

# The Dengue Fever vaccine: How it can help against Zika

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# Objectives

- Epidemiology of Dengue and Zika
- Clinical disease manifestations of Dengue and Zika
- Vaccine Development for Dengue
- Vaccine Development for Zika



# WORLD'S DEADLIEST ANIMALS

## DEATHS PER YEAR

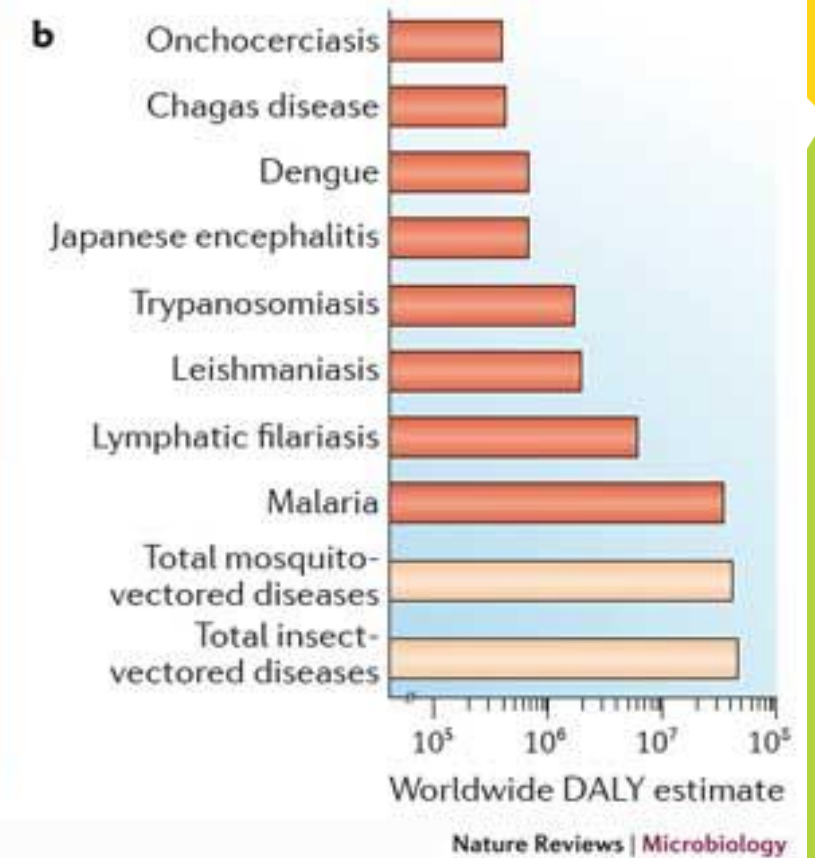
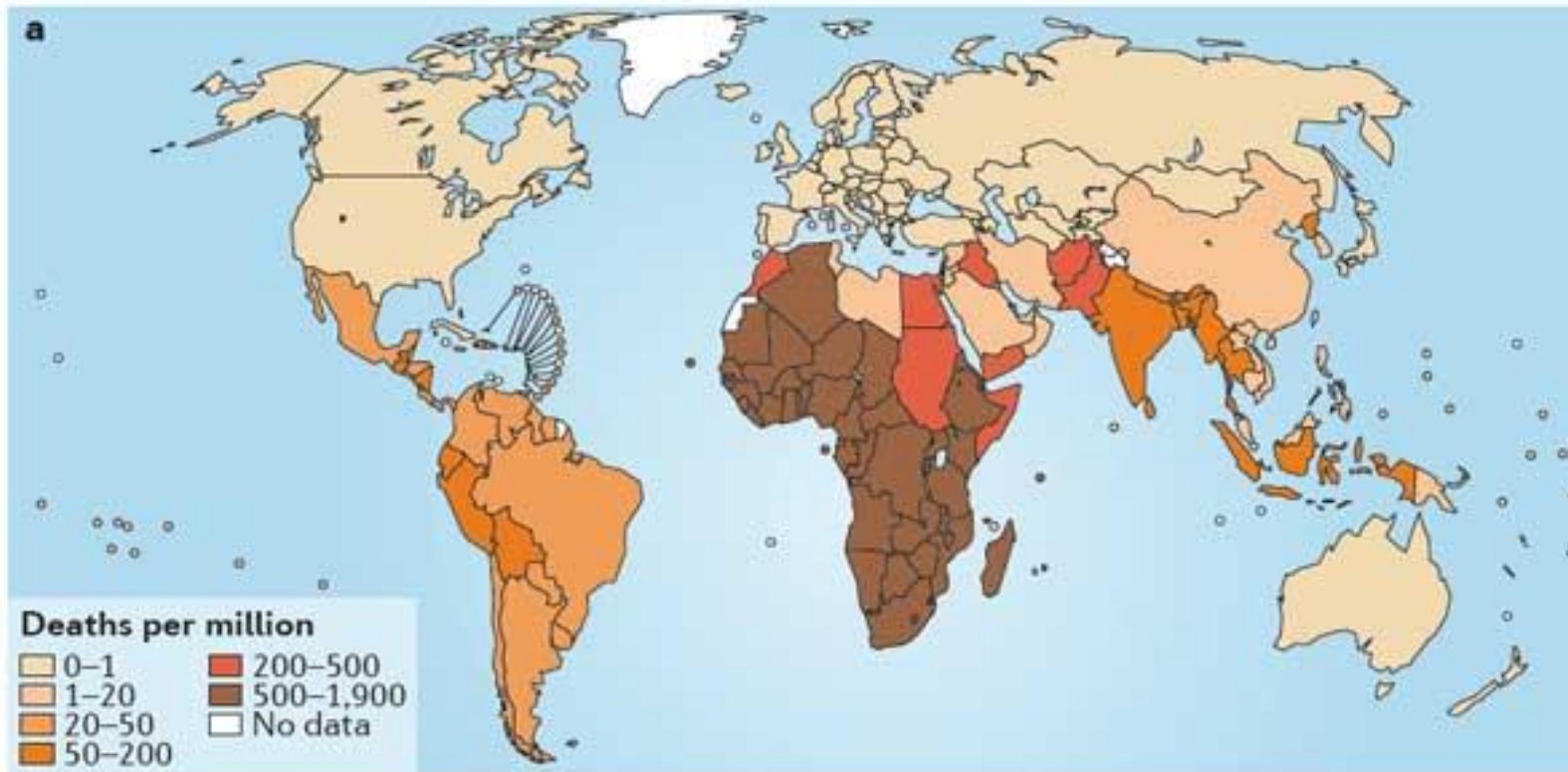
<b>Mosquito</b>	<b>725,000</b>
<b>Freshwater snail</b>	<b>110,000</b>
<b>Ascaris roundworm</b>	<b>60,000</b>
<b>Venomous snake</b>	<b>50,000</b>
<b>Rabid dog</b>	<b>40,000</b>
<b>Assassin bug</b>	<b>12,000</b>
<b>Tsetse fly</b>	<b>9,000</b>
<b>Tapeworm</b>	<b>2,000</b>
<b>Crocodile</b>	<b>1,000</b>
<b>Hippo</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Elephant</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Lion</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Wolf</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Shark</b>	<b>10</b>

SOURCE: DATA VIZIO

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# Deaths and lost productivity Worldwide due to Infectious Disease





# Transmission

- Factors

- Initiation and maintenance of epidemic

- 1) Strain of virus

- Strains vary in virulence, duration of viremia

- 2) Density, behavior and competence of the vector

- Rainy season
  - Increased transmission due to prolonged vector survival, shortens extrinsic incubation period

- 3) Susceptibility of human populations

- Host factors

- 4) Introduction of virus into susceptible community



## Dengue

- *Aedes aegypti*, *Aedes albopictus*

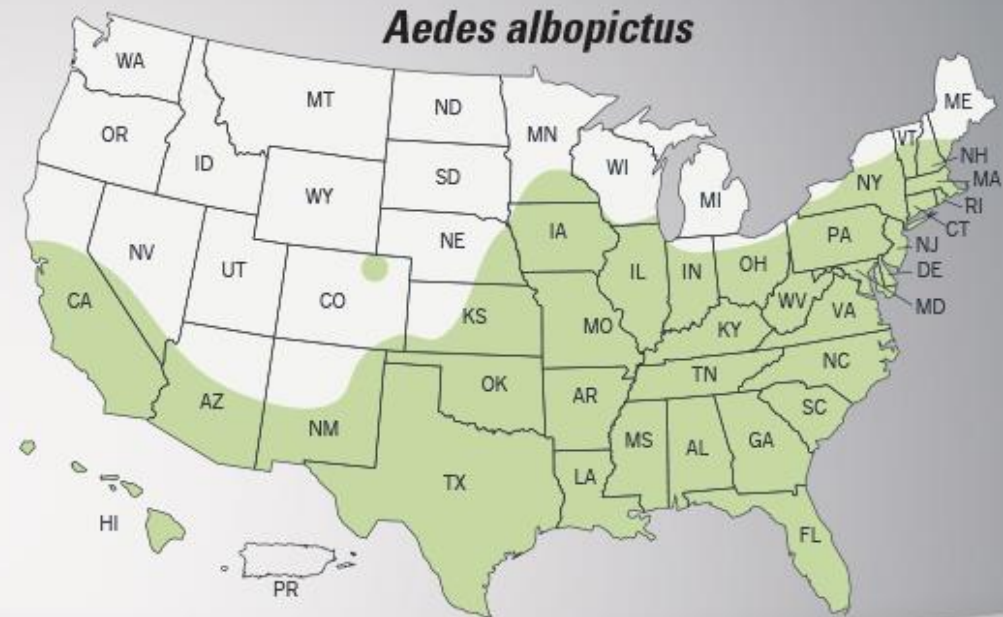


## Zika

- *Aedes aegypti*, *Aedes albopictus*



## Estimated range of *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* in the United States, 2016\*



***Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes are more likely to spread viruses like Zika, dengue, chikungunya than other types of mosquitoes such as *Aedes albopictus* mosquitoes.**



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# Emerging Infections

## Emergence as a 2-step process

- 1) Introduction of an agent into a new host population
  - New infection
  - Variant of existing infection
- 2) establishment and dissemination within a new host (“adoption”)
  - Variety of factors associated with “spread”





# Vector borne diseases

- Spread supported/facilitated by:

- Global trade
- Ineffectiveness of vector control
  - Biochemical
    - Resistance issues
  - Removal of breeding grounds
  - Biologic targeting of mosquitos
- Urban crowding/living conditions
- Poorly designed irrigation and water storage
- Poor waste disposal
- Increasing in global travel
- Deforestation and habitat destruction
- global warming?





# Dengue and Zika

- Flavivirus

West Nile

Dengue

Yellow Fever

Tick-borne Encephalitis Virus (TBE)

Saint Louis Encephalitis (SLE)

Japanese Encephalitis Virus (JEV)



# Dengue



# Risk and Incidence



2 billion persons live in tropics/subtropics

- 40% of world's population at risk

Most rapidly spreading mosquito-borne virus in the world

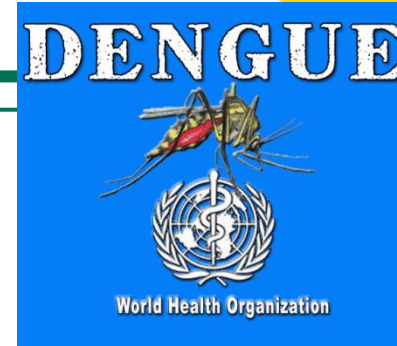
- 1950s annual case reports to WHO totaled 900
  - By 2005 annual case reports in 60 countries

Annually:

- 120 million travel annually to these areas.
- 50-100 million cases dengue fever annually
- 250-500,000 cases Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever
- Approximately 20,000 deaths, but limited knowledge from many corners of the globe.



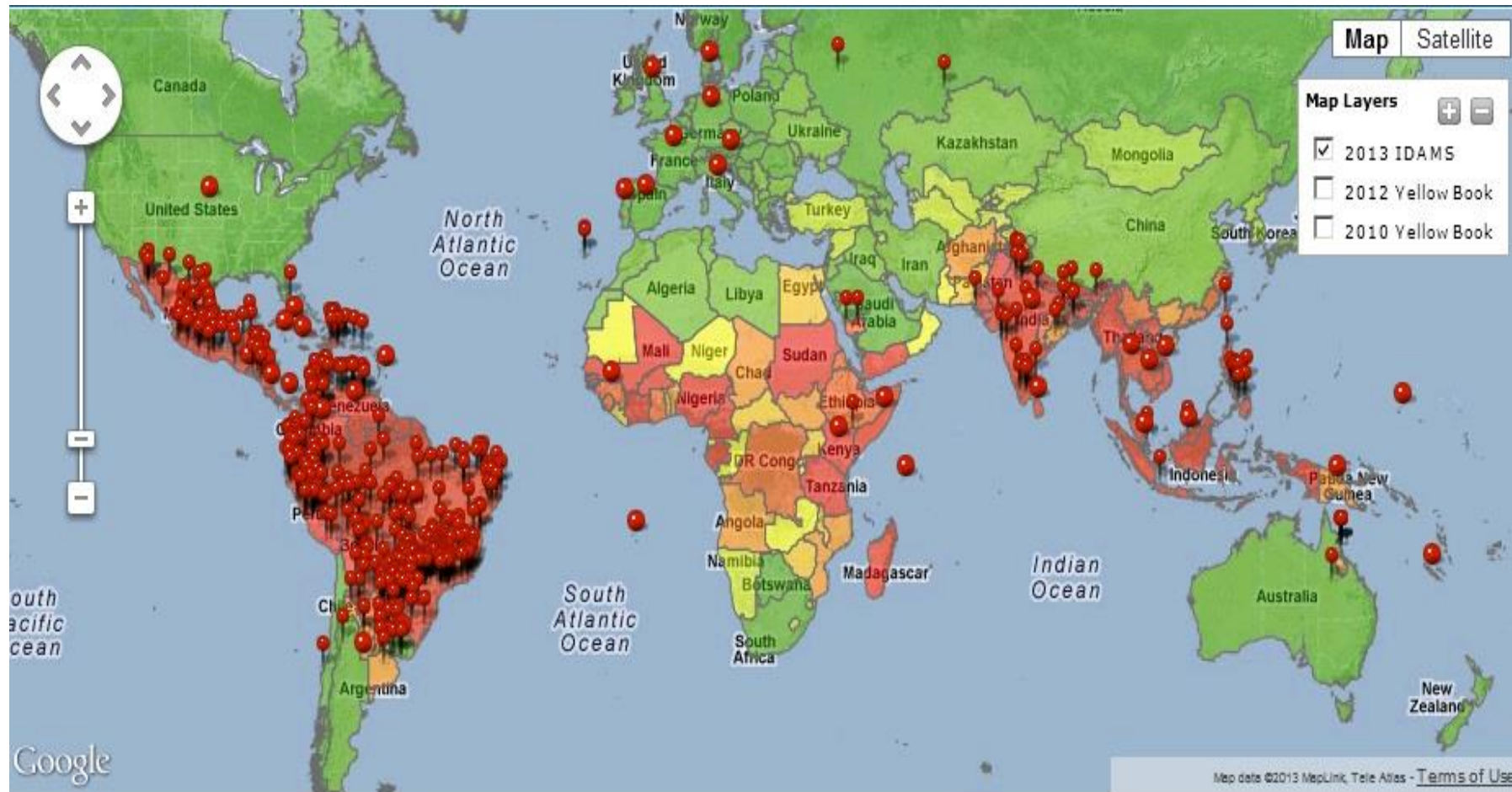
# Epidemiology



## Epidemic Dengue Hemorrhagic fever (DHF) and Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)

- Emerged over 50 years ago in Southeast Asia
- Emerged in 1981 in the Americas
- Emerged in 1989 in Southern Asia
- Since post-WWII
  - Incidence of DHF/DSS has increased 500 fold
  - One of the leading causes of pediatric morbidity and mortality in Southeast Asia

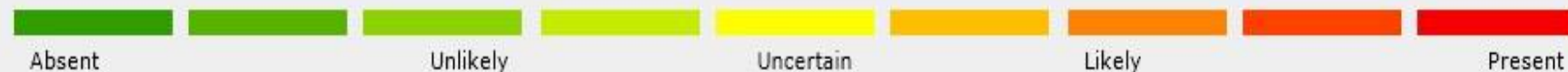




**HealthMap Reports:** Recent reports of local and regional dengue or imported cases of dengue from official, newspaper, and other media sources. [View source »](#)

● Country Level    ● Local or Province Level

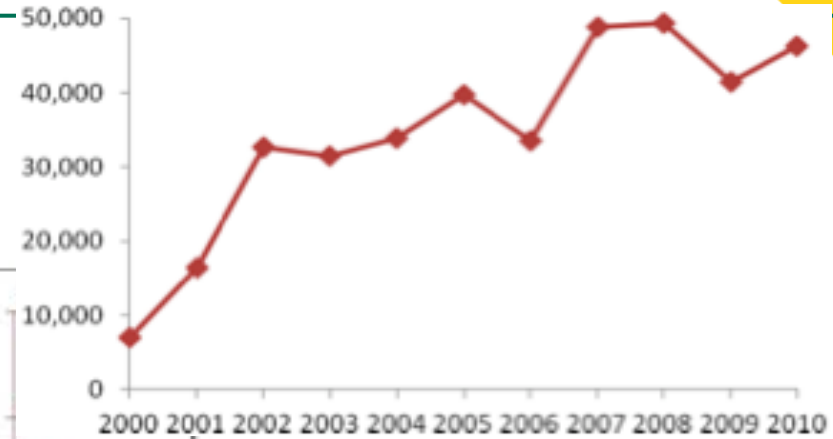
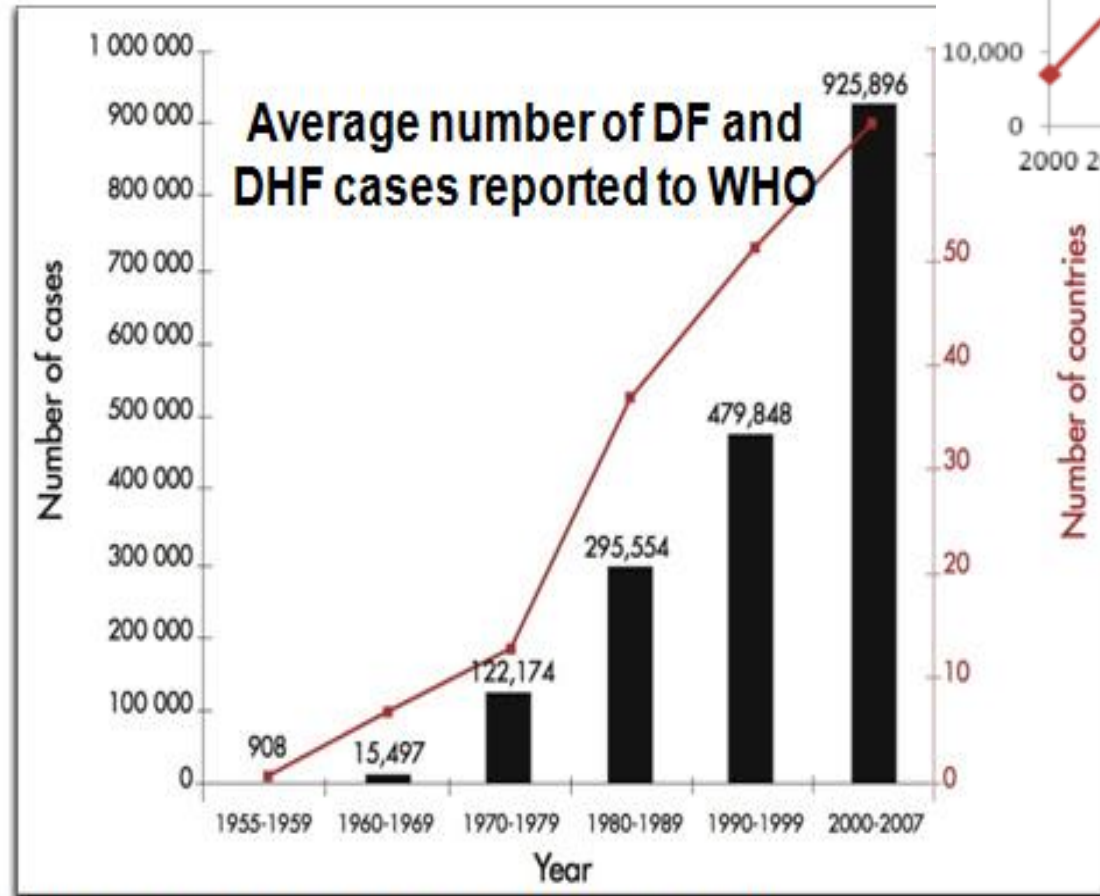
**IDAMS Global Consensus Map:** These risk areas are defined based on consensus between a variety of data sources including: national surveillance systems, published literature, questionnaires and formal and informal news reports. [View source »](#)



