

# Emerging Infectious Diseases and Risk



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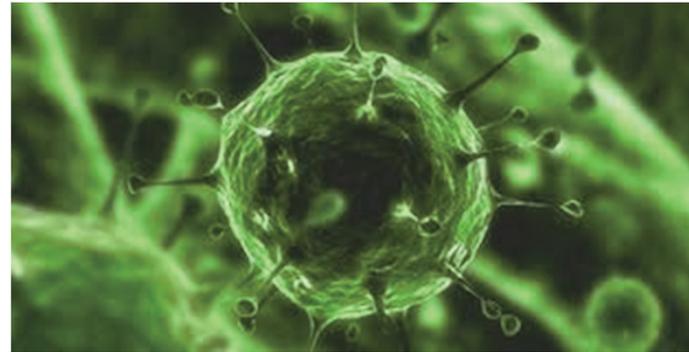
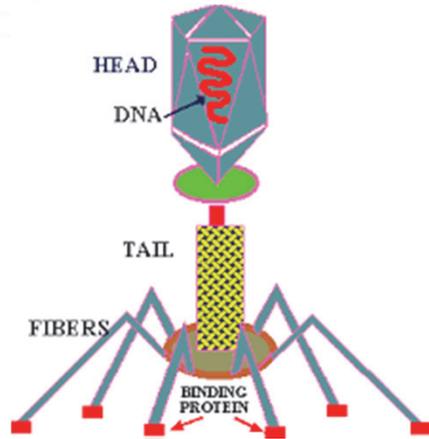
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# Introduction -- topics

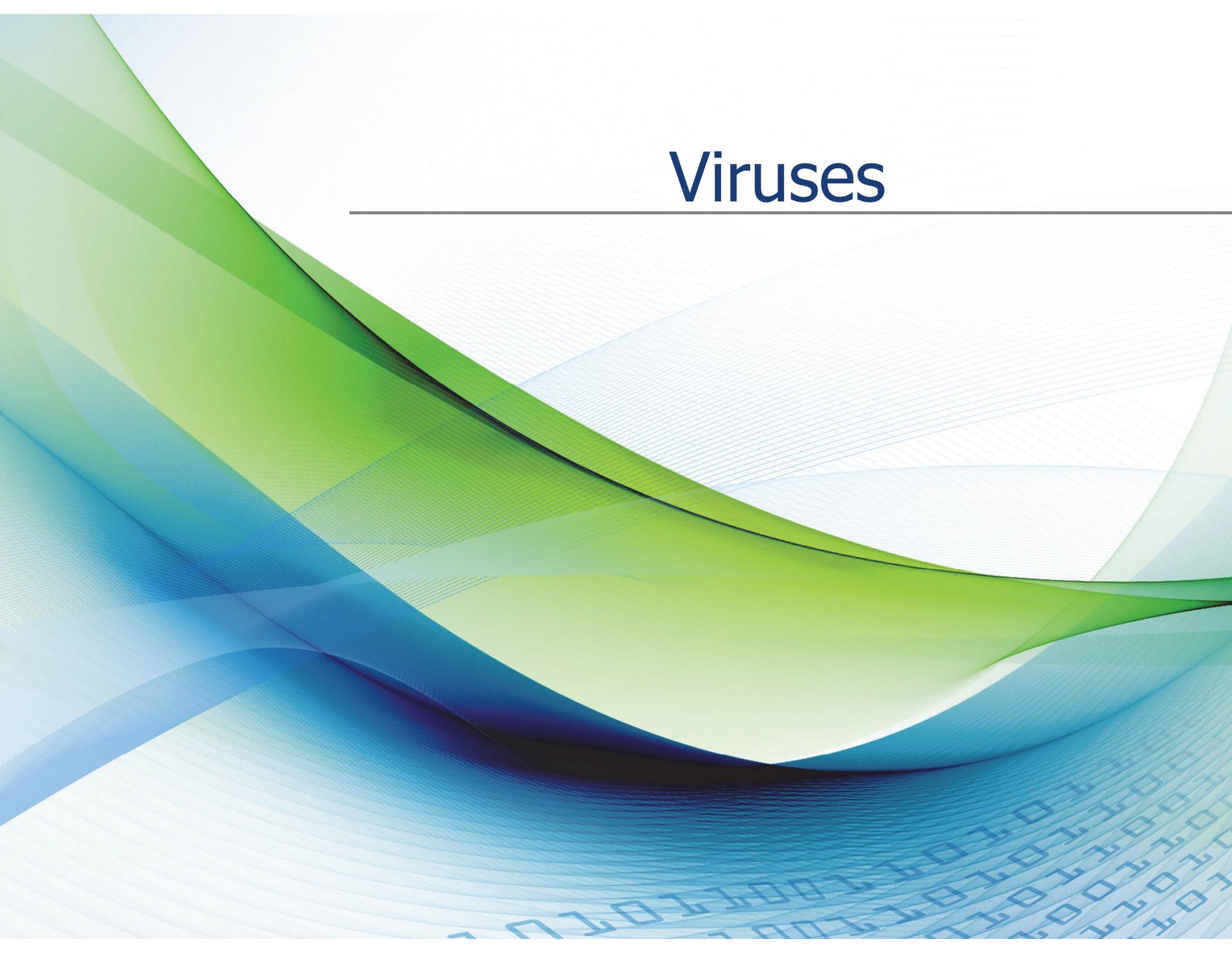
- Brief overview of Viruses



- Emerging viral disease(s)
- Clinical elements of viral infections
- Relationship to costs

