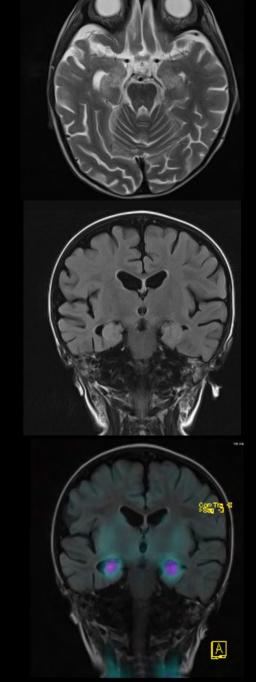
Unusual VIRAL causes of Childhood encephalitis

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Why study encephalitis

- Causes: Aetiological diagnosis frequently not made
- Consequences: cause of mortality, short-term survivors with significant sequelae, long-term half with cognitive/behavioural sequelae
- 'Canary in coal mine': 'marker' syndrome for emerging and serious infectious diseases



ACE Study - methods

Discovering the Infectious Causes of unknown Encephalitis (**DICE**)





Active surveillance "Suspected Encephalitis"

Expert clinical review

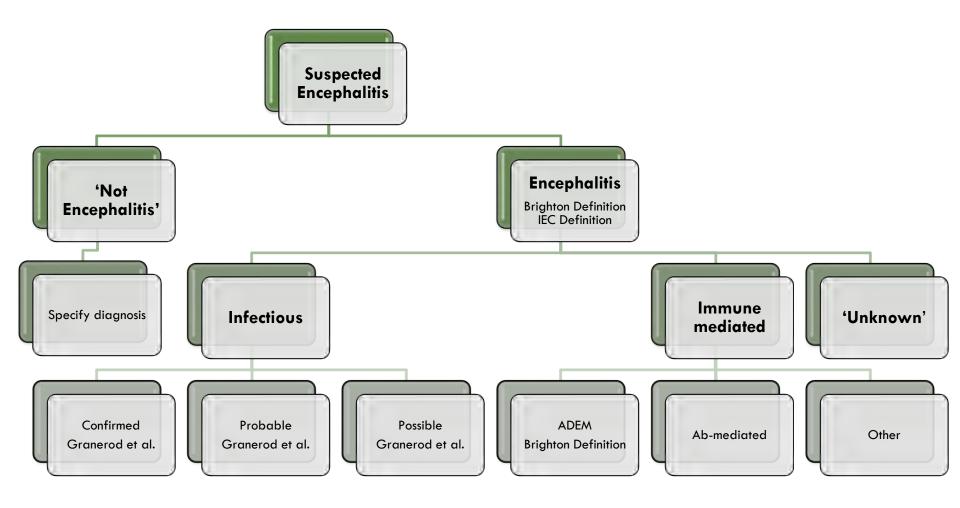
- Case categorisation
- Review diagnostics

Specimen salvaging

- Biobanking
- Novel diagnostics

Follow-up

Expert Panel - methods



Causality

Confirmed

Probable

Possible

Increased likelihood of being causative agent

BRAIN*

Organism within CNS ± intrathecal specific immune response

Organism in sterile site† ± specific immune response

Organism carriage and evidence of specific immune response

Organism carriage – detection in nonsterile site and no specific immune response

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'Acute encephalitis' - Clinical pathological spectrum

	Acute infectious encephalitis	Acute disseminated encephalomyelitis	Acute haemorrhagic leucoencephalopathy	Acute toxic encephalopathy	Septic encephalopathy
Ages	All	> 2 years	All	< 2 years	All
Antecendent infection	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Clinical features:					
Fever	Common	Variable Uncommon in adults	Common	Common	Yes
Systemic Involvement	Sometimes	No	Yes	Sometimes	Yes
Altered level of Consciousness	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Seizures common	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Meningism	Sometimes	Sometimes	Yes	No	No
Focal CNS signs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Involvement of PNS	Flavivirus, CMV & EBV encephalitis	Rarely	No	No	No
CSF examination:					
↑ opening pressure	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Pleocytosis	Lymphocyte predominant	Lymphocyte predominant	Neutrophil predominant	No	No
↑ protein	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (but less common in Reye's syndrome)	Small increase in severe cases only
Intrathecal IgG Synthesis	After 10 days	Yes, varying proportions	No	No	No
Detection of microbe by PCR	Yes	No	No	No	No
CNS imaging (CT/MRI)	Focal areas of inflammatory change	Diffuse enhancing white matter lesions	Multiple white matter lesions with haemorrhage	Diffuse cerebral oedema	Unremarkable
EEG	Abnormal	Abnormal	Abnormal	Abnormal	Abnormal
Brain histopathology	Perivascular inflammation with neuronophagia & neuronal destruction	Perivenous inflammation with demyelination	Small vessel vasculitis with fibrinoid necrosis	Cerebral oedema without inflammatory infiltrate	Unremarkable