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# Dengue incidence

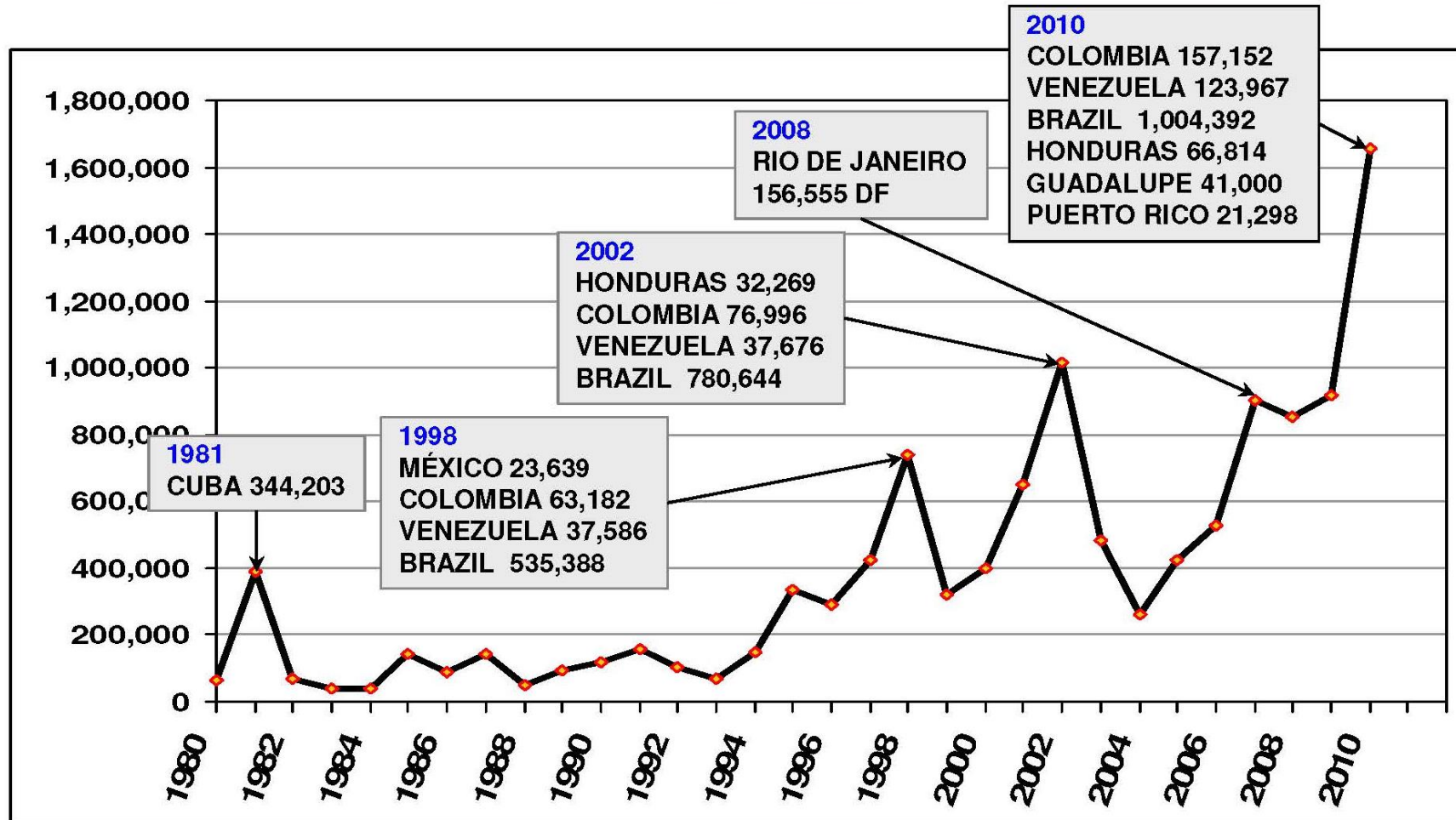


Worldwide incidence of Dengue

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# Dengue as an emerging disease in the Americas



# Trends in Incidence in Dengue Fever among Hospitalized Patients in U.S.

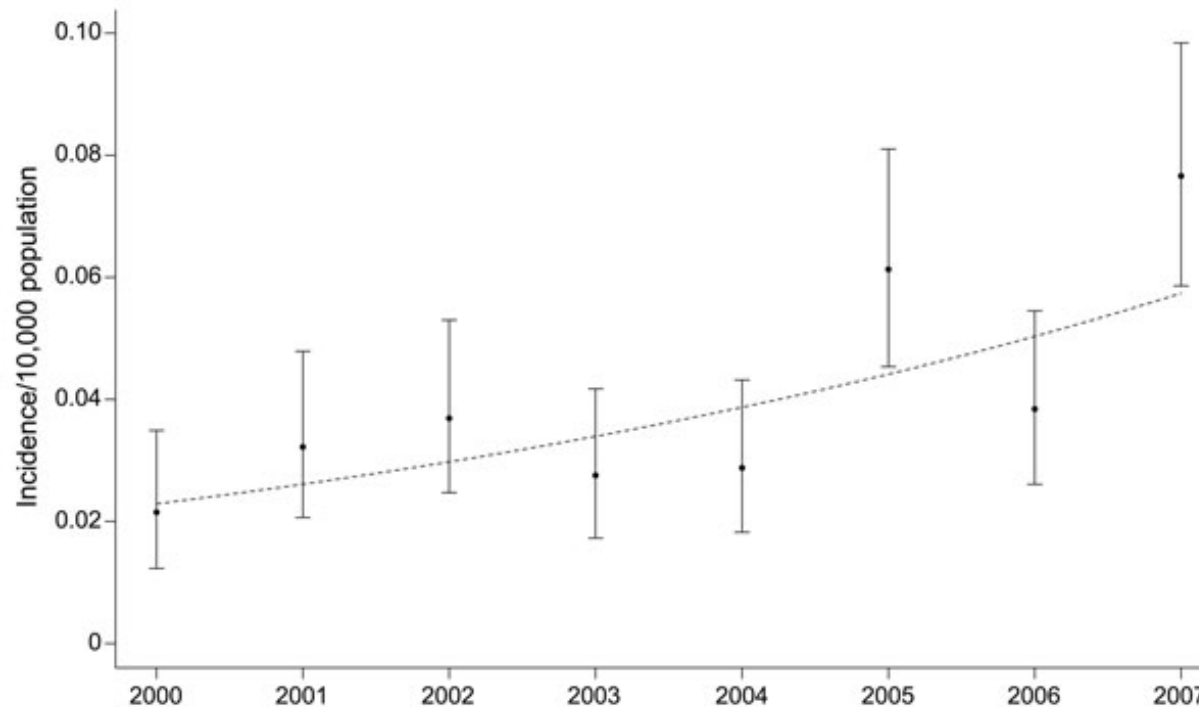
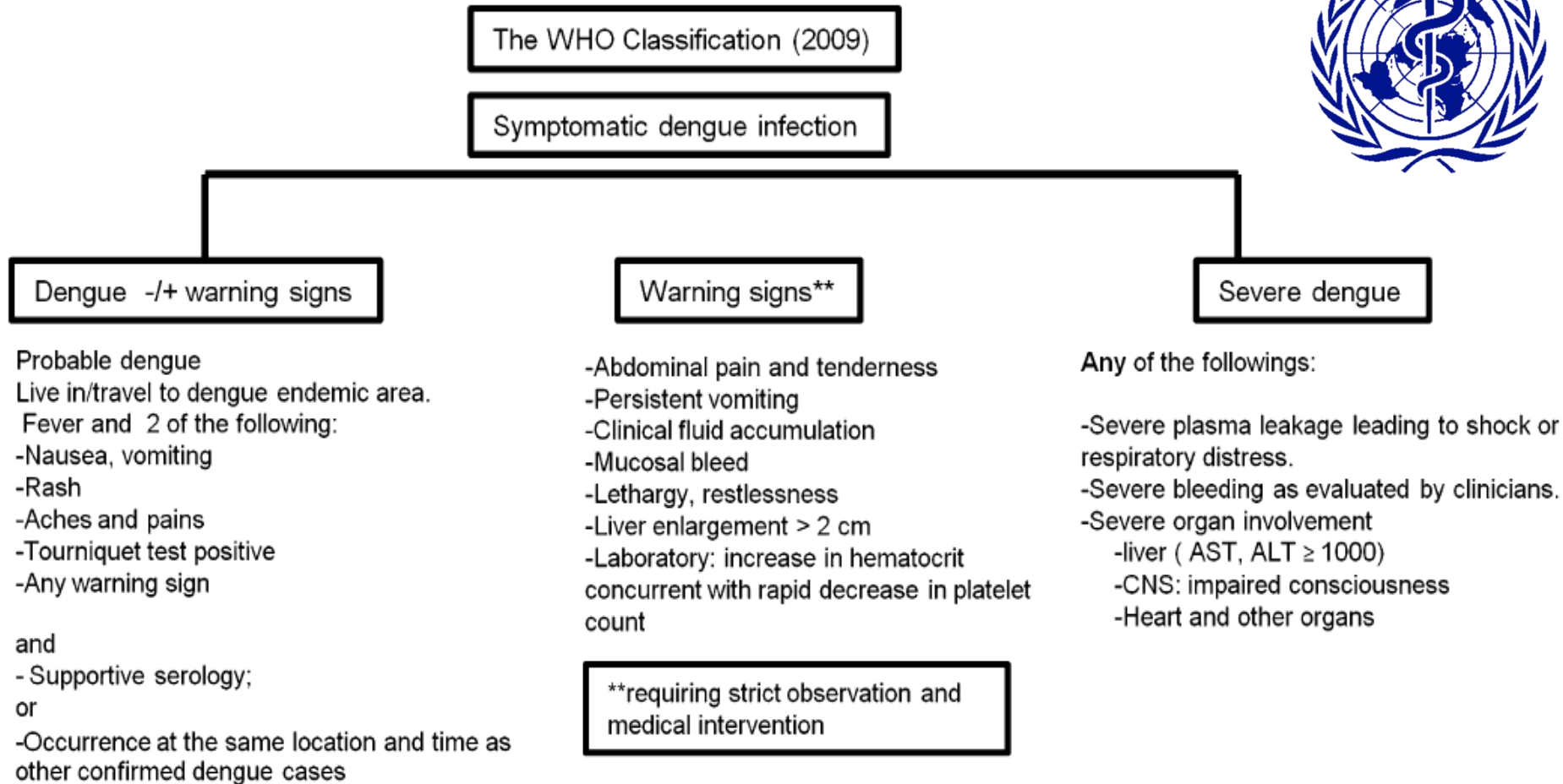


Figure. National estimates of dengue yearly incidence rates and 95% exact binomial confidence intervals (error bars), calculated by using data from the National Inpatient Sample, United States, 2000–2007. The trend (dotted line) is based on a logistic regression model fit by using generalized estimating equations. Note that the trend is curvilinear in the incidence rate, yet linear in the log odds of the incidence

# “New” Clinical Dengue Classifications



# Clinical Disease Caused by Dengue Viruses

## Dengue fever (DF):

- Fever  
and
- Headache
- Retro-orbital pain
- Myalgia
- Arthralgia
- Hemorrhage
- Rash
  
- Leukopenia
- Neutropenia
- Elevated ALT / AST
- Viremia
- Serum antibodies

## Severe dengue:

### Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)

- Fever (2 - 7 days)  
and
- Thrombocytopenia  
and
- Petechialrash
- Bruising
- Bleeding
- Coagulopathy  
and
- Vascular leakage
- Pleural effusion
- Ascites
- Hemoconcentration



### Shock Syndrome (DSS):

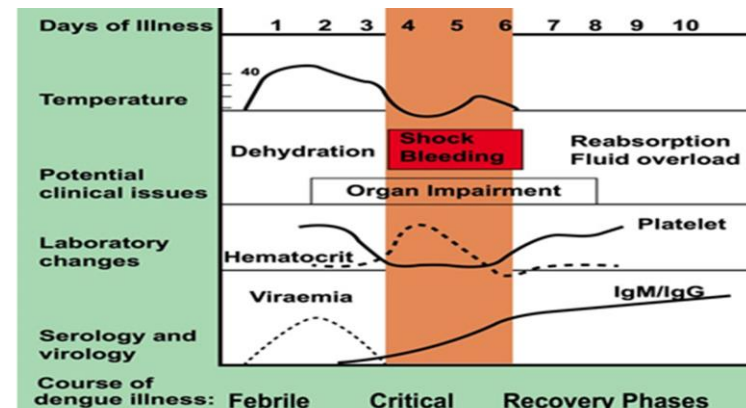
- Hypotension
- Shock

Based on WHO 1975, 1997



# Clinical Disease

- Classic disease
  - Incubation period 3-14 days (average 4-7)
  - May have asymptomatic disease or mild febrile illness
- 3 phases
  - 1) Febrile Phase
  - 2) Critical Phase
  - 3) Recovery Phase



Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Clinician's case management card. Available at: [http://www.cdc.gov/Denque/resources/Denque/s20Case/s20Management\\_card\\_125086\\_12x6\\_Zcard\\_Denque.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/Denque/resources/Denque/s20Case/s20Management_card_125086_12x6_Zcard_Denque.pdf) Accessed July 21, 2011.

# Clinical

- Risk factors for severe disease

AB blood group

Race

Young age

Viral strain

Female sex

High BMI

Genetic variants of Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA)

Possibly chronic disease: Sickle cell disease, diabetes, asthma

- Factors that Decrease risk of severe disease

- Race

- Malnutrition

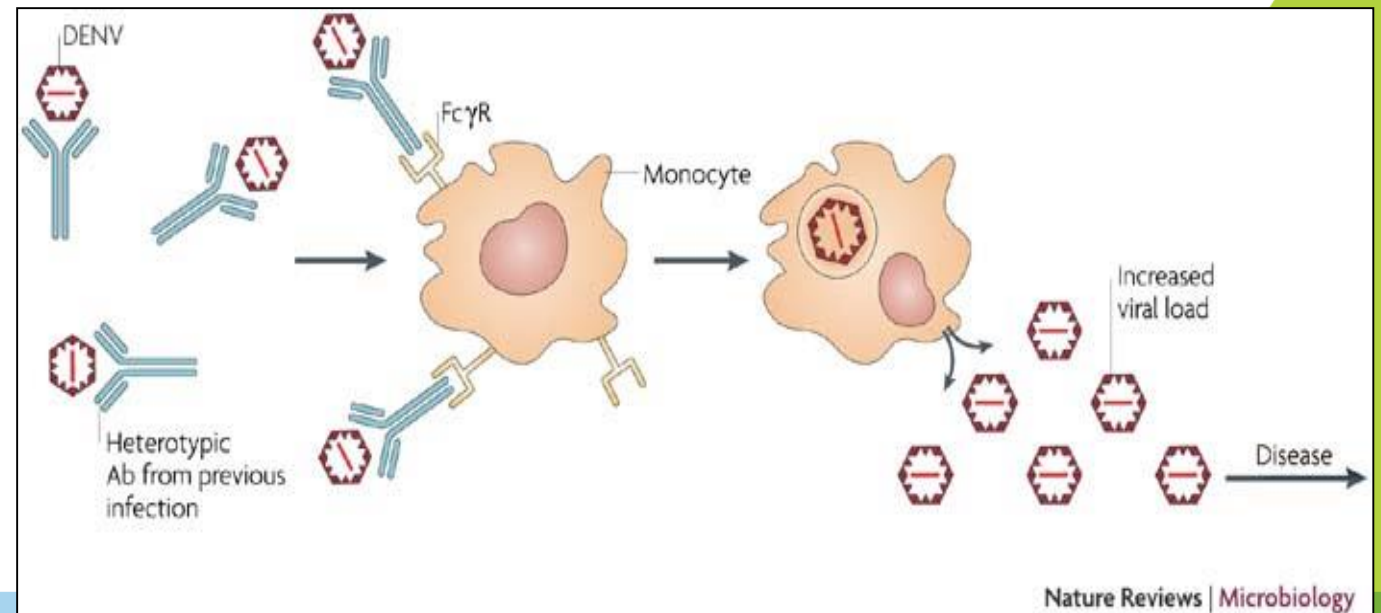
- Polymorphisms in Fcγ and Vitamin D receptor



# Immunopathogenesis of Severe Disease

## Antibody dependent Enhancement (ADE)

- After initial infection antibodies remain cross reactive with other serotypes
- Non-neutralizing antibodies could then mediate an increased uptake of virus into monocyte/macrophage
- Leading to increased viral replication, immune activation and cytokine release



# Zika





# The Beginning



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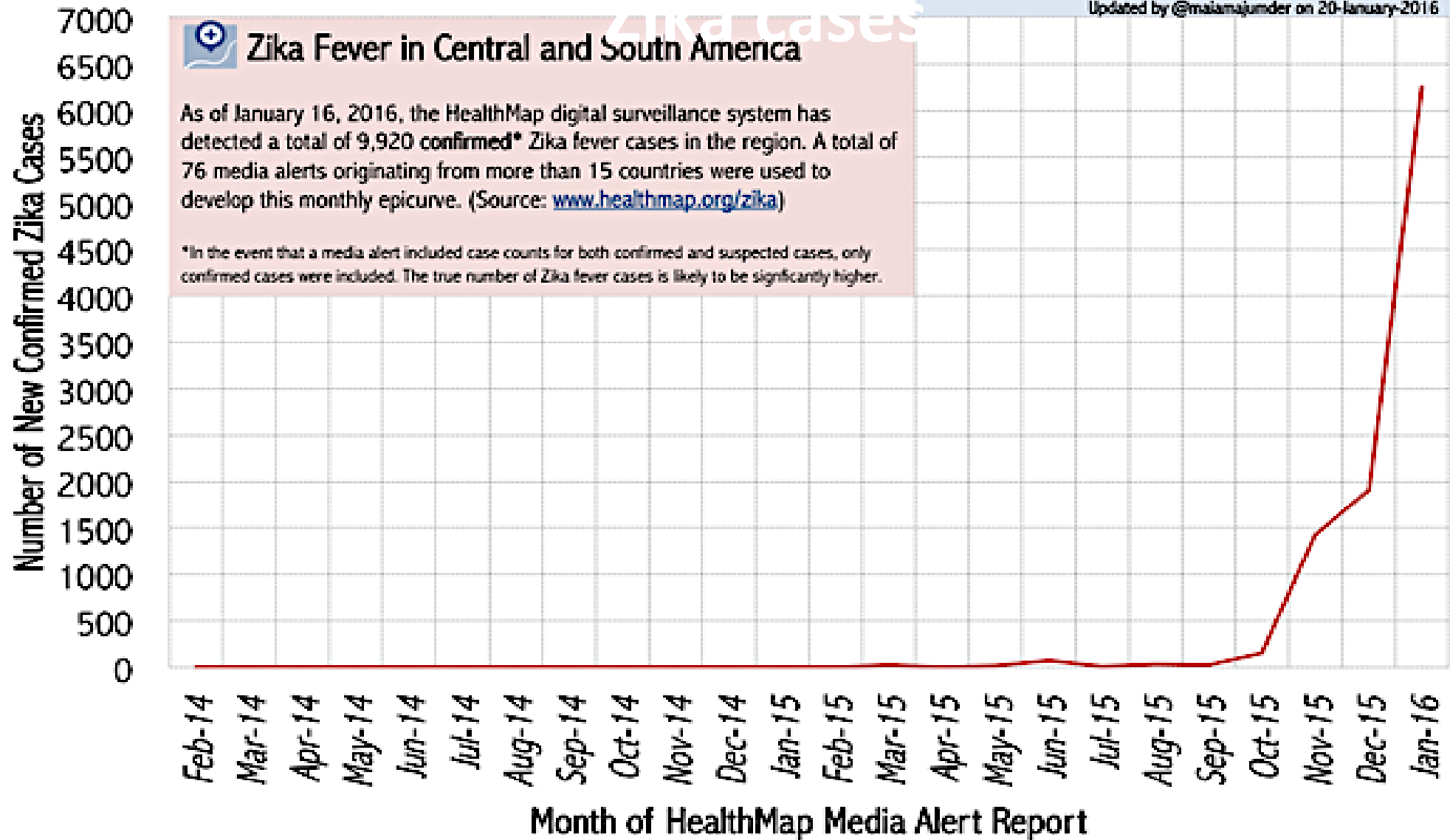
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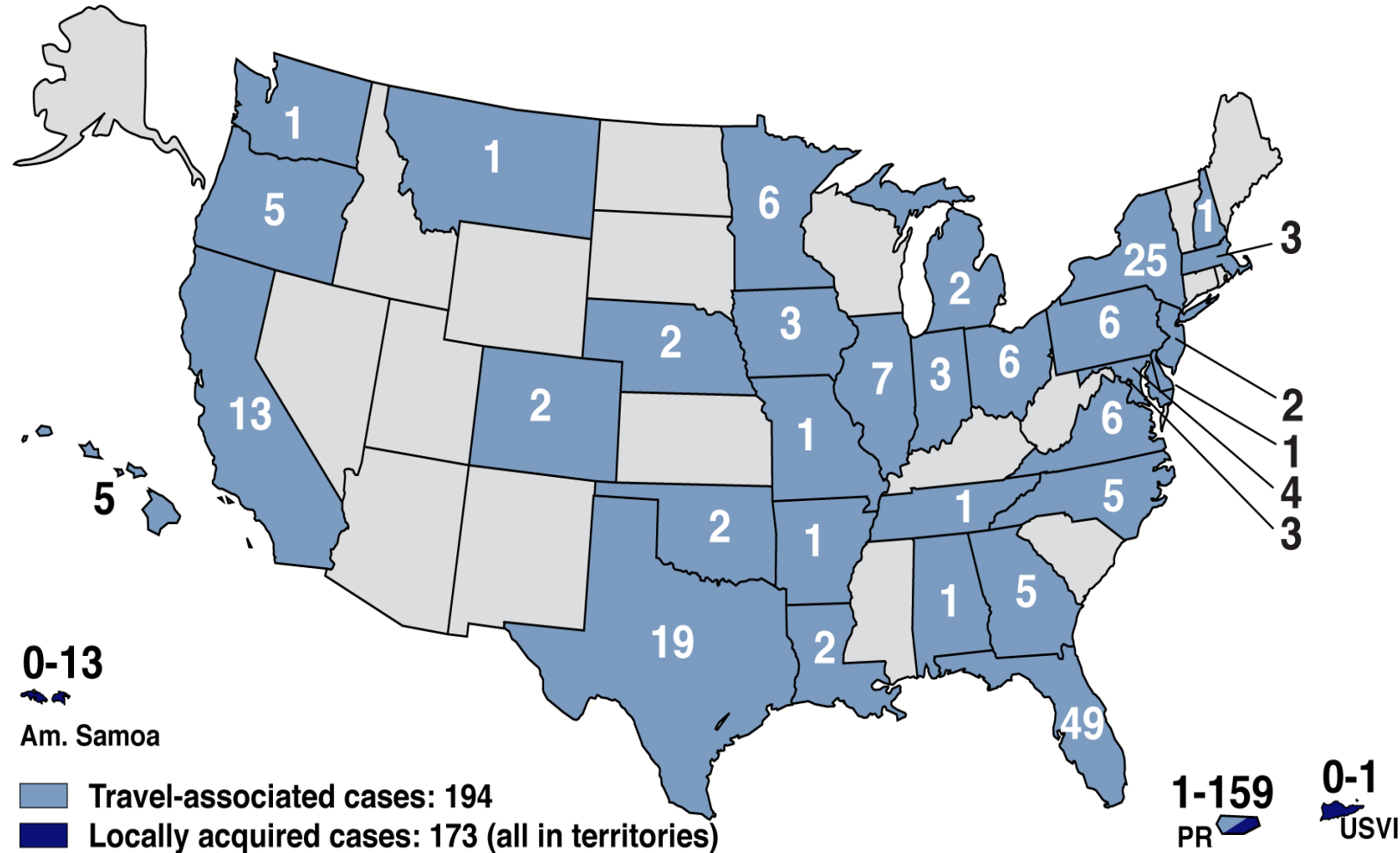


