

Supplementary information

Table S1. Full set of data variables collected for study, including sources of data.

| | Source | Purpose of collection | Form of data |
|--|---------------------------------|--|---|
| Patient identifiable data | Electronic patient record (EPR) | Data linkage | String |
| Diagnosis on admission | Patient medical records | Check meets inclusion criteria | String |
| Comorbidities | Patient medical records | Analysis of covariates | Binary i.e. has/does not have condition |
| Weight and height | EPR/patient medical records | Calculation of body mass index (BMI), then analysis of covariate | Continuous |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2) | Patient medical records | Analysis of covariate | Binary i.e. yes/no for each type |
| SARS-CoV-2 swab results | EPR | Analysis of covariate | Binary i.e. positive/negative |
| Treatment history | Patient medical records | Analysis of outcomes | Binary i.e. received/did not receive |
| Serum 25-hydroxyvitamin D (25(OH)D) level | EPR/laboratory | Analysis of outcome | Continuous/conversion to categorical variable according to vitamin D status |
| High-dose cholecalciferol booster therapy | Patient medical records | Analysis of predictor | Binary i.e. yes/no |
| Ethnicity | EPR/patient medical records | Analysis of predictor | Categorical |
| Admission peripheral capillary oxygen saturation (SpO ₂) | Patient medical records | Analysis of predictor | Continuous |
| C-reactive protein (CRP) on admission | EPR | Analysis of predictor | Continuous |
| Creatinine on admission | EPR | Analysis of predictor | Continuous |
| Adjusted calcium on admission | EPR | Analysis of predictor | Continuous |
| Death | EPR/patient medical records | Analysis of outcome | Binary i.e. yes/no |
| Discharge | EPR/patient medical records | Analysis of predictor | Binary i.e. yes/no |
| Length of stay | EPR/patient medical records | Analysis of predictor | Continuous – could be converted to categorical/binary |
| Continuous positive airways pressure (CPAP) therapy | EPR/patient medical records | Analysis of predictor | Binary i.e. yes/no |
| Invasive mechanical ventilation (IMV) therapy | EPR/patient medical records | Analysis of predictor | Binary i.e. yes/no |

Full list of comorbidities analysed:

- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).
- Asthma.
- Ischaemic heart disease (IHD).
- Myocardial infarction (MI).
- Heart failure.
- Hypertension.
- Transient ischaemia attack (TIA).
- Stroke.
- Dementia.
- Obesity.
- Solid cancer.
- Skin cancer.

- Haematological malignancy.
- Solid organ transplant.
- Inflammatory bowel disease.
- Inflammatory arthritis.

Table S2. Participant characteristics of the patient population recruited from Royal Preston Hospital.

| | | Number of participants with available data |
|---|----------------|--|
| Age (years), median [IQR] | 76 [61, 84] | 231 |
| Female, n (%) | 106 (42.2) | 231 |
| Ethnicity, n (%) | | 231 |
| Caucasian | 213 (92.2) | |
| South Asian | 14 (6.1) | |
| East Asian | 1 (0.4) | |
| African Caribbean | 2 (0.9) | |
| Other | 1 (0.4) | |
| All non-Caucasian combined | 18 (7.8) | |
| Vitamin D level, median [IQR] | 45 [27, 72] | 231 |
| Vitamin D status, n (%) | | 231 |
| Replete (>50 nmol/L) | 106 (45.9) | |
| Insufficient (25–50 nmol/L) | 73 (31.6) | |
| Deficient (<25 nmol/L) | 52 (22.5) | |
| Received vitamin D treatment, n (%) | 116 (61.7) | 231 |
| Maintenance treatment, n (% of patients on treatment) | 55 (47.4) | |
| High-dose booster treatment, n (%) | 61 (52.6) | |
| Positive SARS-CoV2 swab, n (%) | 219 (94.8) | 231 |
| Death, n (%) | 55 (24.3) | 226 |
| Hospital-acquired, n (%) | 76 (33.6) | 226 |
| Pulmonary embolism (PE) during admission, n (%) | 8 (3.5) | 229 |
| Oxygen saturation (SpO ₂) on admission, median [IQR] | 95 [93, 98] | 231 |
| C-reactive protein (CRP) on admission (mg/L), median [IQR] | 90.5 [32, 166] | 230 |
| Creatinine on admission (μmol/L), median [IQR] | 86 [65, 129] | 231 |
| Adjusted calcium on admission (mmol/L), median [IQR] | 2.4 [2.3, 2.5] | 214 |
| Random glucose on admission (mmol/L), median [IQR] | 6.8 [5.9, 8.4] | 224 |
| Received low-flow oxygen (<10L/min), n (%) | 169 (75.8) | 223 |
| Received high-flow oxygen (≥10L/min), n (%) | 72 (31.9) | 226 |
| Received CPAP, n (%) | 39 (17.2) | 227 |
| Received invasive ventilation, n (%) | 16 (7.0) | 229 |
| Discharged, n (%) | 173 (75.2) | 230 |
| Length of stay (days), median [IQR] | 15 [8, 25] | 227 |
| Diabetes mellitus (both types I and II), n (%) | 77 (33.6) | 229 |
| Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), n (%) | 39 (16.9) | 231 |
| Asthma, n (%) | 24 (10.4) | 231 |
| Ischaemic heart disease (IHD), n (%) | 48 (20.8) | 231 |
| Current or previous acute coronary syndrome, n (%) | 1 (0.4) | 231 |
| Heart failure, n (%) | 24 (10.4) | 231 |
| Hypertension, n (%) | 89 (38.5) | 231 |
| Current or previous transient ischaemic attack (TIA) or stroke, n (%) | 34 (14.7) | 231 |
| Dementia, n (%) | 40 (17.3) | 231 |
| Obesity, n (%) | 16 (6.9) | 231 |
| Malignancy of solid organ, n (%) | 26 (11.3) | 231 |
| Malignancy of skin, n (%) | 0 (0) | 231 |
| Haematological malignancy, n (%) | 12 (5.2) | 231 |
| Solid organ transplant, n (%) | 1 (0.4) | 231 |
| Inflammatory arthritis, n (%) | 5 (2.2) | 231 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease, n (%) | 8 (3.5) | 231 |

