

Title: Using machine learning to predict COVID-19 infection and severity risk among 4,510 aged adults: a UK Biobank cohort study

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Abstract

Background: Many risk factors have emerged for novel 2019 coronavirus disease (COVID-19). It is relatively unknown how these factors collectively predict COVID-19 infection risk, as well as risk for a severe infection (i.e., hospitalization).

Methods: Among aged adults (69.3 ± 8.6 years) in UK Biobank, COVID-19 data was downloaded for 4,510 participants with 7,539 test cases. We downloaded baseline data from 10-14 years ago, including demographics, biochemistry, body mass, and other factors, as well as antibody titers for 20 common to rare infectious diseases. Permutation-based linear discriminant analysis was used to predict COVID-19 risk and hospitalization risk. Probability and threshold metrics included receiver operating characteristic curves to derive area under the curve (AUC), specificity, sensitivity, and quadratic mean.

Results: The “best-fit” model for predicting COVID-19 risk achieved excellent discrimination (AUC=0.969, 95% CI=0.934-1.000). Factors included age, immune markers, lipids, and serology titers to common pathogens like human cytomegalovirus. The hospitalization “best-fit” model was more modest (AUC=0.803, 95% CI=0.663-0.943) and included only serology titers.

Conclusions: Accurate risk profiles can be created using standard self-report and biomedical data collected in public health and medical settings. It is also worthwhile to further investigate if prior host immunity predicts current host immunity to COVID-19.

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Introduction

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), caused by a novel beta-coronavirus called severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)¹, is a worldwide pandemic that continues to severely disrupt the economic, social, and psychological well-being of countless people. Clinical presentation of COVID-19 widely varies, ranging from asymptomatic profiles to mild symptoms like high fever or cough to acute respiratory disease syndrome and death. Given this heterogeneous symptom presentation, as well as difficulties with serology testing, contact tracing, and more recently vaccine administration, it remains important to isolate or maximize safety for adults most at risk for COVID-19 infection and severe disease.

By extension, a large body of research has investigated potential factors that increase COVID-19 infection and disease severity risk. It is well known, for example, that adults aged >65 years are much more likely to be hospitalized or die due to COVID-19. Obesity itself and adverse health behaviors like smoking also increase infection risk and likelihood of hospitalization^{2,3}. Several age and obesity-related conditions such as cardiovascular disease, cardiometabolic diseases (e.g., type 2 diabetes), hypertension, and other disease states and syndromes are also of concern⁴. Non-white ethnicity, particularly being black regardless of country of origin, socioeconomic deprivation, and low levels of education even after adjustment for health factors point to less privilege unfortunately conferring risk⁵. Among biological markers, COVID-19 infection or severity has been related to higher C-Reactive Protein and more circulating white blood cells and lower counts of lymphocytes or granulocytes (e.g., monocytes)⁶⁻⁸. SARS-CoV-1 has a similar profile except for a relatively normal total white blood cell count⁹.

These studies are invaluable for establishing or validating risk factors to guide clinical decisions and policymaker choices. However, we ultimately need to develop risk profiles derived from these factors to accurately predict who will and will not develop COVID-19, and if a COVID-19 disease course will be mild or presumptively severe (i.e., require hospitalization). Data-driven modelling using machine learning can be used to create robust prediction models based on routinely collected biomedical data like demographics, a complete blood count, and standard medical biochemistry data. Critically, by using non COVID-19 serological data, we may gain insight into the host's ability to fight COVID-19 by examining antibody titers that detail the host response to past infectious pathogens. This "virome" may affect host innate and adaptive immunity^{9,10}. For example, human cytomegalovirus vastly changes the composition of T and B cells¹¹, and may induce immune senescence that could account for worse SARS-CoV-2 infection outcomes.

Therefore, our objective was to use classification machine learning to determine how baseline measures, collected 10-14 years ago, could best predict which older adults developed COVID-19. Our second objective was to make similar predictions but for determining if someone positive with COVID-19 had a mild or severe infection. In summary, we achieved > 90% sensitivity and specificity with outstanding diagnostic value (AUC=0.969) for correctly predicting COVID-19 infection based on factors like age, biochemistry and white blood cell markers, and antibody titers to common pathogens like human cytomegalovirus, human herpesvirus 6, and chlamydia trachomatis. For COVID-19 severity, only antibody titers loaded for finals models that more modestly predicted severe disease (AUC: 0.803; specificity=61.1%, sensitivity=85.7%). Nonetheless, this report shows that trait-like baseline data from 10-14 years ago can better characterize who is most at risk for COVID-19 and if they are likely to be hospitalized with a presumptively severe infection. In addition, our

results suggest that past infection history and antibody response may be an invaluable, novel predictor of host immunity to COVID-19 that warrants further study.

Methods

Study design and participants

This retrospective study involved the UK Biobank cohort¹². UK Biobank consists of approximately 500,000 people now aged 50 to 84 years (mean age=69.4 years). Baseline data was collected in 2006-2010 at 22 centers across the United Kingdom^{13,14}. Summary data are listed in **Table 1**. This research involved deidentified epidemiological data. All UK Biobank participants gave written, informed consent. Ethics approval for the UK Biobank study was obtained from the National Health Service Health Research Authority North West - Haydock Research Ethics Committee (16/NW/0274). All analyses were conducted in line with UK Biobank requirements.

The following categories of predictors were downloaded: 1) demographics; 2) health behaviors and long-term disability or illness status; 3) anthropometric and bioimpedance measures of fat, muscle, or water content; 4) pulse and blood pressure; 5) a serum panel of thirty biochemistry markers commonly collected in a clinic or hospital setting; and 6) a complete blood count with a manual differential.

Demographics

These factors included participant age in years at baseline, sex, education qualifications, ethnicity, and Townsend Deprivation Index. Sex was coded as 0 for female and 1 for male. For education, higher scores roughly correspond to progressively more skilled trade/vocational or academic training. Ethnicity was coded as UK citizens who identified as White, Black/Black British, or Asian/Asian British. The Townsend index¹⁵ is a standardized score indicating relative degree of deprivation or poverty based on permanent address.

Health Behaviors and Conditions

This category consisted of self-reported alcohol status, smoking status, a subjective health rating on a 1-4 Likert scale (“Excellent” to “Poor”), and whether the participant had a self-described long-term medical condition. As noted in **Table 1**, 48.4% of participants indicated having such an ailment. We independently confirmed self-reported data with ICD-10 codes while at hospital. These conditions included all-cause dementia and other neurological disorders, various cancers, major depressive disorder, cardiovascular or cerebrovascular diseases and events, cardiometabolic diseases (e.g., type 2 diabetes), renal and pulmonary diseases, and other so-called pre-existing conditions.

Vital Signs

The first automated reading of pulse, diastolic and systolic blood pressure at the baseline visit were used.

Body Morphometrics and Compartment Mass

Anthropometric measures of adiposity (Body Mass Index, waist circumference) were derived as described¹⁶. Data also included bioelectrical impedance metrics that estimate central body cavity (i.e., trunk) and whole body fat mass, fat-free muscle mass, or water content¹⁷.

Blood Biochemistry and Immunology

Serum biomarkers were assayed from baseline samples as described¹⁸. Briefly, using immunoassay or clinical chemistry devices, spectrophotometry was used to initially quantify values for 34 biochemistry analytes. UK Biobank deemed 30 of these markers to be suitably robust. We rejected a further 4 markers due data missingness >70% (estradiol, rheumatoid factor), or because there was strong overlap with multicollinear variables that had more stable distributions or trait-like qualities (glucose rejected vs. glycated hemoglobin/hba1c; direct bilirubin rejected vs. total bilirubin). A complete blood count with a manual differential was separately processed for red and white blood cell counts, as well as white cell sub-types.

Serology Measures for Non COVID-19 Infectious Diseases

As described (<http://biobank.ctsu.ox.ac.uk/crystal/crystal/docs/inf disease.pdf>), among 9,695 randomized UK Biobank participants selected from the full 500,000 participant cohort, baseline serum was thawed and pathogen-specific assays run in parallel using flow cytometry on a Luminex bead platform¹⁹.

Here, the goal of the multiplex serology panel was to measure multiple antibodies against several antigens for different pathogens, reducing noise and estimating the prevalence of prior infection and seroconversion in at least UK Biobank. All measures were initially confirmed in serum samples using gold-standard assays with median sensitivity and specificity of 97.0% and 93.7%, respectively. Antibody load for each pathogen-specific antigen was quantified using median fluorescence intensity (MFI). Because seropositivity is difficult to assess for several pathogens, we did not use pathogen prevalence as a predictor in models.

Table 2 shows the selected pathogens, their respective antigens, estimated prevalence of each pathogen based roughly on antibody titers, and assay values. This array ranges from delta-type retroviruses like human T-cell lymphotropic virus 1 that are rare (<1%) to human herpesviruses 6 and 7 that have an estimated prevalence of more than 90%.

COVID-19 Testing

Our study was based on COVID PCR test data available from March 16th to May 19th 2020. Specifically, we used the May 26th, 2020 tranche of COVID-19 polymerase chain reaction (PCR) data from Public Health England. There were 4,510 unique participants that had 7,539 individual tests administered, hereafter called test cases. For modeling COVID-19 infection data, each test case was coded as '0' and '1', respectively representing a

negative or positive PCR test. For modeling COVID-19 disease severity, each test case was coded as '0' and '1', which represented out-patient testing (i.e., presumptively mild case) or hospital in-patient testing with clinical signs of infection (i.e., presumptively severe case).

Statistical Analyses

For a more technical description of the specific machine learning algorithm used to classify test cases, see **Supplemental Text 1**. SPSS 27 was used for all analyses and Alpha set at .05. Preliminary findings suggested that baseline serology data performed well in classifier models, despite a limited number of participants with serology. To determine if this serology sub-group was noticeably different from the full sample, Mann-Whitney U and Kruskal-Wallis tests were done (Alpha=.05). Hereafter, separate sets of classification analyses were performed for: 1) the full cohort; and 2) the sub-group of participants that had serology data. In other words, due to the imbalance of sample sizes and by definition the absence or presence of serology data, classifier performance in the serology sub-group was never statistically compared to the full cohort.

