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Learning Objectives

Discuss new FDA authorization for second booster doses



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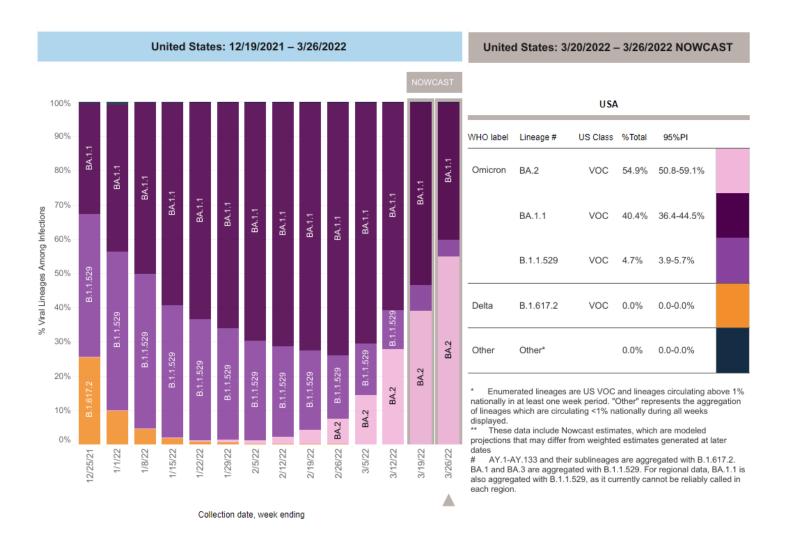


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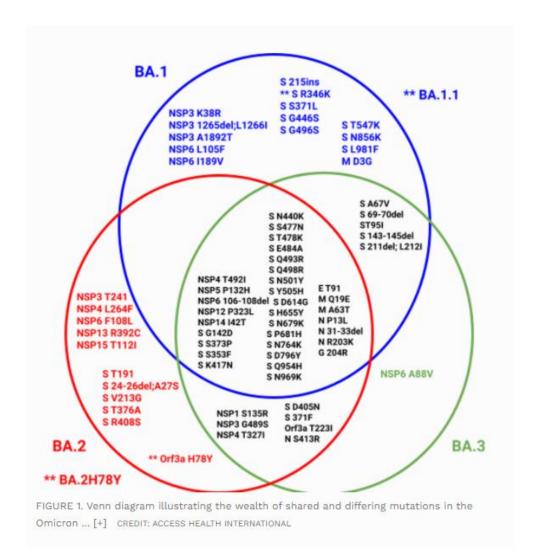
BA.2 Lineage Subvariant Now the Dominant New Infection in the US



https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#variant-proportions (3/29)



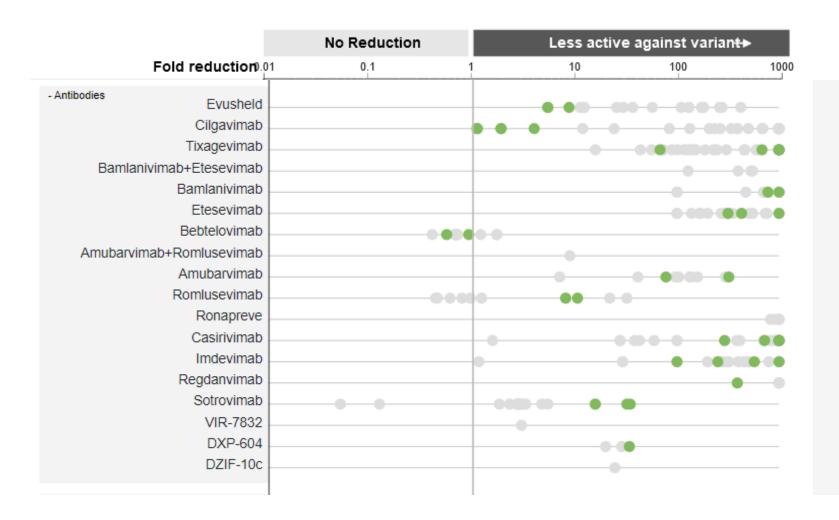
Where Does BA.2 Fall?

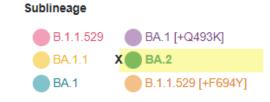


Bill Haseltine, Forbes 2022



In Vitro Therapeutic Activity





3/29/22 https://opendata.ncats.nih.gov/variant/activity



The Question Most Everyone Asks...BOOSTERS

FDA authorizes second coronavirus booster shot for people 50 and older

By Carolyn Y. Johnson and Lena H. Sun

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The decision to offer a fourth vaccine dose in the United States drew heavily from data in Israel, which approved in January a fourth dose for people most vulnerable to covid-19. (Maya Alleruzzo/AP)









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 What to know about the omicron variant and subvariant BA.2





Booster #2: Dose #4 or #5

Who:

- All > 50 yrs (dose #4)
 - At least 4 months after first booster (dose #3)
- Solid organ transplants or similar immune risk (dose #5)
 - At least 4 months after booster #1 (dose #4)

Risks differ among groups above

- Age, co-morbidities, timing of last shot, circulating variant, & rates
- Debate about benefits

CDC/ACIP expected to say "may" for the > 50 yrs group



Data on Fourth Dose from Israel

Dose #4 mRNA vaccine

- Safe, immunogenic
- Raises vaccine efficacy somewhat
- Dose #3 appears to have peak humoral response
- Marginal benefit efficacy in HCWs who remain with high VL due to Omicron

Case-match control study 4 v. 3 dose mRNA with 10 wk followup

- Age > 60 yrs, protection against severe COVID compared to 3 dose
- Peak protection 3 wks after dose #4, wanes faster than dose #3





For the newly authorized second booster, is there any advantage to using vaccine that was not part of primary series or first booster?





The CDC statement on isolation states that people who test positive for COVID-19 should isolate for five days. Is five days enough, considering that many people still test positive on rapid antigen for around 10 days?



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