

Information sources on Kawasaki disease

EURORDIS has been contacted by different patient organisations and stakeholders regarding the potential causality link between Kawasaki disease and Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) infection as reported by some media. Media reports have created some confusions. These preliminary reports needs to be confirmed. Most of the reports are in the UK, though both the UK Kawasaki Foundation and the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health are calling for caution on that information. EURORDIS is closely monitoring the situation as members of the rare disease community may be concerned. Please find below links to curated information sources based on all available information.

Statements

Following the small number of cases reported in the different EU countries of a COVID-19 related condition emerging in children and the potential relation with Kawasaki disease, different patient organisations and other health institutions published statements in order to inform patients and families on the current situation.

UK Kawasaki Foundation

- [Societi Scientific Advisory Board response to press coverage on Kawasaki Disease and Covid-19](#)

Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health

- [College responds to recent reports on COVID-19 and children](#)

Patient organisations

Please find below different Patient Organisations for Kawasaki in Europe:

Italy

- [Rari ma speciali](#)

UK

- [Kawasaki Support Group](#)

Orphanet, the online portal for rare diseases

- Further information on patient organisations for Kawasaki can be found in [Orphanet](#).
- Orphanet has a wide range of information about [Kawasaki disease](#) (updated February 2020).

Further information resources

European Reference Network (ERN RITA)

European Reference Network on Rare primary Immunodeficiency, Autoinflammatory and Autoimmune diseases (**ERN RITA**) covers [Kawasaki disease](#) (grouped as autoimmune systemic vasculitis adult and paediatric). For more information, please visit the [ERN RITA website](#).

Existing clinical guidelines on Kawasaki disease

American Heart Association

- [Diagnosis, Treatment, and Long-Term Management of Kawasaki Disease: A Scientific Statement for Health Professionals From the American Heart Association \(2017\)](#)

European Society of Cardiology

- [Essentials of Kawasaki Disease \(2007\)](#)

Japanese Society of Pediatric Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery

- [Guidelines for medical treatment of acute Kawasaki disease: Report of the Research Committee of the Japanese Society of Pediatric Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery \(2012 revised version\)](#)

Other

- [Kawasaki Disease](#)
- [Kawasaki disease: guidelines of the Italian Society of Pediatrics, part I - definition, epidemiology, etiopathogenesis, clinical expression and management of the acute phase \(2018\)](#)