

# COVID-19

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# WHAT IS COVID -19

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- COVID-19 is the disease caused by a new coronavirus called SARS-CoV-2. WHO first learned of this new virus on 31 December 2019, following a report of a cluster of cases of 'viral pneumonia' in Wuhan, People's Republic of China.

# SUSPICIOUS

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- یافته های بالینی:

شروع ناگهانی تب و سرفه یا

شروع ناگهانی حداقل سه یا بیشتر از عالمی چون تب، سرفه، ضعف عمومی/خستگی مفرط، سردرد، درد عضلانی، گلو درد، آبریزش بینی، تنگی نفس، بی اشتهایی/تهوع/استفراغ، اسهال، کاهش سطح هوشیاری + اقامت، اشتغال یا مسافرت به مناطقی که احتمال چرخش ویروس وجود دارد (نظیر مراکز اقامتی، محل های پرازدحام، همایش ها و مراسم ها، مراکز بهداشتی-درمانی و ... (در طی 14 روز گذشته)

# POSSIBLE

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- بیمار مشکوکی که در تماس با یک بیمار محتمل یا قطعی
- بیمار مشکوکی که یافته های تصویر برداری به نفع کووید-19 داشته باشد
- بیماری که بطور حاد دچار از دست دادن حس بویایی یا چشایی شده باشد
- مرگ در بیمار مشکوک به کووید که با دلیل دیگری توجیه نشود

# DEFINITIVE

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- فرد با تایید آزمایشگاهی ویروس ناشی از کووید-19، صرف نظر از وجود عائم و نشانه های بالینی

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- **Non-severe COVID-19** – Defined as absence of any criteria for severe or critical COVID-19

# SEVERE COVID-19 – DEFINED BY ANY OF

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- Oxygen saturation < 90% on room air;
- in adults, signs of severe respiratory distress (accessory muscle use, inability to complete full sentences, respiratory rate > 30 breaths per minute), and, in children, very severe chest wall indrawing, grunting, central cyanosis, or presence of any other general danger signs (inability to breastfeed or drink, lethargy or reduced level of consciousness, convulsions) in addition to the signs of pneumonia.

# CRITICAL COVID-19 – DEFINED BY

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- the criteria for acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), sepsis, septic shock, or other conditions that would normally require the provision of life-sustaining therapies such as mechanical ventilation (invasive or non-invasive) or vasopressor therapy.



# CLINICAL PRESENTATION

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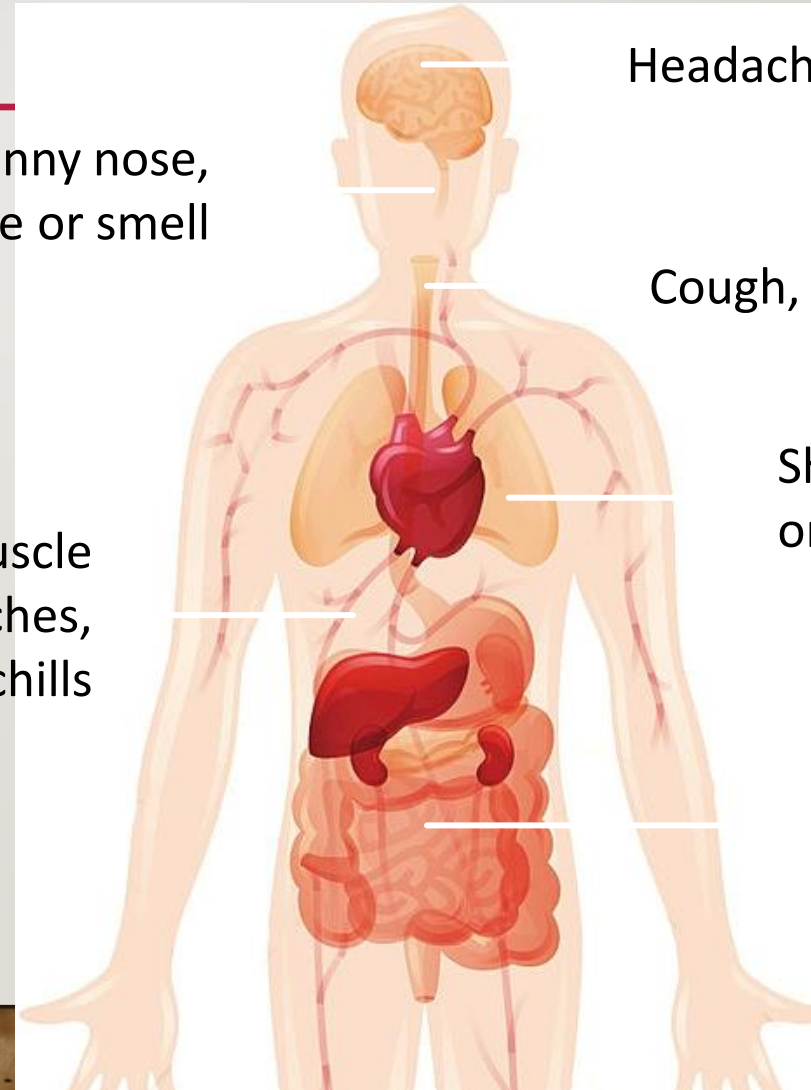
- The incubation period for COVID-19 is thought to extend to 14 days, with a median time of 4-5 days from exposure to symptoms onset.<sup>(1-3)</sup> One study reported that 97.5% of people with COVID-19 who have symptoms will do so within 11.5 days of SARS-CoV-2 infection.