# Viruses

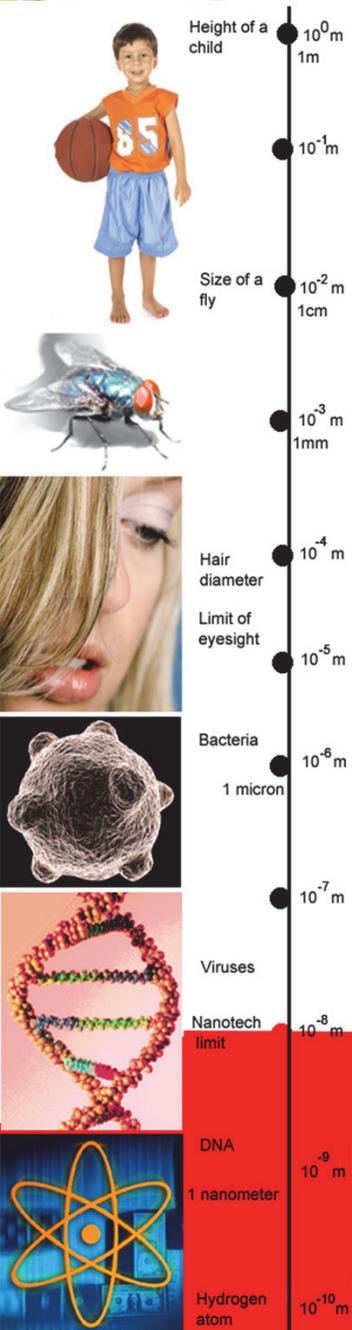
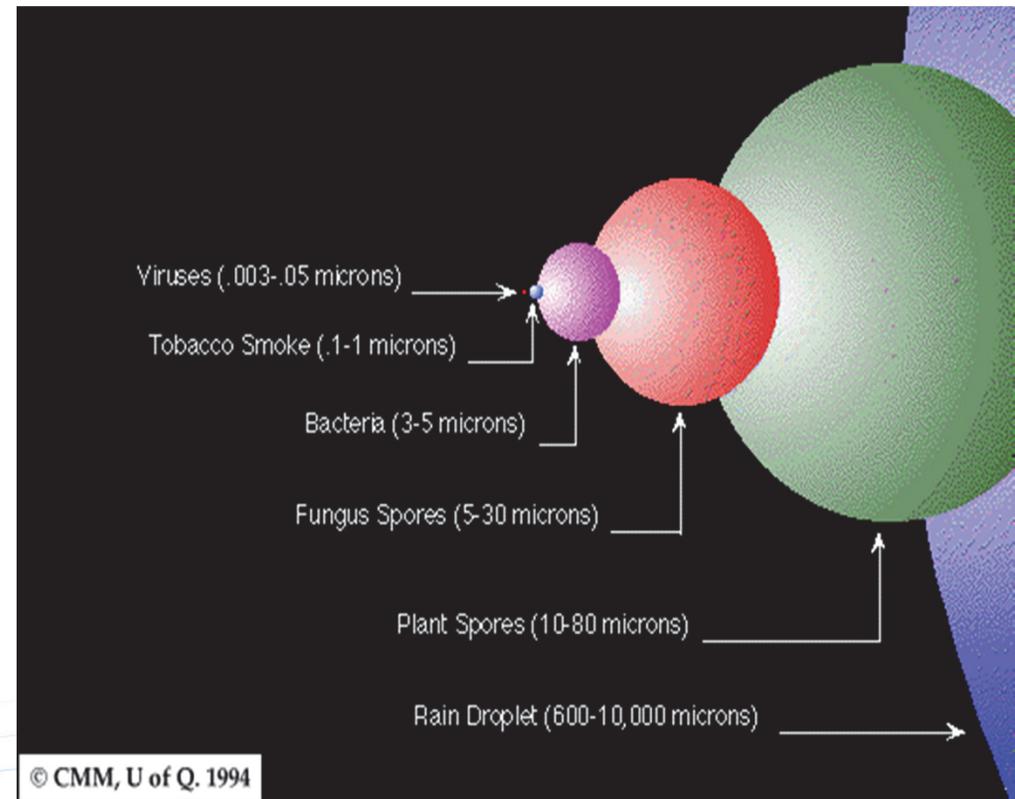
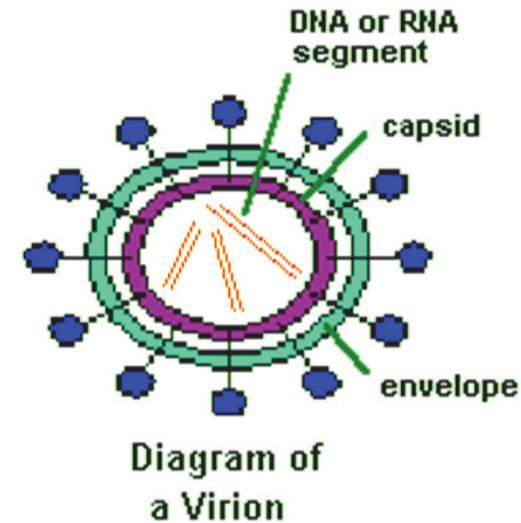
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# Virus: A small infectious particle that replicates only inside the living cells of other organisms (any/all life forms)

## Two – three key components

- Genetic material: DNA or RNA
- Protein coat
- Lipid coat or envelope over the protein coat
- Viruses also called 'virions'



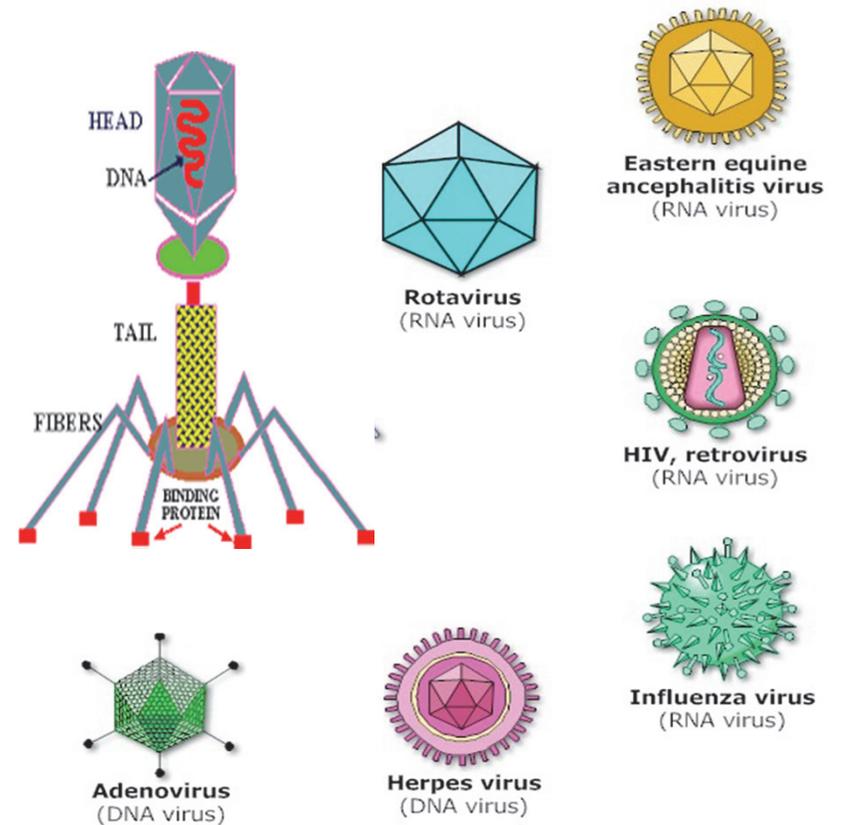
# 7 genetic types or categories

- I: dsDNA viruses
- II: ssDNA viruses
- III: dsRNA viruses
- IV: (+)ssRNA viruses
- V: (-)ssRNA viruses
- VI: ssRNA-RT viruses
- VII: dsDNA-RT viruses



