

Curvularia

Effect On Human Health:

- Lung Infections
- Heart Infections
- Nose Infections
- Skin Infections
- Eye Infections

Symptoms Include:

- Sneezing
- Coughing
- General Weakness
- DEATH
- Draining Lesions of the Skin
- Swelling around the Eyes
- Partial Loss of Vision

Method of Transmission:

- Airborne
- Contact

Clinical Information

- If *Curvularia* gets into the bloodstream it can lead to endocarditis
- *Curvularia* particularly likes to infect the nasal septum.
- Zygomycosis may spread into tissues surrounding the eye causing severe skull infections and swelling. Thrombosis and necrosis of blood vessels leads to death in 2-10 days after onset.
- Keratomycosis of the cornea may lead to blindness.
- Particularly susceptible to zygomycosis are the undernourished, people with acidosis, diabetes, and people on: corticosteroids, antibiotics or antileukemic drugs.
- Mycetomas, or fungal balls, result if this mold gets inside the body. If it gets into the blood stream, a condition of the heart, called Endocarditis, can occur.
- Like other molds, this one can cause lung and nose infections. These result in sneezing, coughing, and general weakness.
- *Curvularia* is found in areas with poor ventilation, much like attics and crawlspaces.