Table S3. Participant characteristics of the patient population recruited from University Hospitals of Leicester.

| | | Number of participants with available data |
|---|----------------|--|
| Age (years), median [IQR] | 70 [56, 84] | 309 |
| Female, n (%) | 145 (57·8) | 309 |
| Ethnicity, n (%) | | 311 |
| Caucasian | 188 (60·5) | |
| South Asian | 84 (27·0) | |
| East Asian | 1 (0·3) | |
| African Caribbean | 12 (3·9) | |
| Other | 26 (8·4) | |
| All non-Caucasian combined | 123 (39·6) | |
| Vitamin D level, median [IQR] | 43 [27, 60] | 294 |
| Vitamin D status, n (%) | | 294 |
| Replete (>50 nmol/L) | 110 (37·4) | |
| Insufficient (25–50 nmol/L) | 125 (42·5) | |
| Deficient (<25 nmol/L) | 59 (20·1) | |
| Received vitamin D treatment, n (%) | 66 (22·6) | 292 |
| Maintenance treatment, n (% of patients on treatment) | 51 (72·9) | |
| High-dose booster treatment, n (%) | 19 (27·1) | |
| Positive SARS-CoV2 swab, n (%) | 306 (98·4) | 311 |
| Death, n (%) | 64 (22·8) | 281 |
| Hospital-acquired, n (%) | 27 (9·7) | 277 |
| Pulmonary embolism (PE) during admission, n (%) | 9 (2·9) | 310 |
| Oxygen saturation (SpO ₂) on admission, median [IQR] | 96 [95, 98] | 306 |
| C-reactive protein (CRP) on admission (mg/L), median [IQR] | 66 [23, 133] | 297 |
| Creatinine on admission (μmol/L), median [IQR] | 82 [66, 106] | 307 |
| Adjusted calcium on admission (mmol/L), median [IQR] | 2·2 [2·1, 2·3] | 184 |
| Random glucose on admission (mmol/L), median [IQR] | 7 [5·7, 9·1] | 241 |
| Received low-flow oxygen (<10L/min), n (%) | 130 (42·2) | 308 |
| Received high-flow oxygen (≥10L/min), n (%) | | |
| Received CPAP, n (%) | 14 (4·5) | 309 |
| Received invasive ventilation, n (%) | 7 (2·3) | 309 |
| Discharged, n (%) | 249 (80·3) | 310 |
| Length of stay (days), median [IQR] | 7 [3, 15] | 305 |
| Diabetes mellitus (both types I and II), n (%) | 76 (25·3) | 300 |
| Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), n (%) | 26 (8·4) | 311 |
| Asthma, n (%) | 46 (14·8) | 311 |
| Ischaemic heart disease (IHD), n (%) | 36 (11·6) | 311 |
| Current or previous acute coronary syndrome, n (%) | 13 (4·2) | 311 |
| Heart failure, n (%) | 34 (10·9) | 311 |
| Hypertension, n (%) | 103 (33·1) | 311 |
| Current or previous transient ischaemic attack (TIA) or stroke, n (%) | 27 (8·7) | 311 |
| Dementia, n (%) | 41 (13·2) | 31 |
| Obesity, n (%) | 66 (21·2) | 311 |
| Malignancy of solid organ, n (%) | 34 (10·9) | 311 |
| Malignancy of skin, n (%) | 6 (1·9) | 311 |
| Haematological malignancy, n (%) | 8 (2·6) | 311 |
| Solid organ transplant, n (%) | 4 (1·3) | 311 |
| Inflammatory arthritis, n (%) | 7 (2·3) | 311 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease, n (%) | 0 (0) | 311 |

Table S4. Univariate analysis of potential predictors associated with mortality from COVID-19 in the primary cohort, participants with positive SARS-CoV-2 swab only (n = 403).

