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Poliovirus Surveillance

POLIO HAS BEEN ERADICATED FROM THE AMERICAS
The last wild poliovirus was detected on September 5 1991, in Peru

Table No. 1
Status of Case Stool Sample Analysis
Last 52 Weeks (98/13 - 99/12)

Lab.	Country	Total*	WITHOUT RESULTS			ENTEROVIRUS ISOLATION					
			Not yet in Lab.	<10 weeks	>10 weeks	% Isolation	Negative	Other Enterovirus	Pending	Poliovirus	
										Vaccine	Wild
BEL	BRA	38	7	0	3	21.4	22	5	0	1	0
CAR	DOR	15	2	0	2	18.2	9	2	0	0	0
	GUY	1	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0
	HAI	2	0	0	0	50.0	1	1	0	0	0
	HON	46	9	4	0	36.4	21	12	0	0	0
	JAM	1	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0
	TRT	10	1	0	0	11.1	8	1	0	0	0
CDC	MEX	2	0	0	0	100.0	0	0	0	2	0
FIO	BOL	24	3	4	0	17.6	14	3	0	0	0
	BRA	102	18	3	6	16.0	63	11	0	1	0
	PER	96	5	12	1	21.8	61	14	0	3	0
INC	COR	14	4	0	1	11.1	8	1	0	0	0
	ELS	53	2	1	0	12.0	44	6	0	0	0
	GUT	38	0	0	0	15.8	32	6	0	0	0
	NIC	25	0	3	0	13.6	19	3	0	0	0
	PAN	12	2	0	0	20.0	8	2	0	0	0
INDRE	MEX	326	0	15	0	13.5	269	41	1	0	0
INH	VEN	74	5	1	0	20.6	54	14	0	0	0
INS	COL	166	5	9	0	9.2	138	13	0	1	0
	ECU	40	13	0	0	7.4	25	2	0	0	0
MAL	ARG	28	0	0	4	29.2	17	4	0	3	0
	CHI	15	0	0	0	40.0	9	5	0	1	0
	PAR	7	3	0	0	0.0	4	0	0	0	0
	URU	8	2	0	2	0.0	4	0	0	0	0
REC	BRA	34	21	0	3	40.0	6	4	0	0	0
TOTAL		1177	102	52	22	16.3	838	150	1	12	0

* Each sample relates to an individual

Case samples only

Table No. 2
Status of Poliovirus Pending Intratypic Differentiation
Last 52 Weeks (98/13 - 99/12)

LAB	COUNTRY	POLIOVIRUS												TOTAL	
		NOT YET IN LAB				IN LAB < 4 Weeks				IN LAB > 4 Weeks					
		P1	P2	P3	MIX	P1	P2	P3	MIX	P1	P2	P3	MIX		
	MEX	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

Case samples only



Acute Flaccid Paralysis Surveillance

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Table No. 1
CASES OF ACUTE FLACCID PARALYSIS UNDER INVESTIGATION
BY WEEK OF REPORT

SITE	TOTAL 1998	CUM. 1999	Weeks					
			1-4	5-8	9	10	11	12
ARG	88	0	0	0	NR	NR	NR	NR
BOL	1	6	3	3	0	0	NR	NR
BRA	157	9	8	1	0	0	NR	NR
CAN	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
CAR	0	5	2	1	2	0	0	0
CHI	4	13	6	4	0	3	0	0
COL	17	25	9	10	3	1	2	0
COR	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	NR
CUB	24	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
DOR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECU	0	15	7	7	1	0	0	0
ELS	1	5	3	2	0	0	0	0
GUT	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
HAI	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HON	2	11	4	4	1	1	0	1
MEX	7	49	11	22	6	9	1	NR
NIC	1	4	2	0	1	0	1	0
PAN	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
PAR	0	3	0	1	1	0	1	0
PER	0	19	5	6	4	1	3	NR
URU	5	0	0	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
USA	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
VEN	0	17	3	8	2	0	1	3
TOTAL	315	186	67	70	21	15	9	4

NR - No reports

Table No.2
CASES OF AFP REPORTED , RATE PER 100,000 <15 yrs. ,
% INVESTIGATED WITHIN 48 hrs., % WITH 1 ADEQUATE
SAMPLE AND % OF SITES REPORTING WEEKLY
AS OF WEEK 12

SITE	TOTAL		CUMULATIVE				
	CASES 1998	RATE 1998	CASES 1999	RATE 1999*	% INV.	%1	% Re-
					<48 hrs.	Sample+	port §
ARG	93	0.91	0	0.00	0	0	...
BOL	38	1.19	4	0.55	100	50	31.8
BRA	320	0.50	2	0.01	100	100	37.8
CAN	NR	...	NR
CAR	13	0.50	5	0.83	100	20	99.5
CHI	71	1.66	13	1.32	92	85	99.9
COL	183	1.29	31	0.95	87	81	75.5
COR	21	1.53	2	0.63	100	50	0.0
CUB	23	0.93	0	0.00	0	0	43.2
DOR	25	0.79	0	0.00	0	0	100.0
ECU	40	0.94	16	1.63	100	94	88.8
ELS	70	3.20	6	1.19	83	33	...
GUT	51	1.11	2	0.19	100	50	...
HAI	4	0.16	0	0.00	0	0	92.7
HON	48	1.95	9	1.58	100	100	84.2
MEX	390	1.18	54	0.71	85	72	...
NIC	30	1.39	4	0.81	100	100	99.8
PAN	11	1.24	1	0.49	100	100	91.6
PAR	9	0.43	3	0.61	67	33	32.9
PER	91	1.07	20	1.02	100	90	86.3
URU	10	0.77	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
USA	NR	...	NR	0.0
VEN	71	0.78	17	0.71	76	82	82.3
TOTAL ♦	1612	0.90	189	0.46	90	77	69.9

* Adjusted + Taken within 14 days of onset of paralysis
♦ Excluding Canada and USA NR or ... No reports received
§ Reporting data as of 13 March 1999

Table No. 3
CONFIRMED CASES OF POLIOMYELITIS
BY WEEK OF ONSET

SITE	TOTAL 1998	CUMULATIVE	
		1998	1999
ARG	0	0	0
BOL	0	0	0
BRA	0	0	0
CAN	0	0	0
CAR	0	0	0
CHI	0	0	0
COL	0	0	0
COR	0	0	0
CUB	0	0	0
DOR	0	0	0
ECU	0	0	0
ELS	0	0	0
GUT	0	0	0
HAI	0	0	0
HON	0	0	0
MEX	0	0	0
NIC	0	0	0
PAN	0	0	0
PAR	0	0	0
PER	0	0	0
URU	0	0	0
USA	0	0	0
VEN	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0

CAR Includes reports from all CAREC member countries

Table No. 4
POLIO COMPATIBLE CASES
BY WEEK OF ONSET

SITE	TOTAL 1998	CUMULATIVE	
		1998	1999
ARG	0	0	0
BOL	0	0	0
BRA	2	2	0
CAN	0	0	0
CAR	0	0	0
CHI	0	0	0
COL	7	3	1
COR	0	0	0
CUB	0	0	0
DOR	0	0	0
ECU	0	0	0
ELS	0	0	0
GUT	5	0	0
HAI	0	0	0
HON	0	0	0
MEX	0	0	0
NIC	0	0	0
PAN	0	0	0
PAR	0	0	0
PER	0	0	0
URU	0	0	0
USA	0	0	0
VEN	0	0	0
TOTAL	14	5	1

CAR Includes reports from all CAREC member countries

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