Next, linear discriminant analysis (LDA) was used to create predictive models that discriminated between negative vs. positive COVID-19 diagnosis or mild vs. severe disease status. LDA is a regression-like classification technique that finds the best linear combination of predictors that can maximally distinguish between groups of interest. To determine how useful a given predictor or related group of predictors (e.g., demographics) were for classification, simple forced entry models were first done. Subsequently, to derive "best fit," robust models of the data, stepwise entry (Wilks' Lambda, F value entry=3.84) was used to exclude predictors that did not significantly account for unique variance in the classification model. This data reduction step is critical because LDA can lead to model overfitting when there are too many predictors relative to observations^{20,21}, which are COVID-19 test cases for our purposes. Finally, because there were multiple test cases that could occur for the same participant, this would violate the assumption of independence. To guard against this problem, we used Mundry and Sommer's permutation LDA approach. Specifically, for each LDA model, permutation testing (1,000 iterations, P<.05) was done by randomizing participants across groupings of test cases to confirm robustness of the original model²².

LDA model overfitting can also occur when there is a sample size imbalance. Because there were many more negative vs. positive COVID-19 test cases in the full sample (5,329 vs. 2210), the negative test group was undersampled. Specifically, a random number generator was used to discard 2,500 negative test cases at random, such that the proportion of negative to positive tests was now 55% to 45% instead of 70.6% to 29.4%. Results without undersampling were similar (data not shown). No such imbalance was seen for COVID-19 severity in the full sample or for the serology sub-group. A typical holdout method of 70% and 30% was used for classifier training and then testing²³. Finally, a two-layer non-parametric approach was used to determine model significance and estimated fit of one or more predictors. First, bootstrapping²⁴ (95% Confidence Interval, 1000 iterations) was done to derive estimates robust against any violations of parametric assumptions. Next, 'leave-one-out' cross-validation²⁰ was done with bootstrap-derived estimates to ensure that models themselves were robust. Collectively, the stepwise LDA models ensured that estimation bias of coefficients would be low because most predictors are "thrown out" before models are generated using the remaining predictors.

For each LDA classification model, outcome threshold metrics included: specificity (i.e., true negatives correctly identified), sensitivity (i.e., true positives correctly identified), and the geometric mean (i.e., how well the model predicted both true negatives and positives). The area under the curve (AUC) with a 95% confidence interval (CI) was reported to show how well a given model could distinguish between a COVID-19 negative or positive test result, and separately for COVID-19+ test cases if the disease was mild or severe. Receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curves plotted sensitivity against 1-specificity to better visualize results for sets of predictors and a final stepwise model. For stepwise models, the Wilks' Lambda statistic and standardized coefficients are reported to see how important a given predictor was for the model. A lower Wilks' Lambda corresponds to a stronger influence on the canonical classifier.

Results

As shown in **Table 1**, 7,539 total test cases for COVID-19 were conducted among 4,510 UK Biobank participants (69.6 ± 8.8 years) between March 16th to May 19th 2020, either in outpatient or inpatient settings. There were 5,329 negative cases and 2,210 positive cases. Of the positive cases, there were 996 mild and 1,214 presumptively severe disease outcomes. Baseline data from 10-14 years ago (Mean = 11.22 years) was available for demographic, laboratory, biochemistry, and clinical indices. Similar data from 2020 was not available. A central theme of this report is examining prediction models for the so-called full sample, but also an entirely separate set of models for a sub-group of test cases with serology data (**Table 2**). **Table 1** indicates that the full cohort and serology sub-groups largely did not differ on most measures. A few significant differences were clinically unremarkable for the serology sub-cohort and well within the range of normal values, including lower pulse rate, several markers reflecting better kidney function, and lower total white blood cell count due to fewer lymphocytes.

Next, each baseline variable was used to predict COVID-19 infection for a given test case. For context, model performance was judged by: 1) the AUC as a measure of probability, where 0.5 is at-chance prediction and 1.0 is perfect prediction; and 2) the geometric mean or g-mean as a threshold metric, with a higher percentage corresponding to greater likelihood of correctly identifying both true positives and true negatives. Among all participants (**Supplementary Table 1**), as expected, model fit was poor for individual predictors that loaded significantly (mean AUC=0.532; AUC range=0.517-0.551). For example, known risk factors included larger body composition indices (AUC=0.526-0.548; g-mean=16.2%-29.6%), older age (AUC=0.522; g-mean=38.8%), and markers of dysmetabolism like higher hba1c % (AUC=0.537; g-mean=13.3%) and high diastolic blood pressure (AUC=0.519; g-mean=17.9%).

For the serology sub-group (**Supplementary Table 2**), several established risk factors that loaded had better overall fit (mean AUC=0.656, AUC range=0.601-0.731). Like the full sample, examples included larger body mass like fat-free mass (AUC=0.687; g-mean=65.0%), hba1c % (AUC=0.638; g-mean=52.8%), and diastolic blood pressure (AUC=0.633; g-mean=55.2%). Some unexpected factors included total protein (AUC=0.662; 65.8%) and testosterone (AUC=0.731; g-mean=55.8%). We then tested if antibody titers to antigens of 20 rare to common infectious pathogens could predict host immunity in 2020 to COVID-19. As shown in **Supplementary Table 3**, antibody titers to 15 antigens across 12 pathogens each performed as well on average as other non-serology predictors (mean AUC=0.653, AUC range=0.612-0.710). Specificity and

sensitivity were notable for antibody levels to the pp150 Nter antigen to human cytomegalovirus (g-mean=61.0%) and U14 to Human Herpes Virus-7 (g-mean=66.1%), given their prevalence in the sample.

Next, sets of similar predictors were used to gauge how well they collectively predicted COVID-19 infection, as listed in **Table 3** and shown using ROC curves in **Figure 1**. A stepwise model was also used to create a classifier that only included predictors where each provided unique predictive utility, and to minimize likelihood of overfitting models. For the full sample (**Table 3**, top row), sets of predictors including the stepwise model were able to identify COVID-19 negative and positive test cases up to 96.1% and 23.8% of the time respectively. **Supplementary Table 4** (top row) illustrates that the stepwise model included triglycerides, body mass, age, ethnicity, and other known risk factors for COVID-19. Importantly, for the serology sub-group (**Table 3**, bottom row), forced entry models showed worse performance compared to the same models among the full sample, except for the biochemistry set. This suggests that small sample size for the serology sub-group did not lead to model overfitting. While the forced entry serology model itself is likely overfitted, the stepwise model loaded 15 predictors and performed well (g-mean=0.920). As shown in **Supplementary Table 4** (bottom row), predictors that loaded in the stepwise model included antibody titers for antigens of several common pathogens (e.g., human cytomegalovirus, *C. trachomatis*), lipid markers, age, white and red cell counts, and testosterone. Due to potential concerns with model overfitting, the stepwise model was re-run with only predictors that had individually loaded significantly in forced entry models (**Supplementary Tables 2 and 3**). This stepwise model had 10 variables and achieved a g-mean of 85.4%, suggesting that stepwise models were not overfitted.

Separately, another set of analyses determined how each baseline predictor could predict which of the 2,210 positive COVID-19 cases had a mild or severe disease course. For context, 45% and 55% of test cases were mild or severe respectively. Among all positive test cases (**Supplementary Table 5**), significant predictors showed a trade-off between better sensitivity or specificity and were only modestly useful (AUC mean and range=0.536, 0.524-0.572). Similarly, for the serology sub-group, **Supplementary Table 6** shows that only alanine aminotransferase and neutrophil count significantly predicted disease severity. For serology data itself, **Supplementary Table 7** indicates that the only significant predictors were U14 antigen to human herpesvirus 7 (AUC=0.729; g-mean=0.600) and JC VP1 antigen to human JC polyomavirus (AUC=0.671; g-mean=0.591). **Table 4** shows the relative predictive value of groups of predictors for whether a COVID-19 infection would be severe. **Figure 1** shows the ROC curves for model fit. **Supplementary Table 8** illustrates that the stepwise model included only alanine aminotransferase, age in years, and monocyte count. For the serology sub-group, despite strong concerns about model overfitting, the AUC and g-mean were similarly modest compared to the full sample, except for the stepwise model that performed noticeably better (AUC=0.803; g-mean=0.724). As shown in **Supplementary Table 8**, this model had only 2 predictors: antibody response to two antigens for two diseases (HTLV-1 gag for HTLV-1 and JC VP1 for Human Polyomavirus JCV).

Discussion

The objectives of this study were to determine if baseline data from 2006-2010 could predict which older adults would develop COVID-19 in 2020, and if an infection was mild or presumptively severe due to being at hospital. In summary, using a permutation-based LDA approach, we developed separate risk profiles that did

well at predicting test cases that were negative or positive (stepwise g-mean=92%), and to some degree among positive test cases whether the infection was mild or severe (stepwise g-mean=72.4%). Such profiles would require retrospective, routine self-report, blood test panels typically collected during annual medical wellness visits, and serology information for several antigens. As proof-of-principle that these profiles are sensible, we confirmed as others have noted that non-white ethnicity, low socioeconomic status, larger body mass, and alcohol use can increase infectious risk⁵.

Our most novel finding was that antibody titers to past infections were strong predictors of COVID-19 infection and severity, both as a group and especially in concert with established risk factors. This “virome” may consist of beneficial and detrimental pathogens, or fine-grained efficacy of the immune system to clear certain pathogens, that change how the immune system responds to a persistent viral challenge like COVID-19¹⁰. For example, antibodies to human cytomegalovirus antigens were the strongest predictors of infection risk in our stepwise model. Older adults with prior infection show exhaustion of the naïve T cell pool and fewer memory versus effector cells²⁵. This may explain why monocyte count was one of the few variables to predict COVID-19 severity among all test cases in this study, as innate immunity must compensate for deficits in acquired immune function. For COVID-19 severity, antibody titers to the HTLV1 virus and human JC polyomavirus were the only predictors that loaded significantly in our stepwise model. While HTLV1 is rare, 57.5% of at least the UK Biobank sample have antibody levels that suggest prior infection with the human JC polyomavirus. This virus can induce hemagglutination in type O blood cells²⁶, which may in some way influence why this blood type is protective against COVID-19 infection.

For other immunologic factors, as expected, mobilization of innate immunity was relevant to infection risk and severity. In particular, granulocytes (e.g., neutrophils, monocytes) loaded significantly in stepwise models for COVID-19 infection and severity, but not cytokines such as C-Reactive Protein. C-Reactive Protein has been cited as a strong risk factor for COVID-19²⁷. However, this marker merely reflects signaling of the acute phase response due to systemic infection, and changes to granulocytes in circulation already reflect this response. Although lymphopenia and suppression of humoral immunity have been noted in COVID-19, lymphocyte cell count did not load in final stepwise models.