## Countries and territories showing historical time-line of Zika virus spread (1947 - 2016)





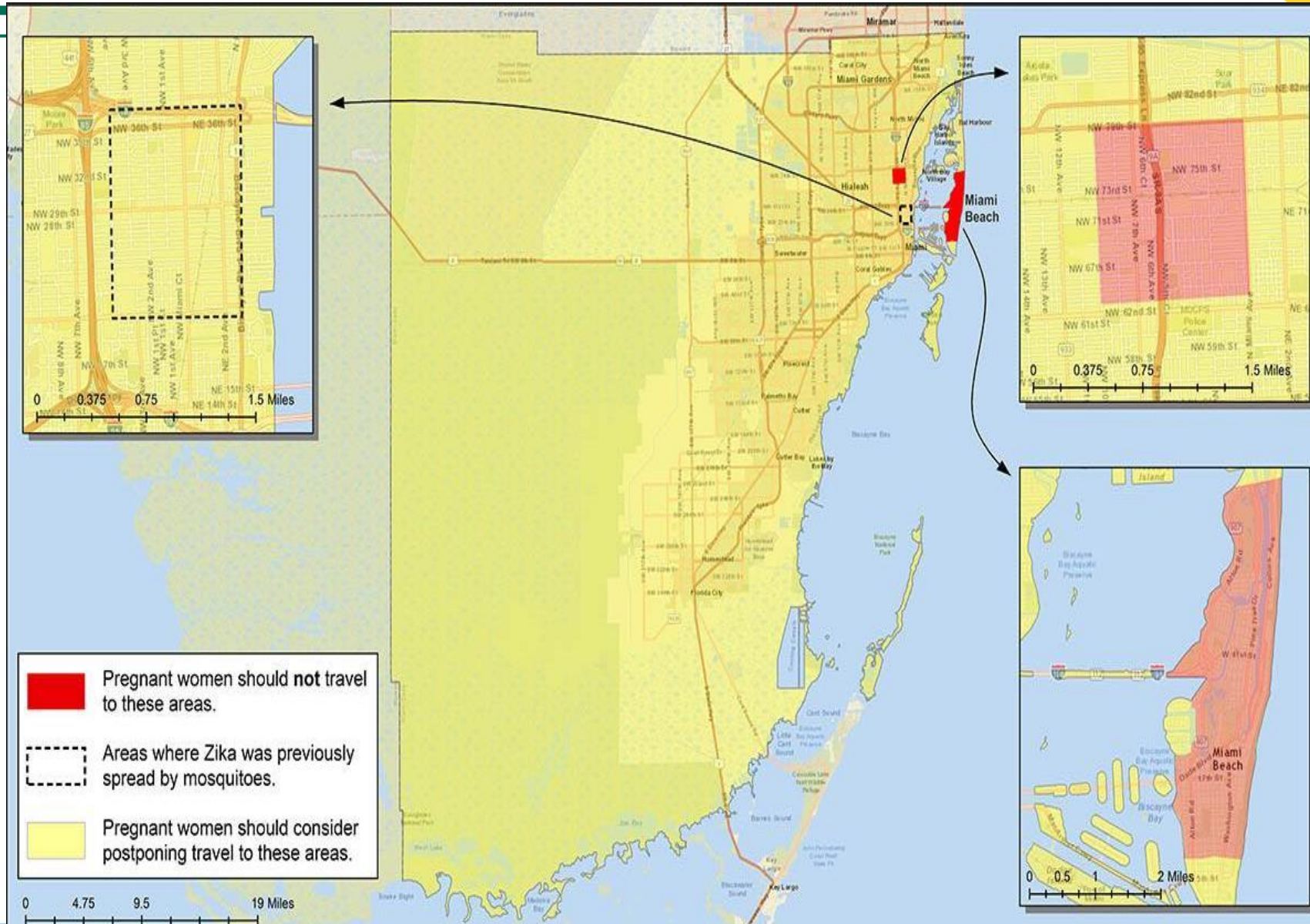
# Zika Virus Cases in the United States and U.S. Territories, 2015–2016



Source: CDC. Data as of 3/09/16.

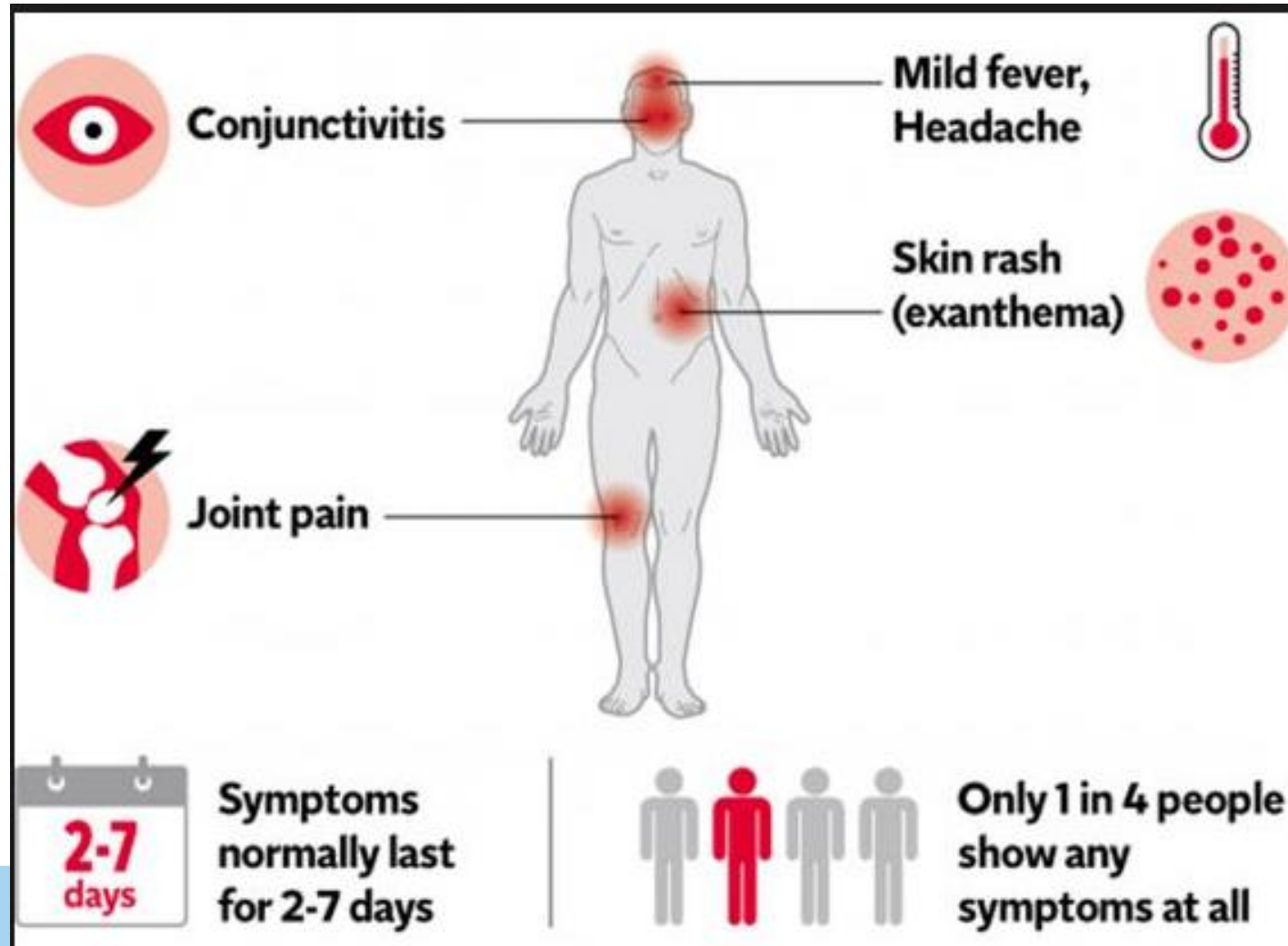


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# Symptoms of Zika



# Zika clinical signs



## Lab Findings

- Low White blood cell counts
- Low Platelet counts
- Elevated Liver Enzymes

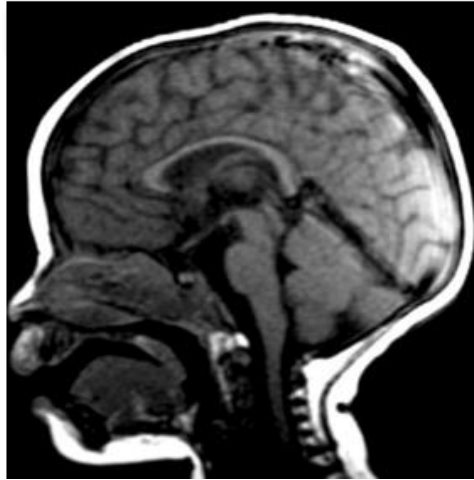




**What is ZIKA?**



# What is microcephaly



Normocephalic



Microcephalic

**Infant's head is smaller than the heads of other infants of same age and sex**

**Can occur as a result of congenital insult or post-natal insult**

# Microcephaly



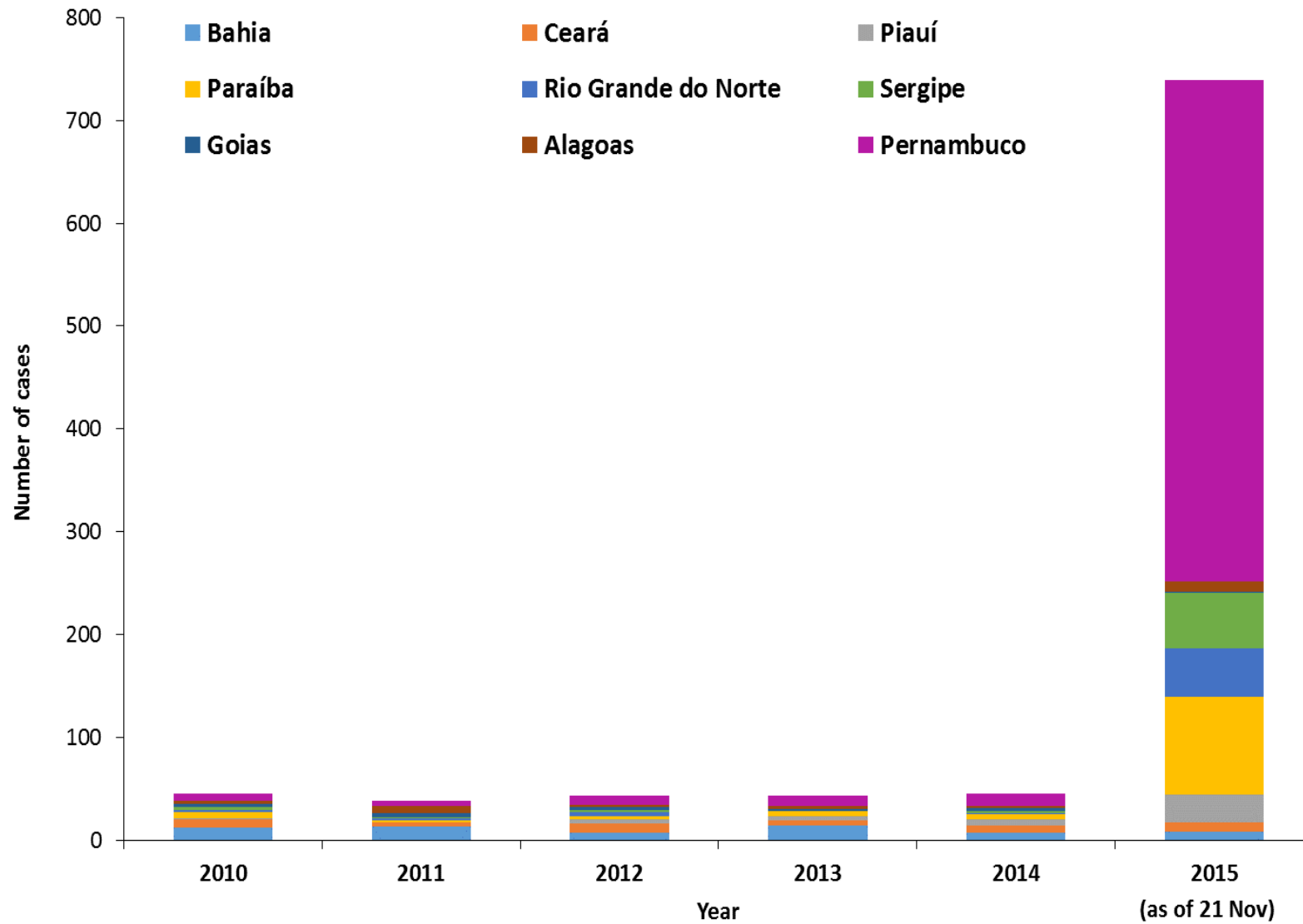
Range of Microcephaly Severity



## Selected causes of microcephaly

Isolated microcephaly (true microcephaly, microcephaly vera)	Neuroanatomic abnormalities
Autosomal recessive (eg, autosomal recessive primary microcephaly types 1 through 6, Amish lethal microcephaly)	Neural tube defects (eg, anencephaly, hydranencephaly, encephalocele)
Autosomal dominant	Holoprosencephaly
X-linked microcephaly	Atelencephaly (aprosencephaly)
	Lissencephaly
	Schizencephaly
	Polymicrogyria
	Pachygyria (macrogyria)
	Fetal brain disruption sequence
Chromosomal abnormalities and syndromes	Metabolic disorders
Trisomies (eg, 21, 18, 13)	Maternal diabetes mellitus
Monosomy 1p36 deletion	Untreated maternal phenylketonuria
Seckel syndrome	Phenylketonuria
Smith-Lemli-Opitz syndrome	Methylmalonic aciduria
Williams-Beuren syndrome (7q11.23 deletion)	Citrullinemia
Cornelia de Lange syndrome	Neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis
Miller-Dieker lissencephaly syndrome (17p13.3 deletion)	
Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome (4p deletion)	Environmental causes
Cri-du-chat syndrome (5p15.2 deletion)	Congenital infection (eg, cytomegalovirus, herpes simplex virus, rubella, varicella, toxoplasmosis, human immunodeficiency virus, syphilis, enterovirus, Zika virus)
Mowat-Wilson syndrome	Meningitis
Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome	In utero drug or toxin exposure (eg, alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, cocaine, heroin, antineoplastic agents, antiepileptic agents, radiation, toluene)
Aicardi-Goutières syndrome	Perinatal insult (eg, hypoglycemia, hypothyroidism, hypopituitarism, hypoadrenalism)
Cockayne syndrome	Anoxia/ischemia
Bloom syndrome	
Angelman syndrome	



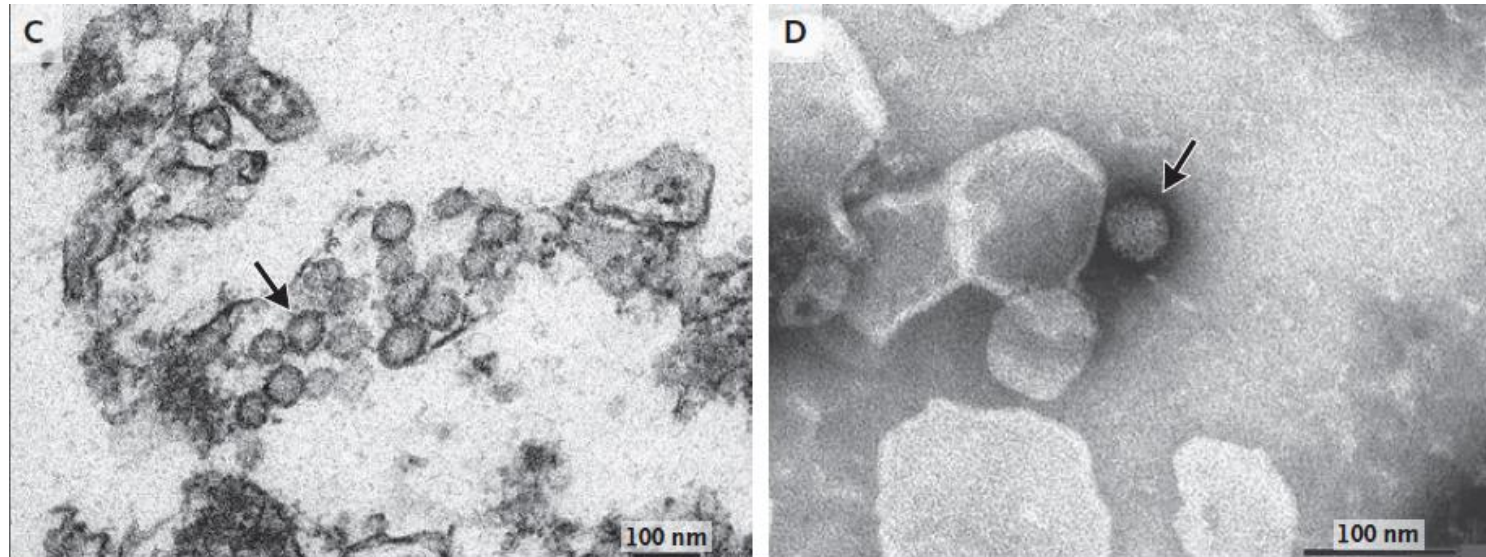




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BRIEF REPORT

## Zika Virus Associated with Microcephaly



**Figure 3.** Electron Microscopy of Ultrathin Sections of Fetal Brain and Staining of a Flavivirus-like Particle.

Panel A shows a damaged brain cell with a cluster of dense virions located in the disrupted endoplasmic reticulum. Remains of membranes derived from different cellular compartments and filamentous structures are also seen. A magnified view of the boxed area with virions clearly visible (arrows) is shown in Panel B. Panel C shows a group of enveloped structures with a bright interior, presumably indicating viral replication (arrow). Panel D shows a negatively stained viral particle with morphologic characteristics consistent with those of Flaviviridae viruses (arrow).