Viruses

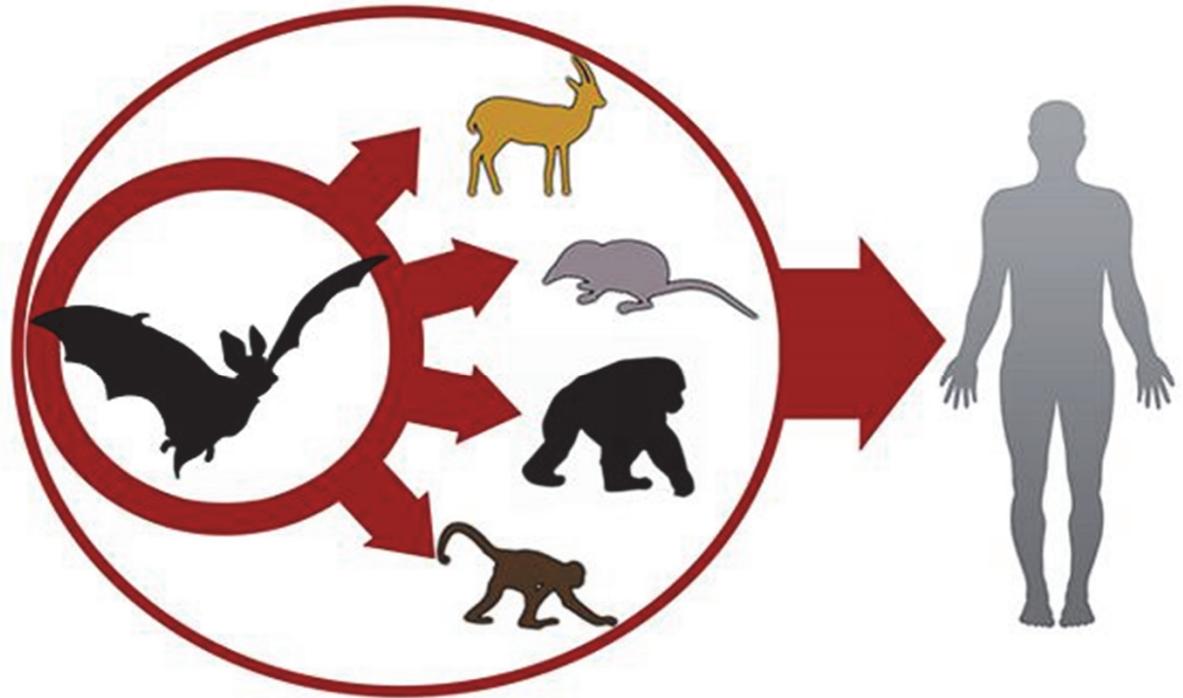
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# Reservoir – long-term live host of an infectious pathogen.

Hosts either don't get the disease or carry the pathogen in a subclinical infectious state without symptoms



**Vector** is any agent (person, animal or microorganism) that carries and transmits an infectious pathogen into another living organism

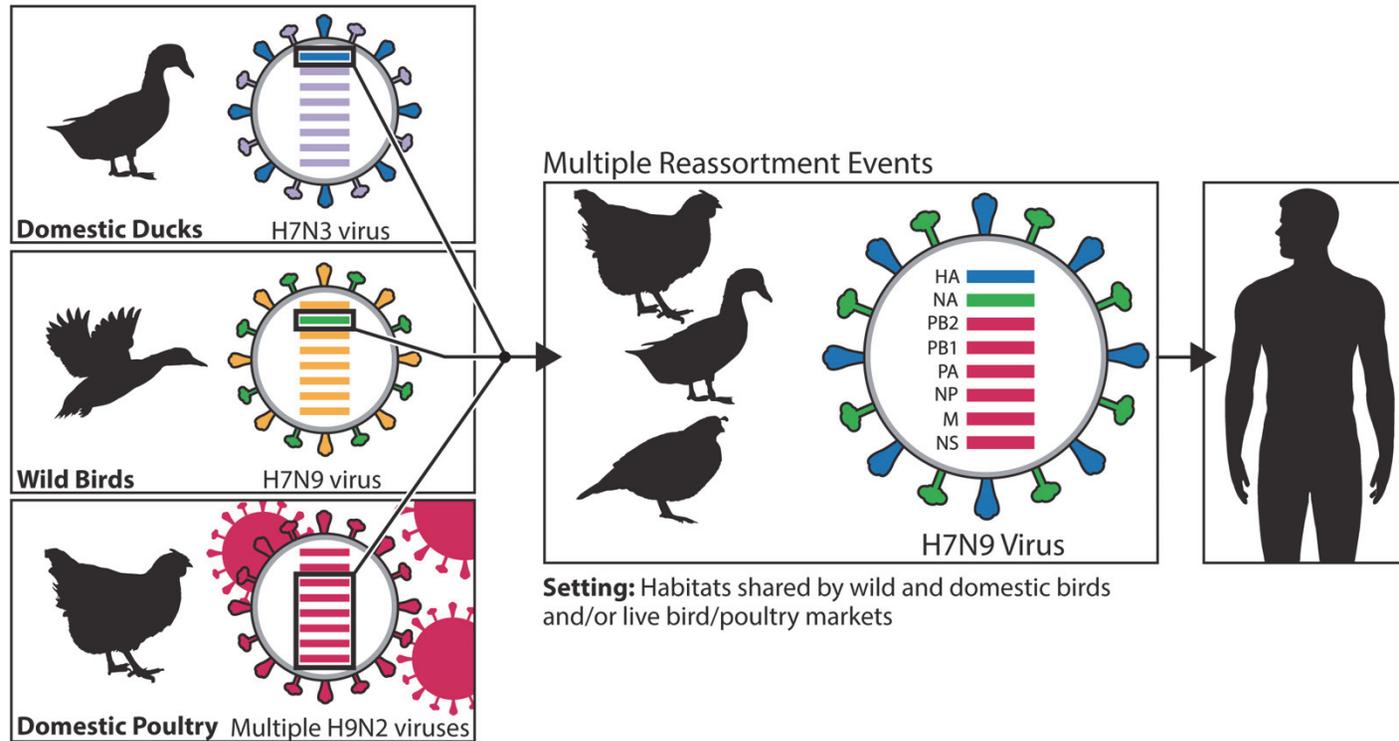
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# Viral DNA or RNA >>>>> proteins, more DNA/RNA

