Science AMA Series: We are Gary Brunette, Jeff Nemhauser, and Ali Walker of CDC’s Travelers’ Health Branch, here to talk with you today about Zika and travel for men. AUA (Ask Us Anything!)

Nice to virtually meet you, Reddit. I'm Dr. Gary Brunette, Travelers' Health Branch Chief at CDC. Hi, I'm Dr. Jeff Nemhauser, Chief Medical Officer with CDC's Travelers' Health Branch. I'm Dr. Ali Walker, Epidemiologist with CDC Travelers' Health Branch.

Zika virus (or Zika) is still a risk in many parts of the world. Zika is spread primarily through mosquito bites, but it can also spread through sex. A pregnant woman can pass Zika to her fetus, which can cause serious birth defects. Many people infected with Zika won't have symptoms or will only have mild symptoms. For this reason, if you travel to an area with risk of Zika, you can be infected with Zika and not know it. Guys: You can pass Zika to your partner through sex, even months after infection. This means Zika is a concern not only for women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, but also for their partners who’ve been in areas with risk of Zika. If you travel to an area with risk of Zika, there are steps you should take to prevent getting Zika and passing it to your partner – especially if she is pregnant or may become pregnant. We are here to answer your questions and concerns and to clear up any confusion about how you can protect yourself and the ones you love against Zika, both during and after travel. Ask us anything! We’ll be back at 1:00 p.m. and will do our best to answer as many of your questions as possible! Additional Resources:

- Don’t forget to follow us on Twitter @CDCTravel!
To learn more about The Winnower and publish your own ideas and research, sign up [here](http://www.thewinnower.com/). We bring traditional scholarly publishing tools (DOI & permanent archival) to blogs, essays, grants, protocols, how-to's, essays, and other media, including reddit AMAs, because scholarly communication doesn't just happen in scholarly journals.

**Support archival of this AMA**