

Abstract

Because chemokine receptor 5 (CCR5) may have a role in pulmonary immune response, we explored whether patients with severe pandemic (H1N1) 2009 were more likely to carry the CCR5 Δ 32 allele than were members of the general population. We found a large proportion of heterozygosity for the CCR5 Δ 32 allele among white patients with severe disease.