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ACE Review Panel to end 2016 (n=519 suspected cases)

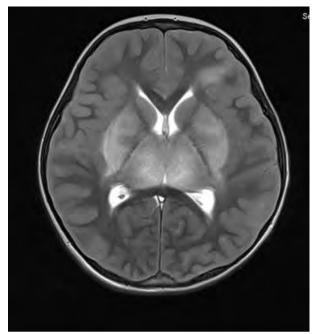
Confirmed Encephalitis (% suspected encephalitis)			285 (55)
Infectious (n (% confirmed encephalitis; 95% CI)	Confirmed/Probable+ 102 (36; 30-41)	Possible 59 (21; 16-25)	<i>Total</i> 161 (56; 51-62)
Parechovirus	28	1	29 (10; 7-14)
Enterovirus	17	11	28 (10; 6-13)
'Bacterial'*	21		21 (7; 4-10)
Influenza		18	18 (6; 3-9)
HSV	17 (8 HSV1; 3 HSV2)		17 (6; 3-9)
Mycoplasma pneumoniae	15		15 (5; 3-8)
EBV	2		2 (2)
HHV6	1	2	3 (2)
MVEV	1	1	2 (1)
CMV	1		1 (0)
RSV		3	3 (1)
Adenovirus		2	2 (1)
HMPV		1	1 (0)
Parainfluenza		1	1 (0)
Norovirus		1	1 (0)
Rotavirus		1	1 (0)
Cryptococcus sp.		1	1 (0)
Toxocariasis		1	1 (0)
Mixed		15	15 (5)
Immune Mediated (n (%))	73		73 (26; 21-31)
ADEM	51		51 (18; 13-22)
Anti-NMDAR	17 (2)#		17 (6; 3-9)
Anti-GAD	1		1 (0)
Other^	4		4 (1)
Unknown (n (%))	51		51 (18; 13-22)

Case

3yo well boy; Asian background

- 3 days fever, cough, vomiting and diarrheoa
- Found unresponsive and cyanosed
- CT: low attenuation and swelling of the basal ganglia and upper brain stem
- CSF WCC 1, Prot 14. 69
- AST >21,000 , ALT >11,000
- PCR positive for Influenza A
- Death within 48 hours of admission

Acute Necrotising Encephalopathy



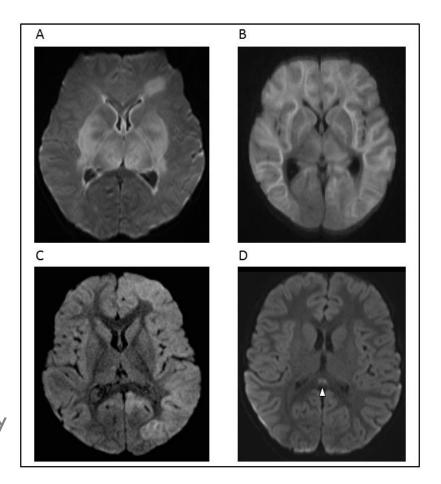
IAE cases

- 23 cases of Suspected encephalitis; 13 IAE cases
 - Age: median 3.7 years (IQR1.5
 - Sex: 8/13 female
 - Clinical: Fever 10 resp.
- n:1. One pre-existing neurological dx 15% received osteltamivir steltall pnalopathy MERS, 1 HHS) • 8 chil
 - CSF
 - Neur ____normal – specific syndromes
 - 1 deam; 3 severe adverse
 - neurologic morbidity occurred in 7 of the 13 children (54%)

IAE: Clinico-radiological diversity

Acute necrotising encephalopathy (ANE) Severe; mortality 25% morbidity 40%

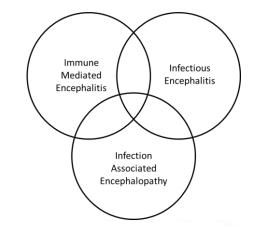
Hemiconvulsion
Hemiplegia
Syndrome (HHS)
Moderate-severe;
mortality ?; morbidity
?70%