## Genetic Evolution of H7N9 Virus in China, 2013

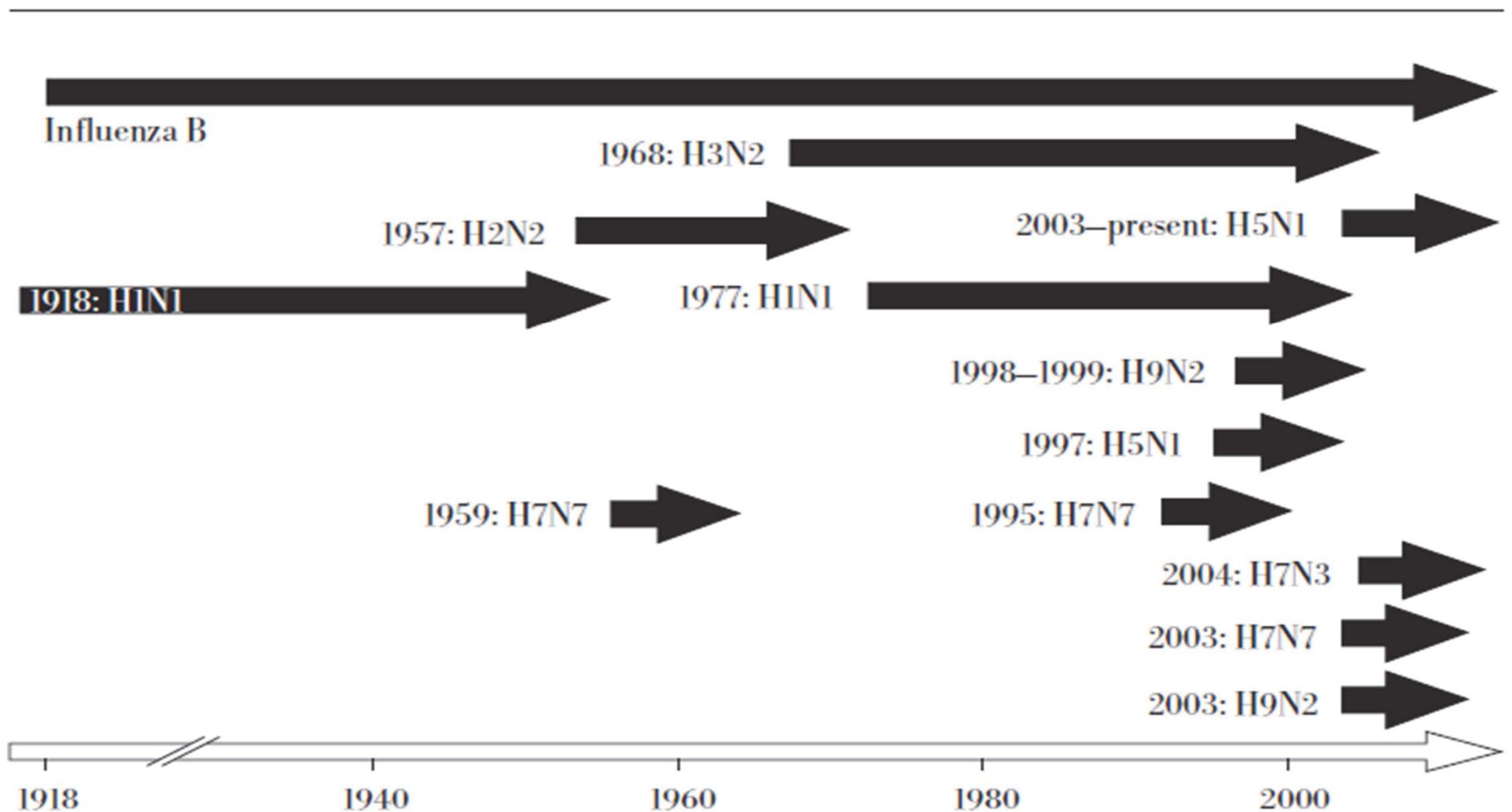


The eight genes of the H7N9 virus are closely related to avian influenza viruses found in domestic ducks, wild birds and domestic poultry in Asia. The virus likely emerged from "reassortment," a process in which two or more influenza viruses co-infect a single host and exchange genes. This can result in the creation of a new influenza virus. Experts think multiple reassortment events led to the creation of the H7N9 virus. These events may have occurred in habitats shared by wild and domestic birds and/or in live bird/poultry markets, where different species of birds are bought and sold for food. As the above diagram shows, the H7N9 virus likely obtained its HA (hemagglutinin) gene from domestic ducks, its NA (neuraminidase) gene from wild birds, and its six remaining genes from multiple related H9N2 influenza viruses in domestic poultry.



**Centers for Disease  
Control and Prevention**  
National Center for Immunization  
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**FIGURE 4: INFLUENZA VIRUS TIME LINE. APPEARANCE OF INFLUENZA VIRUSES INFECTING HUMANS, 1918-2005.**

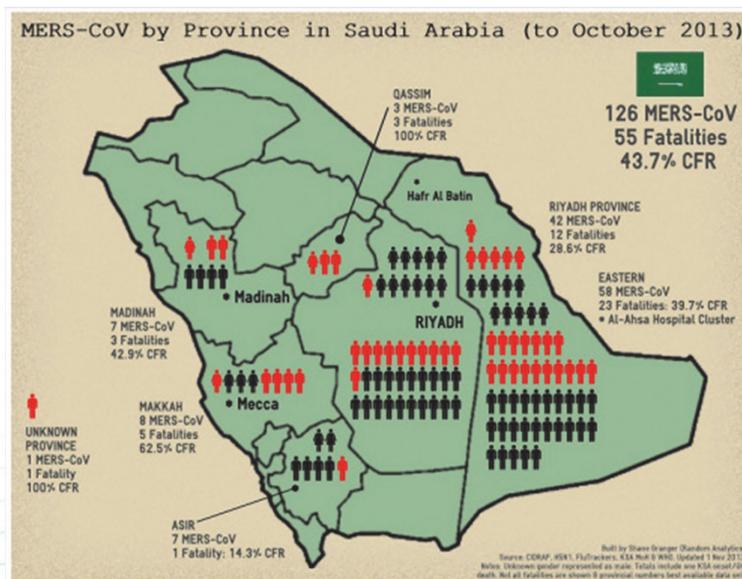
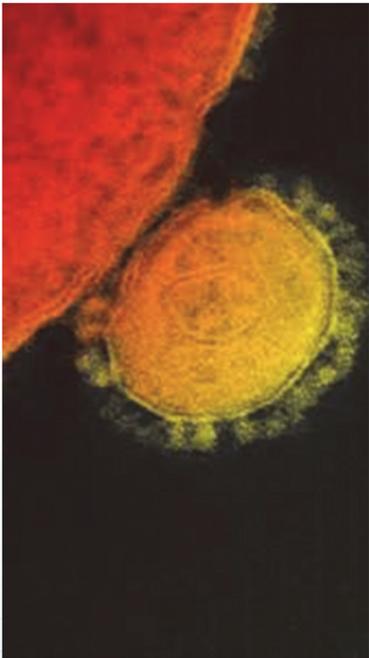


Source: World Health Organization. 2005. Avian Influenza: Assessing the Pandemic Threat; [http://www.who.int/csr/disease/influenza/WHO\\_CDS\\_2005\\_29/en/](http://www.who.int/csr/disease/influenza/WHO_CDS_2005_29/en/).

