

# A living WHO guideline on drugs for covid-19

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## Visual summary of recommendation

### Population

This recommendation applies only to people with these characteristics:



Patients with confirmed covid-19

### Disease severity

Non-severe

Severe

Critical

Absence of signs of severe or critical disease

SpO<sub>2</sub><90% on room air

Respiratory rate >30 in adults

Raised respiratory rate in children

Signs of severe respiratory distress

Requires life sustaining treatment

Acute respiratory distress syndrome

Sepsis

Septic shock

### Interventions

Hydroxychloroquine



Recommendation against (strong)

Lopinavir-ritonavir



Recommendation against (strong)

Remdesivir



Recommendation against (weak)

Corticosteroids



Recommendation against (weak)



Recommendation in favour (strong)

Every effort has been made to ensure that the information and the drug names and doses quoted in this Journal are correct. However readers are advised to check information and doses before making prescriptions. Unless otherwise stated the doses quoted are for adults.