We also confirmed and extended the importance of age, lipids, vascular health, and socioeconomic status, but while body mass was important it was not adiposity per se. Among mostly elderly adults in our UK Biobank sample, age was one of the few factors to impact both infection and severity risk. Perhaps in concert, lipoprotein metabolism changes with aging can induce hyperlipidemia, which is a risk factor for cardiovascular disease and may increase COVID-19 infection risk²⁸. The lack of association with anthropometric or bioimpedance-derived fat mass was unexpected, whereas fat-free mass such as muscle and bone did load as a factor. We speculate that more bone mineral density and somatic muscle would reflect less cardiometabolic impairment and systemic inflammation, but mechanisms are unclear. Finally, levels of testosterone weakly loaded as a predictive factor for who would later develop COVID-19. Sex differences favoring COVID-19 infection in men are clear, but andropause induces less testosterone production, which normally downregulates inflammation, and could increase COVID-19 susceptibility²⁹.

Several major limitations should be noted. The number of UK Biobank participants with COVID-19 and serology data is low, particularly for positive test cases. This could consequently lead to model overfitting or misestimation. Several steps were taken to guard against this problem, including feature reduction through

LDA, bootstrapped parameter estimation to guard against parametric assumption violations, and several cross-validation steps to maximize robustness. We also rigorously tested each predictor or set of predictors in the main sample and serology sub-group, where we found that model fit was not overly biased in general despite sample size differences. Nonetheless, we recognize future work must use much larger sample sizes to verify the usefulness of serology data. Another limitation was that using test case data nested within a participant violates the assumption of independence, which can lead to gross misestimation. While we ameliorated this issue using permutation testing, other latent concerns with the data like type 2 error may be present. We also chose to use LDA over other machine learning algorithms, where LDA tends to provide more conservative estimates. This was intentional, because it is still largely unknown how risk factors alone or additively reflect overall risk for COVID-19 infection and disease severity. Finally, we only looked at the so called main effects of all predictors instead of complex interactions, such as darker skin, vitamin D levels, and COVID-19 infection risk. Such interactions were beyond the scope of this report, but may be promising avenues to explore in future studies.

Conclusions

In summary, this study systematically used retrospective data in a large community cohort to predict who would develop COVID-19 and if the disease course was presumptively severe. Despite baseline data having been collected 10-14 years ago, we achieved excellent to encouraging results by combining several sets of established and novel risk factors together. It is especially interesting that serological data performed as well as or better than other data types. Future work should leverage markers of host immunity to inform what may happen when the host is challenged by COVID-19.

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Data Availability

The data that support the findings of this study are available from the UK Biobank but restrictions apply to the availability of these data, which were used under license for the current study, and so are not publicly available. Data are however available from the authors upon reasonable request and with permission of UK Biobank. Permission is acquired through an application for data access to UK Biobank, <https://www.ukbiobank.ac.uk/register-apply/>.

Ethics Declarations

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Figure 1. Receiver Operating Characteristics (ROC) curves illustrating the relative classifier performance of various sets of predictors. Outcomes of interest were COVID-19 infection risk and whether an infection was mild or severe. Two separate sets of analyses were done for the full tested sample and a sub-group of participants with serology data. Test statistics for predictors are provided in Tables 3 and 4.

Table 1. Blood pressure (BP); high-density lipoprotein (HDL); low-density lipoprotein (LDL). A summary and comparison of data among either all participant test cases or a sub-group of test cases that also had non COVID-19 serology. Contemporary COVID-19 testing data has no shading. All retrospective baseline data has “gray” shading. Values are in Mean \pm SD, percentages, or frequency. P values less than .05 were considered significant and applicable predictors and indices are bolded.

Table 2. Antibody levels are specific to each antigen and expressed in Median Fluorescence Intensity (MFI) units. Seroprevalence of at least the main UK Biobank cohort was estimated on samples from 9,695 randomized participants, as described in white papers (see Methods). The “gray” and “white” shading are used to distinguish between pathogens and their respective antigens. *CagA levels are based on roughly half of the original sample due to a technical lab error.

Table 3. Area Under the Curve (AUC); Confidence Interval (CI); Geometric Mean (G-Mean). Non-parametric bootstrapping (1000 iterations, 95% CI) was used for robust estimation. P values less than .05 were considered significant. “Blue” and “white” shading are used to distinguish between predictors that loaded for a given model. *Due to several variables representing the same construct (i.e., being multicollinear), body composition consisted of: whole-body water mass; whole-body fat mass; whole-body non-fat mass (i.e., muscle, bone).

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Figure 1. ROC curves and model fit for COVID-19 infection risk and infection severity

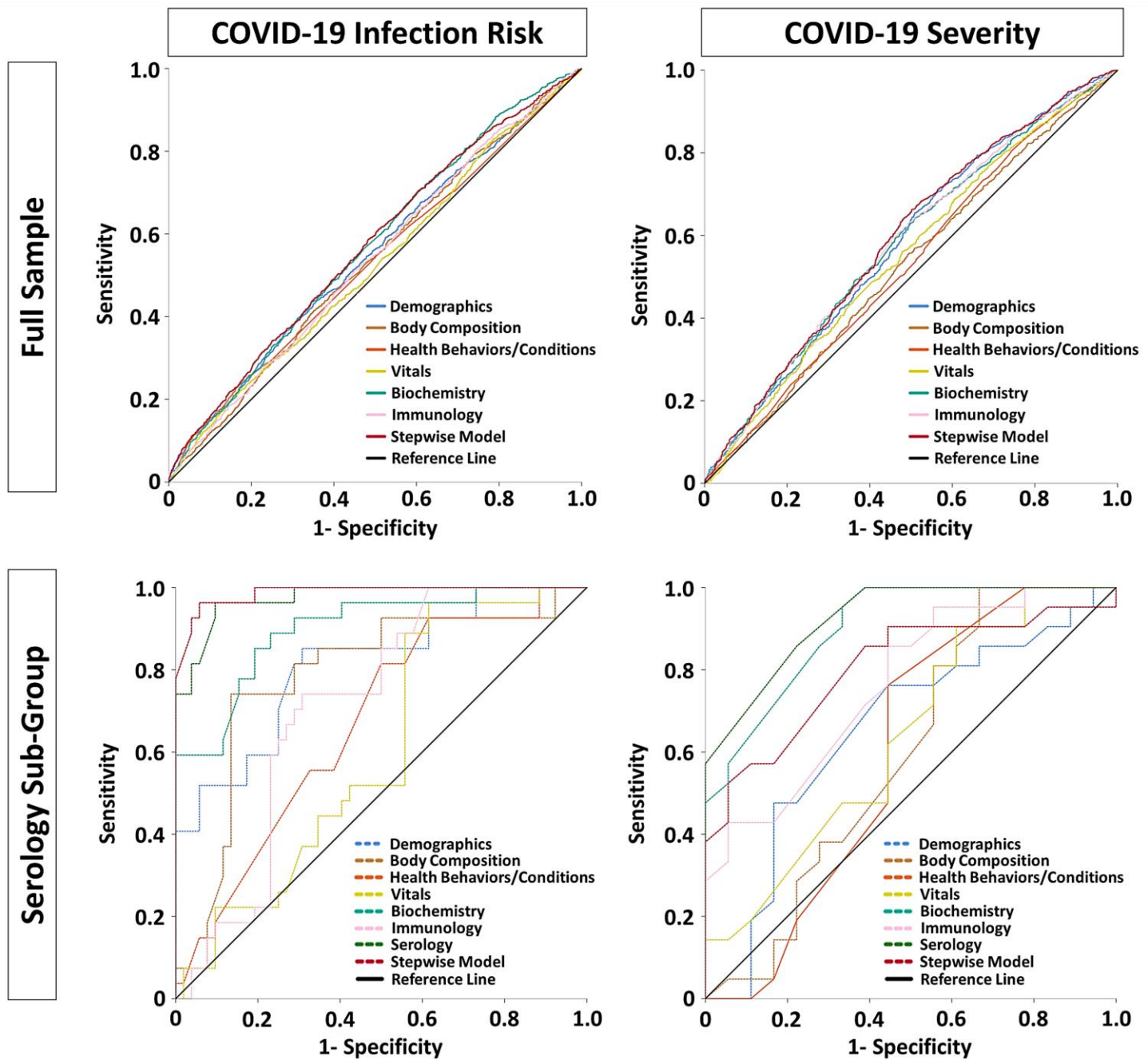


Table 1. Baseline Demographics and Data Characteristics

Variable	Unit	Full Sample	Serology Sub-Group	P value
Total COVID-19 Test Cases	Testing Instance	7,539	124	
Total Participants		4510	80	
Test Cases per Participant		2.5 ± 1.6	2.6 ± 3.2	0.268
Mean Time between Tests	Days	2.0 ± 5.0	1.6 ± 3.2	0.951
Age at Testing	Years	69.6 ± 8.8	68.9 ± 8.4	0.474
COVID-19 Result				0.606
COVID-	Cases	5329	85	
COVID+	Cases	2210	39	
COVID-19 Severity				0.983
Mild (i.e., outpatient)	Cases	996	18	
Severe (i.e., inpatient)	Cases	1214	21	
Age at Baseline	Years	57.5 ± 8.8	56.6 ± 8.3	0.373
Sex	% Female	48.9%	46.5%	0.692
Education Qualifications	Categories	2.59 ± 1.63	2.8 ± 1.6	0.332
Deprivation Index	Score	-0.1 ± 3.6	-1.0 ± 2.7	0.122
Ethnicity				0.353
White	%	89.4%	92.8%	
Asian or Asian British	%	3.4%	4.3%	
Black or Black British	%	4.5%	2.9%	
Other	%	2.7%	0.0%	
Smoking Status				0.091
Never	%	48.1%	56.5%	
Previous	%	38.2%	33.9%	
Current	%	13.0%	9.7%	
Alcohol Status				0.603
Never	%	6.6%	9.9%	
Previous	%	5.7%	4.2%	
Current	%	87.7%	85.9%	
Body Mass Index	kg/m ²	28.7 ± 5.7	29.8 ± 6.7	0.227
Waist Circumference	cm	95 ± 15	97 ± 17	0.693
Long-Term Medical Condition	% Present	49%	52%	0.400
Subjective Health Rating	1-4 Likert Scale	2.41 ± 0.83	2.5 ± 0.7	0.355
Pulse Rate	Beats/Minute	71 ± 12	67 ± 10	0.003
Diastolic BP	mmHg	83 ± 11	80 ± 9	0.088
Systolic BP	mmHg	140 ± 20	136 ± 17	0.768
Alanine Aminotransferase	U/L	24.4 ± 16.6	23.1 ± 10.1	0.583
Albumin	g/L	44.7 ± 2.8	44.6 ± 2.4	0.617
Alkaline Phosphatase	U/L	88.0 ± 34.1	81.8 ± 23.3	0.031
Apolipoprotein A	g/L	1.5 ± 0.3	1.5 ± 0.2	0.723
Apolipoprotein B	g/L	1.0 ± 0.2	1.0 ± 0.3	0.876
Aspartate Aminotransferase	U/L	27.0 ± 11.7	26.8 ± 12.0	0.835

