#### **CONCISE REPORT**

# 2021 update of the EULAR points to consider on the use of immunomodulatory therapies in COVID-19

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## ABSTRACT

**Objectives:** To update the EULAR Points to consider (PtCs) on the use of immunomodulatory therapies in COVID-19.

**Methods:** According to the EULAR standardised operating procedures, a systematic literature review up to July 14, 2021 was conducted and followed by a consensus meeting of an international multidisciplinary Task Force. The new statements were consolidated by formal voting.

**Results:** We updated 2 overarching principles (OP) and 12 PtC. Evidence was only available in moderate to severe and critical patients. Glucocorticoids alone or in combination with tocilizumab are beneficial in COVID-19 cases requiring oxygen therapy and in critical COVID-19. Use of Janus kinase inhibitors (baricitinib and tofacitinib) is promising in the same populations of severe and critical COVID-19. Anti-SARS-CoV-2 monoclonal antibodies and convalescent plasma may find application in early phases of the disease and in selected subgroups of immunosuppressed patients. There was insufficient robust evidence for the efficacy of other immunomodulators with further work being needed in relation to biomarker-based stratification for IL-1 therapy

## **Conclusions:**

Growing evidence supports incremental efficacy of glucocorticoids alone or combined with tocilizumab/Janus kinase inhibitors in moderate to severe and critical COVID-19. Ongoing studies may unmask the potential application of other therapeutic approaches. Involvement of Rheumatologists, as systemic inflammatory diseases experts, should be encouraged in clinical trials of immunomodulatory therapy in COVID-19.

**KEYWORDS** SARS-CoV-2, COVID-19, immunomodulatory therapy, glucocorticoids pathophysiology.

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### **KEY MESSAGES**

## What is already known about this subject?

- Results from the previous systematic literature review highlighted that glucocorticoids, mainly dexamethasone, is the only drug with proven efficacy in reducing COVID-19 mortality in patients requiring oxygen therapy and in critically ill patients.
- Other Immunomodulatory treatments used in rheumatology may be beneficial in selected subgroups of patients with COVID-19 and in specific phases of the disease.

## What does this study add?

- We updated the existing EULAR Points to Consider (PtC) on immunomodulatory therapies in COVID-19 in light of the most recent literature available.
- Tocilizumab in combination with glucocorticoids is beneficial in COVID-19 cases requiring oxygen therapy and in critical COVID-19. Use of Janus kinase inhibitors (baricitinib and tofacitinib) is promising in the same populations.
- Anti-SARS-CoV-2 monoclonal antibodies and convalescent plasma may find application in early phases of the disease and in selected subgroups of immunosuppressed patients.
- Other immunomodulators failed to consistently demonstrate efficacy on mortality and other clinical outcomes at any disease stage or confirmatory evidence for biomarker-based stratification is currently lacking.

## How might this impact on clinical practice?

- We propose for healthcare providers the most up-to-date treatment strategies of using immunomodulators in the treatment of moderate-to-severe and critical COVID-19.
- The updated PtCs open the way to a new paradigm: the treatment of severe and critical acute infections may benefit from immunomodulatory treatments usually reserved for autoimmune and inflammatory diseases.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

The use of immunomodulatory therapies in SARS-CoV-2 infection is a rapidly evolving field and it 2 3 represents a challenge for the scientific community. New evidence informing best practice for clinical 4 management of patients infected with SARS-CoV-2 and presenting COVID-19 are released on a 5 weekly basis, leading to the continuous need for updated policies in the field. In this context, several 6 scientific societies, including EULAR have formulated guidance on treatment of COVID-19.[1-3] In 7 order to propose the most up-to-date treatment strategies to physicians and patients, efforts to update 8 these recommendations in a timely manner must be undertaken. The aim of this project was to update 9 the EULAR Points to Consider (PtC) on the use of immunomodulatory therapies in COVID-19 from 10 the rheumatology perspective through a systematic literature review (SLR)-based approach.

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## 12 METHODS

13 The multidisciplinary task force (TF) that developed the first version of the PtC guided by the 2014 14 updated EULAR standardised operating procedures.[4] reconvened in a virtual meeting on June 30, 15 2021. Two fellow clinicians (AA and AN), guided by the methodologist (PMM), performed an update 16 of the systematic literature review (SLR) retrieving individual studies on the management of SARS-17 CoV-2 infection with immunomodulatory therapies published between December 11, 2020 and June 18 30, 2021 (subsequently up-dated up to July 14, 2021) (Online Supplementary text 1). In addition, a 19 search to retrieve individual studies on the management of SARS-CoV-2 infection with anti-SARS-20 CoV-2 monoclonal antibodies was performed (Online Supplementary text 2). The SLR is published 21 separately, however, it forms an integral part of the project. Grey literature, namely randomized 22 controlled trials (RCTs) published as full online non-peer-reviewed pre-prints or in part as press 23 releases, was also included for the sake of completeness but did not inform the PtC.

Statements updated by the steering group were presented to the TF, and discussed against the existing ones, based on the SLR results. The statements were accepted if more than 75% of the task force approved the wording in the first round (informal voting), 67% in the second voting round and more than 50% in the third round. The level of evidence (LoE) supporting each statement was assigned.
Finally, task force members anonymously indicated their level of agreement (LoA) with each PtC
online (numerical rating scale ranging from 0='completely disagree' to 10='completely agree').

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## 5 **RESULTS**

6 The updated PtC are shown in Table 1, and the modifications compared with the previous ones are7 shown in Table 2.

8 The PtC are intended to provide guidance on therapeutic aspects, and the target users are health care 9 providers involved in the care of patients infected with SARS-CoV-2 infection, patients and policy 10 makers.

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## 12 **Overarching principles**

The overarching principles remained unchanged compared to the 2020 version. More than a year after the start of the pandemic, the heterogeneity of SARS-CoV-2 infection clinical picture, reflecting different pathogenic mechanisms, is widely recognized.[5] Patients infected by SARS-CoV-2 may experience a set of manifestations ranging from asymptomatic infection, mild disease to severe disease with acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), multi-organ failure and death. In this regard, response to immunomodulatory therapy varies according to disease stage, with the best efficacy of these compounds observed in severe but not critical disease (Table 1).

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## 21 Points to consider

Since the formulation of the original set of PtCs, over 300 articles with various level of evidence (LoE) investigating immunomodulatory agents in SARS-CoV-2 infection were published.[6] Besides studies with drugs already mentioned in the previous PtCs, such as tocilizumab (TCZ) or anakinra, studies with new drugs including sarilumab, tofacitinib (TOFA), baricitinib, and colchicine, among others, were available, either as monotherapy or in combination treatment with glucocorticoids (GC).

On this basis, the Steering Group agreed to keep PtC-1 and PtC-2 unchanged since they remain valid
 statements supported by current evidence and formulate new statements based on the recent evidence
 (or lack thereof) for individual classes of compounds, whenever possible, or single drugs (Tables 1
 and 2).

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- 6 *PtC-1*) In non-hospitalised patients with SARS-CoV-2 infection there is currently no evidence to 7 support the initiation of immunomodulatory therapy (LoE 2/3/4).
- 8 PtC-2) In hospitalised patients with SARS-CoV-2 infection that do not need oxygen therapy there is
- 9 currently no evidence to support the initiation of immunomodulatory therapy to treat their COVID-

10 *19 (LoE 2/3/4).* 

- The group agreed to keep PtC-1 and PtC2 unchanged since they remain valid statements supported
  by current evidence.
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- PtC-3) Hydroxychloroquine should be avoided for treating any stage of SARS-CoV-2 infection since
  it does not provide any additional benefit to the standard of care, and could worsen the prognosis in
  more severe patients particularly if co-prescribed with azithromycin (LoE 2).
- 17 The group agreed to keep this PtC unchanged since further evidence against the use ofhydroxychloroquine has emerged.[7-14]
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- PtC-4) In patients with COVID-19 requiring supplemental oxygen, non-invasive or mechanical
  ventilation, systemic glucocorticoids should be used since they can decrease mortality; most evidence
  concerns the use of dexamethasone (LoE 2/3).

As PtC-1, the group agreed to keep this PtC unchanged but in this case on the basis of lack of new evidence. In fact, the 3 new RCTs gathered by the SLR update were underpowered, thereby providing unreliable results and therefore could not be used to formulate the PtC. One retrospective trial comparing the efficacy of methyprednisolone (MTP  $\geq 1$ mg/kg/d for  $\geq 3$ d) versus dexamethasone (DEXA ≥ 6mg for ≥7d) showed a reduction of mortality in the group of patients receiving MV treated
 with MTP (Relative risk (RR) 0.48 (95% confidence interval (CI) 0.23-0.96). However, the small
 number of patients, retrospective design and high risk of bias for this study did not allow definitive
 conclusions regarding superiority of any compound and could therefore not inform the PtCs.[15]

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6 *PtC-5*) In patients with COVID-19 requiring supplemental oxygen, non-invasive or mechanical 7 ventilation combination of glucocorticoids and tocilizumab should be considered since it reduces 8 disease progression and mortality (LoE 2). More data are needed to fully appreciate the effect of 9 other IL-6R inhibitors (LoE 2/3).