# Emerging infectious disease

Emerging: *Newly identified, previously unknown infectious agents that cause public health problems locally or internationally*

Example: MERS Coronavirus or Middle Eastern Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (identified in 2012)

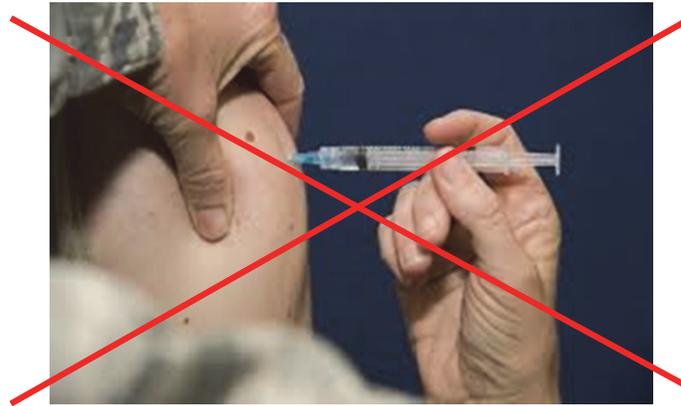


# Re-emerging (or resurging) infectious disease

Re-emerging: *Infectious disease known for decades or centuries that now returns in a different form or location.*

Examples: West Nile virus in Western Hemisphere, dengue now in South America and the Caribbean, Monkeypox in the USA

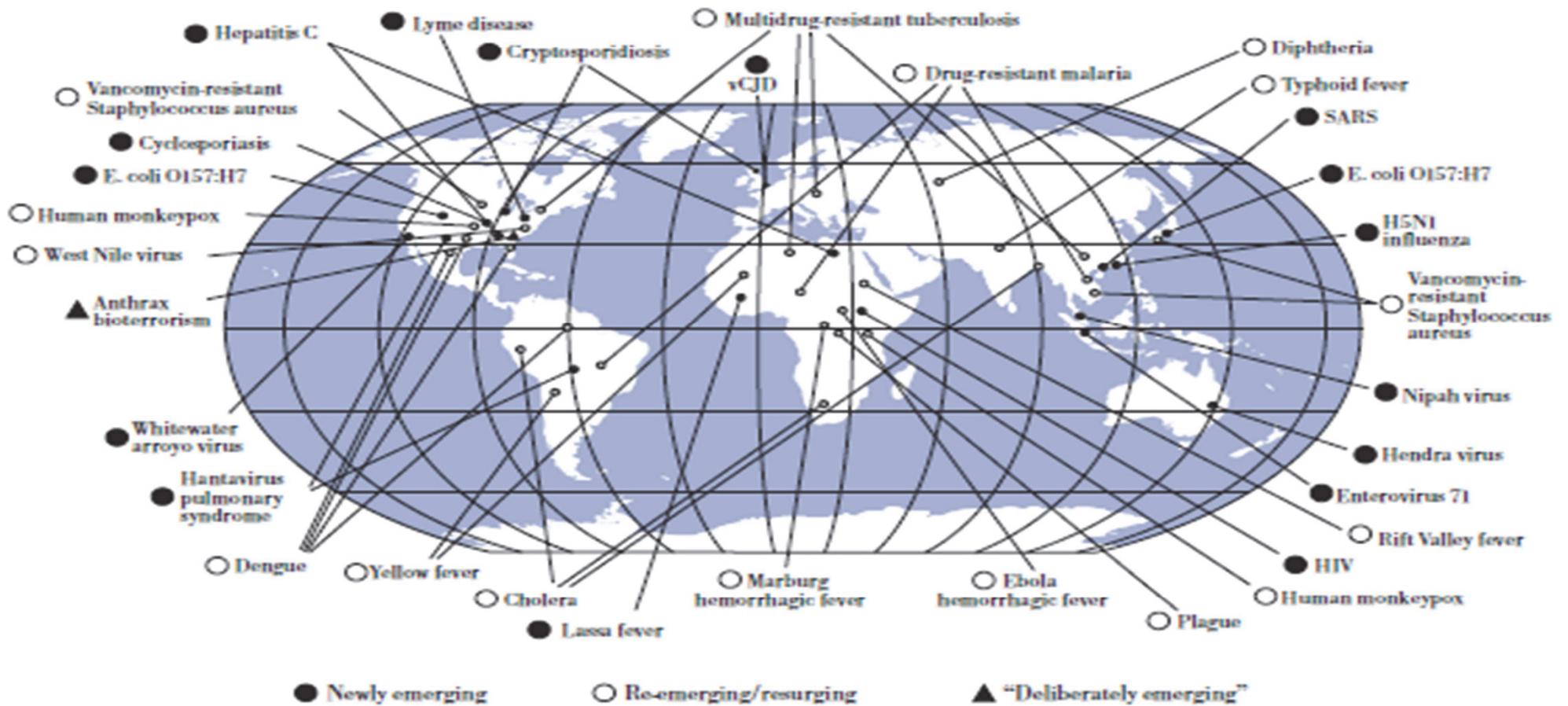
Add to the list: resurgence of measles and other preventable infectious diseases