Bilirubin	umol/L	9.0 ± 4.4	10.8 ± 7.3	0.667
Calcium	mmol/L	2.4 ± 0.1	2.4 ± 0.1	0.917
Cholesterol (Total)	mmol/L	5.5 ± 1.2	5.4 ± 1.2	0.493
Creatinine	umol/L	76.2 ± 30.2	79.2 ± 21.1	0.008
Cystatin C	mg/L	1.0 ± 0.3	1.0 ± 0.2	0.162
Gamma Glutamyltransferase	U/L	45.0 ± 59.9	35.0 ± 28.2	0.901
HDL Cholesterol	mmol/L	1.4 ± 0.4	1.4 ± 0.3	0.558
Hemoglobin A1c	mmol/mol	37.6 ± 8.8	36.5 ± 4.3	0.275
Insulin-Like Growth Factor 1	nmol/L	21.0 ± 6.0	20.4 ± 4.8	0.784
LDL Cholesterol	mmol/L	3.4 ± 0.9	3.4 ± 0.9	0.687
Lipoprotein A	nmol/L	43.6 ± 48.9	43.5 ± 50.4	0.898
Phosphate	mmol/L	1.2 ± 0.2	1.1 ± 0.2	0.998
Protein (Total)	g/L	72.5 ± 4.4	70.9 ± 4.2	0.003
Sex Hormone Binding Globulin	nmol/L	50.5 ± 28.4	49.6 ± 27.0	0.728
Testosterone	nmol/L	7.1 ± 6.0	6.7 ± 5.6	0.975
Triglycerides	mmol/L	1.8 ± 1.1	1.8 ± 0.8	0.084
Urate	umol/L	324.0 ± 90.5	353.4 ± 91.0	<.001
Urea	mmol/L	5.6 ± 1.9	5.9 ± 1.7	0.005
Vitamin D	nmol/L	46.4 ± 21.4	47.1 ± 22.0	0.778
C-Reactive Protein	mg/L	3.2 ± 5.0	2.4 ± 3.3	0.212
Red Blood Cell Count	10 ¹² /L	4.5 ± 0.4	4.5 ± 0.5	0.173
White Blood Cell Count	10⁹/L	7.2 ± 2.8	6.6 ± 1.4	0.002
Neutrophils	10 ⁹ /L	4.4 ± 1.5	4.2 ± 1.3	0.220
Lymphocytes	10⁹/L	2.0 ± 2.1	1.8 ± 0.5	0.002
Monocytes	10 ⁹ /L	0.5 ± 0.3	0.5 ± 0.1	0.389
Eosinophils + Basophils	10 ⁹ /L	0.2 ± 0.2	0.1 ± 0.1	0.162

Table 2. Baseline characteristics of infectious disease serology from 2006-2010

Pathogen Name	Abbreviation	UK Biobank Seroprevalence*	Antigen	Mean \pm SD
Herpes Simplex Virus-1	HSV-1	69.8%	1gG	3567.9 \pm 3001.3
Herpes Simplex Virus-2	HSV-2	16.2%	2mgG	382.4 \pm 1180.4
Varicella Zoster Virus	VZV	92.5%	gE/gI	834.0 \pm 900.0
Epstein-Barr Virus	EBV	94.7%	VCA p18	6972.0 \pm 3272.9
			EBNA-1	4146.2 \pm 3269.2
			ZEBRA	2246.5 \pm 1658.3
			EA-D	2765.5 \pm 2721.7
Human Cytomegalovirus	CMV	58.2%	pp150 Nter	1881.8 \pm 2225.5
			pp 52	3284.8 \pm 3296.7
			pp 28	1379.3 \pm 1662.5
Human Herpesvirus-6	HHV-6	90.8%	IE1A	327.1 \pm 391.9
			IE1B	575.1 \pm 805.8
			p101 k	167.0 \pm 416.6
Human Herpesvirus-7	HHV-7	94.7%	U14	771.8 \pm 778.3
Kaposi's Sarcoma Associated Herpesvirus	KSHV	8.1%	LANA	158.1 \pm 977.4
			K8.1	73.1 \pm 95.0
Hepatitis B Virus	HBV	2.5%	HBc	15.6 \pm 55.6
			HBe	49.6 \pm 202.3
Hepatitis C Virus	HCV	0.3%	Core	6.7 \pm 10.3
			NS3	37.7 \pm 31.3
Toxoplasma gondii	T. gondii	28.0%	p22	51.4 \pm 86.0
			sag1	121.1 \pm 119.1
Human T Lymphotropic Virus 1	HTLV-1	1.6%	HTLV-1 gag	320.2 \pm 357.9
			HTLV-1 env	32.8 \pm 19.8
Human Immunodeficiency Virus	HIV	0.2%	HIV-1 gag	213.1 \pm 452.4
			HIV-1 env	44.1 \pm 24.9
Human Polyomavirus BKV	BKV	95.4%	BK VP1	3718.9 \pm 2550.5
Human Polyomavirus JCV	JCV	57.5%	JC VP1	932.7 \pm 1060.2
Merkel Cell Polyomavirus	MCV	66.7%	MC VP1	2454.8 \pm 2366.0
Human Papillomavirus type-16	HPV 16	4.4%	L1	56.9 \pm 60.2
			E6	19.3 \pm 28.2
			E7	52.8 \pm 104.2
Human Papillomavirus type-18	HPV 18	2.7%	L1	52.8 \pm 53.1
Chlamydia trachomatis	C. trachomatis	21.4%	momp D	103.3 \pm 405.9
			momp A	42.9 \pm 115.3
			tarp-D F1	96.2 \pm 394.6

			tarp-D F2	171.8 ± 332.4	
			PorB	23.8 ± 41.0	
			pGP3	449.2 ± 1304.0	
Helicobacter pylori			CagA*	1725.5 ± 3135.3	
			VacA	427.3 ± 1364.7	
			OMP	696.7 ± 1503.0	
			GroEL	779.0 ± 1799.4	
			Catalase	437.2 ± 1407.8	
			UreA	329.2 ± 1516.6	
			H. pylori	31.5%	

Table 3. Sets of predictors used to predict classification of COVID-19 test cases as negative or positive

	Sets of Predictors	Number of Predictors	Classifier Method	P value	AUC (95% CI)	Specificity	Sensitivity	G-Mean
Full Sample	Basic Demographics	5	Enter	<.001	0.539 (0.557-0.520)	92.4%	12.4%	0.338
	Body Composition*	3	Enter	<.001	0.536 (0.552-0.520)	92.7%	8.5%	0.281
	Health Behaviors/Conditions	4	Enter	.011	0.527 (0.511-0.544)	93.5%	8.2%	0.277
	Vitals	3	Enter	.004	0.526 (0.510-0.542)	96.1%	4.8%	0.215
	Biochemistry	26	Enter	.001	0.575 (0.555-0.596)	81.2%	22.9%	0.431
	Immunology	8	Enter	<.001	0.533 (0.517-0.549)	94.4%	7.7%	0.270
	Stepwise Model	8	Stepwise	<.001	0.549 (0.419-0.680)	83.0%	23.8%	0.444
Serology Sub-Group	Basic Demographics	5	Enter	0.008	0.713 (0.620-0.805)	81.2%	10.3%	0.289
	Body Composition*	3	Enter	0.013	0.660 (0.558-0.763)	96.5%	5.1%	0.222
	Health Behaviors/Conditions	4	Enter	0.006	0.694 (0.599-0.789)	98.8%	0%	0
	Vitals	3	Enter	0.261	0.593 (0.485-0.702)	98.8%	0%	0
	Biochemistry	26	Enter	<.001	0.799 (0.698-0.900)	80.0%	56.4%	0.672
	Immunology	8	Enter	0.393	0.639 (0.540-0.737)	94.1%	5.1%	0.219
	Serology	44	Enter	<.001	0.976 (0.952-1.000)	80.0%	76.9%	0.784
	Stepwise Model	15	Stepwise	<.001	0.969 (0.934-1.000)	91.8%	92.3%	0.920

Table 4. Sets of predictors used to predict classification of COVID-19 positive cases as mild or severe

	Sets of Predictors	Number of Predictors	Classifier Method	P value	AUC (95% CI)	Specificity	Sensitivity	G-Mean
Full Sample	Basic Demographics	5	Enter	<.001	0.581 (0.557-0.605)	36.9%	74.6%	0.525
	Body Composition*	3	Enter	0.025	0.528 (0.504-0.552)	0.9%	99.5%	0.095
	Health Behaviors/Conditions	4	Enter	0.011	0.531 (0.507-0.556)	0.0%	96.3%	0
	Vitals	3	Enter	<.001	0.554 (0.530-0.578)	7.0%	94.6%	0.257
	Biochemistry	26	Enter	<.001	0.579 (0.555-0.602)	22.1%	81.5%	0.424
	Immunology	8	Enter	<.001	0.581 (0.557-0.605)	5.5%	95.8%	0.230
	Stepwise Model	3	Stepwise	<.001	0.592 (0.568-0.615)	36.4%	76.1%	0.526
Serology Sub-Group	Basic Demographics	5	Enter	0.964	0.652 (0.472-0.832)	22.2%	47.6%	0.325
	Body Composition*	3	Enter	0.665	0.597 (0.407-0.786)	33.3%	81.0%	0.519
	Health Behaviors/Conditions	4	Enter	0.994	0.598 (0.404-0.792)	35.3%	14.3%	0.225
	Vitals	3	Enter	0.448	0.636 (0.459-0.814)	44.4%	66.7%	0.544
	Biochemistry	26	Enter	<.001	0.901 (0.808-0.993)	33.3%	71.4%	0.488
	Immunology	8	Enter	<.001	0.763 (0.615-0.911)	44.4%	71.4%	0.563
	Serology^	36	Enter	<.001	0.925 (0.847-1.000)	38.9%	81.0%	0.561
	Stepwise Model	2	Stepwise	<.001	0.803 (0.663-0.943)	61.1%	85.7%	0.724

Supplemental Text 1.

