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### Supplementary appendix

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#### **Supplementary Material**

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#### Appendix A

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#### Appendix B:



**Supplementary Figure S1:** Daily number of patients presenting to Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust testing positive for COVID-19, between 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019 and 6<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

#### Appendix C:

#### Model Development: Inclusion & Exclusion Criteria

As previously, we included all patients attending acute and emergency care settings at Oxford University Hospitals NHS foundation trust who received routine blood tests on arrival, considering presentations before December 1, 2019, and thus before the pandemic, as the COVID-19-negative (control) cohort. The model was trained previously using clinical data from patients presenting to emergency and acute medical services at Oxford University Hospitals (OUH) between Dec 1, 2017 and April 19, 2020; additional data on all COVID-19-positive patient presentations to June 30, 2020 were added to encompass the 'first-wave' of the COVID-19 pandemic in the UK. Patients presenting between December 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 with PCR confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infection formed the COVID-19-positive (cases) cohort. We excluded patients who opted out of electronic health record (EHR) research and those who did not receive laboratory blood tests or were younger than 18 years of age. Due to incomplete penetrance of testing during the first wave of the pandemic, and imperfect sensitivity of the PCR test, there is uncertainty in the viral status of patients presenting during the pandemic who were untested or tested negative. We therefore selected a pre-pandemic control cohort during training to ensure absence of disease in patients labelled as COVID-19-negative.

Clinical features extracted for each presentation included first-performed blood tests, blood gases, vital signs measurements and PCR testing for SARS-CoV-2 (Abbott Architect [Abbott, Maidenhead, UK], TaqPath [Thermo Fisher Scientific, Massachusetts, USA] and Public Health England-designed RNA-dependent RNA polymerase assays). A list of extracted clinical features is shown in Supplementary Table S1.

#### **Missing Data**

Multiple imputation strategies, population median, population mean, and age-based imputation, were separately used to impute missing data initially. As a sensitivity analysis to assess for effects of imputation strategy on model performance, we assessed performance of models trained using each imputation method prospectively for all patients attending emergency departments and acute medical services across OUH during the second-wave of the COVID-19 pandemic (October 01, 2020 and March 06, 2021; Figure 1 & Table 1). Mean performance was reported alongside SD in Supplementary Table S6, with narrow standard deviations in all performance metrics demonstrating resilience to imputation method. We therefore subsequently evaluated models trained with missing data imputed using population median, reporting results alongside 95% confidence intervals (CIs).

#### Model Training & Prospective Evaluation:

We repeated training and optimisation of our eXtreme Gradient BOOSTed tree model (XGBoost) to discriminate COVID-19-positive cases from pre-pandemic COVID-19-negative controls, for each of the three feature-sets (Figure 1B).<sup>1</sup> During training using 'first wave' case, controls were matched for age, gender, and ethnicity at a ratio of 1:20. Thresholds were calibrated to achieve sensitivities of 80% and 90% during training, using stratified 10-fold cross validation.

XGBoost is a generalisation of boosting to an arbitrary differentiable loss function. XGBoost is more robust to outliers and has high predictive power. The scikit-learn (v0.24), LIBLINEAR (v2.41) and XGBoost (v1.2.0) modules for Python were used during model development and classifier evaluation.

**Supplementary Table S1:** Clinical parameters forming the data-extraction template from training and externally validating NHS sites

**Clinical Descriptors:** Study ID Presentation Date Ethnicity Age at presentation Gender (M/F) Comorbidities (ICD10) Outcome Vital Signs: AdmissionRespRate AdmissionHeartRate AdmissionBloodPressure AdmissionSpO2 AdmissionOxygenDeliveryDevice AdmissionTemperature Microbiology: SARS-CoV-2 PCR SARS-CoV-2 RESULT TYPE SARS-CoV-2 Antigen Test Result **INFLUENZAPCR** RespiratoryPCR (Biofire)

Presentation Blood Tests: PresentationHAEMOGLOBIN PresentationWHITE CELLS PresentationPLATELETS PresentationMEAN CELL VOL. PresentationRED CELL COUNT PresentationNEUTROPHILS PresentationHAEMATOCRIT PresentationLYMPHOCYTES PresentationMEAN CELL HGB PresentationMONOCYTES PresentationEOSINOPHILS PresentationBASOPHILS Presentation MCH PresentationMPV PresentationNRBC A PresentationNRBC % PresentationSODIUM PresentationALBUMIN PresentationALK.PHOSPHATASE PresentationALT PresentationUREA PresentationBILIRUBIN PresentationCREATININE PresentationeGER PresentationPOTASSIUM PresentationCALCIUM PresentationADJUSTED CALC. PresentationPHOSPHATE PresentationCRP PresentationProthromb Time PresentationPOCT ctHb PresentationGLUCOSE PresentationAPTT PresentationINR

PresentationPOCT pC02 PresentationPOCT sO2 PresentationPOCT pO2 PresentationPCT cBASE(Ecf)c PresentationPCT CO3(P,st)c PresentationPOCT Hctc PresentationPOCT FO2Hb PresentationPOCT cGLU PresentationPOCT cGLU PresentationPOCT cK+ PresentationPOCT cNA+ PresentationPOCT cLAC PresentationPOCT cCA++

**Presentation Blood Gas:** 

#### Premorbid Clinical Data

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**Supplementary Figure S2:** Participant flow diagram showing patients attending OUH, who met inclusion and exclusion criteria, for (a) the pre-pandemic training cohort and (b) COVID-19-cases cohort, combining to form (c) a full training cohort for model development. Patients attending OUH during the second wave of the UK COVID-19 epidemic, between Oct 1, 2020 and Mar 6, 2020, meeting inclusion and exclusion criteria, formed (d) the second wave analysis cohort, of which a subset (e) received Lateral Flow Testing within routine care as part of an admission.

**Supplementary Table S2:** Distribution of vital signs, reported as median and interquartile ranges, for each patient cohort.

	Training		Prospective	External Valie	dation (Admissio	ons)	LFD	Lab-free
			Test				Evaluation	Evaluation
	Oxford Univers Hospitals (pre- & wave 1 case June 2020)	sity -pandemic es, to 30	Oxford University Hospitals	Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust	University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust	Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Oxford University Hospitals (wave 2 receiving LFDs)	John Radcliffe Hospital ED
	Pre- COVID- pandemic 19-cases cohort cohort		October 1, 2020 – March 6, 2021	March 1, 2020 - February 28, 2021	December 01, 2019 - October 29, 2020	January 1, 2021 - March 31, 2021	December 23, 2020 – March 6, 2021	Feb 18, 2021 – May 10, 2021
Respiratory Rate	18.0 (16.0- 19.0)	20.0 (18.0-	18.0 (16.6-19.0)	17.0 (16.0-19.0)	18.0 (17.0-20.0)	18.0 (16.0-20.0)	18.0 (17.0-20.0)	18.0 (17.0- 20.0)
(breath/min) Heart Rate (beats/min)	82.0 (71.0- 96.0)	88.0 (75.0- 101.0)	84.0 (72.0-97.0)	82.0 (71.0-95.0)	86.0 (73.0-101.0)	84.0 (73.0-97.0)	87.0 (75.0-101.0)	82.0 (70.0- 97.0)
Systolic Blood Pressure (mmHg)	132.0 (118.0- 150.0)	131.0 (115.0- 146.0)	134.0 (119.0- 152.0)	128.0 (114.0- 146.0)	136.0 (119.0- 155.0)	131.0 (116.0- 149.0)	136.0 (120.0- 156.0)	146.5 (126.0- 168.0)
Diastolic Blood Pressure (mmHg)	74.0 (65.0- 84.0)	74.0 (64.0- 84.0)	75.0 (65.0-85.0)	76.0 (67.0-84.0)	77.0 (68.0-87.0)	78.0 (68.0-88.0)	76.0 (65.0-87.0)	79.0 (68.0- 90.8)

Oxygen	97.0 (96.0-	96.0	97.0 (96.0-97.9)	97.0 (95.0-98.0)	97.0 (95.0-98.0)	97.0 (96.0-99.0)	97.0 (95.0-97.7)	97.0 (96.0-
Saturation (%)	99.0)	(94.0-						99.0)
		97.0)						
Tympanic	36.5 (36.1-	36.9	36.3 (36.0-36.7)	36.3 (36.0-36.8)	36.7 (36.4-37.2)	36.5 (36.4-36.9)	36.3 (35.9-36.8)	36.3 (35.8-
Temperature	36.9)	(36.3-						36.8)
(C)		37.6)						

## **Supplementary Table S3:** Distribution of blood test features, reported as median and interquartile ranges, for each patient cohort.

