9%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.98 to 1.06); RD 1.2% (95%CI -1.2% to 3.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty</p> |
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Darunavir-cobicistat

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| DC-COVID-19 trial ; ¹¹⁰ Chen et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 15 assigned to darunavir-cobicistat 800 mg/150 mg once a day for 5 days and 15 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 47.2 ± 2.8, male NR, diabetes 6.6%, coronary heart disease 26.6% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |
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Dimethyl sulfoxide (DSMO) (nasal spray)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Hosseinzadeh et al , ¹¹¹ preprint; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 116 assigned to DSMO three applications a day for one month and 116 assigned to SOC | Mean age 37.2 ± 8.7 | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |
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Doxycycline

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| DOXYCOV trial , ¹¹² Sobngwi et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 92 assigned to doxycycline 200 mg a day for 7 days and 95 assigned to SOC | Mean age 39 ± 13, male 52.4%, hypertension 1.1%, asthma 1.6% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1 |
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| PRINCIPLE trial ; ¹¹³ Butler et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 780 assigned to doxycycline 200 mg once followed by 100 mg a day for 7 days and 948 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.1 ± 7.9, male 44.1%, hypertension 41.5%, diabetes 18%, COPD 37.3%, CHD 14.2%, cerebrovascular disease 6.2% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: RR 1.13 (95%CI 0.73 to 1.74); RD 0.5% (95%CI -1.4% to 2.6%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |

Dutasteride

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| AB-DRUG-SARS-004 trial ; ¹¹⁴ Cadejani et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 64 assigned to dutasteride (dosage not reported) and 66 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 42 ± 12, male 100 %, diabetes 11%, COPD 0%, asthma 1%, coronary heart disease 1%, cancer 0%, obesity 15.4% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| EAT-DUTA | Patients with mild to | Mean age 41.9 ± 12.4, | NR | High for mortality and | ⊕○○○ |

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| AndroCoV trial ; ¹¹⁵ Cadejani et al; Peer reviewed; 2020 | moderate COVID-19. 43 assigned to dutasteride 0.5 mg a day for 30 days and 44 assigned to SOC | male 100%, hypertension 21.8%, diabetes 9.2%, COPD 0%, asthma 1.1%, CHD 1.1%, cancer 0%, obesity 10.3% | | mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Significant lost to follow-up. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
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Electrolyzed saline

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| TX-COVID19 trial ; ¹¹⁶ Delgado-Enciso et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 45 assigned to electrolyzed saline nebulizations 4 times a day for 10 days and 39 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 47 ± 14.6, male 53.5%, hypertension 18.9%, diabetes 11.9% | Corticosteroids 3.65%, remdesivir %, hydroxychloroquine 7.5%, ivermectin 9.4%, ATB 30.6% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: |
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Emtricitabine/tenofovir

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Gaitan-Duarte et al. ¹¹⁷ preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 160 assigned to emtricitabine/tenofovir 200/300 mg once a day for 10 days and 161 assigned to SOC | Mean age 55.4 ± 12.8, male 68%, hypertension 28%, diabetes 12%, COPD 4% | Corticosteroids 98%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

Enisamium

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Holubovska et al. ¹¹⁸ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. assigned to enisamium 500 mg 4 times a day for 7 days or SOC. Number of patients in each arm not reported. | NR | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Famotidine

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Samimagham et al. ¹¹⁹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned to famotidine 160 mg for up to 14 days and 10 assigned to SOC | Mean age 47.5 ± 13, male 60%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Favipiravir

Favipiravir may not reduce mortality nor mechanical ventilation requirements and it probably does not improve time to symptom resolution. Further research is needed.

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| Chen et al; preprint; ¹²⁰ 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 116 assigned to favipiravir 1600 mg twice the first day followed by 600 mg twice daily for 7 days and 120 assigned to umifenovir 200 mg three times daily for 7 days | Mean age not reported male 46.6%, hypertension 27.9%, diabetes 11.4% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: RR 1.09 (95%CI 0.72 to 1.64); RD 1.4% (95%CI -4.5% to 10.2%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 1.24 (95%CI 0.72 to 2.12); RD 4.2% (95%CI -4.8% to 19.5%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| Ivashchenko et al ¹²¹ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to favipiravir 1600 mg once followed by 600 mg twice a day for 12 days, 20 assigned to favipiravir and 20 assigned to standard of care | Mean age not reported | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 0.99 (95%CI 0.9 to 1.09); RD -0.6% (95%CI -6% to 5.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |
| Lou et al; ⁵² preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned to baloxavir 80 mg a day on days 1, 4 and 7, | Mean age 52.5 ± 12.5, male 72.4%, hypertension 20.7%, diabetes 6.9%, coronary heart disease 13.8%, | Antivirals 100%, IFN 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse | Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: |

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| | 9 assigned to favipiravir and 10 assigned to standard of care | | | events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |
| Doi et al. ¹²² peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 44 assigned to favipiravir (early) 1800 mg on day 1 followed by 800 mg twice daily for 10 days and 45 assigned to favipiravir (late) 1800 mg on day 6 followed by 800 mg twice daily for 10 days | Median age 50 ± 26.5, male 61.4%, comorbidities 39% | Corticosteroids 2.3%, ATB 12.5% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Dabbous et al. ¹²³ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 50 assigned to favipiravir 3200 mg once followed by 1200 mg a day for 10 days and 50 assigned to hydroxychloroquine + oseltamivir 800 mg once followed by 400 mg a day for 10 days + 75 mg a day for 10 days | Mean age 36.3 ± 12, male 50%, any comorbidities 15% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Zhao et al. ¹²⁴ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 13 assigned to favipiravir 3200 mg once followed by 600 | Mean age 72 ± 40, male 54%, hypertension 42.3%, diabetes 11.5%, coronary heart disease 23.1% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| | mg twice a day for 7 days, 7 assigned to TCZ 400 mg once or twice and 5 assigned to favipiravir + TCZ | | | Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Khamis et al. ¹²⁵ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 44 assigned to favipiravir + inhaled interferon beta-1B 1600 mg once followed by 600 mg twice a day for 10 days + 8 million UI for 5 days and 45 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 55 ± 14, male 58%, hypertension 54%, diabetes 45%, COPD 5.6%, coronary heart disease 15%, chronic kidney disease 20% | Corticosteroids 67%, tocilizumab 35%, convalescent plasma 58% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Ruzhentsova et al. ¹²⁶ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 112 assigned to favipiravir 1800 mg once followed by 800 mg twice a day for 10 days and 56 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 42 ± 10.5, male 47% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Promomed ; NCT04542694; Other; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19. 100 assigned to favipiravir 3200 mg once followed by 600 mg twice a day for 14 days and 100 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 49.68 ± 13.09, male 48.5%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably |

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| Udwadia et al ; ¹²⁷ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 72 assigned to favipiravir 3600 mg once followed by 800 mg twice a day for 14 days and 75 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 43.4 ± 11.7, male 73.5%, comorbidities 25.9% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Balykova et al ; ¹²⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 100 assigned to favipiravir 3200 mg once followed by 1200 mg a day for 14 days and 100 assigned to SOC | Mean age 49.7 ± 13, male 50%, hypertension 28.5%, diabetes 9%, COPD 5%, asthma %, CHD 6%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Solaymani-Dodaran et al ; ¹²⁹ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 190 assigned to favipiravir 1800 mg a day for 7 days and 183 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir | Mean age 57.6 ± 17.3, male 55%, hypertension 34.9%, diabetes 25.7%, COPD 3.5%, asthma 3.8%, CHD 10.7%, CKD 1.6% | Corticosteroids 27.6%, remdesivir 1.1%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Zhao et al ; ¹³⁰ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with COVID-19 infection who were discharged from hospital. 36 assigned to Favipiravir 3200 mg once followed by | Mean age 55.7 ± 13.6, male 45.5%, hypertension 30.9%, diabetes 14.5%, CHD 7.3%, cancer 7.3% | Corticosteroids 3.6%, remdesivir 0%, hydroxychloroquine 5.5%, lopinavir-ritonavir 16.4%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| | 1200 mg a day for 7 days and 19 assigned to SOC | | | Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| FACCT trial ; ¹³¹ Bosaeed et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 125 assigned to favipiravir + HCQ 3600 mg + 800 mg once followed by 2400 mg + 400 mg a day for 5 days and 129 assigned to SOC | Mean age 52 ± 13, male 59%, hypertension 40.9%, diabetes 42.1%, asthma 11.8%, CKD 2.4% | Corticosteroids 88.6%, tocilizumab 9% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Shinkai et al ; ¹³² peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 107 assigned to favipiravir 3200 mg once followed by 1600 mg a day for 14 days and 49 assigned to SOC | Mean age 46.2, any comorbidities 75.6% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |

Febuxostat

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Davoodi et al ; ¹³³ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe | Mean age 57.7 ± 8.4, male 59%, hypertension | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical | Mortality: No information |

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| | COVID-19 infection. 30 assigned to febuxostat 80 mg per day and 30 assigned to HCQ | NR%, diabetes 27.8%, chronic lung disease 1.9% | | ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |
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Finasteride

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Zarehoseinzade et al. , ¹³⁴ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 40 assigned to finasteride 5 mg a day for 7 days and 40 assigned to SOC | Mean age 72 ± 14, male 100%, hypertension 66.3%, diabetes 25%, COPD 12.5% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation and blinding | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or</p> |
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Fluvoxamine

Fluvoxamine probably reduces hospitalizations and may not increase severe adverse events. Further research is needed.

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| Lenze et al ; ¹³⁵ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 80 assigned to fluvoxamine incremental dose to 100 mg three times a day for 15 days and 72 assigned to standard of care | Median age 45.5 ± 20.5, male 28.2%, hypertension 19.7%, diabetes 11%, asthma 17.1%, obesity 56.6% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> |
| TOGETHER-Fluvoxamine trial ; ¹³⁶ Reis et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 739 assigned to fluvoxamine | Median age 50 ± 18, male 42.5%, hypertension 13.2%, diabetes 16.5%, COPD | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, | <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis</p> |

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| | 100 mg a day for 10 days and 733 assigned to SOC | 0.6%, asthma 1.8%, CHD 1.1%, CKD 0.3%, obesity 0.2% | | and adverse events | <p>studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: RR 0.74 (95%CI 0.49 to 1.13); RD -2.7% (95%CI -5.2% to 1.3%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: RR 0.78 (95%CI 0.59 to 1.04); RD -1.6% (95%CI -3% to 0.3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> |
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Fostamatinib

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Strich et al; ¹³⁷ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 30 assigned to fostamatinib 300 mg a day for 14 days and 29 assigned to SOC | Mean age 55.6 ± 13.7, male 79.7%, hypertension 54.2%, diabetes 37.3%, asthma 11.9%, CHD 13.6%, obesity 57.6% | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 100%, convalescent plasma 42.4% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis)</p> |
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Helium (inhaled)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Shogenova et al. ¹³⁸ peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 38 assigned to helium 50% to 79% mixed with oxygen and 32 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53.5 ± 16, male 51.4% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |
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Hydroxychloroquine and chloroquine

HCQ/CQ probably does not reduce mortality, invasive mechanical ventilation nor significantly improves time to symptom resolution with moderate certainty. When used prophylactically in persons exposed to COVID-19, it may reduce the risk of infection. However, certainty of the evidence is low because of risk of bias and imprecision.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| CloroCOVID19 trial ; ¹³⁹ Borba et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 41 assigned to chloroquine 600 mg twice a day for 10 days and 40 assigned to chloroquine 450 mg twice on day 1 followed by 450 mg once a day for 5 days | Mean age 51.1 ± 13.9, male 75.3%, hypertension 45.5%, diabetes 25.5%, chronic lung disease NR%, asthma 7.4%, coronary heart disease 17.9%, chronic kidney disease 7.4%, alcohol use disorder 27.5%, HIV 1.8%, tuberculosis 3.6%, | Azithromycin 100%, oseltamivir 89.7% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Mortality: RR 1.07 (95%CI 0.98 to 1.17); RD 1.1% (95%CI -0.3% to 2.7%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 1.07 (95%CI 0.93 to 1.24); RD 1.2% (95%CI -1.2% to 4.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| Huang et al ; ¹⁴⁰ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned to chloroquine 500 mg twice a day for 10 days and 12 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400/100 mg twice a day for 10 days | Mean age 44 ± 21, male 59.1% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.94 to 1.1); RD 1.2% (95%CI -3.6% to 6.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): RR 0.85 (95%CI 0.72 to 1.01); RD -2.6% (95%CI -4.9% to 0.2%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| RECOVERY- Hydroxychloroquine trial ; ¹⁴¹ Horby et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with Mild to critical COVID-19 infection. 1561 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 800 mg once followed | Mean age 65.3 ± 15.3, male %, diabetes 26.9%, chronic lung disease 21.9%, asthma NR%, coronary heart disease 25.4%, chronic kidney | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| | by 400 mg twice a day for 9 days and 3155 assigned to standard of care | disease 7.8%, HIV 0.4% | | Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | <p>Severe Adverse events: RR 0.94 (95%CI 0.66 to 1.34); RD -0.6% (95%CI -3.5% to 3.5%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> |
| BCN PEP CoV-2 trial ; ¹⁴² Mitja et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 1116 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 800 mg once followed by 400 mg x once a day for 6 days and 1198 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 48.6 ± 19, male 27%, diabetes 8.3%, chronic lung disease 4.8%, coronary heart disease 13.3%, Nervous system disease 4.1% | NR | <p>Some concerns for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. Significant number of patients excluded from analysis.</p> | |
| COVID-19 PEP trial ; ¹⁴³ Boulware et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 414 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 800 mg once followed by 600 mg daily for a total course of 5 days and 407 assigned to standard of care | Median age 40 ± 6.5, male 48.4%, hypertension 12.1%, diabetes 3.4%, asthma 7.6%, comorbidities 27.4% | NR | <p>High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Significant loss of information that might have affected the study's results.</p> | |
| Cavalcanti et al trial ; ¹⁴⁴ Cavalcanti et al; peer-reviewed; | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. | Mean age 50.3 ± 14.6, male 58.3%, hypertension 38.8%, | Corticosteroids 1.5%, ACE inhibitors 1.2%, ARBs 17.4%, NSAID | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for | |

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| 2020 | 159 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 400 mg twice a day for 7 days, 172 assigned to HCQ + AZT and 173 assigned to standard of care | diabetes 19.1%, chronic lung disease 1.8%, asthma 16%, coronary heart disease 0.8%, chronic kidney disease 1.8%, cancer 2.9%, obesity 15.5% | 4.4% | symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Kamran SM et al trial ; ¹⁴⁵ Kamran et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 349 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 400 mg twice a day once then 200 mg twice a day for 4 days and 151 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 36 ± 11.2, male 93.2%, diabetes 3%, comorbidities 7.6% | NR | High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| COVID-19 PET trial ; ¹⁴⁶ Skipper et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 212 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 1400 mg once followed by 600 mg once a day for 5 days and 211 assigned to standard of care | Median age 40 ± 9, male 44%, hypertension 11%, diabetes 4%, chronic lung disease %, asthma 11%, | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| BCN PEP CoV-2 trial ; ¹⁴⁷ Mitja et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 136 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 800 mg once followed by 400 mg a day for 6 days and 157 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 41.6 ± 12.6, male 49%, comorbidities 53.2% | NR | High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |

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| Tang et al ; peer-reviewed; ¹⁴⁸ 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 75 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 1200 mg daily for three days followed by 800 mg daily to complete 7 days and 75 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 46.1 ± 14.7, male 54.7%, hypertension 6%, diabetes 14%, other comorbidities 31% | Corticosteroids 7%, lopinavir-ritonavir 17%, umifenovir 47%, oseltamivir 11%, entecavir 1%, ATB 39%, ribavirin 47% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcome results. | |
| Chen et al ; ¹⁴⁹ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 31 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 200 mg twice a day for 5 days and 31 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 44 ± 15.3, male 46.8%, | ATB 100%, IVIG 100%, antivirals 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Chen et al ; ¹⁵⁰ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 18 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 200 mg twice a day for 10 days, 18 assigned to chloroquine and 12 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 47.4 ± 14.46, male 45.8%, hypertension 16.7%, diabetes 18.7% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Chen et al ; ¹⁵¹ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 | Mean age 32.9 ± 10.7, male 57.6% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical | |

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| | infection. 21 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 400 mg twice on day one followed by 200 mg twice a day for 6 days and 12 assigned to standard of care | | | ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| HC-nCoV trial ; ¹⁵² Jun et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 15 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 400 mg once a day for 5 days and 15 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 48.6 ± 3.7, male 0.7%, hypertension 26.6%, diabetes 6.6%, chronic lung disease 3.3% | Lopinavir-ritonavir 6.6%, umifenovir 73.3%, IFN 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Abd-Elsalam et al ; ¹⁵³ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 97 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 400 mg twice on day one followed by 200 mg tablets twice daily for 15 days and 97 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 40.7 ± 19.3, male 58.8%, chronic kidney disease 3.1%, obesity 61.9%, comorbidities 14.3%, liver disease 1% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| COVID-19 PREP trial ; ¹⁵⁴ Rajasingham et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 989 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 400 mg twice in one | Median age 41 ± 15, male 49%, hypertension 14%, asthma 10% | NR | Low for infection, and adverse events | |

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| | day followed by 400 mg once weekly for 12 weeks or 400 mg twice weekly for 12 weeks and 494 assigned to standard of care | | | | |
| TEACH trial ; ¹⁵⁵ Ulrich et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 67 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 800 mg on day 1 followed by 200 mg twice a day for 2 to 5 days and 61 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 66 ± 16.2, male 59.4%, hypertension 57.8%, diabetes 32%, chronic lung disease 7%, asthma 15.6%, coronary heart disease 26.6%, chronic kidney disease 7.8%, cerebrovascular disease 6.2% | Corticosteroids 10.2%, remdesivir 0.8%, lopinavir-ritonavir 0.8%, azithromycin 23.4%, convalescent plasma 13.3% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | |
| PrEP_COVID trial ; ¹⁵⁶ Grau-Pujol et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 142 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 400 mg daily for four days followed by 400 mg weekly for 6 months and 127 assigned to standard of care | Median age 39 ± 20, male 26.8%, hypertension 1.8%, diabetes 0.4%, chronic lung disease 2.6% | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| PATCH trial ; ¹⁵⁷ Abella et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 64 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 600 mg a day for 8 weeks and 61 assigned to standard of care | Median age 33 ± 46, male 31%, hypertension 21%, diabetes 3%, asthma 17% | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| WHO SOLIDARITY trial ; ¹⁵⁸ Pan et al; | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19. 947 | Age < 70 years 61%, male 62%, diabetes 25%, COPD 6%, asthma 5%, | Corticosteroids 15.1%, convalescent plasma 0.5%, Anti IL6 2.1% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; some | |

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| preprint; 2020 | assigned to hydroxychloroquine 800 mg once followed by 200 mg twice a day for 10 days and 906 assigned to standard of care | coronary heart disease 21%, chronic kidney disease % | | concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Davoodi et al ; ¹³³ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 30 assigned to febuxostat 80 mg per day and 30 assigned to hydroxychloroquine | Mean age 57.7 ± 8.4, male 59%, hypertension NR%, diabetes 27.8%, chronic lung disease 1.9% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| COVID-19 PEP (University of Washington) trial ; Barnabas et al; ¹⁵⁹ Abstract; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 381 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 400 mg for three days followed by 200 mg for 11 days and 400 assigned to standard of care | Median age 39 ± 24, male 40% | NR | Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| PETAL trial ; ¹⁶⁰ Self et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 242 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 800 mg on day 1 followed for 200 mg | Median age 58.5 ± 24.5, male 56%, hypertension 52.8%, diabetes 34.6%, COPD 8.1%, asthma %, coronary heart disease %, chronic kidney disease 8.8%, | Corticosteroids 18.4%, remdesivir 21.7%, azithromycin 19% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |

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| | twice a day for 5 days and 237 assigned to standard of care | | | | |
| HAHPS trial ; ¹⁶¹ Brown et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19. 42 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 800 mg once followed by 200 mg twice a day for 5 days and 43 assigned to azithromycin | Median age 55 ± 23, male 61%, diabetes 26%, coronary heart disease 11%, chronic kidney disease 9%, cerebrovascular disease 8%, cancer 2% | Corticosteroids 15%, remdesivir 11%, lopinavir-ritonavir 1%, tocilizumab 24%, convalescent plasma 24% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Co-interventions were not balanced between study arms | |
| HYCOVID trial ; ¹⁶² Dubee et al; peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 124 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 800 mg once followed by 400 mg a day for 8 days and 123 assigned to standard of care | Median age 77 ± 28, male 48.4%, hypertension 53.4%, diabetes 17.3%, COPD 11.2%, cerebrovascular disease 17.3%, obesity 27.7% | Corticosteroids 9.6%, lopinavir-ritonavir 1.2%, azithromycin 8.4% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Q-PROTECT trial ; ¹⁶³ Omrani et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 152 assigned to hydroxychloroquine 600 mg daily for 7 days and 152 assigned to hydroxychloroquine + azithromycin | Mean age 41 ± 16, male 98.4%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Dabbous et al ; ¹⁶⁴ peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 44 assigned to favipiravir 3200 mg once followed by 600 mg twice a day for 10 days and 48 assigned to | Mean age 35.5 ± 16.8, male 48.9%, comorbidities 18.4% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | |

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| | CQ | | | study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| HYDRA trial ; ¹⁶⁵ Hernandez-Cardenas et al; Preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 106 assigned to HCQ 400 mg a day for 10 days and 108 assigned to SOC | Mean age 49.6 ± 12, male 75%, hypertension 16%, diabetes 47%, CHD 11%, CKD 0%, obesity 66% | Corticosteroids 52.4%, lopinavir-ritonavir 30.4%, tocilizumab 2.5%, azithromycin 24.5% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| COVID-19 Early Treatment trial ; ¹⁶⁶ Johnston et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 60 assigned to HCQ 800 mg once followed by 400 mg a day for 10 days, 65 assigned to HCQ + AZT 500 mg once followed by 250 mg a day for 5 days and 65 assigned to SOC | Median age 37 ±, male 43.3%, hypertension 20.9%, diabetes 11.6%, COPD 9.3%, asthma 1.6%, immunosuppressive therapy 0.8%, obesity 76% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Purwati et al ; ¹⁶⁷ peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 128 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 500/100 a day, 123 assigned to HCQ 200 mg a day and 119 to SOC | Median age 36.5 ± NR, male 95.3%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Beltran et al ; ¹⁶⁸ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 33 assigned to HCQ 800 mg once followed by 400 mg a day for 5 | Mean age 54 ± 23.5, male 46.8%, hypertension 19.1%, diabetes 9.6%, COPD 1%, CHD 7.4%, cerebrovascular disease | Corticosteroids 9.6%, lopinavir-ritonavir 44.7% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| | days and 37 assigned to SOC | 5.3% | | Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| PATCH 1 trial ; ¹⁶⁹ Amaravadi et al; Preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 17 assigned to HCQ 400 mg a day and 17 assigned to SOC | Median age 53 ± 37, male 26%, hypertension 18%, diabetes 9%, , asthma 12%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Bermejo Galan et al ; ¹⁷⁰ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 53 assigned to ivermectin 42 mg and 115 assigned to HCQ or CQ | Mean age 53.4 ± 15.6, male 58.2%, hypertension 43.4%, diabetes 28.1%, COPD 5.3%, CKD 2.5%, cancer 3%, obesity 37.5% | Corticosteroids 98% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| Seet et al ; ¹⁷¹ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 432 assigned to HCQ 400 mg once followed by 200 mg a day for 42 days and 619 assigned to SOC (vitamin C) | Mean age 33, male 100%, hypertension 1%, diabetes 0.3% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| TOGETHER trial ; ¹⁷² Reis et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 214 assigned to HCQ 800 mg once | Mean age 53, male 45%, hypertension 49.3%, diabetes 19.4%, COPD 2.5%, asthma 8.6%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, |

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| | followed by 400 mg a day for 9 days and 227 assigned to SOC | CHD 3.9%, CKD 0.7%, cancer 1.2%, obesity 34.2% | | and adverse events | |
| CLOROTRIAL trial ; ¹⁷³ Réa-Neto et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 53 assigned to HCQ 800 mg once followed by 400 mg a day for 5 days and 52 assigned to SOC | Median age 53 ±, male 66.7%, hypertension 38.1%, diabetes 25.7%, COPD 8.6%, immunosuppressive therapy 5.7% | Corticosteroids 72.4%, azithromycin 89.5% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| CHEER trial ; ¹⁷⁴ Syed et al; preprint; 2021 | Health care workers exposed to COVID-19 infection. 154 assigned to HCQ 200-400 mg once a week to three weeks and 46 assigned to SOC | Mean age 30.6 ± 8, male 54.5%, hypertension 4.5%, diabetes 3.5% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| ProPAC-COVID trial ; ¹⁷⁵ Sivapalan et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 61 assigned to HCQ + AZT 400 mg plus 500 to 250 mg a day and 56 assigned to SOC | Median age 65 ± 25, male 56%, hypertension 38%, diabetes 24%, COPD 9%, asthma 22%, CHD 7%, CKD 7% | Corticosteroids 32%, remdesivir 25% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| HONEST trial ; ¹⁷⁶ Byakika-Kibwika et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 55 assigned to HCQ 800 mg once followed by 400 mg a day for 5 days and 50 | Median age 32 ± 27, male 72%, hypertension 2.8%, diabetes 2.8%, COPD %, CHD 0.9%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| | assigned to SOC | | | Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| SEV-COVID trial ; ¹⁷⁷ Singh et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to ribavirin + HCQ (dosage not reported) and 21 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53.3 ±, male 77.2%, hypertension 34%, diabetes 27.2%, COPD 13.6%, asthma 2.2%, CHD 20.4%, cancer 0%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| ALBERTA HOPE-Covid19 trial ; ¹⁷⁸ Schwartz et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 111 assigned to HCQ 800 mg once followed by 400 mg for 5 days and 37 assigned to SOC | Mean age 46.8 ± 11.2, male 55.4%, hypertension 27.8%, diabetes 19.6%, asthma 13.5% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| HERO-HCQ trial ; ¹⁷⁹ Naggie et al ; preprint ; 2021 | Patients with exposed to COVID-19 infection. 683 assigned to HCQ 1200 mg once followed by 400 mg daily for 29 days and 676 assigned to SOC | Mean age 43.6 ± , male 44.7%, hypertension 14.6%, diabetes 4%, COPD 0.2%, asthma 9.9%, CHD 0.8%, obesity 33.2% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| Rodrigues et al ; ¹⁸⁰ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 42 assigned to HCQ + azithromycin 400/500 mg a day for 7 days and 42 assigned | Mean age 36.5 ± 9.6, male 40.5% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |

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Hyperbaric oxygen

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Hadanny et al. ¹⁸¹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to hyperbaric oxygen two sessions a day for 4 days and 9 assigned to SOC | Median age 65.4 ± 7.8, male 60%, hypertension 72%, diabetes 60%, COPD %, asthma 8%, CHD 24%, cancer 4%, obesity 8% | Corticosteroids 92%, tocilizumab 24%, convalescent plasma 80% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Blinding and concealment are probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |
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Hyperimmune anti-COVID-19 intravenous immunoglobulin (C-IVIG)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Ali et al , ¹⁸² peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 40 assigned to C-IVIG 0.15-0.3 g/kg once and 10 assigned to SOC | Mean age 56.5 ± 13.1, male 70%, hypertension 52%, diabetes 36%, COPD 10%, CHD 8% | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 94%, tocilizumab 6% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Parikh et al , ¹⁸³ preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 30 assigned to C-IVIG 30ml twice and 30 assigned to SOC | Mean age 52 ± 10.1, male 73.3% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

Icatibant / iC1e/K

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Mansour et al , ¹⁸⁴ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned to icatibant 30 mg every 8 hours for 4 days, and 10 assigned to iC1e/K | Mean age 51.6 ± 11.5, male 53.3%, hypertension 50%, diabetes 46.7%, asthma 3.3%, obesity 43.3% | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or |
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| Icosapent ethyl Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| VASCEPA COVID-19 CARDIOLINK-9 trial ¹⁸⁵ Kosmopoulos et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 46 assigned to icosapent ethyl 8 g a day for three days followed 4 g a day for 11 days and 49 assigned to SOC | NR | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No |

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IFX-1

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Vlaar et al. ¹⁸⁶ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 15 assigned to IFX-1 800 mg IV with a maximum of seven doses and 15 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 60 ± 9, male 73%, hypertension 30%, diabetes 27%, obesity 20% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Imatinib

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| <p>COUNTER-COVID trial;¹⁸⁷ Aman et al; peer reviewed; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 197 assigned to imatinib 800 mg once followed by 400 mg a day for 10 days and 188 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Median age 64 ± 17, male 69%, hypertension 37.6%, diabetes 25%, COPD 18.4%, asthma 18%, CHD 22%, obesity 38%</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 72%, remdesivir 21%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: RR 1.05 (95%CI 0.84 to 1.32); RD 0.5% (95%CI -1.6% to 3.3%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Indomethacin

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Ravichandran et al , ¹⁸⁸ preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 102 assigned to indomethacin 75 mg a day and 108 assigned to SOC | Mean age 47 ± 16, male 56.2%, hypertension 19%, diabetes 29% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

Infliximab

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| CATALYST trial ¹⁸⁹ Fisher et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 29 assigned to infliximab and 34 assigned to SOC | Median age 64.5 ± 20, male 61.8% | Corticosteroids 94.3%, remdesivir 61.8% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

INM005 (polyclonal fragments of equine antibodies)

INM005 may not improve symptom resolution and may not increase severe adverse events. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Lopardo et al ; ¹⁹⁰ peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 118 assigned to INM005 4 mg/kg in two doses on days 1 and 3 and 123 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53.8 ± 12.5, male 65.1%, comorbidities 80% | Corticosteroids 57.2% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.06 (95%CI 0.96 to 1.66); RD 3.6% (95%CI -2.4% to 10.3%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: RR 0.66 (95%CI 0.37 to 1.18); RD -3.5% (95%CI -6.4% to 1.8%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Interferon alpha-2b and interferon gamma

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| ESPERANZA trial ; ¹⁹¹ Esquivel-Moynelo et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 30 assigned to interferon alpha-2b plus interferon gamma twice a week for two weeks (standard care) and 33 assigned to interferon alpha-2b three times a week (IM) | Median age 38 ± 63, male 54%, hypertension 22.2%, diabetes 4.7%, asthma 6.3%, coronary heart disease 6.3%, any comorbidities 50.8% | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, lopinavir-ritonavir 100%, antibiotics 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Interferon beta-1a

IFN beta-1a probably does not reduce mortality nor invasive mechanical ventilation requirements. Inhaled interferon beta-1a may improve time to symptom resolution.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Davoudi-Monfared et al ; ¹⁹² preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 42 assigned to interferon beta-1a 44 µg subcutaneous, three times a week and 39 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 57.7 ± 15, male 54.3%, hypertension 38.3%, diabetes 27.2%, chronic lung disease 1.2%, asthma 1.2%, coronary heart disease 28.4%, chronic kidney disease 3.7%, cancer 11.1% | Corticosteroids 53%, hydroxychloroquine 97.5%, azithromycin 14.8%, ATB 81%, immunoglobulin 30.8% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: RR 1.04 (95%CI 0.88 to 1.23); RD 0.6% (95%CI -1.9% to 3.7%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.98 (95%CI 0.83 to 1.16); RD -0.3% (95%CI -2.9% to 2.8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| WHO SOLIDARITY ; ¹⁵⁸ Pan et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19. 2050 assigned to interferon beta-1a three doses over six days of 44 µg and 2050 assigned to standard of care | Age < 70 years 61%, male 62%, hypertension %, diabetes 25%, COPD 6%, asthma 5%, coronary heart disease 21% | Corticosteroids 15.1%, convalescent plasma 0.5%, Anti IL6 2.1% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Symptom resolution or improvement: HR 1.1 (95%CI 0.64 to 1.87); RD 6% (95%CI -21.8% to 52.7%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |
| COVIFERON trial ; ¹⁹³ Darazam et al; Preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to interferon beta-1a 44 micrograms on days | Mean age 69 ± 27, male 51.7%, hypertension 33.3%, diabetes 23.3%, CHD 16.3%, CKD 8.3%, cancer 1.7%, | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, lopinavir-ritonavir 100% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

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| | 1, 3 and 6, 20 assigned to interferon beta-1b 0.25 mg on days 1, 3 and 6 and 20 assigned to SOC | | | Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | information |
| Darazam et al ; ¹⁹⁴ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 85 assigned to interferon beta-1a 88 micrograms on days 1, 3 and 6 and 83 assigned to interferon beta-1a 44 micrograms on days 1, 3 and 6 | Mean age 59.8 ± 16.5, male 61.9%, hypertension 37.3%, diabetes 26.8%, COPD 1.2%, asthma 1.8%, CHD 18.7%, CKD 8.3%, cerebrovascular disease 5.4%, cancer 0.6% | Corticosteroids 1.1%, lopinavir-ritonavir 100% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Monk P et al ; ¹⁹⁵ et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19. 48 assigned to interferon beta-1a nebulized once a day for 15 days and 50 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 57.1 ± 13.2, male 59.2%, hypertension 54.7%, diabetes 22.6%, COPD 44.2%, asthma %, coronary heart disease 24.5% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: HR 2.19 (95%CI 1.03 to 4.69); RD 26.4% (95%CI 1.1% to 38.1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events:</p> |

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| Interferon beta-1b Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Rahmani et al , ¹⁹⁶ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 33 assigned to interferon beta-1b 250 mcg subcutaneously every other day for two consecutive weeks and 33 assigned to standard of care | Median age 60 ± 10.5, male 59%, hypertension 40.9%, diabetes 31.8%, chronic lung disease 4.5%, asthma NR%, coronary heart disease 30.3%, chronic kidney disease NR%, cerebrovascular disease NR%, immunosuppression NR%, cancer 3%, obesity NR% | Corticosteroids 21.2%, ATB 51.5%, antivirals 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| COVIFERON trial , ¹⁹³ Darazam et al; Preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to interferon beta-1a 44 micrograms on days 1, 3 and 6, 20 assigned to interferon beta-1b 0.25 mg on days 1, 3 and 6 and 20 assigned to SOC | Mean age 69 ± 27, male 51.7%, hypertension 33.3%, diabetes 23.3%, CHD 16.3%, CKD 8.3%, cancer 1.7%, | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, lopinavir-ritonavir 100% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Interferon gamma

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Myasnikov et al. ¹⁹⁷ Peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 18 assigned to interferon gamma 500000 IU a day for 5 days and 18 assigned to SOC | Mean age 63 ± 12, male 44% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Interferon kappa plus TFF2

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| <p>Fu et al.¹⁹⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with moderate COVID-19. 40 assigned to interferon kappa plus TFF2 5 mg/2 mg once a day for six days and 40 assigned to standard of care</p> | <p>Mean age 35.2 ± 11.2, male 63.7%, hypertension 5%, diabetes 3.7%</p> | <p>NR</p> | <p>High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate.</p> | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Iota-carrageenan

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|---|---|---|--------------------------|--|--|
| RCT | | | | | |
| IVERCAR-TUC trial ; ¹⁹⁹ Chahla et al; Preprint; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 117 assigned to ivermectin + iota-carrageenan 12 mg a week + 6 sprays a day for 4 weeks and 117 assigned to SOC | Median age 38 ± 12.5, male 42.7%, hypertension 9%, diabetes, 7.3%, CKD 2.1%, obesity 11.9% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information |
| CARR-COV-02 trial ; ²⁰⁰ Figueroa et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 196 assigned to Iota-carrageenan 1 puff four times a day for 21 days and 198 assigned to SOC | Mean age 38.6 ± 9.6, male 24.8%, hypertension 4.8%, diabetes 0.2%, COPD 3.3%, cancer 0%, obesity 5% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

Itolizumab

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| ITOLI-C19-02-I-00 trial ; ²⁰¹ Kumar et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 20 assigned to itolizumab 1.6 mg/kg once followed by 0.8 mg/kg weekly and 10 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 49 ± 13, male 86.6%, hypertension 20%, | Nr | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Ivermectin

Ivermectin may not reduce mortality and probably does not improve time to symptom resolution. It is uncertain if it affects mechanical ventilation requirements, symptomatic infection as prophylaxis or severe adverse events.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Zagazig University trial ; ²⁰² Shouman et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 203 assigned to ivermectin 15 to 24 mg and 101 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 38.72 ± 15.94, male 51.3%, hypertension 10.2%, diabetes 8.1%, CKD 1%, asthma 2.7% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: RR 0.96 (95%CI 0.58 to 1.59); RD -0.6% (95%CI -6.7% to 9.4%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 1.05 (95%CI 0.64 to 1.72); RD 0.9% (95%CI -6.2% to 12.5%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| Chowdhury et al ; ²⁰³ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 60 assigned to ivermectin plus doxycycline 200 µgm/kg single dose + 100 mg BID for 10days and 56 assigned to hydroxychloroquine plus azithromycin | Mean age 33.9 ± 14.1, male 72.4% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.96 to 1.1); RD 1.2% (95%CI -2.4% to 6.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): RR 0.22 (95%CI 0.09 to 0.53); RD -13.6% (95%CI -15.8% to -8.2%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Adverse events: RR |
| Podder et al ; ²⁰⁴ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 32 assigned to ivermectin 200 µgm/kg once and 30 assigned to standard of | Mean age 39.16 ± 12.07, male 71% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| | care | | | Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | 1.29 (95%CI 0.44 to 3.85); RD 2.9% (95%CI -5.7% to 29%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Hashim et al , ²⁰⁵ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19. 70 assigned to ivermectin plus doxycycline 200 µgm/kg two or three doses + 100 mg twice a day for 5 to 10 days and 70 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 48.7 ± 8.6, male % | Corticosteroids 100%, azithromycin 100%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Hospitalization: RR 0.67 (95%CI 0.39 to 1.14); RD -2.4% (95%CI -4.5% to 1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| Mahmud et al , ²⁰⁶ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 183 assigned to ivermectin plus doxycycline 12 mg once + 100 mg twice a day for 5 days and 180 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 39.6 ± 13.2, male 58.8%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events. Notes: 8% of patients were lost to follow-up. | |
| Elgazzar et al (mild); ²⁰⁷ preprint (retracted); 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 100 assigned to ivermectin 400 µgm/kg once for 4 days and 100 assigned to hydroxychloroquine | Mean age 55.2 ± 19.8, male 69.5%, hypertension 11.5%, diabetes 14.5%, COPD %, asthma 5.5%, coronary heart disease 4%, chronic kidney disease % | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Elgazzar et al (severe); ²⁰⁷ preprint | Patients with severe COVID-19. 100 | Mean age 58.9 ± 19.5, male 71%, hypertension | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; | |

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| (retracted); 2020 | assigned to ivermectin 400 µgm/kg once for 4 days and 100 assigned to hydroxychloroquine | 16%, diabetes 20%, COPD %, asthma 13%, coronary heart disease 7.5% | | high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Elgazzar et al (prophylaxis); ²⁰⁷ preprint (retracted); 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 100 assigned to ivermectin 400 µgm/kg twice (second dose after one week) and 100 assigned to standard of care | NR | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Krolewiecki et al ; ²⁰⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 20 assigned to ivermectin 0.6 mg/kg for 5 days and 12 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 40.2 ± 12, male 55.5%, hypertension 13.3%, diabetes 15.5%, COPD 11.1% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Niaee et al ; ²⁰⁹ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19. 120 assigned to ivermectin 200-800 microg/kg and 60 assigned to standard of care | Median age 67 ± 22, male 50% | NR | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |

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| Ahmed et al; ²¹⁰ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 55 assigned to ivermectin 12 mg a day for 5 days +/- doxycycline and 23 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 42, male 46%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. |
| SAINT trial; ²¹¹ Chaccour et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients mild (early within 3 days of onset) COVID-19. 12 assigned to ivermectin 400 microg/kg and 12 assigned to SOC | Median age 26 ± 36, male 50%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| Cachar et al; ²¹² peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 25 assigned to ivermectin 36 mg once and 25 assigned to SOC | Mean age 40.6 ± 17, male 62%, hypertension 26%, diabetes 40%, obesity 12% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Babalola et al; ²¹³ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 42 assigned to ivermectin 12 to 24 mg a week for 2 weeks and 20 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir | Mean age 44.1 ± 14.7, male 69.4%, hypertension 14.5%, diabetes 3.2%, | Corticosteroids 3.2%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |

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| Kirti et al. ²¹⁴ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 55 assigned to ivermectin 24 mg divided in two doses and 57 assigned to SOC | Mean age 52.5 ± 14.7, male 72.3%, hypertension 34.8%, diabetes 35.7%, COPD 0.9%, asthma 0.9%, CHD 8.9%, CKD 2.7%, cerebrovascular disease 0%, cancer 5.4%, obesity % | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 20.5%, hydroxychloroquine 100%, tocilizumab 6.3%, convalescent plasma 13.4% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| IVERCAR-TUC trial ¹⁹⁹ Chahla et al; Preprint; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 117 assigned to ivermectin + iota-carrageenan 12 mg a week + 6 sprays a day for 4 weeks and 117 assigned to SOC | Median age 38 ± 12.5, male 42.7%, hypertension 9%, diabetes, 7.3%, CKD 2.1%, obesity 11.9% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Mohan et al. ²¹⁵ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 80 assigned to ivermectin 12 to 24 mg once and 45 assigned to SOC | Mean age 35.3 ± 10.4, male 88.8%, hypertension 11.2%, diabetes 8.8%, CHD 0.8%, | Corticosteroids 14.4%, remdesivir 1.6%, hydroxychloroquine 4%, azithromycin 11.2%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Shahbaznejad et al. ²¹⁶ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 35 assigned to ivermectin 0.2 mg/kg once and 34 assigned to SOC | Mean age 46.4 ± 22.5, male 50.7% | Chloroquine 75.4%, lopinavir-ritonavir 79.7%, azithromycin 57.9%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Spoorthi et al. ²¹⁷ Unpublished; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 assigned to ivermectin 0.2 mg/kg once or | NR | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, | |

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| | SOC | | | and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. RoB assessment from secondary sources as publication not available. |
| Samaha et al. ²¹⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild (asymptomatic) COVID-19 infection. 50 assigned to ivermectin 9 to 12 mg or 150 µg/kg once and 50 assigned to SOC | Mean age 31.6 ± 7.7, male 50%, hypertension 8%, diabetes 6% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Randomization process and concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Bukhari et al. ²¹⁹ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 45 assigned to ivermectin 12 mg once and 41 assigned to SOC | NR | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Okumus et al. ²²⁰ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 30 assigned to ivermectin 0.2 mg/kg for 5 days and 30 assigned to | Mean age 62 ± 12, male 66%, hypertension 21.6%, diabetes 45%, COPD 1.6%, CHD 1.6%, cancer 1.6% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |

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| | SOC | | | Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Beltran et al ; ¹⁶⁸ Preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 36 assigned to ivermectin 12-18 mg once and 37 assigned to SOC | Mean age 54 ± 23.5, male 46.8%, hypertension 19.1%, diabetes 9.6%, COPD 1%, CHD 7.4%, cerebrovascular disease 5.3% | Corticosteroids 9.6%, lopinavir-ritonavir 44.7% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. |
| Lopez-Medina et al ; ²²¹ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 200 assigned to ivermectin 300 µg/kg a day for 5 days and 198 assigned to SOC | Median age 37 ± 19, male 42%, hypertension 13.4%, diabetes 5.5%, COPD 3%, CHD 1.7%, cancer %, obesity 18.9% | Corticosteroids 4.5% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| Bermejo Galan et al ; ¹⁷⁰ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 53 assigned to ivermectin 42 mg and 115 assigned to HCQ or CQ | Mean age 53.4 ± 15.6, male 58.2%, hypertension 43.4%, diabetes 28.1%, COPD 5.3%, CKD 2.5%, cancer 3%, obesity 37.5% | Corticosteroids 98% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| Pott-Junior et al ; ²²² peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 27 assigned to ivermectin 100 to 400 mcg/kg and 4 assigned to SOC | Mean age 49.4 ± 14.6, male 45.2% | Corticosteroids 32.3% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to |

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| Kishoria et al. , ²²³ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 19 assigned to ivermectin 12 mg and 16 assigned to SOC | Mean age 38, male 66% | Hydroxychloroquine 100% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Seet et al. ; ¹⁷¹ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 617 assigned to ivermectin 12 mg once and 619 assigned to SOC (vitamin C) | Mean age 33, male 100%, hypertension 1%, diabetes 0.3% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Abd-Elsalam et al. , ²²⁴ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 82 assigned to ivermectin 12 mg a day for 3 days and 82 assigned to SOC | Mean age 40.8 ± 16.5, male 50%, hypertension 19.5%, diabetes 16.4% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |

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| Biber et al ; ²²⁵ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild recent onset COVID-19 infection. 47 assigned to ivermectin 48 to 55 mg administered for three days and 42 assigned to SOC | Mean age 35 ± 19, male 78.4% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: 5.2% of patients lost to follow-up. |
| Faisal et al ; ²²⁶ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 50 assigned to ivermectin 12 mg a day for 5 days and 50 assigned to SOC | Mean age 46 ± 3, male 80% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Vallejos et al ; ²²⁷ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 250 assigned to ivermectin 24-36 mg and 251 assigned to SOC | Mean age 42.5 ± 15.5, male 52.7%, hypertension 23.8%, diabetes 9.6%, COPD 2.8%, asthma 7.2%, CHD 1.8%, cancer 1.2% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| COVER trial ; ²²⁸ Buonfrate et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 61 assigned to ivermectin 600 to 1200 µg/kg once a day for 5 days and 32 assigned to SOC | Median age 47 ± 27, male 58.1%, diabetes 9.7% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |

Ivermectin (inhaled)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Aref et al; ²²⁹ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 57 assigned to inhaled (inh) ivermectin and 57 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45 ± 19, male 71.9%, hypertension 17.5%, diabetes 12.3%, COPD 0.9%, cerebrovascular disease 3.5% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Randomization and concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Intravenous immunoglobulin (IVIG)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| RCT | | | | | |
| Sakoulas et al. ²³⁰ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 16 assigned to IVIG 0.5 g/kg/day for 3 days and 17 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 54 ± NR, male 60.6%, hypertension 33.3%, diabetes 36.3%, chronic lung disease 12%, coronary heart disease 3%, chronic kidney disease 3%, immunosuppression 3% | Corticosteroids 78.7%, remdesivir 51.5%, convalescent plasma 15.2% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Gharebaghi et al. ²³¹ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 30 assigned to IVIG 5 g a day for 3 days and 29 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 56 ± 16, male 69.5%, hypertension 22%, diabetes 27.1%, chronic lung disease 3.3%, | NR | Some concerns for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Tabarsi et al. ²³² peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 52 assigned to IVIG 400 mg/Kg daily for three doses and 32 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 53 ± 13, male 77.4%, hypertension 20.2%, diabetes 21.4%, COPD 1.2%, asthma %, coronary heart disease %, chronic kidney disease 4.7%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | Hospitalization: No information |

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| | | cancer 1.2%, | | study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Raman et al ; ²³³ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 50 assigned to IVIG 0.4 g/kg for 5 days and 50 assigned to SOC | Mean age 48.7 ± 12, male 33%, hypertension 31%, obesity 16% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |

KB109 (microbiome modulation)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Haran et al ; ²³⁴ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 169 assigned to KB109 9-36 g twice a day for 14 days and 172 assigned to SOC | Median age 36 ± 56, male 40.8%, hypertension 18%, diabetes 2.5%, COPD 8.8%, cerebrovascular disease 2.3%, cancer 0.8%, obesity 3.7% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |
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| L-arginine Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Coppola et al; ²³⁵ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 45 assigned to L-arginine 1.66 g twice a day during hospitalization and 45 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.6, male 81.2%, hypertension 36.7%, diabetes 10%, CHD 14.5%, obesity 10% | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 27.8%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Lactococcus lactis (intranasal)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| PROBCO trial ; ²³⁶ Endam et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild recently diagnosed COVID-19 infection. 12 assigned to <i>Lactococcus lactis</i> (intranasal) two nasal irrigations a day and 11 assigned to SOC | Mean age 30.4 ± 9.1, male 30% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |
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Leflunomide

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Hu et al; ²³⁷ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19 infection. 5 assigned to Leflunomide 50 mg every 12 h (three doses) followed by 20 mg a day for 10 days and 5 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 52.5 ± 11.5, male 30%, hypertension 60%, chronic lung disease 10% | Umifenovir 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information |
| Wang et al; ²³⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 24 assigned to Leflunomide 100 mg on the first day followed by 20 mg a day for 8 days and 24 assigned to standard of care | Median age 55.7 ± 21.5, male 50%, hypertension 27.2%, diabetes 4.5%, chronic lung disease 4.5%, coronary heart disease 2.3%, cancer 2.3% | Corticosteroids 34.1%, hydroxychloroquine 56.8%, lopinavir-ritonavir 11.4%, umifenovir 75%, IVIG 20.4%, ATB 63.6%, IFN 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Lenzilumab

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| LIVE-AIR trial; ²³⁹ Temesgen et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 236 assigned to lenzilumab 1800 mg once and 243 assigned to SOC | Mean age 60.5 ± 13.9, male 64.7%, diabetes 53.4%, COPD 7.3%, asthma 10.6%, CHD 13.6%, CKD 14% | Corticosteroids 93.7%, remdesivir 72.4% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Mortality: RR 0.7 (95%CI 0.42 to 1.15); RD -4.8% (95%CI -9.3% to 2.4%); Low certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.71 |
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| | | | | | <p>(95%CI 0.48 to 1.04); RD -5% (95%CI -9% to 0.7%); Low certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: RR 0.82 (95%CI 0.62 to 1.07); RD -1.8% (95%CI -3.9% to 0.7%); Low certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |
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Levamisole

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| <p>Roostaei et al.²⁴⁰ Preprint; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 25 assigned to levamisole 150 mg a day for 3 days and 25 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Mean age 36.6 ± 13.7, male 60%,</p> | <p>Hydroxychloroquine 100%,</p> | <p>High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Concealment of</p> | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom</p> |
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| | | | | allocation probably inappropriate. | <p>resolution or improvement: Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |
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Lincomycin

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Guvenmez et al. ⁴³ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 12 assigned to lincomycin 600 mg twice a day for 5 days and 12 assigned to azithromycin 500 mg on first day followed by 250 mg a day for 5 days | Mean age 58.7 ± 16, male 70.8%, | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection</p> |
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Lopinavir-ritonavir

Lopinavir-ritonavir probably does not reduce mortality with moderate certainty. Lopinavir-ritonavir may not be associated with a significant increase in severe adverse events. However, the certainty is low because of risk of bias and imprecision.

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| RCT | | | | | |
| LOTUS China trial , ²⁴¹ Cao et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 99 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400/100 mg daily for 14 days and 100 assigned to standard of care | Median age 58 ± 9.5, male 60.3%, Diabetes 11.6%, disease 6.5%, cancer 3% | Corticosteroids 33.7%, remdesivir NR%, IFN 11.1%, ATB 95% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | <p>Mortality: RR 1.01 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.11); RD 0.2% (95%CI -1.3% to 1.8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊖</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 1.07 (95%CI 0.98 to 1.17); RD 1.2% (95%CI -0.3% to 2.9%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕</p> |
| ELACOI trial , ²⁴² Li et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 34 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 200/50 mg twice daily for 7-14 days, 35 assigned to umifenovir | Mean age 49.4 ± 14.7, male 41.7% | Corticosteroids 12.5%, intravenous immunoglobulin 6.3% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.03 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.15); RD 1.8% (95%CI -4.8% to 9%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊖</p> |

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| | and 17 assigned to standard of care | | | study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| RECOVERY-Lopinavir-ritonavir trial ; ²⁴³ Horby et al; other; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19 infection. 1616 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400/100 mg twice a day for 10 days and 3424 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 66.2 ± 15.9, male 60.5%, diabetes 27.5%, chronic lung disease 23.5%, coronary heart disease 26% | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Severe Adverse events: RR 0.6 (95%CI 0.37 to 0.98); RD -4.1% (95%CI -6.5% to -0.2%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Huang et al ; peer-reviewed; ¹⁴⁰ 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned to CQ 500 mg twice a day for 10 days and 12 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400/100 mg twice a day for 10 days | Mean age 44 ± 21, male 59.1% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Zheng et al ; preprint; ²⁴⁴ 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 30 assigned to novaferon 40 microg twice a day (inh), 30 assigned to novaferon plus lopinavir-ritonavir 40 mg twice a | Median age 44.5 ± NR, male 47.1% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of | |

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| | day (inh) + 400/100 mg a day and 29 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir | | | allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Chen et al; preprint; ²⁴⁵ 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 33 assigned to ribavirin 2 g IV loading dose followed by orally 400-600 mg every 8 hours for 14 days, 36 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir and 32 assigned to ribavirin plus lopinavir-ritonavir | Mean age 42.5 ± 11.5, male 45.5% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| WHO SOLIDARITY-trial ; ¹⁵⁸ Pan et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19. 1399 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 200/50 mg twice a day for 14 days and 1372 assigned to standard of care | Age 61% < 70 years, male 62%, diabetes 25%, COPD 6%, asthma 5%, coronary heart disease 21% | Corticosteroids 15.1%, convalescent plasma 0.5%, Anti IL6 2.1% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Sali et al , ²⁴⁶ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 22 assigned to sofosbuvir 400 mg a day and 32 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400/100 mg every 12 hours | Mean age 56.5 ± 14, male 53.7%, diabetes 33%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of | |

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| Purwati et al , ²⁴⁷ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 128 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 500/100 a day, 123 assigned to HCQ 200 mg a day and 119 to SOC | Median age 36.5 ± NR, male 95.3%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Kasgari et al , ²⁴⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 24 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir 400/60 mg twice daily and 24 assigned to hydroxychloroquine plus lopinavir-ritonavir | Median age 52.5 ± NR, male 37.5%, hypertension 35.4%, diabetes 37.5%, chronic lung disease 2% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Yadollahzadeh et al , ²⁴⁹ Preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 58 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir 400/60 mg a day for 10 days and 54 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400/100 mg twice a day for 7 days | Mean age 57.4 ± 15, male 44.6%, hypertension 25%, diabetes 21.4%, COPD 3.6%, CHD 15.2%, CKD 6.2%, immunosuppression 3.6%, cancer 10.7% | Hydroxychloroquine 100% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| TOGETHER trial , ¹⁷² Reis et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 244 assigned | Mean age 53 ± 76, male 45%, hypertension 49.3%, diabetes 19.4%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom | |

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| | to lopinavir-ritonavir 1600 mg/400 mg once followed by 800 mg/200 mg a day for 9 days and 227 assigned to SOC | COPD 2.5%, asthma 8.6%, CHD 3.9%, CKD 0.7%, cancer 1.2%, obesity 34.2% | | resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| SEV-COVID trial ; ¹⁷⁷ Singh et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to ribavirin + lopinavir-ritonavir (dosage not reported) and 21 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53.3 ±, male 77.2%, hypertension 34%, diabetes 27.2%, COPD 13.6%, asthma 2.2%, CHD 20.4%, cancer 0%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| COPEP trial ; ²⁵⁰ Labhardt et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 209 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400/10 mg a day for 5 days and 109 assigned to SOC | Median age 39 ± 22, male 50.6%, hypertension 8.2%, diabetes 3.1%, COPD 7.8%, CHD 2.5%, cancer 0.6%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Ghanei et al ; ⁵⁰ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 110 assigned to Lopinavir-Ritonavir 200/50 mg twice a day for 7 days and 110 assigned to azithromycin 500 mg once followed by | Mean age 58.1 ± 16.3, male 51.5%, hypertension 24.7%, diabetes 12.2%, asthma 4.5%, CHD 8.9%, CKD 1.2%, | Convalescent plasma 1.8% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably | |

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Low-dose radiation therapy

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| COVID-RT-01 trial ²⁵¹ Papachristofilou et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with critical COVID-19 infection. 11 assigned to low-dose radiation therapy 0.5 to 1.0 Gy and 11 assigned to SOC | Mean age 75, male 77.3%, diabetes 54.6%, COPD 22.7%, asthma %, CHD 40.9%, cancer 18.2%, | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 50%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |
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Mavrilimumab

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| MASH-COVID trial ; ²⁵² Cremer et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 21 assigned to mavrilimumab 6 mg/kg once and 19 assigned to SOC | Mean age 56.7 ± 23.8, male 65%, hypertension 55%, diabetes 43%, COPD 8%, CKD 8%, cerebrovascular disease 3% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Melatonin

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Farnoosh et al . ²⁵³ peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 24 assigned to melatonin 9 mg a day for 14 days and 20 | Mean age 51.85 ± 14.25, male 59.1%, hypertension 25%, diabetes 22.7%, CHD 6.8%, cancer 6.8%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No</p> |

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| | assigned to SOC | | | Notes: Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. Significant loss to follow-up. | information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Davoodian et al; ²⁵⁴ preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 41 assigned to melatonin 6 mg a day for 14 days and 39 assigned to SOC | Median age 56 ± 40, male 56.8%, hypertension 18.5%, diabetes 14.8%, CHD 19.8%, CKD 3.7% | Corticosteroids 12.3%, hydroxychloroquine 69%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information |
| Alizadeh et al; ²⁵⁵ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 14 assigned to melatonin 6 mg a day for 14 days and 17 assigned to SOC | Mean age 36 ± 8.2, male 64.3% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Hospitalization: No information |
| Mousavi et al; ²⁵⁶ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 48 assigned to melatonin 3 mg a day for 10 days and 48 assigned to SOC | Mean age 52.9, male 44.8%, hypertension 30.2%, diabetes 28.1%, COPD 3.1%, asthma 5.2%, CHD 15.6%, CKD 5.2%, | Corticosteroids 82.3%, hydroxychloroquine 97.9%, lopinavir-ritonavir 2.1%, azithromycin 100%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | |

Mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation

Mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation may reduce mortality.

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| Shu et al. ²⁵⁷ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 12 assigned to mesenchymal stem cell 2×10^6 cells/kg one infusion and 29 assigned to standard of care | Median age 61 ± 10 , male 58.5%, hypertension 22%, diabetes 19.5% | Corticosteroids 100%, antibiotics 87.8%, antivirals 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: RR 0.59 (95%CI 0.37 to 0.93); RD -6.2% (95%CI -9.8% to -1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |
| Shi et al. ²⁵⁸ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 65 assigned to mesenchymal stem cell three infusions with 4.0×10^7 cells each and 35 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 60.3 ± 8.4 , male 56%, hypertension 27%, diabetes 17%, COPD 2% | Corticosteroids 22% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation | Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |
| Lanzoni et al. ²⁵⁹ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 12 assigned to mesenchymal stem cell $100 \pm 20 \times 10^6$ UC- MSC twice and 12 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 58.7 ± 17.5 , male 54.1%, hypertension 66.7%, diabetes 45.8%, coronary heart disease 12.5%, , cancer 4.2%, obesity 66.6% | Corticosteroids 90.4%, remdesivir 66.7%, hydroxychloroquine 12.5%, tocilizumab 20.8%, convalescent plasma 29.1% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |
| Dilogo et al. ²⁶⁰ peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with critical COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to mesenchymal stem cell | age >60, 45%, male 75%, hypertension 42.5%, diabetes 50%, CHD 25%, CKD 17.5% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, | |

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| | one 100 ml infusion and 20 assigned to SOC | | | and adverse events | |
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Methylene blue

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Hamidi-Alamdari et al ; ²⁶¹ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 40 assigned to methylene blue 1 mg/kg every 12 to 8 h for 14 days and 40 assigned to SOC | Mean age 54 ± 13, male 52.5%, hypertension 17.5%, diabetes 10% | Corticosteroids 87.5%, azithromycin 92.5%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |
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Methisoprinol

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Borges et al. ; ²⁶² peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 30 assigned to methisoprinol 1500 mg/kg/day for 14 days and 30 assigned to SOC | Mean age 33.2 ± 16, male 53.3%, COPD 10%, CKD 16.6%, cancer 3.3%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |
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Metoprolol

Mesenchymal stem-cell transplantation may reduce mortality.

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| MADRID-COVID trial ; ²⁶³ Clemente-Moragón et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with critical COVID-19 infection. 12 assigned to metoprolol 15 mg a day for 3 days and 8 assigned to SOC | Median age 60 ± 14.2, male 65%, hypertension 30%, diabetes 10%, | Corticosteroids 100%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information |
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Molnupiravir

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Painter et al; ²⁶⁴ Preprint; 2020 | Healthy volunteers. 64 assigned to molnupiravir 80 to 1600 mg twice a day for 5.5 days | Mean age 39.6 ± 39, male 82.8%, | NR | Low for adverse events | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> |
| AGILE trial; ²⁶⁵ Khoo et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 12 assigned to molnupiravir 600-1600 mg a day and 6 assigned to SOC | Median age 56 ± 58, male 27.8% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> |
| Fischer et al; ²⁶⁶ peer | Patients with mild to | Age >65 6%±, male | NR | Low for mortality and | ⊕○○○ |

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| reviewed; 2021 | moderate COVID-19 infection. 140 assigned to molnupiravir 200 to 800 mg twice a day for 5 days and 62 assigned to SOC | 48.6% | | mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Hospitalization: No information |
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Mouthwash

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Mukhtar et al; ²⁶⁷ preprint ; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19. 46 assigned to mouthwash with hydrogen peroxide 2% and chlorhexidine gluconate mixed solution three times a day and 46 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 49, male 78.2%, hypertension 37%, diabetes 41.3%, coronary heart disease 6.5%, chronic kidney disease 12%, c obesity 31.5% | Corticosteroids 53.2%, remdesivir 26%, hydroxychloroquine 21.7%, lopinavir-ritonavir 54.3%, azithromycin 57.6%, convalescent plasma 13% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| GARGLES trial; ²⁶⁸ Mohamed et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with COVID-19. 10 assigned to mouthwash with povidone iodine or essential oils 3 times a day and 10 assigned to mouthwash with water or no mouthwash | Median age 28.9, male 80% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information |
| KILLER trial; ²⁶⁹ Guenezan et al; peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 12 assigned to mouthwash with 25 ml of 1% povidone iodine and 12 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45 ± 23, male 33%, hypertension 12.5%, diabetes 4% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably | |

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| Elzein et al. ; ²⁷⁰ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 52 assigned to mouthwash with povidone or chlorhexidine and 9 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45.3 ± 16.7, male 40.9% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Santos et al. ; ²⁷¹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to mouthwash with anionic iron tetracarboxyphthalocyanine derivative 5 times a day and 21 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53.7 ± 44.5, male 63% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| BBCovid trial ; ²⁷² Carrouel et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 76 assigned to mouthwash with β-cyclodextrin-citrox three times a day and 78 assigned to SOC | Mean age 43.8 ± 15.5, male 45.7%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Huang et al. ; ²⁷³ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 66 assigned to mouthwash chlorhexidine 0.12% 15 ml twice a day for 4 days and 55 assigned to | Median age 62 ± 66, male 58% | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 100%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of | |

| | SOC | | | allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
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| Eduardo et al; ²⁷⁴ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 34 assigned to mouthwash cetylpyridinium chloride, zinc, chlorhexidine, hydrogen peroxide and 9 assigned to SOC | Mean age 54.7, male 74.4%, hypertension 30.2%, diabetes 23.2%, COPD 11.6%, CHD 18.6%, CKD 11.6%, obesity 13.9% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Di-Domênico et al; ²⁷⁵ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 63 assigned to mouthwash with hydrogen peroxide 1% three time a day and nasal wash with hydrogen peroxide 0.5% and 43 assigned to SOC | Age >60 17%, male 39.6%, hypertension 22.6%, diabetes 11.3%, COPD 5.7%, CHD 3.8%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Significant number of patients excluded post-randomization resulting in potential imbalances in baseline risks | |
| Mupadolimab Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Miller et al; ²⁷⁶ preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 29 assigned to | Median age 55, male 57.5%, any comorbidities 45% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical |

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| | mupadolimab 1-2 mg/kg and 11 assigned to SOC | | | and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
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Mycobacterium w

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| ARMY-1 trial , ²⁷⁷ Sehgal et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 22 assigned to Mycobacterium w 0.3 ml SC once a day for 3 days and 20 assigned to SOC | Mean age 56 ± 15, male 69%, hypertension 31%, diabetes 33.3%, COPD 4.8%, asthma 4.8% | Corticosteroids 100%, hydroxychloroquine 26.2%, tocilizumab 12%, convalescent plasma 7% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |
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| N-acetylcysteine Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| de Alencar et al ; ²⁷⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 68 assigned to NAC 21 g once and 67 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 58.5 ± 22.5, male 59.2%, hypertension 46.6%, diabetes 37.7%, cancer 12.6%, | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Gaynitdinova et al ; ²⁷⁹ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 24 assigned to NAC 1200-1500 mg once and 22 assigned to SOC | Mean age 57.9 ± 12.7 | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |
| Taher et al ; ²⁸⁰ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 47 assigned to NAC 40 mg/kg a day for 3 days and 45 assigned to SOC | Mean age 57.6 ± 18.7, male 58.7%, diabetes 23.9%, COPD 15.2%, asthma %, CHD 28.2%, | Corticosteroids 69.6%, hydroxychloroquine 90.2%, azithromycin 51.1%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

