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Introduction

Rotaviruses were first identified in animals in the 1960s. when the virus was discovered by electron microscopy in duodenal biopsies from kids with acute gastroenteritis, it was the first human virus to be characterised. 2008 (Dennehy)

Since more then 30 years ago, rotavirus has been recognised as the most frequent cause of infectious gastroenteritis in infants and young children. Severe watery diarrhoea, typically accompanied by vomiting, fever, and cramping are among the symptoms. 2017 (Crawford)

The rotavirus sickness poses the greatest threat to infants and young children because it can cause severe dehydration and hospitalisation. Typically, the symptoms endure 3 to 8 days. Although infections in adults to occur, they often have fewer severe consequences than infections in children. 2008 (Dennehy)

Measure Disease

The major cause of diarrheal fatalities worldwide in 2019 was rotavirus infection, which was responsible for 19.11% of diarrheal deaths globally.

In children under the age of five, rotavirus annually causes about 114 million episodes of gastroenteritis requiring merely at-home treatment, 24 million visits to clinics, and 2.4 million hospitalisations. By age 5, almost all children will experience rotavirus gastroenteritis, 1 in 5 will visit a clinic, 1 in 50 will be admitted to the hospital, and about 1 in 205 will pass away.

Although rotavirus-related deaths are uncommon in the UK, it can be challenging to estimate their exact numbers. It has been suggested that up to three to four rotavirus-related deaths may occur in England and Wales.

Together with other standard childhood immunisations, the rotavirus vaccine was added to the national vaccination schedule for infants in the UK in 2013. At 8 and 16 weeks of age, infants receive two doses of the vaccination. With the administration of the vaccination, baby rotavirus levels have decreased. (Gov.uk) The most common cause of severe diarrheal illness in new-borns and young children around the world is rotavirus. Almost 5% of all deaths in children under the age of five globally are thought to be caused by rotavirus.

The total number of laboratory-confirmed rotavirus infections each season has remained low since rotavirus vaccination was introduced in July 2013 compared to the pre-vaccine era. In the first season after the introduction of the vaccination, there was a 77% decline in the number of new-borns with laboratory-confirmed rotavirus infections. (GOV.UK)

Control Disease

Diseases can be controlled in different ways. Immunization, commonly referred to as vaccination, jab, or injection, provides defence against various infectious diseases. The body is encouraged to develop antibodies to fight infections diseases as a result. Rotateq (RVS), the RV vaccine, is administered in three doses at 2, 4, and 6 months. Rv1 is administered twice, at 2 and 4 months of age. (www.Cdc.Gov/vaccine/upd)

The only behavioural adjustments required are more frequent and effective general hygiene, greater liquid intake than usual because rotavirus causes severe dehydration due to the loss of bodily fluids, and routinely sanitising all surfaces and objects. Rotavirus has no long-term effects when treated. (www.Cdc.Gov) As antibiotics combat bacteria, not viruses, they wouldn't be helpful in this situation. While the NHS advises maintaining fluid balance, there are no specific drugs for RV. Oral rehydration, which is typically required for up to 24-48 hours, is a suitable approach to accomplish this since it has the proper ratio of salt and sugar.

Vigorous cleaning should be done up to three days after the diseases is over since some viruses that cause gastritis can still be contagious in the environment three to seven days after it has passed. For nonporous surfaces and items, use a chlorine bleach solution. In this case 48 hours of self-isolation is advised. This includes the time after the infection runs its course which can be anything from 3-7 days.

Rotavirus is most often spread through the oral fecal route, it can be caused by drinking contaminated water. Any food can be contaminated with rotavirus if an infected person comes into contact with it. Control within food and drink. Everything used must also be disposed of and every surface cleaned throughly.

The good thing about this virus is that doesn't multiply in food or water like bacteria does so can be easily disposed of and replaced as a form of control.

Monitor Disease

Diseases surveillance is critical for several reasons. For starters, it enables healthcare professionals to detect the presence of a disease and assess its severity. This is essential for selecting the best treatment options and creating a personalised treatment plan for each patient. Furthermore, disease monitoring allows healthcare providers to track the efficacy of treatment over time and make any necessary changes. This may result in better outcomes and higher quality of life for patients. Imaging tests, blood tests, and physical examinations are among the methods used to monitor diseases.

There are several methods used to, such as X-rays, CT scans, and MRI scans, allow doctors to see inside the body and detect any abnormalities or changes. Blood tests can detect the presence of certain markers, such as antigens or antibodies, that indicate the presence of a disease. Physical examinations, such also provide valuable information about a patient's health status. To determine vaccine impact, they monitored trends in hospitalization for rotavirus specific diarrhea using an active hospital-based surveillance system initiated 5 years before introduction. Followed by capture-recapture analysis to verify HES data quality, also to estimate pre-vaccination incidence rates of intussusception, they performed a retrospective analysis of HES data. Surveillance systems were used to monitor the GP consultations and ED visits for gastroenteritis, diarrhea, and vomiting. Data were stratified by age group and compared between pre- and postvaccine-year rotavirus season. Incidence rate ratios (IRRs) and percentage ratios were calculated for GP in-hours consultations and GP out-of-hours and ED data, respectively.

Conclusion

According to the information gathered and displayed, rotavirus is a condition that can be treated, especially in new-borns and young children. Health system across the world is able to control the disease through vaccinations and environmental improvements, but there seems to be problem in some of the ward regions where parents choose not to vaccinate or permit their children to receive the vaccination. As the vaccination was introduced in the UK and a healthy environment was maintained, the number of rotavirus cases decreased significantly. Monitoring diseases is an essential aspect of modern healthcare, it also can improve outcomes and quality of life for patients and move closer to a world free of diseases.

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