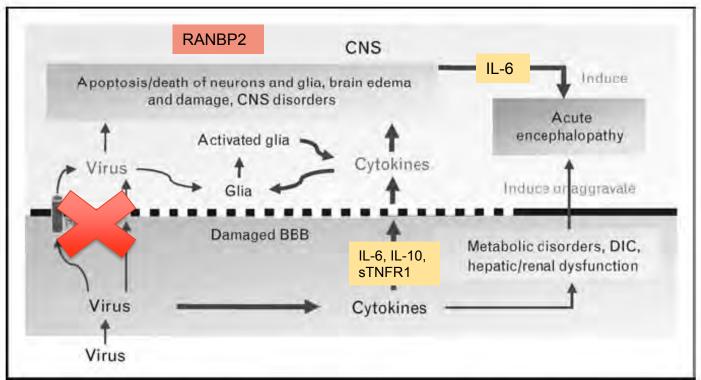


Acute
encephalopathy
with biphasic
seizures and late
reduced diffusion
(AESD) Moderatesevere; mortality <5%;
morbidity 70%

Mild encephalopathy with reversible splenial lesion (MERS) Mild; full recovery by 1 month

?Pathogenesis





BBB, blood-brain barrier; CNS, central nervous system; DIC, disseminated intravascular coagulation.

ACE Outcome (short-term)

- Nine patients died (case fatality proportion 5%),
 - 7infectious encephalitis (2 influenza-associated, 3 HHV6-associated, 1 parechovirus, 1 Group B streptococcus);
 - 2 with encephalitis of unknown cause.
- ICU admission occurred in 53% of cases

Median length of stay in hospital was 9 days hospitalisation
 22% of children showed moderate to severe ,neurological
 sequelae at discharge from hospital (Glasgow outcome scale)

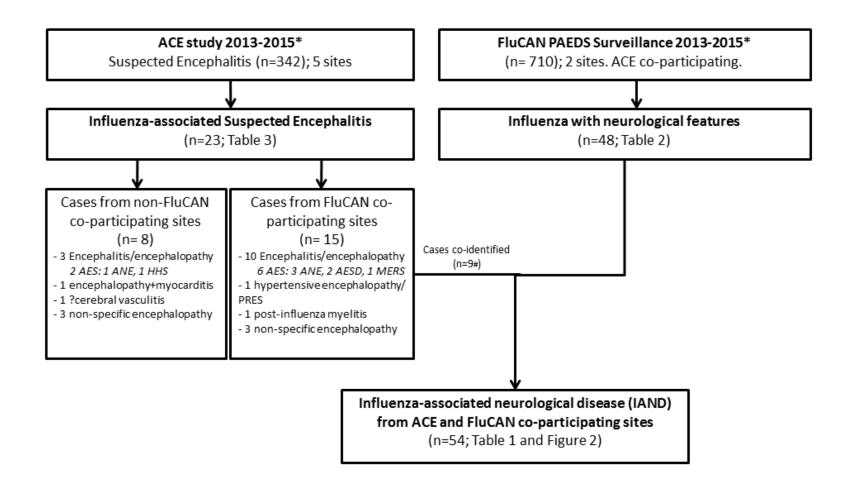
score ≤ 4).

Predictor*	Multivariable aOR (95%CI)	p-value
Leading causes		0.04
Influenza	43.5 (3.3-500)	0.004
Anti-NMDAR	50 (4.2-500)	0.002
ADEM	6.0 (1.0-34.5)	0.04
Clinical Features		
Fever	0.18 (0.05-0.58)	0.004
GCS <13#	3.8 (1.0-7.1)	0.05
ICU Admission	7.0 (1.2-39.3)	0.02