- Note: 'deliberately emerging' is bioterrorism, i.e. Anthrax

# Map of Emerging/Re-emerging Diseases (2004)

**FIGURE 1 EXAMPLES OF EMERGING AND RE-EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.**

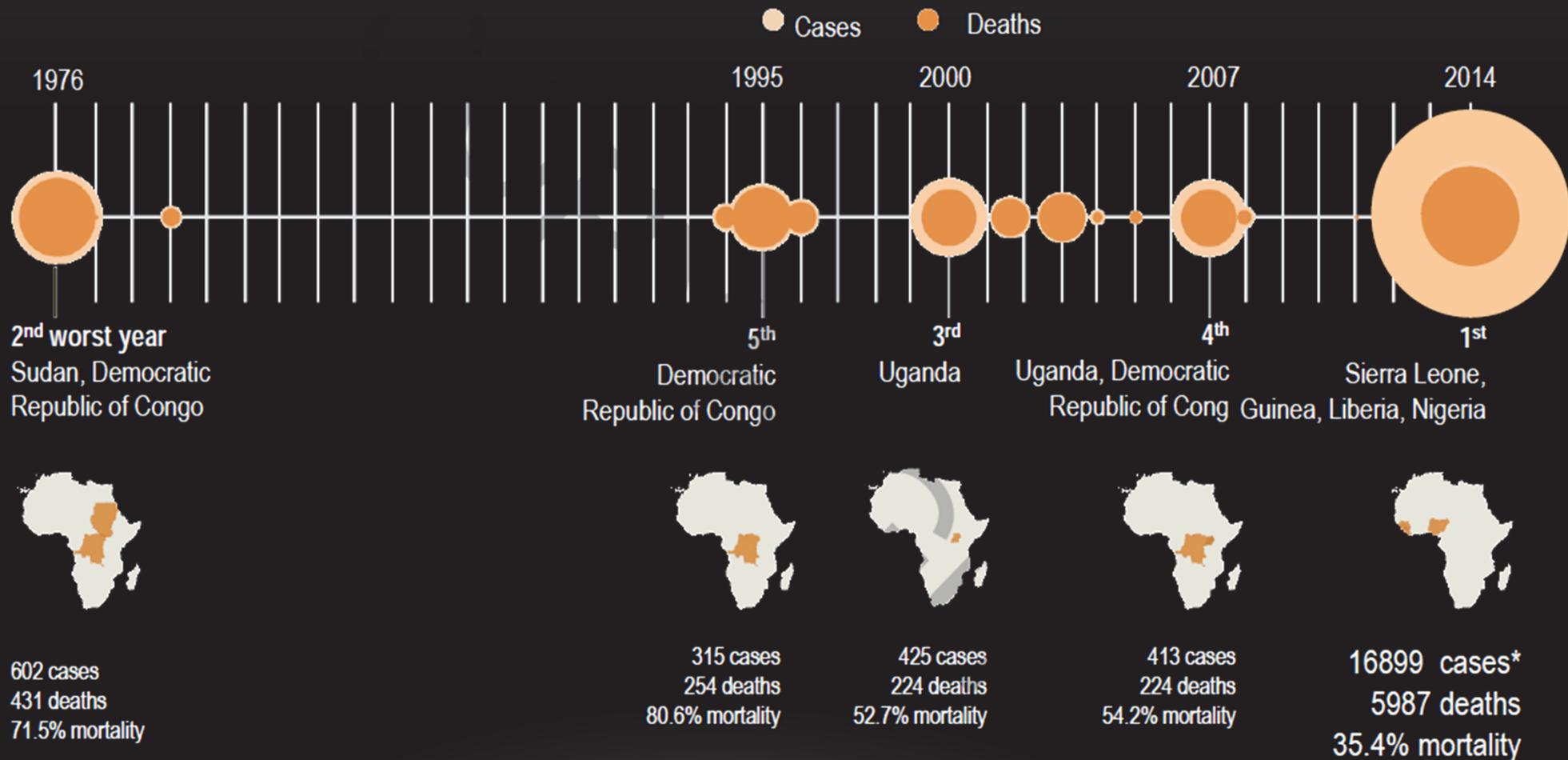


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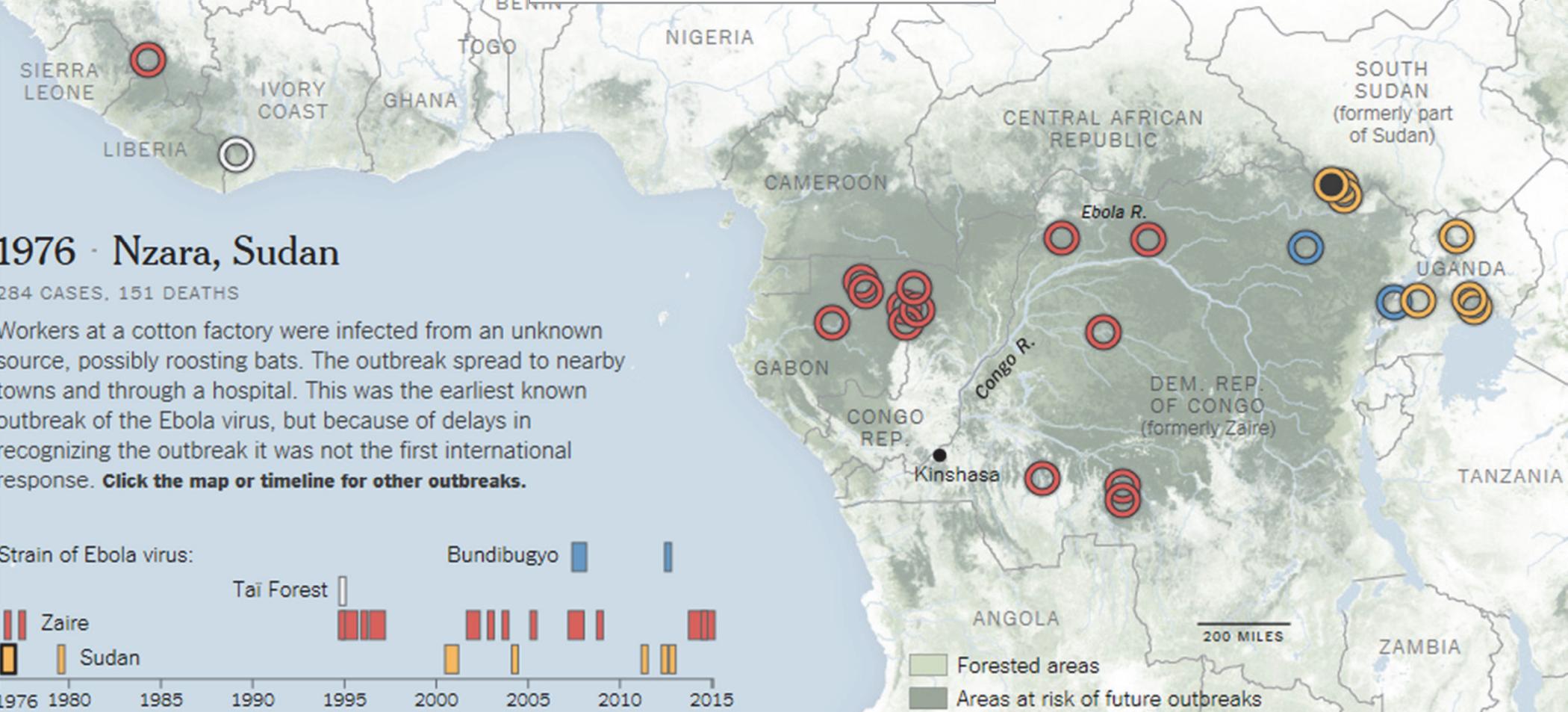
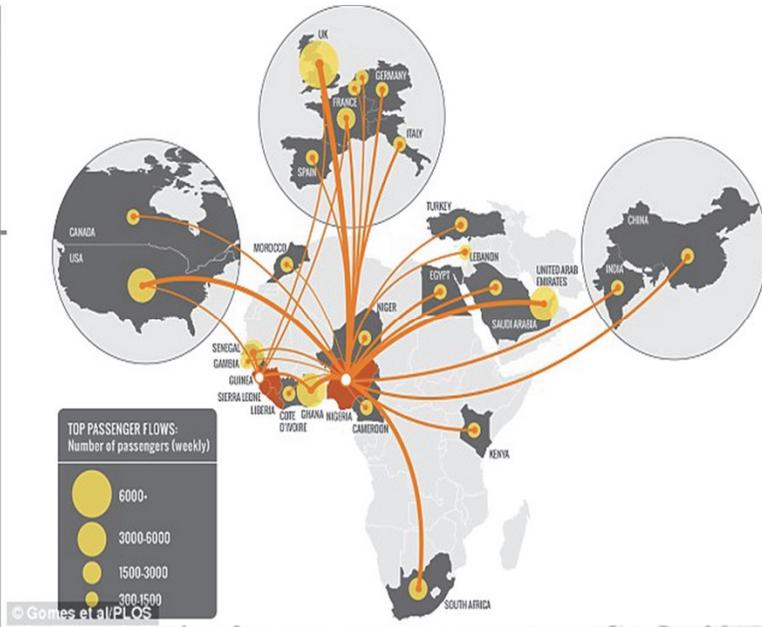
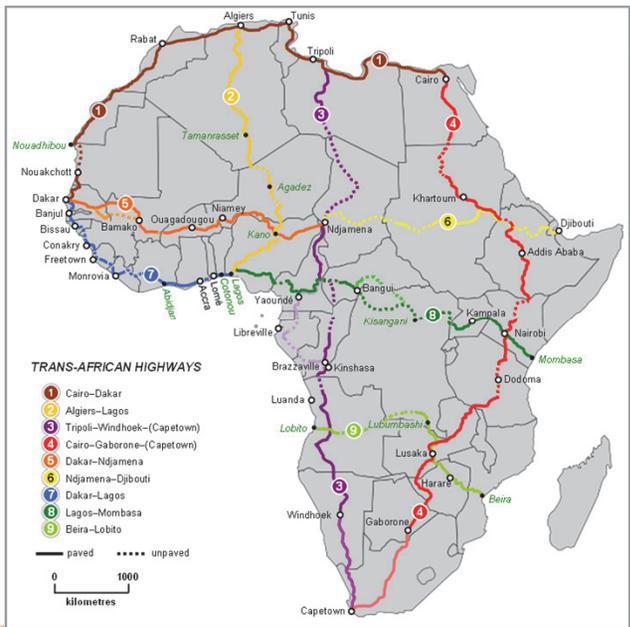
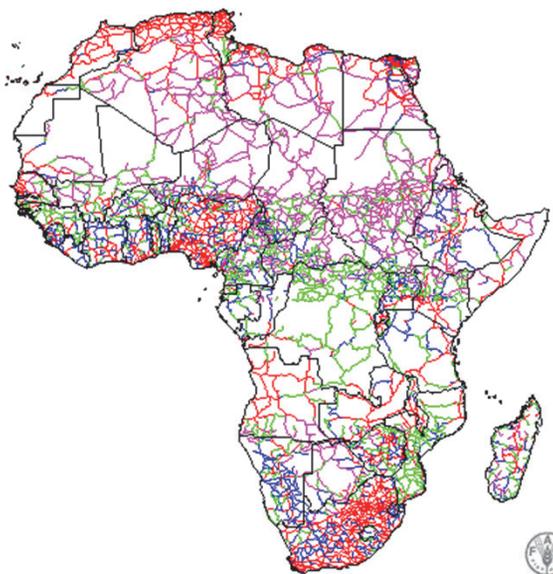
# A Mammalian Example



