

Prevalence and causes of diagnostic errors in hospitalized patients under investigation for COVID-19.

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COVID-19 ushered in new [diagnostic challenges](#) and changes in care practices. In this study conducted during the first wave of the pandemic, charts for hospitalized adult patients under investigation (PUI) for COVID-19 were reviewed for potential diagnostic error. Diagnostic [errors](#) were identified in 14% of cases; patients with and without diagnostic errors were statistically similar and errors were not [associated](#) with pandemic-related change practices.