

Biology 675

EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES (EIDs)

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EIDs

"Nothing in the world of living things is permanently fixed." —Hans Zinsser, 1926

- New diseases
- Diseases with increasing incidence

• CDC

• NIH

• WHO

Where do EIDs come from?

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1973: Children with arthritis could be treated with antibiotics...

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Study finds warming link with epidemics

Diseases said to rise with temperatures
By Leslie Lee McFarling
Los Angeles Times

A wide-ranging survey of world temperatures has found that warmer temperatures have sparked a host of epidemics in plants and animals, ranging from cholera to cholera.

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White, non-Hispanic	~18%	~28%	~15%	~12%
Black, non-Hispanic	~30%	~28%	~15%	~12%

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Cultural Choices

- Food
- Pets

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Where do EIDs come from?	
Over crowding	Pesticide use
Antibiotic abuse	Improved case reporting
Genetic recombination	Global warming
Migration	Public health failure
Weather	Crossing species barrier
Geologic events	Cultural choices
Globalization	Environmental encroachment
Predisposing factors	Improved technology
Suburbia	Bioweapons
	Extraterrestrial

BioBucks	
• What can be done?	