# PRIMARY SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

“Symptoms may appear **2-14 days** after exposure to the virus”

Congestion or runny nose,  
new loss of taste or smell

Fatigue, muscle  
or body aches,  
fever or chills



Headache

Cough, sore throat

Shortness of breath  
or difficulty breathing

Nausea or  
vomiting, diarrhea

# SYMPTOM OF COVID -19

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- The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are
- Fever
- Dry cough
- Fatigue

# PRESENTATION

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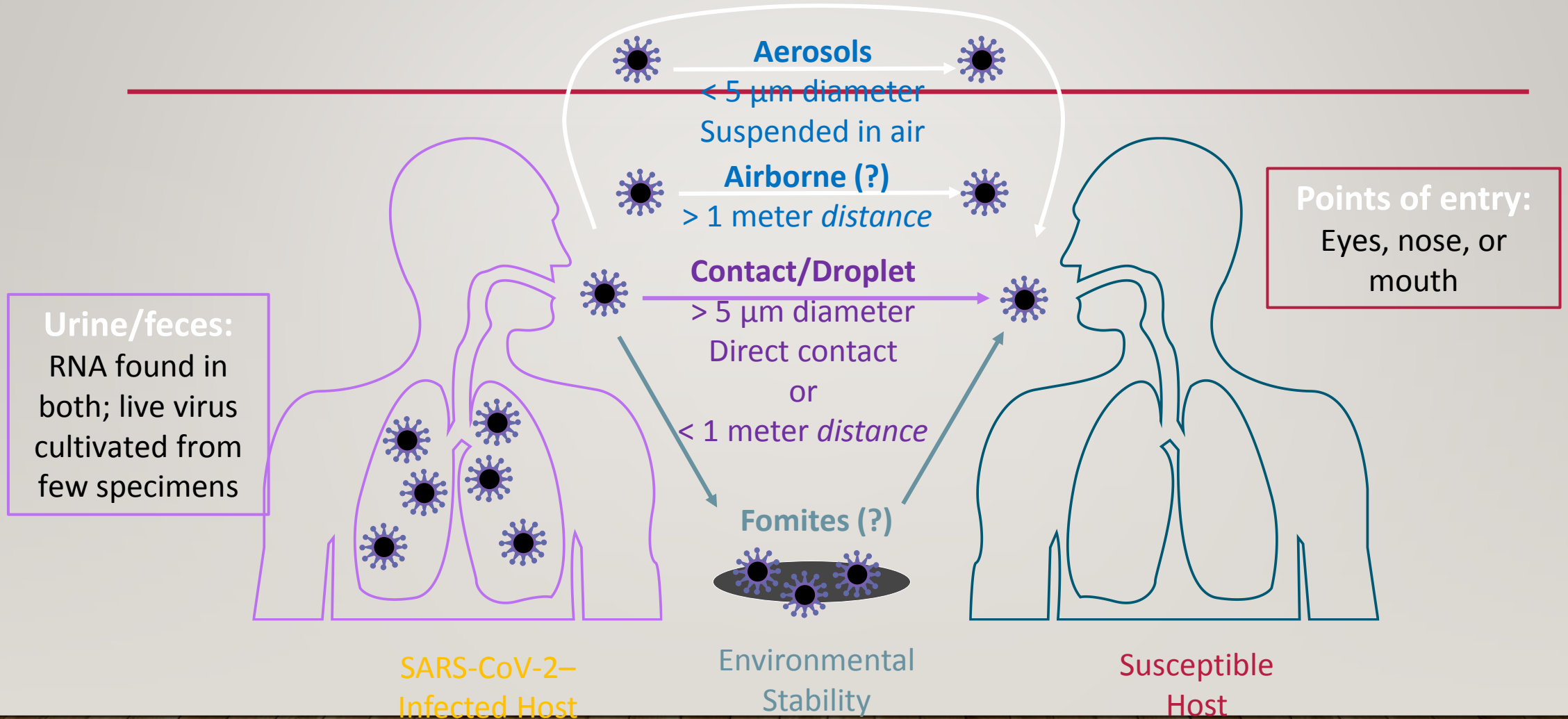
- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache

# PRESENTATION

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- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

# PROPOSED ROUTES OF SARS-COV-2 TRANSMISSION



# اندیکاسیون ارجاع به بیمارستان

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- 1- شروع علائم پنومونی یا هایپوکسی
- 2- احساس گیجی یا کاهش سطح هوشیاری
- 3- هموپتیزی (خلط خونی)
- 4- اختلالات همودینامیک

# COMMON COVID-19 DIAGNOSTIC METHODS: RNA

## Viral Nucleic Acid Assays

Typically indicate

- Current infection

Specimen sources

- Upper (eg, nasopharyngeal swabs or washes, oropharyngeal swabs, nasal aspirates) or lower (eg, sputum, bronchoalveolar lavage fluid, tracheal aspirates) respiratory tract

Considerations

- Primary method for COVID-19 diagnosis with multiple RT-PCR kits available
- False negatives may result from improper sampling or handling, low viral load, or viral mutations
- SARS-CoV-2 RNA undetectable by ~ Day 14 following onset of illness in some cases/samples



# FACTORS POTENTIALLY LEADING TO NEGATIVE RESULT IN AN INFECTED INDIVIDUAL

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- Poor specimen quality
  - Timing of specimen collection
  - (very early or late in infection)
- Specimen was not handled appropriately
  - Technical reasons inherent in test
  - (virus mutation or PCR inhibition)

# DIAGNOSTIC MEASURE

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- Global covid -19 RT- PCR (recommended)
- Serologic test (not recommended)
- Chest CT scan

# NIH GUIDELINES: DEFINING A COVID-19 SEVERITY SPECTRUM

Stage	Characteristics
Asymptomatic or presymptomatic infection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Positive test for SARS-CoV-2 but no symptoms</li></ul>
Mild illness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Varied symptoms (eg, fever, cough, sore throat, malaise, headache, muscle pain) but no shortness of breath, dyspnea, abnormal imaging</li></ul>
Moderate illness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>SpO<sub>2</sub> ≥ 94% and lower respiratory disease evidenced by clinical assessment or imaging</li></ul>
Severe illness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>SpO<sub>2</sub> &lt; 94%, PaO<sub>2</sub>/FiO<sub>2</sub> &lt; 300, respiratory rate &gt; 30 breaths/min, or lung infiltrates &gt; 50%</li></ul>
Critical illness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Respiratory failure, septic shock, and/or multiorgan dysfunction</li></ul>

# MILD ILLNESS

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علائم خفیف بصورت تب کمتر از 38 درجه  
گلودرد با یا بدون سرفه های خشک  
لرز  
سردرد  
از دست دادن حس چشایی و بویایی  
تهوع، استفراغ، بی اشتهایی، اسهال،  
بدن درد  
ضعف و خستگی مفرط است.