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## ZIKA VIRUS

### (II). PATHOGENICITY AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

(3) Zika virus is highly neurotropic in mice and no virus has been recovered from tissues other than the brains of infected mice.

(4) Cotton-rats, guineapigs and rabbits show no clinical signs of infection after intracerebral inoculation of late passage mouse brain virus.

(5) Monkeys develop an inapparent infection after subcutaneous inoculation with mouse brain virus. After intracerebral inoculation one of five monkeys showed a mild pyrexia, the others showed no signs of infection. Viraemia during the first week after inoculation has been found in all monkeys tested and antibody has been demonstrated by the 14th day after inoculation.

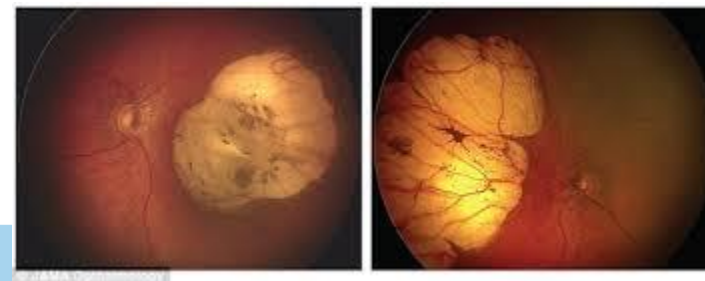
(6) Of 99 human sera tested, 6 (6.1 per cent.) have neutralized more than 100 LD<sub>50</sub> of virus. Antibody has also been found in the serum of one of 15 wild monkeys tested.

# Congenital ZIKV Infection

## ....not just microcephaly



- Microcephaly
- Brain atrophy
- Ventricular enlargement
- Intracranial calcifications
- Ocular defects
- Joint contractures
- Absence of the corpus callosum
- Agenesis of the vermis
- Thalamus absent
- Cataracts
- Hydrops fetalis



# Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS)

Acute, immune mediated

May lead to paralysis

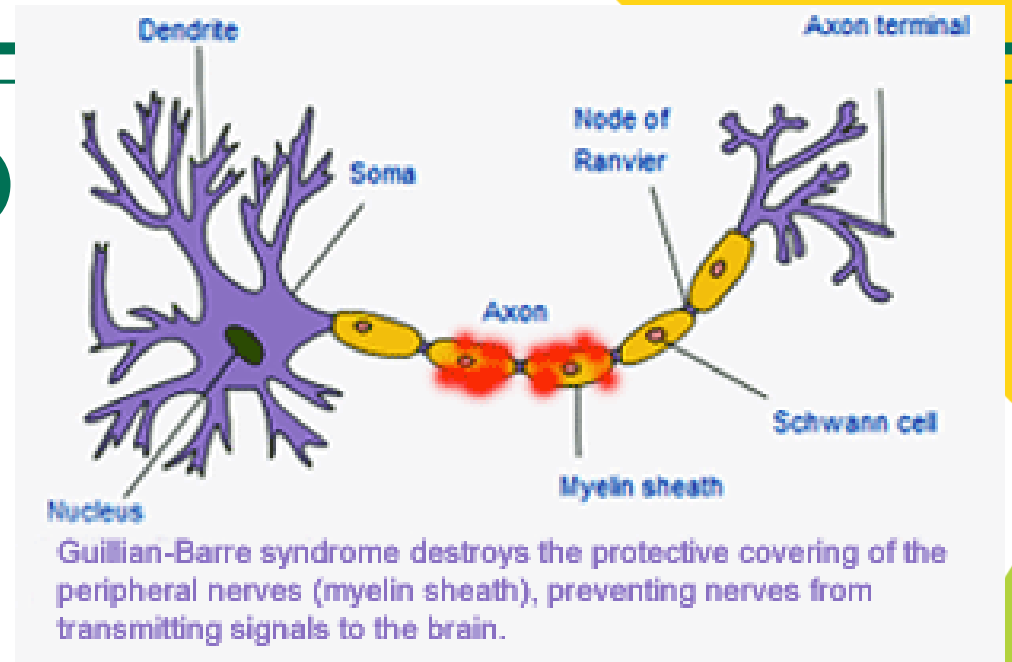
Roughly 25, 000 cases/yr in the US

Preceding infection in previous weeks

10-30% will require mechanical ventilation

Most fully recover

Mortality rate 5%

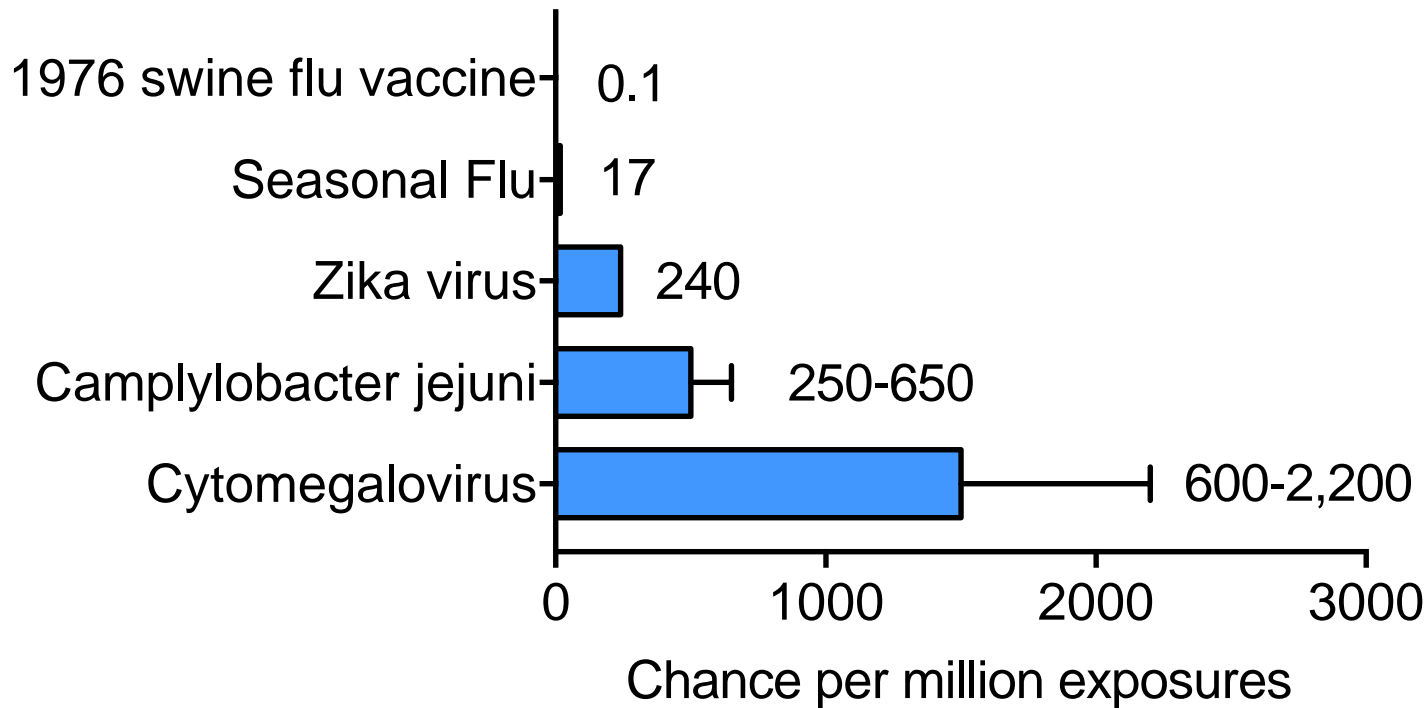




# Risk of GBS and Infectious Disease

## Guillain-Barré Syndrome

*chance per million exposures*



Source: CDC and Kwong JC et al. Risk of Guillain-Barre syndrome after seasonal influenza vaccination and influenza in health care encounters. *Lancet Infect. Dis.* (2013) 13(9):769-76



## **Guillain-Barré Syndrome Outbreak Associated with Zika Virus Infection in French Polynesia: A Case-Control Study**

VM Cao-Lormeau, F Ghawché et al.

### **Results:**

- 98% of the 42 patients with GBS had anti-ZIKV IgM or IgG, and 100% had neutralizing antibody against ZIKV compared with 56% of 98 patients in control group ( $p < 0.0001$ )
- 88% of 42 patients with GBS reported symptoms of ZIKV infection 6 days before onset of neurological symptoms.
- Estimated rate of GBS with ZIKV infection = 1/5000

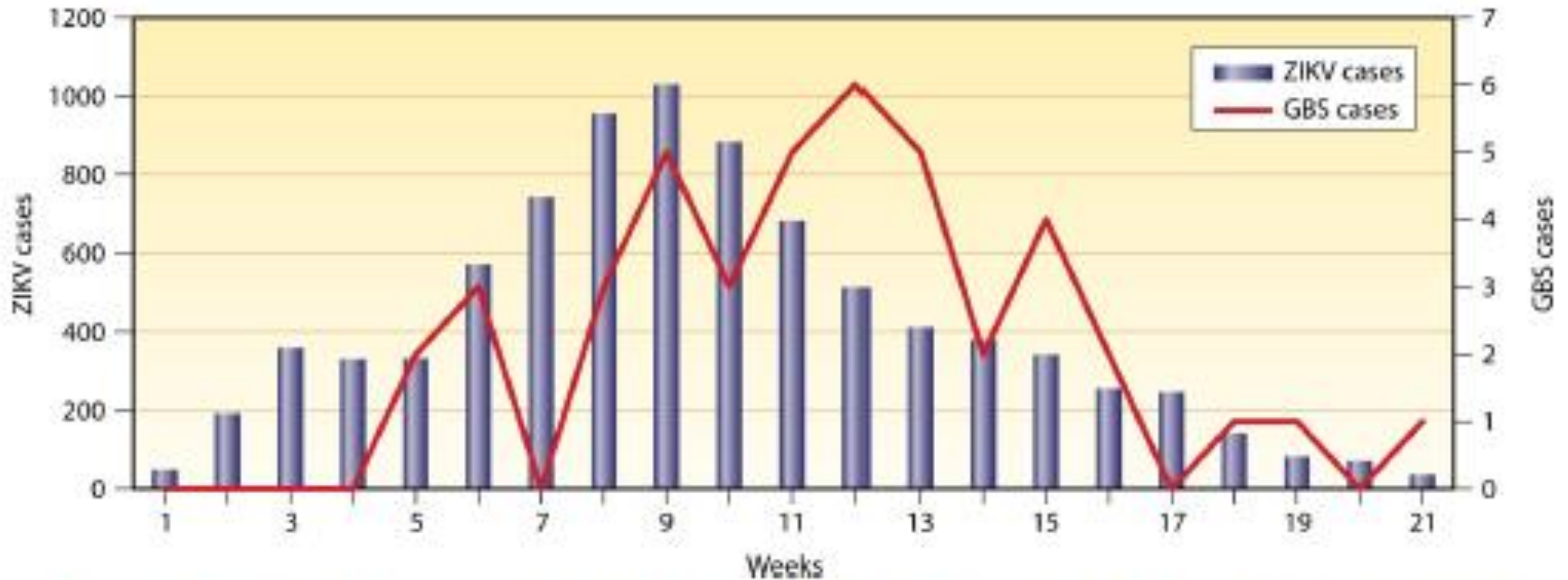


FIG 9 Temporal association between cases of Zika fever (blue columns) and GBS (red line) during the French Polynesian outbreak.

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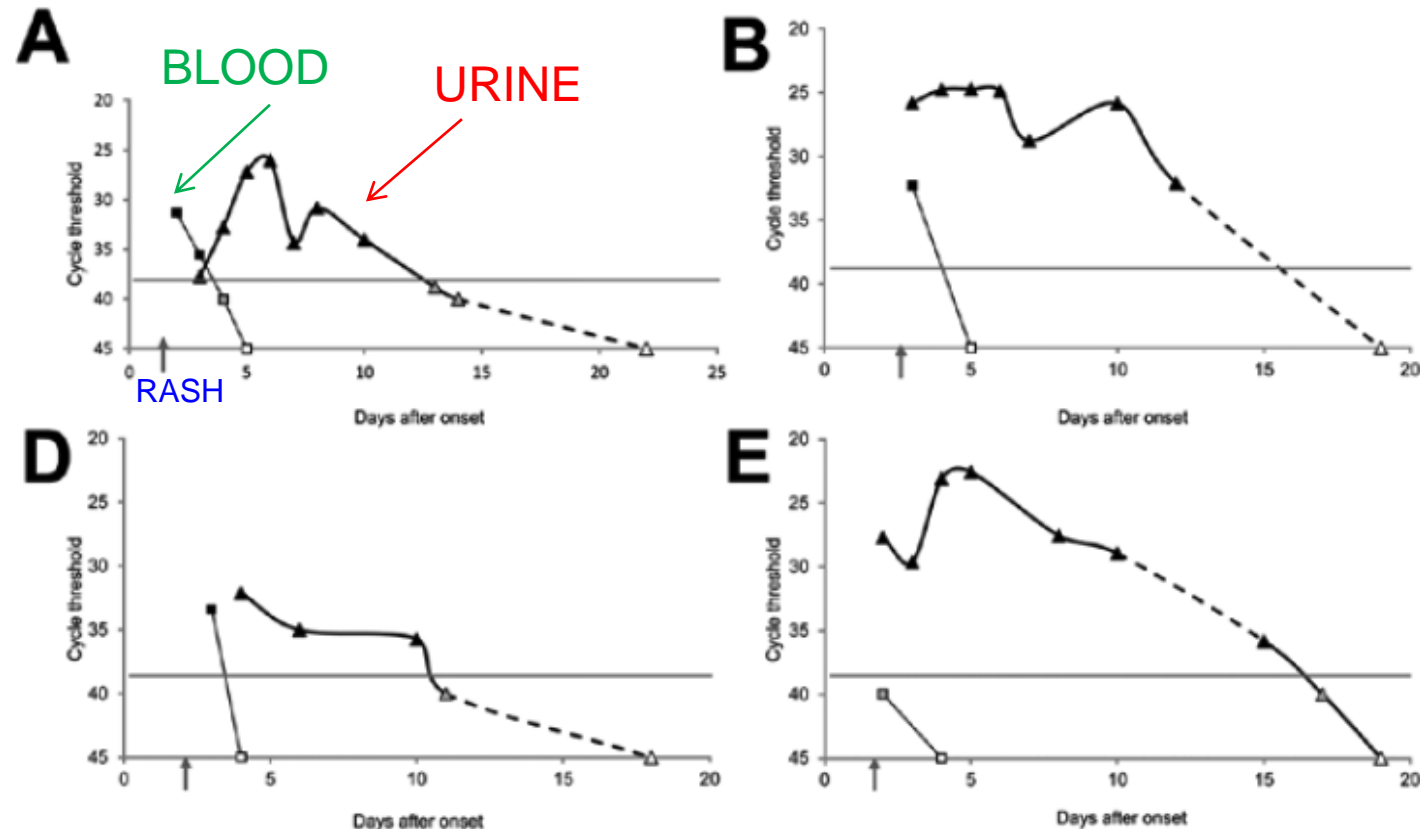
68 patients with GBS

- 66 (97%) with previous symptoms c/w Zika
  - 42 patients with +PCR
    - Urine/CSF
- ?increased risk/link between Zika and GBS with previous Dengue infection



# Detection of Zika Virus in Urine

Emerging Infectious Diseases • www.cdc.gov/eid • Vol. 21, No. 1, January 2015



**Figure.** Detection of Zika virus in blood and urine specimens of 6 patients by using real-time reverse transcription PCR with primers/probe 1086/1162c/1107-Cy5 (11) New Caledonia, 2014. A) Patient 1; B) Patient 2; C) Patient 3; D) Patient 4; E) Patient 5; F) Patient 6. Triangles indicate urine samples and squares indicate serum samples. The cutoff cycle threshold ( $C_t$ ) value is 38.5, as previously reported (11) and is indicated by horizontal lines. Black symbols indicate amplifications with  $C_t < 38.5$ , gray symbols indicate amplifications with  $C_t \geq 38.5$ , and white symbols indicate negative amplifications. Onset of disease (day 0) was defined retrospectively after questioning patients about initial symptoms. Dashed lines indicate a period >2 days without a sample being obtained. Arrows indicate onset of rash.

# First Reported Case of Sexually Transmitted Zika Virus

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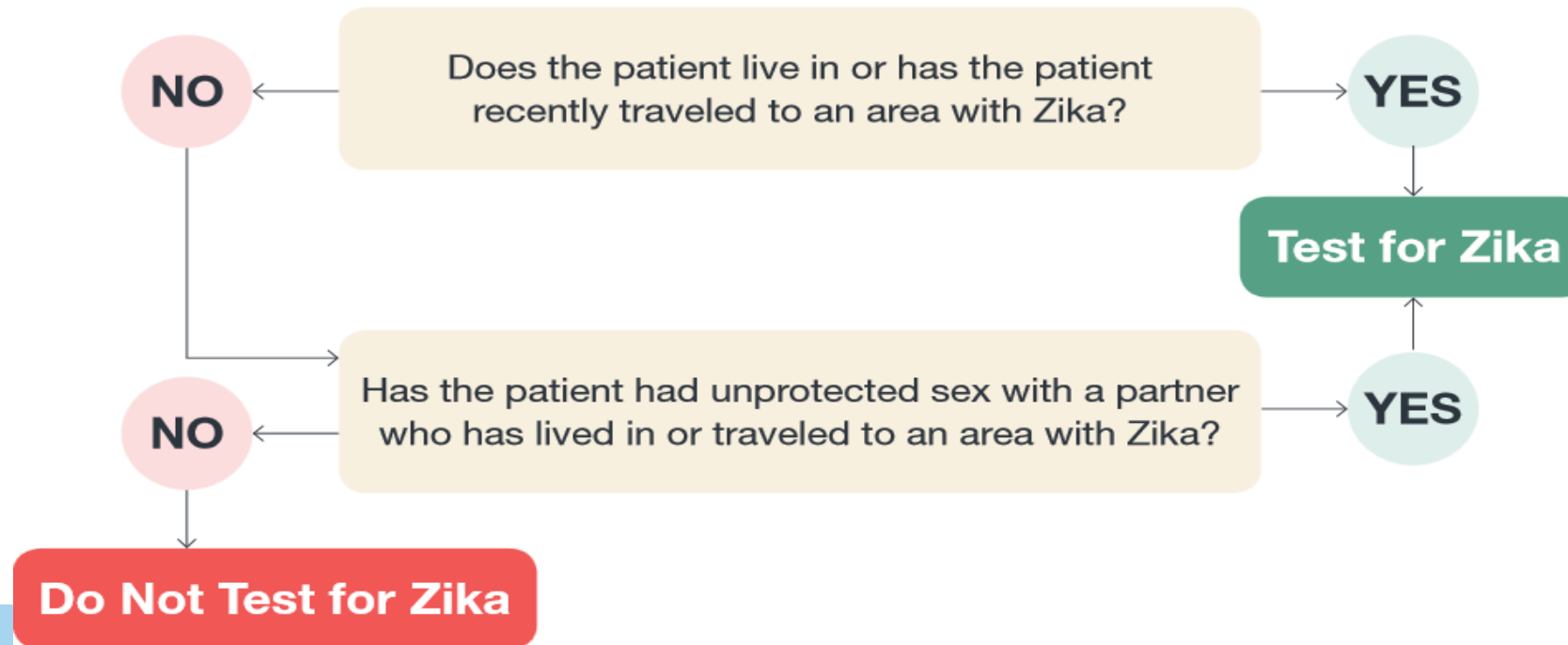
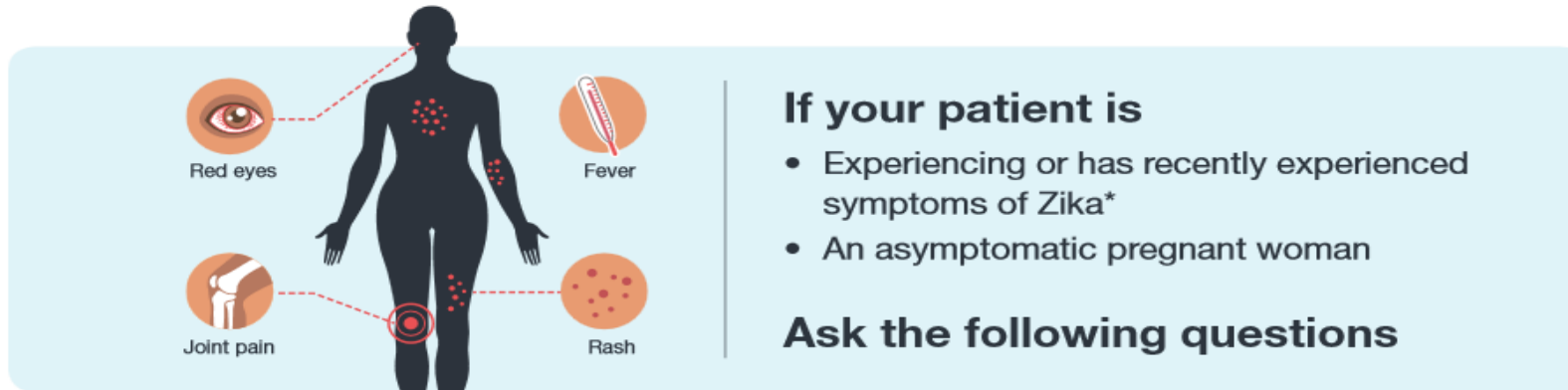
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## Probable Non-Vector-borne Transmission of Zika Virus, Colorado, USA

BD Foy, RB Tesh et al.

