

# Travel-Imported Arbovirus infections and mHealth applications for outbreak Risk Assessment: ZleKA monitor part 2

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| <b>Ethical review</b>        | Approved WMO               |
| <b>Status</b>                | Completed                  |
| <b>Health condition type</b> | Viral infectious disorders |
| <b>Study type</b>            | Observational invasive     |

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON48637

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

ZleKA monitor part 2

### Condition

- Viral infectious disorders

### Synonym

arbovirus infections, mosquito-borne infections

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** RIVM

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** ZonMw call non-alimentaire zoonose

## Intervention

**Keyword:** emerging arboviruses, mosquito-borne infections, public health, travelers

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The proportion of PCR positive samples containing arboviruses (Dengue, Chikungunya, Zika, Gele koorts) in travelers.

### Secondary outcome

The proportion of positive serology samples of arbovirus (Dengue, Chikungunya, Zika, Gele koorts) specific IgM en/of IgG in travelers who developed health complaints during their trip.

## Study description

### Background summary

In recent years, the observed number and the risk of (re)emerging mosquito-borne infections among human populations have increased substantially. This is attributed to a variety of reasons, including climate change, pathogen adaptation, human behavior modifying the ecosystem of mosquitos, improved diagnostic tests, and increased human worldwide mobility and trade. Until recently such infections were considered of minor public health relevance to populations not residing in tropical areas. This has now changed. The continued importation of vectors and the expansion of a suitable habitat within Europe increases the potential for establishment of mosquito borne disease in new regions. In particular, the invasive mosquitos *Aedes Albopictus* and *Aedes Aegypti*, the main vectors for Dengue, Chikungunya, Zika and Yellow Fever present a significant health concern. These mosquitos are now widespread in Southern Europe, where already sustained local transmission of several mosquito-borne diseases, such as Dengue (Madeira, France, Croatia) and Chikungunya (Italy, France) has occurred. As the risk of (re)establishment of vectors upon importation in the Netherlands cannot be ignored.

### Study objective

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risks of importation into the Netherlands of major arboviral Aedes-borne diseases (Dengue, Chikungunya, Zika and Yellow Fever viruses). The possibility of (re)establishment of competent vectors for these mosquito-borne infections in the Netherlands in the foreseeable future necessitates timely preparation.

## **Study design**

Observational study nested in the first part of the ZleKA monitor. Travelers who participate in part 1 of the ZleKA monitor are eligible. We will ask these travelers to collect blood at home through a finger prick for arbovirus diagnostics.

## **Study burden and risks**

The risk associated with participation will be low. We ask travelers who have a suspected arbovirus infection to collect a bloodsample at home. The materials for the self-collected blood sample will be sent to their home address and can be returned via regular mail.

## **Contacts**

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## **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

adult travelers, traveling to areas with risk of arbovirus infections. These adult travelers are participants of part one of the ZleKA monitor.

### Exclusion criteria

not willing to collect blood with finger prick

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Prevention

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Completed

Start date (anticipated): 01-11-2018

Enrollment: 348

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 03-10-2018

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| Application type:  | First submission |
| Review commission: | METC NedMec      |
| Approved WMO       |                  |
| Date:              | 21-06-2019       |
| Application type:  | Amendment        |
| Review commission: | METC NedMec      |

## Study registrations

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

### Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

### In other registers

| Register | ID             |
|----------|----------------|
| CCMO     | NL64191.041.18 |

## Study results

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| Date completed:   | 10-06-2021 |
| Results posted:   | 16-09-2022 |
| Actual enrolment: | 239        |

**First publication**  
16-09-2022