| Predictor variable | OR (95% CI) | p-value (unadjusted) | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value (adjusted) | n |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----|
| Age >74 years | 2.95 (1.94-4.49) | <0.001 | 0.56 (0.27-1.17) | 0.122 | 391 |
| Female sex | 1.05 (0.71-1.57) | 0.799 | 1.03 (0.66-1.59) | 0.905 | 394 |
| Hospital-acquired | 1.29 (0.84-1.99) | 0.246 | 1.14 (0.71-1.84) | 0.586 | 393 |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 0.73 (0.40-1.33) | 0.303 | 1.97 (0.94-4.13) | 0.075 | 394 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 1.00 (0.99-1.01) | 0.489 | 1.01 (1.00-1.01) | 0.311 | 192 |
| Vitamin D deficiency | 0.89 (0.48-1.64) | 0.716 | 0.80 (0.41-1.54) | 0.496 | 192 |
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 0.33 (0.17-0.64) | 0.001 | 0.29 (0.14-0.60) | 0.001 | 378 |
| Admission SpO ₂ <96% | 1.26 (0.79-2.00) | 0.327 | 1.44 (0.87-2.40) | 0.160 | 314 |
| Admission CRP >82 mg/L | 1.61 (1.07-2.43) | 0.022 | 1.73 (1.11-2.70) | 0.016 | 385 |
| Admission creatinine >84 μmol/L | 2.28 (1.50-3.43) | <0.001 | 1.64 (1.03-2.63) | 0.039 | 391 |
| Received CPAP | 0.54 (0.23-1.25) | 0.151 | 1.13 (0.45-2.83) | 0.790 | 394 |
| Received IMV | 0.78 (0.33-1.80) | 0.556 | 2.73 (0.94-7.93) | 0.065 | 394 |
| Length of stay >10 days | 0.99 (0.65-1.49) | 0.944 | 0.88 (0.56-1.38) | 0.572 | 394 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 1.20 (0.78-1.87) | 0.405 | 1.04 (0.64-1.68) | 0.887 | 394 |
| Admission glucose >6.7 mmol/L | 1.40 (0.93-2.10) | 0.109 | 1.36 (0.85-2.19) | 0.205 | 381 |
| COPD | 1.42 (0.88-2.28) | 0.155 | 0.99 (0.60-1.65) | 0.978 | 394 |
| Asthma | 0.24 (0.11-0.52) | <0.001 | 0.33 (0.14-0.77) | 0.010 | 394 |
| IHD | 2.62 (1.52-4.49) | <0.001 | 1.91 (1.08-3.41) | 0.027 | 394 |
| Current or previous ACS | 0.93 (0.49-1.75) | 0.814 | 0.70 (0.35-1.39) | 0.307 | 394 |
| Heart failure | 1.78 (0.97-3.27) | 0.062 | 1.20 (0.62-2.32) | 0.585 | 394 |
| Hypertension | 1.23 (0.82-1.84) | 0.314 | 0.89 (0.57-1.39) | 0.610 | 394 |
| Current or previous TIA or stroke | 1.45 (0.73-2.88) | 0.287 | 1.29 (0.62-2.68) | 0.502 | 394 |
| Dementia | 1.76 (0.99-3.14) | 0.055 | 1.07 (0.57-2.00) | 0.831 | 394 |
| Obesity | 0.08 (0.01-0.58) | 0.013 | 0.16 (0.02-1.22) | 0.077 | 394 |
| Malignancy of solid organ | 2.04 (1.18-3.53) | 0.011 | 1.66 (0.93-2.95) | 0.086 | 394 |
| Malignancy of skin | 1.41 (0.28-7.07) | 0.676 | 1.29 (0.24-6.86) | 0.766 | 394 |
| Haematological malignancy | 2.38 (0.56-10.10) | 0.240 | 1.64 (0.37-7.31) | 0.515 | 394 |
| Solid organ transplant | 2.83 (0.25-31.44) | 0.398 | 2.84 (0.24-34.09) | 0.410 | 394 |
| Inflammatory arthritis | 0.50 (0.16-1.59) | 0.239 | 0.43 (0.12-1.51) | 0.189 | 394 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease | 0.46 (0.05-4.50) | 0.508 | 0.32 (0.03-3.40) | 0.344 | 394 |

Table S5. Predictors associated with death from COVID-19 in the primary cohort, univariate analysis, participants with vitamin D deficiency only (n = 87).

| Predictor variable | OR (95% CI) | p-value (unadjusted) | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value (adjusted) | n |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----|
| Age >74 years | 3.07 (1.15-8.20) | 0.025 | 2.48 (0.84-7.34) | 0.101 | 82 |
| Female sex | 0.77 (0.29-2.02) | 0.600 | 0.42 (0.13-1.32) | 0.138 | 83 |
| Hospital-acquired | 2.14 (0.82-5.62) | 0.122 | 1.59 (0.54-4.70) | 0.398 | 82 |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 0.24 (0.05-1.14) | 0.073 | 0.73 (0.11-4.68) | 0.742 | 83 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 0.95 (0.89-1.02) | 0.165 | 0.97 (0.89-1.04) | 0.374 | 83 |
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 0.09 (0.03-0.35) | <0.001 | 0.05 (0.01-0.22) | <0.001 | 81 |
| Admission SpO ₂ <96% | 0.75 (0.26-2.18) | 0.592 | 0.76 (0.23-2.50) | 0.648 | 69 |
| Admission CRP >82 mg/L | 2.33 (0.87-6.26) | 0.092 | 2.26 (0.72-7.09) | 0.162 | 81 |
| Admission creatinine >84 µmol/L | 1.86 (0.72-4.85) | 0.203 | 0.85 (0.25-2.82) | 0.785 | 83 |
| Received CPAP | 0.65 (0.16-2.64) | 0.549 | 1.87 (0.32-10.79) | 0.483 | 83 |
| Received IMV | 0.27 (0.03-2.31) | 0.231 | 1.33 (0.09-19.93) | 0.838 | 83 |
| Length of stay >10 days | 0.85 (0.32-2.25) | 0.744 | 0.56 (0.17-1.81) | 0.330 | 78 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 3.15 (0.55-4.09) | 0.428 | 2.24 (0.70-7.13) | 0.173 | 83 |
| Admission glucose >6.7 mmol/L | 0.93 (0.37-2.35) | 0.875 | 1.42 (0.42-4.74) | 0.571 | 81 |
| COPD | 1.72 (0.60-4.96) | 0.313 | 0.87 (0.27-2.84) | 0.816 | 83 |
| Asthma | 0.20 (0.02-1.67) | 0.138 | 0.37 (0.04-3.56) | 0.391 | 83 |
| IHD | 2.32 (0.61-8.82) | 0.218 | 1.68 (0.38-7.43) | 0.492 | 83 |
| Current or previous ACS | 1.28 (0.28-5.78) | 0.753 | 0.98 (0.18-5.32) | 0.979 | 83 |
| Heart failure | 0.51 (0.13-2.01) | 0.337 | 0.32 (0.07-1.51) | 0.149 | 83 |
| Hypertension | 0.84 (0.33-2.17) | 0.725 | 0.43 (0.14-1.30) | 0.135 | 83 |
| Current or previous TIA or stroke | 2.26 (0.52-9.84) | 0.277 | 2.26 (0.40-12.63) | 0.354 | 83 |
| Dementia | 0.56 (0.11-2.90) | 0.489 | 0.41 (0.07-2.37) | 0.318 | 83 |
| Obesity | 1 | | 1 | | 79 |
| Malignancy of solid organ | 4.90 (1.55-15.51) | 0.007 | 2.77 (0.78-0.84) | 0.116 | 83 |
| Malignancy of skin | 1 | | 1 | | 83 |
| Haematological malignancy | 1 | | 1 | | 82 |
| Solid organ transplant | 4.40 (0.38-50.81) | 0.235 | 5.81 (0.44-76.64) | 0.181 | 83 |
| Inflammatory arthritis | 1 | | 1 | | 81 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease | 2.12 (0.13-35.16) | 0.601 | 5.28 (0.24-111.59) | 0.289 | 83 |