- American scientist contacted Zika virus infection in Senegal in 2008 and transmitted virus to his wife after his return home
- Sexual contact implicated as transmission route

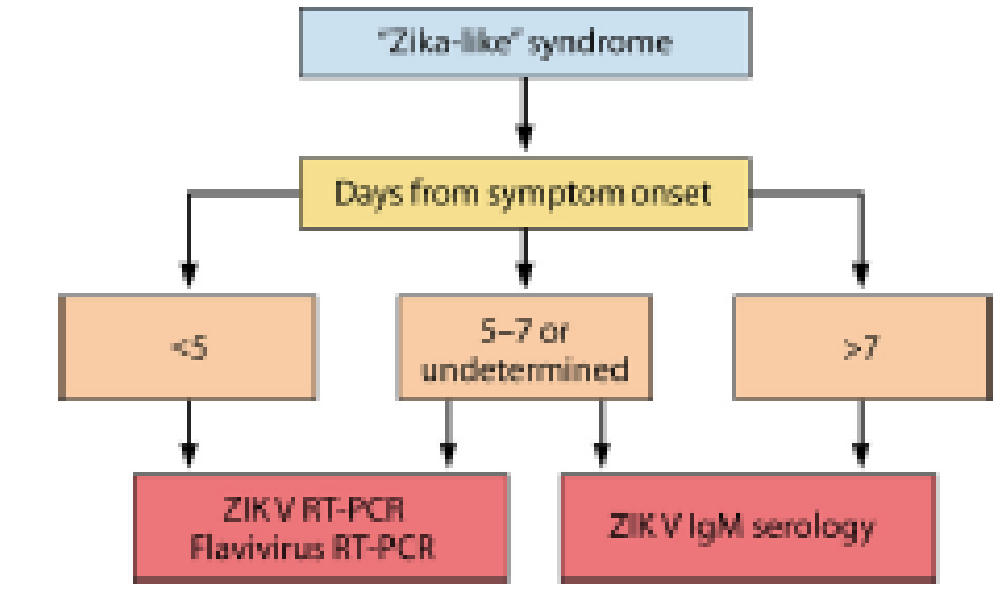
The algorithm below will help you determine whether or not to test your patient for Zika virus infection. For information on which test to use, see [CDC's interim guidance](#).





# Zika testing

- Serum
  - Antibody testing and PCR
    - IgM lasts up to 12 weeks (present by D4)
      - Cross-reactivity with other flaviviruses
- Urine
  - Submitted alongside serum samples
- CSF
- Amniotic fluid
- Tissue
- Saliva
  - Alternative if blood cannot be collected



# “Newer” recommendations

- Men
  - Wait 6 months from last possible exposure before trying to conceive with partner
- Women
  - Wait 8 weeks from last possible exposure before trying to conceive
- Pregnant women
  - PCR screening of blood and urine up to 14 days after last possible exposure
  - If evaluated 2-12 weeks after travel
    - IgM and PCR

CDC.gov. 2016



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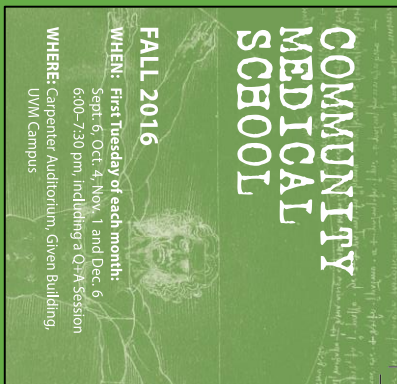
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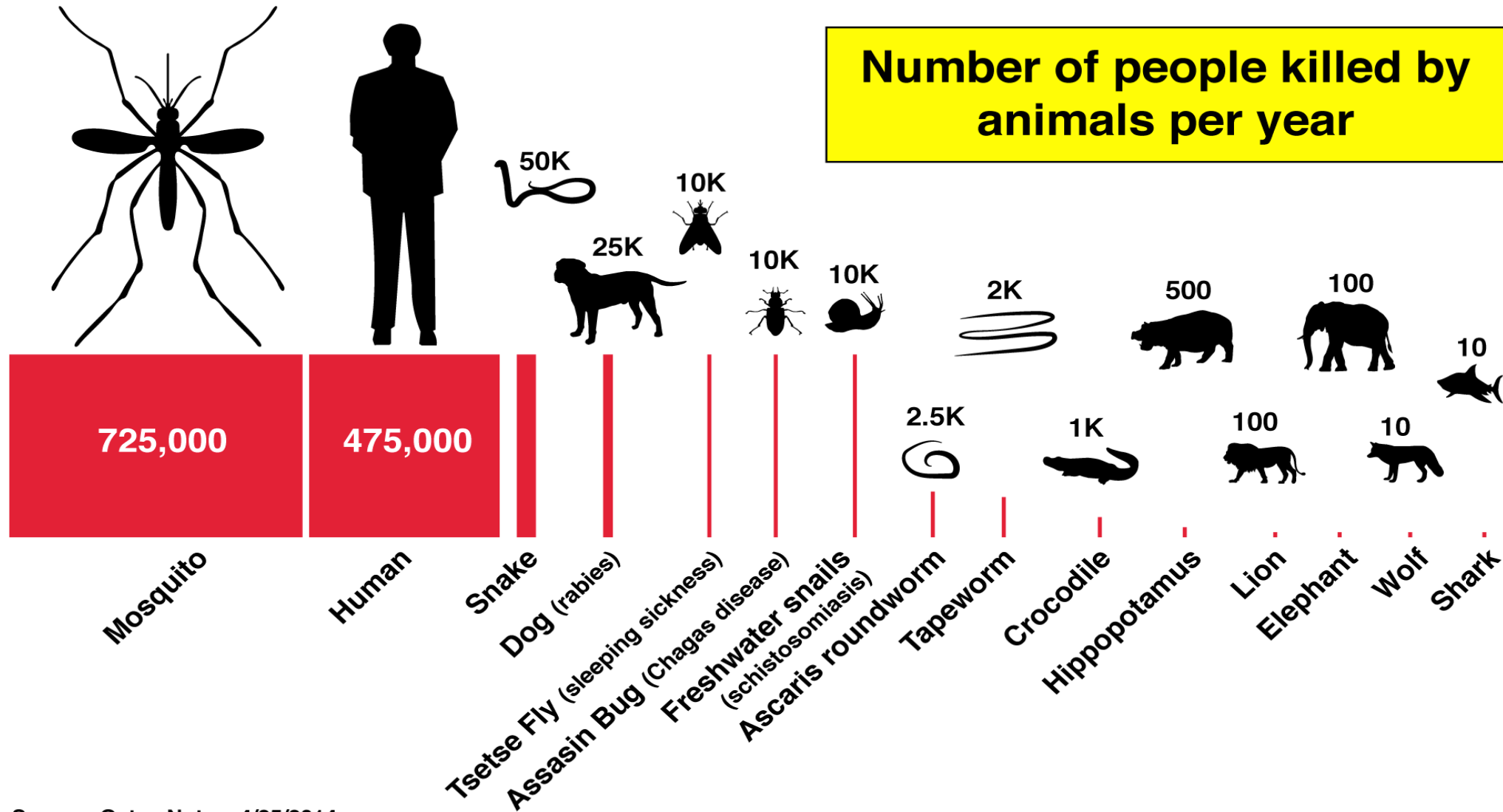
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# The world's most dangerous animals



Source: Gates Notes, 4/25/2014



# How Vaccines Work

**General Rule: The more similar a vaccine is to the disease-causing form of the organism, the better the immune response to the vaccine**

Introduce the immune system to a pathogen in a “controlled” environment

Cause the immune system to remember the pathogen and to respond to it

Enable the immune system to effectively clear the pathogen to prevent disease



# Arms of the Immune system

## Front line defense

Innate immune cells



## Dispatchers/coordinators

Antigen-presenting cells



## Decision makers/archivists

T cells – Generals / commanders / admirals

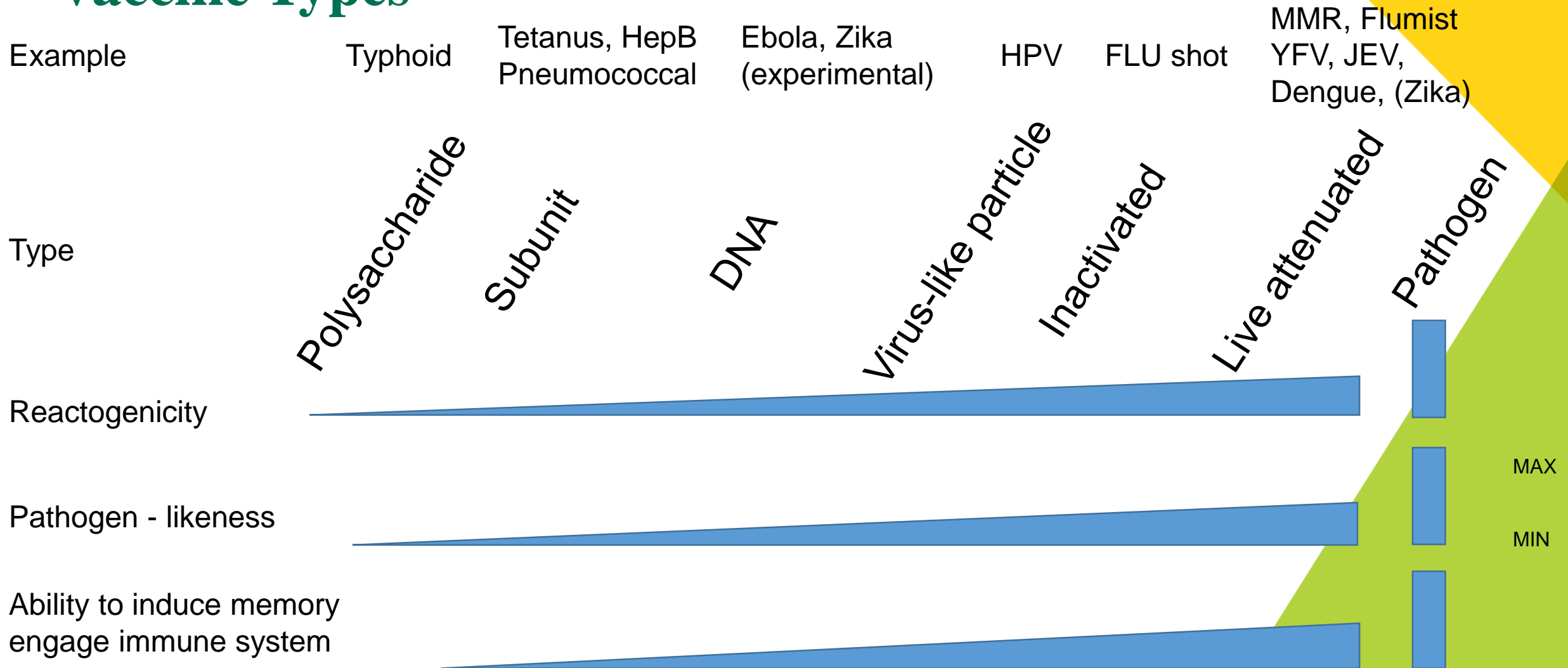
B cells – fighter pilots

- make antibodies = missiles/bombs



Vaccines engage the immune system like an emergency preparedness drill to be ready for the real threat.

# Vaccine Types



# Why develop a live attenuated vaccine?

Live attenuated vaccines have been successful for other flaviviruses: yellow fever and Japanese encephalitis virus

Highly immunogenic, requiring only one dose

Expected to induce lifelong immunity

Can be very economical to produce and can be manufactured locally in endemic countries

Induces both humoral and cellular immune responses

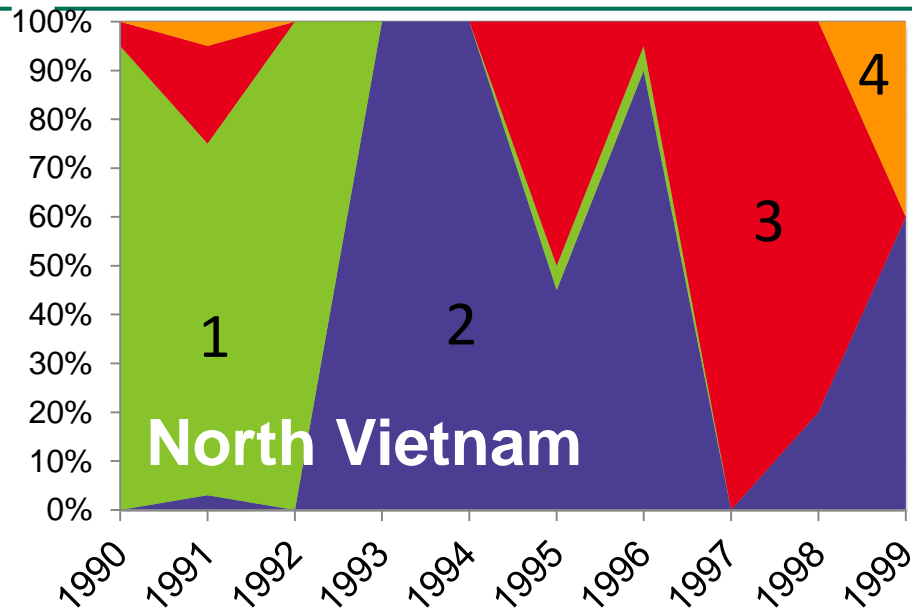


# Challenges to dengue vaccine development

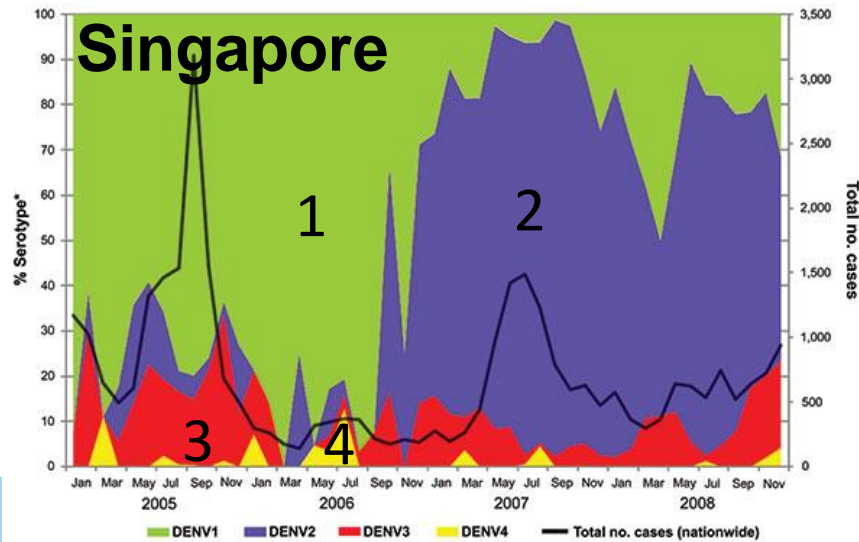
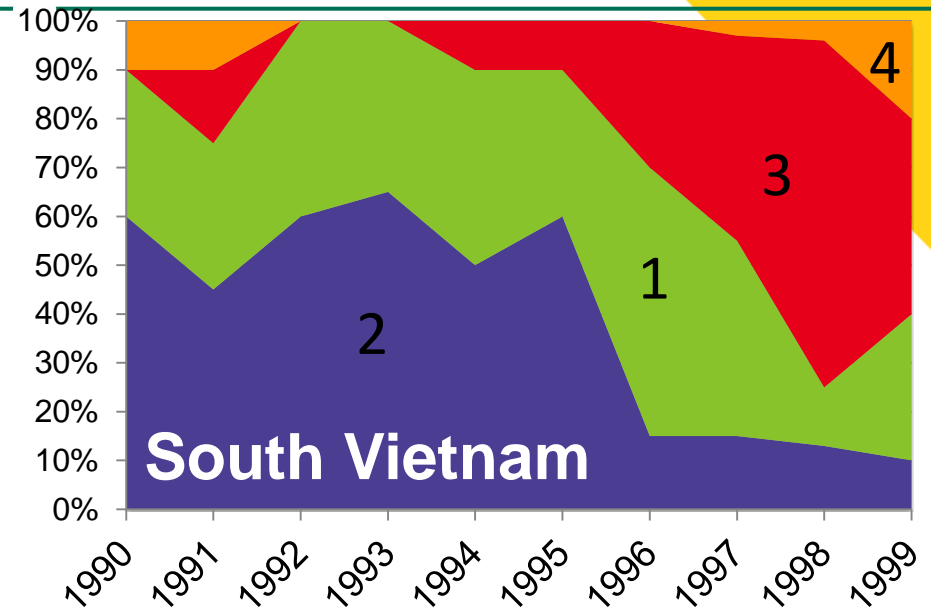
- Four serotypes cause disease
- Cannot predict circulation patterns
- Usually the 2<sup>nd</sup> DIFFERENT dengue serotype is the culprit
- Need to avoid interference between viruses in vaccine
- Attenuation in a specific way
- Engaging the whole immune system (not just antibodies)



# Dengue circulation patterns are unpredictable

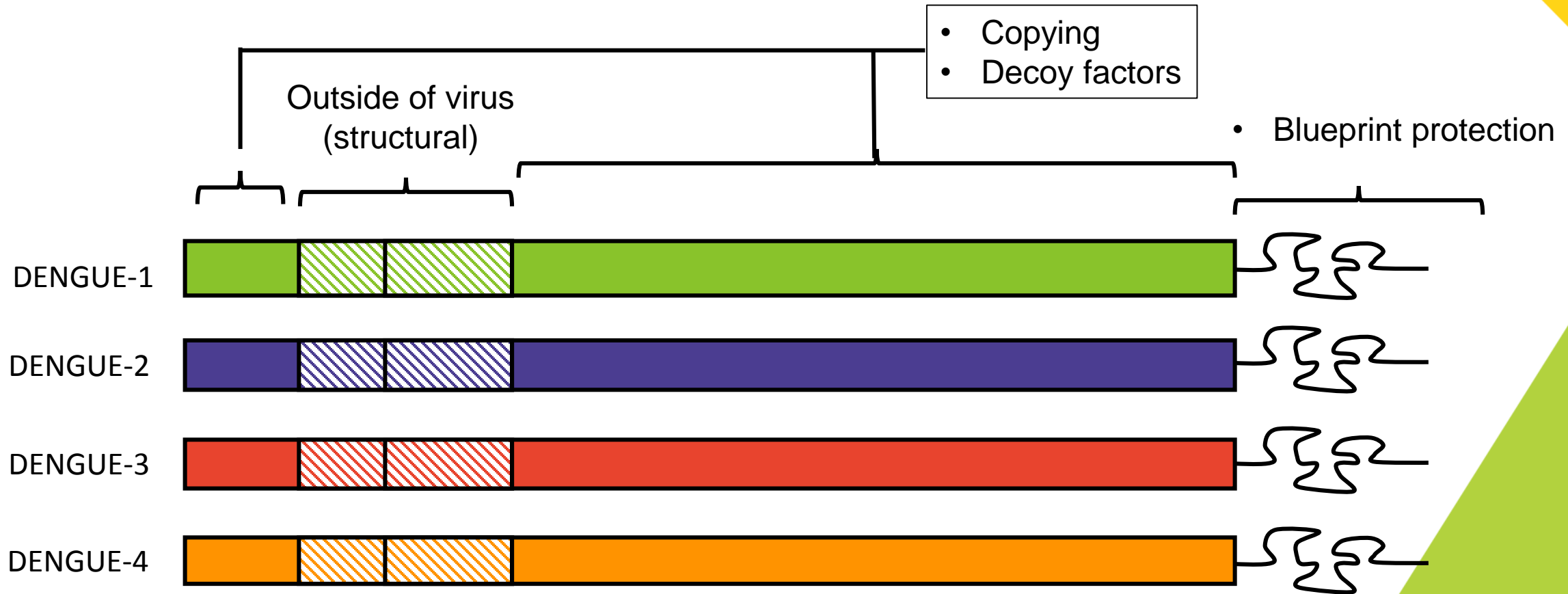


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Lee K-S, Lai Y-L, et al. Emerg Infect Dis. 2010 May <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/article/16/5/10-1006.htm>