	Training		Prospective Test	External Vali	dation (Admiss	ions)	LFD Evaluation	Lab-free Evaluation
	Oxford Univers (pre-pandemic cases, to 30 Ju	sity Hospitals & wave 1 une 2020)	Oxford University Hospitals	Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust	University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust	Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Oxford University Hospitals (wave 2 receiving LFDs)	John Radcliffe Hospital ED (OLO FBC results)
	Prepandemic cohort	COVID-19- cases cohort	October 1, 2020 – March 6, 2021	March 1, 2020 - February 28, 2021	December 1, 2019 - October 29, 2020	January 1, 2021 - March 31, 2021	December 23, 2020 – March 6, 2021	Feb 18, 2021 – May 10, 2021
HAEMOGLOBIN (g/L)	130.0 (116.0- 142.0)	130.0 (114.0- 144.0)	129.0 (114.0- 142.0)	129.0 (114.0- 143.0)	127.0 (113.0- 140.0)	134.0 (119.0- 146.0)	131.0 (116.0- 144.0)	125.0 (112.0- 137.5)
WHITE CELLS (10 <sup>9</sup> I <sup>-1</sup> )	8.45 (6.46- 11.18)	6.98 (5.14- 9.72)	8.94 (6.7-12.06)	8.6 (6.7-11.3)	9.4 (7.1-12.6)	9.2 (6.9-12.5)	9.43 (7.05-12.73)	8.56 (6.68- 11.37)
PLATELETS (10 <sup>9</sup> I <sup>-1</sup> )	249.0 (199.0- 307.0)	215.0 (163.0- 283.5)	251.0 (198.0- 314.0)	251.0 (199.0- 312.0)	247.0 (196.0- 311.0)	246.0 (196.0- 310.0)	249.0 (195.0- 313.0)	223.0 (183.5- 270.5)
MEAN CELL VOL (fl)	89.6 (86.0- 93.4)	90.2 (86.6- 94.2)	90.2 (86.6-94.2)	89.0 (84.9-93.0)	89.9 (86.2-93.6)	88.0 (85.0- 92.0)	90.0 (86.4-94.3)	90.2 (87.1- 93.7)
NEUTROPHILS (10 <sup>9</sup> I <sup>-1</sup> )	5.72 (3.99- 8.36)	5.11 (3.48- 7.49)	6.44 (4.4-9.55)	5.9 (4.2-8.6)	6.9 (4.7-10.0)	6.8 (4.7-9.73)	6.97 (4.68-10.19)	6.26 (4.36- 9.05)
HAEMATOCRIT	0.39 (0.35- 0.42)	0.4 (0.35- 0.44)	0.39 (0.35-0.43)	0.39 (0.34-0.42)	0.38 (0.34-0.42)	0.39 (0.35- 0.43)	0.4 (0.36-0.43)	0.37 (0.33- 0.41)
LYMPHOCYTES (10 <sup>9</sup> I <sup>-1</sup> )	1.51 (1.0- 2.13)	0.96 (0.65- 1.38)	1.31 (0.85-1.89)	1.5 (0.97-2.2)	1.3 (0.9-1.9)	1.27 (0.86- 1.83)	1.26 (0.83-1.89)	1.25 (0.86- 1.78)
MONOCYTES (10 <sup>9</sup> I <sup>-1</sup> )	0.64 (0.48- 0.85)	0.49 (0.35- 0.74)	0.66 (0.48-0.89)	0.63 (0.48-0.85)	0.7 (0.5-0.9)	0.66 (0.48- 0.92)	0.68 (0.49-0.93)	0.59 (0.43- 0.78)
EOSINOPHILS (10 <sup>9</sup> I <sup>-1</sup> )	0.1 (0.04-0.2)	0.01 (0.0- 0.06)	0.07 (0.02-0.16)	0.1 (0.02-0.2)	0.1 (0.0-0.2)	0.06 (0.02- 0.16)	0.06 (0.01-0.14)	0.09 (0.05- 0.17)
BASOPHILS (10 <sup>9</sup> I <sup>-1</sup> )	0.04 (0.03- 0.06)	0.02 (0.01- 0.03)	0.04 (0.02-0.06)	0.04 (0.02-0.06)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	0.05 (0.03- 0.07)	0.04 (0.02-0.06)	0.03 (0.01- 0.04)
SODIUM (mM)	138.0 (136.0- 140.0)	136.0 (134.0- 139.0)	138.0 (135.0- 140.0)	138.0 (136.0- 140.0)	137.0 (134.0- 139.0)	138.0 (136.0- 140.0)	138.0 (135.0- 140.0)	
ALBUMIN (g/L)	36.0 (32.0- 39.0)	32.0 (28.0- 35.0)	36.0 (31.0-39.0)	36.0 (31.0-40.0)	36.0 (32.0-40.0)	35.0 (31.0- 39.0)	36.0 (31.0-39.0)	
ALKALINE PHOSPHATASE (IU/L)	80.0 (64.0- 105.0)	82.0 (64.0- 108.0)	84.0 (66.0- 112.0)	84.0 (67.0- 109.0)	90.0 (71.0-119.0)	94.0 (74.5- 122.0)	86.0 (69.0-115.0)	
ALT (IU/L)	18.0 (13.0- 28.0)	25.0 (17.0- 41.0)	20.0 (13.0-33.0)	19.0 (13.0-30.0)	19.0 (13.0-30.0)	20.0 (13.0- 31.0)	20.0 (13.0-33.0)	
UREA (mM)	5.3 (4.0-7.4)	5.9 (4.2- 9.07)	5.7 (4.2-8.3)	5.2 (3.8-7.6)	6.2 (4.5-9.0)	5.8 (4.2-8.3)	5.9 (4.3-8.8)	
BILIRUBIN (umol/L)	9.0 (6.0-13.0)	9.0 (7.0- 13.25)	9.0 (6.0-14.0)	10.0 (7.0-16.0)	10.0 (7.0-15.0)	10.0 (7.0-14.0)	10.0 (7.0-14.0)	
CREATININE (umol/L)	73.0 (60.0- 93.0)	79.0 (65.0- 106.0)	74.0 (60.0-97.0)	74.0 (60.0-96.0)	78.0 (62.0-105.0)	80.5 (65.75- 104.0)	74.0 (60.0-98.0)	
eGFR (ml/min)	85.0 (63.0- 150.0)	78.0 (53.0- 150.0)	84.0 (58.0- 150.0)	83.0 (60.0-90.0)	76.0 (52.0-90.0)	76.0 (54.0- 90.0)	82.0 (56.0-150.0)	
POTASSIUM (mM)	4.0 (3.7-4.3)	4.0 (3.7-4.3)	4.0 (3.8-4.4)	4.2 (3.9-4.4)	4.1 (3.8-4.4)	4.3 (4.0-4.6)	4.1 (3.8-4.4)	
CRP (mg/L)	8.6 (2.3-39.0)	72.5 (23.8- 143.6)	15.8 (3.5-67.4)	13.0 (3.0-71.0)	12.0 (3.0-61.0)	10.7 (2.8- 48.78)	17.9 (3.6-77.5)	

