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## PRESS RELEASE

## DNA test for Zika virus detection

Duisburg, 27.01.2016: Genekam BiotechnologyAG, Germany has developed a highly sensitive DNA test to detect Zika virus. It is spreading across the world and causing infections particularly in pregnant women and it leads to brain related problems, which are not curable at present. Zika virus is a mosquito borne virus as the mosquitoes spread this virus. At present there is no therapy and no vaccine for this virus available, therefore prevention is one possible way to stop this virus.

Genekam Biotechnology AG has developed a kit, which can detect this virus in human samples as well as also in mosquitoes. This kit is economical as the price per test will be around Euro 5-7. Therefore detection is only method, which can help to stop spreading this virus. As it is a DNA test, it is highly sensitive and specific. Moreover one can see the load of this virus.

Genekam Biotechnology AG is specialised on developing ready to use tests for different viruses and other pathogens. Genekam is trying to develop therapeutic molecules to cure various viral diseases along with developing stem cell solutions.

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