# Dengue is caused by any of four distinct dengue viruses

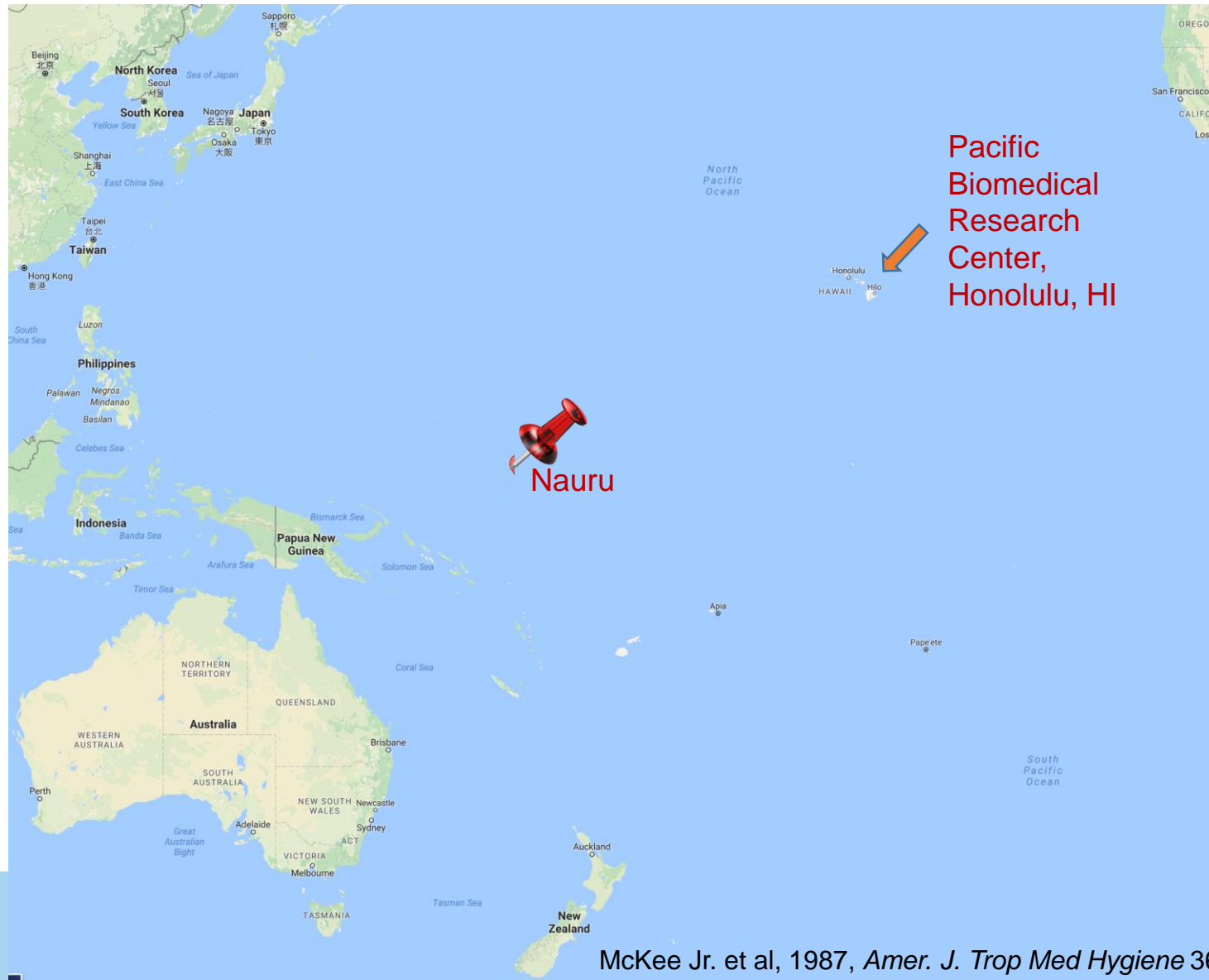


# Where do these vaccine candidates come from?





# DENGUE 1



## Dengue 1 Western Pacific.

1974

From the serum of a Chinese traveler to Nauru, reporting mild dengue at the Pacific Biomedical Research Center in Honolulu, Hawaii

McKee Jr. et al, 1987, *Amer. J. Trop Med Hygiene* 36(2): 435-442



# DENGUE 2



## New Guinea C<sup>1</sup>:

- 1944: Mild disease

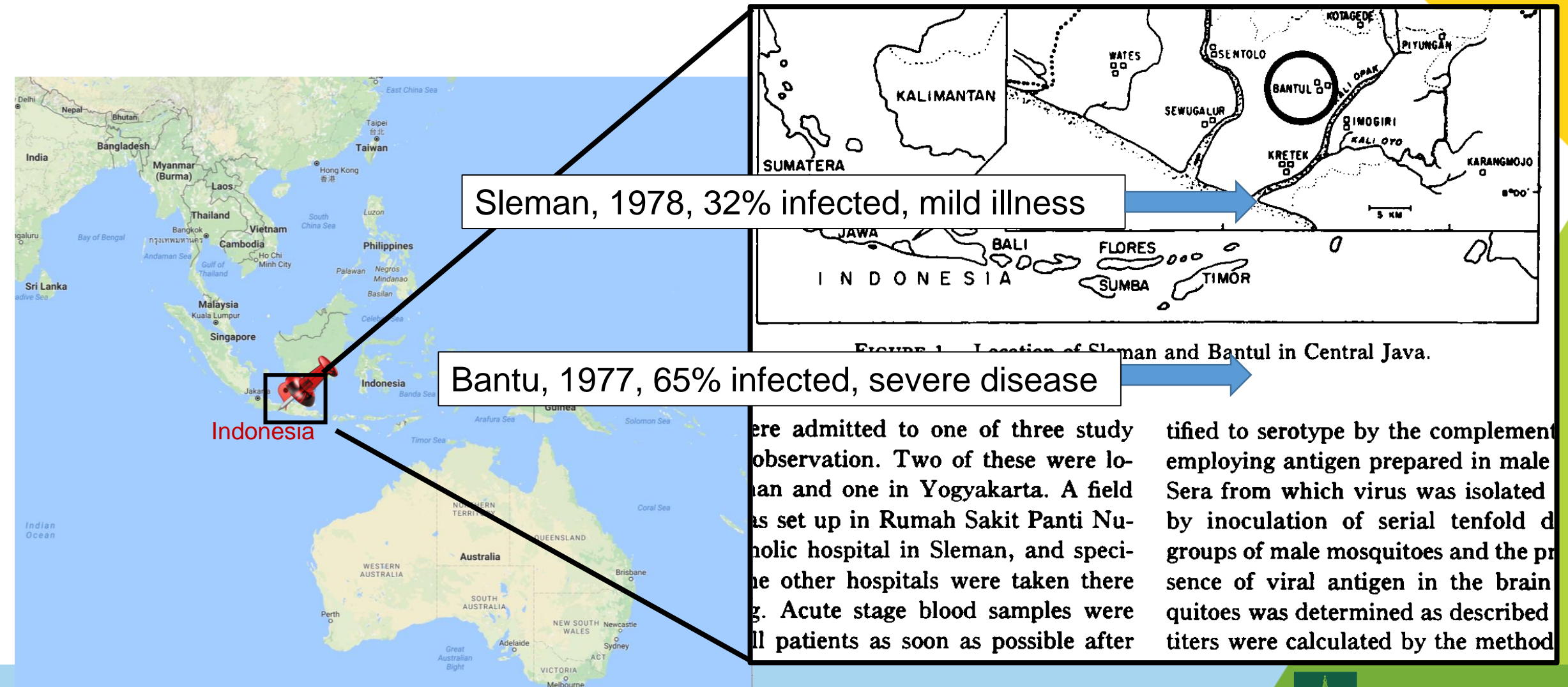
## Tonga<sup>2</sup>:

- 1974: outbreak of mild disease, 17% infection rate.
- 1975: severe disease, high attack rate.

1. Sabin, A.B., (1950) *Bacteriol. Rev* 14: 225
2. Gubler DJ, et al. (1978) *Am. J Trop Med Hyg* 27(3) 581-589



# DENGUE 3



1. Gubler DJ. et al, 1979, *Amer. J. Trop Med Hygiene* 28: 701- 710
2. Gubler DJ. et al, 1981, *Amer. J. Trop Med Hygiene* 30(5): 1094-1099



## DENGUE 3

were negative for dengue and other infection. All but four of the confirmed patients were children under the age of 15 years, with a majority in the 5- to 9-year age group.

Clinical manifestations of 39 confirmed patients with adequate information are shown in Table 1. The majority had only fever and nonspecific constitutional symptoms. Only five patients (13%) had overt hemorrhagic manifestations, and these were mild (epistaxis and gum bleeding). Likewise, only two patients (5%) (both children) had dengue shock syndrome (DSS) during our 2-week stay, and there were no deaths.

Acute sera of patients who showed a fourfold or greater rise in dengue HI antibody between

sera. In Bantul, virus was isolated from 100% of patients with dengue HI titers of  $\leq 40$ , whereas in Sleman virus was isolated from only 39% of patients with HI titers of  $\leq 40$  ( $P < 0.001$ ).

The comparative dengue virus isolation rates from patients classified as primary and secondary infections in the two epidemics are shown in Table 4. Virus was isolated from all primary infections in Bantul compared to only 45% in Sleman. It should be noted that none of the patients classified as having primary infections had detectable dengue HI antibody in the acute serum. Isolation rates from patients classified as having secondary infections in Bantul and Sleman were 57% and 23%, respectively. These differences for both pri-

10 fold weaker

Perfect illustration of how to pick a vaccine virus  
(Sleman, not Bantu)





# DENGUE 4



May 1981:  
Generally mild disease.

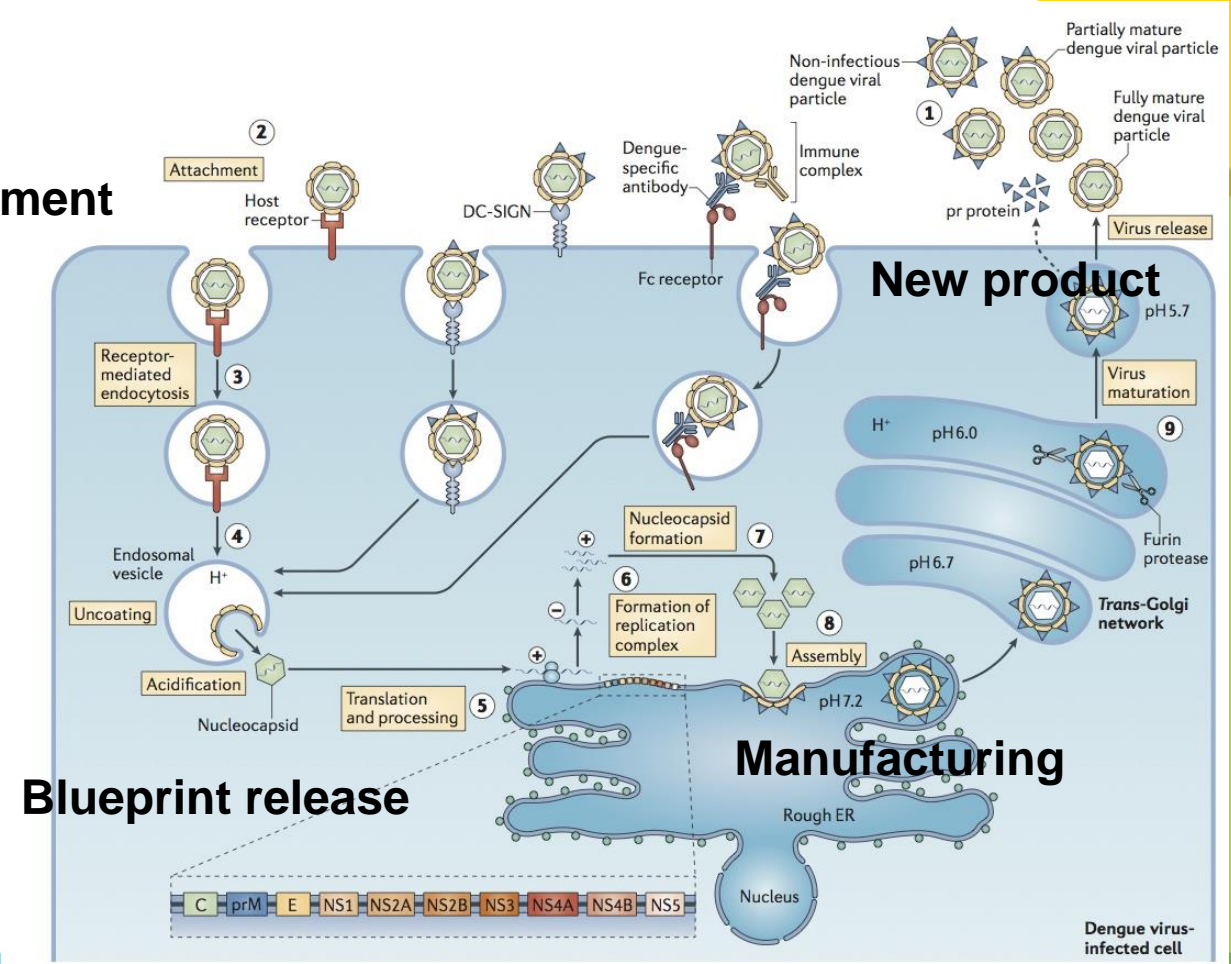
Distinct from the concurrent 1981  
Cuba outbreak, which led to severe  
disease – which was DENV2.



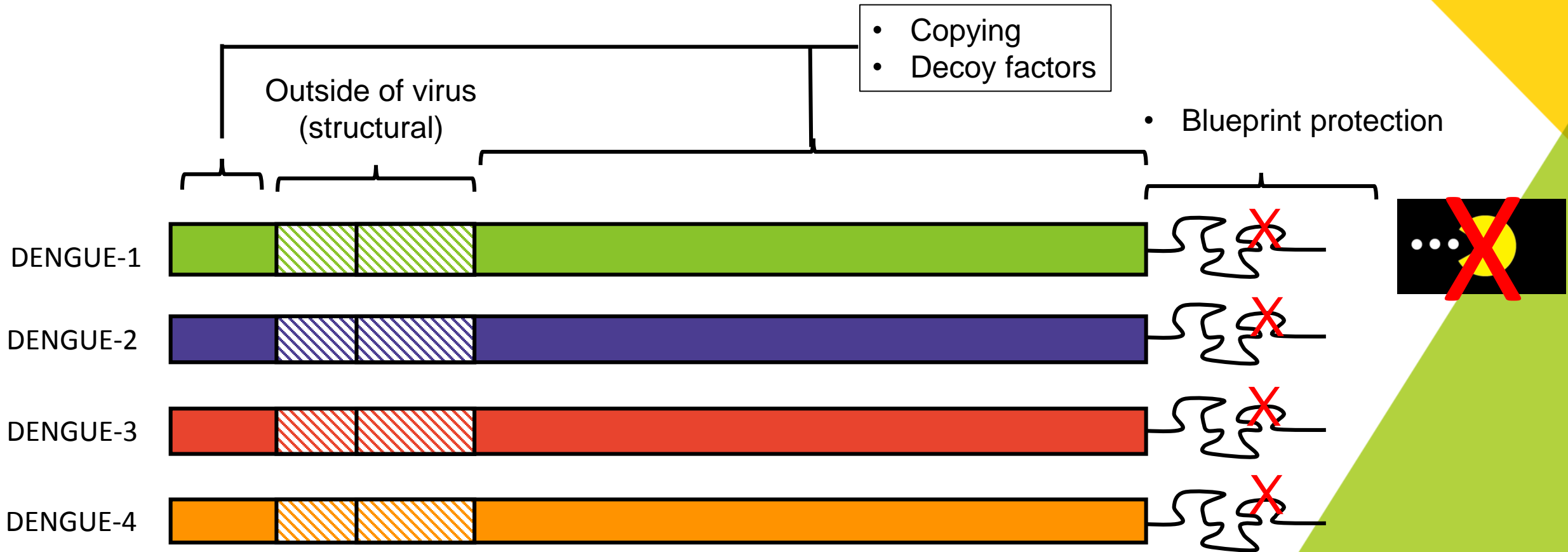
# Dengue and Zika viruses carry their own blueprints and the host cell builds new viruses.



## Attachment



# Live attenuation strategy: editing dengue genome

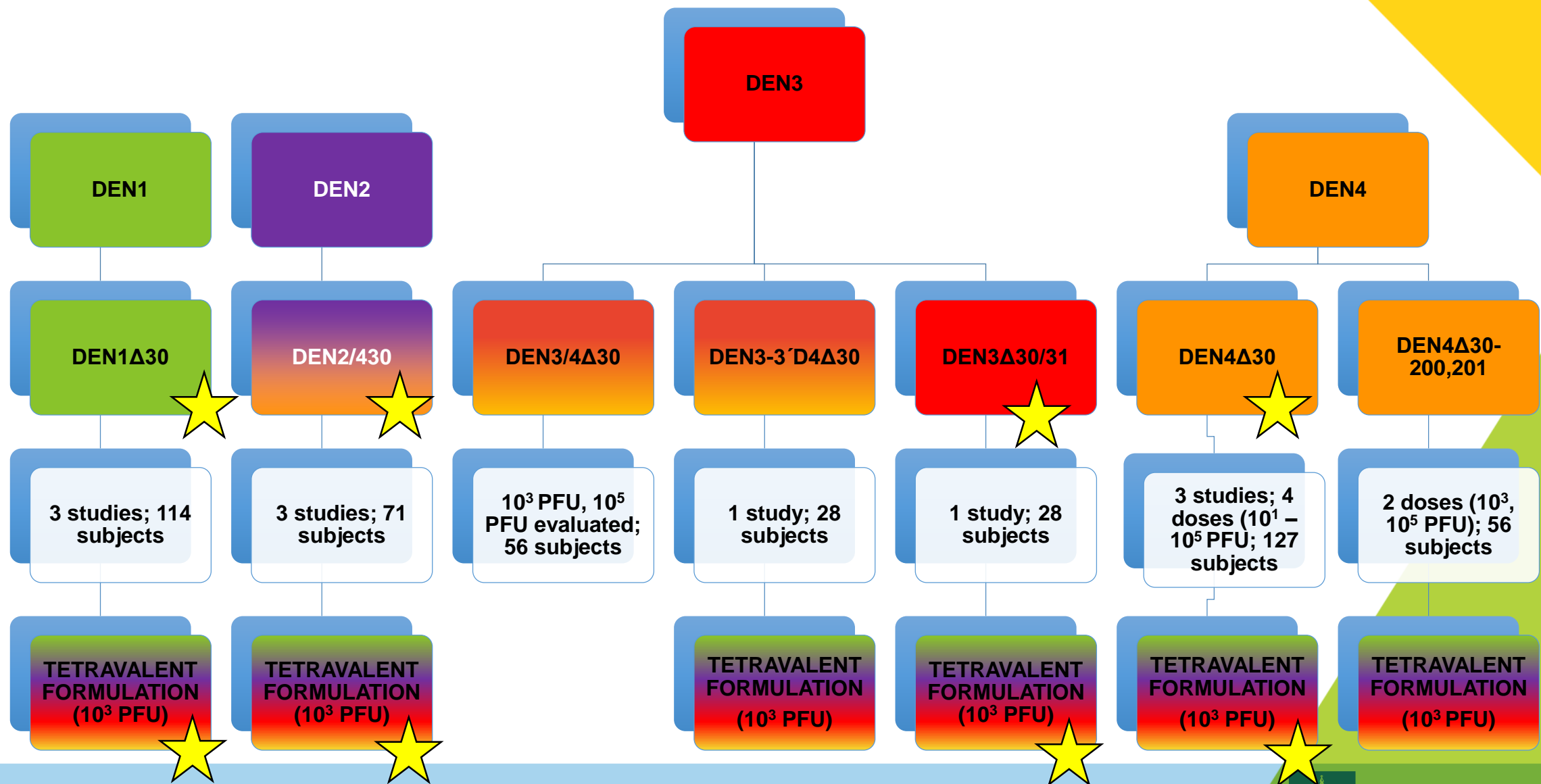


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# Testing individual dengue vaccine candidates to ensure a balanced immune response (antibody)





Over 400 subjects at UVM and Johns Hopkins participated in testing of safety of each component and as a mixture.