	Training		Prospective Test	External Validation	on (Admissions)	LFD Evaluation
	Oxford University pandemic & wave June 2020)	Hospitals (pre- e 1 cases, to 30	Oxford University Hospitals	University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust	Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Oxford University Hospitals (wave 2 receiving LFDs)
	Prepandemic cohort	COVID-19-cases cohort	October 1, 2020 – March 6, 2021	December 01, 2019 - October 29, 2020	January 1, 2021 - March 31, 2021	December 23, 2020 – March 6, 2021
pCO2 (kPa)	5.57 (4.94-6.22)	5.57 (4.94-6.22) 5.34 (4.57-6.01)		5.7 (5.0-6.5)	5.72 (5.03-6.43)	5.68 (5.0-6.4)
O2 Sat (%)	64.5 (44.0-83.8) 65.15 (38.85- 84.68)		65.3 (43.6-85.8)	69.8 (44.6-89.9)	68.0 (44.0-88.9)	60.35 (40.05-80.2)
pO2 (kPa)	4.68 (3.51-6.53)	4.62 (3.4-6.7)	4.79 (3.54-6.92)	5.0 (3.4-7.4)	4.86 (3.41-7.2)	4.52 (3.44-6.2)
BE Std (mM)	1.3 (-0.7-3.2)	1.3 (-0.8-3.3)	1.4 (-0.8-3.5)	-0.1 (-2.1-1.5)	2.2 (0.02-4.2)	1.6 (-0.6-3.8)
Bicarbonate (mM)	24.7 (23.2-26.0)	24.7 (23.2-26.3)	24.8 (23.2-26.3)	24.9 (22.6-27.1)	27.2 (24.72-29.6)	24.8 (23.1-26.3)
Haematocrit	41.6 (37.2-45.4)	41.3 (36.8-45.8)	41.3 (36.4-45.5)	43.0 (38.7-46.5)	41.8 (36.9-45.9)	42.0 (37.3-46.0)
Glucose (mM)	6.2 (5.4-7.5)	6.6 (5.7-8.2)	6.4 (5.5-8.0)	6.73 (5.81-8.48)	6.4 (5.5-8.0)	6.6 (5.6-8.3)
K+ (mM)	3.9 (3.7-4.3)	3.85 (3.6-4.2)	4.0 (3.7-4.3)	3.96 (3.66-4.3)	4.0 (3.7-4.3)	4.0 (3.7-4.3)
Na+ (mM)	138.0 (135.0-	137.0 (133.0-	138.0 (135.0-141.0)	140.0 (137.2-141.9)	139.0 (135.0-141.0)	138.0 (135.0-141.0)
	141.0)	140.0)				
cLAC (mM)	1.3 (0.9-1.9)	1.4 (1.24-2.0)	1.4 (1.24-1.9)	1.64 (1.25-2.27)	1.3 (1.0-1.9)	1.4 (1.24-2.1)
Ca2+ (mM)	1.18 (1.14-1.21)	1.12 (1.08-1.16)	1.17 (1.13-1.21)	1.21 (1.16-1.24)	1.17 (1.12-1.2)	1.17 (1.14-1.21)
Haemoglobin (g/dL)	136.0 (121.0- 148.0)	134.0 (120.0- 149.0)	135.0 (118.0-148.0)	133.1 (118.4-146.3)	136.0 (120.0-150.0)	137.0 (121.0-150.0)

**Supplementary Table S4:** Distribution of blood gas features, reported as median and interquartile ranges for each patient cohort.

**Supplementary Table S5:** Numbers of participants with data-completeness for each predictor, across each evaluation cohort.

	Prospective Test	External Validation	n (Admissions)		LFD Evaluation	Lab-free
	-					Evaluation
	Oxford University	Bedfordshire	University Hospitals	Portsmouth	Oxford University	John Radcliffe
	Hospitals	Hospitals NHS	Birmingham NHS	Hospitals University	Hospitals (wave 2	Hospital ED (OLO
		Foundation Trust	Foundation Trust	NHS Trust	receiving LFDs)	FBC)
	October 1, 2020 -	January 1, 2021 -	December 1, 2019 -	March 1, 2020 -	December 23, 2020 –	Feb 18, 2021 –
	March 6, 2021	March 31, 2021	October 29, 2020	February 28, 2021	March 6, 2021	May 10, 2021
HAEMOGLOBIN	22532/22857	10243/10293 (99.5%)	37761/37896 (99.6%)	1177/1177 (100.0%)	3175/3207 (99.0%)	520/520 (100%)
(g/L)	(98.6%)					
WHITE CELLS	22532/22857	10244/10293 (99.5%)	37756/37896 (99.6%)	1177/1177 (100.0%)	3175/3207 (99.0%)	520/520 (100%)
(10 <sup>9</sup> l <sup>-1</sup> )	(98.6%)					
PLATELETS (10 <sup>9</sup>	22511/22857	10230/10293 (99.4%)	37719/37896 (99.5%)	1172/1177 (99.6%)	3173/3207 (98.9%)	520/520 (100%)
l-1)	(98.5%)					
MEAN CELL	22532/22857	10288/10293	37750/37896 (99.6%)	1177/1177 (100.0%)	3175/3207 (99.0%)	520/520 (100%)
VOL (fl)	(98.6%)	(100.0%)				
NEUTROPHILS	22417/22857	10277/10293 (99.8%)	37734/37896 (99.6%)	1177/1177 (100.0%)	3163/3207 (98.6%)	520/520 (100%)
(10 <sup>9</sup> l <sup>-1</sup> )	(98.1%)					
HAEMATOCRIT	22532/22857	10288/10293	37755/37896 (99.6%)	1177/1177 (100.0%)	3175/3207 (99.0%)	520/520 (100%)
	(98.6%)	(100.0%)				
LYMPHOCYTES	22430/22857	10274/10293 (99.8%)	37736/37896 (99.6%)	1177/1177 (100.0%)	3163/3207 (98.6%)	520/520 (100%)
(10 <sup>9</sup> l <sup>-1</sup> )	(98.1%)					
MONOCYTES	22452/22857	10273/10293 (99.8%)	37744/37896 (99.6%)	1177/1177 (100.0%)	3163/3207 (98.6%)	520/520 (100%)
(10 <sup>9</sup> l <sup>-1</sup> )	(98.2%)					
EOSINOPHILS	22452/22857	10272/10293 (99.8%)	37736/37896 (99.6%)	1177/1177 (100.0%)	3163/3207 (98.6%)	520/520 (100%)
(10 <sup>9</sup> l <sup>-1</sup> )	(98.2%)					
BASOPHILS (109	22448/22857	10270/10293 (99.8%)	37745/37896 (99.6%)	1177/1177 (100.0%)	3162/3207 (98.6%)	520/520 (100%)
l-1)	(98.2%)					
SODIUM (mM)	22442/22857	9664/10293 (93.9%)	36409/37896 (96.1%)	1173/1177 (99.7%)	3180/3207 (99.2%)	
	(98.2%)					
ALBUMIN (g/L)	20010/22857	8783/10293 (85.3%)	35625/37896 (94.0%)	1160/1177 (98.6%)	3027/3207 (94.4%)	
	(87.5%)					
ALKALINE	19885/22857	8799/10293 (85.5%)	35604/37896 (94.0%)	1111/1177 (94.4%)	3017/3207 (94.1%)	
PHOSPHATASE	(87.0%)					
(IU/L)						
ALT (IU/L)	19692/22857	8689/10293 (84.4%)	35547/37896 (93.8%)	1037/1177 (88.1%)	3003/3207 (93.6%)	
	(86.2%)					