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| Namilumab Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| CATALYST trial ¹⁸⁹ Fisher et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 55 assigned to namilumab and 54 assigned to SOC | Median age 62.8 ± 18, male 68.5% | Corticosteroids 90.7%, remdesivir 53.7% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

Nano-curcumin

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Hassaniazad et al ; ²⁸¹ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to nano-curcumin 160 mg a day for 14 days and 20 assigned to SOC | Mean age 48.5 ± 10.9, male 55% | Corticosteroids 87.5%, hydroxychloroquine 45%, lopinavir-ritonavir 52.5%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Nasal hypertonic saline

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Kimura et al. , ²⁸² peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 14 assigned to nasal hypertonic saline 250 cc twice daily, 14 assigned to nasal hypertonic saline plus surfactant and 17 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 37.9 ± 15.7, male 53.3%, hypertension 24.4%, diabetes 6.6%, chronic lung disease 15.5%, coronary heart disease 4.4%, | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Neem (*Azadirachta indica* A. Juss)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Nesari et al. , ²⁸³ other; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 70 assigned to neem 50 mg for 28 days and 84 assigned to SOC | Mean age 37, male % | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. Significant loss to follow-up. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Niclosamide

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Abdulmir et al. ²⁸⁴ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19 infection. 75 assigned to niclosamide 4 g once followed by 3 g a day for 7 days and 75 assigned to SOC | Mean age 49.3 ± 16, male 53.3%, hypertension 12.7%, diabetes 8%, asthma 0.7%, cancer 0.7%, obesity 0.7% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Nigella sativa +/- Honey

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| HNS-COVID-PK trial ; ²⁸⁵ Ashraf et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 157 assigned to honey + <i>Nigella sativa</i> 1 g + 80 mg/kg three times a day for 13 days and 156 assigned to SOC | > 60 age 52 ±, male 56.8%, hypertension 31.6%, diabetes 36.7% | Corticosteroids 26.5%, azithromycin 73.8%, ivermectin 36.4% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> |
| Koshak et al ; ²⁸⁶ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 91 assigned to <i>Nigella sativa</i> 500 mg twice a day for 10 days and 92 assigned to SOC | Mean age 36 ± 11, male 53%, hypertension 9%, diabetes 8%, asthma 4%, CHD 0.5%, obesity 25% | NR | <p>High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate.</p> | <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> |

Nitazoxanide

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| SARITA-2 trial , ²⁸⁷ Rocco et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 194 assigned to nitazoxanide 500 mg three times a day for 5 days and 198 assigned to standard of care | Age range 18 - 77, male 47%, comorbidities 13.2% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. Significant loss to follow-up. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Fontanesi et al , ²⁸⁸ preprint ; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19. 25 assigned to nitazoxanide 1200 mg a day for 7 days and 25 assigned to SOC | Age > 65 46%, male 30% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation and blinding probably inappropriate. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Silva et al , ²⁸⁹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 23 assigned to nitazoxanide 2-3 g a day for 14 days and 13 assigned to SOC | Male 72.2%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

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| | | | | study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Vanguard trial , ²⁹⁰ Rossignol et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 184 assigned to nitazoxanide 600 mg a day for 5 days and 195 assigned to SOC | Mean age 40.3 ± 15.4, male 43.5%, comorbidities 34% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

Nitric oxide

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Moni et al , ²⁹¹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 14 assigned to iNO pulses of 30 min for 3 days and 11 assigned to SOC | Mean age 59.8 ± 10, male 72%, hypertension 44%, diabetes 56%, COPD 12%, CHD 24% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information |
| Winchester et al , ²⁹² peer-reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 40 assigned to nitric oxide nasal spray (NONS) 4 sprays 5 to 6 times a day for 9 days and 40 assigned to | Mean age 44, male 36.7%, hypertension 6.3%, diabetes 6.3%, COPD 1.2%, CHD 0% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

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| | SOC | | | study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Hospitalization: No information |
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Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAID)

Current best evidence suggests no association between NSAID consumption and COVID-19 related mortality. However, the certainty of the evidence is very low because of the risk of bias. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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Non-RCT

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| Eilidh et al; ²⁹³ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 54 received NSAID and 1168 received alternative treatment schemes | Age < 65 31.7%, male 56.5%, hypertension 50.3%, diabetes 27%, coronary heart disease 22.3%, chronic kidney disease 38.7%, | NR | High for mortality Notes: Non-randomized study with retrospective design. Regression was implemented to adjust for potential confounders (age, sex, smoking status, CRP levels, diabetes, hypertension, coronary artery disease, reduced renal function). | Mortality: OR 0.82 (95%CI 0.66 to 1.02); Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Jeong et al; ²⁹⁴ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 354 received NSAID and 1470 received alternative treatment schemes | Age >65 36%, male 41%, hypertension 20%, diabetes 12%, chronic lung disease 16%, asthma 6%, chronic kidney disease 2%, cancer 6% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation Notes: Non-randomized study with retrospective design. Propensity score and IPTW were implemented to adjust for potential confounders (age, sex, health insurance type, | |

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| | | | | hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes mellitus, malignancy, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, atherosclerosis, chronic renal failure, chronic liver disease, rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, gastrointestinal, conditions, and use of co-medications). | |
| Lund et al. ; ²⁹⁵ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 224 received NSAID and 896 received alternative treatment schemes | Median age 54 ± 23, male 41.5%, chronic lung disease 3.9%, asthma 5.4%, coronary heart disease 10.2%, cerebrovascular disease 3.4%, cancer 7.1%, obesity 12.5% | Corticosteroids 7.1% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation Notes: Non-randomized study with retrospective design. Propensity score and matching were implemented to adjust for potential confounders (age, sex, relevant comorbidities, use of selected prescription drugs, and phase of the outbreak. | |
| Kinott et al. ; ²⁹⁶ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 87 received NSAID and 316 received alternative treatment schemes | Median age 45 ± 37, male 54.6%, diabetes 9.4%, coronary heart disease 12.9%, | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation Notes: Non-randomized study with retrospective design. No adjustment for potential confounders. | |

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| <p>Wong et al.²⁹⁷ preprint; 2020</p> | <p>Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 535519 received NSAID and 1924095 received alternative treatment schemes</p> | <p>Median age 51 ± 23, male 42.7%, hypertension 19.6%, diabetes 9.6%, chronic lung disease 2.4%, asthma %, coronary heart disease 0.5%, chronic kidney disease 2.8%, cancer 5.2%,</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 2.2%, hydroxychloroquine 0.6%</p> | <p>High for mortality</p> <p>Notes: Non-randomized study with retrospective design. Regression was implemented to adjust for potential confounders (age, sex, relevant comorbidities, use of selected prescription drugs, vaccination, and deprivation).</p> | |
| <p>Imam et al.²⁹⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 466 received NSAID and 839 received alternative treatment schemes</p> | <p>Mean age 61 ± 16.3, male 53.8%, hypertension 56.2%, diabetes 30.1%, chronic lung disease 8.2%, asthma 8.8%, coronary heart disease 15.9%, chronic kidney disease 17.5%, immunosuppression 1%, cancer 6.4%,</p> | <p>NR</p> | <p>High for mortality</p> <p>Notes: Non-randomized study with retrospective design. Regression was implemented to adjust for potential confounders (not specified).</p> | |
| <p>Esba et al.²⁹⁹ preprint; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 infection. 146 received NSAID and 357 received alternative treatment schemes</p> | <p>Median age 41.7 ± 30, male 57.2%, hypertension 20.4%, diabetes 22.5%, chronic lung disease 5.2%, chronic kidney disease 3.2%, cancer 1.4%</p> | <p>NR</p> | <p>High for mortality</p> <p>Notes: Non-randomized study with retrospective design. Regression was implemented to adjust for potential confounders (age; sex; comorbidities: hypertension, diabetes mellitus (DM), dyslipidemia, asthma, or chronic obstructive</p> | |

| | | | | pulmonary disease (COPD), cardiovascular disease (CVD), renal or liver impairment, and malignancy). | |
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| Novaferon | | | | | |
| Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Zheng et al. , ²⁴⁴ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 30 assigned to novaferon 40 microg twice a day (inh), 30 assigned to novaferon plus lopinavir-ritonavir 40 microg twice a day (inh) + 400/100 mg a day and 29 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir | Median age 44.5 ± NR, male 47.1% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Omega-3 fatty acids

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Sedighyan et al. ³⁰⁰ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 15 assigned to omega-3 670 mg three times a day for 2 weeks and 15 assigned to SOC | Mean age 66.7 ± 2.5, male 60% | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |
| Doaei et al. ³⁰¹ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with critical COVID-19 infection. 28 assigned to omega-3 1000 mg a day and 73 assigned to SOC | Mean age 64 ± 14, male 59.4% | NR | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Blinding is probably inappropriate. Significant loss to follow-up. | |

Otilimab

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| OSCAR trial ; ³⁰² Patel et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 386 assigned to otilimab 90 mg once and 393 assigned to SOC | Mean age 59.6 ± 12, male 71.6%, hypertension 49.7%, diabetes 36.7%, CHD 11.9% | Corticosteroids 83%, remdesivir 34%, tocilizumab 1.2%, convalescent plasma 6% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Ozone

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| PROBIOZOVID trial ; ³⁰³ Araimo et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 14 assigned to ozone 250 ml ozonized blood and 14 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 61.7 ± 13.2, male 50%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| SEOT trial ; ³⁰⁴ Shah et al; Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 30 assigned to ozone 150 ml rectal insufflation plus 5 ml with venous blood once a day for 10 days and 30 assigned to SOC | Mean age 43.8 ± 9, male 80%, diabetes 10% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

Peg-interferon (IFN) alfa

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| PEGL20.002 trial ; ³⁰⁵ Pandit et al; Peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to pegylated interferon alfa 1 µg/kg once and 19 assigned to SOC | Mean age 49.2 ± 13.5, male 75% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Bushan et al ; ³⁰⁶ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 119 assigned to Peg Interferon Alfa 1 µg/kg subcutaneous [SC] injection once and 123 assigned to SOC | Mean age 49.9 ± 15.3, male 70.8% | Corticosteroids 59.9%, remdesivir 21.5%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Peg-interferon (IFN) lambda

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| ILLAD trial ; ³⁰⁷ Feld et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19. 30 assigned to peg-IFN lambda 180 µg subcutaneous injection once and 30 assigned to standard of care | Median age 46 ± 22, male 58%, comorbidities 15% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty</p> |
| COVID-Lambda trial ; ³⁰⁸ Jagannathan et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 60 assigned to peg-IFN lambda 180 mcg subcutaneous injection once and 60 assigned to standard of care | Median age 36 ± 53, male 68.3%, | NR | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results.</p> | <p>⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty</p> <p>⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: Very low certainty</p> <p>⊕○○○</p> |

Pentoxifylline

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Maldonado et al. ³⁰⁹ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 26 assigned to pentoxifylline 400 mg three times a day while hospitalized and 12 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 57.5 ± 11.7, male 55.2%, hypertension 39.4%, diabetes 50%, obesity 55.2% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

PNB001 (CCK-A antagonist)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| BCR-PNB-001 trial ; ³¹⁰ Lattaman et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to PNB001 200 mg a day for 14 days and 20 assigned to SOC | Mean age 52, 65% male | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Polymerized type I collagen (PT1C)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Mendez-Flores et al ; ³¹¹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 44 assigned to PT1C 25 mg intramuscular for 3 days followed by 12.5 mg for another 4 days and 43 assigned to SOC | Mean age 48.5 ± 14.1, male 41.6%, hypertension 20.2%, diabetes 16.9%, COPD 2.3%, asthma 4.5%, CHD 0%, cancer 0%, obesity 28.1% | Corticosteroids 0% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

Povidone iodine spray

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Seet et al. ¹⁷¹ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 735 assigned to povidone iodine spray 3 times a day for 42 days and 619 assigned to SOC (vitamin C) | Mean age 33, male 100%, hypertension 1%, diabetes 0.3% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

Probiotics

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Wang et al. ; ³¹² peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 98 assigned to probiotics 2 lozenges a day for 30 days and 95 assigned to SOC | Mean age 36 ± 8, male 29% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Progesterone

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Ghandehari et al. ³¹³ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 18 assigned to progesterone 100 mg twice a day for 5 days and 22 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 55.3 ± 16.4, male 100%, hypertension 48%, diabetes 25%, obesity 45% | Corticosteroids 60%, remdesivir 60%, hydroxychloroquine 2.5%, tocilizumab 12.5%, azithromycin 50%, convalescent plasma 5% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Prolectin-M

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Prolectin-M trial ; ³¹⁴ Sigamani et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 5 assigned to prolectin-M 40 g a day and 5 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 28.5 ± 3.85, male 20% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Propolis

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Bee-Covid trial ; ³¹⁵ Duarte Silveira et al; Preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19. 82 assigned to propolis 400-800 mg a day for 7 days and 42 assigned to SOC | Mean age 50 ± 12.8, male 69.4%, hypertension 45.2%, diabetes 21%, COPD 7.3%, asthma %, obesity 51.6% | Corticosteroids 80.6%, hydroxychloroquine 3.2%, azithromycin 95.2%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Proxalutamide

Proxalutamide may improve time to symptom resolution and reduce hospitalizations. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Cadegiani et al , ³¹⁶ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 114 assigned to proxalutamide 200 mg a day for 15 days and 100 assigned to SOC | NR | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Randomization and concealment methods probably not appropriate. | Mortality: RR 0.22 (95%CI 0.16 to 0.31); RD -12.5% (95%CI -13.4% to -11%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.12 (95%CI 0.05 to 0.27); RD -15.2% (95%CI -16.4% to -12.6%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| AB-DRUG-SARS-004 trial , ³¹⁷ Cadegiani et al; Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 171 assigned to proxalutamide 200 mg a day for 15 days and 65 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45.3 ± 13, male 54.2%, hypertension 22.5%, diabetes 8.9%, COPD 0%, asthma 5%, CKD 0.4%, cancer 17%, obesity 15.7% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation and blinding probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 2.62 (95%CI 1.82 to 3.75); RD 98.2% (95%CI -49.6% to 100%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| KP-DRUG-SARS-003 trial , ³¹⁸ Cadegiani et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 317 assigned to proxalutamide 300 mg a day for 14 days and 328 assigned to SOC | Median age 50 ± 22.5, male 43.3%, hypertension 27.1%, diabetes 12.2%, COPD 2.5%, CKD 0% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| AB-DRUG-SARS-005 trial , ³¹⁹ | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 | Mean age 44.2 ± 12.1, male 0%, hypertension | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; | Hospitalization: RR |

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| Cadegiani et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | infection. 75 assigned to proxalutamide 200 mg a day for 7 days and 102 assigned to SOC | 31.1%, diabetes 8.5%, COPD 0.6%, obesity 18.1% | | High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Randomization process presented as "Blocked" but described as a cluster randomization. | 0.07 (95%CI 0.01 to 0.52); RD -6.9% (95%CI -7.3% to -3.6%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
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Pyridostigmine

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| PISCO trial ; ³²⁰ Fragoso-Saavedra et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 94 assigned to pyridostigmine 60 mg a day for 14 days and 94 assigned to SOC | Median age 52 ± 20, male 59.6%, hypertension 35.1%, diabetes 36.2%, COPD 4.3%, asthma %, CHD 2.1%, obesity 43.1% | Corticosteroids 74.5%, tocilizumab 5.3% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation and blinding probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> |
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| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Quercetin Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Onal et al. ³²¹ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 52 assigned to Quercetin 1000 mg and 395 assigned to SOC | Age > 50 65.7%, male 56.6%, hypertension 38.7%, diabetes 28.2%, COPD 6%, asthma 13.9%, CHD 22.6%, CKD 0.2%, cancer 3.6%, obesity 0.9% | Hydroxychloroquine 97.5%, favipiravir 13.2% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Randomization and concealment process probably inappropriate. Non-blinded study. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Di Pierro et al. ³²² peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 21 assigned to quercetin 400-600 mg a day for 14days and 21 assigned to SOC | Mean age 49.3 ± 19.5, male 47.6% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

Ramipril

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| RASTAVI trial , ³²³ Amat-Santos et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients exposed to COVID-19. 50 assigned to ramipril 2.5 mg a day progressively increased to 10 mg a day and 52 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 82.3 ± 6.1, male 56.9%, hypertension 54.15%, diabetes 20.65%, chronic lung disease 7.35%, coronary heart disease 22.45%, chronic kidney disease 34.15%, cerebrovascular disease 11.15% | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Recombinant super-compound interferon

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| <p>Li et al.,³²⁴ peer-reviewed; 2020</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 46 assigned to recombinant super-compound interferon 12 million IU twice daily (nebulization) and 48 assigned to interferon alfa</p> | <p>Median age 54 ± 23.5, male 46.8%, hypertension 19.1%, diabetes 9.6%, chronic lung disease 1.1%, coronary heart disease 7.4%, cerebrovascular disease 5.3%, liver disease 6.4%</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 9.6%, ATB 22.3%, intravenous immunoglobulin 3.2%, lopinavir-ritonavir 44.7%</p> | <p>High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate.</p> | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Regdanvimab (monoclonal antibody)

Regdanvimab may improve time to symptom resolution. Its effects on mortality and mechanical ventilation are uncertain. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Eom et al. ³²⁵ Preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 204 assigned to regdanvimab 40-80 mg/kg once and 103 assigned to SOC | Mean age 51 ± 20, male 44.6%, comorbidities 73% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| CT-P59 1.2 trial ³²⁶ Kim et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 15 assigned to regdanvimab 20 to 80 mg once and 3 assigned to SOC | Median age 52 ± 8, male 100% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.24 (95%CI 1.05 to 1.46); RD 4.2% (95%CI 9% to 80%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab)

REGEN-COV probably reduces mortality and mechanical ventilation in seronegative severe to critical patients. In mild patients REGEN-COV probably reduces hospitalizations and in exposed individuals it reduces symptomatic infections.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Weinreich et al ; ³²⁷ preprint; 2020 | Patients with recent onset mild disease with risk factors COVID-19 infection. 2091 assigned to REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) 1.2 to 2.4 g single infusion and 2089 assigned to SOC | Median age 50 ± 21, male 48.7%, obesity 58%, comorbidities 100% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: RR 0.94 (95%CI 0.87 to 1.02); RD -1% (95%CI -2.1% to 0.3%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> <p>Mortality (seronegative): RR 0.8 (95%CI 0.7 to 0.91); RD -3.2% (95%CI -4.8% to -1.4%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> |
| RECOVERY-REGEN-COV trial ; ³²⁸ Horby et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 4839 assigned to REGEN-COV (Regeneron) 8 g once and 4946 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.9 ± 14.4, male 63%, diabetes 26.5%, COPD %, CHD 21%, CKD 5% | Corticosteroids 94%, azithromycin 3% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; some Concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.96 (95%CI 0.89 to 1.03); RD -0.7% (95%CI -1.9% to -0.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation (seronegative): RR 0.83 (95%CI 0.75 to 0.92); RD -2.9% (95%CI -4.3% to -1.4%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> |
| O'Brien et al ; ³²⁹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with early asymptomatic COVID-19 infection. 100 assigned to REGEN-COV (Regeneron) 1.2 g | Mean age 40.9 ± 18, male 45.4%, diabetes 7.8%, CKD 2.5%, immunosuppressive therapy 1.5%, obesity 13.2% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Symptom resolution or</p> |

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| | once and 104 assigned to SOC | | | | improvement: RR 1.06 (95%CI 0.96 to 1.16); RD 3.6% (95%CI -2.4% to 9.7%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| O'Brien et al. ³³⁰ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with exposed to COVID-19 infection. 753 assigned to REGN-CoV2 (Regeneron) 1200mg once and 752 assigned to SOC | Median age 42.9, male 45.9%, diabetes 6.8%, CKD 1.9%, immunosuppressive therapy 1%, obesity 13.5% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.12 (95%CI 1.01 to 1.25); RD 7.2% (95%CI 0.6% to 15.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| OPTIMISE-C19 trial ; ⁵⁹ McCreary et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection disease and risk factors for severity. 922 assigned to REGN-CoV2 (Regeneron) and 1013 assigned to bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab | Mean age 56 ± 16, male 46%, hypertension 53%, diabetes 25%, COPD 19%, asthma %, CHD 18%, CKD 6.5%, immunosuppressive therapy 27%, obesity 48% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): RR 0.49 (95%CI 0.35 to 0.67); RD -8.9% (95%CI -11.3% to -5.7%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕ Adverse events: RR 0.63 (95%CI 0.48 to 0.81); RD -3.8% (95%CI -5.3% to -1.9%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Hospitalization: RR 0.29 (95%CI 0.18 to 0.44); RD -5.3% (95%CI -6.1% to -4.1%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |

Remdesivir

Remdesivir may slightly reduce mortality, mechanical ventilation requirement and improve time to symptom resolution without significantly increasing the risk of severe adverse events. However, the certainty is low because of risk of bias and imprecision.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| ACCT-1 trial ; Beigel et al; ³³¹ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19 infection. 541 assigned to remdesivir intravenously 200 mg loading dose on day 1 followed by a 100 mg maintenance dose administered daily on days 2 through 10 or until hospital discharge or death and 522 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 58.9 ± 15, male 64.3%, hypertension 49.6%, diabetes 29.7%, chronic lung disease 7.6%, coronary heart disease 11.6%, | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Mortality: RR 0.95 (95%CI 0.83 to 1.08); RD -0.8% (95%CI -2.7% to 1.3%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.71 (95%CI 0.43 to 1.18); RD -5% (95%CI -9.9% to 3.1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.17 (95%CI 1.03 to 1.33); RD 10.3% (95%CI 1.8% to 20%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| SIMPLE trial ; Goldman et al; ³³² peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 200 assigned to remdesivir (5 days) 200 mg once followed 100 mg for 5 days and 197 assigned to remdesivir (10 days) | Median age 61.5 ± 20, male 63.7%, hypertension 49.8%, diabetes 22.6%, asthma 12.3% | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Severe Adverse events: RR 0.8 (95%CI 0.48 to 1.33); RD -2% (95%CI -5.3% to 3.4%); Low |
| CAP-China remdesivir 2 trial ; ³³³ | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 | Median age 65 ± 7.5, male 60.5%, | Corticosteroids 65.6%, lopinavir-ritonavir | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical | |

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| Wang et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | infection. 158 assigned to remdesivir 200 mg on day 1 followed by 100 mg on days 2–10 in single daily infusions and 79 assigned to standard of care | hypertension 43%, diabetes 23.7%, coronary heart disease 7.2% | 28.4%, IFN 32.2%, ATB 91.1% | ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | certainty ⊕⊕○○ Hospitalization: No information |
| SIMPLE 2 trial ; Spinner et al; ³³⁴ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 384 assigned to remdesivir 200 mg on day 1 followed by 100 mg a day for 5 to 10 days and 200 assigned to standard of care | Median age 57 ± 9, male 61.3%, hypertension 42%, diabetes 40%, asthma 14%, coronary heart disease 56% | Corticosteroids 17%, hydroxychloroquine 21.33%, lopinavir-ritonavir 11%, tocilizumab 4% | Some concerns for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Additional treatments unbalanced between arms which suggests that patients might have been treated differently. | |
| WHO SOLIDARITY ¹⁵⁸ Pan et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19. 2743 assigned to remdesivir 200 mg once followed by 100 mg a day for 10 days and 2708 assigned to standard of care | age < 70 years 61%, male 62%, hypertension %, diabetes 25%, COPD 6%, asthma 5%, coronary heart disease 21% | Corticosteroids 15.1%, convalescent plasma 0.5%, Anti IL6 2.1% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Mahajan et al ³³⁵ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19 | Mean age 57.7 ± 13.1, male 65.5%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; | |

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| | infection. 34 assigned to remdesivir 200 mg once followed by 100 mg once a day for 5 days and 36 assigned to SOC | hypertension 45.7%, diabetes 60%, asthma 1.4%, CHD 12.9%, CKD 4.3% | | High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
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Resveratrol

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| McCreary et al ; ³³⁶ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 50 assigned to resveratrol 4 g a day for 7 days and 50 assigned to SOC | Mean age 56 ± 9, male 43% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Severe Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: Very low certainty</p> |
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rhG-CSF (in patients with lymphopenia)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Cheng et al , ³³⁷ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 and lymphopenia. 100 assigned to rhG-CSF six doses and 100 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 45 ± 15, male 56% | Lopinavir-ritonavir 15.5%, IFN 9%, umifenovir 18% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Severe Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Ribavirin

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Chen et al; ²⁴⁵ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 33 assigned to ribavirin 2 g IV loading dose followed by orally 400-600 mg every 8 h for 14 days, 36 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir and 32 assigned to ribavirin plus lopinavir-ritonavir | Mean age 42.5 ± 11.5, male 45.5% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: No information Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Ribavirin plus interferon beta-1b

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Hung et al. ³³⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 86 assigned to ribavirin plus interferon beta-1b 400 mg every 12 hours (ribavirin), and subcutaneous injection of one to three doses of interferon beta-1b 1 mL (8 million international units [IU]) on alternate days, for 14 days and 41 assigned to standard of care | Median age 52 ± 15, male 54%, hypertension 18.3%, diabetes 13.3%, coronary heart disease 7.9% cerebrovascular disease 1.5%, cancer 1.5% | Corticosteroids 6.2%, ATB 53.3% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Ruxolitinib

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Cao et al. ³³⁹ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 22 assigned to ruxolitinib 5 mg twice a day and 21 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 63 ± 10, male 58.5%, hypertension 39%, diabetes 19.5%, coronary heart disease 7.3%, | Corticosteroids 70.7%, IVIG 43.9%, umifenovir 73%, oseltamivir 27% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: No information</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Sarilumab

Sarilumab may reduce mortality and mechanical ventilation requirements; however, the certainty of the evidence is low. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| REMAP-CAP - tocilizumab trial ; ³⁴⁰ Gordon et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 353 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once or twice, 48 assigned to sarilumab 400 mg once and 402 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.4 ± 12.7, male 72.7%, diabetes 35.4%, COPD 24%, CHD 10.2%, immunosuppressive therapy 1.4%, cancer %, obesity % | Corticosteroids 75.6%, remdesivir 32.8% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: RR 0.99 (95%CI 0.8 to 1.23); RD -0.2% (95%CI -3.2% to 3.7%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.93 (95%CI 0.68 to 1.26); RD -1.2% (95%CI -5.5% to 4.5%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| Lescure et al ; ³⁴¹ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 332 assigned to sarilumab 200-400 mg once and 84 assigned to SOC | Mean age 59 ± 18, male 62.7%, hypertension 42.5%, diabetes 26.4%, COPD 4.3%, asthma 4.1%, CHD 5.3%, CKD 4.3%, cancer 10.1%, obesity 20.7% | Corticosteroids 46.4%, hydroxychloroquine 34.5%, azithromycin 46.4%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 0.99 (95%CI 0.92 to 1.08); RD -0.6% (95%CI -4.8% to 4.8%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| Sarilumab-COVID19 Study trial ; ³⁴² Sivapalasingam, et al; preprint; 2021 (two studies reported) | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 1148 assigned to sarilumab 200-400 mg once and 376 assigned to SOC | Critical patient population: Mean age 61 ± 20, male 68.4%, hypertension 52.1%, diabetes 18.7%, obesity 46.5% | Corticosteroids 34.3%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Severe adverse events: RR 1.02 (95%CI 0.89 to 1.17); RD 0.2% (95%CI -1.1% to 1.7%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| CORIMUNO-SARI trial ; ³⁴³ other; | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. | Median age 62 | Corticosteroids 4.9%, remdesivir 0%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; | RD 0.2% (95%CI -1.1% to 1.7%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |

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| 2021 | 68 assigned to sarilumab 400 mg once and 76 assigned to SOC | | convalescent plasma 0% | low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. | Hospitalization: No information |
| CORIMUNO-SARI ICU trial ; ³⁴³ et al; other; 2021 | Patients with critical COVID-19 infection. 48 assigned to sarilumab 400 mg once and 33 assigned to SOC | Median age 62 | Corticosteroids 2.4%, remdesivir 0%, hydroxychloroquine %, lopinavir-ritonavir %, tocilizumab %, azithromycin %, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. | |
| SARCOVID trial ; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to sarilumab 400 mg once and 10 assigned to SOC | Median age 62 | Corticosteroids 83.3%, remdesivir 0%, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. | |
| SARICOR trial ; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 76 assigned to sarilumab 200-400 mg once and 39 assigned to SOC | Median age 60 | Corticosteroids 93%, remdesivir 12.2%, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. | |
| SARTRE trial ; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe | Median age 58 | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 1%, , | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; | |

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| | COVID-19 infection. 70 assigned to sarilumab 200-400 mg once and 70 assigned to SOC | | convalescent plasma 0% | low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. | |
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Secukinumab

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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RCT

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| BISHOP trial ; ³⁴⁴ Gomes Resende et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 25 assigned to secukinumab 300 mg once and 23 assigned to SOC | Mean age 54 ± 21.5, male 52%, hypertension 48%, diabetes 34%, CHD 8%, obesity 48% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Severe adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |
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Short-wave diathermy

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|---|---|---|--------------------------|--|---|
| RCT | | | | | |
| Tian et al , ³⁴⁵ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 27 assigned to short-wave diathermy and 13 assigned to SOC | Median age 65 ± 18, male 62.5%, hypertension 30%, diabetes %, COPD 45%, CHD 30%, CKD 7.5%, cerebrovascular disease 27.5%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation and blinding probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Severe adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |

Siltuximab

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| COV-AID-2 trial ; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 77 assigned to siltuximab 11 mg/kg once and 72 assigned to SOC | Median age 64 | Corticosteroids 59%, remdesivir 3.4%, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Severe adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Sitagliptin

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Asadipooya et al. ³⁴⁶ preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 66 assigned to sitagliptin 100 mg a day and 87 assigned to SOC | Mean age 57.5 ±, male 51.2%, hypertension 29%, diabetes 27.1%, COPD 8.4%, asthma %, CHD 21.2%, CKD 6.4%, cancer 5.9%, obesity 18.7% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Severe adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir, ledipasvir, ravidasvir, or velpatasvir

Sofosbuvir alone or in combination with daclatasvir or ledipasvir may not reduce mortality or mechanical ventilation requirements, and probably does not improve time to symptom resolution.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| RCT | | | | | |
| Kasgari et al; ²⁴⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 24 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir 400/60 mg twice daily and 24 assigned to hydroxychloroquine plus lopinavir-ritonavir | Median age 52.5 ± NR, male 37.5%, hypertension 35.4%, diabetes 37.5%, chronic lung disease 2% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: RR 1.13 (95%CI 0.82 to 1.55); RD 2% (95%CI -2.9% to 8.8%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 1.04 (95%CI 0.29 to 3.7); RD 0.7% (95%CI -12.3% to 46.7%); Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Sadeghi et al; ³⁴⁷ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 33 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir 400/60 mg once a day for 14 days and 33 assigned to standard of care | Median age 58 ± 13, male 20.21%, hypertension 34.8%, diabetes 42.4%, chronic lung disease 22.7%, asthma 3%, coronary heart disease 15.1%, cancer 4.5%, obesity 25.7% | Corticosteroids 30.2%, lopinavir-ritonavir 48.4%, antibiotics 89.4% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Only outcome assessors and data analysts were blinded. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 0.97 (95%CI 0.9 to 1.06); RD -1.8% (95%CI -6% to 3.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information |
| Yakoot et al; ³⁴⁸ preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to severe COVID-19. 44 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir | Median age 49 ± 27, male 42.7%, hypertension 26%, diabetes 19%, COPD % | Hydroxychloroquine 100% azithromycin 100% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, | Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: |

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| | 400/60 mg once a day for 10 days and 45 assigned to standard of care | asthma 1%, coronary heart disease 8% | | and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Roozbeh et al. ³⁴⁹ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate COVID-19. 27 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir 400/60 mg once a day for 7 days and 28 assigned to SOC | Median age 53 ± 16, male 47%, comorbidities 38% | Azithromycin 100%, hydroxychloroquine 100% | High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Blinding method possibly inappropriate which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Sali et al. ²⁴⁶ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 22 assigned to sofosbuvir 400 mg a day and 32 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400/100 mg every 12 hours | Mean age 56.5 ± 14, male 53.7%, diabetes 33%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| DISCOVER trial ³⁵⁰ Mobarak et al; Preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 541 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir 400/60 mg a day for 10 days and 542 assigned to SOC | Median age 58 ± 54, male 54%, hypertension 34%, diabetes 27.6%, COPD 2.1%, asthma 4.8%, CHD 9.1% | Corticosteroids 69.9%, remdesivir 15.6%, hydroxychloroquine 12.8%, lopinavir-ritonavir 33.1%, azithromycin 22.1%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Alavi-moghaddam et al. ³⁵¹ Preprint; | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 | Mean age 57.2 ±, male 49.1%, hypertension | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; | |

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| 2021 | infection. 27 assigned to sofosbuvir 400 mg a day and 30 assigned to SOC | 21%, diabetes 29.8%, COPD 7%, CHD 19.3%, CKD 1.7%, obesity 1.7% | | High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Yadollahzadeh et al. ²⁴⁹ Preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 58 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir 400/60 mg a day for 10 days and 54 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400/100 mg twice a day for 7 days | Mean age 57.4 ± 15, male 44.6%, hypertension 25%, diabetes 21.4%, COPD 3.6%, CHD 15.2%, CKD 6.2%, immunosuppression 3.6%, cancer 10.7% | Hydroxychloroquine 100% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Khalili et al. ³⁵² Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 42 assigned to sofosbuvir/ledipasvir 400/90 mg a day for 10 days and 40 assigned to SOC | Median age 62.2 ± 23.1, hypertension 45.1%, diabetes 45.1%, COPD 4.9%, CHD 31.7%, cancer 3.6% | Corticosteroids 8.5%, hydroxychloroquine 10.9% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Elgohary et al. ³⁵³ preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate COVID-19 infection. 125 assigned to sofosbuvir/ledipasvir 400/90 mg once a day for 15 days and 125 | Mean age 43 ±, male 0.4% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded |

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| | assigned to SOC | | | study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| SOVECOD trial ; ³⁵⁴ Sayad et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 40 assigned to sofosbuvir/velpatasvir 400/100 mg once a day for 10 days and 40 assigned to SOC | Mean age 54.1 ± 17.8, male 55%, hypertension 30%, diabetes 20%, COPD 10%, CHD 17.5% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| El-Bendari et al ; ³⁵⁵ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 96 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir 400/60 mg a day for 14 days and 78 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53 ± 15, male 54.6%, hypertension 21.3%, diabetes 37.3%, asthma 1.7%, CHD 10.9% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | |
| Abbass et al ; ³⁵⁶ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 80 assigned to sofosbuvir/daclatasvir 400/60 a day or sofosbuvir/ravidasvir 400/200mg a day for 10 days and 40 assigned to SOC | Mean age 44.6 ± 4.7, male 53.3%, diabetes 18.3%, asthma 1.6%, CHD 75.8% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Table 1 shows more severe patients in SOC (68% vs 59%). | |

Sotrovimab

Sotrovimab probably reduces hospitalizations in patients with mild recent onset COVID-19 with risk factors for severe disease.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|--|--|---|--------------------------|--|---|
| RCT | | | | | |
| COMET-ICE trial . ³⁵⁷ Gupta et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with recent onset mild to moderate COVID-19 infection, with risk factors for severity progression. 291 assigned to sotrovimab 500 mg once and 292 assigned to SOC | Median age 53 ±, male 46%, diabetes 23%, COPD 4%, asthma 16%, CKD 0.7%, obesity 63% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Stopped early for benefit. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: RR 0.29 (95%CI 0.12 to 0.63); RD -7.1% (95%CI -8.9% to -3.8%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: RR 0.14 (95%CI 0.04 to 0.48); RD -6.3% (95%CI -7.1% to -3.8%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> |

Spironolactone

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|---|--|---|--------------------------|---|---|
| RCT | | | | | |
| Asadipooya et al. ³⁴⁶ preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 50 assigned to spironolactone 100 mg a day and 87 assigned to SOC | Mean age 57.5 ±, male 51.2%, hypertension 29%, diabetes 27.1%, COPD 8.4%, asthma %, CHD 21.2%, CKD 6.4%, cancer 5.9%, obesity 18.7% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Severe adverse events: No information</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Statins

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| RCT | | | | | |
| RESIST trial , ³⁷ Ghati et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 221 assigned to atorvastatin 40 mg once a day for 10 days and 219 assigned to SOC | Mean age 53.1 ± 9.2, male 73.3%, hypertension 28.6%, diabetes 27.7%, CHD 1.1%, CKD 2.4% | Corticosteroids 27.3%, remdesivir 20.6%, hydroxychloroquine 9.9%, tocilizumab 0.6%, convalescent plasma 0.2% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Blinding and concealment probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Stem-cell nebulization

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|---|--|--|--------------------------|--|---|
| RCT | | | | | |
| SENTAD-COVID trial ; ³⁵⁸ Carmenate et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 69 assigned to stem-cell nebulization twice, 24 h apart, and 70 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45.1 ± 10.4, male 46.5%, hypertension 26.6%, diabetes 22.3%, COPD %, asthma 10.7%, CHD 9.3% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Steroids (corticosteroids)

Corticosteroids reduce mortality and probably reduce invasive mechanical ventilation requirements in patients with severe COVID-19 infection with moderate certainty. Corticosteroids may not significantly increase the risk of severe adverse events. Higher doses (i.e., dexamethasone 12 mg a day) are probably more effective than standard doses (i.e., dexamethasone 6 mg a day)

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| RCT | | | | | |
| GLUCOCOVID trial ; ³⁵⁹ Corral-Gudino et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 56 assigned to methylprednisolone 40 mg twice daily for 3 days followed by 20 mg twice daily for 3 days and 29 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 69.5 ± 11.5, male 61.9%, hypertension 47.6%, diabetes 17.5%, chronic lung disease 7.9%, cerebrovascular disease 12.7% | Hydroxychloroquine 96.8%, lopinavir-ritonavir 84.1%, azithromycin 92% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: RR 0.90 (95%CI 0.80 to 1.01); RD -1.6% (95%CI -3.2% to 0.2%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.87 (95%CI 0.73 to 1.04); RD -2.2% (95%CI -4.7% to 0.7%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| Metcovid trial , ³⁶⁰ Prado Jeronimo et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 194 assigned to methylprednisolone 0.5 mg/kg twice a day for 5 days and 199 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 55 ± 15, male 64.6%, hypertension 48.9%, diabetes 29.1%, chronic lung disease 0.5%, asthma 2.5%, coronary heart disease 6.9%, alcohol use disorder 27%, liver disease 5.5% | Remdesivir 0%, tocilizumab 0%, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.19 (95%CI 0.95 to 1.5); RD 11.5% (95%CI -3% to 30%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| RECOVERY-Dexamethasone trial ; ³⁶¹ Horby et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 2104 assigned to dexamethasone 6 mg once daily for 10 days and 4321 assigned to | Mean age 66.1 ± 15.7, male 64%, diabetes 24%, chronic lung disease 21%, asthma NR%, coronary heart disease 27%, chronic kidney disease 8%, liver disease | Corticosteroids NA%, remdesivir 0.08%, hydroxychloroquine 1%, lopinavir-ritonavir 0.5%, tocilizumab 3%, azithromycin 25% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Severe adverse events: RR 0.89 |

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| | standard of care | 2%, any comorbidities 56% | | Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | (95%CI 0.68 to 1.17); RD -1.1% (95%CI -3.3% to 1.7%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Hospitalization: No information |
| DEXA-COVID19 trial ; ³⁶² Villar et al; unpublished; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. Seven assigned to dexamethasone 20 mg a day for 5 days followed by 10 mg a day for 5 days and 12 assigned to standard of care | NR | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation Notes: RoB judgment from published SR. | |
| CoDEX trial ; ³⁶³ Tomazini et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with critical COVID-19. 151 assigned to dexamethasone 20 mg a day for 5 days followed by 10 mg a day for 5 days and 148 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 61.4 ± 14.4, male 62.5%, hypertension 66.2%, diabetes 42.1%, coronary heart disease 7.7%, chronic kidney disease 5.3%, obesity 27% | hydroxychloroquine 21.4%, azithromycin 71.2%, ATB 87% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| REMAP-CAP trial ; ³⁶⁴ Arabi et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 278 assigned to hydrocortisone 50 mg every 6 hours for 7 days and 99 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 59.9 ± 13, male 71%, diabetes 32%, chronic lung disease 20.3%, coronary heart disease 7.5%, chronic kidney disease 9.2%, immunosuppression 4.9% | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to | |

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| COVID STEROID trial ; ³⁶² Petersen et al; Unpublished; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 15 assigned to hydrocortisone 200 mg a day for 7 days and 14 assigned to standard of care | NR | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation Notes: Risk of bias judgment from published SR. |
| CAPE COVID trial ; ³⁶⁵ Dequin et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 76 assigned to hydrocortisone 200 mg a day progressively reduced to 50 mg a day for 7 to 14 days and 73 assigned to standard of care | Median age 64.7 ± 19.3, male 69.8%, hypertension %, diabetes 18.1%, chronic lung disease 7.4%, immunosuppression 6% | Remdesivir 3.4%, hydroxychloroquine 46.9%, lopinavir-ritonavir 14.1%, tocilizumab 2%, azithromycin 34.2% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| Corticosteroids-SARI trial ; ³⁶² Unpublished; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 24 assigned to methylprednisolone 40 mg twice a day for 5 days and 23 assigned to standard of care | NR | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation Notes: Risk of bias judgment from published SR. |
| Farahani et al ; ³⁶⁶ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 14 assigned to methylprednisolone 1000 mg/day for three days followed by prednisolone 1 mg/kg for 10 days, and 15 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 64 ± 13.5 | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, lopinavir-ritonavir 100%, azithromycin 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably |

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| Edalatifard et al. ³⁶⁷ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 34 assigned to methylprednisolone 250 mg/day for 3 days and 28 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 58.5 ± 16.6, male 62.9%, hypertension 32.3%, diabetes 35.5%, chronic lung disease 9.7%, coronary heart disease 17.7%, chronic kidney disease 11.3%, cancer 4.8% | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, lopinavir-ritonavir 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Tang et al. ³⁶⁸ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 43 assigned to methylprednisolone 1 mg/kg for 7 days and 43 assigned to SOC | Median age 56 ± 27, male 47.7%, hypertension 36%, diabetes 9.3%, COPD 3.5%, asthma 2.4%, CHD 7%, CKD 1.2% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Jamaati et al. ³⁶⁹ Peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 25 assigned to dexamethasone 20 mg a day for 5 days followed by 10 mg a day until day 10 and 25 assigned to SOC | Median age 62 ± 16.5, male 72%, hypertension 50%, diabetes 54%, COPD 20%, CHD 14% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| Rashad et al. ³⁷⁰ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 75 assigned to dexamethasone 4 mg/kg a day for 3 days followed by 8 mg | Mean age 62, male 56.9%, hypertension 47.7%, diabetes 28.4%, COPD 1.8%, asthma 2.7%, CHD 12.8%, CKD 8.2%, cancer 0.9% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| | a day for 10 days and 74 assigned to TCZ | | | Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. Significant loss to follow-up as patients who died in the first 3 days after randomization were excluded. | |
| Ghanei et al , ⁵⁰ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 116 assigned to prednisolone 25 mg a day for 5 days and 110 assigned to SOC | Mean age 58.1 ± 16.3, male 51.5%, hypertension 24.7%, diabetes 12.2%, asthma 4.5%, CHD 8.9%, CKD 1.2%, | Convalescent plasma 1.8% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | |
| Ranjbar et al , ³⁷¹ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 44 assigned to Methylprednisolone 2 mg/kg daily for 5 days followed by tapering using same scheme at half dose every 5 days, 42 assigned to dexamethasone 6 mg a day for 10 days | Mean age 58.7 ± 17.4, male 56.9%, hypertension 45.3%, diabetes 32.5%, CHD 30.2%, CKD 2.3%, | NR | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Unbalanced prognostic factors (age and gender). | Mortality: RR 0.84 (95%CI 0.67 to 1.04); RD -2.6% (95%CI -5.3% to 0.6%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information |
| COVID STEROID 2 trial , ³⁷² Munch et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 497 assigned to dexamethasone 12 mg a day for 10 | Median age 64.5 ± 18, male 69%, diabetes 30.3%, COPD 12%, CHD 14% | Remdesivir 62.8%, tocilizumab 10.1%, convalescent plasma 2.8% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis) |

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| | days and 485 assigned to dexamethasone 6 mg a day for 10 days | | | | studies): No information |
| Maskin et al , ³⁷³ preprint; 2021 | Patients with critical COVID-19 infection. 49 assigned to dexamethasone 16 mg a day for 5 days followed by 8 mg a day for 5 days and 49 assigned to dexamethasone 6 mg a day for 10 days | Mean age 61.8 ± 13.4, male 70% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Adverse events: RR 0.85 (95%CI 0.61 to 1.19); RD -1.5% (95%CI -4% to 1.9%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ Hospitalization: No information |

Steroids (inhaled corticosteroids)

Inhaled corticosteroids probably improve symptom resolution and may decrease hospitalizations. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| STOIC trial , ³⁷⁴ Ramakrishnan et al; peer reviewed ; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 71 assigned to budesonide (inh) 800 µg twice a day and 69 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45 ± 56, male 42.4% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.16 (95%CI 1.08 to 1.24); RD 9.7% (95%CI 4.8% to 14.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○ |
| PRINCIPLE trial , ³⁷⁵ Yu et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 787 assigned to budesonide (inh) | Mean age 64.2 ± 7.6, male 48%, hypertension 44.3%, diabetes 21.4%, COPD 12.6%, CHD | NR | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for | Symptomatic |

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| | 800µg twice daily for 14 days and 1069 assigned to SOC | 15.8%, cerebrovascular disease 5.6% | | symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Significant loss to follow-up. | infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Hospitalization: RR 0.82 (95%CI 0.62 to 1.08); RD -1.3% (95%CI -2.8% to 0.6%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○ |
| Song et al , ³⁷⁶ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 35 assigned to inhaled ciclesonide 320 µg twice per day for 14 days and 26 assigned to SOC | Median age 53 ± 26, male 47%, hypertension 27.8%, diabetes 14.7%, cerebrovascular disease 3.3% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Adverse events: No information |
| ALV-020-001 trial , ³⁷⁷ Clemency et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with mild COVID-19 infection. 197 assigned to inhaled ciclesonide 640 µg a day for 30 days and 203 assigned to SOC | Mean age 43.3 ± 16.9, male 44.8%, hypertension 22.3%, diabetes 7.5%, asthma 6.5% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

Sulodexide

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| ERSul trial , ³⁷⁸ Gonzalez Ochoa et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild (early within 3 days of onset) COVID-19. 124 assigned to sulodexide 500 RLU | Median age 52 ± 10.6, male 47.4%, hypertension 34.2%, diabetes 22.2%, COPD 23%, coronary heart | Corticosteroids 62.5%, hydroxychloroquine 33.7%, ivermectin 43% | Some concerns for mortality and mechanical ventilation; some concerns for symptom resolution, | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty |

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| | twice a day for 3 weeks and 119 assigned to standard of care | disease 21%, | | infection, and adverse events Notes: Significant loss to follow-up. | ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
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TD-0903 (inhaled JAK-inhibitor)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

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| Singh et al. ³⁷⁹ Preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 19 assigned to TD-0903 1-10 mg once a day for 7 days and 6 assigned to SOC | Mean age 57.1 ± 12.3, male 68%, hypertension 68%, diabetes 40% | Corticosteroids 92%, remdesivir 12%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection |
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Tenofovir + emtricitabine

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed

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| <p>AR0-CORONA trial;³⁸⁰ Parienti et al; peer reviewed; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 30 assigned to tenofovir + emtricitabine 245/200 mg twice a day on day one followed by 245/200 mg a day for 7 days and 30 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Mean age 42 ± 15, male 43%, hypertension 5%, diabetes 3.3%</p> | <p>NR</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results.</p> | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: Very low certainty</p> |
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Thalidomide

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed

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| RCT | | | | | |
| Amra et al. ³⁸¹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 28 assigned to thalidomide 100 mg a day for 14 days and 23 assigned to SOC | Mean age 62 ± 10, male 54.9%, hypertension 33.3%, diabetes 37.2%, COPD 5.9%, CHD 9.8% | Corticosteroids 100%, hydroxychloroquine 100% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Tocilizumab

Tocilizumab reduces mortality and mechanical ventilation requirements without increasing severe adverse events.

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| RCT | | | | | |
| COVACTA trial ; Rosas et al; ³⁸² peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 294 assigned to tocilizumab 8 mg/kg once and 144 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 60.8 ± 14, male 70%, hypertension 62.1%, diabetes 38.1%, chronic lung disease 16.2%, coronary heart disease 28%, obesity 20.5% | Corticosteroids 42.2%, convalescent plasma 3.6%, Antivirals 31.5% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: RR 0.85 (95%CI 0.79 to 93); RD -2.4% (95%CI -3.4% to -1.1%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: RR 0.83 (95%CI 0.78 to 0.90); RD -2.9% (95%CI -3.8% to -1.7%); High certainty ⊕⊕⊕⊕</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.1 (95%CI 1.02 to 1.2); RD 6.1% (95%CI 1.2% to 12.1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> |
| Wang et al ; ³⁸³ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 34 assigned to tocilizumab 400 mg once or twice and 31 assigned to standard of care | Median age 63 ± 16, male 50.8%, hypertension 30.8%, diabetes 15.4% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: RR 0.94 (95%CI 0.85 to 1.05); RD -0.6% (95%CI -1.5% to 0.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> |
| Zhao et al ; ¹³⁰ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 13 assigned to favipiravir 3200 mg once followed by 600 mg twice a day for 7 days, 7 assigned to tocilizumab 400 mg once or twice and 5 assigned to favipiravir | Mean age 72 ± 40, male 54%, hypertension 42.3%, diabetes 11.5%, coronary heart disease 23.1% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: RR 0.94 (95%CI 0.85 to 1.05); RD -0.6% (95%CI -1.5% to 0.5%); Moderate certainty ⊕⊕⊕○</p> |

| | plus tocilizumab | | | | Hospitalization: No information |
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| RCT-TCZ-COVID-19 trial , ³⁸⁴ Salvarani et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 60 assigned to tocilizumab 8 mg/kg twice on day 1 and 66 assigned to standard of care | Median age 60 ± 19, male 61.1%, hypertension 44.4%, diabetes 15.1%, COPD 3.2%, obesity 32.2% | Hydroxychloroquine 91.3%, azithromycin 20.6%, antivirals 41.3% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| BACC Bay Tocilizumab Trial , ³⁸⁵ Stone et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 161 assigned to tocilizumab 8 mg/kg once and 81 assigned to standard of care | Median age 59.8 ± 15.1, male 58%, hypertension 49%, diabetes 31%, COPD 9%, asthma 9%, coronary heart disease 10%, chronic kidney disease 17%, cancer 12%, | Corticosteroids 9.5%, remdesivir 33.9%, hydroxychloroquine 3.7%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| CORIMUNO-TOCI1 trial , ³⁸⁶ Hermine et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 63 assigned to tocilizumab 8 mg/kg once followed by an optional 400 mg dose on day 3 and 67 assigned to standard of care | Median age 63.6 ± 16.2, male 67.7%, diabetes 33.6%, COPD 4.7%, asthma 6.3%, coronary heart disease 31.2%, chronic kidney disease 14%, cancer 7%, | Corticosteroids 43%, remdesivir 0.7%, hydroxychloroquine 6.2%, Lopinavir-ritonavir 3%, azithromycin 15.4%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| EMPACTA trial , ³⁸⁷ Salama et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 249 assigned to tocilizumab 8 mg/kg | Mean age 55.9 ± 14.4, male 59.2%, hypertension 48.3%, diabetes 40.6%, COPD 4.5%, asthma 11.4%, | Corticosteroids 59.4%, remdesivir 54.6%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

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| | once and 128 assigned to standard of care | coronary heart disease 1.9%, cerebrovascular disease 3.4%, obesity 24.4% | | | |
| REMAP-CAP - tocilizumab trial ; ³⁴⁰ Gordon et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 353 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once or twice, 48 assigned to sarilumab 400 mg once and 402 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.4 ± 12.7, male 72.7%, diabetes 35.4%, COPD 24%, CHD 10.2%, immunosuppressive therapy 1.4%, cancer %, obesity % | Corticosteroids 75.6%, remdesivir 32.8% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Veiga et al ; ³⁸⁸ peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 65 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once and 64 assigned to SOC | Mean age 57.4 ± 14.6, male 68%, hypertension 49.6%, diabetes 32.6%, COPD 3%, CHD 5.5%, cancer 7%, | Corticosteroids 71.3% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| RECOVERY-TCZ trial ; ³⁸⁹ Horby et al; peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 2022 assigned to TCZ 400-800 mg once or twice and 2094 assigned to SOC | Mean age 63.6 ± 13.6, male 67.3%, diabetes 28.5%, COPD 23%, asthma %, CHD 23%, CKD 5.5% | Corticosteroids 82%, hydroxychloroquine 2%, lopinavir-ritonavir 3%, tocilizumab %, azithromycin 9%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Notes: Non-blinded study which might have |

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| PreToVid trial ; ³⁹⁰ Rutgers et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 174 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once or twice and 180 assigned to SOC | Median age 66.5 ± 16.5, male 67%, comorbidities 74.3% | Corticosteroids 88.4%, remdesivir 18.4% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Talaschian et al ; ³⁹¹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 17 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once or twice and 19 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.7 ± 14.2, male 52.7%, hypertension 50%, diabetes 36.1%, COPD 8.3%, asthma %, CHD 44.4%, CKD 2.8%, cancer 0% | Corticosteroids 33.3%, hydroxychloroquine 63.9%, lopinavir-ritonavir 8.3% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation and blinding probably inappropriate. |
| Hamed et al ; ³⁹² peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 23 assigned to TCZ 400 mg once and 26 assigned to SOC | Mean age 48 ±, male 85.5%, hypertension 36.8% | Corticosteroids 100% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| ARCHITECTS trial ; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 10 assigned | Median age 61 ± | Corticosteroids 95.2%, remdesivir 90.4%, convalescent plasma | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom |

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| | to TCZ 8 mg/kg once or twice and 11 assigned to SOC | | 100% | resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. |
| CORIMUNO-TOCIICU trial ; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 49 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once or twice and 43 assigned to SOC | Median age 46 | Corticosteroids 13%, remdesivir 0%, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. |
| COV-AID trial ; et al; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 81 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once and 72 assigned to SOC | Median age 63 | Corticosteroids 52.6%, remdesivir 5.8%, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. |
| COVIDOSE-2 trial ; et al; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 20 assigned to TCZ 40-120 mg once and 8 assigned to SOC | Median age 65 | Corticosteroids 30%, remdesivir 75%, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. |
| COVIDSTORM trial ; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 26 assigned | Median age 66 | Corticosteroids 77%, remdesivir 0%, convalescent plasma | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom |

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| | to TCZ 8 mg/kg once and 13 assigned to SOC | | 0% | resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. | |
| COVITOX-01 trial; et al; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 17 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once or twice and 9 assigned to SOC | Median age 57 | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 52.9%, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review. | |
| HMO-0224-20 trial; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 37 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once and 17 assigned to SOC | Median age 63 | Corticosteroids 85.2%, remdesivir 22.2%, convalescent plasma 0% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | |
| REMDACTA trial; et al; ³⁴³ other; 2021 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 430 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once or twice and 210 assigned to SOC | Median age 60 | Corticosteroids 86%, remdesivir 19.2%, convalescent plasma 0% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |

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| <p>ImmCoVA trial;³⁴³ other; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with severe to critical COVID-19 infection. 22 assigned to TCZ 8 mg/kg once and 27 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Median age 24</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 96%, remdesivir 14.5%, convalescent plasma 0%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review.</p> | |
| <p>TOCOVID trial;³⁴³ other; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 136 assigned to TCZ 400 to 600 mg once and 134 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Median age 53</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 35%, remdesivir 0.5%, convalescent plasma 0%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Risk of bias assessment extracted from a systematic review.</p> | |
| <p>COVINTOC trial; et al;³⁹³ Soin et al; peer reviewed; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 91 assigned to TCZ 6 mg/kg once or twice and 88 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Median age 55 ± , male 85.5%, hypertension 39.4%, diabetes 41.1%, COPD 2.2%, CHD 15%, CKD 4.4%</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 91%, remdesivir 41.6%, convalescent plasma 0%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results.</p> | |
| <p>TOCIDEX trial;³⁹⁴ Hermine et al; preprint; 2021</p> | <p>Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 224 assigned to TCZ 400 mg once and 226 assigned to SOC</p> | <p>Median age 63 ± 21, male 68%, hypertension 37.1%, diabetes 23.8%, COPD %, asthma 8.4%, CHD 13.5%, CKD 7.2%</p> | <p>Corticosteroids 100%, convalescent plasma 1.3%</p> | <p>Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events</p> <p>Notes: Non-blinded</p> | |

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| Tofacitinib | | | | | |
| Tofacitinib may increase symptom resolution or improvement and may increase severe adverse events. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| STOP-COVID trial ; ³⁹⁵ Guimaraes et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 144 assigned to tofacitinib 10 mg twice a day for 14 days and 145 assigned to SOC | Mean age 56 ± 14, male 65.1%, hypertension 50.2%, diabetes 23.5% | Corticosteroids 78.5% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: RR 1.1 (95%CI 0.98 to 1.23); RD 6.1% (95%CI 1.2% to 13.9%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: RR 3.22 (95%CI 1.12 to 8.56); RD 22.6% (95%CI 1.2% to 77.1%); Low certainty ⊕⊕○○</p> |

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| Triazavirin Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Wu et al. ; ³⁹⁶ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19. 26 assigned to triazavirin 250 mg orally three or four times a day for 7 days and 26 assigned to standard of care | Median age 58 ± 17, male 50%, hypertension 28.8%, diabetes 15.4%, chronic lung disease 5.8%, coronary heart disease 15.4%, cerebrovascular disease 7.7% | Corticosteroids 44.2%, hydroxychloroquine 26.9%, lopinavir-ritonavir 9.6%, antibiotics 69.2%, interferon 48.1%, umifenovir 61.5%, ribavirin 28.9%, | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Hospitalization: No information</p> |

Umifenovir

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| Chen et al. ¹²⁰ preprint; 2020 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 116 assigned to favipiravir 1600 mg twice the first day followed by 600 mg twice daily for 7 days and 120 assigned to umifenovir 200 mg three times daily for 7 days | Mean age NR ± NR, male 46.6%, hypertension 27.9%, diabetes 11.4% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information |
| ELACOI trial. ²⁴² Li et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19 infection. 34 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 200/50 mg twice daily for 7-14 days, 35 assigned to umifenovir and 17 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 49.4 ± 14.7, male 41.7% | Corticosteroids 12.5%, IVIG 6.3% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |
| Nojomi et al. ³⁹⁷ preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 50 assigned to umifenovir 100 mg two twice a day for 7 to 14 days | Mean age 56.4 ± 16.3, male 60%, hypertension 39%, diabetes 28%, asthma 2%, coronary heart disease 9%, chronic | Hydroxychloroquine 100% | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse | |

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| | and 50 assigned to lopinavir-ritonavir 400 mg a day for 7 to 14 days | kidney disease 2% | | events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| Yethindra et al. ³⁹⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 15 assigned to umifenovir 200 mg three times a day for 1 to 5 days and 15 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 35.5 ± 12.1, male 60% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| Ghaderkhani S et al (Tehran University of Medical Sciences) trial ³⁹⁹ Ghaderkhani et al; preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 28 assigned to umifenovir 200 mg three times a day for 10 days and 25 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 44.2 ± 19, male 39.6%, | Hydroxychloroquine 100% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| UAIC trial ⁴⁰⁰ Darazam et al; peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 51 assigned to umifenovir 600 mg a day for 10 days and 50 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.2 ± 15.8, male 56.4%, hypertension 46.4%, diabetes 31.6%, COPD 10%, asthma 6.1%, CHD 11.2%, CKD 7.1%, cancer 1% | Corticosteroids 3% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have |

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| | | | | introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
| Ramachandran et al ; ⁴⁰¹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 infection. 60 assigned to umifenovir 800 mg twice a day for 14 days and 63 assigned to SOC | Mean age 46.7 ± 1.9, male 74.8% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |

Vitamin C

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Zhang et al , ⁴⁰² preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 26 assigned to vitamin C 12 g twice a day for 7 days and 28 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 67.4 ± 12.4, male 66.7%, hypertension 44.4%, diabetes 29.6%, chronic lung disease 5.6%, coronary heart disease 22.2%, chronic kidney disease 1.85%, cancer 5.6%, nervous system disease 20.4% | NR | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Kumari et al , ⁴⁰³ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 75 assigned to Vit C 50 mg/kg a day and 75 assigned to SOC | Mean age 52.5 ± 11.5 | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No |

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| | | | | study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | information Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Jamali Moghadam Siahkali et al ; ⁴⁰⁴ Preprint; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 30 assigned to Vit C 5 g a day for 5 days and 30 assigned to SOC | Mean age 59.2 ± 17, male 50%, hypertension 41.6%, diabetes 38.3%, COPD 10%, | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, lopinavir-ritonavir 100% | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |
| COVIDAtoZ - Vit C trial ; ⁴⁰⁵ Thomas et al; peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 48 assigned to Vit C 8000 mg a day and 50 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45.2 ± 14.6, male 38.3%, hypertension 32.7%, diabetes 13.6%, COPD %, asthma 15.4% | Corticosteroids 8.4%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |

Vitamin D

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| RCT | | | | | |
| COVIDIOL trial ; Entrenas Castillo et al; ⁴⁰⁶ peer-reviewed; | Patients with moderate to severe COVID-19. 50 | Mean age 52.95 ± 10, male 59.2%, hypertension 34.2%, | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, azithromycin 100% | High for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

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| 2020 | assigned to vitamin D 0.532 once followed by 0.266 twice and 26 assigned to standard of care | diabetes 10.5%, chronic lung disease 7.9%, coronary heart disease 3.9%, immunosuppression 9.2%, cancer %, obesity % | | symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: No information |
| SHADE trial , ⁴⁰⁷ Rastogi et al; peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to moderate COVID-19. 16 assigned to vitamin D 60000 IU a day for 7 days and 24 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 48.7 ± 12.4, male 50%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Hospitalization: No information |
| Murai et al , ⁴⁰⁸ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe COVID-19. 117 assigned to vitamin D 200,000 IU once and 120 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 56.3 ± 14.6, male 56.3%, hypertension 52.5%, diabetes 35%, COPD %, asthma 6.3%, coronary heart disease 13.3%, chronic kidney disease 1%, | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | |
| Lakkireddy et al , ⁴⁰⁹ preprint; 2021 | Patients with mild to moderate with low plasmatic vitamin D COVID-19 infection. 44 assigned to Vit D 60000 IU a day for 8 to 10 days and 43 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45.5 ± 13.3, male 75% | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | |

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| Sabico et al. ; ⁴¹⁰ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients with moderate to critical COVID-19 infection. 36 assigned to Vit D 5000 IU for 14 days and 33 assigned to Vit D 1000 IU for 14 days | Mean age 49.8 ± 14.3, male 49.3%, hypertension 55%, diabetes 51%, COPD %, asthma 4%, CHD 6%, CKD 7%, obesity 33% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | |
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XAV-19 (swine glyco-humanized polyclonal antibodies)

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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RCT

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| POLYCOR trial ; ⁴¹¹ Gaborit et al; preprint; 2021 | Patients with severe COVID-19 infection. 12 assigned to XAV-19 0.5 to 2 mg/kg on days 1 and 5 and 5 assigned to SOC | Mean age 71 ± 24, male 64.7%, hypertension 47.1%, diabetes 11.8%, COPD %, asthma 17.6%, CHD 29.4%, CKD 5.9%, cancer 11.8%, obesity 17.6% | Corticosteroids 100%, remdesivir 47.1% | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | <p>Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> <p>Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information</p> <p>Symptom resolution or improvement: No information</p> <p>Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information</p> <p>Adverse events: Very low certainty ⊕○○○</p> |
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| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
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| Zinc Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed. | | | | | |
| RCT | | | | | |
| Hassan et al ; ⁴¹² preprint; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19. 49 assigned to zinc 220 mg twice a day and 56 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 45.9 ± 17.5, male 58.2%, hypertension 10.4%, diabetes 11.2%, coronary heart disease 3%, | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Concealment of allocation probably inappropriate. | Mortality: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Invasive mechanical ventilation: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptom resolution or improvement: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): Very low certainty ⊕○○○ Adverse events: No information |
| Abd-Elsalam et al ; ⁴¹³ peer-reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19. 96 assigned to zinc 220 mg twice a day for 15 days and 95 assigned to standard of care | Mean age 43 ± 14, male 57.7%, hypertension 18.4%, diabetes 12.9% | Hydroxychloroquine 100%, | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. | Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |
| Abdelmaksoud et al ; ⁴¹⁴ Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with mild to critical COVID-19. 49 assigned to Zinc 220 mg twice a day and 56 assigned to SOC | NR | NR | High for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events | Hospitalization: Very low certainty ⊕○○○ |

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| | | | | Notes: Non-blinded study. Concealment of allocation is probably inappropriate. |
| COVIDatoZ-Zinc trial ; ⁴⁰⁵ Thomas et al; ; 2020 | Patients with mild COVID-19. 58 assigned to Zinc 50 mg a day and 50 assigned to SOC | Mean age 45.2 ± 14.6, male 38.3%, hypertension 32.7%, diabetes 13.6%, COPD %, asthma 15.4% | Corticosteroids 8.4%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Some concerns for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |
| ZINC COVID trial ; ⁴¹⁵ Patel et al; Peer reviewed; 2020 | Patients with severe to critical COVID-19. 15 assigned to Zinc 0.24 mg/kg a day for 7 days and 18 assigned to SOC | Mean age 61.8 ± 16.9, male 63.6%, hypertension 48.4%, diabetes 18.2%, COPD 6%, CHD 21.2%, | Corticosteroids 75.8%, remdesivir 30.3%, | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; Low for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events |
| Seet et al ; ¹⁷¹ peer reviewed; 2021 | Patients exposed to COVID-19 infection. 634 assigned to zinc 80 mg and 500 mg a day for 42 days and 619 assigned to SOC (vitamin C) | Mean age 33 , male 100%, hypertension 1%, diabetes 0.3% | NR | Low for mortality and mechanical ventilation; High for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. |

α -lipoic acid

Uncertainty in potential benefits and harms. Further research is needed.

| Study; publication status | Patients and interventions analyzed | Comorbidities | Additional interventions | Risk of bias and study limitations | Interventions effects vs standard of care and GRADE certainty of the evidence |
|--|--|--|--------------------------|---|---|
| RCT | | | | | |
| Zhong et al. , ⁴¹⁶ preprint; 2020 | Patients with critical COVID-19 infection. 8 assigned to α -lipoic acid 1200 mg infusion once daily for 7 days and 9 assigned to standard of care | Median age 63 \pm 7, male 76.5%, hypertension 47%, diabetes 23.5%, coronary heart disease 5.9% | NR | Low for mortality and invasive mechanical ventilation; high for symptom resolution, infection, and adverse events Notes: Non-blinded study which might have introduced bias to symptoms and adverse events outcomes results. | Mortality: Very low certainty $\oplus\circ\circ\circ$ Invasive mechanical ventilation: No information Symptom resolution or improvement: No information Symptomatic infection (prophylaxis studies): No information Adverse events: No information Hospitalization: No information |

Appendix 1. Summary of findings tables

Summary of findings Table 1.