10 This PtC was modified encompassing not only TCZ but the entire class of IL-6R inhibitors. Four new 11 RCTs pertained to TCZ [16-19] alongside the 90 days post-hoc analysis of the CORIMUNO-19 TOCI 12 trial.[20] Among these, RECOVERY, REMAP-CAP and the post -hoc analysis of CORIMUNO-19 13 TOCI (the latter in the subgroup of patients with C reactive protein (CRP) >15.0 mg/dL) showed 14 reduction of death at Day 21 (RR 0.27, 95% CI 0.12-0.72), day 28 (RR 0.82, 95% CI 0.75-0.90), and 15 Day 90 respectively (RR 0.79, 95% CI 0.63-0.97) respectively. In addition, a reduction of progression 16 to invasive mechanical ventilation (IMV) or death at day 21 [19] or day 90 [20] or an increase in 17 cardiovascular or respiratory support-free days [18] was observed. Of note, the proportion of patients 18 receiving GC as part of the standard of care (SOC) was very heterogeneous among trials, with a 19 difference observed between trials starting before and after the positive results of the GC arm of the 20 RECOVERY trial. It is noteworthy that in contrast to 2 positive RCTs where a high percentage of 21 patients were receiving concomitant GC (82% to 93%),[18,19] only up to 50% of patients were 22 receiving concomitant GC in the COVACTA trial, which failed to show efficacy in reducing death 23 or improving clinical status.[16] In addition, a recent meta-analysis of RCTs published in JAMA 24 confirmed the efficacy of TCZ on all-cause mortality (odds ratio (OR) 0.83, 95% CI 0.72-0.94) and 25 progression to IMV, ExtraCorporeal Membrane Oxygenation (ECMO) or death (OR 0.74, 95%CI 26 0.66-0.82) at day 28.[21] It is important to mention that the survival benefit at 28 days was essentially

observed only in patients also on glucocorticoids. Furthermore, the statistically significant benefit in
 survival at 90 days is the most relevant finding. Of note, much of what drove the statistical
 significance for improved mortality were the non-blinded larger randomized trials.

4 The evidence regarding sarilumab (SARI) is scarcer although encouraging, with a small arm in 5 REMAP-CAP trial (n=44 patients) showing a reduction in death and cardiovascular/respiratory 6 organ-support free days [18] while another RCT comparing 200mg or 400mg of SARI and placebo 7 showed no efficacy on death, progression to IMV or admission to intensive care unit (ICU).[22] Of 8 interest, in a metanalysis of IL-6R inhibitors, in the subgroup of patients receiving GC compared to 9 those who did not, mortality at day 28 was significantly reduced only in the GC group for TCZ (ratio 10 of OR (ROR) 0.69, 95% CI 0.52-0.91 p=0.008), with only a non-significant trend for SARI (ROR 11 0.77, 95% CI 0.64-1.31 p=0.34).

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PtC-6) In COVID-19 there is no robust evidence to support the use of anakinra and canakinumab at
any disease stage (LoE 2).

15 The only RCT available in the 2020 version of the PtC on anakinra used at a high dose of 400mg/day 16 for 3 to 6 days (CORIMUNO-19 ANA) was negative in patients with mild-to-moderate COVID-19 17 pneumonia requiring at least 3L/min oxygen but not receiving non-invasive ventilation (NIV) or IMV 18 at randomization.[23] In addition, one RCT looking into a specific group of COVID-19 patients, 19 namely those with elevated soluble urokinase plasminogen activator (suPAR) equal to or above 6 20 ng/ml which is considered as a predictor of unfavorable outcome. In this population, anakinra 100mg 21 subcutaneously for 7 to 10 days increased number of patients improving WHO CPS at day 28 (0.36 22 (95% CI 0.26-0.50) and decreased mortality at day 28: 3.2% vs 6.9% (HR=0.45, p=0.045).[24] 23 Further studies are necessary to address the validity of this biomarker for predicting a possible effect 24 of anakinra in this subgroup of patients. With regard to canakinumab, a 2020 press-release RCT 25 indicated that it did not meet its primary and secondary endpoints.[25] Large trials recruiting severe 26 cases of COVID-19 are warranted.

PtC-7) In COVID-19 there is no robust evidence to support the use of low-dose colchicine at any
 disease stage (LoE 2).

3 Compared to 2020, the new SLR updated gathered 2 additional RCTs, a large study enrolling almost 4 5000 non-hospitalized patients with mild disease [26] and a small study including 72 hospitalized 5 patients, most of whom required oxygen therapy.[27] The results of both studies were not rated solid 6 enough to recommend in favor of colchicine. Moreover, both studies used a rather low dose, hence 7 the group deemed appropriate to specify this in the PtC since it was not possible to rule out whether 8 higher doses might be beneficial. In addition, a press release reported that the colchicine arm of the 9 RECOVERY trial, enrolling hospitalized patients with COVID-19, has closed due to lack of evidence 10 that further recruitment will prove a reduction of mortality. The interim results have been published 11 as preprint.[28]

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PtC-8) In patients with COVID-19 requiring oxygen therapy, non-invasive ventilation or high-flow
oxygen, the combination of glucocorticoids and baricitinib or tofacitinib could be considered since
it might decrease disease progression and mortality (LoE 2).

16 The only RCT available on baricitinib (BARI) in SARS-CoV-2 infection included in the 2020 version 17 [29] and compared remdesevir+BARI versus remdesevir+placebo. In addition, The Fourth iteration 18 of the Adaptive COVID-19 Treatment Trial (ACTT-4), although published in the grey literature and 19 therefore not used to inform the PtCs; compared BARI+remdesivir+placebo versus 20 remdesivir+DEXA+placebo and met pre-defined futility criteria in an interim analysis thereby closed 21 enrollment in April 2021 according to a press release.[30] In a new study (COV-BARRIER trial), 22 BARI in addition to SOC (80% participants receiving GC (92% DEXA)) showed no significant 23 efficacy in reducing progression to the composite primary endpoint defined by the proportion who 24 progressed to high-flow oxygen, NIV/IMV or death by day 28. However, the all-cause 28-day 25 mortality in the BARI group was decreased from 13% to 8% (HR=0.57 [95% CI 0.41-0.78]; 26 p=0.0018) and at day 60: 10% vs 15% (HR=0.62 [95% CI 0.47–0.83]; p=0.005).[31]

One new RCT [32] comparing TOFA+SOC (n=144) to placebo+SOC (n=144) reported a significant
 improvement of the composite outcome of respiratory failure or mortality at day 28 (RR 0.63, 95%
 CI 0.41-0.97) vs placebo+SOC in a population where 90% of patients were receiving GC as part of
 SOC. No new evidence other than the previously published negative RCT on ruxolitinib was
 retrieved.

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7 PtC-9) An evolving RCT landscape cannot yet allow formal recommendation of the use of GM-CSF
8 inhibitors (mavrilimumab, otilimab, lenzilumab) in COVID-19 (LoE 2)

9 The 2020 SLR gathered only a few studies with low level of evidence on GM-CSF inhibitors. 10 Although the SLR update identified only 1 RCT on mavrilimumab, the group discussed the large 11 proportion of ongoing RCTs, not only on mavrilimumab but also on other GM-CSF inhibitors 12 (otilimab, lenzilumab), available in the grey literature (both as press releases and as preprints). On 13 this basis, they deemed appropriate to formulate a PtC conveying the message that the current lack 14 of evidence to recommend either in favor or against is accompanied by an evolving body of evidence 15 that will soon be available in peer reviewed journals.

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PtC-10) In patients without hypogammaglobulinemia and with symptom onset > 5 days there is
robust evidence against the use of convalescent plasma (LoE 2)

Among the RCTs published on convalescent plasma (CP) (n=7) 4 were retrieved by the SLR update. Of interest, a distinction was drawn by the TF based on the timing of CP administration (i.e. before or after day 5 of symptom onset). In fact, a large RCT including more than 5000 patients in each treatment arm (CP+SOC vs placebo+ SOC), CP was not effective in reducing the composite outcome of progression to IMV or death at day 28 (RR 0.99, 95%CI 0.93–1.05 p=0.79) when administered after this timeframe.[33] It is important to clarify that this PtC was informed by robust data against CP showing benefit while no evidence about CP being harmful was retrieved by SLR.

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PtC-11) In patients at risk of severe COVID-19 course, with symptom onset <5 days or still</li>
 seronegative, monoclonal antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 spike protein should be considered (LoE
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The new SLR conducted to gather studies on monoclonal antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 spike protein, retrieved 4 RCTs, three of which enrolled non-hospitalized patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 [34-36] and one enrolling hospitalized patients with moderate-to-severe COVID-19.[37] The combination of bamlanivimab and etesevimab as well as of casirivimab and imdevimab administrated within the first week after symptom onset were able to significantly reduce viral load. However, casirivimab and imdevimab were effective only in patients seronegative at baseline.

