



More awareness is needed for severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2019 transmission through exhaled air during non-invasive respiratory support: experience from China

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To the Editor:

As of 17 February, 2020, China has 70635 confirmed cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), including 1772 deaths [1]. Human-to-human spread of the virus *via* respiratory droplets is currently considered to be the main route of transmission. However, exhaled air dispersion during non-invasive respiratory support may increase the risk of coronavirus transmission, and requires more attention from medical personnel and patients.