Population: Patients with severe COVID-19 disease

Intervention: Corticosteroids

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
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| | | Standard of care | Steroids | | |
| Mortality 28 days | Relative risk: 0.9 (CI 95% 0.8 - 1.02) Based on data from 8000 patients in 12 studies | 160 per 1000 | 144 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ¹ | Steroids probably decreases mortality |
| Difference: 16 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 32 fewer - 3 more) | | | | | |
| Mechanical ventilation 28 days | Relative risk: 0.87 (CI 95% 0.72 - 1.05) Based on data from 5942 patients in 6 studies Follow-up 28 | 172 per 1000 | 150 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ² | Steroids probably decreases mechanical ventilation |
| Difference: 22 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 48 fewer - 9 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement 28 days | Relative risk: 1.27 (CI 95% 0.98 - 1.65) Based on data from 646 patients in 5 studies | 606 per 1000 | 770 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious risk of bias ³ | Steroids probably increases symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 164 more per 1000 (CI 95% 12 fewer - 394 more) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events 28 days | Relative risk: 0.89 (CI 95% 0.68 - 1.17) Based on data from 833 patients in 6 studies | 102 per 1000 | 91 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ⁴ | Steroids may have little or no difference on severe adverse events |
| Difference: 11 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 33 fewer - 17 more) | | | | | |
| Mortality (high vs standard dose) 28 to 90 days | Relative risk: 0.84 (CI 95% 0.67 - 1.04) Based on data from 1166 patients in 3 studies | 160 per 1000 | 134 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁵ | High dose steroids (i.e., dexamethasone 12 mg a day) probably decreases mortality in comparison to standard dose steroids (i.e., dexamethasone 6 mg a day) |
| Difference: 26 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 53 fewer - 6 more) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events (high vs. standard dose) 28 days | Relative risk: 0.85 (CI 95% 0.61 - 1.19) Based on data from 982 patients in 1 study | 102 per 1000 | 87 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ⁶ | High dose steroids (i.e., dexamethasone 12 mg a day) may not increase severe adverse events in comparison to standard dose steroids (i.e., dexamethasone 6 mg a day) |
| Difference: 15 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 40 fewer - 19 more) | | | | | |

1. **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes no mortality reduction;

2. **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI include no IVM reduction;
3. **Risk of Bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias;
4. **Risk of Bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: serious.** Low number of patients;
5. **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes no mortality decrease;
6. **Imprecision: very serious.** Low number of patients, Wide confidence intervals.

Summary of findings Table 2.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Remdesivir

Comparator: Standard of care

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain text summary |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------------------|---|---|
| | | SOC | Remdesivir | | |
| Mortality 28 days | Relative risk: 0.94 (CI 95% 0.82 - 1.08) Based on data from 7330 patients in 4 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 160 per 1000 | 150 per 1000 | Low Due to serious imprecision, Due to serious risk of bias ¹ | Remdesivir may decrease mortality slightly |
| Difference: 10 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 29 fewer - 13 more) | | | | | |
| Mechanical ventilation 28 days | Relative risk: 0.65 (CI 95% 0.39 - 1.11) Based on data from 6551 patients in 4 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 173 per 1000 | 112 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ² | Remdesivir may decrease mechanical ventilation requirements |
| Difference: 61 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 106 fewer - 19 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement 28 days | Relative risk: 1.17 (CI 95% 1.03 - 1.33) Based on data from 1873 patients in 3 studies Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 709 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ³ | Remdesivir may improve symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 103 more per 1000 (CI 95% 18 more - 200 more) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Relative risk: 0.8 (CI 95% 0.48 - 1.33) Based on data from 1869 patients in 3 studies | 102 per 1000 | 82 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ⁴ | Remdesivir may have little or no difference on severe adverse events |
| Difference: 20 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 53 fewer - 34 more) | | | | | |

- Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: Serious.** 95% CI includes significant mortality reduction and increase;
- Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: Serious.** 95% included significant mechanical ventilation requirement reduction and absence of reduction;

3. **Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: Serious.** 95% CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits;
4. **Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: Serious.** 95% CI included significant severe adverse events increase.

Summary of findings Table 3.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection or exposed to COVID-19

Intervention: Hydroxychloroquine (HCQ)

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------------------|---|---|
| | | SOC | HCQ | | |
| Mortality 15 days | Relative risk: 1.07 (CI 95% 0.98 - 1.17) Based on data from 9104 patients in 13 studies Follow-up median 15 days | 160 per 1000 | 171 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious risk of bias ¹ | HCQ probably increases mortality |
| Difference: 11 more per 1000 (CI 95% 3 fewer - 27 more) | | | | | |
| Mechanical ventilation 15 days | Relative risk: 1.07 (CI 95% 0.93 - 1.24) Based on data from 7297 patients in 9 studies Follow-up median 15 days | 173 per 1000 | 185 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious risk of bias ² | HCQ probably has little or no difference on mechanical ventilation |
| Difference: 12 more per 1000 (CI 95% 12 fewer - 42 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement 28 days | Relative risk: 1.02 (CI 95% 0.94 - 1.1) Based on data from 6539 patients in 9 studies Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 618 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious inconsistency ³ | HCQ probably has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 12 more per 1000 (CI 95% 36 fewer - 61 more) | | | | | |
| COVID-19 infection (in exposed individuals) (low risk of bias studies) | Relative risk: 0.85 (CI 95% 0.72 - 1.01) Based on data from 8320 patients in 9 studies | 174 per 1000 | 148 per 1000 | Low Due to serious imprecision, Due to serious risk of bias ⁴ | HCQ may reduce covid-19 infections (in exposed individuals) |
| Difference: 26 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 49 fewer - 2 more) | | | | | |
| Hospitalizations (in patients with non- severe disease) | Relative risk: 0.91 (CI 95% 0.56 - 1.47) Based on data from 2789 patients in 7 studies | 74 per 1000 | 67 per 1000 | Very low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to very serious imprecision ⁵ | We are uncertain whether HCQ increases or decreases hospitalizations |
| Difference: 7 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 33 fewer - 35 more) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Relative risk: 0.94 (CI 95% 0.66 - 1.34) Based on data from 8449 patients in 17 studies | 102 per 1000 | 96 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ⁶ | HCQ may have little or no difference on severe adverse events |
| Difference: 6 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 35 fewer - 35 more) | | | | | |

- Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias;
- Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias;
- Risk of bias: no serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Inconsistency: serious.** I2 82%; **Imprecision: no serious.** Secondary to inconsistency;
- Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias; **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes no infection reduction;

5. **Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
6. **Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: serious.** Low number of patients.

Summary of findings Table 4.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Lopinavir-ritonavir (LPV)

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain text summary |
|---|--|---------------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| | | SOC | LPV | | |
| Mortality 28 days | Relative risk: 1.01 (CI 95% 0.92 - 1.11) Based on data from 8053 patients in 4 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 160 per 1000 | 162 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ¹ | LPV probably has little or no difference on mortality |
| Difference: 2 more per 1000 (CI 95% 13 fewer - 18 more) | | | | | |
| Mechanical ventilation 28 days | Relative risk: 1.07 (CI 95% 0.98 - 1.17) Based on data from 7622 patients in 4 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 173 per 1000 | 185 per 1000 | High | LPV does not reduce mechanical ventilation |
| Difference: 12 more per 1000 (CI 95% 3 fewer - 29 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement 28 days | Relative risk: 1.03 (CI 95% 0.92 - 1.15) Based on data from 5239 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 624 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious risk of bias ² | LPV probably has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 18 more per 1000 (CI 95% 48 fewer - 91 more) | | | | | |
| Symptomatic infection (exposed individuals) | Relative risk: 1.4 (CI 95% 0.78 - 2.54) Based on data from 318 patients in 1 study | 174 per 1000 | 244 per 1000 | Very low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to very serious imprecision ³ | We are uncertain whether LPV increases or decreases symptomatic infection in exposed individuals |
| Difference: 70 more per 1000 (CI 95% 38 fewer - 268 more) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Relative risk: 0.6 (CI 95% 0.37 - 0.98) Based on data from 199 patients in 1 study | 102 per 1000 | 61 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ⁴ | LPV may have little or no difference on severe adverse events |
| Difference: 41 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 64 fewer - 2 fewer) | | | | | |

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|-----------------|---|---|-----------------------|--|--|
| Hospitalization | Relative risk: 1.24 (CI 95% 0.6 - 2.56) Based on data from 471 patients in 1 study | 74 per 1000 | 92 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious imprecision ⁵ | We are uncertain whether LPV increases or decreases hospitalization |
| | | Difference: 18 more per 1000 (CI 95% 30 fewer - 115 more) | | | |

1. **Imprecision: Serious.** 95%CI includes significant mortality reduction and increase;
2. **Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: No serious.** Secondary to inconsistency;
3. **Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias; **Imprecision: Very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
4. **Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: Serious.** Low number of patients;
5. **Imprecision: Very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms.

Summary of findings Table 5.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Convalescent plasma

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------------------|---|--|
| | | SOC | CP | | |
| Mortality (Low RoB studies) ¹ 28 days | Relative risk: 1.0 (CI 95% 0.94 - 1.06) Based on data from 15732 patients in 9 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 160 per 1000 | 160 per 1000 | High ₂ | Convalescent plasma has little or no difference on mortality |
| Difference: 0 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 10 fewer - 10 more) | | | | | |
| Mechanical ventilation (Low RoB studies) 28 days | Relative risk: 1.05 (CI 95% 0.94 - 1.17) Based on data from 10297 patients in 7 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 173 per 1000 | 182 per 1000 | High | Convalescent plasma has little or no difference on mechanical ventilation |
| Difference: 9 more per 1000 (CI 95% 10 fewer - 29 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement 28 days | Relative risk: 0.99 (CI 95% 0.94 - 1.05) Based on data from 13321 patients in 9 studies Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 600 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious inconsistency ³ | Cp probably has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 6 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 36 fewer - 30 more) | | | | | |
| Hospitalizations | Relative risk: 0.9 (CI 95% 0.64 - 1.26) Based on data from 511 patients in 1 study | 74 per 1000 | 67 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ⁴ | CP may not significantly reduce hospitalizations |
| Difference: 7 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 27 fewer - 19 more) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events (Low RoB studies) | Relative risk: 1.38 (CI 95% 1.07 - 1.78) Based on data from 3234 patients in 3 studies | 102 per 1000 | 141 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁵ | Convalescent plasma probably increases severe adverse events |
| Difference: 39 more per 1000 (CI 95% 7 more - 80 more) | | | | | |

1. Low risk of bias studies;
2. **Inconsistency: no serious.** Point estimates vary widely;
3. **Inconsistency: serious.** Point estimates vary widely;
4. **Imprecision: very serious.** Wide confidence intervals;
5. **Imprecision: serious.** Wide confidence intervals.

Summary of findings Table 6.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Tocilizumab (TCZ)

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------------------|--|---|
| | | SOC | TCZ | | |
| Mortality 28 days | Relative risk: 0.85 (CI 95% 0.79 - 0.93) Based on data from 8455 patients in 20 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 160 per 1000 | 136 per 1000 | High | TCZ decreases mortality |
| Difference: 24 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 34 fewer - 11 fewer) | | | | | |
| Mechanical ventilation 28 days | Relative risk: 0.83 (CI 95% 0.78 - 0.9) Based on data from 7072 patients in 20 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 173 per 1000 | 144 per 1000 | High ₁ | TCZ decreases mechanical ventilation |
| Difference: 29 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 38 fewer - 17 fewer) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement 28 days | Relative risk: 1.1 (CI 95% 1.02 - 1.2) Based on data from 5456 patients in 6 studies Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 667 per 1000 | Low Due to serious imprecision, Due to serious risk of bias ² | TCZ may increase symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 61 more per 1000 (CI 95% 12 more - 121 more) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Relative risk: 0.94 (CI 95% 0.85 - 1.05) Based on data from 4254 patients in 12 studies | 102 per 1000 | 96 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious risk of bias ³ | TCZ probably has little or no difference on severe adverse events |
| Difference: 6 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 15 fewer - 5 more) | | | | | |

1. **Imprecision: no serious.** 95% included significant and trivial reduction mechanical ventilation requirement reduction ;
2. **Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias;
Imprecision: serious. 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits ;
3. **Risk of bias: serious. Imprecision: no serious.** 95%ci included significant severe adverse events increase.

Summary of findings Table 7.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention & comparator: Anticoagulants in intermediate (i.e., enoxaparin 1 mg/kg a day); Anticoagulants in full dose (i.e., enoxaparin 1 m/kg twice a day); Anticoagulants in prophylactic dose (i.e., enoxaparin 40 mg a day); No anticoagulants

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
|---|--|---------------------------|------------------------|--|---|
| | | SOC | ACO | | |
| Mortality (full or intermediate dose vs. prophylactic dose in hospitalized patients) | Relative risk: 0.97 (CI 95% 0.79 - 1.19) Based on data from 5152 patients in 7 studies | 160 per 1000 | 155 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ¹ | Anticoagulantes in intermediate or full dose probably has little or no difference on mortality in comparison with prophylactic dose |
| Difference: 5 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 34 fewer - 30 more) | | | | | |
| Venous thromboembolic events (intermediate dose vs. prophylactic dose in hospitalized patients) | Relative risk: 1.02 (CI 95% 0.53 - 1.96) Based on data from 737 patients in 2 studies | 70 per 1000 | 71 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ² | Anticoagulantes in intermediate dose may slightly reduce venous thromboembolic events |
| Difference: 1 more per 1000 (CI 95% 33 fewer - 67 more) | | | | | |
| Venous thromboembolic events (full dose vs. prophylactic dose in hospitalized patients) | Relative risk: 0.59 (CI 95% 0.44 - 0.79) Based on data from 4419 patients in 4 studies | 70 per 1000 | 41 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ³ | Anticoagulantes in intermediate or full dose probably decreases venous thromboembolic events (full dose) |
| Difference: 29 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 39 fewer - 15 fewer) | | | | | |
| Major bleeding (full or intermediate dose vs. prophylactic dose in hospitalized patients) | Relative risk: 1.72 (CI 95% 1.14 - 2.61) Based on data from 5153 patients in 6 studies | 19 per 1000 | 33 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁴ | Anticoagulantes in intermediate or full dose probably increases major bleeding |
| Difference: 14 more per 1000 (CI 95% 3 more - 31 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement (prophylactic dose vs. no anticoagulants in mild ambulatory patients) | Relative risk: 1.08 (CI 95% 0.92 - 1.27) Based on data from 444 patients in 1 study | 606 per 1000 | 654 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁵ | Anticoagulantes in prophylactic dose probably do not improve time to symptom resolution |
| Difference: 48 more per 1000 (CI 95% 48 fewer - 164 more) | | | | | |

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|---|---|---|----------------|---|---|
| Clinically important bleeding (prophylactic dose vs. no anticoagulants in mild ambulatory patients) | Relative risk: 2.5 (CI 95% 0.49 - 12.8) Based on data from 444 patients in 1 study | 9 per 1000 | 23 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious imprecision ⁶ | It is uncertain if anticoagulants in prophylactic dose increase or decrease clinically important bleeding |
| | | Difference: 14 more per 1000 (CI 95% 5 fewer - 106 more) | | | |
| Hospitalization (prophylactic dose vs. no anticoagulants in mild ambulatory patients) | Relative risk: 0.42 (CI 95% 0.11 - 1.64) Based on data from 444 patients in 1 study | 74 per 1000 | 31 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious imprecision ⁷ | It is uncertain if anticoagulants in prophylactic dose increase or decrease hospitalization |
| | | Difference: 43 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 66 fewer - 47 more) | | | |

1. **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes small benefits and harms;
2. **Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
3. **Imprecision: serious.** OIS not met;
4. **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes harms and absence of harms;
5. **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes harms and absence of harms;
6. **Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes harms and absence of harms;
7. **Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes harms and absence of harms;

Summary of findings Table 8.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Non-corticosteroids anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAID)

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain text summary |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------------------|---|--|
| | | SOC | NSAID | | |
| Mortality 28 days | Odds Ratio: 0.83 (CI 95% 0.66 - 1.05) Based on data from 2465490 patients in 6 studies | 160 per 1000 | 137 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious risk of bias ¹ | We are uncertain whether NSAID increases or decreases mortality |
| Difference: 23 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 48 fewer - 7 more) | | | | | |

1. Risk of bias: Very serious.

Summary of findings Table 9.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Interferon beta-1a (IFN-B-1a)

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain text summary |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| | | SOC | IFN | | |
| Mortality 28 days | Relative risk: 1.04 (CI 95% 0.88 - 1.23) Based on data from 4242 patients in 3 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 160 per 1000 | 166 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ¹ | IFN-B-1a probably has little or no difference on mortality |
| Difference: 6 more per 1000 (CI 95% 19 fewer - 37 more) | | | | | |
| Mechanical ventilation 28 days | Relative risk: 0.98 (CI 95% 0.83 - 1.16) Based on data from 3981 patients in 3 studies Follow-up 28 days | 173 per 1000 | 170 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ² | IFN-B-1a probably has little or no difference on mechanical ventilation |
| Difference: 3 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 29 fewer - 28 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement 28 days | Hazard Ratio: 1.1 (CI 95% 0.64 - 1.87) Based on data from 121 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 641 per 1000 | Very low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to very serious imprecision ³ | We are uncertain whether IFN-B-1a increases or decreases symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 35 more per 1000 (CI 95% 157 fewer - 219 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement (inhaled) ⁴ 30 days | Hazard Ratio: 2.19 (CI 95% 1.03 - 4.69) Based on data from 81 patients in 1 study Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 870 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ⁵ | IFN-B-1a (inhaled) may increase symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 264 more per 1000 (CI 95% 11 more - 381 more) | | | | | |

- Imprecision: Serious.** 95%CI includes significant mortality reduction and increase;
- Risk of bias: No serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: Serious.** 95% included significant mechanical ventilation requirement reduction and increase;
- Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias, Inadequate concealment of allocation during randomization process, resulting in potential for selection bias; **Imprecision: Very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefit ;
- Nebulizations;
- Imprecision: Very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits.