10 Conversely, bamlanivimab monotherapy not only failed to significantly reduce viral load in non-11 hospitalised patients, but also failed to provide any benefit on clinical outcomes (e.g. 90 days 12 mortality) in hospitalised patients.[37] It is important to mention that the specific monoclonal 13 antibodies have different activities against variants, so in addition to the above-mentioned data, 14 regional prevalence of variants must be taken into account when selecting a particular product.

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PtC-12) In patients with COVID-19 there is currently insufficient evidence to recommend the use of
other immunomodulatory drugs, including interferon alpha, interferon beta, interferon kappa,
interferon lambda, leflunomide, non-SARS CoV-2 IVIg (LoE 2), eculizumab and cyclosporine (LoE
3).

Interferon lambda has been added since no RCT was available in the previous SLR and the 2 RCTs retrieved by the SLR update were not solid enough to formulate a new PtC. A change of LoE was done for interferon alpha since a small RCT was retrieved by the search update.[38]. The group did not comment on drugs for which published literature was of LoE<3.</p>

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## 1 **DISCUSSION**

Since the release of the first EULAR-endorsed PtCs on immunomodulatory therapy of SARS-CoVinfection, new evidence has accumulated on the efficacy and safety of various compound with most evidence pertaining to moderate to severe/critical COVID-19. The aim of this update was to provide clinicians involved in the care of people with SARS-CoV-2 infection with an update on the use of immunomodulatory therapies in COVID-19, based on available literature and as seen from the rheumatology perspective.

8 All the statements are based on a thorough SLR and on conclusions of an international 9 rheumatology/multidisciplinary team. All studies, albeit RCTs, were highly heterogeneous and at 10 high or unclear risk of bias, hence the experts' opinion was instrumental to reach consensus on if and 11 how to update the existing statements.

12 Until now, only 3 drugs have been recommended by WHO for COVID-19, DEXA and TCZ for 13 patients requiring oxygen therapy and critical patients and the combination of casirivimab and 14 imdevimab for early patients at risk of severe form and not vaccinated or having not responded to 15 vaccination.[2]

Besides the 3 statements on HCQ, GCs and anakinra, the group developed several new PtCs and modified the existing ones since more evidence about numerous drugs has accrued (Table 2). Moreover, the discontinuation of some RCTs for futility and the availability of interim data of some successful RCTs from the grey literature, clarified the role of some immunomodulatory compounds in the scenario of the pandemic although these could not be used to formulate recommendations in favor or against.

In particular, it was possible to formulate statements in favor of TCZ in combination with GCs and against convalescent plasma, except in specific in subgroups of patients based on a consistent number of peer-reviewed RCTs. Based on the evidence on convalescent plasma and monoclonal antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 spike protein, it is tempting to speculate that a polyclonal response may be better to activate effector functions than a monoclonal response. Data on JAK inhibitors are promising in some subgroups. Lastly, the use of colchicine and GM-CSF
 inhibitors is pending the release of more solid evidence.

In conclusion, the update of these EULAR PtCs provide relevant and updated guidance on immunomodulatory therapy utilization from the rheumatology perspective and opens the way to a new paradigm: the treatment of immunopathology associated with severe and critical acute infections may benefit from immunomodulatory treatments usually given for autoimmune and inflammatory diseases.

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# Table 1. Overarching principles and points to consider on the use of immunomodulatory

treatment in COVID-19, with levels of evidence (LoE) and levels of agreement (LoA).

Overarching principles	LoA mean (SD); % of votes ≥8/10
A. The phenotype of SARS-CoV-2 infection is heterogeneous ranging from asymptomatic	9.92 (0.3);
to lethal disease due to multi-organ damage. B. SARS-CoV-2 infection may need different treatment approaches, including anti-viral, oxygen therapy, anti-coagulation and/or immunomodulatory treatment at different stages of the disease.	100% 9.92 (0.3); 100%
Points to consider	
1. In non-hospitalised patients with SARS-CoV-2 infection there is currently no evidence to support the initiation of immunomodulatory therapy (LoE 2/3/4).	9.58 (1.0); 96%
2. In hospitalised patients with SARS-CoV-2 infection that do not need oxygen therapy there is currently no evidence to support the initiation of immunomodulatory therapy to treat their COVID-19 (LoE 2/3/4).	9.04 (1.6); 88%
3. Hydroxychloroquine should be avoided for treating any stage of SARS-CoV-2 infection since it does not provide any additional benefit to the standard of care, and could worsen the prognosis in more severe patients particularly if co-prescribed with azithromycin (LoE 2).	9.92 (0.3) 100%
4. In patients with COVID-19 requiring supplemental oxygen, non-invasive or mechanical ventilation, systemic glucocorticoids should be used since they can decrease mortality; most evidence concerns the use of dexamethasone (LoE 2/3).	9.75 (0.4) 100%
5. In patients with COVID-19 requiring supplemental oxygen, non-invasive or mechanical ventilation combination of glucocorticoids and tocilizumab should be considered since it reduces disease progression and mortality (LoE 2). More data are needed to fully appreciate the effect of other IL-6R inhibitors (LoE 2/3).	9.17 (1.7) 87.5%
6. In COVID-19 there is no robust evidence to support the use of anakinra or canakinumab at any disease stage (LoE 2).	9.16 (0.9) 96%
7. In COVID-19 there is no robust evidence to support the use of low-dose colchicine at any disease stage (LoE 2)	9.5 (0.9) 96%
8. In patients with COVID-19 requiring oxygen therapy, non-invasive ventilation or high- flow oxygen, the combination of glucocorticoids and baricitinib or tofacitinib could be considered since it might decrease disease progression and mortality (LoE 2).	8.92 (1.4) 87.5%
9. An evolving RCT landscape cannot yet allow formal recommendation of the use of GM-CSF inhibitors (mavrilimumab, otilimab, lenzilumab) in COVID-19 (LoE 2)	9.13 (0.9) 92%
10. In patients without hypogammaglobulinemia and with symptom onset $> 5$ days there is robust evidence against the use of convalescent plasma (LoE 2)	9.04 (1.9) 83.3

11. In patients at risk of severe COVID-19 course, symptom onset <5 days or still seronegative, monoclonal antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 spike protein should be considered (LoE 2)	9.29 (1.1) 92%
12. In COVID-19 there is currently insufficient evidence to recommend the use of other immunomodulators, including interferon kappa, interferon beta, interferon lambda, leflunomide, non-SARS CoV-2 IVIg (LoE 2), eculizumab, cyclosporine, interferon alpha (LoE 3)	9.79 (0.4) 100%
SD, standard deviation; SARS-CoV-2, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2; Co coronavirus disease 2019	<i>OVID-19</i> ,

# Table 2 Comparison of the 2020 and 2021 points to consider on the use of immunomodulatory

# treatment in SARS-CoV-2 infection

2021 (current) version	Changes performed	2020 version
Overarching principles		
A. The phenotype of SARS-CoV-2 infection is heterogeneous ranging from asymptomatic to lethal disease due to multi-organ damage.	Unchanged	A. The phenotype of SARS-CoV-2 infection is heterogeneous ranging from asymptomatic to lethal disease due to multi-organ damage.
B. SARS-CoV-2 infection may need different treatment approaches, including anti-viral, oxygen therapy, anti-coagulation and/or immunomodulatory treatment at different stages of the disease.	Unchanged	B. SARS-CoV-2 infection may need different treatment approaches, including anti-viral, oxygen therapy, anti-coagulation and/or immunomodulatory treatment at different stages of the disease.
Points to consider		
In non-hospitalised patients with SARS-CoV-2 infection there is currently no evidence to support the initiation of immunomodulatory therapy (LoE 2/3/4).	Unchanged	In non-hospitalised patients with SARS-CoV-2 infection there is currently no evidence to support the initiation of immunomodulatory therapy (LoE $2/3/4$ ).
In hospitalised patients with SARS-CoV- 2 infection that do not need oxygen therapy there is currently no evidence to support the initiation of immunomodulatory therapy to treat their COVID-19 (LoE 2/3/4).	Unchanged	In hospitalised patients with SARS-CoV- 2 infection that do not need oxygen therapy there is currently no evidence to support the initiation of immunomodulatory therapy to treat their COVID-19 (LoE 2/3/4).
Hydroxychloroquine should be avoided for treating any stage of SARS-CoV-2 infection since it does not provide any additional benefit to the standard of care, and could worsen the prognosis in more severe patients particularly if co-prescribed with azithromycin (LoE 2).	Unchanged	Hydroxychloroquine should be avoided for treating any stage of SARS-CoV-2 infection since it does not provide any additional benefit to the standard of care, and could worsen the prognosis in more severe patients particularly if co-prescribed with azithromycin (LoE 2).
In patients with COVID-19 requiring supplemental oxygen, non-invasive or mechanical ventilation, systemic glucocorticoids should be used since they can	Unchanged	In patients with COVID-19 requiring supplemental oxygen, non-invasive or mechanical ventilation, systemic glucocorticoids should be used since they can decrease mortality; most

