

# RABIES: FACTS & FEARS



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# ACWW RESOLUTION

“Be it resolved that the Associated Country Women of the World member societies support rabies education globally and support ‘Zero by 30.’”

# Why?

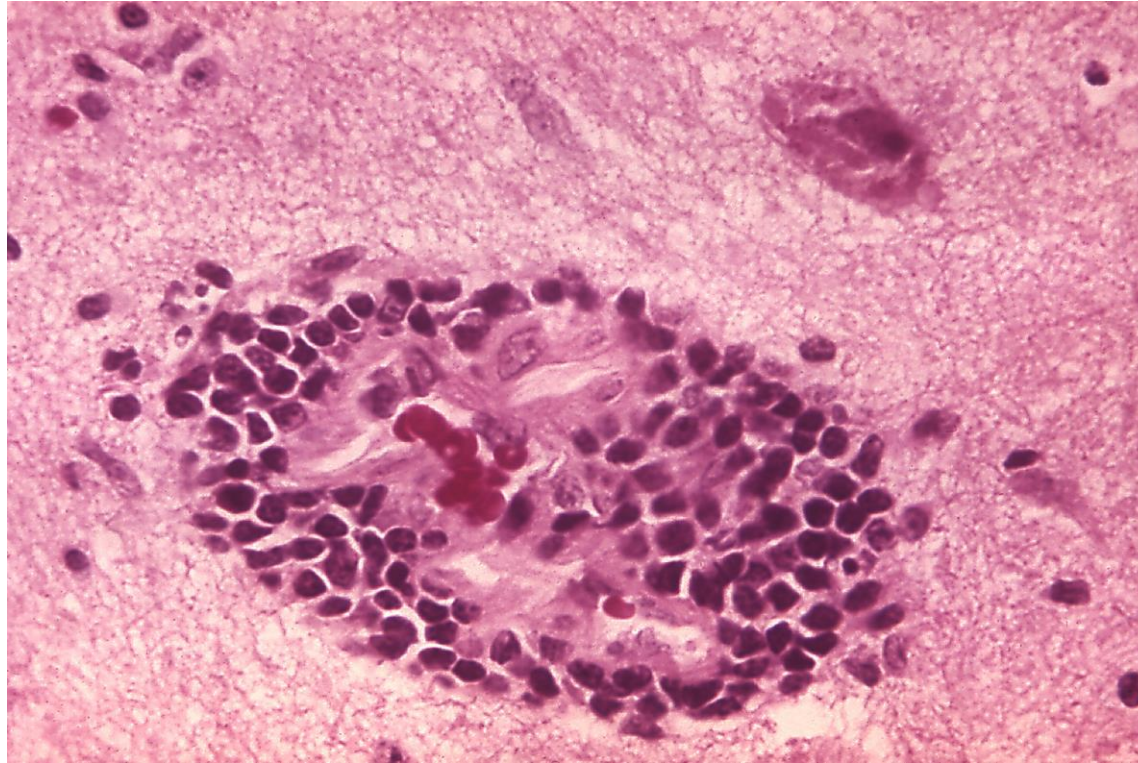
## **Cost of Treatment**

- \$662 for two milliliter vial 2016
- \$900 for three pre-exposure shots
- ER visit upwards of \$30,000
- This is the cost in the USA





# WHAT is RABIES?



# MAMMALS







Opossums: rarely, due to low body temp

Rats/mice, squirrels, rabbits/hares, hamsters, gerbils, and guinea pigs: rarely, because they are small

*CDC*





# SYMPTOMS in ANIMALS/PETS



Difficulty swallowing

Ataxia (uncoordinated walking)

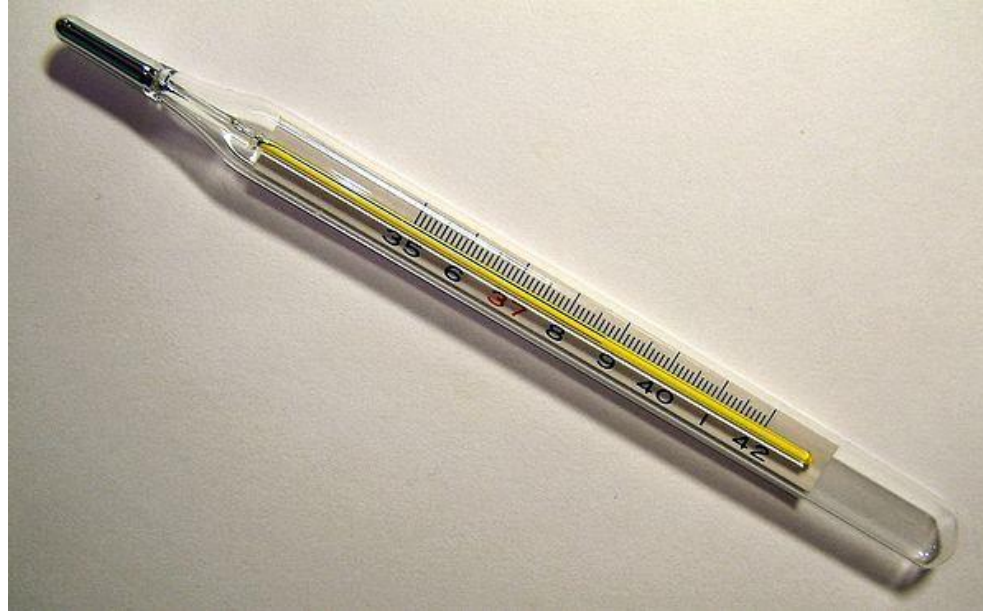
Behavioral changes

# SYMPTOMS, Continued...

Lethargy

Fever

Anorexia (lack of appetite)



# SYMPTOM in HUMANS

General weakness



Discomfort

Fever

Headache

# SYMPTOMS, Continued...

Discomfort/itching a bite/scratch site

Cerebral dysfunction

Anxiety

Confusion

Agitation





# PROGRESSION of SYMPTOMS

Delirium



Hydrophobia

Abnormal behavior

Hallucinations

Insomnia

# FORMS of RABIES

ENCEPHALITIC or “furious” form

- aggression

- excessive salivation

- agitation

“DUMB”

- lethargy

- muscle weakness

- progressive paralysis

PEP

POST EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS

# PREVENTION







# RABIES: FACTS, NOT FEAR



**PREVENTABLE**

**VACCINATE**