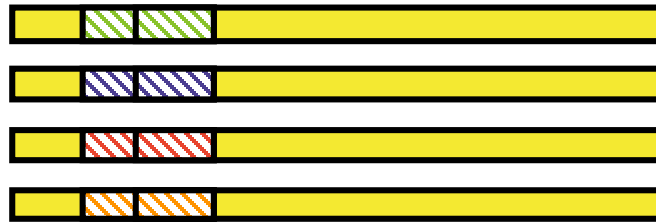


# Final tetravalent vaccine formulation TV003

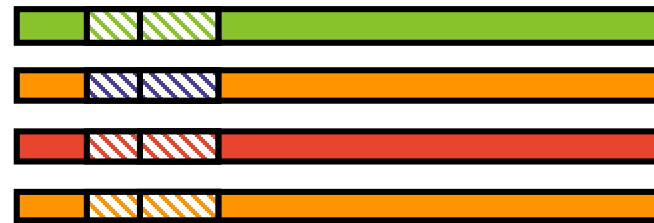


# TV003 gives balanced immune response to all four DENV

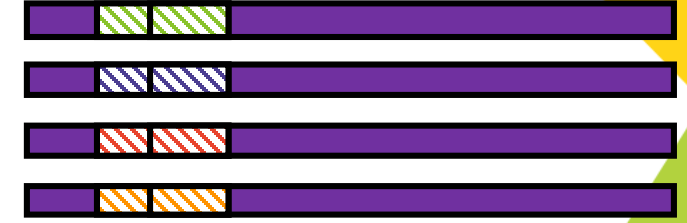
Sanofi (CYD)



NIH (TV003)

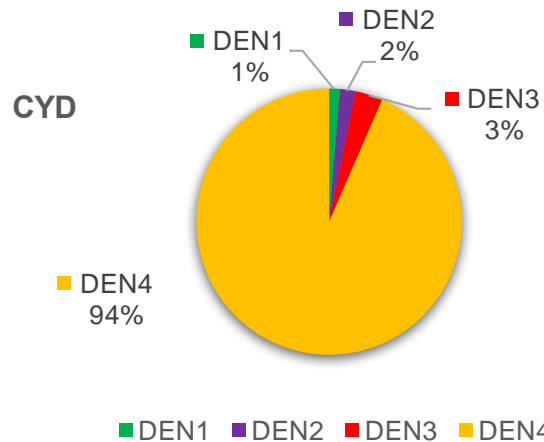


Takeda

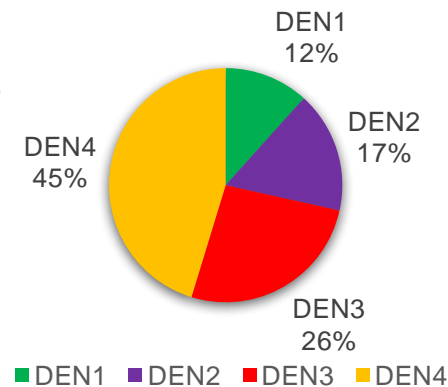


After 1 dose

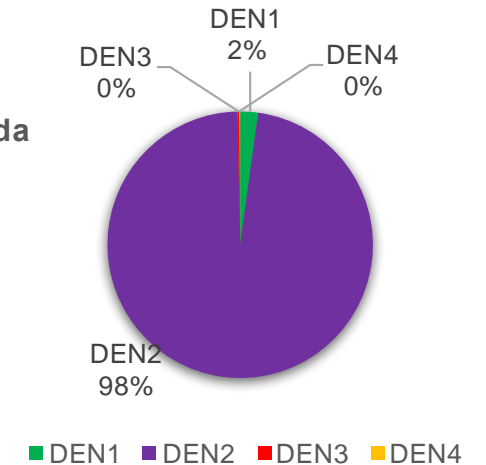
ANTIBODY responses



NIH TV003



Takeda



# Will it work? Dengue human infection model

NIH (TV003)



– OR –

PLACEBO



6 months



DENV2 Tonga



DENV2 Tonga



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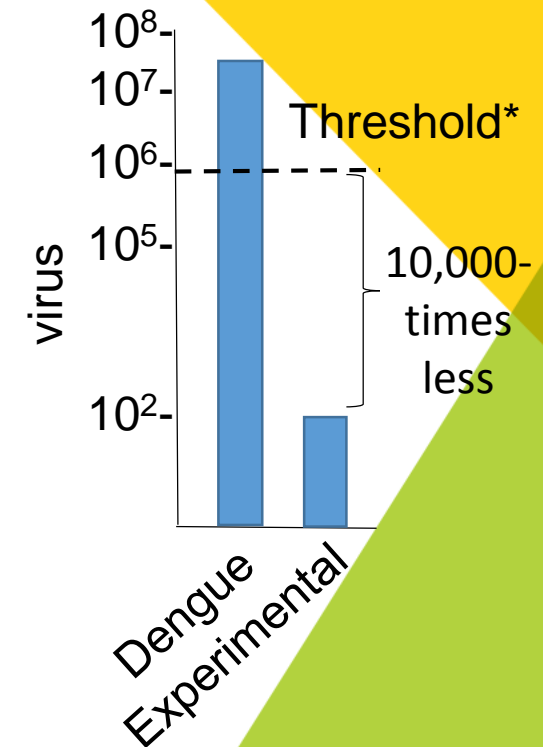
# Will it work?

AE	Primary treatment	
	TV003 (n = 21)	Placebo (n = 20)
Injection site		
Erythema	9.5%	0.0%
Pain	0.0%	0.0%
Tenderness	0.0%	0.0%
Induration	0.0%	0.0%
Systemic		
Viremia	0.0%	100.0%*
Fever	0.0%	0.0%
Headache	23.8%	30.0%
Rash	0.0%	80.0%*
Neutropenia	0.0%	20.0% <sup>†</sup>
Elevated ALT	0.0%	5.0%
Myalgia	4.8%	20.0%
Arthralgia	0.0%	10.0%
Retro-orbital pain	9.5%	25.0%
Fatigue	14.3%	15.0%
Nausea	14.3%	20.0%
Photophobia	4.8%	0.0%
Elevated PT	0.0%	0.0%
Elevated PTT	4.8%	0.0%
Thrombocytopenia	0.0%	10.0%

- TV003 protects against DEN2 virus in blood
- DEN2 virus gives a rash
- TV003 protects against this

## Rash:

- Mild (usually unnoticed)
- Lasts 1 day
- Indicates good response



\*Vaughn et al. (2000). *J Infect. Dis.* (181(1):2-9

\*P < 0.0001, two-sided.

†P = 0.048, two-sided.



# What's next for dengue vaccine

- How many serotypes needed to get protection? (2,3, all 4?)
- Protection against other serotypes (DENGUE-3)
- Safety and efficacy in field trials
  - Bangladesh
  - Thailand
  - Brazil (17,000 subjects) 3 years
- Which parts of immune system are necessary for protection?
- Combination with ZIKA virus?

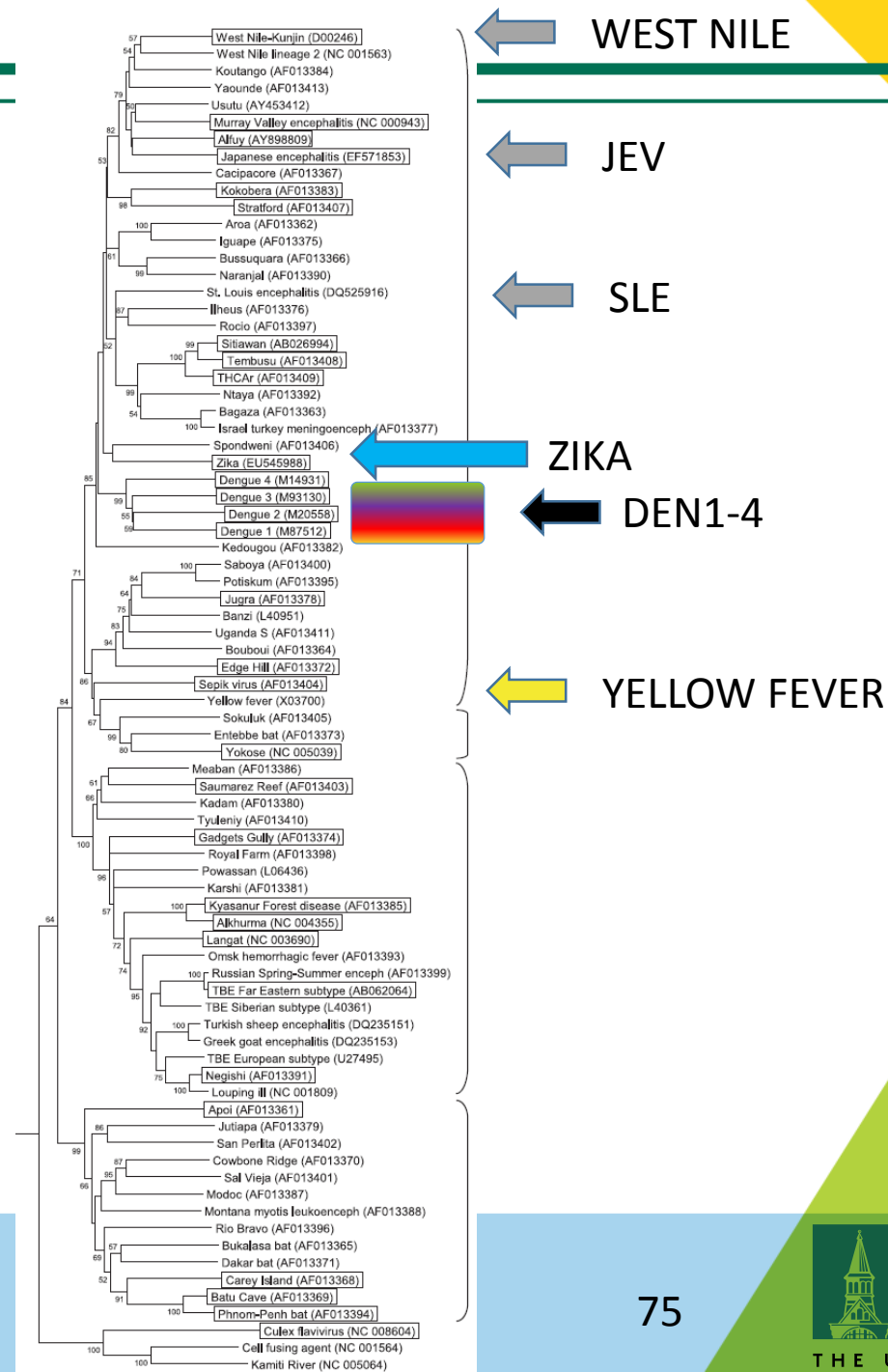




# Flaviviruses

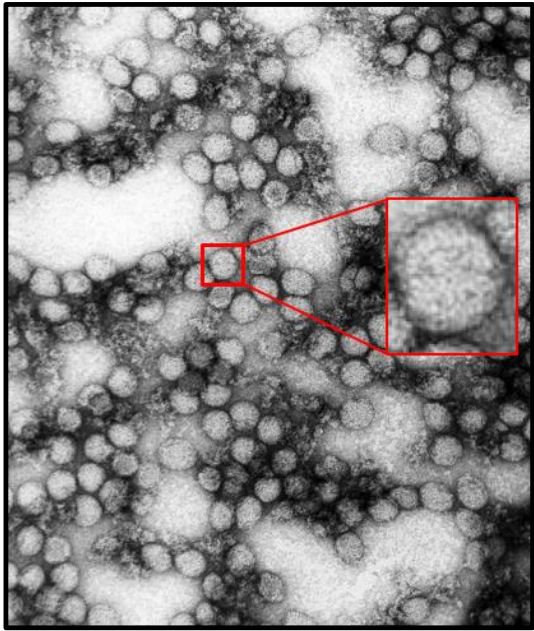
From Latin, flavi = yellow)

- Yellow Fever Virus
- Dengue (Dengue 1, 2, 3, and 4)
- Japanese encephalitis (JEV)
- St Louis Encephalitis
- West Nile Virus
- **Zika virus**



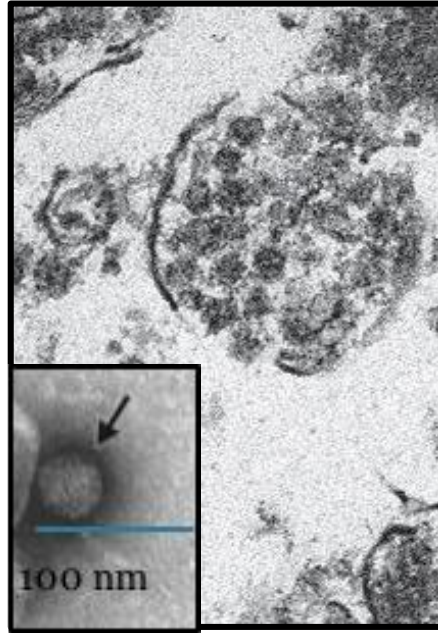
# ZIKA has a familiar structure

Yellow Fever virus



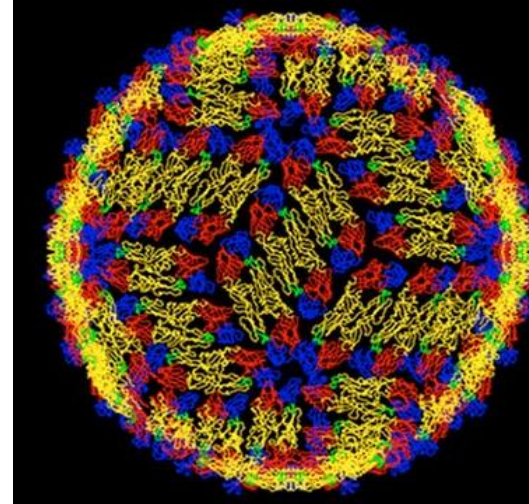
CDC

Zika virus



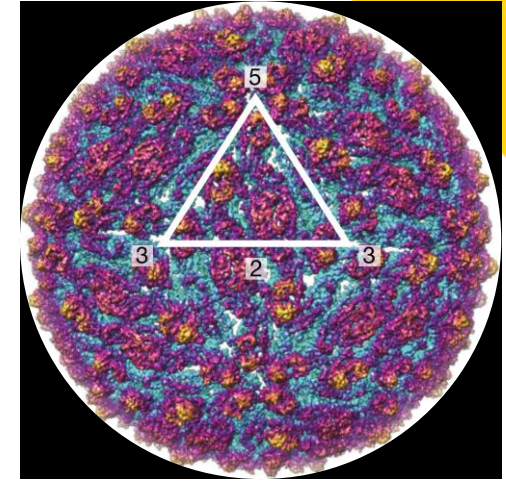
Malakar, NEJM, 2016

Dengue virus

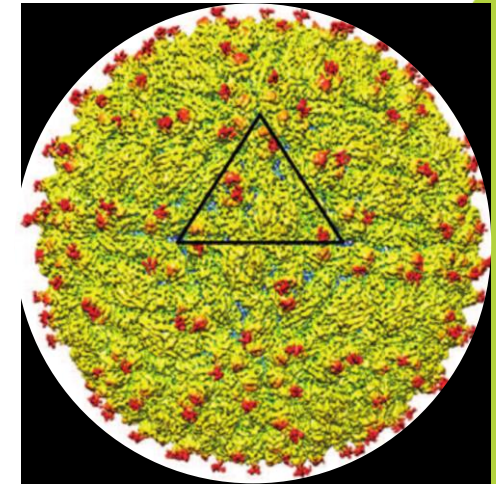


Kuhn, Cell, 2002

Zika Virus



Kostuychenko, Nature, 2016

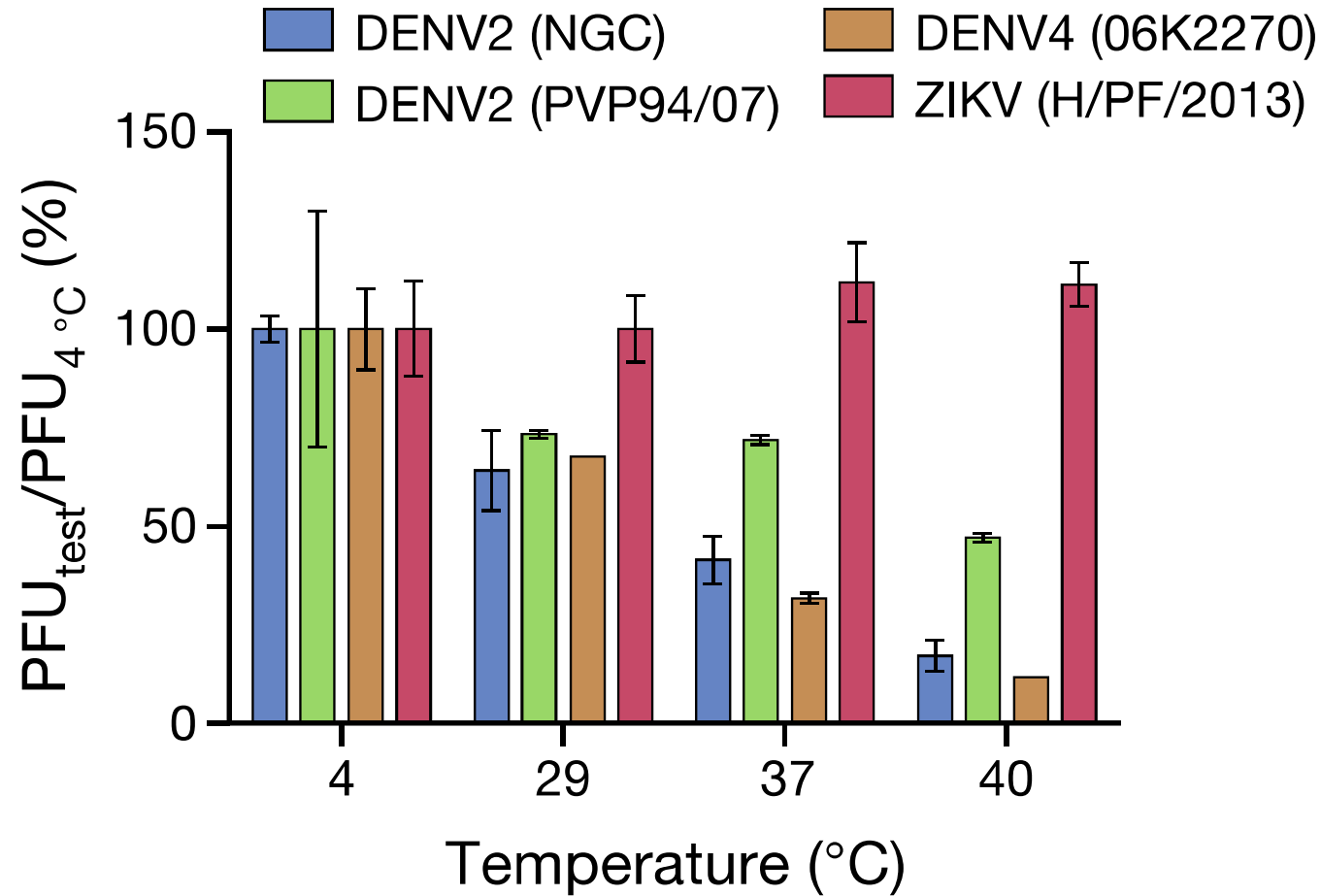


Sirohi, Science, 2016

## Key points:

- Icosahedral (soccer ball)
- Unique sugar structure – receptor binding?
- Stability