UREA (mM)	22400/22857	9667/10293 (93.9%)	36398/37896 (96.0%)	1141/1177 (96.9%)	3176/3207 (99.0%)	
	(98.0%)					
BILIRUBIN	19705/22857	8716/10293 (84.7%)	35550/37896 (93.8%)	940/1177 (79.9%)	3006/3207 (93.7%)	
(umol/L)	(86.2%)					
CREATININE	22457/22857	9655/10293 (93.8%)	36415/37896 (96.1%)	1172/1177 (99.6%)	3181/3207 (99.2%)	
(umol/L)	(98.2%)					
eGFR (ml/min)	22405/22857	9649/10293 (93.7%)	36415/37896 (96.1%)	1172/1177 (99.6%)	3171/3207 (98.9%)	
	(98.0%)					
POTASSIUM	22043/22857	9306/10293 (90.4%)	34910/37896 (92.1%)	1057/1177 (89.8%)	3105/3207 (96.8%)	
(mM)	(96.4%)					
CRP (mg/L)	19068/22857	8204/10293 (79.7%)	35245/37896 (93.0%)	1136/1177 (96.5%)	2829/3207 (88.2%)	
	(83.4%)					
Respiratory Rate	22794/22857	1177/1177 (100.0%)	10091/10293 (98.0%)	33459/37896 (88.3%)	3204/3207 (99.9%)	520/520 (100%)
(breath/min)	(99.7%)					
Heart Rate	22845/22857	1176/1177 (99.9%)	10117/10293 (98.3%)	33461/37896 (88.3%)	3206/3207 (100.0%)	520/520 (100%)
(beats/min)	(99.9%)					
Systolic Blood	22843/22857	1171/1177 (99.5%)	10083/10293 (98.0%)	33459/37896 (88.3%)	3207/3207 (100.0%)	520/520 (100%)
Pressure (mmHg)	(99.9%)					
Diastolic Blood	22841/22857	1171/1177 (99.5%)	10082/10293 (98.0%)	33459/37896 (88.3%)	3207/3207 (100.0%)	520/520 (100%)
Pressure (mmHg)	(99.9%)					
Oxygen	22837/22857	1177/1177 (100.0%)	10118/10293 (98.3%)	33459/37896 (88.3%)	3207/3207 (100.0%)	520/520 (100%)
Saturation (%)	(99.9%)					
Tympanic	22767/22857	1177/1177 (100.0%)	10115/10293 (98.3%)	33456/37896 (88.3%)	3207/3207 (100.0%)	520/520 (100%)
Temperature (C)	(99.6%)					

#### Appendix D: Prospective & External Evaluation of CURIAL-Rapide & CURIAL-Lab

**Supplementary Table S6:** Evaluation of the performance of (a) CURIAL-Rapide and (b) CURIAL-Lab, calibrated during training to achieve sensitivities of 80% and 90%, on an independent prospective set of all admissions to OUH during the second-wave of COVID-19, between October 1, 2020 and March 6, 2021. (c) Benchmark performance of CURIAL-1.0 (Soltan et al. 2020) on the prospective set. Mean values are reported alongside SD across the three imputation methods.

Model	(a) CURIAL-Rapide: FBC + Vitals		(b) CURIAL-L LF Tests, CR	.ab: FBC, U&E, P + Vitals	(c) CURIAL-1.0: Blood Tests + Blood Gas + Vitals		
Calibration	80% 90%		80%	90%	80%	90%	
Sensitivity	74.7 (0.4)	85.6 (0.6)	72.9 (0.8)	85.7 (0.9)	73.6 (0.3)	85.9 (1.4)	
Specificity	78.6 (0.4)	59.1 (0.3)	87.3 (1.1)	68.6 (2.2)	86.6 (0.4)	67.1 (0.8)	
PPV	14.9 (0.1)	9.46 (0.0)	22.4 (1.2)	12.0 (0.6)	21.5 (0.4)	11.6 (0.0)	
NPV	98.4 (0.0)	98.8 (0.0)	98.5 (0.0)	99.0 (0.0)	98.5 (0.0)	99.0 (0.1)	
F1	0.248	0.170	0.342	0.211 (0.009)	0.331	0.204	
	(0.003)	(0.001)	(0.014)		(0.005)	(0.001)	
AUROC	0.843	0.843	0.878	0.878 (0.001)	0.875	0.875	
	(0.002)	(0.002)	(0.001)		(0.002)	(0.002)	

#### External validation at independent NHS Trusts:

We externally validated CURIAL-Rapide and CURIAL-Lab by applying the respective models to results of first-available blood test results and vital signs (Figure 1B), comparing model predictions to confirmatory SARS-CoV-2 viral genome test results. For trusts where blood-gas results were available for electronic extraction, we also evaluated CURIAL-1.0. Patients meeting inclusion criteria had an unscheduled acute or emergency care admission, during the specified periods, received a blood draw on arrival and were aged over 18. We excluded patients who did not have a valid

confirmatory test result within a prespecified period, or who had opted out of EHR research. Screening against eligibility criteria, followed by anonymisation, was performed by the respective NHS Trusts.

Evaluation at Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust (PUH) considered all patients admitted to the Queen Alexandria Hospital, serving a population of 675,000 and offering tertiary referral services to the surrounding region, between March 1, 2020 and February 28, 2021. Confirmatory COVID-19 testing was by laboratory SARS-CoV-2 RT-PCR assay (Ct for positive result ≤36), considering any positive PCR result within 48hrs of admission as a true positive. As blood gas results were not available for electronic extraction, we evaluated only CURIAL-Rapide and CURIAL-Lab at PUH.

Evaluation at University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation (UHB) trust considered all patients admitted to The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, between December 01, 2019 and October 29, 2020. The Queen Elizabeth Hospital is a large tertiary referral unit within the UHB group which provides healthcare services for a population of 2.2 million across the West Midlands. Confirmatory COVID-19 testing was performed by laboratory SARS-CoV-2 RT-PCR assay (Ct for positive result ≤36).