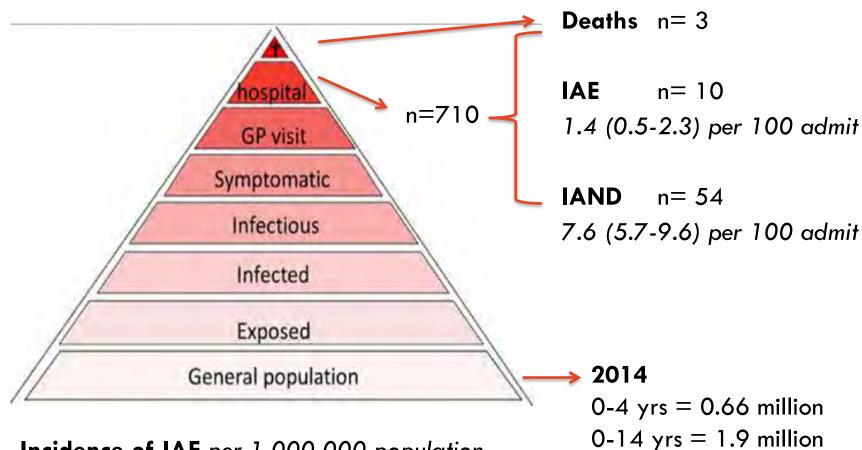
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IAND combined analysis - Methods:



Results:



Incidence of IAE per 1 000 000 population

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Spectrum of IAND

Table 2. Demographics, Risk Factors, Treatment, and Outcome of Influenza-Associated Neurological Disease Identified by the Australian Childhood Encephalitis Study and Influenza Complications Alert Network Surveillance, 2013–2015

Variable	Encephalitis/ Encephalopathy ^a	Other Encephalopathy ^b	Simple/Typical Febrile Seizure	Other Seizure	Acute Ataxia	Other Focal Neurological	Total	P Value ^c
No. (%)	10 (19)	7 (13)	14 (26)	16 (30)	4 (7)	3 (6)	54 (100)	(449
Median age (y, range or IQR ^d)	2.9 (1.3–6.4)	2.8 (0.1–4.9)	2.5 (1.3–4.6)	5.9 (2.1–9.	6)3.4 (1.3–10.6)	5.9 (1.0–9.2)	3.8 (1.3–6.6	.51 ⁸
Aged ≤4 y	7 (70)	6 (86)	11 (79)	7 (44)	3 (75)	1 (33)	31 (63)	.21
Male sex	3 (30)	5 (71)	7 (50)	12 (75)	1 (25)	2 (67)	28 (58)	.18
Vaccinated	0	0	1 (7)	1 (6)	0	U	2 (4)	***
Preexisting neurological disease	1 (10)	2 (29)	1 (7)	13 (81)	0	1 (33)	17 (35)	<.01
Other medical comorbidities	0	0	4 (29)	7 (44)	1 (25)	1 (33)	13 (24)	.07
Specific diagnoses	6	1		***	***	3		
	3 ANE	1 PRES/ hypertensive				1 opsocionus-my ocionus		
	2 AESD					1 transverse myelitis		
	1 MERS					1 acute visual disturbance		
Influenza A Influenza B	6:4	6:1	9:5	6:10	4:0	2:1	33:21	.16
Oseltamivir	30 (30)	1/6 (17)	3/13 (23)	2/13 (15)	1 (25)	0	8/47 (17)	.60
ICU admission	6 (60)	2 (29)	1 (7)	6 (38)	0	0	15 (28)	.04
Median LOS (d, range or IQR ^d)	6.5 (3.5–20)	3 (2–9)	1 (1–2.3)	4 (1.3–14) 5.5 (2–20)	4 (2–10)	3 (2–8.3)	.02
Death	2 (20)	0	1 (7) [†]	0	0	0	3 (6)	.5
Incomplete recovery	3/8 (38)	1 (14)	0/13	5 (31)	0	1 (33)	10 (18)	.08

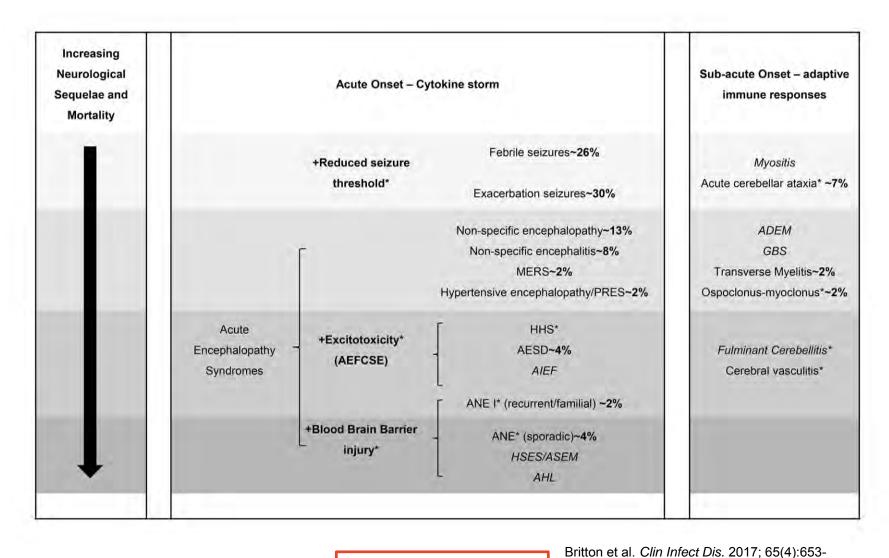
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IAND: Clinico-pathological Spectrum