Table S6. Predictors associated with death from COVID-19 in the primary cohort, univariate analysis, participants with vitamin D deficiency and insufficiency combined only (n = 167).

| Predictor variable | OR (95% CI) | p-value (unadjusted) | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value (adjusted) | n |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----|
| Age >74 years | 1.97 (0.99-3.91) | 0.054 | 1.56 (0.74-3.28) | 0.240 | 159 |
| Female sex | 1.02 (0.52-2.02) | 0.952 | 0.80 (0.39-1.68) | 0.562 | 160 |
| Hospital-acquired | 1.30 (0.63-2.66) | 0.479 | 1.02 (0.47-2.21) | 0.963 | 159 |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 0.59 (0.20-1.68) | 0.322 | 1.54 (0.44-5.39) | 0.496 | 160 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 0.99 (0.97-1.02) | 0.640 | 1.00 (0.97-1.03) | 0.980 | 160 |
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 0.10 (0.03-0.30) | <0.001 | 0.07 (0.02-0.24) | <0.001 | 156 |
| Admission SpO ₂ <96% | 1.49 (0.72-3.07) | 0.284 | 1.52 (0.70-3.29) | 0.293 | 136 |
| Admission CRP >82 mg/L | 1.93 (0.95-3.91) | 0.069 | 2.34 (1.08-5.05) | 0.031 | 158 |
| Admission creatinine >84 µmol/L | 2.10 (1.05-4.19) | 0.035 | 1.57 (0.71-3.47) | 0.268 | 160 |
| Received CPAP | 0.46 (0.16-1.30) | 0.142 | 0.76 (0.25-2.32) | 0.627 | 160 |
| Received IMV | 0.53 (0.17-1.67) | | 1.88 (0.47-7.49) | 0.369 | 160 |
| Length of stay >10 days | 0.78 (0.38-1.59) | 0.489 | 0.73 (0.34-1.58) | 0.419 | 146 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 0.80 (0.37-1.73) | 0.571 | 0.77 (0.33-1.75) | 0.527 | 160 |
| Admission glucose >6.7 mmol/L | 0.31 (0.41-1.60) | 0.542 | 1.04 (0.46-2.34) | 0.921 | 154 |
| COPD | 0.88 (0.39-2.01) | 0.766 | 0.54 (0.22-1.31) | 0.172 | 160 |
| Asthma | 0.35 (0.08-1.63) | 0.182 | 0.43 (0.09-2.13) | 0.299 | 160 |
| IHD | 2.33 (0.92-5.93) | 0.075 | 1.60 (0.61-4.19) | 0.341 | 160 |
| Current or previous ACS | 1.41 (0.48-4.12) | 0.531 | 1.54 (0.36-3.67) | 0.807 | 160 |
| Heart failure | 0.52 (0.18-1.47) | 0.216 | 0.35 (0.12-1.06) | 0.064 | 160 |
| Hypertension | 0.76 (0.38-1.52) | 0.441 | 0.65 (0.31-1.39) | 0.264 | 160 |
| Current or previous TIA or stroke | 2.44 (0.75-7.99) | 0.140 | 2.55 (0.68-9.47) | 0.163 | 160 |
| Dementia | 0.54 (0.14-2.00) | 0.355 | 0.33 (0.08-1.31) | 0.115 | 160 |
| Obesity | 1 | | 1 | | 149 |
| Malignancy of solid organ | 2.72 (1.15-6.42) | 0.022 | 1.91 (0.77-4.75) | 0.165 | 160 |
| Malignancy of skin | 2.29 (0.14-37.40) | 0.561 | 2.16 (0.12-39.42) | 0.605 | 160 |
| Haematological malignancy | 2.29 (0.14-37.40) | 0.561 | 2.13 (0.12-38.65) | 0.609 | 160 |
| Solid organ transplant | 4.68 (0.41-52.88) | 0.212 | 5.59 (0.47-67.06) | 0.175 | 160 |
| Inflammatory arthritis | 1 | | 1 | | 155 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease | 2.29 (0.14-37.40) | 0.561 | 2.97 (0.16-55.01) | 0.465 | 160 |

Table S7. Predictors associated with death from COVID-19 in the primary cohort, univariate analysis, participants who were vitamin D replete only (n = 63).

