

# Preparedness of rabies in Japan by strengthening of surveillance and laboratory network in Asia.



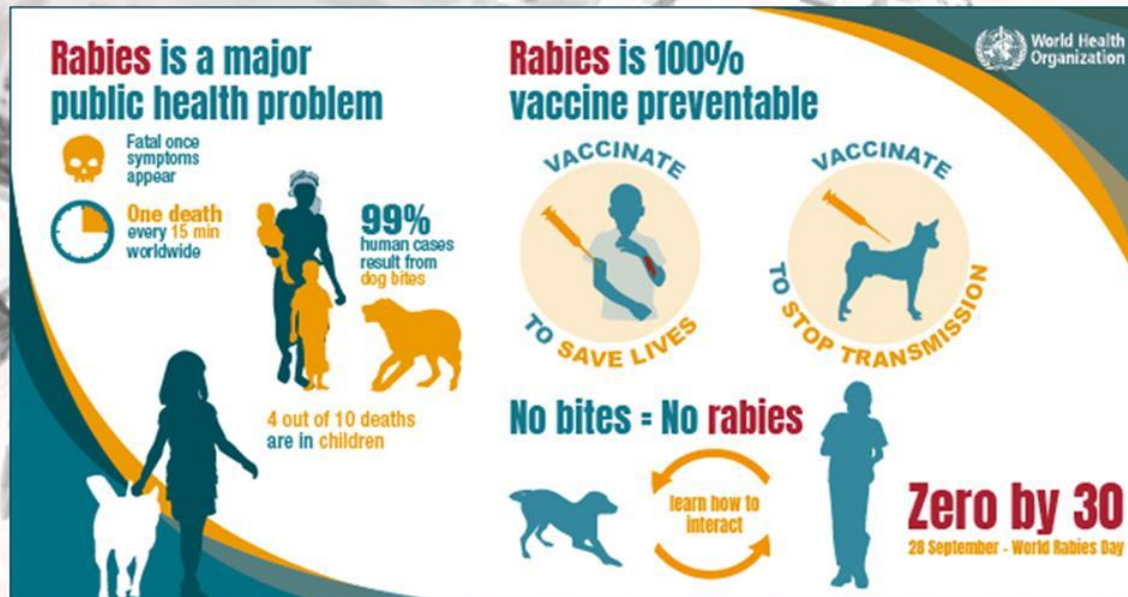
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# RESERVOIRS OF RABIES



# How to be free from rabies in Japan?



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# WHO Expert Consultation on Rabies

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# Phylogroups of Genus *Lyssavirus*

<b>G-I</b>	<b>RABV:</b> <i>Rabies lyssavirus</i>		
	<b>ABLV:</b> <i>Australian bat lyssavirus</i>	1956 ~	LBV Nigeria
	<b>DUVV:</b> <i>Duvenhage lyssavirus</i>	1968 ~	MOKV Nigeria
	<b>EBLV-1:</b> <i>European bat lyssavirus 1</i>	1970 ~	DUVV South Africa
	<b>EBLV-2:</b> <i>European bat lyssavirus 2</i>	1968 ~	EBLV-1 Germany
	<b>ARAV:</b> <i>Araban lyssavirus</i>	1985 ~	EBLV-2 Finland
	<b>KHUV:</b> <i>Khujand lyssavirus</i>	1991 ~	ARAV Kyrgyzstan
	<b>BBLV:</b> <i>Bokeloh bat lyssavirus</i>	1995 ~	ABLV Australia
	<b>IRKV:</b> <i>Irkut lyssavirus</i>		
	<b>GBLV:</b> <i>Gannoruwa bat lyssavirus</i>	2001 ~	KHUV Tajikistan
<b>G-II</b>	<b>LBV:</b> <i>Lagos bat lyssavirus</i>	2002 ~	WCBV Russia
	<b>MOKB:</b> <i>Mokola lyssavirus</i>	2002 ~	IRKV Russia
	<b>SHIBV:</b> <i>Shimoni bat lyssavirus</i>	2009 ~	SHIBV Kenya
<b>G-III</b>	<b>WCBV:</b> <i>West Caucasian bat lyssavirus</i>	2009 ~	IKOV Tanzania
	<b>IKOV:</b> <i>Ikoma lyssavirus</i>	2009 ~	BBLV Germany
	<b>LLEBV:</b> <i>Lleida bat lyssavirus</i>	<b>2011 ~</b>	<b>LLEBV Spain</b>
	<b>TWBLV:</b> <i>Taiwan bat lyssavirus</i>	<b>2014 ~</b>	<b>GBLV Sri Lanka</b>
	<b>KBLV:</b> <i>Kotolahti bat lyssavirus</i>	<b>2016 ~</b>	<b>TWBLV Taiwan</b>
		<b>2017 ~</b>	<b>KBLV Finland</b>