# MILD ILLNESS

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در این مرحله علائم حیاتی (نبض، فشارخون و تعداد تنفس) پایدار  
SPO2 بالای 93% است .

# LAB TEST MILD ILLNESS

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- LYMPHOPENIA LOWER 1100
- MILD INCREASE :ESR ,CRP
- LUNG CT SCAN : NOT CHANGE
- INVOLVEMENT OF MAXIMUM 2 LUNG LOBES (GGO , CONSOLIDATION , NODULE)

## مرحله تنفسی

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- فاز تنفسی شامل دو قسمت متوسط و شدید
- فاز متوسط : تنگی نفس ، احساس درد و فشار در قفسه سینه ، تب بیشتر از 38
- سطح اشباع اکسیژن بین 90 تا 93%
- درگیری ریه کمتر از 50%

# LAB TEST MODERATE PULMONARY PHASE

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LYMPHOPENIA LOWER 1100

INCREASE : ESR ,CRP ,PT,PTT.

INCREASE :LDH

INCREASE : FERRITIN

INCREASE : D.DIMER

INCREASE THE NUMBER OF LOBES INVOLVED & ITS SIZE



# SEVER PULMONARY PHASE

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- AGGRAVATION OF SHORTNESS OF BREATH
- RR > 30
- SPO<sub>2</sub> < 90%
- PaO<sub>2</sub>/FIO<sub>2</sub> > 300
- CTSCAN : > 50% LUNG INVOLVEMENT

# LAB TEST SEVER PULMONARY PHASE

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- EXACERBATION OF LYMPHOPENIA
- PROGRESSIVE INCREASE D.DIMER
- LDH>245
- RISE AMINOTRANSFEREAS
- CRP>100
- INCREASE IL-6
- TROMBOCYTOPENIA

# LAB TEST SEVER PULMONARY PHASE

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- INCREASE TROPONIN
- CHEST CT SCAN : >50% OF LUNGS ARE INVOLVED . DIFFUSE & BILATERAL INFILTRATION

# CRITICAL PHASE

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- RESPIRATORY FAILURE
- SPO<sub>2</sub> < 88%
- SHOCK SYMPTOMS
- MULTI ORGAN FAILURE

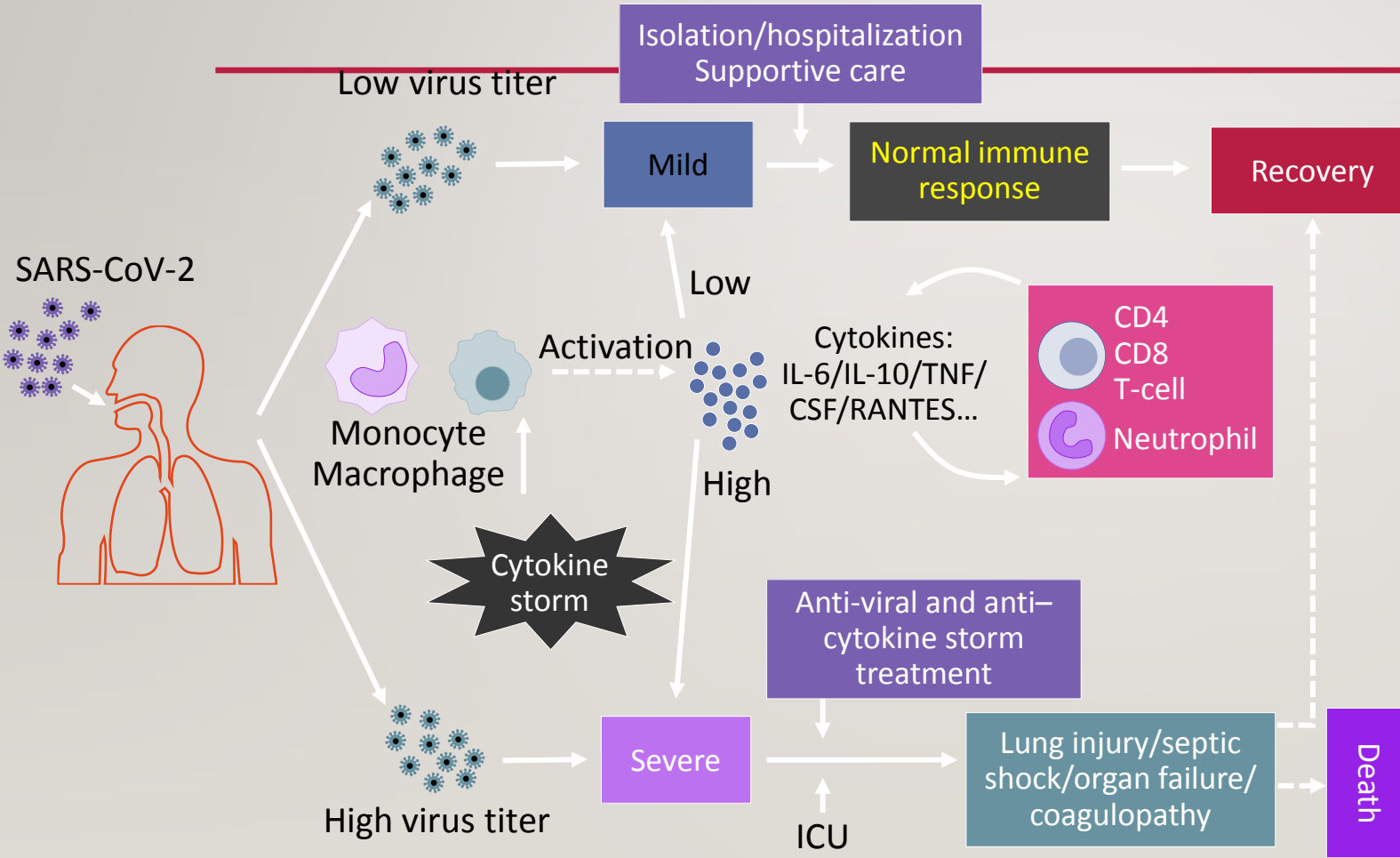
# LAB TEST CRITICAL PHASE

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- EXACERBATION OF LYMPHOPENIA
- D.DIMER > 1000
- FERRITIN > 1000
- AST/ALT > 5 TIMES
- THROMBOCYTOPENIA
- RISE BUN/CR , COAGULATION DISORDER
- CHEST CT SCAN :ARDS , PLURAL EFFUSION,...
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# IMMUNE RESPONSE TO SARS-COV-2