Summary of findings Table 10.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain text summary |
|---|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--|
| | | SOC | Bamlanivimab +/- etesevimab | | |
| Mortality | Relative risk: 0.68 (CI 95% 0.17 - 2.8) Based on data from 2315 patients in 3 studies | 160 per 1000 | 109 per 1000 | Very low Due to serious imprecision, Due to very serious imprecision ¹ | We are uncertain whether bamlanivimab increases or decreases mortality |
| Difference: 51 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 133 fewer - 288 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement ² | Relative risk: 1.02 (CI 95% 0.99 - 1.06) Based on data from 1750 patients in 3 studies | 606 per 1000 | 618 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ³ | Bamlanivimab probably has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 12 more per 1000 (CI 95% 6 fewer - 36 more) | | | | | |
| Symptomatic infection ⁵ | Relative risk: 0.56 (CI 95% 0.39 - 0.81) Based on data from 961 patients in 1 study Follow-up 28 days | 174 per 1000 | 97 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁴ | Bamlanivimab probably decreases symptomatic infection |
| Difference: 77 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 106 fewer - 33 fewer) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Hazard Ratio: 1.16 (CI 95% 0.76 - 1.78) Based on data from 3340 patients in 5 studies | 102 per 1000 | 117 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ⁶ | Bamlanivimab may increase severe adverse events |
| Difference: 15 more per 1000 (CI 95% 23 fewer - 72 more) | | | | | |
| Hospitalization ⁷ | Hazard Ratio: 0.29 (CI 95% 0.17 - 0.51) Based on data from 1487 patients in 2 studies | 74 per 1000 | 22 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁸ | We are uncertain whether bamlanivimab increases or decreases hospitalization |
| Difference: 52 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 61 fewer - 36 fewer) | | | | | |

1. **Imprecision: Very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
2. Symptomatic infection in persons at risk or exposed to SARS-CoV2;
3. **Imprecision: Serious.** 95%CI includes benefits and absence of benefits;
4. **Imprecision: Serious.** OIS not met;
5. Symptomatic infection in persons at risk or exposed to SARS-CoV2;
6. **Imprecision: Very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
7. Hospitalizations in persons with mild to moderate SARS-CoV2;
8. **Imprecision: Serious.** Low number of patients.

Summary of findings Table 11.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Favipiravir

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
|---|--|---------------------------|------------------------|--|---|
| | | SOC | Favipiravir | | |
| Mechanical ventilation 28 days | Relative risk: 1.16 (CI 95% 0.25 - 5.35) Based on data from 525 patients in 3 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 173 per 1000 | 201 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ¹ | Favipiravir may have little or no difference on mechanical ventilation |
| Difference: 28 more per 1000 (CI 95% 130 fewer - 753 more) | | | | | |
| Mortality 28 days | Relative risk: 1.16 (CI 95% 0.7 - 1.94) Based on data from 672 patients in 4 studies Follow-up median 28 days | 160 per 1000 | 186 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ² | Favipiravir may have little or no difference on mortality |
| Difference: 26 more per 1000 (CI 95% 48 fewer - 150 more) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events ³ 30 days | Relative risk: 0.64 (CI 95% 0.29 - 1.41) Based on data from 519 patients in 3 studies Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 388 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious imprecision, Due to serious risk of bias ⁴ | We are uncertain whether favipiravir increases or decreases severe adverse events |
| Difference: 218 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 430 fewer - 248 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement 28 days | Relative risk: 0.99 (CI 95% 0.9 - 1.09) Based on data from 373 patients in 1 study Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 600 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁵ | Favipiravir probably has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 6 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 61 fewer - 55 more) | | | | | |
| Hospitalization (in patients with non- severe disease) | Relative risk: 0.75 (CI 95% 0.13 - 4.36) Based on data from 168 patients in 1 study Follow-up 28 days | 606 per 1000 | 455 per 1000 | Very low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to very serious imprecision ⁶ | We are uncertain whether favipiravir increases or decreases hospitalization (in patients with non-severe disease) |
| Difference: 151 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 527 fewer - 2036 more) | | | | | |

- Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
- Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes significant mortality reduction and increase;
- Nebulizations;
- Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias;
Imprecision: very serious. 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits;
- Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits;
- Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits.

Summary of findings Table 12.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Ivermectin

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------------------|--|---|
| | | SOC | Ivermectin | | |
| Mortality (Low risk of bias studies) ¹ | Relative risk: 0.96 (CI 95% 0.58 - 1.59) Based on data from 1412 patients in 6 studies | 160 per 1000 | 154 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ² | Ivermectin may have little or no difference in mortality |
| Difference: 6 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 67 fewer - 94 more) | | | | | |
| Mechanical ventilation | Relative risk: 1.05 (CI 95% 0.64 - 1.72) Based on data from 1046 patients in 6 studies | 173 per 1000 | 182 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ³ | Ivermectin may have little or no difference on mechanical ventilation |
| Difference: 9 more per 1000 (CI 95% 62 fewer - 125 more) | | | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement (Low risk of bias studies) | Relative risk: 1.02 (CI 95% 0.96 - 1.1) Based on data from 635 patients in 3 studies | 606 per 1000 | 618 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁴ | Ivermectin probably has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| Difference: 12 more per 1000 (CI 95% 24 fewer - 61 more) | | | | | |
| Symptomatic infection ⁵ | Relative risk: 0.22 (CI 95% 0.09 - 0.53) Based on data from 1974 patients in 4 studies | 174 per 1000 | 38 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ⁶ | We are uncertain whether ivermectin increases or decreases symptomatic infection |
| Difference: 136 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 158 fewer - 82 fewer) | | | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Relative risk: 1.29 (CI 95% 0.44 - 3.85) Based on data from 917 patients in 5 studies Follow-up 28 days | 102 per 1000 | 132 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious imprecision, Due to very serious risk of bias ⁷ | We are uncertain whether ivermectin increases or decreases severe adverse events |
| Difference: 30 more per 1000 (CI 95% 57 fewer - 291 more) | | | | | |
| Hospitalization (in non-severe patients) | Relative risk: 0.67 (CI 95% 0.39 - 1.14) Based on data from 1179 patients in 5 studies Follow-up 28 days | 74 per 1000 | 50 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ⁸ | Ivermectin may decrease hospitalizations in non- severe patients |
| Difference: 24 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 45 fewer - 10 more) | | | | | |

1. Base on low risk of bias studies;
2. **Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
3. **Imprecision: very serious.** Wide confidence intervals; **Publication bias: serious.**
4. **Imprecision: serious.** Wide confidence intervals;
5. Symptomatic infection in persons at risk or exposed to SARS-COV2;
6. **Risk of Bias: very serious.** Inadequate concealment of allocation during randomization process, resulting in potential for selection bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias,

- Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: serious**. Few events, optimal information size not met (n=86);
7. **Risk of Bias: serious**. Inadequate concealment of allocation during randomization process, resulting in potential for selection bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: very serious**. 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits ;
 8. **Imprecision: serious**. 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits ; **Publication bias: serious**.

Summary of findings Table 13.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Baricitinib

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain text summary |
|---|--|--|-----------------|--|--|
| | | SOC | Baricitinib | | |
| Mortality | Relative risk: 0.63 (CI 95% 0.48 - 0.81) Based on data from 2558 patients in 2 studies | 160 per 1000 | 101 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious risk of bias ¹ | Baricitinib probably decreases mortality |
| | | Difference: 59 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 83 fewer - 30 fewer) | | | |
| Invasive mechanical ventilation | Relative risk: 0.66 (CI 95% 0.46 - 0.93) Based on data from 922 patients in 1 study Follow-up 30 days | 173 per 1000 | 114 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ² | Baricitinib may decrease invasive mechanical ventilation |
| | | Difference: 59 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 93 fewer - 12 fewer) | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement | Relative risk: 1.25 (CI 95% 1.11 - 1.41) Based on data from 1797 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 30 days | 606 per 1000 | 758 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious risk of bias ³ | Baricitinib probably improves symptom resolution or improvement |
| | | Difference: 152 more per 1000 (CI 95% 67 more - 248 more) | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Relative risk: 0.77 (CI 95% 0.63 - 0.95) Based on data from 2558 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 30 days | 102 per 1000 | 79 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ⁴ | Baricitinib may have little or no difference on severe adverse events |
| | | Difference: 23 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 38 fewer - 5 fewer) | | | |

1. Risk of bias: Serious. Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up;
2. Risk of bias: Serious. Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up; Imprecision: Serious. Low number of patients;
3. Risk of bias: Serious. Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up;
4. Risk of bias: Serious. Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up; Imprecision: Serious. Low number of events.

Summary of findings Table 14.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Azithromycin

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain text summary |
|--|---|---|------------------------|---|--|
| | | SOC | Azithromycin | | |
| Mortality | Relative risk: 1.01 (CI 95% 0.92 - 1.1) Based on data from 8272 patients in 3 studies | 160 per 1000 | 162 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ¹ | Azithromycin probably has little or no difference on mortality |
| | | Difference: 2 more per 1000 (CI 95% 13 fewer - 16 more) | | | |
| Invasive mechanical ventilation | Relative risk: 0.94 (CI 95% 0.78 - 1.13) Based on data from 8544 patients in 3 studies | 173 per 1000 | 163 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ² | Azithromycin probably has little or no difference on invasive mechanical ventilation |
| | | Difference: 10 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 38 fewer - 22 more) | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement ³ | Relative risk: 1.02 (CI 95% 0.99 - 1.04) Based on data from 9287 patients in 4 studies | 606 per 1000 | 618 per 1000 | High | Azithromycin has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| | | Difference: 12 more per 1000 (CI 95% 6 fewer - 24 more) | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Relative risk: 1.23 (CI 95% 0.51 - 2.96) Based on data from 439 patients in 1 study Follow-up 28 days | 102 per 1000 | 125 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious imprecision, Due to very serious risk of bias ⁴ | We are uncertain whether azithromycin increases or decreases severe adverse events |
| | | Difference: 23 more per 1000 (CI 95% 50 fewer - 200 more) | | | |
| Hospitalizations | Relative risk: 0.98 (CI 95% 0.52 - 1.86) Based on data from 493 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 21 days | 102 per 1000 | 100 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ⁵ | Azithromycin may have little or no difference on hospitalizations |
| | | Difference: 2 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 49 fewer - 88 more) | | | |

1. **Imprecision: Serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
2. **Imprecision: Serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
3. Symptomatic infection in persons at risk or exposed to SARS-CoV2;
4. **Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate concealment of allocation during randomization process, resulting in potential for selection bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of

outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias; **Imprecision: Very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits;

5. **Risk of bias: Serious.** Inadequate concealment of allocation during randomization process, resulting in potential for selection bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias, Inadequate/lack of blinding of outcome assessors, resulting in potential for detection bias, Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up; **Imprecision: Serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits.

Summary of findings Table 15.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Colchicine

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
|--|---|--|------------------------|---|---|
| | | SOC | Colchicine | | |
| Mortality | Relative risk: 1.0 (CI 95% 0.93 - 1.07) Based on data from 16397 patients in 6 studies | 160 per 1000 | 160 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ¹ | Colchicine probably has little or no difference on mortality |
| | | Difference: 0 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 11 fewer - 11 more) | | | |
| Invasive mechanical ventilation | Relative risk: 1.02 (CI 95% 0.92 - 1.13) Based on data from 15507 patients in 4 studies Follow-up 30 days | 173 per 1000 | 176 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ² | Colchicine probably has little or no difference on invasive mechanical ventilation |
| | | Difference: 3 more per 1000 (CI 95% 14 fewer - 22 more) | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement | Relative risk: 1.0 (CI 95% 0.97 - 1.02) Based on data from 11719 patients in 3 studies Follow-up 30 days | 173 per 1000 | 173 per 1000 | High | Colchicine has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| | | Difference: 0 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 5 fewer - 3 more) | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Relative risk: 0.78 (CI 95% 0.61 - 0.99) Based on data from 4880 patients in 3 studies Follow-up 30 days | 102 per 1000 | 80 per 1000 | High | Colchicine has little or no difference on severe adverse events |
| | | Difference: 22 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 40 fewer - 1 fewer) | | | |
| Pulmonary embolism | Relative risk: 5.55 (CI 95% 1.23 - 25.0) Based on data from 4399 patients in 1 study Follow-up 30 days | 0.9 per 1000 | 5.0 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ³ | Colchicine may have little or no difference on pulmonary embolism |
| | | Difference: 4.1 more per 1000 (CI 95% 0.21 more - 21.6 more) | | | |
| Hospitalization (in patients with non- severe disease) | Relative risk: 0.81 (CI 95% 0.63 - 1.04) Based on data from 4777 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 30 days | 74 per 1000 | 60 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ⁴ | Colchicine may decrease hospitalization in patients with non-severe disease |
| | | Difference: 14 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 27 fewer - 3 more) | | | |

1. **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
2. **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes benefits and harms;
3. **Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits , Low number of patients, Wide confidence intervals;
4. **Imprecision: very serious.** Low number of patients, Wide confidence intervals;

Summary of findings Table 16.

Population: Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir, ledipasvir, or velpatasvir

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain text summary |
|---|--|---|--|--|---|
| | | SOC | Sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir, ledipasvir or velpatasvir | | |
| Mortality | Relative risk: 1.13 (CI 95% 0.82 - 1.55) Based on data from 1163 patients in 2 studies | 160 per 1000 | 181 per 1000 | Low Due to very serious imprecision ¹ | Sofosbuvir alone or in combination may have little or no difference on mortality |
| | | Difference: 21 more per 1000 (CI 95% 29 fewer - 88 more) | | | |
| Invasive mechanical ventilation | Relative risk: 1.04 (CI 95% 0.29 - 3.7) Based on data from 1083 patients in 1 study Follow-up 30 days | 173 per 1000 | 180 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious imprecision ² | We are uncertain whether sofosbuvir +/- daclatasvir, ledipasvir or velpatasvir increases or decreases invasive mechanical ventilation |
| | | Difference: 7 more per 1000 (CI 95% 123 fewer - 467 more) | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement | Relative risk: 0.97 (CI 95% 0.9 - 1.06) Based on data from 1343 patients in 5 studies Follow-up 7 days | 606 per 1000 | 588 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ³ | Sofosbuvir alone or in combination probably has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| | | Difference: 18 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 61 fewer - 36 more) | | | |

1. **Imprecision: Very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
2. **Imprecision: Very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
3. **Inconsistency: Serious. Imprecision: Serious.** Wide confidence intervals.

Summary of findings Table 17.

Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab)

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain text summary |
|---|--|--|--|---|---|
| | | SOC | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) | | |
| Mortality | Relative risk: 0.94 (CI 95% 0.87 - 1.02) Based on data from 13965 patients in 2 studies | 160 per 1000 | 150 per 1000 | Moderate Due to very serious imprecision ¹ | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) probably has little or no difference on mortality |
| | | Difference: 10 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 21 fewer - 3 more) | | | |
| Mortality (seronegative) | Relative risk: 0.8 (CI 95% 0.7 - 0.91) Based on data from 3153 patients in 1 study | 160 per 1000 | 128 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious indirectness ² | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) probably decreases mortality in seronegative patients |
| | | Difference: 32 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 48 fewer - 14 fewer) | | | |
| Invasive mechanical ventilation | Relative risk: 0.96 (CI 95% 0.89 - 1.03) Based on data from 13387 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 30 days | 173 per 1000 | 166 per 1000 | Moderate Due to very serious imprecision ³ | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) probably has little or no difference on invasive mechanical ventilation |
| | | Difference: 7 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 19 fewer - 5 more) | | | |
| Invasive mechanical ventilation (seronegative) | Relative risk: 0.88 (CI 95% 0.73 - 1.06) Based on data from 3083 patients in 1 study Follow-up 30 days | 173 per 1000 | 152 per 1000 | Low Due to serious indirectness, Due to serious imprecision ⁴ | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) may decrease invasive mechanical ventilation in seronegative patients |
| | | Difference: 21 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 47 fewer - 10 more) | | | |
| | Relative risk: 1.06 (CI 95% 0.96 - 1.16) | 606 per 1000 | 642 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁵ | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and |

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|---|---|--|------------------------|---|--|
| Symptom resolution or improvement | Based on data from 13549 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 30 days | Difference: 36 more per 1000 (CI 95% 24 fewer - 97 more) | | | imdevimab) probably has little or no difference on symptom resolution or improvement |
| Symptom resolution or improvement (seronegative) | Relative risk: 1.12 (CI 95% 1.01 - 1.25) Based on data from 5757 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 30 days | 606 per 1000 | 679 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious indirectness ⁶ | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) probably increases symptom resolution or improvement in seronegative patients |
| | | Difference: 73 more per 1000 (CI 95% 6 more - 152 more) | | | |
| Hospitalization (in patients with non-severe disease) | Relative risk: 0.29 (CI 95% 0.18 - 0.44) Based on data from 4384 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 30 days | 74 per 1000 | 21 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁷ | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) probably improves hospitalization in patients with recent onset non-severe disease |
| | | Difference: 53 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 61 fewer - 41 fewer) | | | |
| Symptomatic infection (in exposed individuals) | Relative risk: 0.69 (CI 95% 0.47 - 1.0) Based on data from 204 patients in 1 study Follow-up 30 days | 74 per 1000 | 51 per 1000 | Low Due to serious imprecision, Due to very serious imprecision ⁸ | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) may decrease symptomatic infection in exposed individuals |
| | | Difference: 23 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 39 fewer - 0 fewer) | | | |
| Severe adverse events | Relative risk: 0.63 (CI 95% 0.48 - 0.81) Based on data from 5735 patients in 2 studies Follow-up 30 days | 102 per 1000 | 64 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ⁹ | REGEN-COV (casirivimab and imdevimab) probably has little or no difference on severe adverse events |
| | | Difference: 38 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 53 fewer - 19 fewer) | | | |

1. **Risk of bias: No serious.** Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up; **Imprecision: Very serious.** Wide confidence intervals;
2. **Risk of bias: No serious.** Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up; **Indirectness: Serious.** Subgroup analysis; **Imprecision: Very serious;**
3. **Risk of bias: No serious.** Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up; **Imprecision: Very serious.** Wide confidence intervals;
4. **Risk of bias: No serious.** Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up; **Indirectness: Serious.** Subgroup analysis; **Imprecision: Serious.** Low number of events, Wide confidence intervals;
5. **Imprecision: Serious.** Wide confidence intervals;
6. **Indirectness: Serious.** Subgroup analysis;
7. **Risk of bias: No serious.** Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up; **Imprecision: Serious.** Low number of events;
8. **Risk of bias: No serious.** Incomplete data and/or large loss to follow-up; **Imprecision: Very serious.** Low number of events, Wide confidence intervals;
9. **Imprecision: Serious.** Low number of events.

Summary of findings Table 18.

Patients with COVID-19 infection
Intervention: Inhaled corticosteroids
Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
|--|---|--|----------------------------|---|---|
| | | SOC | Inhaled corticosteroids | | |
| Mortality | Relative risk: 0.85 (CI 95% 0.64 - 1.12) Based on data from 1856 patients in 1 study | 160 per 1000 | 136 per 1000 | Very low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to very serious imprecision ¹ | We are uncertain whether inhaled corticosteroids increases or decreases mortality |
| | | Difference: 24 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 58 fewer - 19 more) | | | |
| Invasive mechanical ventilation | Relative risk: 0.94 (CI 95% 0.44 - 1.98) Based on data from 1560 patients in 1 study | 173 per 1000 | 163 per 1000 | Very low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to very serious imprecision ² | We are uncertain whether inhaled corticosteroids increases or decreases invasive mechanical ventilation |
| | | Difference: 10 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 97 fewer - 170 more) | | | |
| Symptom resolution or improvement ³ | Relative risk: 1.16 (CI 95% 1.08 - 1.24) Based on data from 2187 patients in 4 studies | 606 per 1000 | 703 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious risk of bias ⁴ | Inhaled corticosteroids probably increases symptom resolution or improvement |
| | | Difference: 97 more per 1000 (CI 95% 48 more - 145 more) | | | |
| Hospitalizations | Relative risk: 0.82 (CI 95% 0.62 - 1.08) Based on data from 2256 patients in 2 studies | 74 per 1000 | 61 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to serious imprecision ⁵ | Inhaled corticosteroids may decrease hospitalizations |
| | | Difference: 13 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 28 fewer - 6 more) | | | |

- Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias;
Imprecision: very serious. 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
- Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias;
Imprecision: very serious. 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
- Symptomatic infection in persons at risk or exposed to SARS-CoV2;
- Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias;
- Risk of bias: serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias;
Imprecision: serious. 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits; wide confidence intervals.

Summary of findings Table 19.

Patients with COVID-19 infection

Intervention: Fluvoxamine

Comparator: Standard of care

| Outcome Time frame | Study results and measurements | Absolute effect estimates | | Certainty of the evidence (quality of evidence) | Plain language summary |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|------------------------|--|---|
| | | SOC | Fluvoxamine | | |
| Hospitalizations | Relative risk: 0.78 (CI 95% 0.59 - 1.04) Based on data from 1856 patients in 1 study | 74 per 1000 | 58 per 1000 | Moderate Due to serious imprecision ¹ | Fluvoxamine probably reduces hospitalizations |
| | | Difference: 16 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 30 fewer - 3 more) | | | |
| Mortality | Relative risk: 0.7 (CI 95% 0.38 - 1.3) Based on data from 1472 patients in 1 study | 160 per 1000 | 112 per 1000 | Very low Due to very serious imprecision ² | There were too few who experienced the mortality, to determine whether fluvoxamine made a difference |
| | | Difference: 48 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 99 fewer - 48 more) | | | |
| Severe adverse events ³ | Relative risk: 0.74 (CI 95% 0.49 - 1.13) Based on data from 1472 patients in 1 study | 102 per 1000 | 75 per 1000 | Low Due to serious risk of bias, Due to very serious imprecision ⁴ | Fluvoxamine may not increase severe adverse events |
| | | Difference: 27 fewer per 1000 (CI 95% 52 fewer - 13 more) | | | |

1. **Imprecision: serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and absence of benefits;
2. **Imprecision: very serious.** 95%CI includes significant benefits and harms;
3. Symptomatic infection in persons at risk or exposed to SARS-CoV2;
4. **Risk of bias: no serious.** Inadequate/lack of blinding of participants and personnel, resulting in potential for performance bias;
Imprecision: very serious. Wide confidence intervals.

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