decrease mortality; most evidence concerns the		evidence concerns the use of dexamethasone
use of dexamethasone (LoE 2/3).		(LoE 2/3).
In patients with COVID-19 requiring		
supplemental oxygen, non-invasive or		
mechanical ventilation combination of		An evolving RCT landscape cannot yet allow
glucocorticoids and tocilizumab should be		formal recommendation of the routine use of
considered since it reduces disease progression	Modified	tocilizumab in patients with COVID-19 requiring
and mortality (LoE 2). More data are needed to		oxygen therapy, non-invasive
fully appreciate the effect of other IL-6R		or invasive ventilation (LoE 2).
inhibitors (LoE 2/3).		
In COVID-19 there is no robust evidence to		In COVID-19 there is no robust evidence to
support the use of anakinra at any disease stage	Modifies	support the use of anakinra or canakinumab at any
(LoE 2/4).		disease stage (LoE 2).
In COVID-19 there is no robust evidence to		
support the use of low-dose colchicine at any	New	Not applicable
disease stage (LoE 2)		
In patients with COVID-19 requiring oxygen		In patients with COVID-19 requiring non-
therapy, non-invasive ventilation or high-flow		invasive ventilation or high-flow
oxygen, the combination of glucocorticoids and		oxygen, the combination of remdesivir plus
baricitinib or tofacitinib could be considered	Modified	baricitinib could be considered since it can
since it might decrease disease progression and		decrease time to recovery and accelerate
mortality (LoE 2).		improvement in clinical status (LoE 2).
An evolving RCT landscape cannot yet allow		
formal recommendation of the use of GM-CSF	N	
inhibitors (mavrilimumab, otilimab, lenzilumab)	New	Not applicable
in COVID-19 (LoE 2)		
In patients without hypogammaglobulinemia		
and with symptom onset $> 5$ days there is robust	N	
evidence against the use of convalescent plasma	New	Not applicable
(LoE 2)		
In patients at risk of severe COVID-19 course,		
symptom onset <5 days or still seronegative,	N	
monoclonal antibodies against anti-spike protein	New	Not applicable
should be considered (LoE 2)		
		In COVID-19 there is currently insufficient
In COVID-19 there is currently insufficient		evidence to recommend the use of other
evidence to recommend the use of other		immunomodulators, including ruxolitinib, IVIg,
immunomodulators, including interferon kappa,	N. 1.C. 1	convalescent plasma therapy except in Ig-
interferon beta, interferon lambda, leflunomide,	Modified	deficient patients, interferon kappa, interferon
non-SARS CoV-2 IVIg (LoE 2), eculizumab,		beta, leflunomide, colchicine (LoE 2), sarilumab,
cyclosporine, interferon alpha (LoE 3)		lenzilumab, eculizumab, cyclosporine, interferon
		alpha (LoE 3), canakinumab (LoE 4).
LOF lovel of avidence: SARS CoV 2 severe acute	respiratory syndrome c	oronavirus 2; COVID-19, coronavirus disease 2019

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- 4 Adalimumab/ (2026)

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121 exp Coronavirus/ (19595)

122 exp Coronavirus Infections/ (20991)

123 ("2019-nCoV\*" or 2019nCoV\* or "19-nCoV\*" or 19nCoV\* or nCoV2019\* or "nCoV-2019\*" or nCoV19\* or "nCoV-19\*" or "COVID-19\*" or COVID19\* or "COVID-2019\*" or COVID2019\* or "HCoV-19\*" or HCoV19\* or "HCoV-2019\*" or HCoV2019\* or "2019 novel\*" or Ncov\* or "n-cov" or "SARS-CoV-2\*" or "SARSCoV-2\*" or "SARSCoV2\*" or "SARS-CoV2\*" or "SARSCoV19\* or "SARS-Cov2019\*" or "SARS-Cov2019\*" or "SARS-Cov2019\*" or "SARS-Cov2019\*" or "SARS-Cov2019\*" or SARSCov2019\* or "SARS-Cov2019\*" or "SARS-COV2\*" or "SA

- 124 "severe acute respiratory syndrome\*".ti,ab,kw,kf. (6855)
- 125 ((corona\* or corono\*) adj1 (virus\* or viral\* or virinae\*)).ti,ab,kw,kf. (1388)
- 126 (coronavirus\* or coronavirinae\* or CoV).ti,ab,kw,kf. (28750)
- 127 121 or 122 or 123 or 124 or 125 or 126 (51103)
- 128 120 and 127 (5416)
- 129 limit 128 to yr="2019 -Current" (3615)

# Embase

- 1 abatacept/ (9193)
- 2 (Abatacept or "CTLA4 Ig" or "CTLA4 immunoglobulin" or orencia).mp. (9964)
- 3 ABX464.mp. (17)
- 4 acalabrutinib/ (534)
- 5 (Acalabrutinib or "acp 196" or acp196 or calquence).mp. (569)
- 6 adalimumab/ (33496)
- 7 (Adalimumab or adaly or amgevita or amjevita or humira or imraldi or trudexa).mp. (34253)
- 8 anakinra/ (2412)
- 9 (Anakinra or kineret or "recombinant interleukin 1 receptor antagonist" or "recombinant

interleukin 1 receptor blocker" or "recombinant interleukin 1 receptor blocking agent").mp. (8661)

- 10 ARGX-117.mp. (1)
- 11 avdoralimab.mp. (1)
- 12 azathioprine/ (71856)
- 13 (Azathioprine or arathioprin or arathioprine or immurel or imurel).mp. (73616)
- 14 baricitinib/ (1171)
- 15 (Baricitinib or olumiant).mp. (1215)
- 16 BDB-001.mp. (1)
- 17 bevacizumab/ (58063)
- 18 (Bevacizumab or avastin).mp. (59931)
- 19 brensocatib/ (2)
- 20 Brensocatib.mp. (2)
- 21 canakinumab/ (3040)
- 22 (Canakinumab or ilaris).mp. (3139)

exp cell therapy/ (202065)

24 ("cell based therapy" or "cell based therapies" or "cell therapy" or "cell therapies" or "cellular therapy" or "cellular therapies").mp. (68705)

- 25 Certolizumab.mp. (7209)
- 26 chloroquine/ (24968)
- 27 Chloroquin\*.mp. (28360)
- 28 CIGB-258.mp. (0)
- 29 CMAB806.mp. (0)
- 30 exp colchicine/ (20097)
- 31 Colchicine.mp. (21834)
- 32 exp corticosteroid/ (713138)
- 33 (corticosteroid\* or "adrenal cortex hormone\*" or "cortical steroid\*" or "cortico steroid\*" or corticoid\* or "corticosteroid agent\*").mp. (254142)
- 34 cyclosporine/ (12119)
- 35 Cyclosporin\*.mp. (128632)
- 36 CYT-107.mp. (25)
- 37 dexamethasone/ (116542)
- 38 Dexamethasone.mp. (125934)
- 39 DFV890.mp. (0)
- 40 ebastine/ (1148)
- 41 Ebastine.mp. (1181)
- 42 eculizumab/ (5141)
- 43 Eculizumab.mp. (5371)
- 44 etanercept/ (31276)
- 45 (Etanercept or benepali or embrel or enbrel or "tumor necrosis factor receptor Fc fusion protein" or "tumour necrosis factor receptor Fc fusion protein").mp. (32234)
- 46 fedratinib/ (398)
- 47 Fedratinib.mp. (413)
- 48 filgotinib/ (383)
- 49 Filgotinib.mp. (389)
- 50 fingolimod/ (9700)
- 51 (Fingolimod or gilenia or gilenya).mp. (9947)
- 52 golimumab/ (6880)
- 53 (Golimumab or simponi).mp. (7051)
- 54 guselkumab/ (692)
- 55 (Guselkumab or tremfya).mp. (720)
- 56 exp glucocorticoid/ (547889)
- 57 glucocorticoid\*.mp. (109216)
- 58 HCR040.mp. (0)
- 59 hydroxychloroquine/ (23249)
- 60 (Hydroxychloroquine or plaquenil).mp. (24266)
- 61 IFX-1.mp. (95)
- 62 imatinib/ (41910)
- 63 (Imatinib or gleevac or gleevec or glivec).mp. (43723)
- 64 exp immunoglobulin/ (373027)
- 65 (Immunoglobulin\* or "gamma-globulin\*" or gammaglobulin\* or tegeline or veinoglobulin\* or venoglobulin\*).mp. (568468)
- 66 exp immunotherapy/ (191127)

67 (Immunotherap\* or "biologic response modifier therap\*" or "biological response modifier therap\*" or "BRM therap\*" or "immune therap\*" or "immunoglobulin therap\*" or "immunological treatment\*" or "immunomodulatory intervention\*").mp. (182967)

