

Some ethnically linked genes make it harder to fight off the flu

Research indicated that some Indigenous people such as in Alaska and Australia displayed limited immunity response to the effects of influenza.

Published in the Journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, senior author, Associate Professor Katherine Kedzierska from the Department of Microbiology and Immunology said that some groups have a specific genetic make-up that prevents them from fighting off influenza.

“The findings suggested that there may be ethnic differences in the ability to mount an immune response to the H7N9 virus,” said Associate Professor Kedzierska

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