To reiterate, the main objectives of this report are to use Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA) for probabilistic determination via naïve Bayesian classification of: 1) a two-class grouping defined as a positive vs. negative COVID-19 test case; and 2) a two-class grouping nested within positive COVID-19 tests, defined as a test case occurring in a hospital vs. non-hospital setting. For positive tests, these settings are considered as proxies for mild vs. severe COVID-19 disease status. Because two or more test cases could be nested within a given participant, this would normally violate independence and potentially invalidate results. While one could use a single random test case per participant, this reduces sample size and does not represent real world data and within-subject variability (e.g., changes in COVID-19 status or infection severity). Thus, for estimation robust to non-independence, we used Mundry and Sommer's permuted LDA approach²². The unit of randomization across participants was a grouping of all test cases originally nested in a given participant. The null hypothesis was that a given LDA model with randomized data would not perform better than the original non-randomized data in 95% of permutations. As recommended, 1,000 permutations were run for each model using macros provided by the authors and Python scripting for automation. To ensure that models were stable and generalizable, we used a typical "holdout" method of 70% and 30% respectively for the training and test samples²³.

As discussed in the main text, forced entry models were first conducted for each predictor, and then among sets of similar predictors (e.g., demographics, vital signs). It was known from the outset that model overfitting would likely occur when a predictor set had dozens of features (e.g., biochemistry). This procedure was done for two reasons: 1) to show clinicians, researchers, and policymakers how a set of common features would discriminate COVID-19 groups in ideal circumstances, where in some cases model overfit is frankly likely; and 2) to contrast such models with the comparable or superior performance of stepwise models that had substantial feature reduction and enough $n > p$ that model overfit was guarded against.

We now explain why LDA was used. Foremost, prediction models derived using LDA are straightforward to interpret by a general audience, which is appropriate for the journal in question. For example, the Wilks' Lambda statistic allows a clear interpretation for how well a given predictor distinguishes between classes and its directionality (e.g., higher age in years predicts increased likelihood of positive COVID-19 classification). Equally important, LDA creates models that maximally separate classes of interest, where a new observation's data can be used to determine which class that observation would belong in. Since it is of central importance to have equally valid diagnostic assessment for who is and is not at risk for COVID-19 or if a positive would have a mild or severe infection, LDA is most appropriate. As a generative, supervised learning classification technique, LDA is also best used in complex datasets with high dimensionality composed of a few to hundreds of features per data category, where it can remove most redundant or dependent features that do not maximize model fit. Reducing the feature set size reduces the risk of model overfitting^{20,21}. This procedure minimizes the High Dimensional, Low Sample Size (i.e., $p \gg N$, or "small n , big p ") problem²⁰ by reducing the

likelihood of the within-class covariance matrix approaching singularity³⁰ and leading to instability of parameter estimation.

LDA has several key assumptions that we wish to address. LDA is relatively robust to overfitting provided there is a relative lack of outliers, multivariate normality and lack of multicollinearity, and independence of data values between participants. To begin, UK Biobank removes extreme values during data quality control before posting datasets to their data showcase¹². We further log-transformed all quantitative variables to normalize distributions and “bring in” outliers defined as data points $>3SD$ from the mean. As described in the main text, we also removed biochemistry variables that were multicollinear (e.g., direct vs. total bilirubin). While some antigens of the same pathogen approached multicollinearity, removing them from feature selection led to identical results and thus they were kept in. Participant-level data was not dependent on data from other participants. To be clear, however, multiple observations were nested within a given participant and would violate independence. Because the permutation LDA testing randomizes which participants have a group of one to several COVID-19 test cases, however, these models are robust to non-independence.

While other machine learning techniques are also appropriate for classification, we discuss why they were not used. Regarding logistic regression, this technique is attractive because it has no distribution assumptions. However, it assumes observations are independent. This does not occur with COVID-19 testing, in which a participant will often have multiple test cases. Logistic regression also requires a large numbers of observations to provide reliable estimates. Finally, it does not produce robust models for well-separate types of classes. As there are very clear immunologic differences that determine if someone has or does not have COVID-19, and a clear demarcation between mild vs. severe symptom presentation, we believe logistic regression model estimations might be inflated and thus less accurate. Finally, despite their methodological differences, LDA and logistic regression may perform the same with real data³¹, where LDA may be more conservative and was one of our goals for this proof-of-principle study.

More complex algorithms vs. LDA were also not considered due to feature complexity, the need for transparent model estimates, and sample size. First, in the dataset there are many features present for biochemistry markers, antibody load to specific antigens, and to a lesser degree immune factors. Data reduction is therefore important to determine which features are most useful for COVID-19 data and should receive attention. By contrast, clustering methods are not suitable because the dimensionality space is too high and model fit is likely to be poor. For newer machine learning techniques, such as deep learning, it is often unclear what set of features are selected or their relative contribution when a given prediction is made. This is unacceptable for predicting COVID-19 infection or severity risk. For researchers, it is unknown how various risk factors converge to affect risk and this information is necessary to better understand underlying mechanisms. In population health or the clinic, certain features have prohibitive time or cost constraints (e.g., body compartment imaging; ordering one versus multiple antigen tests). More importantly, it is critical for clinicians, policy makers, or other stakeholders to point out which exact features led or would lead to a predicted outcome. Finally, deep learning, support vector machines (SVM), and similar approaches also require much larger sample sizes to train and adapt a classifier to

produce robust estimates. By comparison, our dataset only had several thousand testing datapoints in the “full” sample and just over one-hundred in the sub-group that had serological data.

We recognize that LDA has several limitations and used non-parametric estimation to minimize these issues. To begin, using simulation data, LDA performs comparably to logistic regression when predictor distributions are normal or near normal, but has worse fit when there are clear normality violations³². While we log-transformed quantitative measures with appreciable skewness ($>3SD$), normality nonetheless remained a concern, particularly for the serology sub-group that had 124 observations. To reduce potential problems, bootstrapping²⁴ was used (95% CI, 1000 iterations) to estimate model coefficients. This allows unbiased estimation of generalized absolute error, taking into account potential model overfit by substantially varying training and test sets from the selected sample. Nevertheless, with the serology sub-group, the small n , big p problem may still be a concern. Regularized LDA has been a popular choice to overcome this issue of within-class covariance singularity, where cross-validation presents a reasonable solution³³. Due to computation problems in tandem with bootstrapping, we used a simple “leave-one-out” approach with bootstrap estimates.

Supplementary Table 1. Isolated effect of each non-serology predictor on COVID-19 risk among the full sample

Predictor	Classifier Method	P value	AUC (95% CI)	Specificity	Sensitivity	G-Mean
Basic Demographics						
Age	Enter	0.002	0.522 (0.505-0.538)	86.9%	17.3%	0.388
Sex	Enter	0.033	0.517 (0.501-0.534)	100%	0%	0
Ethnic Background	Enter	0.080	0.514 (0.498-0.531)	93.6%	11.2%	0.324
Deprivation Index	Enter	<.001	0.540 (0.524-0.556)	79.5%	22.5%	0.423
Education	Enter	0.626	0.505 (0.479-0.512)	100%	0%	0
Body Composition						
Waist Circumference	Enter	<.001	0.544 (0.528-0.561)	97.0%	2.7%	0.162
Body Mass Index	Enter	<.001	0.548 (0.531-0.564)	94.0%	6.4%	0.245
Trunk Fat Mass	Enter	<.001	0.533 (0.516-0.549)	97.4%	3.3%	0.179
Whole Body Fat Mass	Enter	0.002	0.526 (0.509-0.542)	91.1%	8.8%	0.283
Whole Body Fat-Free Mass	Enter	0.005	0.529 (0.513-0.545)	91.4%	9.6%	0.296
Whole Body Water Mass	Enter	0.005	0.529 (0.512-0.545)	91.5%	9.6%	0.296
Health Behaviors and Conditions						
Smoking Status	Enter	0.167	0.511 (0.472-0.505)	100%	0%	0
Alcohol Status	Enter	<.001	0.517 (0.501-0.533)	88.6%	14.6%	0.360
Long-Term Medical Condition	Enter	0.691	0.504 (0.488-0.520)	100%	0%	0
Health Rating	Enter	0.354	0.503 (0.481-0.514)	100%	0%	0
Vitals						
Pulse Rate	Enter	0.954	0.503 (0.481-0.514)	100%	0%	0
Diastolic BP	Enter	0.041	0.519 (0.503-0.536)	97.3%	3.3%	0.179
Systolic BP	Enter	0.952	0.501 (0.483-0.516)	100%	0%	0
Biochemistry						
Alanine Aminotransferase	Enter	0.302	0.512 (0.491-0.533)	99.8%	0%	0
Albumin	Enter	0.154	0.504 (0.484-0.525)	100%	0%	0
Alkaline Phosphatase	Enter	0.781	0.508 (0.487-0.528)	100%	0%	0
Apolipoprotein A	Enter	<.001	0.536 (0.515-0.557)	96.4%	3.0%	0.170
Apolipoprotein B	Enter	0.192	0.514 (0.493-0.534)	99.8%	0.1%	0.032

Aspartate Aminotransferase	Enter	0.284	0.518 (0.498-0.539)	100%	0%	0
Bilirubin (Total)	Enter	0.377	0.501 (0.480-0.521)	100%	0.1%	0.032
Calcium	Enter	0.104	0.517 (0.497-0.538)	99.8%	0.4%	0.063
Cholesterol (Total)	Enter	0.833	0.517 (0.484-0.525)	100%	0%	0
Creatinine	Enter	0.898	0.505 (0.515-0.556)	100%	0%	0
Cystatin C	Enter	0.032	0.523 (0.502-0.543)	100%	0%	0
Gamma Glutamyltransferase	Enter	0.648	0.502 (0.481-0.522)	100%	0%	0
HDL Cholesterol	Enter	<.001	0.536 (0.515-0.557)	95.2%	4.3%	0.202
Hemoglobin A1c	Enter	0.006	0.537 (0.516-0.558)	98.3%	1.8%	0.133
Insulin-Like Growth Factor 1	Enter	0.316	0.504 (0.483-0.525)	100%	0%	0
LDL Cholesterol	Enter	0.105	0.504 (0.484-0.525)	100%	0%	0
Lipoprotein A	Enter	0.081	0.503 (0.482-0.524)	100%	0%	0
Phosphate	Enter	0.173	0.515 (0.494-0.536)	100%	0%	0
Protein (Total)	Enter	0.078	0.517 (0.497-0.538)	100%	0%	0
Sex Hormone Binding Globulin	Enter	<.001	0.551 (0.531-0.572)	100%	0%	0
Testosterone	Enter	0.096	0.513 (0.492-0.533)	100%	0%	0
Triglycerides	Enter	0.098	0.517 (0.497-0.538)	97.7%	2.7%	0.162
Urate	Enter	0.105	0.517 (0.496-0.538)	98.9%	1.3%	0.113
Urea	Enter	0.081	0.504 (0.484-0.525)	100%	0%	0
Vitamin D	Enter	0.512	0.501 (0.480-0.521)	100%	0%	0
Immunology						
Red Blood Cell Count	Enter	0.001	0.524 (0.509-0.539)	90.7%	11.6%	0.324
White Blood Cell Count	Enter	0.426	0.505 (0.490-0.520)	100%	0.2%	0.045
C-Reactive Protein	Enter	0.394	0.511 (0.496-0.525)	99.2%	0.9%	0.094
Neutrophils	Enter	0.071	0.521 (0.507-0.536)	99.4%	0.7%	0.083
Lymphocytes	Enter	0.053	0.518 (0.503-0.533)	99.8%	0.3%	0.055
Monocytes	Enter	0.172	0.505 (0.490-0.519)	98.6%	1.6%	0.126
Eosinophils	Enter	0.853	0.514 (0.499-0.528)	100%	0%	0
Basophils	Enter	0.086	0.510 (0.495-0.525)	100%	0%	0

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and true positives for COVID-19 infection. “Blue” and “white” shading are used to better visualize predictors within a set of similar variables. P values less than .05 were considered significant and applicable predictors and statistics are bolded.