# ZIKA is a stable flavivirus

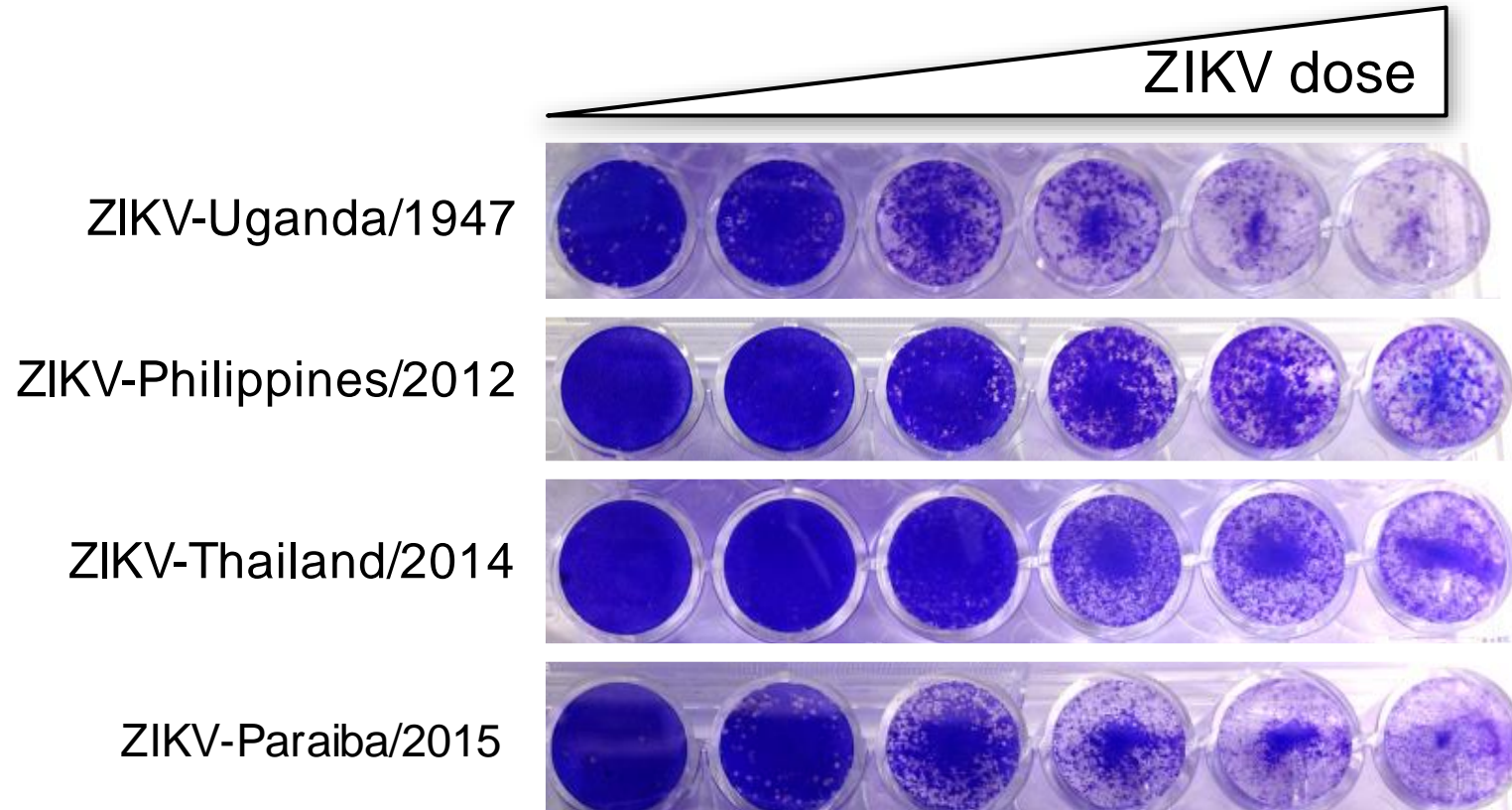


## Key points:

- Dengue virus loses infectivity at higher temperatures
- ZIKV retains infectivity even at 40°C
- Implications for unique transmission



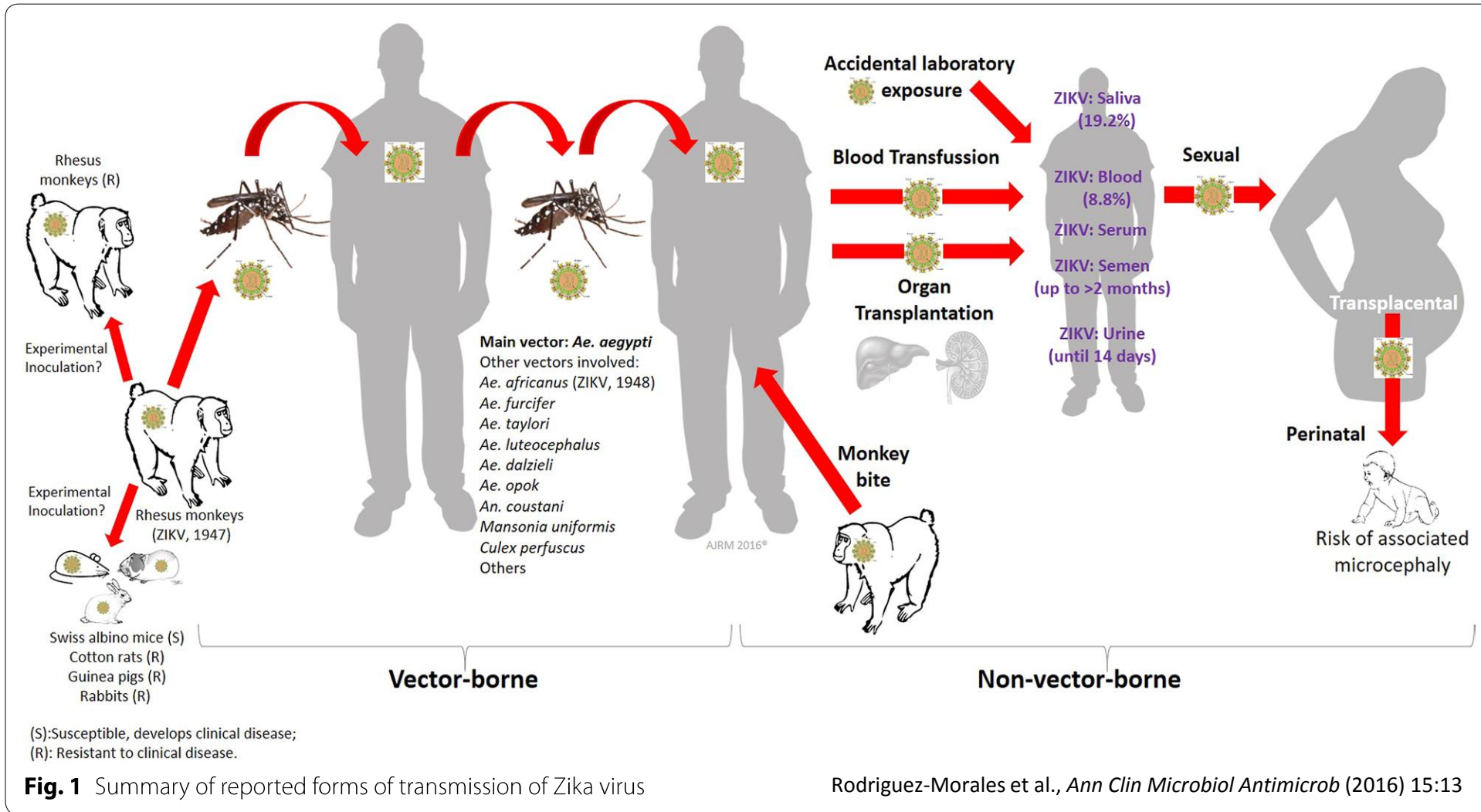
# ZIKA –cytopathic flavivirus



- All ZIKV strains are cytopathic
- Dengue not cytopathic

↑  
Dengue always looks like this even at high doses (cells fully intact)

# Routes of ZIKA transmission





# ZIKA vaccine approaches

**Table 1** Proposed Zika virus vaccine candidates/platforms

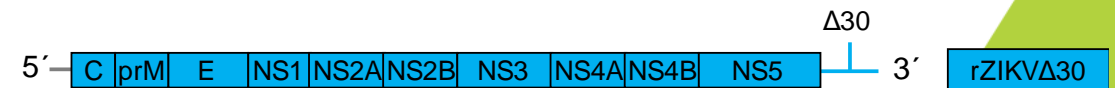
Type	Candidate	Status
Killed virus	PaxVax, California	Preclinical
	NewLink Genetics, Massachusetts	Preclinical
	GSK, United States/Belgium	Preclinical
	Bharat Biotech, India	Preclinical
	WRAIR/Sanofi Pasteur, United States and France	Phase 1: 2016–2017
Outer shell of virus	Protein Sciences, Connecticut	Preclinical
	Hawaii Biotech, Hawaii	Preclinical
	Bharat Biotech, India	Preclinical
	Replikins, Massachusetts	Preclinical
Live attenuated	NIAID-LID/Instituto Butantan, United States/Brazil	Phase 1: Q4 2016
	UTMB/Instituto Evandro Chagas, United States/Brazil	Preclinical
	Sanofi Pasteur, France	Preclinical
Parts of ZIKA in another virus	Jenner Institute (chimpanzee adenovirus), UK	Preclinical
	Harvard University (VSV), Massachusetts	Preclinical
	Themis Bioscience (measles), Austria	Preclinical
Parts of ZIKA as genetic pieces	NIAID-VRC (Biojector needle-free), United States	Phase 1: Q3 2016
	Inovio Pharmaceuticals (electroporation), Pennsylvania	Phase 1: Q3 2016
	GSK (RNA), United States/Belgium	Preclinical

UVM and Johns Hopkins

# Experimental Zika viruses

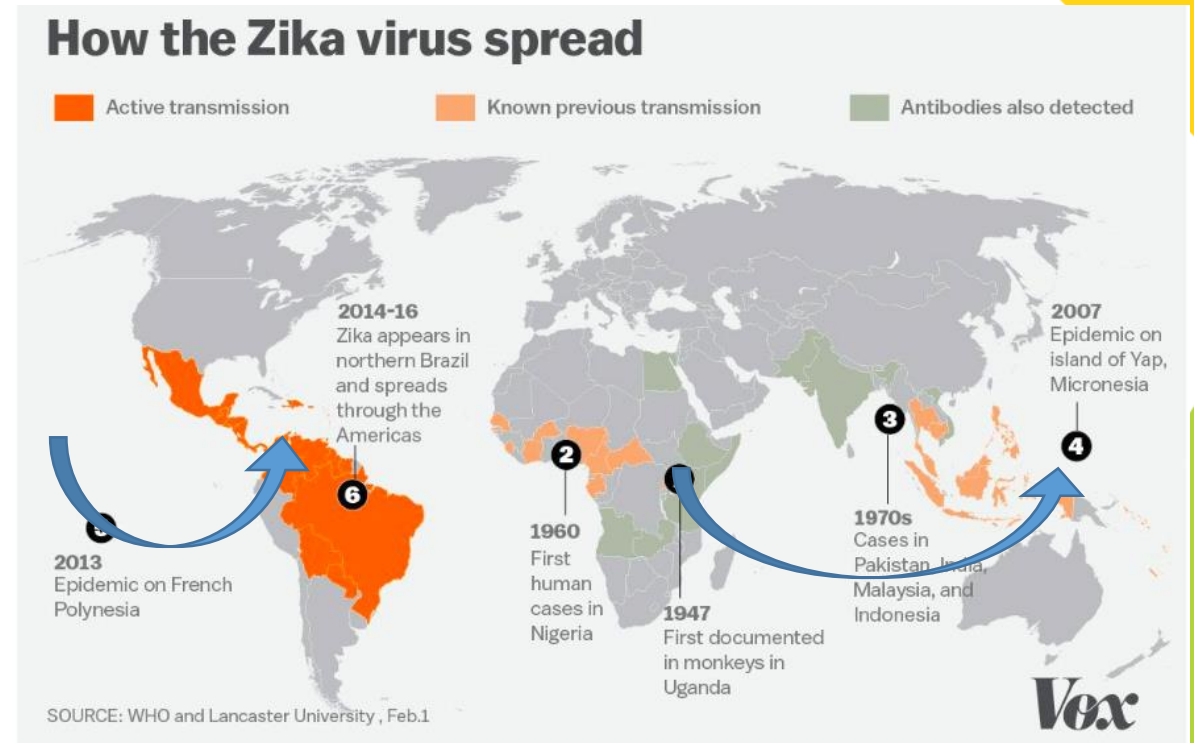


- ZIKA is known to replicate less than DENV  
Waggoner et al. *Clin Infect Dis* August 2016
- A genetic blueprint of ZIKA is now available  
Tsetsarkin, et al. (2016) *mBio* 23 Aug 2016



# Challenges with rapid global vaccine development

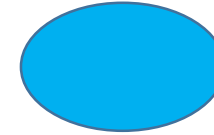
- The infection has to be circulating and some go away (examples: Ebola, ZIKA?)
- ZIKA has typically been associated with small outbreaks (before this one)
- Hard to know exactly how virus behaves



# Sustainability of a ZIKA vaccine

## Dengue

- 390 million infections per year
- No congenital syndromes known
- Still mainly just mosquito transmission

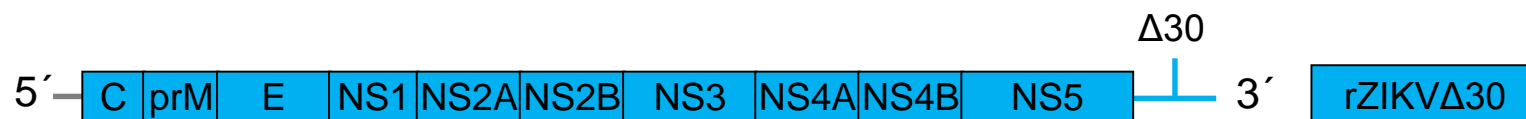
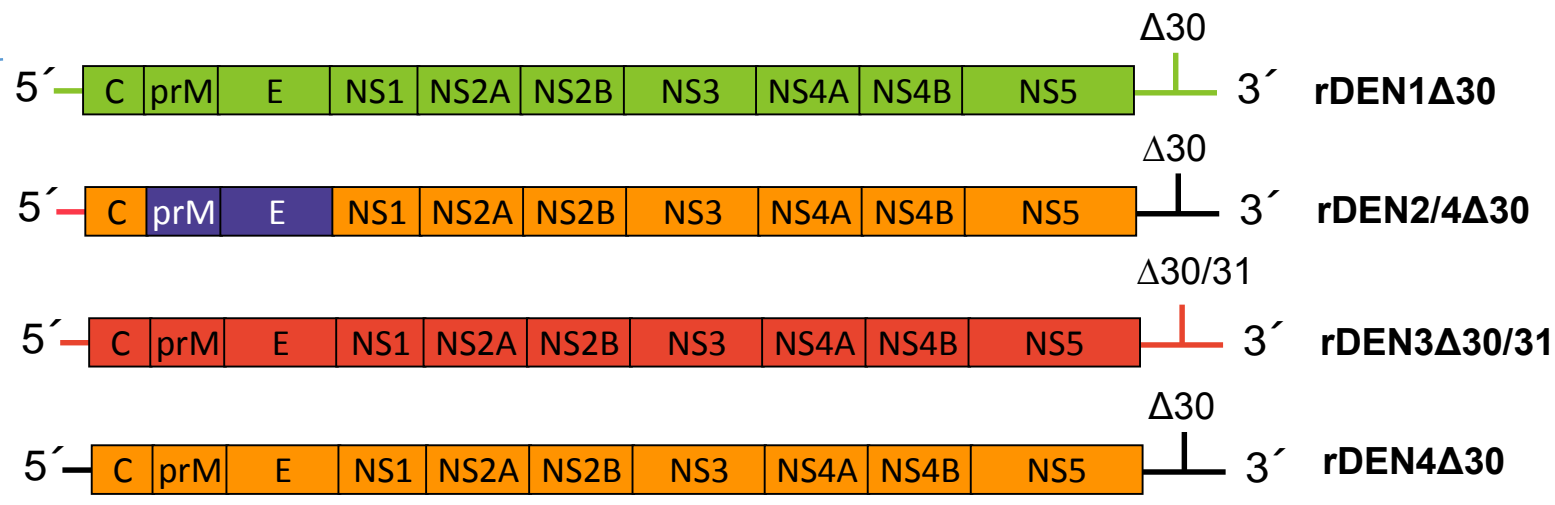


## ZIKA

- 1.62 million infections since 1947 (with 1.5M in 2015-2016)
- But...
- Congenital microcephaly
    - Risk of Guillan-Barre
  - Unique transmission modes

# Proposed dengue/ZIKA combination vaccines

Tetravalent (TV003/005)

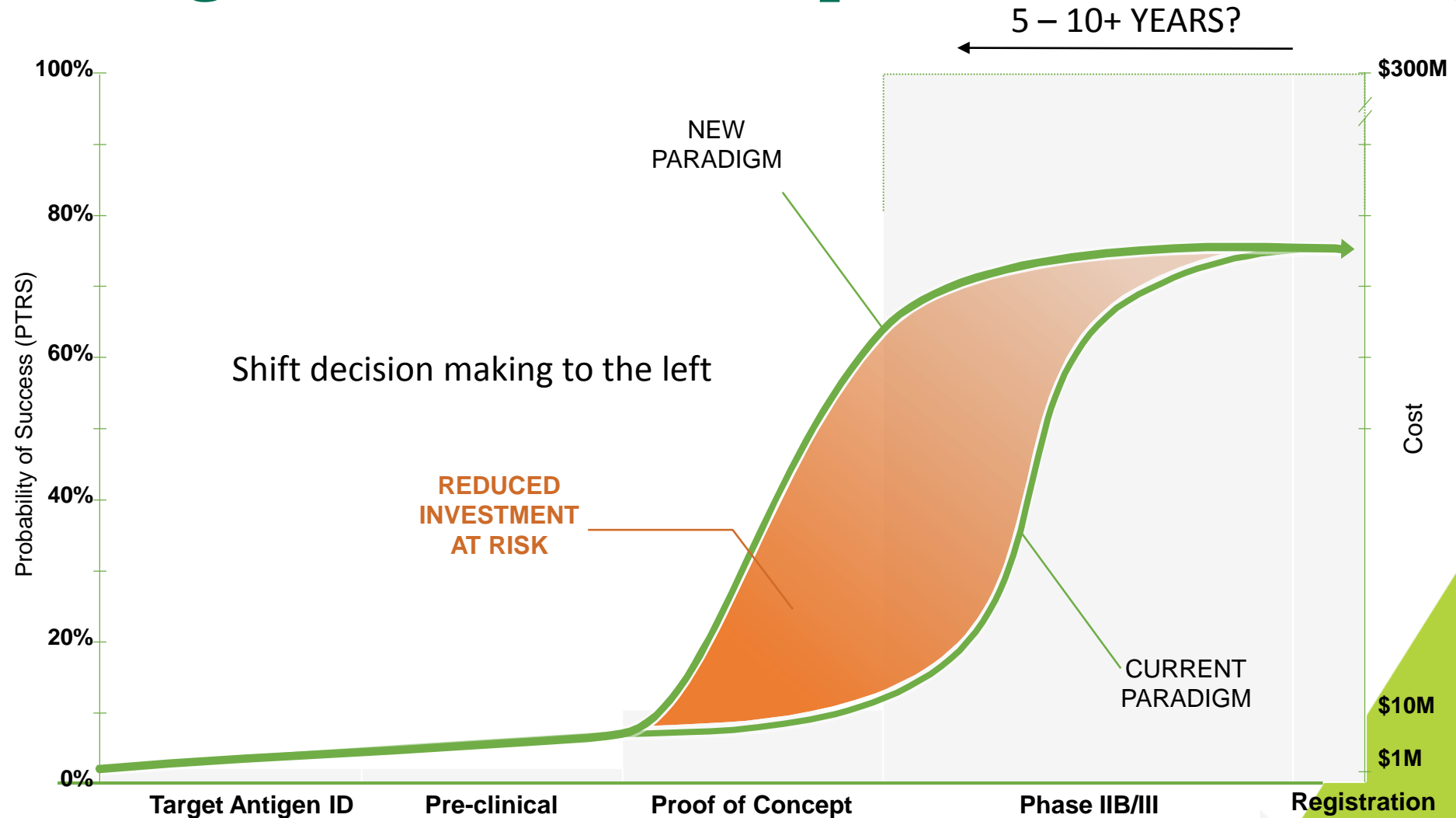


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# The Challenge in Vaccine Development





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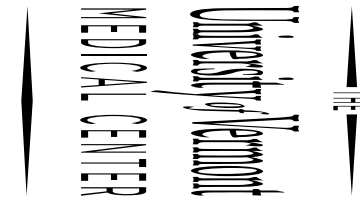
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