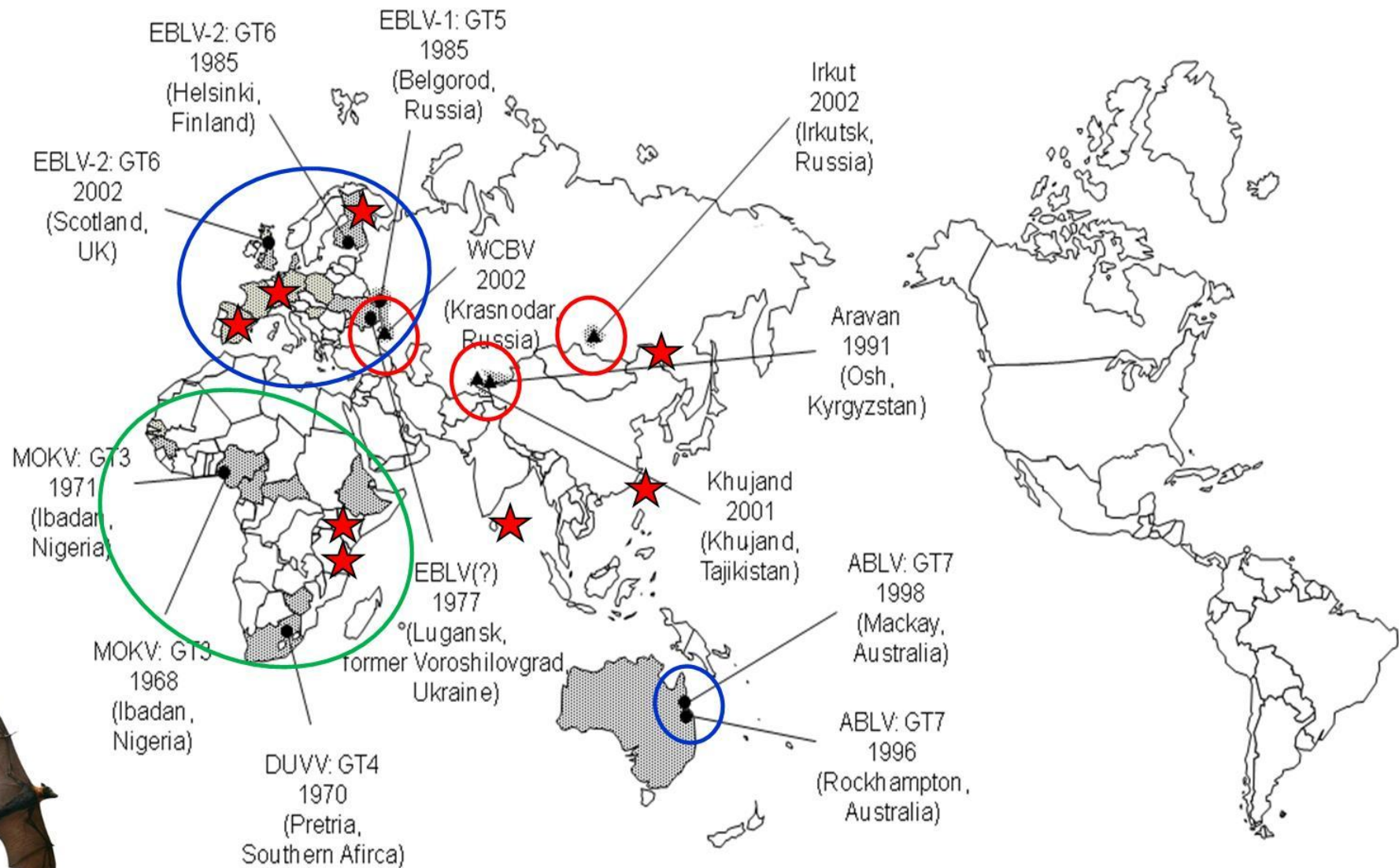


Fig. 1. The geographical distribution of lyssaviruses (GT2-GT7) and novel new lyssaviruses.