# 23 EBOLA OUTBREAKS, 1976-PRESENT



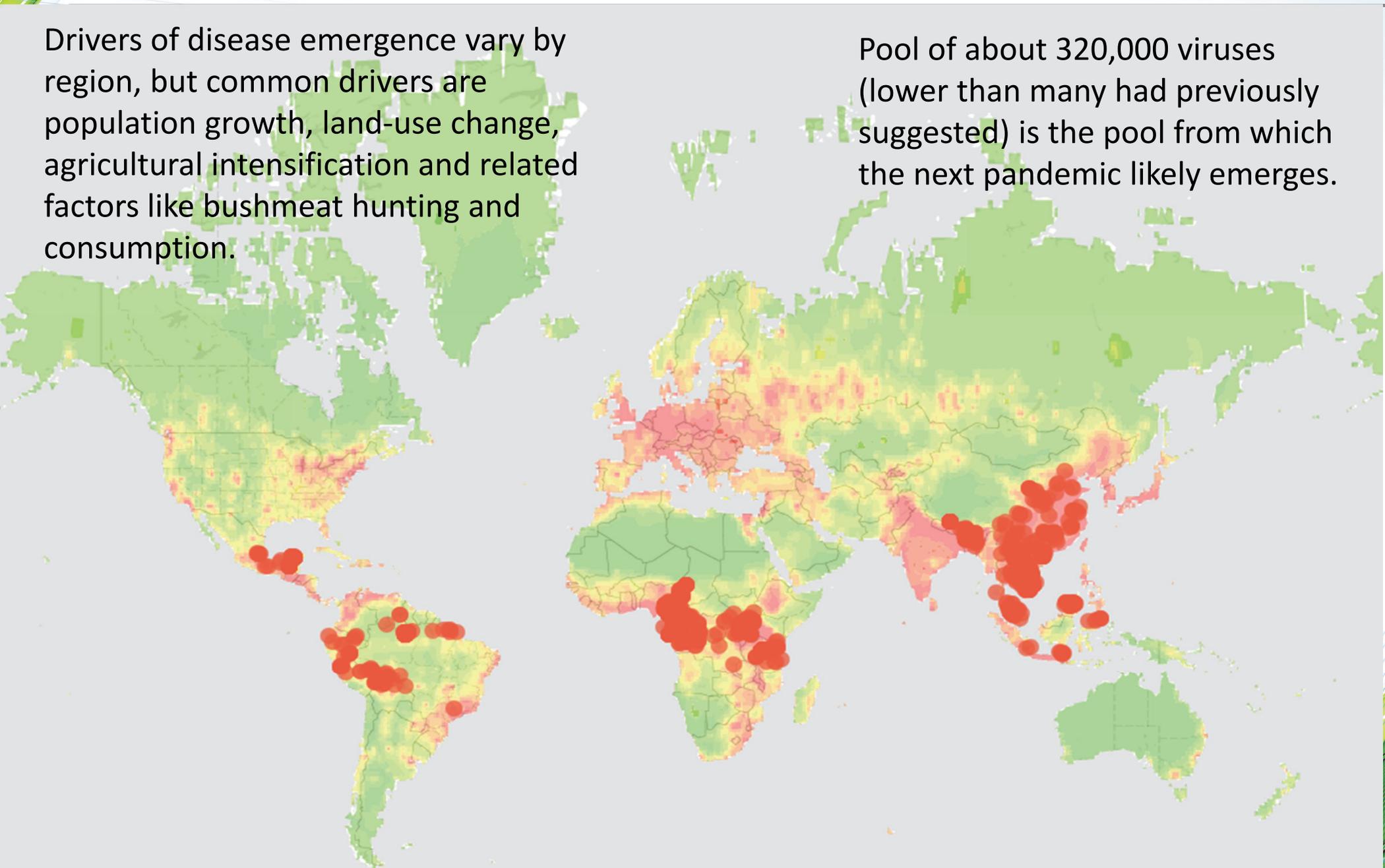
\*10553 lab confirmed cases; Number includes Presumed/Probable Cases  
As of November 28, 2014



# PREDICT (USAID): 320,000 unknown viruses in wildlife

Drivers of disease emergence vary by region, but common drivers are population growth, land-use change, agricultural intensification and related factors like bushmeat hunting and consumption.

Pool of about 320,000 viruses (lower than many had previously suggested) is the pool from which the next pandemic likely emerges.



# Emergence/Re-emergence: Key Factors

## SOME POSITIVES:

- Sanitation
  - Urban/sewage
- Improved housing
  - Less crowding
- Hygiene
- Anti-sepsis
- Vaccinations
- Medical care
  - antibiotics

Microbial agent – genetic mutation(s)

Host – nutrition, immuno-compromised, aging, chronic dz.

