

Commentary

[Perinatal Statistics and Current Trends](#)

Editorials

[CoVID Tracker Ireland: What is its Function?](#)

Original Papers

[Persisting Symptomatic Severe Secondary Mitral Regurgitation in Heart Failure Patients](#)

When et al have addressed the issue of secondary mitral regurgitation in patients with new-onset heart failure. Among 242 cases, 10 patients had persistent mitral regurgitation which would require mitral valve surgery or percutaneous mitral valve repair.

[Accuracy of Point-of-Care-Ultrasonography in Confirming Shoulder Reduction in Emergency Departments](#)

Vainberg et al describe the use of ultrasound in the confirmation of shoulder reduction. There were 33 cases. The ultrasound confirmed successful reduction in 30 cases, while failure to reduce was correctly identified in 3 patients.

[Quality Improvement within a Mental Health Setting: Alcohol Detoxification](#)

Doody et al describe a clinical audit on alcohol detoxification, using NICE guidelines as a comparable standard. The results of the audit indicate that adherence to defined clinical standards within their mental health service exceeds that of the benchmark POMH-UK data.

[Attitudes on the Role of Nutrition in GP Training](#)

Owens et al report on nutrition training in general practice. A total of 93 trainees and 9 programme directors participated. The conclusion that further teaching is needed.

[The Successful Implementation of Day Case Tonsillectomy](#)

O'Riordan et al describe the functioning of a day case tonsillectomy service for children. There were 115 cases. The time from extubation to discharge was just under 7 hours. The failed discharge rate was 6%.

[National Hip Fracture Incidence – Past, Present and Future Projections](#)

Al Azawi et al report on the Irish hip fracture database. They found that the hip fracture rate in those over 60 years is 389.3 per 100,000. The authors calculate that the hip fracture rate will increase by 158.8% by 2046 due to advancing age.

Original Papers

[Stroke Risk Factors, Subtype, and Outcomes in a Multi-Ethnic Stroke Population](#)

Finnegan et al report on acute stroke patterns among patients of originally non-Irish ethnicity (ONIE). They account for 9% of patients with a stroke. They were younger, mean age 57.5 years. The proportion with an intracranial haemorrhage was higher.

[Epistaxis in the Sars-CoV-2 Era](#)

Walsh et al report that the management of epistaxis became less invasive during the Covid pandemic. Pre-Covid, 14 patients were managed with rigid endoscopy compared with 1 case interpandemic. The authors provide other examples where less invasive modalities were used control bleeding.

Occasional Pieces

[Covid-19, Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services \(CAMHS\) and Crises](#)

Short Reports

[Measurement of Serum Immunoglobulins: A National Survey of Practice](#)

Beverland et al have surveyed how serum immunoglobulins are measured in Irish hospitals. The authors found that the IgG contained the greatest spread of values. They recommend that the same source of reference intervals should be used by all laboratories.

Case Reports

[Behcet's Disease \(BD\) Presenting as a Cerebral Venous Sinus Thrombosis \(CVST\)](#)

Powell et al describe a case of Behcet's disease with a cerebral sinus thrombosis (CVST). The 20 year old male with a history of Behcet's disease had a 3 week history of headaches. The diagnosis of CVST was confirmed on brain CT scan.

[Inflammatory Arthritis Post Covid-19 Infection](#)

Deeb et al describe a case of late onset rheumatoid arthritis in a 63 year old male which may have been triggered by Covid-19. The RA developed 2 months after recovery from the Covid infection. The authors state that RA and Covid share mechanisms of profound inflammation, T-cell activation, cytokine production, and neutrophil influx.

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[Nationwide Survey on High-Flow Nasal Cannula use in Neonatal Units](#)

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