| Predictor variable | OR (95% CI) | p-value (unadjusted) | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value (adjusted) | n |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----|
| Age >74 years | 3.10 (1.08-8.88) | 0.035 | 2.96 (0.90-9.76) | 0.074 | 62 |
| Female sex | 1.16 (0.43-3.16) | 0.770 | 0.96 (0.32-2.91) | 0.940 | 63 |
| Hospital-acquired | 3.31 (1.08-10.17) | 0.036 | 3.94 (1.15-13.51) | 0.029 | 63 |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 0.61 (0.16-2.28) | 0.461 | 1.45 (0.26-8.18) | 0.672 | 63 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 0.99 (0.97-1.01) | 0.332 | 0.99 (0.97-1.01) | 0.545 | 63 |
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 0.64 (0.11-3.78) | 0.622 | 1.12 (0.15-8.27) | 0.915 | 63 |
| Admission SpO ₂ <96% | 1.82 (0.58-5.71) | 0.306 | 5.18 (1.11-24.31) | 0.037 | 51 |
| Admission CRP >82 mg/L | 1.91 (0.69-5.30) | 0.215 | 1.65 (0.55-4.98) | 0.375 | 62 |
| Admission creatinine >84 μmol/L | 1.17 (0.42-3.21) | 0.765 | 0.70 (0.18-2.69) | 0.606 | 62 |
| Received CPAP | 1.39 (0.31-6.15) | 0.663 | 2.75 (0.48-15.90) | 0.258 | 63 |
| Received IMV | 2.96 (0.50-17.50) | 0.232 | 9.51 (0.83-109.24) | 0.071 | 63 |
| Length of stay >10 days | 2.13 (0.76-6.01) | 0.152 | 2.07 (0.67-6.41) | 0.208 | 61 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 0.7 (0.23-2.11) | 0.527 | 0.62 (0.18-2.06) | 0.431 | 63 |
| Admission glucose >6.7 mmol/L | 1.35 (0.48-3.78) | 0.571 | 1.92 (0.61-5.98) | 0.264 | 61 |
| COPD | 2.07 (0.66-6.54) | 0.214 | 1.74 (0.53-5.79) | 0.363 | 63 |
| Asthma | 1 | | 1 | | 55 |
| IHD | 1.77 (0.48-6.56) | 0.392 | 2.65 (0.46-15.24) | 0.276 | 63 |
| Current or previous ACS | 2.96 (0.50-17.50) | 0.232 | 10.38 (0.88-121.95) | 0.063 | 63 |
| Heart failure | 3.86 (0.69-21.69) | 0.125 | 2.40 (0.39-14.66) | 0.343 | 63 |
| Hypertension | 0.96 (0.35-2.62) | 0.942 | 0.68 (0.20-2.29) | 0.535 | 63 |
| Current or previous TIA or stroke | 0.24 (0.03-2.17) | 0.203 | 0.21 (0.02-2.07) | 0.183 | 63 |
| Dementia | 1.36 (0.18-10.32) | 0.766 | 1.00 (0.12-8.34) | 0.999 | 63 |
| Obesity | 1 | | 1 | | 60 |
| Malignancy of solid organ | 0.72 (0.19-2.76) | 0.633 | 0.63 (0.15-2.67) | 0.535 | 63 |
| Malignancy of skin | 1.35 (0.08-22.54) | 0.836 | 1.45 (0.08-25.92) | 0.803 | 63 |
| Haematological malignancy | 1.36 (0.18-10.32) | 0.766 | 0.91 (0.10-8.29) | 0.936 | 63 |
| Solid organ transplant | 1 | | 1 | | 63 |
| Inflammatory arthritis | 0.42 (0.05-4.31) | 0.468 | 0.28 (0.02-3.34) | 0.318 | 63 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease | 1 | | 1 | | 62 |

Table S8. Predictors associated with death from COVID-19 in the primary cohort, multivariate analysis, participants with positive SARS-CoV-2 swab only (n = 169).

| Predictor variable | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value |
|--|----------------------------|---------|
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 0.15 (0.05-0.43) | <0.001 |
| Admission CRP >82 mg/L | 2.03 (1.00-4.12) | 0.049 |
| Admission creatinine >84 μmol/L | 1.42 (0.64-3.18) | 0.392 |
| Asthma | 0.21 (0.04-1.11) | 0.066 |
| IHD | 1.33 (0.51-3.50) | 0.563 |
| Age >74 years | 1.91 (0.82-4.42) | 0.131 |
| Female sex | 1.45 (0.68-3.08) | 0.335 |
| Obesity | 1 | |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 1.60 (0.52-4.86) | 0.410 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 0.86 (0.38-1.94) | 0.714 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 1.00 (0.99-1.01) | 0.924 |

Table S9. Univariate analysis of potential predictors associated with mortality from COVID-19 in the validation cohort, participants with positive SARS-CoV-2 swab only (n = 525).

