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Arterial hypertension and the risk of severity and mortality of COVID-19

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Arterial hypertension implies the risk of a hard COVID-19 outcome. This may be explained by potential confounding factors, such as age and cardiovascular disease. <https://bit.ly/2Kr6Ax4>

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To the Editor:

We read with great interest the recently published study by GUAN *et al.* [1]. To the best of our knowledge this is the first large-scale study that focuses on independent clinical risk factors associated with a composite outcome (death, use of a ventilator, or intensive care unit (ICU) requirement), using a Cox regression model.