- 68 IMU-838.mp. (8)
- 69 infliximab/ (50638)
- 70 (Infliximab or flixabi or inflectra or remicade or remsima or renflexis).mp. (51789)
- 71 exp interferon/ (499113)
- 72 Interferon\*.mp. (339214)
- 73 itolizumab/ (77)
- 74 IVIG.mp. (16952)
- 75 ixekizumab/ (1706)
- 76 (Ixekizumab or taltz).mp. (1763)
- 77 Jakotinib.mp. (0)
- 78 leflunomide/ (11660)
- 79 (Leflunomide or arava).mp. (11973)
- 80 masitinib/ (507)
- 81 Masitinib.mp. (537)
- 82 mast cell/ (32134)
- 83 ((mast adj cell\*) or mastocyte\*).mp. (44865)
- 84 mavrilimumab/ (110)
- 85 Mavrilimumab.mp. (110)
- 86 methotrexate/ (138928)
- 87 (Methotrexate or metoject or nordimet or novatrex).mp. (142684)
- 88 methylprednisolone/ (78064)
- 89 Methylprednisolone.mp. (85801)
- 90 mycophenolic acid/ (17362)
- 91 (Mycophenolate or (mycophenolic adj acid) or myfortic or (mycophenolate adj mofetil)).mp. (68499)
- 92 nintedanib/ (3037)
- 93 (Nintedanib or intedanib).mp. (3252)
- 94 exp nonsteroid antiinflammatory agent/ (580879)
- 95 (NSAID\* or "non steroid anti inflammatory agent\*" or "non steroid anti inflammatory drug\*" or "non steroidal anti inflammatory agent\*" or "non steroidal anti inflammatory drug\*" or "nonsteroid antiinflammatory agent\*" or "nonsteroid antiinflammatory drug\*" or "nonsteroidal antiinflammatory agent\*" or "nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug\*" or "non steroid antiinflammatory agent\*" or "non steroid antiinflammatory drug\*" or "non steroidal antiinflammatory agent\*" or "non steroid antiinflammatory drug\*" or "non steroid antiinflammatory agent\*" or "non steroid antiinflammatory drug\*" or "non steroidal antiinflammatory drug\*" or "non steroidal antiinflammatory agent\*" or "non steroid antiinflammatory drug\*" or "non steroidal antiinflammatory drug\*" or "nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug\*" or "non steroidal antiinflammato
- inflammatory agent\*" or "nonsteroid anti inflammatory drug\*" or "nonsteroidal anti inflammatory agent\*" or "nonsteroidal anti inflammatory drug\*").mp. (131423)
- 96 ocrelizumab/ (1735)
- 97 (Ocrelizumab or ocrevus).mp. (1805)
- 98 otilimab/ (17)
- 99 Otilimab.mp. (17)
- 100 gilvetmab/ (251)
- 101 (PD-1 or Gilvetmab).mp. (31251)
- 102 programmed cell death 1 receptor.mp. (221)
- 103 pembrolizumab/ (15300)
- 104 (Pembrolizumab or keytruda or lambrolizumab).mp. (16207)
- 105 prednisolone/ (97691)
- 106 Prednisolone.mp. (108112)
- 107 prednisone/ (127911)
- 108 Prednisone.mp. (132005)
- 109 ravulizumab/ (93)
- 110 (Ravulizumab or ultomiris).mp. (96)

- 111 exp recombinant interleukin 2/(5784)
- 112 ((recombinant adj2 "interleukin 2") or lymphocult).mp. (4146)
- 113 exp recombinant interleukin 7/ (339)
- 114 (recombinant adj2 "interleukin 7").mp. (363)
- 115 rituximab/ (79475)
- 116 (Rituximab or mabthera or truxima).mp. (83435)
- 117 ruxolitinib/ (4756)
- 118 (Ruxolitinib or jakafi or jakavi).mp. (4910)
- 119 sarilumab/ (594)
- 120 (Sarilumab or kevzara).mp. (615)
- 121 secukinumab/ (3533)
- 122 (Secukinumab or cosentyx).mp. (3646)
- 123 selinexor/ (664)
- 124 Selinexor.mp. (699)
- 125 siltuximab/ (687)
- 126 Siltuximab.mp. (706)
- 127 exp stem cell/ (362533)
- 128 (Stem adj cell\*).mp. (538786)
- 129 salazosulfapyridine/ (19864)
- 130 (Sulphasalazine or salazopyrine or sulfasalazine or salazosulfapyridine).mp. (20375)
- 131 TD-0903.mp. (1)
- 132 tocilizumab/ (12168)
- 133 (Tocilizumab or roactemra).mp. (12676)
- 134 tranilast/ (1181)
- 135 (Tranilast or rizaben).mp. (1222)
- exp tumor necrosis factor inhibitor/ (90671)
- 137 ("tumor necrosis factor alpha inhibitor\*" or "tumour necrosis factor alpha inhibitor\*").mp.(6793)
- 138 ("anti TNF agent\*" or "anti TNF alpha agent\*").mp. (4699)
- 139 ("anti tumour necrosis factor agent\*" or "anti tumor necrosis factor agent\*").mp. (582)
- 140 ("TNF alpha inhibitor\*" or "TNF inhibitor\*").mp. (7426)
- 141 ("tumour necrosis factor inhibitor\*" or "tumor necrosis factor inhibitor\*").mp. (14939)
- 142 upadacitinib/ (408)
- 143 (Upadacitinib or rinvoq).mp. (417)
- 144 ustekinumab/ (7049)
- 145 (Ustekinumab or stelara).mp. (7247)
- 146 vafidemstat/ (6)
- 147 Vafidemstat.mp. (6)
- 148 vMIP.mp. (139)
- 149 zilucoplan/ (25)
- 150 zilucoplan.mp. (25)
- 151 itolizumab.mp. (81)

152 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21 or 22 or 23 or 24 or 25 or 26 or 27 or 28 or 29 or 30 or 31 or 32 or 33 or 34 or 35 or 36 or 37 or 38 or 39 or 40 or 41 or 42 or 43 or 44 or 45 or 46 or 47 or 48 or 49 or 50 or 51 or 52 or 53 or 54 or 55 or 56 or 57 or 58 or 59 or 60 or 61 or 62 or 63 or 64 or 65 or 66 or 67 or 68 or 69 or 70 or 71 or 72 or 73 or 74 or 75 or 76 or 77 or 78 or 79 or 80 or 81 or 82 or 83 or 84 or 85 or 86 or 87 or 88 or 89 or 90 or 91 or 92 or 93 or 94 or 95 or 96 or 97 or 98 or 99 or 100 or 101 or 102 or 103 or 104 or 105 or 106 or 107 or 108 or 109 or 110 or 111 or 112 or 113 or 114 or 115 or 116 or 117 or 118 or 119 or 120 or 121 or 122 or 123 or 124 or 125 or 126 or 127 or 128 or 129 or 130 or 131 or 132 or 133 or 134 or 135 or 136 or 137 or 138 or 139 or 140 or 141 or 142 or 143 or 144 or 145 or 146 or 147 or 148 or 149 or 150 or 151 (3020762)

- 153 exp Coronavirinae/ (16754)
- 154 exp Coronavirus infection/ (17958)

155 ("coronavirus disease 2019" or "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2").sh,dj. (35694)

156 ((corona\* or corono\*) adj1 (virus\* or viral\* or virinae\*)).ti,ab,kw. (1168)

157 ("2019-nCoV\*" or 2019nCoV\* or "19-nCoV\*" or 19nCoV\* or nCoV2019\* or "nCoV-2019\*" or nCoV19\* or "nCoV-19\*" or "COVID-19\*" or COVID19\* or "COVID-2019\*" or COVID2019\* or "HCoV-19\*" or HCoV19\* or "HCoV-2019\*" or HCoV2019\* or "2019 novel\*" or Ncov\* or "n-cov" or "SARS-CoV-2\*" or "SARSCoV-2\*" or "SARSCoV2\*" or "SARS-CoV2\*" or SARSCov19\* or "SARS-Cov19\*" or "SARSCov-19\*" or "SARS-Cov-19\*" or SARSCov2019\* or "SARS-Cov2019\*" or "SARSCov-2019\*" or "SARS-Cov-2019\*" or SARS2\* or "SARS-2\*" or SARScoronavirus2\* or "SARS-coronavirus-2\*" or "SARScoronavirus 2\*" or "SARS coronavirus2\*" or SARScoronovirus2\* or "SARS-coronovirus-2\*" or "SARScoronovirus 2\*" or "SARS coronovirus2\*" or covid).ti,ab,kw. (37658)

- 158 "severe acute respiratory syndrome\*".ti,ab,kw. (9296)
- 159 (coronavirus\* or coronovirus\* or coronavirinae\* or CoV).ti,ab,kw. (33830)
- 160 153 or 154 or 155 or 156 or 157 or 158 or 159 (64189)
- 161 152 and 160 (9143)
- 162 limit 161 to yr="2019 -Current" (5942)

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S125 S115 AND S123
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S124 S115 AND S123

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S123 S116 OR S117 OR S118 OR S119 OR S120 OR S121 OR S122
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S122 (MH "Coronavirus+")

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S121 "severe acute respiratory syndrome*"
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S120 ("2019-nCoV\*" or 2019nCoV\* or "19-nCoV\*" or 19nCoV\* or nCoV2019\* or "nCoV-

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coronavirus2\*" or SARScoronovirus2\* or "SARS-coronovirus-2\*" or "SARScoronovirus 2\*" or "SARS coronovirus2\*" or

covid)

S119 (coronavirus\* or coronovirus\* or coronavirinae\* or CoV)

S118 ((corona\* or corono\*) N1 (virus\* or viral\* or virinae\*)).

