Basic Concepts about Contagious Diseases.

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摘要

Abstract

Contagious disease becomes an important part in human health now and in the future after visualization

of microorganisms and identification of their pathophysiology centuries ago. The work of Louis

Pasteur, Robert Koch, and others laid the foundations for the germ theory of disease, which in turn

made advances in the control and prevention of many infectious diseases. Human may be vulnerable

to new diseases or re-emerging pathogens. Human has also been developing new generations

of antibiotics, but also evoked emerging organism. This article will discuss the causes of organism

emergence such as effects of human behavior, the environment, or the microorganisms themselves.

It is also emphasized that detection and response to contagious disease are very important for

human health.(Ann Disaster Med. 2005;3 Suppl 2:S79-S83)