

Table 1. Demographics and characteristics

	Values
Total number of patients	8
Age (years), median (range)	64.5 (42–70)
Weight (kg), median (IQR)	70 (52–74)
Female sex	4 (50%)
Hypertension	3 (38%)
Diabetes	2 (25%)
Cardiovascular disease	0 (0%)
Chronic renal impairment	2 (25%)
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	0 (0%)
Asthma	0 (0%)
Malignancy	0 (0%)
Chronic liver disease	0 (0%)
Alcohol	2 (25%)
Smoking	1 (13%)
Travel history outside of Hong Kong	5 (63%)
Signs and symptoms	
Fever	8 (100%)
Cough	6 (75%)
Rhinorrhoea	0 (0%)
Myalgia or fatigue	5 (63%)
Sputum	5 (63%)
Headache	0 (0%)
Diarrhoea	2 (25%)
Abdominal pain	1 (13%)
Dyspnoea	8 (100%)
Days from symptoms to hospital admission, median (IQR)	7 (4–10)
Days from symptoms to ICU admission, median (IQR)	10 (9–11)
Days from symptoms to mechanical ventilation, median (IQR)	10 (9–11)
Bilateral infiltrates on chest x-ray	8 (100%)
APACHE II score, median (IQR)	12.5 (9–16)
Laboratory results on admission, median (IQR)	
Haemoglobin (g/dL)	12.8 (11.9–14.2)
White cell count ($\times 10^9/L$)	6.6 (3.42–11.7)
Neutrophils ($\times 10^9/L$)	5.2 (2.3–10.6)
Lymphocytes ($\times 10^9/L$)	0.7 (0.5–1.0)
Platelet ($\times 10^9/L$)	154 (127–241)
PT (s)	13 (12.4–13.4)
INR	1.1 (1.1–1.2)
APTT (s)	35.6 (33.4–39.0)
Creatine kinase (U/L)	115 (64–160)
Lactate dehydrogenase (U/L)	329 (266–507)
Bilirubin ($\mu\text{mol/L}$)	6 (5–8)
ALT (IU/L)	28 (20–45)
Urea (mmol/L)	3.4 (2.5–7.9)
Creatinine ($\mu\text{mol/L}$)	70 (56–110)
CRP (mg/L)	194 (72.9–284)
Procalcitonin (ng/mL)	0.2 (< 0.05–0.2)

ALT = alanine transaminase; APACHE = Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation; APTT = activated partial thromboplastin time; CRP = C-reactive protein; INR = international normalised ratio; IQR = interquartile range; PT = prothrombin time.