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Conclusions

- IAE is associated with a high morbidity and mortality
- Influenza a possible cause of encephalitis syndrome in all children during influenza season
- Incidence of IAE comparable to that in 2009–10 pandemic and in East Asia
- IAND occurs primarily in children younger than 5 years and without preexisting neurological disease
- Specific consideration of these severe discussion re. universal child

State funding for universal 'under-5' influenza

Human Herpes Virus-6 B (n=3)

8y boy Post allogeneic HSCTx ~4-5 weeks	16 mo boy, previously well	13 mo girl, previously well
Seizure, post-ictal apneoa. MRI – Symmetric T2 hyperintensity and diffusion restriction caudate, putamina, claustra and L hippocampus. EEG – abnormal CSF – WCC 0, prot 0.31 HHV6 pcr POS. Blood HHV6 pcr POS, then NEG on Rx. Later died	Coryzal illness then fever + seizure, irritable/ encephalopathic post, Rash. Prolonged Hypotonia and loss of skills. MRI – normal CSF – WCC, prot 0.15 CSF and blood HHV6 PCR pos	Irritability then GTCS. Prolonged coma and brain death. Deceased. MRI — Extensive diffusion restriction deep grey matter incl. Thalami, cerebellum, brainstem EEG — Generalised slowing. CSF — WCC 12, Prot 1.16 CSF and Blood HHV6 PCR pos (log 4.7 in blood) HHV6 lgG pos, lgM pos

NOTE: exclusion of chromosomally integrated HHV6 not undertaken in these cases

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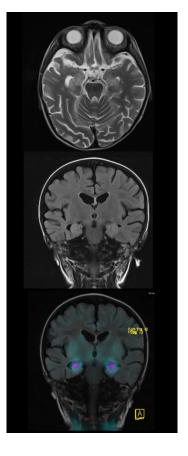
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Human Herpes Virus-6 (B)

Two clear phenotypes:

- Post Transplant Acute Limbic Encephalitis (PALE)
 - Clinically: antegrade amnesia, insomnia, delirium, seizures
 - EEG: localised temporal lobe epileptiform discharges.
 - Imaging: localized medial temporal lobe T2, FLAIR,DWI
 - Risk: unrelated donor and cord HSCT recipients
 - Resolution of symptoms with foscarnet and ganciclovir
 - ? up to 40% mortality+ up to 80% significant neurologic sequelae
- Primary HHV-6 associated encephalopathy/ encephalitis
 - Up to 17% IAE in children
 - Clinically exanthem subitum + seizures + encephalopathy
 - Leading secondary cause of IAE clinico-radiological syndromes (ANE, AESD, AIEF, HHS etc.)



Epstein-Barr Virus (n=2)

5yo boy, previously well

12 yo girl, previously well

2 day vomiting illness, GTCS on day 2 admission then 2x GTCS day 3. Irritable, combative post-ictal for 48hrs. Slowly settled. Rx with steroids. Rash.

MRI - marked T2 hyperintensities caudate + lenitform nuclei + thalami, centrum semiovale and peritrigonal WM. Mild changes paracfalcine cortex, cingulate gyrus. No DWI

EEG – abnormal

CSF – WCC 2, prot 0.13

EBV IgM + heterophile Ab pos. CSF EBV PCR pos.

Ev/Rhino PCR pos on nasal swab

Headache, fever, visual symptoms and papilloedema. Developed unsteady gait, intention tremor + hyperreflexia.

