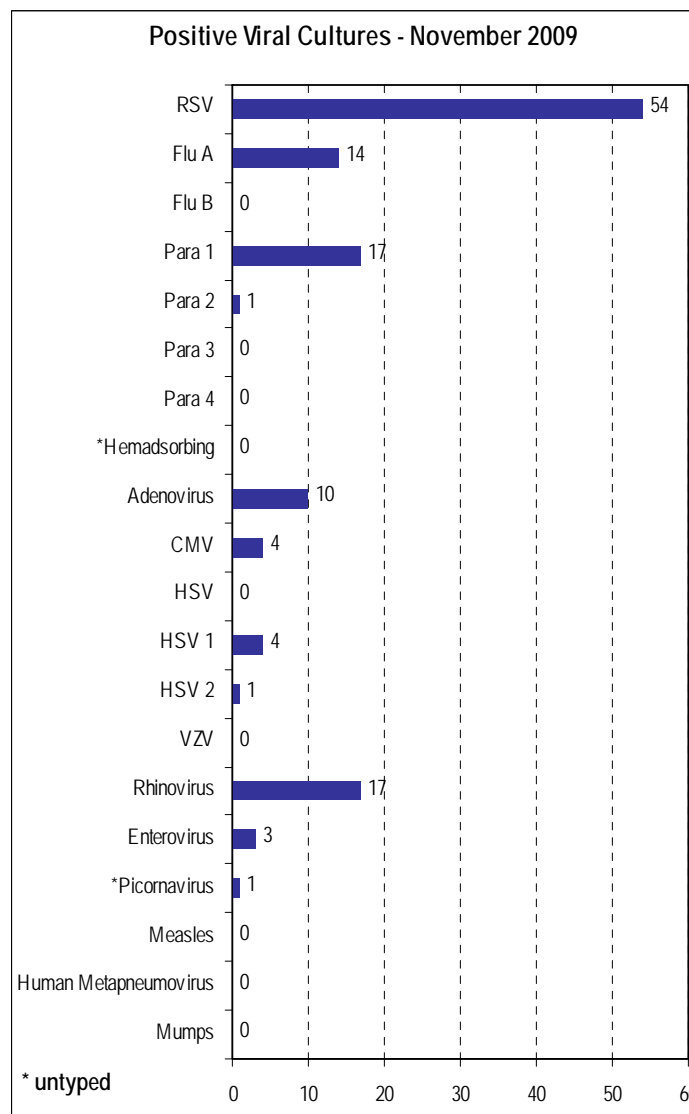
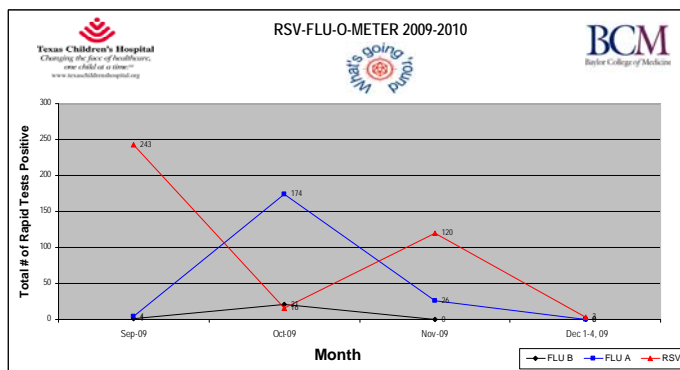




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RSV Season is here!! In November, the most common virus isolated was respiratory syncytial virus (RSV). Most of the viral cultures from November are still not final, so we anticipate the final number of positive RSV cultures will be much higher than shown in the newsletter so far. Adenoviruses, rhinoviruses, and parainfluenza virus type 1 were also rather common. Influenza A has now declined. So far, all influenza A viruses have continued to sub-type as 2009 H1N1 swine. No "seasonal" H1 or H3 influenza A viruses have been detected yet. Stay tuned to the RSV-FLU-O-METER [https://www.bcm.edu/web/pediatrics/documents/RSV-FLU-O-METER_09-10\(combined\).pdf](https://www.bcm.edu/web/pediatrics/documents/RSV-FLU-O-METER_09-10(combined).pdf) and "What's Going Round NOW!" https://www.bcm.edu/pediatrics/index.cfm?Realm=99991127&This_Template=rapid-2009 for TCH updates



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Viral Cultures – November - 2009

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|------------|------|-------------|------|
| Total all | 1277 | Total Resp. | 1159 |
| Positive | 123 | Positive | 126 |
| % Positive | 10 | % Positive | 11 |

EIA Rapid Test Results – November - 2009

| | RSV | FLU A | FLU B | ADENO |
|------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Tested | 832 | 1043 | 1043 | 352 |
| Positive | 120 | 26 | 0 | 8 |
| % Positive | 14 | 2 | 0 | 2 |