| Predictor variable | OR (95% CI) | p-value (unadjusted) | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value (adjusted) | n |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----|
| Age >74 years | 3.23 (2.04-5.09) | <0.001 | 2.97 (1.79-4.91) | <0.001 | 489 |
| Female sex | 0.86 (0.58-1.32) | 0.499 | 0.75 (0.48-1.18) | 0.215 | 489 |
| Hospital-acquired | 1.19 (0.72-1.97) | 0.501 | 1.16 (0.67-1.99) | 0.595 | 486 |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 0.56 (0.33-0.95) | 0.031 | 1.11 (0.62-2.00) | 0.723 | 491 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 1.00 (0.99-1.01) | 0.747 | 1.00 (0.99-1.00) | 0.347 | 476 |
| Vitamin D deficiency | 1.32 (0.80-2.18) | 0.272 | 1.89 (1.09-3.28) | 0.023 | 476 |
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 0.56 (0.28-1.11) | 0.096 | 0.42 (0.20-0.85) | 0.015 | 474 |
| Admission SpO ₂ <96% | 1.96 (1.28-3.00) | 0.002 | 1.83 (1.17-2.88) | 0.009 | 487 |
| Admission CRP >82 mg/L | 1.93 (1.25-2.98) | 0.003 | 1.84 (1.16-2.91) | 0.010 | 479 |
| Admission creatinine >84 μmol/L | 2.95 (1.88-4.64) | <0.001 | 2.19 (1.33-3.61) | 0.002 | 487 |
| Received CPAP | 2.2 (1.23-4.23) | 0.009 | 5.14 (2.45-10.77) | <0.001 | 486 |
| Received IMV | 1.02 (0.33-3.21) | 0.967 | 2.12 (0.61-7.32) | 0.237 | 489 |
| Length of stay >10 days | 1.62 (1.06-2.48) | 0.027 | 1.33 (0.84-2.12) | 0.228 | 484 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 0.88 (0.55-1.41) | 0.591 | 0.92 (0.56-1.49) | 0.724 | 478 |
| Admission glucose >6.7 mmol/L | 1.31 (0.84-2.05) | 0.233 | 1.57 (0.94-2.61) | 0.084 | 420 |
| COPD | 1.24 (0.66-2.34) | 0.502 | 0.85 (0.43-1.67) | 0.638 | 491 |
| Asthma | 0.32 (0.13-0.76) | 0.010 | 0.46 (0.19-1.13) | 0.090 | 491 |
| IHD | 2.81 (1.68-4.68) | <0.001 | 1.92 (1.11-3.32) | 0.021 | 491 |
| Current or previous ACS | 1.33 (0.41-4.34) | 0.631 | 1.07 (0.32-3.60) | 0.915 | 491 |
| Heart failure | 2.21 (1.23-3.97) | 0.008 | 1.58 (0.84-2.94) | 0.153 | 491 |
| Hypertension | 1.50 (0.98-2.30) | 0.063 | 1.11 (0.69-1.76) | 0.671 | 491 |
| Current or previous TIA or stroke | 1.44 (0.78-2.64) | 0.244 | 1.07 (0.56-2.01) | 0.842 | 491 |
| Dementia | 2.30 (1.42-4.03) | 0.001 | 1.24 (0.70-2.20) | 0.454 | 491 |
| Obesity | 0.47 (0.23-0.95) | 0.035 | 0.78 (0.37-1.64) | 0.506 | 491 |
| Malignancy of solid organ | 1.63 (0.89-2.97) | 0.114 | 1.20 (0.63-2.27) | 0.583 | 491 |
| Malignancy of skin | 0.66 (0.08-5.69) | 0.704 | 0.62 (0.06-6.26) | 0.686 | 491 |
| Haematological malignancy | 1.56 (0.58-4.19) | 0.382 | 1.17 (0.42-3.26) | 0.768 | 491 |
| Solid organ transplant | 0.83 (0.09-7.46) | 0.864 | 2.17 (0.19-24.50) | 0.530 | 491 |
| Inflammatory arthritis | 0.36 (0.05-2.89) | 0.337 | 0.27 (0.03-2.21) | 0.222 | 491 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease | 0.55 (0.07-4.59) | 0.579 | 0.82 (0.09-7.62) | 0.859 | 491 |

Table S10. Predictors associated with death from COVID-19 in the validation cohort, univariate analysis, participants with vitamin D deficiency only (n = 111).

| Predictor variable | OR (95% CI) | p-value (unadjusted) | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value (adjusted) | n |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----|
| Age >74 years | 3.09 (1.27-7.55) | 0.013 | 2.22 (0.81-6.09) | 0.122 | 106 |
| Female sex | 1.10 (0.46-2.60) | 0.835 | 0.88 (0.34-2.26) | 0.786 | 106 |
| Hospital-acquired | 1.61 (0.62-4.16) | 0.330 | 1.15 (0.40-3.30) | 0.790 | 107 |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 0.32 (0.10-1.02) | 0.054 | 0.44 (0.13-1.55) | 0.204 | 107 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 1.02 (0.89-1.16) | 0.764 | 1.10 (0.94-1.28) | 0.241 | 107 |
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 0.58 (0.21-1.62) | 0.300 | 0.21 (0.06-0.71) | 0.012 | 106 |
| Admission SpO ₂ <96% | 2.04 (0.85-4.90) | 0.111 | 1.73 (0.66-4.55) | 0.265 | 107 |
| Admission CRP >82 mg/L | 1.44 (0.60-3.45) | 0.411 | 1.25 (0.48-3.21) | 0.648 | 105 |
| Admission creatinine >84 µmol/L | 2.84 (1.11-7.24) | 0.029 | 2.18 (0.75-6.29) | 0.151 | 106 |
| Received CPAP | 2.73 (0.83-8.97) | 0.099 | 12.11 (2.25-65.07) | 0.004 | 105 |
| Received IMV | 4.62 (0.73-29.24) | 0.104 | 14.71 (1.58-136.63) | 0.018 | 107 |
| Length of stay >10 days | 3.17 (1.20-8.39) | 0.020 | 2.34 (0.75-7.24) | 0.141 | 104 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 1.33 (0.55-3.23) | 0.524 | 1.48 (0.57-3.85) | 0.419 | 103 |
| Admission glucose >6.7 mmol/L | 0.87 (0.35-2.15) | 0.759 | 0.73 (0.25-2.13) | 0.568 | 94 |
| COPD | 1.03 (0.30-3.54) | 0.962 | 0.46 (0.12-1.73) | 0.249 | 107 |
| Asthma | 1 | | 1 | | 100 |
| IHD | 1.69 (0.51-5.56) | 0.387 | 0.78 (0.21-2.98) | 0.719 | 107 |
| Current or previous ACS | 1 | | 1 | | 105 |
| Heart failure | 1.14 (0.21-6.23) | 0.881 | 0.69 (0.11-4.27) | 0.694 | 107 |
| Hypertension | 2.81 (1.16-6.82) | 0.022 | 1.76 (0.61-5.08) | 0.294 | 107 |
| Current or previous TIA or stroke | 0.26 (0.03-2.09) | 0.204 | 0.20 (0.02-1.72) | 0.141 | 107 |
| Dementia | 4.20 (1.43-12.36) | 0.009 | 2.12 (0.60-7.49) | 0.245 | 107 |
| Obesity | 0.31 (0.09-1.13) | 0.077 | 0.41 (0.10-1.67) | 0.214 | 107 |
| Malignancy of solid organ | 2.03 (0.53-7.80) | 0.303 | 1.76 (0.40-7.78) | 0.454 | 107 |
| Malignancy of skin | 1 | | 1 | | 106 |
| Haematological malignancy | 1.43 (0.12-16.36) | 0.776 | 0.42 (0.03-6.13) | 0.526 | 107 |
| Solid organ transplant | 1 | | 1 | | 105 |
| Inflammatory arthritis | 1 | | 1 | | 107 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease | 1 | | 1 | | 106 |