Immune Responses Leading to Recovery or Death<sup>[1]</sup>



## Adequate immune responses<sup>[2]</sup>

- Timely innate/adaptive responses
- Quick type 1 IFN response
- Activation of efficient antiviral response (clearance by macrophages)
- Activation of Th1 cells and B-cells for production of neutralizing antibodies

## Inadequate immune responses<sup>[2]</sup>

- Delayed/limited type 1 IFN
- Endothelial cell death
- Epithelial/endothelial leakage
- Overactivation/exhaustion T-cells and NK cells
- Accumulation of activated macrophages → cytokine storm

# RX MILD COVID-19

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- 1<sup>st</sup> line : consider home isolation
- Plus : monitoring
- Plus : symptom management , supporting care
- Consider : antipyretic / analgesic
- Consider : experimental therapy

# RX MODERATE COVID-19

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- 1st consider home isolation or hospital admission
- plus monitoring
- plus symptom management and supportive care
- consider antipyretic/analgesic
- consider experimental therapies



# SEVERE COVID-19

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- 1st hospital admission
- plus consider oxygen therapy
- plus symptom management and supportive care
- plus venous thromboembolism prophylaxis
- plus monitoring

# SEVERE COVID-19

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- consider corticosteroid
- consider interleukin-6 (IL-6) inhibitor
- consider treatment of co-infections
- consider antipyretic/analgesic
- consider experimental therapies
- consider plan for discharge and rehabilitation
- consider palliative care

# CRITICAL COVID-19

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- 1st intensive/critical care unit admission
- plus symptom management and supportive care
- plus venous thromboembolism prophylaxis
- plus consider high-flow nasal oxygen or noninvasive ventilation
- plus consider invasive mechanical ventilation
- consider inhaled pulmonary vasodilator
- consider extracorporeal membrane oxygenation

# CRITICAL COVID-19

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- consider management of sepsis/septic shock
- consider corticosteroid
- consider interleukin-6 (IL-6) inhibitor
- consider treatment of co-infections
- consider experimental therapies
- consider plan for discharge and rehabilitation
- consider palliative care

# KEY THERAPEUTIC CLASSES UNDER INVESTIGATION FOR TREATMENT OF COVID-19

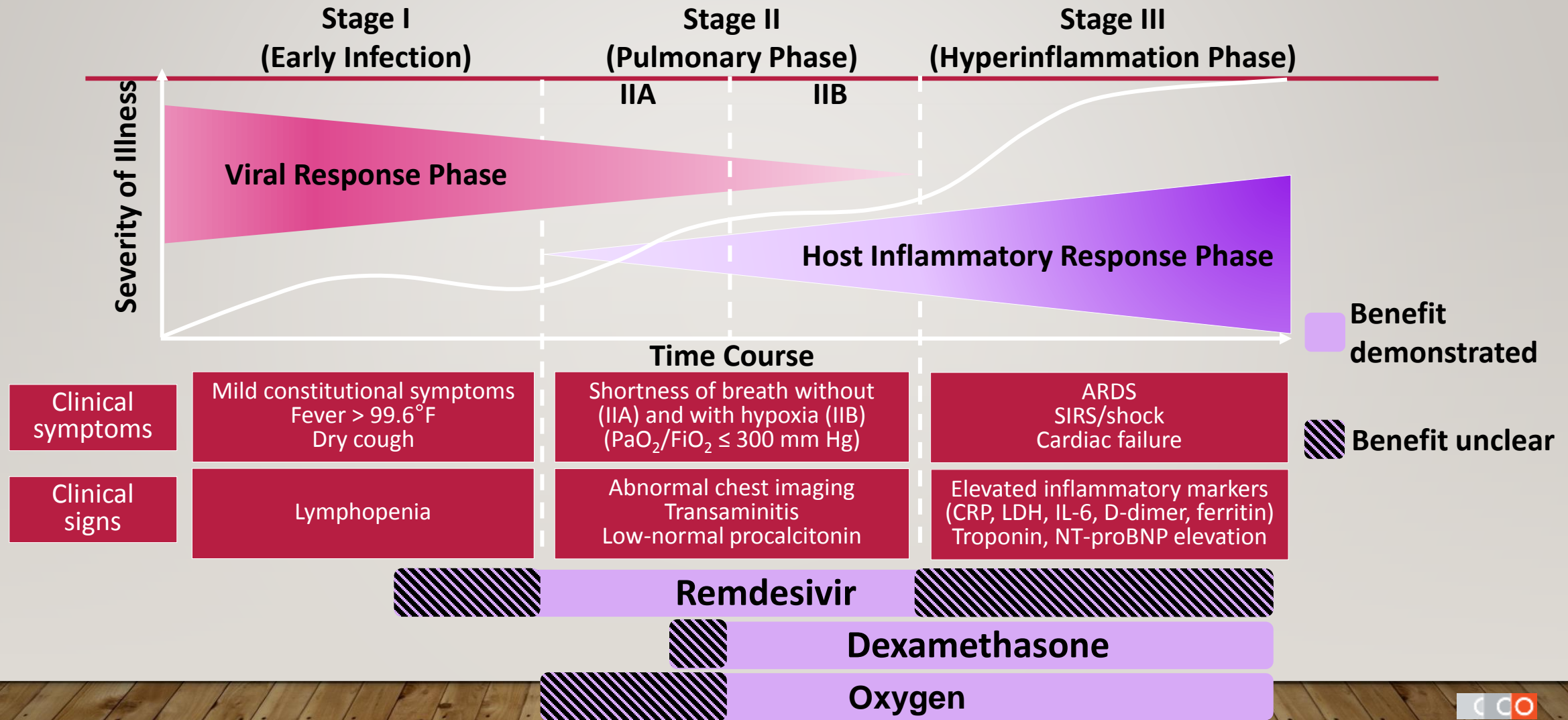
## Antivirals

Baloxivir  
Convalescent plasma  
Favipiravir  
(Hydroxy)chloroquine  
Interferon  
Lopinavir/ritonavir  
Nitazoxanide  
Oseltamivir  
Remdesivir  
Ribavirin

