

# Repeat COVID Infections 重复感染新冠病毒, 所造成的人体伤害, 不容易确定因果关系

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Researchers and clinicians 临床医生 know that /people are **racking (v.) up** 累积；聚集（某物）；累计（得分） multiple infections, but the long-term consequences of **repeatedly getting (v.) the virus** /aren't yet clear.

研究人员和临床医生知道人们正在遭受多重感染，但反复感染该病毒的长期后果尚不清楚。

Every time you get infected with COVID, it does harm to the body in some way. For example, **a pulmonary 肺的 infection** can leave scars 疤痕；创伤 in the lungs /or trigger blood clots. COVID may also interfere (v.) 干涉，干扰；阻碍，妨害 with the immune system itself, he says. Nath notes that /主 the protective sheaths （刀、剑等的）鞘；（工具的）套；护套；护层；护皮 of many viruses 谓 include regions that can interfere with the immune system. Separately, 主 one study that followed up with 在...后做 participants after a flu infection /谓 found that in about 30 percent of people, the immune system remained somewhat impaired /two months later.

每次感染新冠病毒，都会以某种方式对身体造成伤害。例如，肺部感染可能会在肺部留下疤痕或引发血栓。他说，新冠病毒还可能干扰免疫系统本身。内斯指出，许多病毒的保护鞘包括可能干扰免疫系统的区域。另外，一项对感染流感的参与者进行随访的研究发现，约 30% 的人在两个月后，免疫系统仍然受到一定程度的损害。

### Example 1. title sheath



### follow

[VN] ~ **sth (up) with sth** : to do sth after sth else 在...后做

- Follow your treatment with plenty of rest. 你治疗以后要多休息。

- They **follow up** their March show **with** four UK dates next month. 他们在三月演出以后，就是下个月在英国的四场演出。

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令人沮丧的是，我们可能永远无法清楚地了解新冠病毒再次感染所造成的损害。确定因果关系非常具有挑战性。在两次感染之间的时间里，他们(患者)还发生了许多其他事情。

Some viruses can hide out in the body /and emerge (v.) decades after the initial infection /to cause (v.) new problems. The virus that causes *chicken pox* (痘；疹；梅毒) 水痘, for example, can trigger shingles 带状疱疹 /many years later. And scientists have recently learned that /infection with the common Epstein-Barr virus seriously increases (v.) the risk of a person developing the autoimmune (a.)自身免疫的；自体免疫的 disorder *multiple sclerosis* (硬化；硬化症) 多发性硬化症. "I don' t think we' ve seen the end of this movie yet," Al-Aly says of SARS-CoV-2' s long-term impacts.

有些病毒可以隐藏在体内，并在初次感染数十年后出现，从而引起新的问题。例如，引起水痘的病毒可能在多年后引发带状疱疹。科学家最近发现，感染常见的 Epstein-Barr 病毒会严重增加患自身免疫性疾病"多发性硬化症"的风险。"我认为我们还没有看到这部电影的结局，" Al-Aly 在谈到 SARS-CoV-2 的长期影响时说道。

#### Example 2. title shingles

带状疱疹



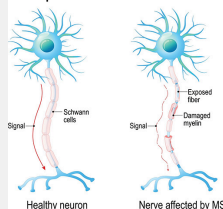
带状疱疹通常是因人体对"水痘带状疱疹病毒" ( varicella zoster virus ) ( VZV ) 有所反应而引起。初次感染VZV的患者, 可能会出现水痘。水痘痊愈后, 病毒会潜伏 ( virus latency ) 于神经元中。当病毒再度转为活性, 便会经由神经行遍全身, 造成疹子。

#### multiple sclerosis

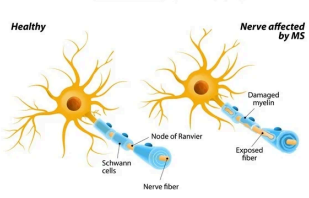
( abbr. MS) a disease of the nervous system that gets worse over a period of time with loss of feeling and loss of control of movement and speech 多发性硬化

多发性硬化症 ( Multiple sclerosis , MS ) 是一种脱髓鞘性神经病变, 患者脑或脊髓中个神经细胞表面个绝缘物质 ( 即"髓鞘" ) 受到破坏, 神经系统个信号转导受损, 导致一系列可能发生个症状, 影响患者个活动、心智、甚至精神状态。迭些症状可能包括复视、单侧视力受损、肌肉无力、感觉迟钝, 或协调障碍。

Multiple Sclerosis



MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS



Moreover, COVID has already shown its potential (n.) to cause (v.) lasting (a.) harm in the form of long COVID, which can include *debilitating* 使虚弱 *fatigue* 疲乏, 疲劳, 厌倦, breathing problems, difficulty thinking 思维困难, digestive issues and a wide variety of other symptoms.

此外，新冠病毒已经显示出其以长期新冠病毒形式造成持久伤害的潜力，其中可能包括虚弱疲劳、呼吸问题、思维困难、消化问题和各种其他症状。

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## 2. How Risky Are Repeat COVID Infections? What We Know So Far

Researchers and clinicians know that people are racking up multiple infections, but the long-term consequences of repeatedly getting the virus aren't yet clear.

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