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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed our manuscript entitled “**Evolution of the management of COVID-19**”

Since February 2020, in IHU Méditerranée Infection, Marseille, France, we managed more than 11,000 patients in our day-care hospital and more than 2,000 in our complete hospitalization wards. From day one, we have been offering early massive PCR screening for patients suspected of having COVID-19 and for their contacts. Here, we propose a brief review of the therapeutic management of COVID-19 including literature data as well as our personal experience based on the observation of our cohort and our previous reports.

All of the authors have seen and approved the manuscript and contributed significantly to the work. The manuscript has not been previously published nor is not being considered for publication elsewhere.

We hope that this work will be considerate for a publication in Clinical Infectious Diseases.

Best regards,

Prof. Jean-Christophe Lagier