- ▨ : distribution of new lyssaviruses
- : location of human case
- ▲ : isolated place of novel new lyssaviruses

## Lyssavirus isolated from Japanese *Pipistrelle*, Taiwan

A putative new lyssavirus was found in 2 Japanese pipistrelles (*Pipistrellus abramus*) in Taiwan in 2016 and 2017.

The concatenated coding regions of the virus showed 62.9%–75.1% nucleotide identities to the other 16 species of lyssavirus, suggesting that it may be representative of a new species of this virus.





# 2017 Wildlife Rabies Workshop

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Note for the representative participant for reporting

SESSION 3: APEC member economies' reports on rabies

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Council of Agriculture
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Council of Agriculture

## Co-Organizer

-  American Institute in Taiwan
-  Council of Agriculture
-  Ministry of Foreign Affairs



# **Surveillance on rabies**

( including lyssavirus)

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Although there is debate about the estimated health burden of rabies, the estimates of direct mortality and the DALYs due to rabies are among the highest of the neglected tropical diseases. Poor surveillance, underreporting in many developing countries, frequent misdiagnoses of rabies, and an absence of coordination among all the sectors involved are likely to lead to underestimation of the scale of the disease. It is clear, however, that rabies disproportionately affects poor rural communities, and particularly children. Most of the expenditure for post-exposure prophylaxis is borne by those who can least afford it. As a result of growing dog and human populations, the burden of human deaths from rabies and the economic costs will continue to escalate in the absence of concerted efforts and investment for control.

Since the first WHO Expert Consultation on Rabies in 2004, WHO and its network of collaborating centres on rabies, specialized national institutions, members of the WHO Expert Advisory Panel on Rabies and partners such as the Gates Foundation, the Global Alliance for Rabies Control and the Partnership for Rabies Prevention, have been advocating the feasibility of rabies elimination regionally and globally and promoting research into sustainable cost-effective strategies. Those joint efforts have begun to break the cycle of rabies neglect, and rabies is becoming recognized as a priority for investment.

This Consultation concluded that human dog-transmitted rabies is readily amenable to control, regional elimination in the medium term and even global elimination in the long term. A resolution on neglected tropical diseases, including rabies, presented for submission to the World Health Assembly in May 2014 aims at securing Member States' commitment to the control, elimination or eradication of these diseases. Endorsement of the resolution would open the door for exciting advances in rabies prevention and control.



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# ***RABIES-FREE COUNTRIES OR AREAS***

**- Three levels -**

**1. Dog-rabies free**

**2. Wildlife (excluding bats)  
rabies-free**

**3. *Lyssavirus*-free.**

- WHO: Technical Report Series 982: WHO expert consultation on rabies – 2nd report, 2013.
- OIE: Terrestrial animal health code [vol. 2, chapter 8.10: Rabies], 2011.