## Immunomodulators

Corticosteroids (eg, dexamethasone)  
IL-1 inhibitors (eg, anakinra)  
IL-6 inhibitors (eg, tocilizumab)  
Intravenous immunoglobulin  
JAK inhibitors (eg, baricitinib)

# COVID-19 THERAPIES PREDICTED TO PROVIDE BENEFIT AT DIFFERENT STAGES



# FDA APPROVAL FOR REMDESIVIR: SAFETY INFORMATION AND WARNINGS

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- **Contraindicated in** patients with a history of clinically significant hypersensitivity reactions to remdesivir or any components
- **Not recommended** for patients with eGFR < 30 mL/min
- **Warnings and precautions:**
  - **Hypersensitivity reactions** have occurred in patients receiving remdesivir; immediately discontinue if signs of a clinically significant reaction occur
  - **Transaminase elevations** have occurred in healthy volunteers and patients with COVID-19 receiving remdesivir; consider discontinuing if ALT > 10 x ULN

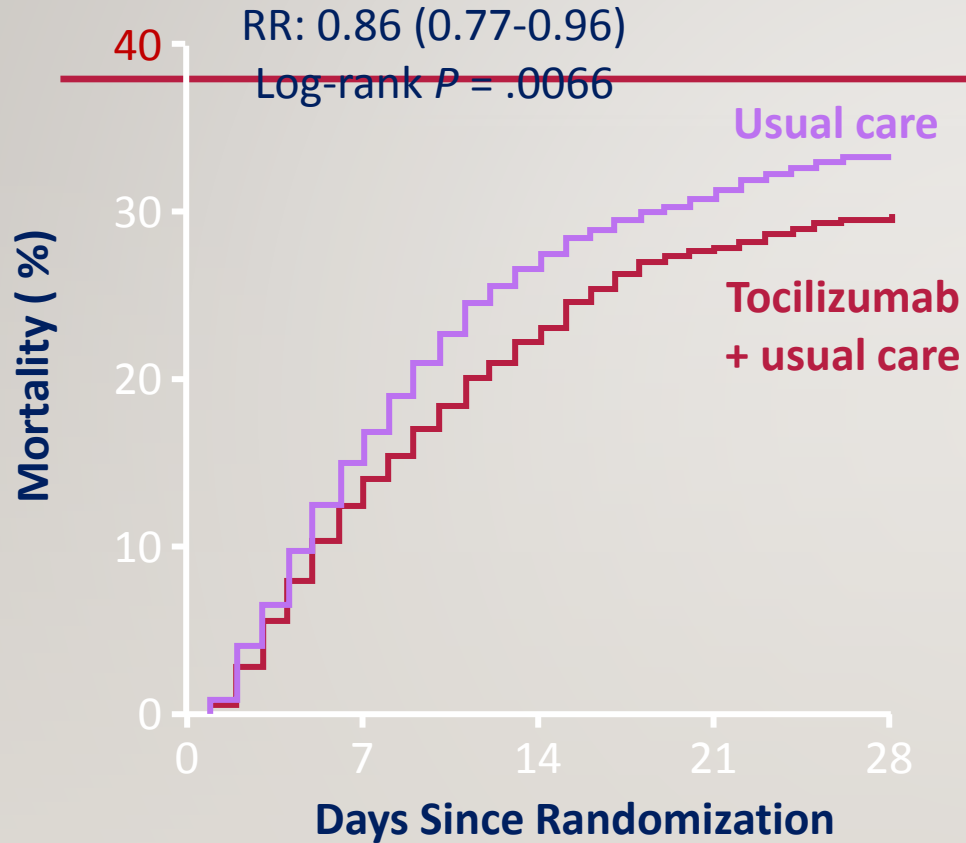
# IL-6 RECEPTOR BLOCKERS

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- treatment with IL-6 receptor blockers (tocilizumab or sarilumab) for patients with severe or critical COVID-19 infection.



# RECOVERY: RESULTS FOR TOCILIZUMAB + USUAL CARE VS USUAL CARE ALONE



- Secondary endpoint: reduced receipt of mechanical ventilation in patients not receiving ventilation at time of randomization
  - 12% with tocilizumab vs 15% with usual care (RR: 0.81; 95% CI: 0.68-0.95)