MRI – peri-ventricular WM changes in occipital and R parietal lobe

EEG – abnormal – R hemispheric slowing

CSF – WCC 286 (97% Mono), prot 1.78

CSF EBV PCR pos. EBV IgG pos, IgM neg

Epstein-Barr Virus

Primary EBV associated encephalitis

- 5-10% of childhood acute encephalitis
- Pathogenesis?
- Clinically: meningism + progression to lethargy, disorientation and coma; radicular pain often reported
- CSF 'aseptic meningitis'; Atypical lymphocytes may be seen.
- Diagnosis:
 - Serology showing primary infection (EBV viral capsid antigen (VCA) IgM or EBV VCA seroconversion) AND EBV DNA in CSF by PCR.
 - If able EBV specific antibodies in the CSF with an high CSF:serum ratio may increase the specificity
- MRI can be normal; basal ganglia and cerebellar lesions
- Acyclovir is not recommended.
- Majority recover fully, occ. severe adverse outcomes



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Murray Valley Encephalitis Virus cases (n=2)

8y boy	2mo girl	
Fever, seizures, reduced LOC, lower limb spasticity	'Septic', status epilepticus, flaccid quadriplegia, CN palsies, oral dyskinesia	
MRI - "Diffuse meningeal enhancement + basal ganglia and bilateral thalamic diffusion restriction	MRI - "Focal unilateral thalamic + rostrum CC diffusion restriction"	A
EEG - abnormal CSF — WCC 388, prot 0.86	EEG - abnormal CSF - WCC 156, prot 2.4	Infection frequent, disease occasional Infection occasional, disease rare
MVEV IgM pos (IgG neg)	MVEV IgG and IgM pos. CSF MVEV IgM neg.	

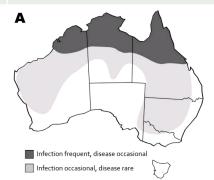
Both children with severe neurological sequelae at discharge

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Endemic Flaviviruses

	Murray Valley Encephalitis Virus (MVEV)	Kunjin Virus (KUNV/WNV)	
Virus Vector	Flaviviridae; JEV serogroup Culex annulirostris	Flaviviridae; JEV serogroup; WNV-like Culex spp.	
Ecology + epidemiology	Enzootic: mosquito-water bird cycle in Northern Australia; mammals as amplifiers Epizootic: SE + SW Australia ?climactic factors		
Frequency	0-2 cases pa since 2001 except 2001(6); 2009(4); 2011 (16)	0-3 cases pa since 2001 except 2001 (5); 2003 (9); 2004 (6). Outbreak in horses in NSW 2011	
Clinical	~1% infections = disease. JEV-like. mortality 30%; young children at \uparrow risk	Similar to MVE but less severe, no deaths. FAR syndrome.	





Testing in the ACE study cohort

- 'Arbovirus' testing = flavivirus (+/- alphavirus)

	Suspected Encephalitis N=324	Not encephalitis N=130	Encephalitis with known cause N=156	Unknown encephalitis N=38	*p-value
Arboviral serology tested	25/308 (8%)	4/119 (3%)	15/143 (12%)	6/36 (17%)	0.45
Arboviral testing positive	2/25 (8%) [#]	0	2/1 <i>5</i> (13%) [#]	0	

^{*}Fisher exact testing comparing proportion tested in the encephalitis with known cause and unknown encephalitis groups.

Neuroimaging & Exposure history in untested, 'Unknown' encephalitis

- MRI performed in 29 of 30 cases.
- MRI abnormal "consistent with encephalitis" in 18/29
 - With thalamic involvement: n=5
 - With other basal ganglia involvement: n=3

28%

- Mosquito bites: 2 of 30 (7%) cases
- Travel OS: 4/8 of 30 (27%) cases
 - 1 Bali 2/52 prior
 - 1 Malaysia 3 mo prior
 - 1 Hawaii 5 mo prior
 - 1 Pakistan nos

13%

Rotavirus

12 yo boy, previously well

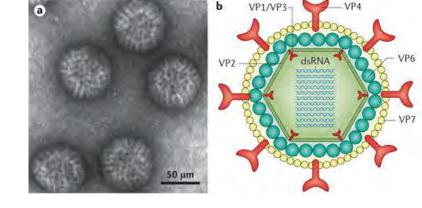
Fever, diarrheoa and vomiting. GTCS. Confused, 'delirious' >24hrs post

Clinically dehydrated – but not electrolyte disturbance

CT normal
CSF – WCC 3, Prot 0.17

Other Ix - CSF HSV, EV, Adeno PCR neg. Resp viral – neg. Stool Ev/Adeno/noro neg. **Rota pos.**