Table S11. Predictors associated with death from COVID-19 in the validation cohort, univariate analysis, participants with vitamin D deficiency and insufficiency combined only (n = 309).

| Predictor variable | OR (95% CI) | p-value (unadjusted) | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value (adjusted) | n |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----|
| Age >74 years | 4.18 (2.25-7.78) | <0.001 | 3.89 (1.95-7.79) | <0.001 | 286 |
| Female sex | 1.02 (0.58-1.81) | 0.937 | 0.84 (0.46-1.56) | 0.589 | 286 |
| Hospital-acquired | 1.11 (0.55-2.22) | 0.773 | 0.99 (0.46-2.12) | 0.982 | 285 |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 0.44 (0.21-0.91) | 0.027 | 0.88 (0.39-2.00) | 0.757 | 287 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 0.98 (0.95-1.00) | 0.088 | 0.97 (0.94-1.00) | 0.032 | 287 |
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 0.70 (0.34-1.45) | 0.341 | 0.43 (0.20-0.93) | 0.032 | 283 |
| Admission SpO ₂ <96% | 1.69 (0.95-3.01) | 0.076 | 1.46 (0.79-2.71) | 0.230 | 286 |
| Admission CRP >82 mg/L | 1.41 (0.79-2.52) | 0.245 | 1.20 (0.64-2.24) | 0.573 | 277 |
| Admission creatinine >84 µmol/L | 3.09 (1.66-5.75) | <0.001 | 2.08 (1.03-4.21) | 0.041 | 284 |
| Received CPAP | 1.44 (0.63-3.29) | 0.384 | 3.31 (1.25-8.78) | 0.016 | 285 |
| Received IMV | 1.27 (0.40-4.10) | 0.685 | 2.96 (0.79-11.10) | 0.107 | 286 |
| Length of stay >10 days | 2.13 (1.17-3.86) | 0.013 | 1.55 (0.79-3.03) | 0.201 | 281 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 1.06 (0.58-1.92) | 0.861 | 1.19 (0.62-2.25) | 0.601 | 279 |
| Admission glucose >6.7 mmol/L | 1.12 (0.61-2.05) | 0.718 | 1.25 (0.61-2.55) | 0.537 | 248 |
| COPD | 1.55 (0.65-3.72) | 0.322 | 1.13 (0.45-2.80) | 0.797 | 287 |
| Asthma | 0.17 (0.04-0.72) | 0.016 | 0.21 (0.05-0.96) | 0.044 | 287 |
| IHD | 3.11 (1.55-6.24) | 0.001 | 1.80 (0.85-3.80) | 0.123 | 287 |
| Current or previous ACS | 0.61 (0.07-5.17) | 0.651 | 0.36 (0.04-3.16) | 0.360 | 287 |
| Heart failure | 1.64 (0.68-3.96) | 0.268 | 1.07 (0.42-2.77) | 0.881 | 287 |
| Hypertension | 2.12 (1.20-3.77) | 0.010 | 1.35 (0.72-2.53) | 0.345 | 287 |
| Current or previous TIA or stroke | 0.96 (0.38-2.48) | 0.938 | 0.60 (0.22-1.61) | 0.312 | 287 |
| Dementia | 2.86 (1.41-5.79) | 0.004 | 1.28 (0.59-2.78) | 0.537 | 287 |
| Obesity | 0.59 (0.26-1.33) | 0.203 | 0.98 (0.41-2.38) | 0.971 | 287 |
| Malignancy of solid organ | 2.29 (0.91-5.73) | 0.078 | 1.74 (0.66-4.60) | 0.267 | 287 |
| Malignancy of skin | 1.24 (0.13-12.12) | 0.854 | 2.32 (0.19-28.93) | 0.514 | 287 |
| Haematological malignancy | 1.89 (0.46-7.81) | 0.376 | 1.31 (0.29-5.98) | 0.728 | 287 |
| Solid organ transplant | 1.24 (0.13-12.12) | 0.854 | 3.41 (0.28-41.11) | 0.334 | 287 |
| Inflammatory arthritis | 1.87 (0.17-20.94) | 0.613 | 1.70 (0.14-20.12) | 0.675 | 287 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease | 1 | | 1 | | 283 |