## Patients at Risk, n

Active	2022	1741	1556	1386	1284
Control	2094	1740	1518	1372	1250

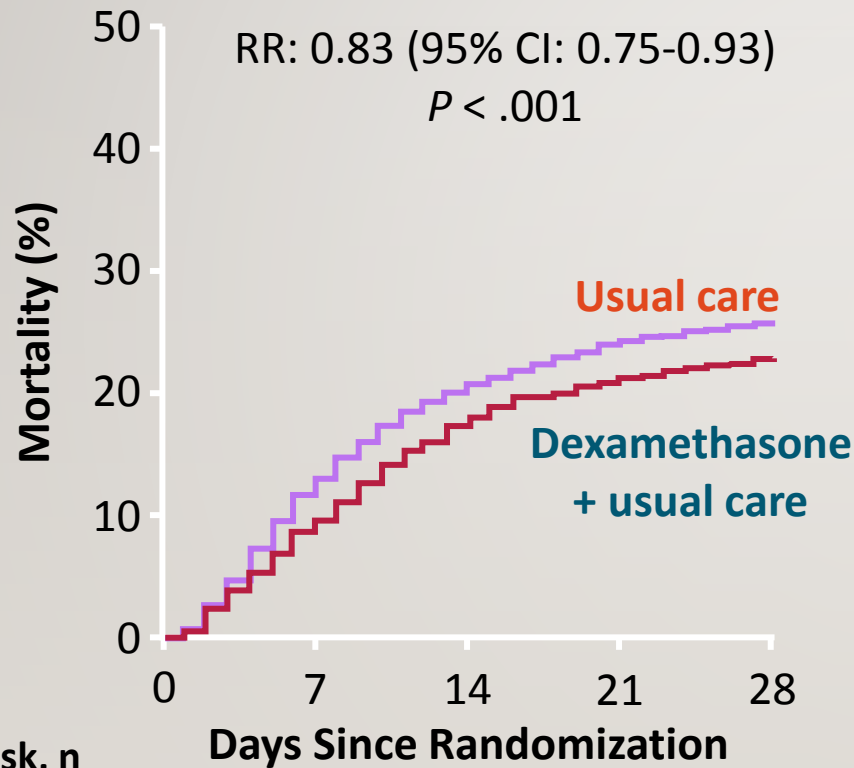
# SYSTEMIC CORTICOSTEROIDS

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- Corticosteroid regimens included: methylprednisolone 40 mg every 12 hours for 3 days and then 20 mg every 12 hours for 3 days (GLUCOCOVID) [76]; dexamethasone 20 mg daily for 5 days followed by 10 mg daily for 5 days (two trials, DEXA-COVID19, CoDEX) [77][78]; hydrocortisone 200 mg daily for 4 to 7 days followed by 100 mg daily for 2 to 4 days and then 50 mg daily for 2 to 3 days (one trial, CAPE-COVID)

# RECOVERY TRIAL: MORTALITY WITH DEXAMETHASONE + USUAL CARE VS USUAL CARE ALONE

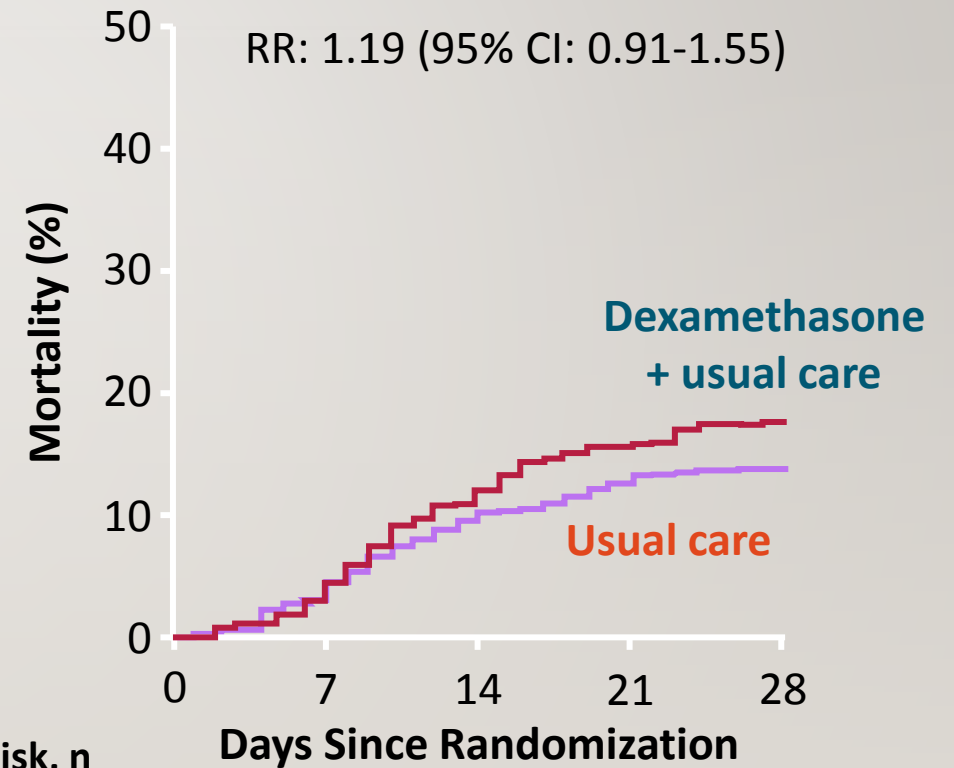
All Participants (N = 6425)



Patients at Risk, n

Dexamethasone	2104	1903	1725	1659	1621
Usual care	4321	3754	3427	3271	3205

No Oxygen (n = 1535)