Rotavirus



- Since 1980's seizures (afebrile) and encephalopathy in the context of acute gastroenteritis
- Up to 10% Rotavirus GE with seizures; 6% encephalopathy
- >75% outcome benign; occ. death
- Published cases with:
 - CSF pleocytosis
 - CSF rotavirus NA detection ?contaminant
 - CSF rotavirus Ab detection
- More recently specific clinic-radiological phenotypes:
 - MERS
 - HHS
 - 'Cerebellitis'
 - Reye Sx

Emerging and re-emerging

- Australian encephalitides:
 - Murray Valley Encephalitis (MVEV)
 - WNV/Kunjin Virus (KUNV)
 - Australian Bat Lyssavirus (ABLV)
 - Hendra virus

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- Regional threats:
 - Rabies (RABV)
 - JEV
 - Dengue
 - Nipah
 - CHKV

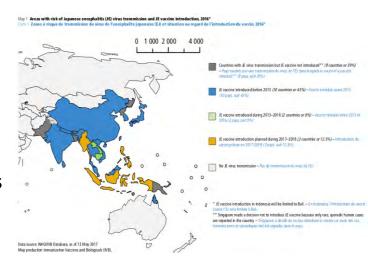




Japanese Encephalitis Virus

'encephalitic' Flavivirus

- 11-69% childhood encephalitis in Asian cohorts
- almost 70,000 cases in Asia annually
- Up to 185 per 100,000 per year; 75% <15y



- Clinical: Specific features associated with JEV encephalitis include a Parkinsonian movement disorder, and weakness, be it bulbar or limb
- Diagnosis: serum AND preferably CSF for JEV-specific IgM. CSF PCR relatively insensitive
- MRI: signal in the thalami, substantia nigra and basal
- No effective treatment;
 - trials of ribavirin, interferon-alpha and dexamethasone have shown no benefit
- Outcome: CFR 20-30% and moderate-severe sequelae up to 40%
 - Risk Factors associated with worse outcome: younger age, greater impairment LOC, dystonia, focal neurologic signs
- Vaccine preventable, but not all countries undertake surveillance and/or have immunization programs (WHO)
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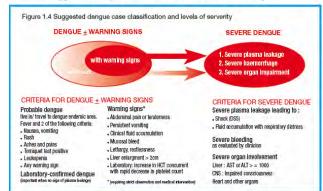
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Dengue

'non-encephalitic' Flavivirus

- FAR + Haemorrhagic fever
- 2-28% of childhood encephalitis in Asian cohorts;
 0.5-21% of hospitalized Dengue
- Encephalopathy indirect mechanisms BUT evidence of detection of Dengue virus within the CNS from clinical and autopsy studies
- CSF pleocytosis + absence of liver failure, metabolic derangement or intracranial haemorrhage differentiate encephalitis from encephalopathy
- Clinical: Altered LOC, seizures, limb rigidity/weakness
- Diagnosis: serum AND CSF specific IgM, and blood/CSF for Dengue RNA by PCR and/or NS1 antigen.
- Outcome: In small series, majority fully recover; death and neurological sequelae described

Suggested Dengue Classification and Level of Severity



urce: World Health Organization. Dengue Guidelines for Diagnosis, Treatment, Prevention and Control - New Edition 2009, WHO: Geneva; 2009

Panel 2: Proposed definitions for neurological features of dengue

Dengue diagnostic test highly suggestive of or confirming acute dengue virus infection, as recommended by WHO*, AND one of the following clinical categories:

Dengue CNS involvement

At least one of the following: impaired consciousness (for children younger than 6 years, Blantyre coma score <4; for those older than 5 years, Glasgow coma score <14), neck stiffness, focal neurological signs, or seizure

Dengue encephalopathy

- · Dengue CNS involvement, AND
- Presence of one of the following dengue-associated complications: hepatic failure, metabolic acidosis, severe hyponatraemia, prolonged shock, disseminated intravascular coagulation, or brain haemorrhage, AND
- · Normal CSF (in brain haemorrhage, blood in CSF is possible)

Dengue encephalitis

- · Dengue CNS involvement, AND
- · Presence of dengue virus RNA, IgM, or NS1 antigen in CSF, AND
- · CSF pleocytosis without other neuroinvasive pathogens

Immune-mediated dengue CNS involvement

Other or non-specified dengue CNS involvement

Dengue-associated neuromuscular complications

- · Guillain-Barré syndrome
- Rhabdomyolysis
- · Other or non-specified peripheral neuromuscular complications