Supplementary Table 2. Isolated effect of each predictor on COVID-19 risk among test cases with serology data

Predictor	Classifier Method	P value	AUC (95% CI)	Specificity	Sensitivity	G-Mean
Basic Demographics						
Age	Enter	0.634	0.568 (0.441-0.694)	100%	0%	0
Sex	Enter	<.001	0.689 (0.578-0.800)	66.0%	71.8%	0.688
Ethnic Background	Enter	0.647	0.528 (0.407-0.649)	98.1%	12.8%	0.354
Deprivation Index	Enter	0.704	0.539 (0.416-0.662)	100%	0%	0
Education	Enter	0.017	0.635 (0.522-0.748)	64.2%	53.8%	0.588
Body Composition						
Waist Circumference	Enter	0.142	0.598 (0.480-0.716)	83.0%	10.3%	0.292
Body Mass Index	Enter	0.575	0.548 (0.427-0.669)	96.2%	0%	0
Trunk Fat Mass	Enter	0.792	0.539 (0.413-0.665)	100%	0%	0
Whole Body Fat Mass	Enter	0.252	0.582 (0.464-0.701)	92.5%	5.1%	0.217
Whole Body Fat-Free Mass	Enter	0.003	0.687 (0.575-0.799)	71.7%	59.0%	0.650
Whole Body Water Mass	Enter	0.003	0.680 (0.567-0.793)	71.7%	59.0%	0.650
Health Behaviors and Conditions						
Smoking Status	Enter	0.072	0.610 (0.494-0.726)	47.2%	0%	0
Alcohol Status	Enter	0.094	0.603 (0.482-0.723)	100%	20.5%	0.453
Long-Term Medical Condition	Enter	0.391	0.546 (0.427-0.666)	100%	0%	0
Health Rating	Enter	0.661	0.521 (0.403-0.639)	100%	0%	0
Vitals						
Pulse Rate	Enter	0.335	0.582 (0.461-0.702)	92.5%	2.6%	0.155
Diastolic BP	Enter	0.047	0.633 (0.515-0.752)	84.9%	35.9%	0.552
Systolic BP	Enter	0.200	0.540 (0.420-0.660)	83.0%	12.8%	0.326
Biochemistry						
Alanine Aminotransferase	Enter	0.303	0.588 (0.463-0.714)	100%	0%	0
Albumin	Enter	0.285	0.676 (0.525-0.828)	93.0%	0%	0
Alkaline Phosphatase	Enter	0.272	0.541 (0.422-0.660)	98.1%	0%	0
Apolipoprotein A	Enter	0.333	0.600 (0.463-0.737)	95.3%	0%	0
Apolipoprotein B	Enter	0.125	0.545 (0.426-0.665)	88.7%	15.4%	0.370

Aspartate Aminotransferase	Enter	0.399	0.520 (0.398-0.641)	96.2%	0%	0
Bilirubin (Total)	Enter	0.319	0.543 (0.420-0.665)	88.7%	0%	0
Calcium	Enter	0.989	0.528 (0.386-0.670)	100%	0%	0
Cholesterol (Total)	Enter	0.276	0.528 (0.408-0.649)	90.6%	5.1%	0.215
Creatinine	Enter	0.250	0.524 (0.403-0.646)	88.7%	5.1%	0.213
Cystatin C	Enter	0.169	0.634 (0.512-0.755)	88.7%	7.7%	0.261
Gamma Glutamyltransferase	Enter	0.103	0.604 (0.482-0.725)	100%	0%	0
HDL Cholesterol	Enter	0.640	0.551 (0.410-0.692)	100%	0%	0
Hemoglobin A1c	Enter	0.035	0.638 (0.523-0.753)	90.6%	30.8%	0.528
Insulin-Like Growth Factor 1	Enter	0.852	0.533 (0.407-0.659)	100%	0%	0
LDL Cholesterol	Enter	0.247	0.533 (0.413-0.654)	84.9%	5.1%	0.208
Lipoprotein A	Enter	0.460	0.554 (0.418-0.691)	95.8%	0%	0
Phosphate	Enter	0.026	0.671 (0.531-0.811)	88.4%	4.3%	0.195
Protein (Total)	Enter	0.014	0.662 (0.514-0.811)	90.7%	47.8%	0.658
Sex Hormone Binding Globulin	Enter	0.900	0.510 (0.360-0.659)	100%	0%	0
Testosterone	Enter	0.021	0.731 (0.625-0.836)	86.8%	35.9%	0.558
Triglycerides	Enter	0.063	0.614 (0.498-0.729)	71.7%	71.8%	0.717
Urate	Enter	0.088	0.656 (0.538-0.774)	86.8%	20.5%	0.422
Urea	Enter	0.021	0.632 (0.508-0.757)	86.8%	35.9%	0.558
Vitamin D	Enter	0.009	0.601 (0.479-0.722)	81.1%	38.5%	0.559
Immunology						
C-Reactive Protein	Enter	0.394	0.567 (0.447-0.687)	99.2%	0.9%	0.094
Red Blood Cell Count	Enter	0.943	0.504 (0.384-0.625)	90.7%	11.6%	0.324
White Blood Cell Count	Enter	0.426	0.592 (0.476-0.709)	100%	0.2%	0.045
Neutrophils	Enter	0.037	0.628 (0.507-0.749)	99.4%	0.7%	0.083
Lymphocytes	Enter	0.053	0.552 (0.434-0.671)	99.8%	0.3%	0.055
Monocytes	Enter	0.020	0.646 (0.532-0.761)	98.6%	1.6%	0.126
Eosinophils	Enter	0.015	0.649 (0.535-0.762)	100%	0%	0
Basophils	Enter	0.086	0.528 (0.409-0.647)	100%	0%	0

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and true positives for COVID-19 infection. “Blue” and “white” shading are used to better visualize predictors within a set of similar variables. P values less than .05 were considered significant and applicable predictors and statistics are bolded.

Supplementary Table 3. Isolated effect of each baseline antibody titer on predicting current COVID-19 infection risk

Pathogen Name	Abbreviation	Antigen	Classifier Method	P value	AUC (95% CI)	Specificity	Sensitivity	G-Mean
Herpes Simplex Virus-1	HSV-1	1gG	Enter	0.089	0.526 (0.407-0.645)	56.3%	51.3%	0.537
Herpes Simplex Virus-2	HSV-2	2mgG	Enter	0.422	0.518 (0.402-0.634)	18.8%	82.1%	0.393
Varicella Zoster Virus	VZV	gE/gI	Enter	0.046	0.612 (0.509-0.714)	31.3%	69.2%	0.465
Epstein-Barr Virus	EBV	VCA p18	Enter	0.002	0.675 (0.574-0.775)	0%	100.0%	0
		EBNA-1	Enter	0.996	0.549 (0.441-0.658)	0%	94.9%	0
		ZEBRA	Enter	0.419	0.589 (0.49-0.688)	0%	100.0%	0
		EA-D	Enter	0.815	0.503 (0.397-0.609)	0%	89.7%	0
Human Cytomegalovirus	CMV	pp150 Nter	Enter	0.006	0.654 (0.539-0.769)	50.0%	74.4%	0.610
		pp 52	Enter	0.285	0.555 (0.442-0.668)	43.8%	74.4%	0.571
		pp 28	Enter	0.284	0.602 (0.485-0.718)	34.4%	74.4%	0.506
Human Herpesvirus-6	HHV-6	IE1A	Enter	0.110	0.586 (0.476-0.697)	31.3%	76.9%	0.491
		IE1B	Enter	0.007	0.638 (0.539-0.738)	37.5%	82.1%	0.555
		p101 k	Enter	0.687	0.532 (0.431-0.633)	0%	92.3%	0
Human Herpesvirus-7	HHV-7	U14	Enter	0.003	0.684 (0.577-0.792)	65.6%	66.7%	0.661
Kaposi's Sarcoma Associated Herpesvirus	KSHV	LANA	Enter	0.899	0.546 (0.439-0.653)	0%	94.9%	0
		K8.1	Enter	0.912	0.564 (0.452-0.675)	0%	94.9%	0
Hepatitis B Virus	HBV	HbC	Enter	0.808	0.505 (0.399-0.611)	0%	100.0%	0
		HBe	Enter	0.434	0.600 (0.486-0.713)	3.1%	82.1%	0.160
Hepatitis C Virus	HCV	Core	Enter	0.627	0.524 (0.415-0.633)	0%	94.9%	0
		NS3	Enter	0.011	0.663 (0.559-0.766)	50.0%	71.8%	0.599
Toxoplasma gondii	T. gondii	p22	Enter	0.036	0.617 (0.517-0.718)	40.6%	84.6%	0.586
		sag1	Enter	0.038	0.662 (0.554-0.769)	37.5%	82.1%	0.555
Human T Lymphotropic Virus 1	HTLV-1	HTLV-1 gag	Enter	0.003	0.710 (0.618-0.802)	56.3%	82.1%	0.680
		HTLV-1 env	Enter	0.402	0.554 (0.451-0.658)	18.8%	92.3%	0.417
	HIV	HIV-1 gag	Enter	0.001	0.688 (0.592-0.785)	37.5%	84.6%	0.563

