The National Institutes of Health (NIH) COVID-19 Neuro Databank/Biobank: Creation and Evolution – Hawaii's Role including data on Native Hawaiians & Pacific Islanders (NHPI)



National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke COVID-19 NEURO DATABANK/ BIOBANK

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Diverse neurological conditions are reported associated with the SARS-CoV-2 virus; neurological symptoms are the most common conditions to persist after the resolution of acute infection, affecting 20% of patients 6 months after acute illness. The COVID-19 Neuro Databank

(NeuroCOVID) was created to overcome the limitations of siloed small local cohorts to collect detailed, curated, and harmonized de-identified data from a large diverse cohort of adults with new or worsened neurological conditions associated with COVID-19 illness, as a scientific resource.



The NeuroCOVID database is a unique and valuable source of comprehensive deidentified data on a wide variety of neurological conditions associated with COVID-19 illness, including a diverse patient population. Initiated early in the pandemic, data collection has been responsive to evolving scientific interests. NeuroCOVID will continue to contribute to scientific efforts to characterize and treat this challenging illness and its consequences.

American Indian or Alaskan Native

Asian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

White More than 1 Race

Other

Unknown

Race Not Represented

TOTAL

Characteristics

Frequency

6

35

189

5

473

8

79

48

45

888

Syndrome taxonomy/classification categories

Neurological category Demyelinating disease Encephalitis/meningitis Headache lschemic stroke/TIA Hemorrhagic stroke (SAH/ICH) Seizure Dementia/cognitive disorders Neuromuscular disorders (neuropathy, myopathy, neuromuscular junction) Toxic metabolic encephalopathy Traumatic brain injury Movement disorder Spinal cord disorder



Percent

<1%

4%

21%

<1%

53%

<1%

9%

5%

5%

100%

Investigator, Kore Liow, MD, Neurologist & Director, HawaiiNeuroCOVID Clinic, Clinical Professor of Medicine (Neurology), Graduate Faculty, Clinical & Translational Research said "We are so proud of our medical students: Connor Goo, Ward Weldon, D-Dré Wright, Anita Cheung, Brandon Hong, Jonathan Carino, Cierra Nakamura of University of Hawai`i John Burns School of Medicine who played a role in the collection of these data leading to NIH publication and proud to contribute to this important NIH research efforts especially in regards to NHPI populations." Professor Kore Kai Liow, MD also serves on NIH NINDS Study Sections, Scientific Review Group (SRG).

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More Information: NIH website, NYU website, Hawaii Neuro COVID Clinic, Hawaii NeuroCOVID ResearchLab