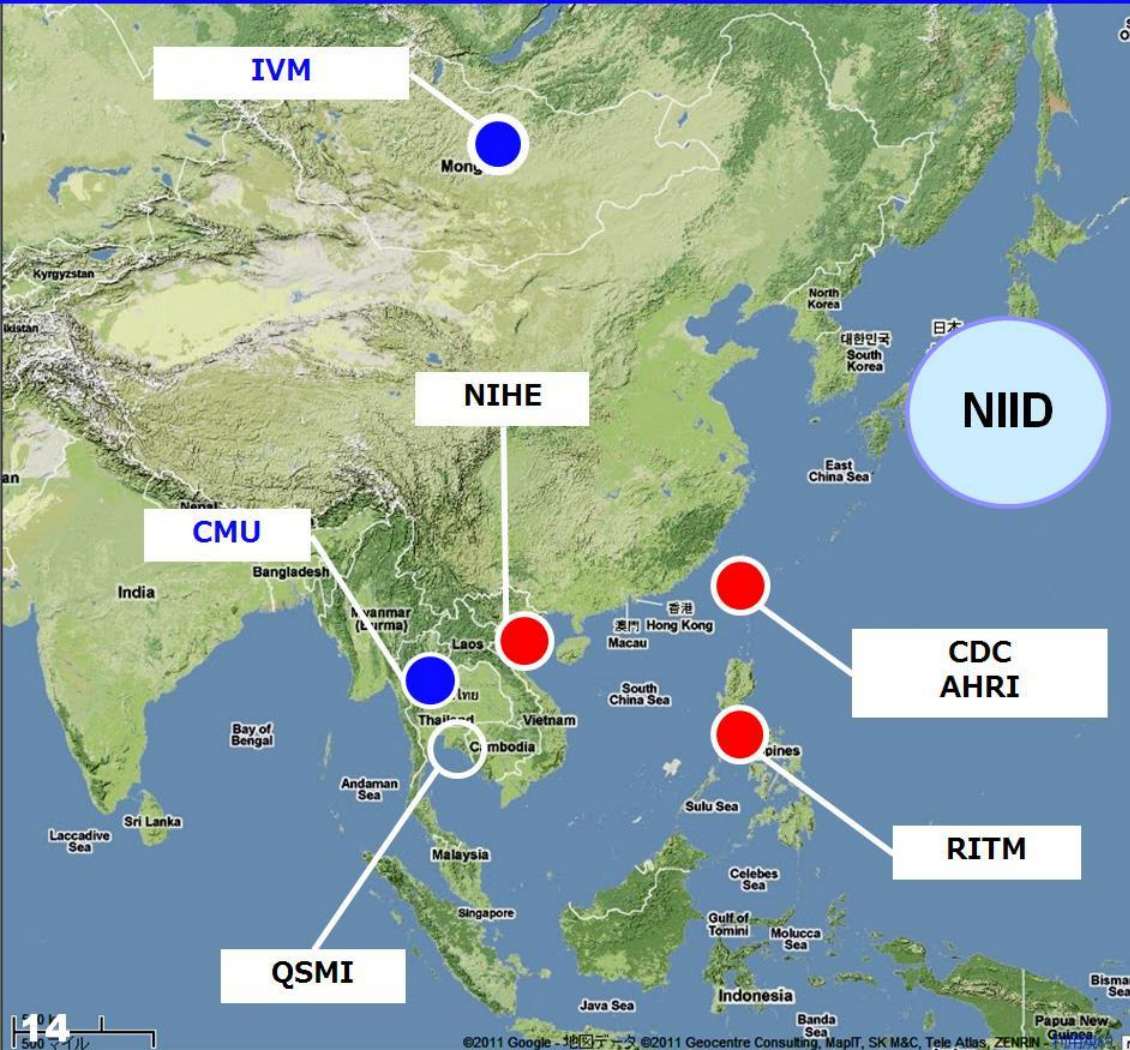
# REQUIREMENTS TO ALL THREE FREE DEFINITIONS

- **Rabies:** Notifiable for all animals and humans.  
Surveillance (continuous and effective).
- **Diagnosis:** Ready access.  
Techniques recommended by WHO / OIE.
- **Statistics:** Significance with adequate sample size.  
Suspected cases in the main animal species.
- **Samples:** Collected throughout the country.
- **An effective import policy.**

# ***Rabies prevention in Japan***

- **Network** (Inter- & Intra-national)
- **Evaluated diagnosis**
- **Surveillance**
- **Practical experiences**

# Laboratory network in Asia



## Vietnam

**National Institute of Hygiene and Epidemiology**

## Philippines

**Research Institute for Tropical Medicine**

## Thailand

**Queen Saovabha Memorial Institute  
Chiang Mai University**

## Taiwan

**Taiwan CDC  
Animal Health Research Institute**

## Mongol

**Institute of Veterinary Medicine**



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## Six Criteria for Rabies Diagnosis in Living Dogs

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### **Objective:**

The authors studied the predictive value of six criteria for clinical diagnosis of rabies in living dogs.

### **Design:**

Identify and test the criteria in a retrospective and prospective study.

### **Material and Method:**

Both studies were conducted at the Rabies Diagnostic Unit, Queen Saovabha Memorial Institute, Thai Red Cross Society, Bangkok. The authors reviewed 1,170 dogs that were kept under observation for 10 days after they exhibited abnormal behavior. To test the predictive value of the six criteria, a prospective study involving 450 rabies suspected dogs was also performed.

