

Re: Rabies in the US

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ROYNEU <royneu@xxxxxxx> wrote:

> Hi Nuele,
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> I am originally from Southern California. While I have not done the
> research you have done there were a lot of cases reported there from
> squirrel bites. Did you see anything about that? For awhile there were
> postings in all the State and National Forests warning about the
> problem. With a total of only 47 cases since 1990 I am really surprised
> at the prevention/precautions that are taken. I suppose that is easy to
> say for a person that does not have rabies.

Hi Roy,

there are of course a large number of different animals that can have rabies, but the risk of infection for a human seems to be greater with some species.

I don't remember any human infections caused by squirrel bites in the posts I got as a result, but if you visit promedmail.org and search the archives specifically for "rabies" and "squirrel" you might get a more detailed answer.

Bats, however, were the most likely source of infection in the US, which I found a bit surprising.

Nuele (D)

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