

WHO APPROVES TWO NEW DRUG TO TREAT CORONAVIRUS PATIENTS. ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW

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The World Health Organization (WHO) on Friday recommended the use of two new drugs for the treatment of Covid-19 patients as the fast-spreading Omicron variant renders concerns. The UN body has recommended the two new drugs to treat patients showing critical symptoms, as well as for the non-severe cases. The WHO has recommended Eli Lilly & Co.'s rheumatoid arthritis drug and GlaxoSmithKline Plc's monoclonal antibody. Lilly's [baricitinib drug](#) is a Janus kinase (JAK) inhibitor- a class of drugs used to treat autoimmune conditions, blood and bone marrow cancers, and rheumatoid arthritis.

As per the WHO, baricitinib is "strongly recommended" for patients with severe or critical disease in combination with corticosteroids. Whereas sotrovimab can be used for patients with non-severe cases.

Here's what the [WHO](#) said about the new anti-Covid drugs:

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