S117 ("coronavirus disease 2019" or "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2").S116 (MH "Coronavirus Infections+")

S115 S1 OR S2 OR S3 OR S4 OR S5 OR S6 OR S7 OR S8 OR S9 OR S10 OR

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S93 (recombinant N2 "interleukin 7") S92 (recombinant N2 "interleukin 2") or lymphocult S91 ravulizumab or ultomiris **S90** prednisone S89 (MH "Prednisone") S88 prednisolone S87 (MH "Prednisolone") S86 pembrolizumab or keytruda or lambrolizumab S85 PD-1 or gilvetmab or "programmed cell death 1 receptor" S84 (MH "Programmed Cell Death Protein 1 Receptor") S83 otilimab \$82 ocrelizumab or ocrevus S81 ((nonsteroid\* or "non steroid\*") adj (antiinflammatory or "anti inflammatory") adj (drug\* or agent\*)) or NSAID\*) S80 (MH "Antiinflammatory Agents, Non-Steroidal") S79 nintedanib or intedanib S78 mycophenolate or "mycophenolic acid" or "mycophenolate mofetil" or myfortic S77 (MH "Mycophenolic Acid") OR (MH "Mycophenolate Mofetil") S76 methylprednisolone S75 (MH "Methylprednisolone") S74 methotrexate or metoject or nordimet or novatrex S73 (MH "Methotrexate") S72 mavrilimumab S71 (MH "Mast Cells") S70 "mast cell\*" or mastocyte\* S69 mastinib S68 leflunomide or arava S67 (MH "Leflunomide") S66 jakotinib S65 ixekizumab or taltz S64 IVIG S63 (MH "Immunoglobulins intravenous") S62 itolizumab S61 Interferon\* S60 (MH "Interferons") S59 "infliximab or flixabi or inflectra or remicade or remsima or renflexis S58 (MH "Infliximab") S57 IMU-838 S56 immunotherap\* or "biologic response modifier therap\*" or "biological response modifier therap\*" or BRM therap\*" or "immune therap\*" or "immunoglobulin therap\*"or "immunological therap\*" or "immunological treatment\*" or "immunological intervention\*" S55 (MH "Immunotherapy") S54 immunoglobulin\* or "gamma-globulin\*" or gammaglobulin\* or tegeline or veinoglobulin\* or venoglobulin\* S53 (MH "Immunoglobulins") S52 imatinib or gleevac or gleevec or glivec S51 (MH "Imatinib") S50 IFX-1 S49 hydroxychloroquine or plaquenil S48 (MH"Hydroxychloroquine") S47 HCR040

S46 glucocorticoid\* S45 (MH "Glucocorticoids+") S44 guselkumab or tremfya S43 golimumab or simponi S42 (MH "Golimumab") S41 fingolimod or gilenia or gilenya S40 filgotinib S39 fedratinib S38 etanercept or benepali or embrel or enbrel or "tumor necrosis factor receptor fc fusion protein" or "tumour necrosis factor receptor fc fusion protein" S37 (MH "Etanercept") S36 eculizumab S35 ebastine S34 DFV890 S33 dexamethasone S32 (MH "Dexamethasone") S31 CYT-107 S30 cyclosporin S29 (MH "Cyclosporine") S28 corticosteroid\* or "adrenal cortex hormone\*" or "cortical steroid\*" or "corticosteroid\*" or corticoid\* or "corticosteroid agent\*" S27 (MH "Adrenal Cortex Hormones+") S26 colchicine S25 (MH "Colchicine") S24 CMAB806 S23 CIGB-258 S22 chloroquin\* S21 (MH "Chloroquine+") S20 certolizumab S19 (MH "Cell Therapy") S18 "cell based therap\*" or "cell therap\*" or "cellular therapy\*\* S17 canakinumab or ilaris S16 brensocatib S15 bevacizumab or avastin S14 (MH "Bevacizumab") S13 BDB-001 S12 baricitinib or olumiant S11 azathioprine or arathioprin or arathioprine or immurel or imurel S10 TD-0903 S9 advoralimab **S8 ARGX-117** S7 anakinra or kineret of "recombinant interleukin 1 receptor antagonist" or "recombinant interleukin 1 receptor blocker" or recombinant interleukin 1 receptor blocking agent" S6 adalimumab or adaly or amgevita or amjevita or humira or imraldi or trudexaS5 (MH "Adalimumab") S4 acalabrutinib or "acp196" or acp196 or calquence S3 (ABX464 S2 (MH "Abatacept") S1 abatacept or "CTLA4 Ig" or "CTLA4 immunoglobulin" or orencia

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- ID Search Hits
- #1 MeSH descriptor: [Abatacept] explode all trees 273
- #2 (Abatacept or "CTLA4 Ig" or "CTLA4 immunoglobulin" or orencia):ti,ab,kw 755
- #3 (ABX464):ti,ab,kw 20
- #4 (Acalabrutinib or "acp 196" or acp196 or calquence):ti,ab,kw 74

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- #5 MeSH descriptor: [Adalimumab] explode all trees 737
- #6 (Adalimumab or adaly or amgevita or amjevita or humira or imraldi or trudexa):ti,ab,kw 2977
- #7 MeSH descriptor: [Interleukin 1 Receptor Antagonist Protein] explode all trees 305
- #8 (Anakinra or kineret or "recombinant interleukin 1 receptor antagonist" or "recombinant
- interleukin 1 receptor blocker" or "recombinant interleukin 1 receptor blocking agent"):ti,ab,kw360
- #9 (ARGX-117):ti,ab,kw0
- #10 (avdoralimab):ti,ab,kw
- #11 MeSH descriptor: [Azathioprine] explode all trees 1215
- #12 (Azathioprine or arathioprine or immurel or imurel):ti,ab,kw 3186
- #13 (Baricitinib or olumiant):ti,ab,kw 355
- #14 (BDB-001):ti,ab,kw 1
- #15 MeSH descriptor: [Bevacizumab] explode all trees 1896
- #16 (Bevacizumab or avastin):ti,ab,kw 6112
- #17 (Brensocatib):ti,ab,kw
- #18 (Canakinumab or ilaris):ti,ab,kw 280
- #19 MeSH descriptor: [Cell- and Tissue-Based Therapy] explode all trees 6100
- #20 ("cell based therapy" or "cell based therapies" or "cell therapy" or "cell therapies" or
- "cellular therapy" or "cellular therapies"):ti,ab,kw 1713
- #21 (Certolizumab):ti,ab,kw 650
- #22 MeSH descriptor: [Chloroquine] explode all trees 1160
- #23 (Chloroquin\*):ti,ab,kw 1503
- #24 (CIGB-258):ti,ab,kw 0
- #25 (CMAB806):ti,ab,kw 0
- #26 MeSH descriptor: [Colchicine] explode all trees 335
- #27 (Colchicine):ti,ab,kw 826
- #28 MeSH descriptor: [Adrenal Cortex Hormones] explode all trees 14272
- #29 (corticosteroid\* or "adrenal cortex hormone\*" or "cortical steroid\*" or "cortico steroid\*" or corticoid\* or "corticosteroid agent\*"):ti,ab,kw 21772
- #30 MeSH descriptor: [Cyclosporins] explode all trees 3157
- #31 (Cyclosporin\*):ti,ab,kw 7107
- #32 (CYT-107):ti,ab,kw 4
- #33 MeSH descriptor: [Dexamethasone] explode all trees 4489
- #34 (Dexamethasone):ti,ab,kw 11427
- #35 (DFV890):ti,ab,kw 1
- #36 (Ebastine):ti,ab,kw 142
- #37 (Eculizumab):ti,ab,kw 221
- #38 MeSH descriptor: [Etanercept] explode all trees 754
- #39 (Etanercept or benepali or embrel or enbrel or "tumor necrosis factor receptor Fc fusion protein" or "tumour necrosis factor receptor Fc fusion protein"):ti,ab,kw 2197
- #40 (Fedratinib):ti,ab,kw 15

