

How We can Deal with a Novel Infectious Disease? Facts about Coronavirus Disease 2019, COVID-19 & the Novel Virus.

The widespread novel coronavirus has taken over the world, and in this panel, you will find answers to simple questions such as...

What is the scary part of this virus?

Am I immediately infected once the virus gets in my body?

Why are medical masks important?

What does "being positive or negative" mean?

Hope this panel helps you!

Novel coronavirus keeps spreading throughout the world as of December 2019. You might have heard how rapidly the situation is changing on a daily or even hourly basis, and some information contains (or are completely) untrustworthy pieces.

Misinformation, rumors and confusion can lead to misunderstandings and/or social stigma towards people who are infected and who come from certain areas in the world. At the same time, it is dangerous to pay minimum attention to *which* information you get and *how* to consider them.

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We listed basic facts about infectious diseases, starting from questions about the novel coronavirus *to help you correctly get updated information and news.*

* In this panel, "the novel coronavirus" means SARS-CoV-2 and "COVID-19" means Coronavirus Disease 2019.

Please check the website for further information:

<https://www.miraikan.jst.go.jp/guide/group/COVID-19.htm>

