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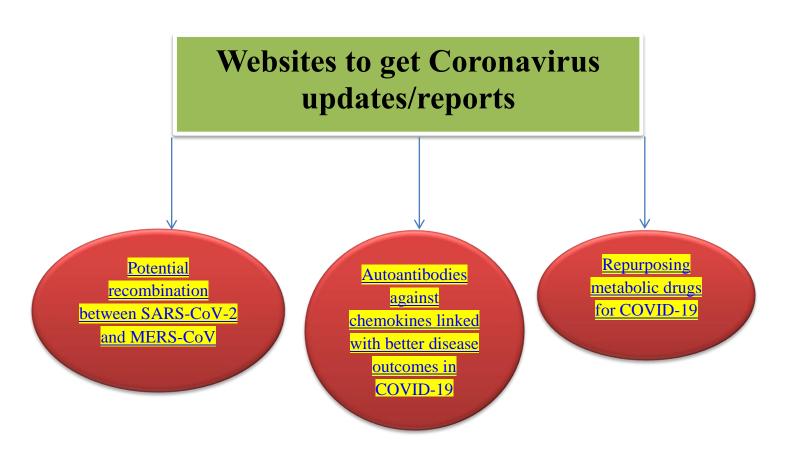
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| 60 | Exploration of sex and age-based associations in clinical characteristics, predictors of severity, and duration of stay among COVID-19 patients at the university hospital of Saudi Arabia | https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/36900756 | Saudi Arabia |
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## **New Findings**

## <u>Innovative approach opens the door to COVID nanobody therapies</u>

The relatively simple and low-cost procedure could empower laboratories in low-resource areas to generate nanobodies against SARS-CoV-2, as well as other viruses.

## COVID-19 pandemic has long-lasting effects on adolescent mental health and substance use

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a long-lasting impact on adolescent mental health and substance use, according to a new population-based study based on survey responses from a sample of over 64,000 13- to 18-year-olds assessed prior to and up to two years into the pandemic.

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