Evaluation at Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (BHT) considered all patients admitted to Bedford Hospital between January 1, 2021 and March 31, 2021. BHT provides healthcare services for a population of around 620,000 in Bedfordshire. Confirmatory COVID-19 testing was performed on the day of admission by point-of-care PCR based nucleic acid testing [SAMBA-II & Panther Fusion System, Diagnostics in the Real World, UK, and Hologic, USA]. The Ct for a positive clinical result was ≤36. In an evaluation of the SAMBA-II against laboratory RT-PCR testing, the SAMBA-II achieved sensitivity of 96.9% and specificity of 99.1%.<sup>2,3</sup>

We report sensitivity, specificity, positive and negative predictive values (PPV and NPV), AUROC and F1 alongside 95% CIs (Supplementary Table S7 & Figure 2), comparing model predictions to results of confirmatory viral testing (laboratory PCR and SAMBA-II). 95% Confidence intervals for sensitivity, specificity and predictive values were computed using Wilson's Method,<sup>4</sup> and for AUROC with DeLong's method.<sup>5</sup>

**Supplementary Table S7:** Performance of CURIAL-Rapide, CURIAL-Lab & CURIAL-1.0 (Soltan et al. 2020) during external validation at three UK Hospital trusts. All models were calibrated during training to achieve 90% sensitivity. Results are reported alongside 95% confidence intervals. (Acronyms – FBC: Complete Blood Count, U&E: Creatinine & Electrolytes, LFD: Liver Function Test, CRP: C-Reactive Protein)

	Portsmouth University N <i>n</i> = 37,896, p 5.29%	Hospitals NHS Trust prevalence =	University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust <i>n=10,293; prevalence = 4.27%</i>			Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust <i>n=1,177; prevalence = 12.2%</i>		
	CURIAL- CURIAL-		CURIAL- CURIAL- CURIAL-		CURIAL-	CURIAL-	CURIAL-	
	Rapide Lab		Rapide Lab 1.0		Rapide	Lab	1.0	
Sensitivity	83.5 (81.8	84.1 (82.5	82.2 (78.4	78.8 (74.8	83.4 (79.6	74.3 (66.6	74.3 (66.6	72.9 (65.1
(%)	- 85.1)	- 85.7)	- 85.5)	- 82.4)	- 86.6)	- 80.7)	- 80.7)	- 79.5)
Specificity	63.6 (63.1	63.6 (63.1     71.3 (70.9       - 64.1)     - 71.8)		74.7 (73.8	68.7 (67.7	81.8 (79.3	84.8 (82.5	83.6 (81.3
(%)	- 64.1)			- 75.5)	- 69.6)	- 84.0)	- 86.9)	- 85.8)

PPV (%)	11.4 (10.9	14.1 (13.5	9.6 (8.7 -	12.2 (11.0	10.6 (9.6 -	36.3 (31.0	40.5 (34.8	38.3 (32.8
	- 11.9)	- 14.7)	10.6)	- 13.4)	11.7)	- 41.9)	- 46.5)	- 44.2)
NPV (%)	98.6 (98.4	98.8 (98.6	98.8 (98.5	98.8 (98.5	98.9 (98.7	95.8 (94.3	95.9 (94.5	95.7 (94.2
· · ·	- 98.7)	- 98.9)	- 99.0)	- 99.0)	- 99.2)	- 96.9)	- 97.0)	- 96.8)
F1	0.200	0.241	0.172	0.211	0.188	0.487	0.525	0.502
AUROC	0.842	0.872	0.836	0.858	0.846	0.854	0.881	0.865
	(0.832 -	(0.863 -	(0.814 -	(0.838 -	(0.825 -	(0.819 -	(0.851 -	(0.830 -
	0.852)	0.882)	0.858)	0.878)	0.867)	0.889)	0.912)	0.900)

#### **Comparison with Lateral Flow Tests**

We considered any positive lateral flow test which was followed by a positive PCR test within a +/- 48hr window of a patient being admitted to hospital to represent a true positive infection. As previously, model predictions were generated using blood tests performed from the first blood draw on arrival and first-recorded vital signs. In the integrated clinical pathway (Figure 1C), patients were considered COVID-19-suspected if they had either a positive LFD result or CURIAL prediction. Results are show in Figure 3 and Supplementary Table S8.

**Supplementary Table S8:** Performance characteristics of (a) INNOVA SARS-CoV2 Rapid Antigen Tests, (b) CURIAL-Rapide & CURIAL-Lab, calibrated during training to a sensitivity of 80%, and (c) combined clinical pathways considering either a positive CURIAL-Rapide/CURIAL-Lab result or a positive LFD test as a COVID-19 suspected case, at Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust between December 23, 2020 & March 6, 2021. Error bars show 95% confidence intervals.

n=3207 prevalence 11.1%		CURIAL-Rapide: FBC & Vitals		CURIAL-Lab: F Tests, CRP + V	BC, U&E, LF itals	CURIAL-1.0: Blood Tests + Blood Gas + Vitals		
Feature Sets	Innova SARS- CoV-2 Rapid Antigen Tests	CURIAL- Rapide	Innova Lateral Flow Tests + CURIAL-Rapide	CURIAL-Lab	Innova Lateral Flow Tests + CURIAL-Lab	CURIAL-1.0	Innova Lateral Flow Tests + CURIAL-1.0	
Sensitivity	56.9% (51.7 -	78.0% (73.4 -	88.2% (84.4 -	74.4% (69.6 -	85.6% (81.6 -	76.1% (71.4 -	85.9% (81.9 -	
	62.0)	82.0)	91.1)	78.6)	88.9)	80.2)	89.2)	
Specificity	99.8% (99.6 -	80.0% (78.5 -	79.9% (78.4 -	88.4% (87.2 -	88.3% (87.0 -	88.5% (87.3 -	88.4% (87.1 -	
	99.9)	81.4)	81.3)	89.5)	89.4)	89.6)	89.5)	
PPV	97.6% (94.5 -	32.7% (29.6 -	35.3% (32.2 -	44.4% (40.4 -	47.6% (43.7 -	45.2% (41.2 -	47.9% (44.0 -	
	99.0)	35.9)	38.5)	48.4)	51.4)	49.2)	51.8)	
NPV	94.9% (94.1 -	96.7% (95.9 -	98.2% (97.6 -	96.5% (95.7 -	98.0% (97.4 -	96.7% (96.0 -	98.1% (97.4 -	
	95.6)	97.3)	98.7)	97.2)	98.5)	97.4)	98.5)	
F1	0.719	0.461	0.504	0.556	0.612	0.567	0.615	
AUROC		0.854 (0.829	0.919 (0.899 -	0.877 (0.853	0.925 (0.905 -	0.887 (0.865	0.926 (0.907	
		- 0.879)	0.940)	- 0.901)	0.945)	- 0.909)	- 0.946)	

#### Appendix E:

#### **CURIAL-Rapide lab-free deployment**

Deployment of the OLO haematology analyser & CURIAL-Rapide operated between February 18, 2021 and May 10, 2021 between 8am and 8pm.

#### **Operator Training**

We specified that clinical staff carrying out the service evaluation must ordinarily be employed by OUH, participate in the care of patients as part of their usual duties, have completed all statutory & mandatory training required by the trust for their role including for electronic health record systems, and be familiar and competent in using these systems as part of their usual role. We permitted student doctors meeting the above requirements to participate. Training to operate the OLO was provided by in-person device training, supported by demonstration and documentation from the device manufacturers, and a supporting online training video (made available at https://youtu.be/UofBAL7sAzc). Weekly quality-control checks were performed on the OLO analysers.

#### **Enrolment:**

OUH sites for eligibility: John Radcliffe Hospital

Inclusion: Adult patients (aged >18)

Clinical areas for sampling eligibility were ED Assessment area, ED Majors Beds and ED Resus. Patients who are not receiving blood tests on presentation to the emergency department as part of their care were not eligible.

#### Process:

Eligible patients were identified to take part in the service evaluation using the locally-adopted Cerner FirstNet system. Vital signs and blood draws were performed on arrival to the emergency department by healthcare professionals as part of routine care. Following trust procedures, vital signs were documented on the trust electronic health record [SEND; Sensyne Health], and blood bottles were labelled using printed labels from the electronic record. Two drops of venous blood (27uL) from a routinely-collected EDTA blood tube were extracted using a single-use sampling device, and prepared for OLO analysis by trained operators directed by onscreen instructions.<sup>6</sup> OLO results were uploaded immediately to the electronic medical record using the POCcelerator Data Management System [Siemens Healthineers GmbH, Erlangen, Germany], making results available to clinicians and supporting routine patient care. Routine laboratory FBC analysis [Sysmex XN Automated, Sysmex UK] was used to confirm point of care results. Clinical care followed existing pathways and departmental procedures.