Human Immunodeficiency Virus		HIV-1 env	Enter	0.204	0.577 (0.469-0.685)	31.3%	69.2%	0.465
Human Polyomavirus BKV	BKV	BK VP1	Enter	0.008	0.649 (0.539-0.759)	53.1%	59.0%	0.560
Human Polyomavirus JCV	JCV	JC VP1	Enter	0.796	0.530 (0.419-0.641)	0%	100.0%	0
Merkel Cell Polyomavirus	MCV	MC VP1	Enter	0.648	0.546 (0.442-0.649)	0%	89.7%	0
Human Papillomavirus type-16	HPV 16	L1	Enter	0.961	0.525 (0.412-0.637)	0%	100.0%	0
		E6	Enter	0.029	0.622 (0.517-0.728)	53.1%	66.7%	0.595
		E7	Enter	0.009	0.646 (0.536-0.756)	34.4%	74.4%	0.506
Human Papillomavirus type-18	HPV 18	L1	Enter	0.404	0.556 (0.453-0.660)	12.5%	84.6%	0.325
Chlamydia trachomatis	C. trachomatis	momp D	Enter	0.455	0.501 (0.390-0.612)	3.1%	97.4%	0.174
		momp A	Enter	0.075	0.551 (0.450-0.653)	28.1%	89.7%	0.502
		tarp-D F1	Enter	0.918	0.549 (0.431-0.668)	0%	100.0%	0
		tarp-D F2	Enter	0.814	0.572 (0.459-0.686)	0%	100.0%	0
		PorB	Enter	0.352	0.597 (0.488-0.706)	9.4%	87.2%	0.286
		pGP3	Enter	0.005	0.656 (0.547-0.765)	21.9%	79.5%	0.417
Helicobacter pylori	H. pylori	CagA*	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
		VacA	Enter	0.045	0.613 (0.506-0.719)	25.0%	87.2%	0.467
		OMP	Enter	0.770	0.509 (0.397-0.622)	0%	94.9%	0
		GroEL	Enter	0.308	0.591 (0.467-0.715)	28.1%	74.4%	0.457
		Catalase	Enter	0.663	0.525 (0.416-0.634)	0%	89.7%	0
		UreA	Enter	0.290	0.567 (0.461-0.672)	18.8%	87.2%	0.405

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Supplementary Table 4. Predictors that loaded into the stepwise models for COVID-19 infection risk

	Stepwise Predictor	Wilks' λ	Coefficient	Seroprevalence
All Test Cases	Ethnicity	0.983	-0.319	
	Triglycerides	0.983	0.355	
	Townsend Deprivation Index	0.983	0.417	
	Age in Years	0.983	0.26	
	Monocyte Count	0.984	-0.246	
	Whole Body Fat-Free Mass	0.984	0.231	
	Alcohol Status	0.984	0.377	
	Diastolic Blood Pressure	0.985	-0.292	
Serology Sub-Group	pp 52 antigen for Human Cytomegalovirus	0.332	0.507	58.2%
	Gamma Glutamyltransferase	0.334	0.268	
	Erythrocyte Count	0.334	-0.339	
	PorB Antigen for Chlamydia trachomatis	0.336	-0.404	21.4%
	Cholesterol	0.339	-0.353	
	Triglycerides	0.341	-0.369	
	pp 28 Antigen for Human Cytomegalovirus	0.345	-0.754	58.2%
	IE1A Antigen for Human Herpesvirus 6	0.356	-0.490	90.8%
	Monocyte Count	0.382	-0.651	
	Age in Years	0.384	0.656	
	pGP3 Antigen for Chlamydia trachomatis	0.408	0.731	21.4%
	Neutrophil Count	0.420	0.782	
	NS3 Antigen for Hepatitis C Virus	0.423	0.804	0.3%
	Urate	0.469	-0.961	
	Testosterone	0.608	1.441	

Wilks' λ represents the relative strength of a given predictor in contributing to the final model fit. Seroprevalence is the proportion of participants whose assay values were high enough such that they were considered positive for having a given disease. "Blue" and "white" shading are used to distinguish between predictors that loaded for a given model.

Supplementary Table 5. Isolated effect of each predictor on COVID-19 severity among the full sample

Predictor	Classifier Method	P value	AUC (95% CI)	Specificity	Sensitivity	G-Mean
Basic Demographics						
Age	Enter	<.001	0.572 (0.548-0.596)	75.5%	36.7%	0.526
Sex	Enter	0.009	0.528 (0.504-0.552)	100%	0%	0
Ethnic Background	Enter	<.001	0.524 (0.500-0.548)	91.0%	12.9%	0.343
Deprivation Index	Enter	0.610	0.507 (0.483-0.531)	91.0%	12.9%	0.343
Education	Enter	0.854	0.505 (0.478-0.532)	100%	0%	0
Body Composition						
Waist Circumference	Enter	0.003	0.541 (0.517-0.565)	93.6%	6.0%	0.237
Body Mass Index	Enter	0.198	0.522 (0.498-0.547)	100%	0%	0
Trunk Fat Mass	Enter	0.068	0.531 (0.506-0.555)	99.9%	0.1%	0.032
Whole Body Fat Mass	Enter	0.341	0.521 (0.497-0.546)	100%	0%	0
Whole Body Fat-Free Mass	Enter	0.104	0.522 (0.498-0.547)	100%	0%	0
Whole Body Water Mass	Enter	0.095	0.522 (0.497-0.546)	100%	0%	0
Health Behaviors and Conditions						
Smoking Status	Enter	0.114	0.522 (0.497-0.546)	100%	0%	0
Alcohol Status	Enter	0.540	0.506 (0.482-0.530)	100%	0%	0
Long-Term Medical Condition	Enter	0.084	0.519 (0.494-0.543)	100%	0%	0
Health Rating	Enter	0.098	0.518 (0.494-0.543)	100%	0%	0
Vitals						
Pulse Rate	Enter	0.652	0.510 (0.486-0.535)	100%	0%	0
Diastolic BP	Enter	0.969	0.501 (0.476-0.526)	100%	0%	0
Systolic BP	Enter	0.008	0.540 (0.515-0.565)	98.0%	2.0%	0.140
Biochemistry						
Alanine Aminotransferase	Enter	0.039	0.540 (0.515-0.565)	100%	0%	0
Albumin	Enter	0.093	0.525 (0.498-0.552)	98.9%	0.4%	0.063
Alkaline Phosphatase	Enter	0.198	0.522 (0.496-0.547)	100%	0%	0
Apolipoprotein A	Enter	0.245	0.513 (0.487-0.540)	99.7%	0.1%	0.032

Apolipoprotein B	Enter	0.862	0.502 (0.477-0.528)	100%	0%	0
Aspartate Aminotransferase	Enter	0.047	0.534 (0.508-0.559)	100%	0%	0
Bilirubin (Total)	Enter	0.965	0.509 (0.483-0.534)	100%	0%	0
Calcium	Enter	0.545	0.507 (0.481-0.534)	99.8%	0%	0
Cholesterol (Total)	Enter	0.352	0.510 (0.484-0.535)	100%	0%	0
Creatinine	Enter	0.289	0.510 (0.485-0.535)	100%	0%	0
Cystatin C	Enter	0.006	0.527 (0.502-0.553)	99.5%	0.7%	0.083
Gamma Glutamyltransferase	Enter	0.181	0.529 (0.504-0.555)	100%	0%	0
HDL Cholesterol	Enter	0.180	0.517 (0.490-0.544)	98.7%	0.4%	0.063
Hemoglobin A1c	Enter	0.002	0.555 (0.529-0.580)	99.3%	0.7%	0.083
Insulin-Like Growth Factor 1	Enter	0.037	0.524 (0.499-0.550)	96.8%	3.8%	0.192
LDL Cholesterol	Enter	0.470	0.508 (0.483-0.533)	100%	0%	0
Lipoprotein A	Enter	0.216	0.518 (0.489-0.546)	100%	0%	0
Phosphate	Enter	0.357	0.513 (0.486-0.540)	99.9%	0%	0
Protein (Total)	Enter	0.930	0.512 (0.486-0.539)	100%	0%	0
Sex Hormone Binding Globulin	Enter	0.036	0.525 (0.498-0.552)	94.2%	7.5%	0.266
Testosterone	Enter	0.060	0.521 (0.495-0.548)	100%	0%	0
Triglycerides	Enter	0.060	0.528 (0.503-0.554)	100%	0%	0
Urate	Enter	0.012	0.533 (0.508-0.559)	98.5%	1.7%	0.129
Urea	Enter	0.003	0.530 (0.505-0.556)	97.8%	2.7%	0.162
Vitamin D	Enter	0.562	0.503 (0.477-0.529)	100%	0%	0
Immunology						
Red Blood Cell Count	Enter	0.732	0.504 (0.479-0.529)	100%	0%	0
White Blood Cell Count	Enter	0.025	0.536 (0.511-0.561)	100%	0%	0
C-Reactive Protein	Enter	0.598	0.528 (0.503-0.554)	100%	0%	0
Neutrophils	Enter	0.004	0.535 (0.510-0.560)	98.2%	3.6%	0.188
Lymphocytes	Enter	0.212	0.504 (0.479-0.530)	100%	0%	0
Monocytes	Enter	0.071	0.530 (0.505-0.555)	100%	0%	0
Eosinophils	Enter	0.291	0.520 (0.495-0.545)	100%	0%	0
Basophils	Enter	0.671	0.500 (0.475-0.525)	100%	0%	0

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positive COVID-19 test case was mild or severe respectively. G-Mean is the degree to which a given predictor correctly predicts both true negatives and true positives for COVID-19 infection severity. "Orange" and "white" shading are used to better visualize each class of predictors for COVID-19 severity. P values less than .05 were considered significant, where applicable predictors and classifier statistics are bolded.

