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The main treatment options for patients with chronic Chikungunya fever symptoms

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ABSTRACT

Introduction: Chikungunya fever is a disease caused by the chikungunya virus (CHIKV) and is transmitted by arthropod bites, mainly by the species Aedes aegypti and Aedes albopictus. It became an epidemic in 2005, reaching, afterwards, America, including Brazil, with intense consequences for its population. Its spectrum of manifestation includes three phases: acute, subacute and chronic, in addition to some reports of atypical cases. Little is known about its pathophysiology, fact that turns it into an area of extreme research. Objectives: Carry out a literature review about the main treatment options for patients with chronic Chikungunya fever symptoms. Methodology: A literature review was carried out covering articles from the last 10 years (2007 to 2017), selected through a search in the PUBMED database, using the descriptor "Febre Chinkungunya". Results and Conclusion: Regarding the treatment, it was seen that there is still no specific drug, despite the studies, using purely symptomatic drugs, with increasing doses based on the clinical phase presented.

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