Dengue-associated neuro-ophthalmic complications

- One of the following dinical symptoms: blurred vision, eye flashes, floaters, sudden decrease in vision, visual field defect, scotoma, eye redness, metamorphopsia, or micropsia, AND
- Eye examination with at least one of the following: optic neuropathy (optic disc swelling or hyperaemia), maculopathy (oedema or blot haemorrhages), retinal vasculitis, retinal haemorrhages, exudative retinal detachment, cotton wool spots, or signs of foveolitis or anterior uveitis

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Chikungunya

alphavirus from family togaviridae

- Most commonly fever, arthralgia, rash with potential chronic arthritic disease
- Up to 10% of CHKV infections in adults associated with encephalitis
- La Reunion island outbreak 2005-6 30 children, 12 encephalitis (decreased consciousness/seizures/focal neurological signs)
 - 2 died, 5 neurological sequelae at 6 months
- Diagnosis: positive PCR or IgM in blood AND positive PCR in CSF

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Countries and territories where chikungunya cases have been reported* (as of April 25, 2018)

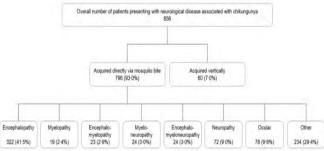


*Does not include countries or territories where only imported cases have been documented

Angola

Data table: Countries and territories where chikungunya cases have been reported

	ASIA	AMERICAS	
	Bangladesh	Anguilla	Panama
	Bhutan	Antigua and Barbuda	Paraguay
	Cambodia	Argentina	Peru
n	China	Aruba	Puerto Rico
frican Republic	India	Bahamas	Saint Barthelemy
	Indonesia	Barbados	Saint Kitts and Nevis
oire	Laos	Belize	Saint Lucia
ublic of the Congo	Malaysia	Bolivia	Saint Martin
	Maldives	Brazil	Saint Vincent & the Grenadine
Il Guinea	Myanmar (Burma)	British Virgin Islands	Sint Maarten
	Overall number of patients presenting	with neurological disease associated with o	chikungunya



Presentations of nervous system disease associated with chikungunya infection

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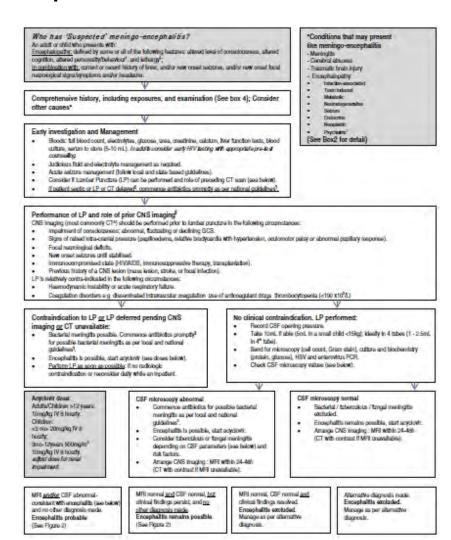
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Algorithm 1:

'Suspected Menigo-encephalitis'

- ↑ sensitivity for diagnosis
- † awareness of 'mimics'
- Addresses: CSF sampling, early and appropriate initiation Aciclovir, imaging

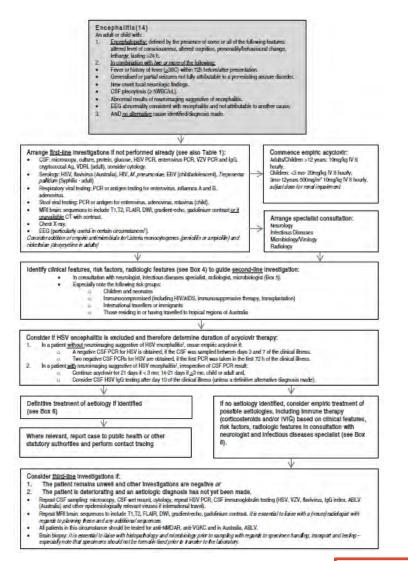
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Guideline for Australia and New Zealand



Algorithm 2:

'Probable Encephalitis'

- Universal diagnostics and consultation
- Exclusion HSV
- Directed diagnostics based upon <u>risk factors</u>, <u>clinical and</u> <u>radiologic features</u>
- Role of brain biopsy

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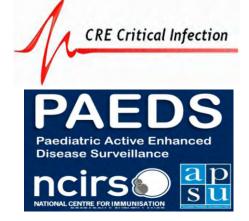
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