1 Change into scrubs, introduce to nurse in charge/A&E consultant & find OLO analysers (Assessment area)

**3** Take bloods, with an additional purple EDTA tube where possible. The OLO needs just two drops from a purple EDTA tube (lab FBC tube or additional purple tube)

Please be considerate around clinical teams When requesting on EPR, it is essential to use

> the 'ED/AAU COVID CARESET'. Ensure clinical samples sent to lab.

2 Identify patients arriving (on Firstnet)

**1.** Aged ≥18 triaged to <u>bedded clinical</u> <u>area</u>: assessment area, majors beds, Resus

2. Having blood taken

**4** Run blood sample on OLO analysers as shown in the <u>training video</u>. Remember to manually enter or scan the patients' MRN.

The OLO takes around 10 minutes to run for each sample. While waiting, please complete the **data-record spreadsheet** on the **research drive** using data from

**Supplementary Figure S3:** Instructions to trained operators, specifying eligibility criteria for the service evaluation, sample handling and processing techniques.

Confirmatory COVID-19 Testing:

Confirmatory testing of patients enrolled in the OLO/CURIAL-Rapide service evaluation, and LFD comparison, followed OUH trust policies. Swabs of the nose and throat were routinely performed in the emergency department for all patients being admitted to OUH. Lateral Flow Testing (Innova SARS-CoV-2 Antigen Rapid Qualitative Test) was performed in the department, by trained nursing or medical staff, and results were documented on the electronic record. Swabs for PCR were transferred to the clinical laboratory in viral transport medium and tested by PCR (ThermoFisher TaqPath). Where patients were not tested for COVID-19 by confirmatory PCR, or did not receive blood tests or vital signs as part of routine care, we excluded the patients from the CURIAL-Rapide evaluation. We also excluded patients with an invalid OLO result and no subsequent successful result, thereby ensuring data completeness.

#### Analysis

Binary CURIAL-Rapide triage predictions (COVID-19-Suspected and COVID-19-Negative) were generated using a custom Python 3.0 application. Libraries used included scikit-learn, pandas, and NumPy. No other clinical data was made available to the algorithm. CURIAL-Rapide predictions were not made available to physician in this study, so as not to influence the clinical triage category or decisions to proceed to confirmatory testing.

We compared CURIAL-Rapide predictions, lateral flow results, and clinical triage category by first-assessing physician against a PCR reference standard. Assessing physicians were trained to use the Green/Amber/Blue categorization system as part of their ordinary clinical role. We determined and report sensitivity, specificity, PPV, NPV and accuracy, alongside 95% confidence intervals. We calculated the time-to-result for each test, presenting mean with standard deviation for normally distribution data, and median with interquartile range for data with a skewed distributed. Laboratory FBC samples were not processed for 2 of the 520 patients, owing to sample or labelling errors. For paired samples, we compared time-to-result between each test using a one-tailed Wilcoxon Signed Rank test. We additionally performed a Kaplan-Meier survival analysis (Figure 4). Analyses were performed in Python 3.0 using scikit-learn (v0.24) and pandas (v1.3.3).

We report our study in compliance with the "Standards for Reporting Diagnostic accuracy studies" (STARD) standards.<sup>7,8</sup>

#### Appendix F:

#### Explainability: Understanding the role of predictors

To understand the role of predictors in model performance we performed relative feature importance analysis, showing the weights of individual features in the trained models. A limitation of this analysis is that where features are highly correlated, any one of the correlated features may be selected during training, ascribed importance and thereafter the relative importance of highly correlated features may appear to be decreased. Therefore, to better understand the impact of individual predictors on model performance, we performed SHAP (SHapley Additive exPlanations) analysis using the prospective OUH second-wave test set. An advantage of this analysis is that SHAP values can be used to interpret the impact on model prediction of the value of a given feature, in comparison to a baseline value.<sup>9</sup>

As previously, the features which were most important to CURIAL-1.0 model predictions were Basophils, Eosinophils, CRP, and Oxygen requirements. SHAP analysis found that similar features were most important to model predictions, with higher relative importance for CRP when compared to Basophils. The highest ranking features, both in relative feature importance analysis and by SHAP scores, were similar between CURIAL-1.0 and CURIAL-Lab. For CURIAL-Rapide, granulocyte counts (Basophils & Eosinophils) were expectedly amongst the highest ranking features, alongside Oxygen saturations and respiratory rate.



**Supplementary Figure S4:** Explainability analyses for CURIAL-1.0, CURIAL-Lab & CURIAL-Rapide. a) Relative feature importance of individual predictors within the trained models, b) SHAP (Shapley Additive Explanations) score analysis on the OUH second wave prospective set.



**Supplementary Figure S6:** Calibration curve analysis demonstrating calibration of CURIAL-1.0, CURIAL-Lab & CURIAL-Rapide during the OUH second wave prospective evaluation.

#### **Appendix G: Supplementary Results**

**Supplementary Table S9:** Subgroup performance by gender for CURIAL-Rapide, CURIAL-Lab & CURIAL-1.0 (Soltan et al.) during external validation at three UK Hospital trusts. Results are reported alongside 95% confidence intervals.

		Portsmouth Jniversity N n= 37,896, prevalence CURIAL-	Hospitals NHS Trust = 5.29% CURIAL-	University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust <i>n=10,293; prevalence = 4.27%</i> CURIAL- CURIAL- CURIAL-			Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust <i>n=1,177; prevalence = 12.2%</i> CURIAL- CURIAL- CURIAL-		
		Rapide	Lab	Rapide	Lab	1.0	Rapide	Lab	1.0
	Sensitivity (%)	85.3% (83.1 • 87.3)	87.2% (85.0 - 89.1)	84.4% (79.5 - 88.4)	81.7% (76.5 - 86.0)	86.8% (82.1 - 90.4)	70.7% (58.0 - 80.8)	79.3% (67.2 - 87.7)	75.9% (63.5 - 85.0)
	Specificity (%)	62.8% (62.1 63.6)	68.5% (67.8 - 69.2)	66.1% (64.7 - 67.4)	74.3% (73.0 - 75.6)	67.3% (66.0 - 68.7)	81.4% (78.0 - 84.4)	85.1% (81.9 - 87.8)	83.3% (80.0 - 86.1)
	PPV (%)	13.0% (12.2 13.8)	15.2% (14.3 - 16.2)	12.3% (10.8 - 13.9)	15.2% (13.4 - 17.1)	13.0% (11.5 - 14.7)	27.9% (21.3 - 35.6)	35.1% (27.5 - 43.6)	31.7% (24.5 - 39.8)
	NPV (%)	98.5% (98.3 98.7)	98.8% (98.6 - 99.0)	98.7% (98.2 - 99.0)	98.6% (98.2 - 99.0)	98.9% (98.5 - 99.2)	97.6% (95.8 - 98.6)	97.6% (95.8 - 98.6)	97.1% (95.2 - 98.3)
	F1	0.225	0.259	0.214	0.256	0.226	0.400	0.487	0.447
Male	AUROC	0.851 0.837 - 0.864)	0.881 (0.869 - 0.894)	0.853 (0.826 - 0.88)	0.873 (0.849 - 0.897)	0.865 (0.841 - 0.889)	0.84 (0.782 - 0.898)	0.894 (0.848 - 0.939)	0.867 (0.811 - 0.923)
	Sensitivity [%)	81.4% (78.8 83.8)	80.7% (78.1 - 83.1)	79.1% (72.6 - 84.4)	74.7% (67.9 - 80.5)	78.6% (72.1 - 83.9)	76.7% (66.8 - 84.4)	70.9% (60.6 - 79.5)	70.9% (60.6 - 79.5)
	Specificity (%)	64.0% (63.3 64.7)	73.3% (72.7 - 73.9)	64.8% (63.6 - 66.1)	75.0% (73.8 - 76.2)	69.8% (68.6 - 71.0)	82.3% (78.6 - 85.5)	84.4% (80.9 - 87.5)	84.0% (80.4 - 87.1)
	PPV (%)	9.5% (8.9 - 10.2)	12.3% (11.5 - 13.1)	7.2% (6.1 - 8.4)	9.3% (8.0 - 11.0)	8.2% (7.0 - 9.6)	44.6% (36.8 - 52.6)	45.9% (37.6 - 54.3)	45.2% (37.0
	NPV (%)	98.7% (98.5 98.9)	98.8% (98.6 - 99.0)	98.9% (98.5 - 99.2)	98.9% (98.5 - 99.1)	99.0% (98.6 - 99.2)	95.0% (92.4 - 96.7)	94.0% (91.3 - 95.9)	94.0% (91.2 - 95.9)
Ð	F1	0.170	0.213	0.132	0.166	0.149	0.564	0.557	0.552
Fema	AUROC	0.83 (0.815 - 0.845)	0.859 (0.844 - 0.873)	0.811 (0.774 - 0.848)	0.834 (0.8 - 0.869)	0.817 (0.781 - 0.854)	0.863 (0.819 - 0.907)	0.871 (0.83 - 0.913)	0.863 (0.817 - 0.909)

