《可怕！美国再现“ 食脑虫 ”， 致死率超97%...》

据美国广播公司(ABC)27日报道，美国得克萨斯州环境质量委员会发出紧急通知称，该州东南部一个县的供水系统中可能发现“ 食脑虫 ”(brain-eating amoeba)，并向该州十余个地区发布警告——建议居民不要饮用自来水!

A rare brain-eating amoeba that killed a six-year-old boy has been found in the water supply of a city in southeastern Texas, prompting environmental officials to take steps to flush and disinfect the pipes.

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Josiah McIntyre, who had just started elementary school in Lake Jackson, fell ill in the first week of September with a headache and flu-like symptoms. Days later, after a battery of tests, doctors at Texas Children’s Hospital determined that he had been infected by Naegleria fowleri, a microscopic amoeba found in rivers, lakes and hot springs. If ingested through the nose it can cause primary amebic meningoencephalitis, a rare debilitating disease that is usually fatal.

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