### **Results and Conclusion:**

The six criteria demonstrated 90.2% sensitivity, 96.2% specificity and 94.6% accuracy for the clinical diagnosis of rabies. They can be used for a presumptive diagnosis and may help in prioritizing post-exposure treatments and institute urgent rabies control measures.

# VISUAL AIDS FOR LEARNING OF RABIES





## Rapid Detection of Rabies Virus by Reverse Transcription Loop-Mediated Isothermal Amplification

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**Abstract:** In this study, reverse transcription loop-mediated isothermal amplification (RT-LAMP) was established which can detect  $10^3$  copies of viral RNA corresponding approximately 5 fg of RNA. RT-LAMP with Phil primer set designed according to the nucleotide sequences obtained from a Kyoto patient contacted rabies in the Philippines was able to amplify all 16 street viral sequences derived from the Philippines.

The specificity of RT-LAMP products was easily confirmed by digestion with *RsaI* restriction enzyme. The reaction of RT-LAMP could be completed within 1 h and could be conducted under isothermal conditions using a conventional water bath or heat blocks, indicating that RT-LAMP is ideal for diagnosis of rabies in developing countries.

Although further study is required to establish more universal RT-LAMP primers applicable to viruses from other regions or countries, the fast, easy, simple, sensitive and specific RT-LAMP method established here might be useful for rabies diagnosis and can facilitate studies of rabies epidemiology where rabies is enzootic particularly in developing countries.



# RT-LAMP

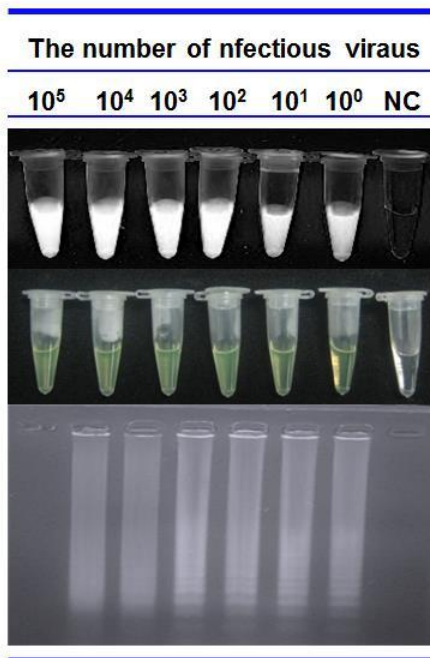
## INITIAL DEVELOPMENT OF RT – LAMP TECHNIQUE FOR RABIES VIRUS DIAGNOSIS

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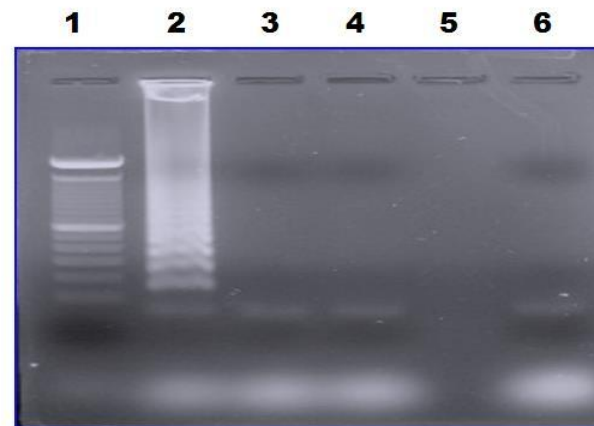
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### Sensitivity



### Specificity



- 1: Marker
- 2: Vnukovo rabies strain
- 3: Namdinh virus  
(viral encephalitis in child)
- 4: Japanese Encephalitis strain
- 5: Negative control
- 6: Negative control

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## **Rapid Bat Lyssaviruses, Northern Vietnam**

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**Serologic Evidence of Lyssavirus Infections  
among Bats, the Philippines**

P.M.Arguin, et al. (Center for Disease Control and Prevention, USA)

*EID 10:2231-34, 2004*

**Serologic Evidence of Lyssavirus Infection  
in Bats, Cambodia**

J-M.Reynes, et al. (Intitute Pasteur du Cambodge, Cambodia)

*EID 11:232-6, 2005*

**Survey for Bat Lyssaviruses, Thailand**

B.Lumlertdacha, et al. (Thai Red Cross Society, Thailand)