**Supplementary Table S10:** Subgroup performance by ethnicity for CURIAL-Rapide, CURIAL-Lab & CURIAL-1.0 (Soltan et al.) during external validation at three UK

Hospital trusts. Subgroups are shown where group size is  $\geq$ 15 or 0.25% of the evaluation population. Results are reported alongside 95% confidence intervals.

		Portsmouth Jniversity N n= 37,896, µ = 5.29%	Hospitals HS Trust prevalence	University F NHS Found <i>n=10,293; p</i>	lospitals Birn ation Trust prevalence =	ningham <i>4.27%</i>	Bedfordshir Foundation n=1,177; pr	e Hospitals I Trust evalence = 1	NHS 12.2%
		CURIAL- Rapide	CURIAL- Lab	CURIAL- Rapide	CURIAL- Lab	CURIAL- 1.0	CURIAL- Rapide	CURIAL- Lab	CURIAL- 1.0
White	Sensitivity %)	82.4% (80.3 84.2)	82.6% (80.6 - 84.5)	80.7% (75.1 - 85.3)	75.9% (69.9 - 81.0)	·81.1% (75.6 - 85.7)	72.8% (64.0 - 80.1)	72.8% (64.0 - 80.1)	·71.1% (62.1 - 78.6)
	Specificity (%)	63.7% (63.1 64.2)	71.3% (70.8 - 71.8)	62.7% (61.5 - 63.9)	73.0% (71.9 - 74.0)	·66.3% (65.2 - 67.4)	81.4% (78.8 - 83.8)	84.9% (82.5 - 87.1) 87.7% (21.6	84.3% (81.8 - 86.5)
	NPV (%)	10.5% (10.0 11.1) 98.6% (98.4	- 13.7) 98.8% (98.6	8.0) 99.0% (98.6	0.0% (7.0 - 10.1) 98.9% (98.5 -	7.7% (6.7 - 8.8) ·99.0% (98.7 -	- 39.0) 96.0% (94.4	96.1% (94.6 -	-56.2% (50.2 - 42.6) 95.9% (94.3 -
	F1	98.7)	- 98.9) 0.225	- <u>99.2)</u> 0 128	99.1) 0 158	99.3) 0.140	- 97.2) 0.454	97.3) 0.497	97.0) 0.479
	AUROC	0.831 (0.819 0.843)	0.865 (0.854 - 0.876)	0.825 (0.794 - 0.856)	0.842 (0.814 - 0.869)	0.822 (0.791 - 0.852)	0.848 (0.809 - 0.887)	0.877 (0.842 - 0.911)	0.857 (0.817 - 0.898)
South Asian	Sensitivity (%)	90.0% (69.9 97.2)	80.0% (58.4 - 91.9)	79.2% (70.0 - 86.1)	78.1% (68.9 - 85.2)	81.2% (72.3 - 87.8)	87.5% (64.0 - 96.5)	87.5% (64.0 - 96.5)	87.5% (64.0 - 96.5)
, torain	Specificity (%)	71.4% (63.8 78.0)	76.6% (69.3 - 82.6)	72.2% (69.6 - 74.6)	78.5% (76.2 - 80.7)	·74.2% (71.7 - 76.6)	81.8% (69.7 - 89.8)	74.5% (61.7 - 84.2)	78.2% (65.6 - 87.1)
		29.0% (19.2 41.3)	30.8% (19.9 - 44.3)	17.8% (14.5 - 21.7)	21.7% (17.7 - 26.3)	19.4% (15.8 - 23.5)	58.3% (38.8 - 75.5) 05.7% (05.0	50.0% (32.6 - 67.4)	53.8% (35.5 - 71.2)
	NPV (%)	99.5)	96.7% (91.9 - 98.7)	97.8% (96.7 - 98.6)	97.9% (96.8 - 98.6)	98.1% (97.0 - 98.8)	95.7% (85.8 - 98.8)	95.3% (84.5 - 98.7)	95.6% (85.2 - 98.8)
	AUROC	0.439 0.919 (0.855	0.444	0.291 0.824 (0.771	0.339	0.313 0.856 (0.81 -	0.700 0.888 (0.792	0.636 0.9 (0.825 - 0.075)	0.926 (0.857
Black	Sensitivity %)	90.9% (62.3 98.4)	90.9% (62.3 - 98.4)	90.5% (71.1 97.3)	85.7% (65.4 - 95.0)	0.902) •90.5% (71.1 - 97.3)	- 0.983) 62.5% (30.6 - 86.3)	62.5% (30.6 - 86.3)	- 0.993) 62.5% (30.6 - 86.3)
	Specificity (%)	59.4% (52.1 66.3)	64.4% (57.2 - 71.1)	67.2% (62.8 - 71.3)	74.5% (70.4 - 78.3)	71.3% (67.0 - 75.2)	85.7% (68.5 - 94.3)	96.4 <sup>°</sup> % (82.3 - 99.4)	82.1% (64.4 - 92.1)
	PPV (%)	12.0% (6.7 - 20.8)	13.5% (7.5 - 23.1)	11.1% (7.2 - 16.7)	13.2% (8.5 - 20.0)	12.5% (8.2 - 18.7)	55.6% (26.7 - 81.1)	83.3% (43.6 - 97.0)	50.0% (23.7 - 76.3)
	NPV (%)	99.1% (94.9 • 99.8)	99.1% (95.3 - 99.8)	99.4% (97.7 - 99.8)	99.1% (97.5 - 99.7)	.99.4% (97.8 - 99.8)	88.9% (71.9 - 96.1)	90.0% (74.4 - 96.5)	88.5% (71.0 - 96.0)
	AUROC	0.213 0.908 (0.813	0.235 0.899 (0.795	0.198 0.844 (0.775	0.229 0.899 (0.84 -	0.220 0.872 (0.788	0.588 0.763 (0.537	0.714 0.857 (0.665	0.556 0.79 (0.573 -
Chinese	Sensitivity	1.000)	- 1.000)	- 0.912) 100.0%	0.959) 50.0% (9.5 -	- 0.956) 100.0% (34.2	- 0.99)	- 1.000)	1.000)
	,∞) Specificity			(34.2 - 100.0) 76.9% (61.7	90.5) 74.4% (58.9 -	- 100.0) 71.8% (56.2 -			
	(%) PPV (%)			- 87.4) 18.2% (5.1 -	85.4) 9.1% (1.6 -	83.5) 15.4% (4.3 -			
	NPV (%)			47.7) 100.0%	37.7) ` 06.7% (83.3	42.2)			
				(88.6 - 100.0)	99.4)	- 100.0% (87.9			
	F1 AUROC			0.308 0.91 (0.766 -	0.154 0.769 (0.31 -	0.267 0.987 (0.952			
Other	Sensitivity		91 99/ /04 5	1.000)	1.000)	- 1.00)	100.0%		100.00/ (51.0
	(%)	92.7)	61.8% (61.5 - 92.7)	90.0% (69.9 - 97.2)	95.0% (76.4 - 99.1)	99.1) 99.1	(51.0 - 100.0)	- 100.0% (51.0 - 100.0)	- 100.0% (51.0 - 100.0)
	Specificity (%)	70.5% (64.6 75.8)	77.3% (71.7 - 82.0)	77.3% (72.4 - 81.6)	82.7% (78.2 - 86.5)	82.7% (78.2 - 86.5)	84.0% (65.3 - 93.6)	80.0% (60.9 - 91.1)	72.0% (52.4 - 85.7)

