Probable delirium is a presenting symptom of COVID-19 in frail, older adults: a cohort study of 322 hospitalised and 535 community-based older adults

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**Appendix 1: PRISMA-7 questionnaire, as adapted for the COVID Symptom Study mobile application**

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| 1 | What year were you born? |
| 2 | What sex were you assigned at birth? |
| 3 | In general, do you have any health problems that require you to stay at home? |
| 4 | Do you need someone to help you on a regular basis? |
| 5 | If you need help, can you count on someone close to you? |
| 6 | Do you regularly use a stick, walking frame or wheelchair to get about? |
| 7 | In general, do you have any health problems that require you to limit your activities? |

**Appendix 2: Characteristics of unmatched Hospital and Community-based App Cohorts, according to Frailty Status**

Binary variables are presented as count (%) and continuous variables as mean (standard deviation). Frail Hospital = CFS ≥ 5; Frail Community= PRISMA7 ≥3; Fever in hospital data (≥37.5°C)

\*12 patients excluded from final analysis in hospital data due to missing clinical frailty score. \*\*Cancer data available for 424 individuals (177 frail and 247 not frail) in the community-based cohort.

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|  | Hospital Cohort | | | | Community Cohort | | | |
| **Total Sample**  **(n = 322)\*** | **Frail**  **(n = 165)** | **Not Frail**  **(n = 145)** | ***P*-value** | **Total Sample**  **(n=535)** | **Frail**  **(n=192)** | **Not Frail**  **(n=343)** | ***P*-value** |
| Age | 78.58  (7.93) | 81.2  (7.61) | 75.99  (7.31) | 1.09x10-8 | 72.8  (7.23) | 78.1  (8.03) | 69.8  (4.61) | 5.77 x10-28 |
| Number of females | 154  (48%) | 88  (53%) | 58  (40%) | 0.03 | 236  (44%) | 80  (42%) | 156  (46%) | 0.41 |
| BMI | 26.54  (6.47) | 25.94  (6.09) | 27.01  (6.82) | 0.38 | 26.6  (4.76) | 26.5  (5.27) | 26.6  (4.46) | 0.48 |
| Cardiovascular disease | 213  (66%) | 112  (68%) | 94  (64%) | 0.63 | 76  (14.2%) | 45  (23.4%) | 31  (9.0%) | 8.65 x10-6 |
| Diabetes | 132  (41%) | 64  (38%) | 61  (42%) | 0.56 | 73  (13.6%) | 37  (19.3%) | 36  (10.5%) | 0.006 |
| Respiratory disease | 125  (38%) | 69  (42%) | 51  (35%) | 0.29 | 101  (18.9%) | 48  (25.0%) | 53  (15.5%) | 0.008 |
| Psychiatric condition | 39  (12%) | 23  (14%) | 13  (8%) | 0.21 | - | - | - | - |
| Dementia | 73  (23%) | 64  (39%) | 7  (4%) | 1.79x10-13 | - | - | - | - |
| Cancer\*\* | 57  (17%) | 30  (18%) | 26  (17%) | 1.00 | 44  (10.4%) | 34  (19.2%) | 10  (4.0%) | 1.00 x10-13 |
| Kidney  disease | - | - | - | - | 27  (5%) | 21  (10.9%) | 6  (1.7%) | 1.059  x10-5 |

**Appendix 3: COVID-19 symptoms of age-matched Community-based App Cohort, according to Frailty Status**

Binary variables are presented as count (%) and continuous variables as mean (standard deviation). Frail = PRISMA7 ≥3. P-values are FDR adjusted at 5%