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**Thailand Seroprevalence of Rabies Virus  
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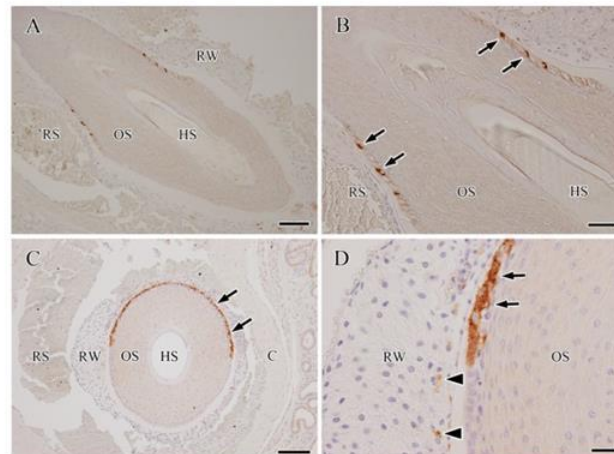
Y.Jiang, et al. (Institute of Veterinary Sciences, China)



## Localization of the rabies virus antigen in Merkel cells in the follicle-sinus complexes of muzzle skins of rabid dogs

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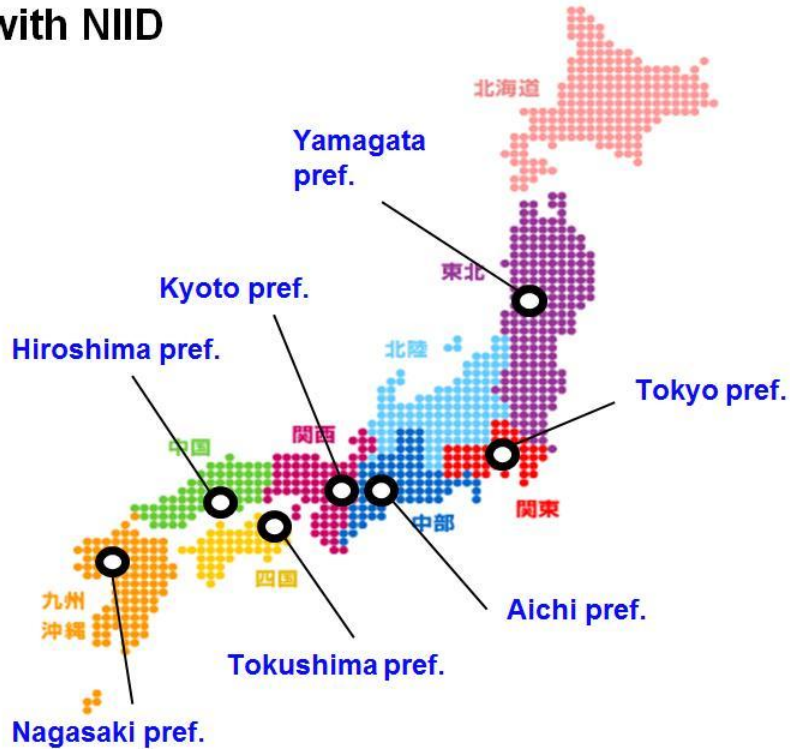
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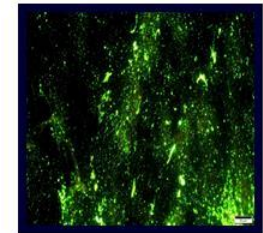


# Laboratory Network for Rabies Diagnosis in JAPAN

Reference center (RC) for rabies tests with NIID



Municipal animal control facilities



- Conduct workshops about brain sampling and rabies test.
- Supply dissection kit to each participated local government.
- Explain how to prevent biohazard.

RCs & other Institute of Public Health with NIID

Establish rabies test at IPH.  
Storing and quality check of Posi. control.  
Evaluation of SOP and Diagnostics.  
Report to National government and NIID.

# ***Laboratory Network for free from rabies in JAPAN***

- Introduction of **Novel diagnosis** to the regional laboratories.
- Development of **Laboratory network model**.
- Improving **Laboratory-based surveillance**

*RITM (Philippines), NIHE (Vietnam), CMU (Thailand), etc.*



# Rabies : The Oldest Infectious Disease



Thank you for your attention !

