ジカウイルス感染症(ジカ熱)

ヤブカ属の蚊によって媒介されるジカウイルスによる感染症です。基本的に、感染したヒトから他のヒトに直接感染するような病気ではありませんが、輸血や性行為による感染も指摘されています。

ジカウイルスはデングウイルスと同じ科に属し、症状はデング熱に類似していますが、デング熱より軽いとされています。また、感染して全員が発症するわけではなく、症状がないか、症状が軽いため気付かないこともあります。

ポリネシア連邦やブラジルの流行では、ギラン・バレー症候群や神経症状を認める症例が報告され、ブラジルでは妊婦がジカウイルスに感染することで胎児が感染し、小頭症児が多発していると報告されております。感染地域に旅行される際は十分注意が必要です。 詳細はこちら:

★NIID 国立感染症研究所

http://www.nih.go.jp/niid/ja/kansennohanashi/6224-zika-fever-info.html

★厚生労働省

http://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000109881.html

Zika Virus Disease (Zika Fever)

Zika fever is a disease caused by the Zika virus that is spread to people through the bite of an infected mosquito of the Aedes species. In principle, it cannot be transmitted directly from one infected person to another. However, on rare occasions, there have been reports of the virus being transmitted through blood transfusions as well as sexually.

The Zika virus belongs to the same genus as the dengue virus. Symptoms of Zika fever are similar to those of dengue fever, but milder. Not all infected people show symptoms. Some people may not realize they are infected because they show no symptoms at all or only show very mild symptoms.

Cases of Guillain-Barré syndrome and other neurological disorders in French Polynesia and Brazil have been linked to the Zika virus. In Brazil, there have been many reports of the Zika virus being transmitted from a pregnant woman to her unborn child, and this is also suspected of causing microcephaly, a disorder where a baby's head is abnormally small. Take great care when you travel to areas experiencing an outbreak of the Zika virus.

For more information, visit the following websites.

★ National Institute of Infectious Diseases(in Japanese only) http://www.niid.go.jp/niid/ja/kansennohanashi/6224-zika-fever-info.html

★Ministry of Health, Labour, and Welfare(in Japanese only)

http://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000109881.html

 \bigstar World Health Organization

http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/zika/en/

★Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

http://www.cdc.gov/zika/