Ivermectin's discoverers were awarded the Nobel Prize in Medicine in 2015. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC8383101/

Since before the vaccine, (2012-2020) multiple in vitro studies have demonstrated that ivermectin inhibits the replication of many viruses. Including influenza, Zika, Dengue and others:

(2012) https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/22535622/ (2012) https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/22417684/ (2013) https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23769930/ (2016) https://www.nature.com/articles/srep23138 (2016) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.antiviral.2015.12.012 (2018) https://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-017-18742-8 (2018) https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30266338/ (2020) https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32641484/ (2020) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.antiviral.2020.104760

Ivermectin inhibits SARS-CoV-2 replication and binding to host tissue via several observed and proposed mechanisms: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32251768/

Ivermectin has profound inhibition of both cytokine production & transcription of nuclear factor- κB (NF- κB):

https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/19109745/ https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/19453757/ https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/19168156/

Ivermectin significantly diminishes viral load and protects against organ damage in multiple animal models when infected with SARS-CoV-2 or similar coronaviruses:

https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.11.02.363242v1 https://www.scielo.br/j/aabc/a/RJTqqdvvXhWv4HkHcvd3KjK/?format=pdf

Ivermectin prevents transmission and development of COVID-19 disease in those exposed to infected patients:

https://c19ivermectin.com/bernigaud.html
https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.09.10.20191619v1
https://dx.doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-100956/v2
https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33259913/
https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT04422561

Ivermectin hastens recovery and avoidance of ICU admission and death. Hastens recovery & prevents deterioration in patients treated early. Ivermectin reduces mortality in critically ill patients with COVID-19.

https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.07.07.20145979v1 https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7774457/ https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33983065/ https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.10.29.20222505v1 https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32736876/ https://www.iaimjournal.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/iaim_2020_0710_23.pdf