Who is the team compiling the publications?

We recently added new contributors to our team due to the increasingly large number of publications released on COVID-19. Our team consists of:

*Mija Ververs* (Coordinator), who works at the Center for Humanitarian Health, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and is a visiting health scientist with the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

*Minyoung Jang, Megan E. Hadley, and Sajya Singh* are medical students at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine; *Xiaodi Xu, Jingyi Wu* and *Natasha Kaushal* are Master of Science in Public Health students at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health; and *Alexandra Norton* is both a medical and MPH student affiliated with both schools.

How are the publications selected?

Peer-reviewed articles are selected after systematic search using the PubMed, Embase, Global Health (OVID), and SCOPUS databases. We use various search terms, such as “COVID-19,” “Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2” “pregnancy,” “breastfeeding,” “peri-natal,” “post-partum,” “maternal health,” “lactation,” “breast milk expression,” “infant feeding,” “human milk,” “infant,” “neonate,” “child,” “nutritional physiological phenomena,” “nutritional sciences,” “child nutrition,” “acute malnutrition,” “wasting,” “food insecurity,” and “micronutrients.” Additionally, we use a snowball search strategy.

Are the abstracts from the original publication?

Some sections of the abstracts are restated verbatim from their original publications; other sections have been paraphrased and modified to highlight themes related to maternal and child health and nutrition in the context of COVID-19. There is a wide range of writing quality among rapidly released publications, so we have interpreted texts to the best of our ability.

What is the column on “specific observations” about?

We note significant contributions of new publications to the existing body of literature on aforementioned topics, as well as gaps in areas of study that remain to be investigated.

What is this new sub-repository on COVID-19, Breastfeeding, Infant Feeding, Breast Milk?

We created a specific file on scientific publications related to breastfeeding, infant feeding, and breast milk; it is a subset from the full repository. The same papers can still be found in the comprehensive repository.

Can the information from these overviews be used by me?

Absolutely. If you want to use the publications that are described, you will need to refer to the authors and journals directly.
If you use our full overviews, then it would be correct to reference this initiative and refer to the website.

**Why do I not see certain publications in your list?**

If certain important publications are missing, that might be an unintentional oversight on our part. If you notice any errors or think that we should include a specific publication, please send your suggestions to mververs@jhu.edu (subject line: REPOSITORY COVID-19).

Note: Publications will be marked as retracted in our repository, if they were withdrawn since publication according to the following site: https://retractionwatch.com/retracted-coronavirus-covid-19-papers/