Supplementary Table 6. Isolated effect of each predictor on COVID-19 severity for the serology sub-group

Predictor	Classifier Method	P value	AUC (95% CI)	Specificity	Sensitivity	G-Mean
Basic Demographics						
Age	Enter	0.889	0.532 (0.348-0.716)	81.0%	0%	0
Sex	Enter	0.455	0.556 (0.373-0.738)	33.3%	0%	0
Ethnic Background	Enter	0.889	0.520 (0.331-0.708)	95.2%	0%	0
Deprivation Index	Enter	0.973	0.520 (0.331-0.708)	85.7%	0%	0
Education	Enter	0.706	0.504 (0.296-0.712)	100%	0%	0
Body Composition						
Waist Circumference	Enter	0.308	0.612 (0.430-0.795)	85.7%	27.8%	0.488
Body Mass Index	Enter	0.363	0.517 (0.328-0.706)	81.0%	22.2%	0.424
Trunk Fat Mass	Enter	0.087	0.615 (0.423-0.806)	75.0%	47.1%	0.594
Whole Body Fat Mass	Enter	0.100	0.629 (0.437-0.822)	90.0%	35.3%	0.564
Whole Body Fat-Free Mass	Enter	0.763	0.515 (0.325-0.704)	100%	0%	0
Whole Body Water Mass	Enter	0.851	0.562 (0.372-0.752)	100%	0%	0
Health Behaviors and Conditions						
Smoking Status	Enter	0.798	0.516 (0.331-0.701)	71.4%	0%	0
Alcohol Status	Enter	0.845	0.505 (0.321-0.689)	100%	0%	0
Long-Term Medical Condition	Enter	0.802	0.521 (0.334-0.708)	100%	0%	0
Health Rating	Enter	0.999	0.501 (0.317-0.686)	100%	0%	0
Vitals						
Pulse Rate	Enter	0.128	0.593 (0.412-0.773)	71.4%	33.3%	0.488
Diastolic BP	Enter	0.984	0.520 (0.334-0.705)	90.5%	0%	0
Systolic BP	Enter	0.868	0.513 (0.324-0.702)	85.7%	0%	0
Biochemistry						
Alanine Aminotransferase	Enter	0.043	0.690 (0.511-0.870)	47.6%	77.8%	0.609
Albumin	Enter	0.483	0.579 (0.332-0.827)	85.7%	0%	0
Alkaline Phosphatase	Enter	0.311	0.538 (0.350-0.727)	71.4%	33.3%	0.488
Apolipoprotein A	Enter	0.892	0.587 (0.351-0.824)	92.9%	0%	0
Apolipoprotein B	Enter	0.587	0.542 (0.358-0.727)	85.7%	0%	0

Aspartate Aminotransferase	Enter	0.688	0.642 (0.463-0.820)	95.2%	0%	0
Bilirubin (Total)	Enter	0.482	0.586 (0.404-0.768)	57.1%	22.2%	0.356
Calcium	Enter	0.190	0.635 (0.406-0.864)	85.7%	22.0%	0.434
Cholesterol (Total)	Enter	0.945	0.517 (0.333-0.701)	81.0%	0%	0
Creatinine	Enter	0.096	0.649 (0.474-0.825)	76.2%	55.6%	0.651
Cystatin C	Enter	0.497	0.545 (0.355-0.735)	81.0%	27.8%	0.475
Gamma Glutamyltransferase	Enter	0.992	0.577 (0.393-0.760)	100%	0%	0
HDL Cholesterol	Enter	0.841	0.540 (0.286-0.794)	85.7%	0%	0
Hemoglobin A1c	Enter	0.506	0.560 (0.368-0.752)	65.0%	29.4%	0.437
Insulin-Like Growth Factor 1	Enter	0.786	0.544 (0.354-0.734)	95.2%	0%	0
LDL Cholesterol	Enter	0.808	0.546 (0.362-0.731)	85.7%	0%	0
Lipoprotein A	Enter	0.287	0.607 (0.385-0.829)	46.2%	71.4%	0.574
Phosphate	Enter	0.627	0.524 (0.278-0.770)	100%	0%	0
Protein (Total)	Enter	0.513	0.571 (0.335-0.808)	100%	0%	0
Sex Hormone Binding Globulin	Enter	0.578	0.587 (0.347-0.828)	100%	0%	0
Testosterone	Enter	0.723	0.634 (0.446-0.821)	100%	0%	0
Triglycerides	Enter	0.989	0.540 (0.351-0.728)	90.5%	0%	0
Urate	Enter	0.372	0.597 (0.413-0.779)	71.4%	33.3%	0.488
Urea	Enter	0.300	0.604 (0.419-0.790)	76.2%	44.4%	0.582
Vitamin D	Enter	0.877	0.500 (0.315-0.685)	100%	0%	0
Immunology						
Red Blood Cell Count	Enter	0.970	0.553 (0.361-0.746)	95.2%	0%	0
White Blood Cell Count	Enter	0.177	0.646 (0.455-0.836)	61.9%	35.3%	0.467
C-Reactive Protein	Enter	0.234	0.522 (0.322-0.723)	100%	22.2%	0.471
Neutrophils	Enter	0.049	0.653 (0.475-0.830)	61.9%	52.9%	0.572
Lymphocytes	Enter	0.581	0.548 (0.358-0.737)	95.2%	0%	0
Monocytes	Enter	0.822	0.534 (0.343-0.724)	90.5%	0%	0
Eosinophils	Enter	0.694	0.516 (0.323-0.709)	100%	0%	0
Basophils	Enter	0.153	0.604 (0.423-0.785)	76.2%	35.3%	0.519

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positives for COVID-19 infection severity. "Orange" and "white" shading are used to better visualize each set of predictors for COVID-19 severity. P values less than .05 were considered significant, where applicable predictors and statistics are bolded.

Supplementary Table 7. Isolated effect of each baseline antibody titer on predicting current COVID-19 infection severity

Pathogen Name	Abbreviation	Antigen	Classifier Method	P value	AUC (95% CI)	Specificity	Sensitivity	G-Mean
Herpes Simplex Virus-1	HSV-1	1gG	Enter	0.185	0.626 (0.447-0.804)	61.1%	57.1%	0.591
Herpes Simplex Virus-2	HSV-2	2mgG	Enter	0.625	0.511 (0.321-0.701)	0%	90.5%	0
Varicella Zoster Virus	VZV	gE/gI	Enter	0.220	0.594 (0.412-0.776)	38.9%	61.9%	0.491
Epstein-Barr Virus	EBV	VCA p18	Enter	0.686	0.565 (0.381-0.748)	0%	81.0%	0
		EBNA-1	Enter	0.087	0.634 (0.452-0.815)	33.3%	81.0%	0.519
		ZEBRA	Enter	0.221	0.604 (0.421-0.788)	38.9%	71.4%	0.527
		EA-D	Enter	0.285	0.599 (0.418-0.780)	44.4%	61.9%	0.524
Human Cytomegalovirus	CMV	pp150 Nter	Enter	0.465	0.585 (0.399-0.771)	44.4%	71.4%	0.563
		pp 52	Enter	0.649	0.512 (0.322-0.702)	0%	81.0%	0
		pp 28	Enter	0.763	0.544 (0.355-0.733)	0%	90.5%	0
Human Herpesvirus-6	HHV-6	IE1A	Enter	0.592	0.538 (0.354-0.723)	0%	85.7%	0
		IE1B	Enter	0.700	0.565 (0.375-0.755)	0%	95.2%	0
		p101 k	Enter	0.667	0.507 (0.319-0.694)	0%	90.5%	0
Human Herpesvirus-7	HHV-7	U14	Enter	0.016	0.729 (0.568-0.890)	44.4%	81.0%	0.600
Kaposi's Sarcoma Associated Herpesvirus	KSHV	LANA	Enter	1.000	0.616 (0.437-0.796)	0%	95.2%	0
		K8.1	Enter	0.785	0.560 (0.371-0.748)	0%	95.2%	0
Hepatitis B Virus	HBV	HBc	Enter	0.850	0.587 (0.402-0.773)	0%	95.2%	0
		HBe	Enter	0.736	0.583 (0.350-0.727)	0%	95.2%	0
Hepatitis C Virus	HCV	Core	Enter	0.314	0.503 (0.316-0.689)	11.1%	100%	0.333
		NS3	Enter	0.847	0.578 (0.395-0.762)	0%	100%	0
Toxoplasma gondii	T. gondii	p22	Enter	0.259	0.549 (0.357-0.741)	5.6%	100%	0.237
		sag1	Enter	0.229	0.565 (0.379-0.751)	27.8%	90.5%	0.502
Human T Lymphotropic Virus 1	HTLV-1	HTLV-1 gag	Enter	0.065	0.647 (0.469-0.825)	66.7%	66.7%	0.667
		HTLV-1 env	Enter	0.570	0.595 (0.414-0.776)	11.1%	81.0%	0.300
Human Immunodeficiency Virus	HIV	HIV-1 gag	Enter	0.364	0.538 (0.353-0.724)	16.7%	85.7%	0.378
		HIV-1 env	Enter	0.634	0.534 (0.349-0.720)	0%	90.5%	0

Human Polyomavirus BKV	BKV	BK VP1	Enter	0.782	0.562 (0.380-0.744)	0%	81.0%	0
Human Polyomavirus JCV	JCV	JC VP1	Enter	0.045	0.671 (0.502-0.840)	66.7%	52.4%	0.591
Merkel Cell Polyomavirus	MCV	MC VP1	Enter	0.294	0.628 (0.448-0.809)	55.6%	61.9%	0.587
Human Papillomavirus type-16	HPV 16	L1	Enter	0.554	0.525 (0.338-0.712)	11.1%	81.0%	0.300
		E6	Enter	0.740	0.538 (0.349-0.728)	0%	95.2%	0
		E7	Enter	0.134	0.565 (0.382-0.748)	72.2%	52.4%	0.615
Human Papillomavirus type-18	HPV 18	L1	Enter	0.828	0.511 (0.322-0.699)	0%	85.7%	0
Chlamydia trachomatis	C. trachomatis	momp D	Enter	0.818	0.511 (0.322-0.699)	0%	95.2%	0
		momp A	Enter	0.819	0.505 (0.315-0.695)	0%	95.2%	0
		tarp-D F1	Enter	0.809	0.585 (0.403-0.766)	0%	95.2%	0
		tarp-D F2	Enter	0.615	0.538 (0.343-0.734)	0%	90.5%	0
		PorB	Enter	0.832	0.504 (0.319-0.689)	0%	95.2%	0
		pGP3	Enter	0.464	0.603 (0.422-0.784)	11.1%	95.2%	0.325
Helicobacter pylori	H. pylori	CagA*	N/A	N/A	NA	N/A	N/A	N/A
		VacA	Enter	0.915	0.602 (0.420-0.784)	0%	85.7%	0
		OMP	Enter	0.340	0.558 (0.375-0.741)	0%	47.6%	0
		GroEL	Enter	0.415	0.614 (0.433-0.795)	22.2%	85.7%	0.436
		Catalase	Enter	0.335	0.642 (0.464-0.819)	16.7%	95.2%	0.399
		UreA	Enter	0.300	0.606 (0.425-0.786)	0%	100%	0

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Supplementary Table 8. Predictors that loaded into the stepwise models for COVID-19 severity risk

	Stepwise Predictor	Wilks' λ	Coefficient	Seroprevalence
All Test Cases	Alanine Aminotransferase	0.979	0.298	
	Age in Years	0.994	0.873	
	Monocyte Count	0.980	0.351	
Serology Sub-Group	HTLV-1 gag for Human T Lymphotropic Virus 1	0.896	0.926	1.6%
	JC VP1 antigen for Human Polyomavirus JCV	0.911	0.959	57.5%

Wilks' λ represents the relative strength of a given predictor in contributing to the final model fit. Seroprevalence is the proportion of participants whose assay values were high enough such that they were considered positive for having a given disease. "Orange" and "white" shading are used to better visualize each predictor that loaded into a given model.