#41 (Filgotinib):ti,ab,kw 132 #42 MeSH descriptor: [Fingolimod Hydrochloride] explode all trees 146 #43 (Fingolimod or gilenia or gilenva):ti,ab,kw 548 #44 (Golimumab or simponi):ti,ab,kw 662 #45 (Guselkumab or tremfya):ti,ab,kw 186 #46 MeSH descriptor: [Glucocorticoids] explode all trees 4492 #47 (glucocorticoid\*):ti,ab,kw 8445 #48 (HCR040):ti,ab,kw - 1 #49 MeSH descriptor: [Hydroxychloroquine] explode all trees 463 #50 (Hydroxychloroquine or plaquenil):ti,ab,kw 1168 #51 (IFX-1):ti,ab,kw 17 MeSH descriptor: [Imatinib Mesylate] explode all trees #52 399 #53 (Imatinib or gleevac or gleevec or glivec):ti,ab,kw1396 #54 MeSH descriptor: [Immunoglobulins] explode all trees 25489 #55 (Immunoglobulin\* or "gamma-globulin\*" or gammaglobulin\* or tegeline or veinoglobulin\* or venoglobulin\*):ti,ab,kw 13773 #56 MeSH descriptor: [Immunotherapy] explode all trees 7883 (Immunotherap\* or "biologic response modifier therap\*" or "biological response modifier #57 therap\*" or "BRM therap\*" or "immune therap\*" or "immunoglobulin therap\*" or "immunological therap\*" or "immunological treatment\*" or "immunomodulatory intervention\*"):ti,ab,kw 9839 #58 (IMU-838):ti,ab,kw 4 #59 MeSH descriptor: [Infliximab] explode all trees 720 (Infliximab or flixabi or inflectra or remicade or remsima or renflexis):ti,ab,kw #60 2290 #61 MeSH descriptor: [Interferons] explode all trees 5775 #62 (Interferon\*):ti,ab,kw 15371 #63 (Itolizumab):ti,ab,kw 18 #64 MeSH descriptor: [Immunoglobulins, Intravenous] explode all trees 837 #65 (IVIG):ti,ab,kw 1322 407 #66 (Ixekizumab or taltz):ti,ab,kw #67 (Jakotinib):ti,ab,kw 0 #68 MeSH descriptor: [Leflunomide] explode all trees 149 #69 (Leflunomide or arava):ti.ab.kw 625 #70 (Masitinib):ti,ab,kw 88 MeSH descriptor: [Mast Cells] explode all trees #71 207 #72 ("mast cell\*" or mastocyte\*):ti,ab,kw 809 #73 (Mavrilimumab):ti.ab.kw 43 #74 MeSH descriptor: [Methotrexate] explode all trees 4127 #75 (Methotrexate or metoject or nordimet or novatrex):ti,ab,kw 11173 #76 (Methylprednisolone):ti,ab,kw 5203 #77 MeSH descriptor: [Methylprednisolone] explode all trees 2708 #78 MeSH descriptor: [Mycophenolic Acid] explode all trees 1356 #79 (Mycophenolate or (mycophenolic near acid) or myfortic or (mycophenolate near mofetil)):ti,ab,kw 4180 #80 (Nintedanib or intedanib):ti.ab.kw 465 #81 MeSH descriptor: [Anti-Inflammatory Agents, Non-Steroidal] explode all trees 7595 ((NSAID\* or "non steroid anti inflammatory agent\*" or "non steroid anti inflammatory #82 drug\*" or "non steroidal anti inflammatory agent\*" or "non steroidal anti inflammatory drug\*" or "nonsteroid antiinflammatory agent\*" or "nonsteroid antiinflammatory drug\*" or "nonsteroidal antiinflammatory agent\*" or "nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug\*" or "non steroid

antiinflammatory agent\*" or "non steroid antiinflammatory drug\*" or "non steroidal antiinflammatory agent\*" or "non steroidal antiinflammatory drug\*" or "nonsteroid anti inflammatory agent\*" or "nonsteroid anti inflammatory drug\*" or "nonsteroidal anti inflammatory agent\*" or "nonsteroidal anti inflammatory drug\*")):ti,ab,kw 8525 #83 (Ocrelizumab or ocrevus):ti,ab,kw 196 #84 (Otilimab):ti,ab,kw 6 MeSH descriptor: [Programmed Cell Death 1 Receptor] explode all trees 56 #85 (PD-1 or Gilvetmab or "programmed cell death 1 receptor"):ti,ab,kw #86 1714 #87 (Pembrolizumab or keytruda or lambrolizumab):ti,ab,kw 1417 #88 MeSH descriptor: [Prednisolone] explode all trees 4851 #89 (Prednisolone):ti,ab,kw 6988 #90 MeSH descriptor: [Prednisone] explode all trees 3951 #91 (Prednisone):ti,ab,kw 9425 #92 (Ravulizumab or ultomiris):ti,ab,kw 24 #93 ((recombinant near/2 "interleukin 2") or lymphocult):ti,ab,kw 195 #94 (recombinant near/2 "interleukin 7"):ti,ab,kw 17 #95 17 (recombinant near/2"interleukin 7"):ti,ab,kw #96 MeSH descriptor: [Rituximab] explode all trees 1243 #97 (Rituximab or mabthera or truxima):ti,ab,kw 4625 #98 (Ruxolitinib or jakafi or jakavi):ti,ab,kw 378 #99 (Sarilumab or kevzara):ti,ab,kw 215 #100 (Secukinumab or cosentyx):ti,ab,kw 786 #101 (Selinexor):ti,ab,kw 69 #102 (Siltuximab):ti,ab,kw 59 #103 MeSH descriptor: [Stem Cells] explode all trees 775 ("Stem cell\*"):ti,ab,kw 10459 #104 #105 MeSH descriptor: [Sulfasalazine] explode all trees 476 (Sulphasalazine or salazopyrine or sulfasalazine or salazosulfapyridine):ti,ab,kw1400 #106 #107 (TD-0903):ti,ab,kw 2 #108 (Tocilizumab or roactemra):ti,ab,kw 1047 #109 (Tranilast or rizaben):ti,ab,kw 78 #110 ("tumor necrosis factor alpha inhibitor\*" or "anti TNF agent\*" or "anti TNF alpha agent\*" or "anti tumor necrosis factor agent\*" or "anti tumour necrosis factor agent\*" or "TNF alpha inhibitor\*" or "TNF inhibitor\*" or "tumor necrosis factor inhibitor\*" or "tumour necrosis factor alpha inhibitor\*" or "tumour necrosis factor inhibitor\*"):ti,ab,kw 864 (Upadacitinib or rinvoq):ti,ab,kw #111 196 #112 (Ustekinumab or stelara):ti.ab.kw 759 #113 (Vafidemstat):ti.ab.kw 0 #114 (vMIP):ti,ab,kw 1 #115 (zilucoplan):ti,ab,kw 10 #116 {or #1-#115} 162188 #117 MeSH descriptor: [Coronavirus] explode all trees 35 #118 MeSH descriptor: [Coronavirus Infections] explode all trees 297 #119 (((corona\* or corono\*) near/1 (virus\* or viral\* or virinae\*))):ti,ab,kw 52 727 ((coronavirus\* or coronovirus\* or coronavirinae\* or CoV)):ti,ab,kw #120 #121 (("2019 nCoV" or 2019nCoV\* or "19 nCoV" or 19nCoV\* or nCoV2019\* or "nCoV 2019" or nCoV19\* or "nCoV 19" or "COVID 19" or COVID19\* or "COVID 2019" or COVID2019\* or "HCoV 19" or HCoV19\* or "HCoV 2019" or HCoV2019\* or "2019 novel" or Ncov\* or "n cov" or "SARS CoV 2" or "SARSCoV 2" or "SARSCoV2" or "SARS CoV2" or SARSCov19\* or "SARS Cov19" or "SARSCov 19" or "SARS Cov 19" or SARSCov2019\* or "SARS Cov2019" or "SARSCov 2019" or "SARS Cov 2019" or SARS2\* or "SARS 2" or SARScoronavirus2\* or "SARS coronavirus 2" or "SARScoronavirus 2" or "SARS coronavirus2" or SARScoronovirus2\* or "SARS coronovirus 2" or "SARScoronovirus 2" or "SARS coronovirus2" or covid)):ti,ab,kw 1106 #122 ("severe acute respiratory syndrome" or "severe acute respiratory syndromes") 373

- {or #117-#122} 1345 #123 444
- #124 #116 and #123
- #125 #124 with Publication Year from 2019 to present, in Trials 401

**Online Supplementary Text S2:** Search strategy for articles about COVID-19 treatment with anti-

SARS-CoV2 monoclonal antibodies

# Ovid MEDLINE(R) and Epub Ahead of Print, In-Process, In-Data-Review & Other Non-Indexed Citations and Daily

- exp Coronavirus/ 1 71936
- 2 exp Coronavirus Infections/ 91546

("2019-nCoV\*" or 2019nCoV\* or "19-nCoV\*" or 19nCoV\* or nCoV2019\* or "nCoV-3 2019\*" or nCoV19\* or "nCoV-19\*" or "COVID-19\*" or COVID19\* or "COVID-2019\*" or COVID2019\* or "HCoV-19\*" or HCoV19\* or "HCoV-2019\*" or HCoV2019\* or "2019 novel\*" or Ncov\* or "n-cov" or "SARS-CoV-2\*" or "SARSCoV-2\*" or "SARSCoV2\*" or "SARS-CoV2\*" or SARSCov19\* or "SARS-Cov19\*" or "SARSCov-19\*" or "SARS-Cov-19\*" or SARSCov2019\* or "SARS-Cov2019\*" or "SARSCov-2019\*" or "SARS-Cov-2019\*" or SARS2\* or "SARS-2\*" or SARScoronavirus2\* or "SARS-coronavirus-2\*" or "SARScoronavirus 2\*" or "SARS coronavirus2\*" or SARScoronovirus2\* or "SARS-coronovirus-2\*" or "SARScoronovirus 2\*" or "SARS coronovirus2\*" or covid).ti,ab,kw,kf. 145307