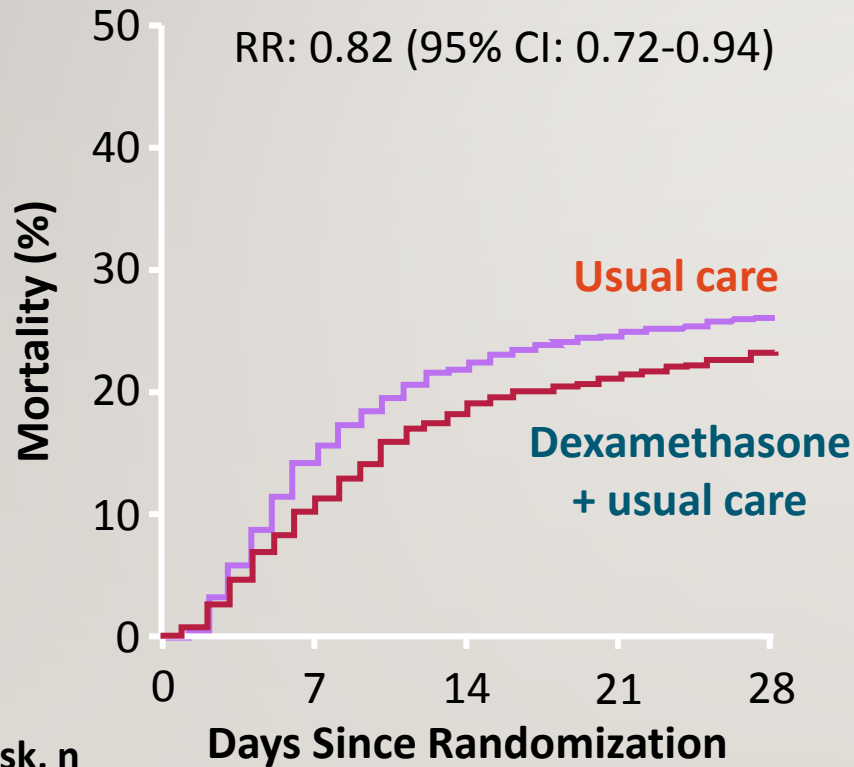


Patients at Risk, n

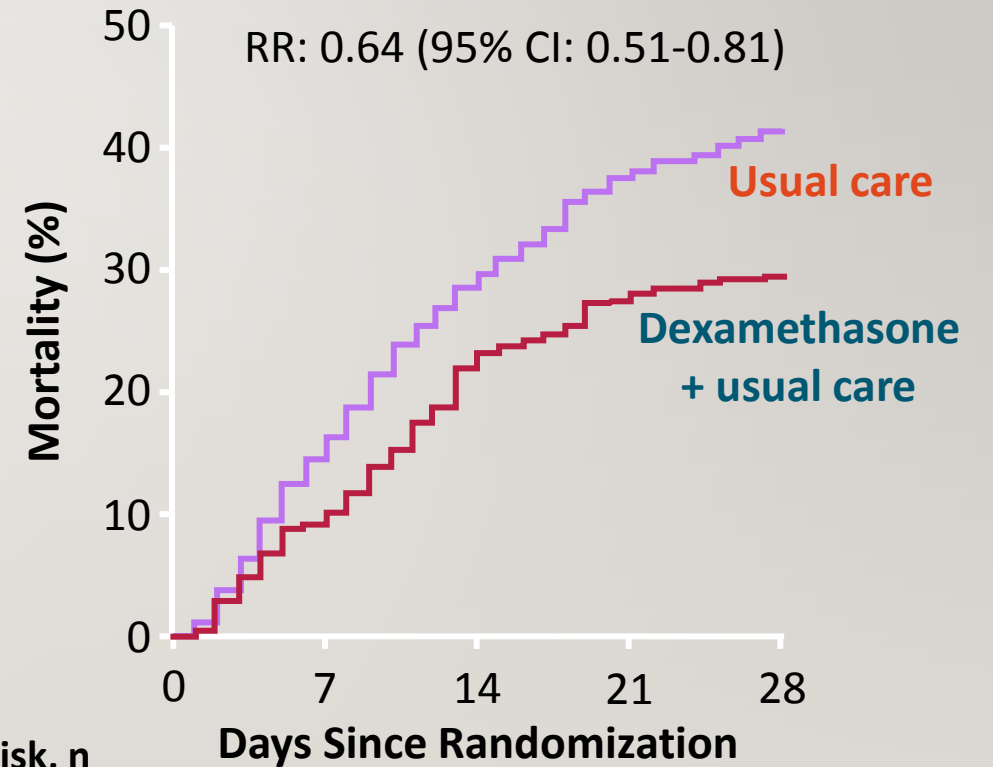
Dexamethasone	501	478	441	421	412
Usual care	1034	987	928	897	889

# RECOVERY TRIAL: MORTALITY IN PATIENTS ON OXYGEN OR MECHANICAL VENTILATION ± DEXAMETHASONE

Oxygen Only (n = 3883)



Invasive Mechanical Ventilation (n = 1007)



Patients at Risk, n

	0	7	14	21	28
Dexamethasone	1279	1135	1036	1006	981
Usual care	2604	2195	2018	1950	1916

Patients at Risk, n

	0	7	14	21	28
Dexamethasone	324	290	248	232	228
Usual care	683	572	481	424	400

# WHO LIVING GUIDANCE: CORTICOSTEROIDS FOR COVID-19

Categories of Illness	Definition	Recommendation
Critical COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ARDS, sepsis, septic shock</li> <li>Other conditions that would normally require life-sustaining therapies (mechanical ventilation) or vasopressor therapy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommend systemic corticosteroids rather than no systemic corticosteroids</li> </ul>
Severe COVID-19	<p>Any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>O_2 &lt; 90\%</math> on room air*</li> <li>RR &gt; 30 breaths/min in adults and children aged &gt; 5 yrs; RR <math>\geq 40</math> in children aged 1-5 yrs; RR <math>\geq 50</math> in children aged 2-11 mos</li> <li>Signs of respiratory distress (accessory muscle use, inability to complete full sentences; in children very severe chest wall indrawing, grunting, central cyanosis, etc)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommend systemic corticosteroids rather than no systemic corticosteroids</li> </ul>
Nonsevere COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Absence of any signs of severe or critical COVID-19</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suggest no corticosteroids</li> </ul>

\*Note that this threshold to define severe COVID-19 is arbitrary and should be interpreted cautiously when used for determining which patients should be offered systemic corticosteroids. Clinicians must use their judgement, and the panel suggests erring on the side of considering the illness as severe if there is any doubt.

# CASIRIVIMAB AND IMDEVIMAB (NEUTRALIZING MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES )

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- treatment with casirivimab and imdevimab, conditional to those at highest risk of hospitalization
- typical characteristics of people at highest risk include lack of vaccination, older people, or those with immunodeficiencies and/or chronic diseases (e.g. diabetes).

# FDA EUA FOR CASIRIVIMAB + IMDEVIMAB

*“ . . . permit the emergency use of the unapproved product, casirivimab with imdevimab to be administered together, for the treatment of mild to moderate COVID-19 in adults and pediatric patients ( $\geq 12$  yrs of age weighing  $\geq 40$  kg) with positive results of direct SARS-CoV-2 viral testing, and who are at high risk for progressing to severe COVID-19 and/or hospitalization.”*

- ~~Must be administered by single IV~~ infusion (1200 mg casirivimab + 1200 mg imdevimab over  $\geq 60$  mins) following dilution
- Should be given as soon as possible after positive SARS-CoV-2 viral test, within 10 days of symptom onset
- No recommended dose adjustments for pregnant or lactating women, patients with renal impairment

# BARICITINIB

Baricitinib may have mechanisms of action within both infected cells and immune responder cells

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- Janus kinase inhibitor approved as a DMARD for rheumatoid arthritis
- Identified as a therapeutic candidate by artificial intelligence for both immunomodulatory and potential antiviral properties
- Inhibits host proteins (P2-associated kinase I AAK1 and the cyclin G-associated kinase GAK)
- May inhibit virus entry into cells and reduce inflammatory responses



# FDA EUA FOR BARICITINIB

*“ . . . permit the emergency use of baricitinib, in combination with remdesivir, for treatment of suspected or laboratory confirmed COVID-19 in hospitalized adults and pediatric patients  $\geq$  2 yrs of age requiring supplemental oxygen, invasive mechanical ventilation, or extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO).”*