Table S12. Predictors associated with death from COVID-19 in the validation cohort, univariate analysis, participants who were vitamin D replete only (n = 216).

| Predictor variable | OR (95% CI) | p-value (unadjusted) | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value (adjusted) | n |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----|
| Age >74 years | 2.74 (1.33-5.66) | 0.006 | 2.70 (1.24-5.90) | 0.012 | 203 |
| Female sex | 0.62 (0.32-1.19) | 0.152 | 0.58 (0.29-1.17) | 0.131 | 203 |
| Hospital-acquired | 1.52 (0.72-3.23) | 0.273 | 1.57 (0.70-3.51) | 0.276 | 201 |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 0.59 (0.24-1.42) | 0.236 | 1.04 (0.39-2.75) | 0.942 | 203 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 1.01 (0.99-1.02) | 0.313 | 1.00 (0.99-1.02) | 0.768 | 203 |
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 1 | | 1 | | 188 |
| Admission SpO ₂ <96% | 2.01 (1.04-3.87) | 0.037 | 2.22 (1.10-4.49) | 0.026 | 202 |
| Admission CRP >82 mg/L | 2.57 (1.30-5.07) | 0.007 | 3.12 (1.48-6.58) | 0.003 | 201 |
| Admission creatinine >84 μmol/L | 2.71 (1.38-5.31) | 0.004 | 2.12 (1.01-4.45) | 0.047 | 202 |
| Received CPAP | 3.67 (1.36-9.86) | 0.010 | 9.29 (2.67-32.32) | <0.001 | 200 |
| Received IMV | 1 | | 1 | | 200 |
| Length of stay >10 days | 1.54 (0.80-2.96) | 0.193 | 1.40 (0.69-2.82) | 0.347 | 202 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 0.44 (0.17-1.12) | 0.083 | 0.38 (0.15-0.99) | 0.047 | 199 |
| Admission glucose >6.7 mmol/L | 1.66 (0.83-3.30) | 0.151 | 2.25 (1.03-4.91) | 0.041 | 175 |
| COPD | 1.40 (0.59-3.28) | 0.445 | 0.91 (0.36-2.31) | 0.840 | 203 |
| Asthma | 0.58 (0.16-2.08) | 0.402 | 0.81 (0.21-3.17) | 0.765 | 203 |
| IHD | 2.78 (1.27-6.06) | 0.010 | 2.39 (1.01-5.67) | 0.047 | 203 |
| Current or previous ACS | 3.38 (0.66-17.32) | 0.144 | 4.97 (0.76-32.32) | 0.093 | 203 |
| Heart failure | 3.23 (1.42-7.33) | 0.005 | 3.30 (1.29-8.44) | 0.013 | 203 |
| Hypertension | 1.22 (0.62-2.40) | 0.557 | 1.04 (0.50-2.16) | 0.910 | 203 |
| Current or previous TIA or stroke | 3.02 (1.34-6.79) | 0.008 | 2.54 (1.08-5.93) | 0.032 | 203 |
| Dementia | 2.25 (1.03-4.90) | 0.042 | 1.37 (0.57-3.27) | 0.484 | 203 |
| Obesity | 0.35 (0.08-1.59) | 0.174 | 0.60 (0.12-2.95) | 0.532 | 203 |
| Malignancy of solid organ | 1.04 (0.44-2.49) | 0.930 | 0.73 (0.28-1.92) | 0.527 | 203 |
| Malignancy of skin | 1 | | 1 | | 201 |
| Haematological malignancy | 1.41 (0.35-5.68) | 0.629 | 1.03 (0.25-4.34) | 0.964 | 203 |
| Solid organ transplant | 1 | | 1 | | 203 |
| Inflammatory arthritis | 1 | | 1 | | 195 |
| Inflammatory bowel disease | 1.63 (0.14-18.35) | | 2.30 (0.17-30.79) | 0.528 | 203 |

Table S13. Predictors associated with death from COVID-19 in the validation cohort, multivariate analysis, participants with positive SARS-CoV-2 swab only (n = 169).

| Predictor variable | OR _{adj} (95% CI) | p-value |
|--|----------------------------|---------|
| Age >73 years | 2.58 (1.39-4.79) | 0.003 |
| Treatment with cholecalciferol booster therapy | 0.38 (0.17-0.84) | 0.018 |
| Admission SpO ₂ <96% | 2.09 (1.22-3.59) | 0.007 |
| Admission CRP >73 mg/L | 1.70 (1.01-2.86) | 0.046 |
| Admission creatinine >83 μmol/L | 2.58 (1.48-4.50) | 0.001 |
| Received CPAP | 2.95 (1.29-6.71) | 0.010 |
| IHD | 2.77 (1.48-5.17) | 0.001 |
| Female sex | 1.33 (0.78-2.25) | 0.292 |
| Obesity | 0.72 (0.32-1.62) | 0.429 |
| Non-Caucasian ethnicity | 0.58 (0.28-1.19) | 0.140 |
| Diabetes (types 1 and 2 combined) | 0.65 (0.37-1.16) | 0.146 |
| Baseline serum 25(OH)D levels | 0.99 (0.98-1.00) | 0.149 |
| Centre | 0.65 (0.36-1.18) | 0.157 |