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| Symptom | Total Sample  (n=238) | Frail  (n=119) | Not Frail  (n=119) | P-value | OR (95% CI) |
| Loss of smell | 58  (24.6%) | 24  (20.2%) | 34  (28.6%) | 0.20 | 0.63  (0.34-1.14) |
| Diarrhoea | 47  (19.9%) | 25  (21.0%) | 22  (18.5%) | 0.67 | 1.17  (0.62-2.25) |
| Muscle Pains | 48  (20.3%) | 29  (24.4%) | 19  (16.0%) | 0.19 | 1.70  (0.90 - 3.29) |
| Skipped Meals | 97  (41.1%) | 55  (46.2%) | 42  (35.3%) | 0.17 | 1.58  (0.94-2.66) |
| Abdominal Pains | 34  (14.4%) | 19  (16.0%) | 15  (12.6%) | 0.54 | 1.32  (0.64-2.77) |
| Sore throat | 42  (17.8%) | 25  (21.0%) | 17  (14.3%) | 0.25 | 1.60  (0.82-3.20) |
| Chest pain | 56  (23.7%) | 35  (29.4%) | 21  (17.6%) | 0.10 | 1.95  (1.06-3.65) |
| Headache | 52  (22%) | 25  (21.0%) | 27  (22.7%) | 0.75 | 0.91  (0.49-1.68) |
| Hoarse voice | 67  (28.4%) | 37  (31.1%) | 30  (25.2%) | 0.40 | 1.34  (0.76-2.38) |

**Appendix 4: Likelihood of receiving a test for COVID-19 amongst the app cohort, according to demographics and self-reported symptoms**

Multivariate models consider all demographic features and symptoms reported in the table as predictors for receiving a test. Age and BMI are continuous variables, gender is binary with 0 for female and 1 for male, and all symptoms are binary absent/present.

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| **Predictor** | **Odds ratios (95% CI)** | | | |
| **General population** | | **Over 65s** | |
| **Univariate** | **Multivariate** | **Univariate** | **Multivariate** |
| Age | 0.99 (0.99 - 0.99) | 1.00 (0.98 - 1.01) | 0.99 (0.98 - 0.99) | 0.96 (0.93 - 1.00) |
| Gender | 0.73 (0.71 - 0.75) | 0.94 (0.92 - 0.96) | 1.14 (1.06 - 1.22) | 1.28 (1.20 - 1.38) |
| BMI | 1.03 (1.02 - 1.03) | 1.07 (1.06 - 1.08) | 1.02 (1.01 - 1.02) | 1.01 (0.98 - 1.05) |
| Fever | 8.88 (8.59 - 9.18) | 2.09 (2.01 - 2.17) | 12.77 (11.07 - 14.72) | 1.94 (1.63 - 2.30) |
| Persistent cough | 8.03 (7.82 - 8.24) | 2.38 (2.30 - 2.46) | 9.70 (8.75 - 10.76) | 2.06 (1.81 - 2.36) |
| Fatigue | 4.09 (4.03 - 4.15) | 2.21 (2.16 - 2.26) | 5.26 (5.00 - 5.55) | 2.76 (2.53 - 3.00) |
| Shortness of breath | 2.58 (2.55 - 2.62) | 1.10 (1.08 - 1.12) | 3.07 (2.92 - 3.22) | 1.29 (1.20 - 1.38) |
| Diarrhoea | 4.20 (4.06 - 4.33) | 1.24 (1.19 - 1.29) | 6.49 (5.79 - 7.29) | 1.43 (1.24 - 1.65) |
| Delirium | 4.08 (3.93 - 4.24) | 0.69 (0.66 - 0.72) | 9.07 (8.14 - 10.10) | 1.31 (1.14 - 1.51) |
| Skipped meals | 6.08 (5.90 - 6.27) | 1.19 (1.15 - 1.24) | 10.06 (9.06 - 11.18) | 1.42 (1.23 - 1.65) |
| Abdominal pain | 4.48 (4.34 - 4.64) | 1.22 (1.17 - 1.27) | 6.64 (5.88 - 7.49) | 1.41 (1.22 - 1.64) |
| Chest pain | 5.89 (5.74 - 6.06) | 1.45 (1.40 - 1.50) | 7.98 (7.14 - 8.93) | 1.40 (1.21 - 1.62) |
| Hoarse voice | 6.33 (6.13 - 6.54) | 1.33 (1.28 - 1.38) | 8.78 (7.83 - 9.85) | 1.75 (1.52 - 2.01) |
| Loss of smell | 7.01 (6.79 - 7.24) | 1.55 (1.49 - 1.61) | 7.85 (6.82 - 9.03) | 0.85 (0.71 - 1.01) |

**Appendix 5: Percentage of Covid-19 symptoms presentation in Community-based App Cohort in participants aged >= 65 years**

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