4 "severe acute respiratory syndrome\*".ti,ab,kw,kf. 18569

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- 5 ((corona\* or corono\*) adj1 (virus\* or viral\* or virinae\*)).ti,ab,kw,kf. 3312
- (coronavirus\* or coronovirus\* or coronavirinae\* or CoV).ti,ab,kw,kf. 6 84804
- 7 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 158270
- 8 bamlanivimab.mp. 56
- 9 LY-CoV555.mp. 17
- 10 LYCoV555.mp. 0
- 3 11 LY3819253.mp.
- 12 LY-3819253.mp. 1
- 13 etesevimab.mp. 16 8
- 14 LY-CoV016.mp.
- 15 LYCoV016.mp. 3 2
- 16 LY3832479.mp.
- 17 LY-3832479.mp. 1
- 18 casirivimab.mp. 33
- 19 REGN10933.mp.
- 20 REGN-10933.mp. 1
- 21 imdevimab.mp. 34
- 22 REGN10987.mp. 10
- 23 REGN-10987.mp. 1
- 24 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21 or 22 or 23 86
- 25 7 and 24 84
- 26 limit 25 to yr="2020 -Current" 80
- from 26 keep 1-80 27 80

## **Embase**

- exp Coronavirinae/ 55059 1
- 2 exp Coronavirus infection/ 145737
- 3 ("coronavirus disease 2019" or "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2").sh,dj. 131138
- 4 ((corona\* or corono\*) adj1 (virus\* or viral\* or virinae\*)).ti,ab,kw.2831
- 5 ("2019-nCoV\*" or 2019nCoV\* or "19-nCoV\*" or 19nCoV\* or nCoV2019\* or "nCoV-
- 2019\*" or nCoV19\* or "nCoV-19\*" or "COVID-19\*" or COVID19\* or "COVID-2019\*" or

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"severe acute respiratory syndrome\*".ti,ab,kw. 6 22063

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- 7 (coronavirus\* or coronovirus\* or coronavirinae\* or CoV).ti,ab,kw. 91974
- 8 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 182654
- 9 bamlanivimab.mp. 98
- 19 10 LY-CoV555.mp.
- LYCoV555.mp. 11
- 3 12 LY3819253.mp.
- 13 LY-3819253.mp. 4
- 14 etesevimab.mp. 33
- 15 LY-CoV016.mp. 6
- 16 LYCoV016.mp.
- 17 LY3832479.mp. 1
- 18 LY-3832479.mp.
- 19 casirivimab.mp. 50
- 20 REGN10933.mp. 12
- 21 REGN-10933.mp. 6
- 22 imdevimab.mp.
- 23 REGN10987.mp. 12
- 24 REGN-10987.mp. 7
- 25 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21 or 22 or 23 or 24 130
- 26 8 and 25 125
- 27 limit 26 to yr="2020 -Current" 125

# **Cochrane Library**

- MeSH descriptor: [Coronavirus] 1 tree(s) exploded 4 #1
- #2 MeSH descriptor: [Coronavirus Infections] explode all trees 984

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- (((corona\* or corono\*) near/1 (virus\* or viral\* or virinae\*))):ti,ab,kw #3 244
- ((coronavirus\* or coronavirinae\* or CoV)):ti,ab,kw 3868 #4

(("2019 nCoV" or 2019nCoV\* or "19 nCoV" or 19nCoV\* or nCoV2019\* or "nCoV 2019" #5 or nCoV19\* or "nCoV 19" or "COVID 19" or COVID19\* or "COVID 2019" or COVID2019\* or "HCoV 19" or HCoV19\* or "HCoV 2019" or HCoV2019\* or "2019 novel" or Ncov\* or "n cov" or "SARS CoV 2" or "SARSCoV 2" or "SARSCoV2" or "SARS CoV2" or SARSCov19\* or "SARS Cov19" or "SARSCov 19" or "SARS Cov 19" or SARSCov2019\* or "SARS Cov2019" or "SARSCov 2019" or "SARS Cov 2019" or SARS2\* or "SARS 2" or SARScoronavirus2\* or "SARS

- coronavirus 2" or "SARScoronavirus 2" or "SARS coronavirus2" or SARScoronovirus2\* or "SARS
- coronovirus 2" or "SARScoronovirus 2" or "SARS coronovirus2" or covid)):ti,ab,kw 6212
- ("severe acute respiratory syndrome" or "severe acute respiratory syndromes") #6 1076 6579
- #7 {or #1-#6}
- (bamlanivimab):ti,ab,kw #8 6
- 0 #9 (LY-CoV555):ti,ab,kw 8
- (LYCoV555):ti.ab.kw #10
- #11 (LY3819253):ti,ab,kw 6
- (LY-3819253):ti,ab,kw #12 0

- #13 (etesevimab):ti,ab,kw 3
- #14 0 (LY-CoV016):ti,ab,kw 3
- #15 (LYCoV016):ti,ab,kw
- 4 #16 (LY3832479):ti,ab,kw 0
- #17 (LY-3832479):ti,ab,kw
- #18 (casirivimab):ti,ab,kw3
- #19 (REGN10933):ti,ab,kw 6 0
- #20 (REGN-10933):ti,ab,kw
- #21 (imdevimab):ti,ab,kw 3 #22 (REGN10987):ti,ab,kw
- 6 #23 0
- (REGN-10987):ti,ab,kw
- #24 {or #8-#23} 26
- #7 and #24 with Publication Year from 2020 to present, in Trials 23 #25

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<b>S</b> 1	(MH "Coronavirus Infections+")	28,707
<b>S</b> 2	("coronavirus disease 2019" or "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2").	19,496
<b>S</b> 3	((corona* or corono*) N1 (virus* or viral* or virinae*)).	514
S4	(coronavirus* or coronavirinae* or CoV)	22,463
S5	("2019-nCoV*" or 2019nCoV* or "19-nCoV*" or 19nCoV* or nCoV2019* or "nCoV-2019*" or nCoV19* or "nCoV-19*" or "COVID-19*" or COVID19* or "COVID-2019*" or COVID2019* or "HCoV-19*" or HCoV19* or "HCoV-2019*" or HCoV2019* or "2019 novel*" or Ncov* or "n-cov" or "SARS-CoV-2*" or "SARSCoV-2*" or "SARSCoV2*" or "SARS-CoV2*" or SARSCov19* or "SARS- Cov19*" or "SARSCov-19*" or "SARS-Cov-19*" or SARSCov2019* or "SARS- Cov2019*" or "SARSCov-2019*" or "SARS-Cov-2019*" or SARS2* or "SARS- cov2019*" or "SARSCov-2019*" or "SARS-Cov-2019*" or SARS2* or "SARS- Cov2019*" or "SARSCov-2019*" or "SARS-cov-2019*" or SARS2* or "SARS- Cov2019*" or "SARSCov-2019*" or "SARS-cov-2019*" or "SARS2* or "SARS- Cov2019*" or "SARSCov-2019*" or "SARS-cov-2019*" or SARS2* or "SARS- Cov2019*" or "SARSCov-2019*" or "SARS-cov-2019*" or SARS2* or "SARS- Cov2019*" or "SARSCov-2019*" or "SARS-cov-2019*" or SARS2* or "SARS- Cov2019*" or "SARSCov-2019*" or "SARS-cov-2019*" or "SARS2* or "SARS- Cov2019*" or "SARSCov-2019*" or "SARS-cov-2019*" or "SARS2* or "SARS-2*" or SARScoronavirus2* or "SARS-coronavirus-2*" or "SARS-coronavirus 2*" or "SARS coronavirus2*" or SARScoronavirus2*" or covid)	57,128
S6	"severe acute respiratorysyndrome*"	6,018
S7	(MH "Coronavirus+")	2,081
<b>S</b> 8	S1 OR S2 OR S3 OR S4 OR S5 OR S6 OR S7	63,114
<b>S</b> 9	"bamlanivimab"	16
S10	"LY-CoV555" or LYCoV555	3
S11	"LY3819253" or LY-3819253	0
S12	"etesevimab"	5
S13	"LY-CoV016" or LYCoV016	0
S14	"LY3832479" or LY-832479	0
S15	casirivimab	7
S16	"REGN10933" or REGN-10933	0
S17	"imdevimab"	7
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S19	S9 OR S10 OR S11 OR S12 OR S13 OR S14 OR S15 OR S16 OR S17 OR S18	21
S20	S8 AND S19	21
S21	S8 AND S19 Limiters - Published Date: 20200101-	21
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S7 S8	S1 OR S2 OR S3 OR S4 OR S5 OR S6 OR S7	63,114
S9	"bamlanivimab"	16
S10	"LY-CoV555" or LYCoV555	3
S10	"LY3819253" or LY-3819253	0
S11	"etesevimab"	5
S13	"LY-CoV016" or LYCoV016	0
S14	"LY3832479" or LY-3832479	0
S15	"casirivimab"	7
S16	"REGN10933" or REGN-10933	0
S17	"imdevimab"	7
S18	"REGN10987" or REGN-10987	0
S19	S9 OR S10 OR S11 OR S12 OR S13 OR S14 OR S15 OR S16 OR S17 OR S18	21
S20	S8 AND S19	21
S21	S8 AND S19 Limiters - Published Date: 20200101-	21