	PPV (%)	19.6% (12.7 28.8)	24.0% (15.8	20.2% (13.2	26.0% (17.3 - 37 1)	21.3% (14.1 - 31.0)	50.0% (21.5 78 5)	44.4% (18.9 - 73 3)	36.4% (15.2 - 64 6)
	NPV (%)	97.8% (94.5 99.1)	98.0% (94.9 - 99.2)	99.2% (97.1 - 99.8)	99.6% (97.9 - 99.9)	99.6% (97.7 - 99.9)	100.0% (84.5 - 100.0)	100.0% (83.9 - 100.0)	100.0% (82.4 - 100.0)
	F1	0.316	0.371	0.330	0.409	0.349	0.667	0.615	0.533
	AUROC	0.861 (0.763 0.96)	0.915 (0.856 - 0.974)	0.933 (0.87 - 0.996)	0.962 (0.926 - 0.998)	0.954 (0.912 - 0.996)	1.0 (0.890 - 1.000)	0.95 (0.861 - 1.000)	0.96 (0.882 - 1.000)
Mixed	Sensitivity (%)	90.0% (59.6 98.2)	90.0% (59.6 - 98.2)	100.0% (43.9 - 100.0)	66.7% (20.8 - 93.9)	100.0% (43.9 - 100.0)			
	Specificity (%)	67.2% (58.7 74.7)	74.2% (66.0 - 81.0)	70.5% (63.1 - 76.9)	75.3% (68.2 - 81.2)	73.5% (66.3 - 79.6)			
	PPV (%)	17.6% (9.6 - 80.3)	21.4% (11.7 - 35.9)	5.8% (2.0 - 15.6)	4.7% (1.3 - 15.5)	6.4% (2.2 - 17.2)			
	NPV (%)	98.9% (93.8 99.8)	99.0% (94.3 - 99.8)	100.0% (96.8 - 100.0)	99.2% (95.6 - 99.9)	100.0% (96.9 - 100.0)			
	F1	0.295	0.346	0.109	0.0870	0.12			
	AUROC	0.915 (0.825 1.000)	0.859 (0.678 - 1.000)	0.96 (0.89 - 1.000)	0.845 (0.587 - 1.000)	0.906 (0.801 - 1.000)			
Not Stated	Sensitivity (%)	86.3% (82.9 89.0)	88.5% (85.4 - 91.0)	85.5% (75.3 - 91.9)	84.1% (73.7 - 90.9)	87.0% (77.0 - 93.0)			
	Specificity (%)	62.5% (61.4 63.5)	70.4% (69.4 - 71.3)	69.0% (66.0 - 71.8)	78.8% (76.2 - 81.3)	72.4% (69.5 - 75.1)			
	PPV (%)	12.4% (11.3 13.5)	15.5% (14.2 - 16.8)	16.1% (12.7 - 20.2)	21.6% (17.1 - 27.0)	18.0% (14.2 - 22.4)			
	NPV (%)	98.7% (98.3 98.9)	99.0% (98.7 - 99.2)	98.6% (97.4 - 99.2)	98.6% (97.5 - 99.2)	98.8% (97.7 - 99.3)			
	F1	0.216	0.263	0.271	0.344	0.298			
	AUROC	0.865 (0.846 0.884)	0.887 (0.87 - 0.905)	0.874 (0.823 - 0.924)	0.888 (0.841 - 0.935)	0.889 (0.843 - 0.934)			

**Supplementary Table S11:** Performance of CURIAL-Rapide, CURIAL-Lab & CURIAL-1.0 (Soltan et al.) on severity subgroups of patients a) admitted to ICU, b) not requiring ICU level care, and c) who were discharged. Results are reported alongside 95% confidence intervals.

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		CURIAL-Rapide	CURIAL-Lab	CURIAL-1.0		
Admitted	Sensitivity (%)	94.6% (89.3 - 97.4)	94.6% (89.3 - 97.4)	96.2% (91.3 - 98.3)		
to ICU	Specificity (%)	62.7% (59.1 - 66.1)	71.6% (68.2 - 74.7)	67.4% (63.9 - 70.7)		
	PPV (%)	30.8% (26.4 - 35.4)	36.8% (31.8 - 42.1)	34.1% (29.4 - 39.1)		
	NPV (%)	98.5% (97.0 - 99.3)	98.7% (97.3 - 99.4)	99.0% (97.7 - 99.6)		
	F1	0.464	0.530	0.503		
	AUROC	0.936 (0.91 - 0.961)	0.955 (0.93 - 0.979)	0.958 (0.933 - 0.983)		
Admitted	Sensitivity (%)	83.3% (81.5 - 85.0)	83.3% (81.5 - 84.9)	85.1% (83.4 - 86.7)		
to non-ICU Clinical	Specificity (%)	63.3% (62.6 - 64.0)	72.6% (72.0 - 73.2)	66.9% (66.2 - 67.5)		
Area	PPV (%)	17.0% (16.2 - 17.8)	21.5% (20.6 - 22.5)	18.8% (18.0 - 19.7)		
	NPV (%)	97.7% (97.4 - 97.9)	98.0% (97.7 - 98.2)	98.0% (97.8 - 98.3)		
	=1	0.282	0.342	0.308		

	AUROC	0.847 (0.836 - 0.858)	0.877 (0.867 - 0.887)	0.873 (0.863 - 0.884)
Discharged	Sensitivity (%)	85.6% (83.2 - 87.7)	84.6% (82.1 - 86.8)	87.1% (84.8 - 89.1)
	Specificity (%)	66.6% (65.6 - 67.6)	75.5% (74.5 - 76.4)	69.9% (68.9 - 70.9)
PPV (%) 22.0% (20.7 NPV (%) 97.7% (97.2		22.0% (20.7 - 23.4)	27.6% (26.0 - 29.2)	24.2% (22.8 - 25.7)
		97.7% (97.2 - 98.0)	97.8% (97.4 - 98.1)	98.0% (97.6 - 98.3)
	F1	0.350	0.416	0.379
	AUROC	0.874 (0.860 - 0.888)	0.897 (0.884 - 0.91)	0.895 (0.882 - 0.909)

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