- **Recommended dosage under EUA:**
  - Adults and pediatric patients  $\geq$  9 yrs of age: 4 mg orally once daily
  - Pediatric patients 2 yrs to  $<$  9 yrs of age: 2 mg orally once daily
  - Optimal duration of treatment unknown; 14 days or until hospital discharge (if first) recommended
- eGFR, aminotransferase levels, and CBC with differential must be determined before first dose

# BARICITINIB EUA: CONTRAINDICATIONS AND WARNINGS

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- **No known contraindications**
- **Hypersensitivity:**
  - If serious hypersensitivity occurs, discontinue baricitinib
- **Serious infections:**
  - Serious infections have occurred in patients receiving baricitinib
  - Avoid use in cases of known active tuberculosis
  - Weigh potential benefits vs risks in situations with active coinfections other than COVID-19
- **Thrombosis:**
  - In hospitalized patients with COVID-19, VTE prophylaxis recommended, unless contraindicated
- **Vaccinations:**
  - Avoid use of live vaccines with baricitinib
- **Abnormal laboratory values:**
  - Evaluate at baseline and thereafter according to management practice
  - Dose adjustments for patients with abnormal renal, hepatic, and hematologic values

# EXTRAPULMONARY MANIFESTATIONS

## Dermatologic

- Petechiae
- Livedo reticularis
- Erythematous rash
- Urticaria
- Vesicles
- Pernio-like lesions

## Cardiac

- Takotsubo cardiomyopathy
- Myocardial injury/myocarditis
- Cardiac arrhythmias
- Cardiogenic shock
- Myocardial ischemia
- Acute cor pulmonale

## Endocrine

- Hyperglycemia
- Diabetic ketoacidosis

## Gastrointestinal

- Diarrhea
- Nausea/vomiting
- Abdominal pain
- Anorexia

## Neurologic

- Headaches
- Dizziness
- Encephalopathy
- Guillain-Barré
- Ageusia
- Myalgia
- Anosmia
- Stroke

## Thromboembolism

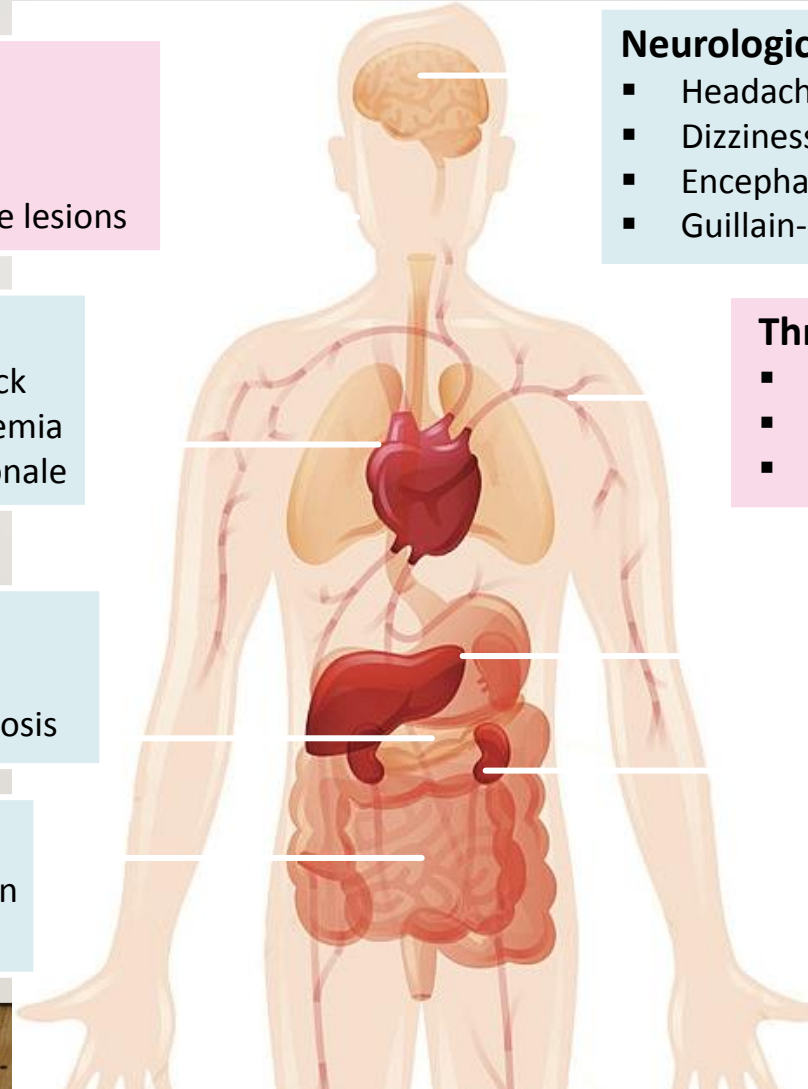
- Deep vein thrombosis
- Pulmonary embolism
- Catheter-related thrombosis

## Hepatic

- Elevated ALT/AST
- Elevated bilirubin

## Renal

- Acute kidney injury
- Proteinuria
- Hematuria



# CDC: DISCONTINUATION OF TRANSMISSION-BASED PRECAUTIONS FOR PATIENTS WITH CONFIRMED SARS-COV-2



## Symptom-Based Strategy\*

≥ 24 hrs since resolution of fever, last antipyretics

**And**

Improvement in symptoms (eg, cough, shortness of breath)

**And**

≥ 10 days since symptom onset for mild to moderate illness, 10-20 days for severe to critical illness or those severely immunocompromised

## Test-Based Strategy

Not generally recommended because *“in the majority of cases, it results in prolonged isolation of patients who continue to shed detectable SARS-CoV-2 RNA but are no longer infectious”*

\*If patient is asymptomatic, not severely immunocompromised, precautions may be discontinued ≥ 10 days after positive viral test.

# DISCHARGE

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- 1- بهتر شدن حال عمومی ، افزایش اشباع سطح اکسیژن ، بدون دیسترس تنفسی
- 2- نداشتن تب به مدت 3 روز
- 3- -decrease ESR , CRP ,increase lymphocyte (helper)

**THANKS FOR ATTENTION**

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