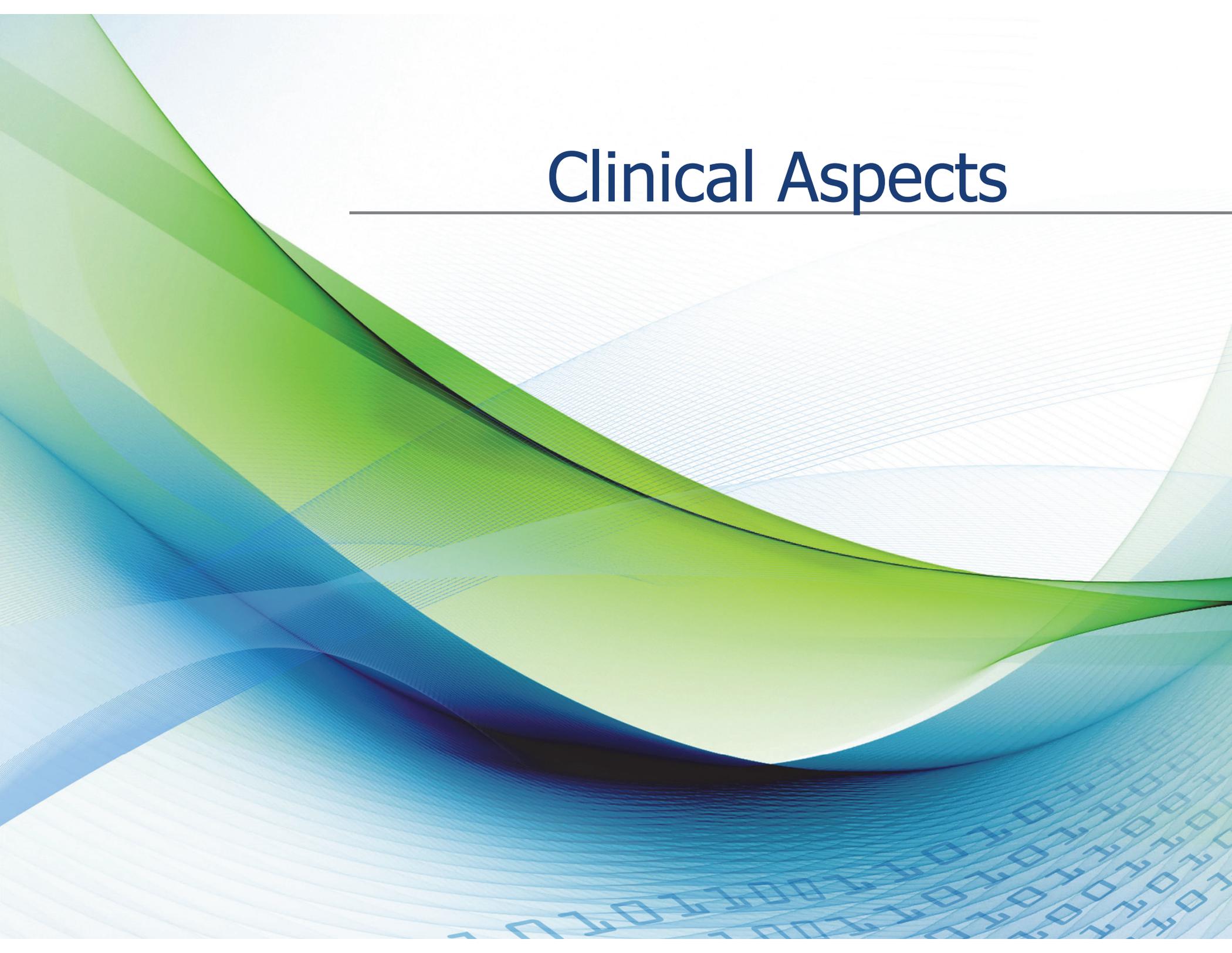
Environment – climate, ecosystems, deforestation

Social/Political – war, civil unrest, lack of political will



# Clinical Aspects

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# Ebola hemorrhagic fever can cause:

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## Acute phase:

- Multiple organ failure
- Severe bleeding
- Jaundice
- Delirium
- Seizures
- Coma
- Shock
- Hair loss

## Sequelae:

- Sensory changes
- Liver inflammation (hepatitis)
- Weakness
- Fatigue
- Headaches
- Eye inflammation
- Testicular inflammation
- joint pain, muscle pain
- skin peeling
- alopecia- hair loss

# Treatment Costs

- Nebraska: \$30K/day
- NIH: \$50K/day
- Range: \$8.5K -- \$50K+ per day
- 30+ Nurses for 24 hours ICU coverage
- Several \$1 million patients
- PPE costs
- Opportunity costs
- Training costs for 100s or 1,000s of hospital workers to use PPEs
- Building or enhancing clinical facilities for bio-containment

## Emory University Hospital Special Isolation Unit

**The private patient rooms** resemble ICU rooms, with adjustable beds, IVs, and monitors. Every procedure a patient could need, from mechanical ventilation to hemodialysis, can be performed in the unit.

**Medical staff** who are providing direct patient care use the locker room to change into full-body protective suits and masks, which shield them from blood and bodily fluids.

**Family members** are able to speak with patients through standard glass windows in the unit; patients have access to phones and laptop computers.

**A dedicated lab** was built specifically for use with the isolation unit that has the capacity to perform blood counts, routine chemistries, blood gas measurements, urinalysis, and tests for a variety of infectious agents.

**All liquid waste** is disinfected and flushed, and disposable waste is autoclaved and incinerated. At the peak of the Ebola patients' illnesses, up to 40 bags a day of medical waste were produced.

ILLUSTRATION BY DAMIEN SCOGIN



# Ebola Specific Therapy

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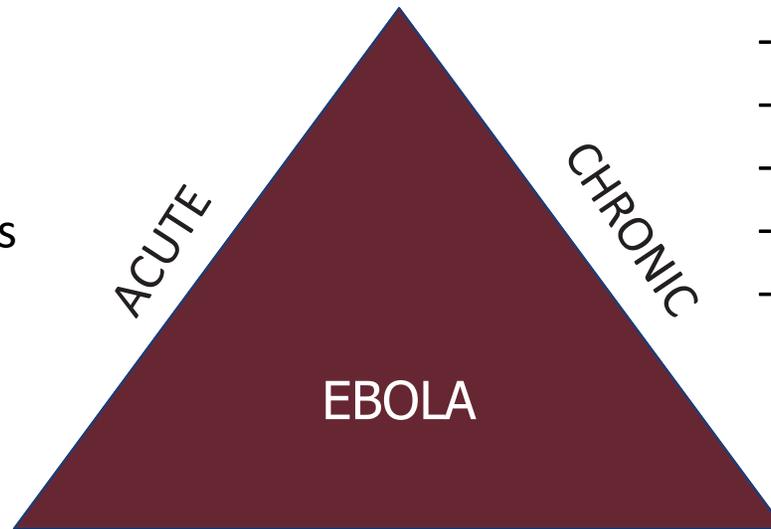
- AVI-7537; Phase II
- CMX-001, brincidofovir
- TKM-Ebola, Phase I
- Zmapp, Phase I
- Perimavir (BCX4430)
- 5+ agents in pre-clinical status or earlier
- 60-80% NHP Survival
- Phase III
- 100% NHP Survival
- 100% NHP Survival
- NHP studies underway

Research/Govt. >>>>>>>>>> MED/PHARMA Claims

USA Cost per treatment: HIGH vs LOW?  
- pricing model for newer Hepatitis C drugs

## Medical Care Costs

- Diagnostic
- Supportive Therapy
  - ICU Plus
  - New Treatments



## Continuing Medical Costs

- Related to organ failure
- Joint pain
- Fatigue
- Others
- Combination of Diagnostic and Treatment Costs

## COFACTORS

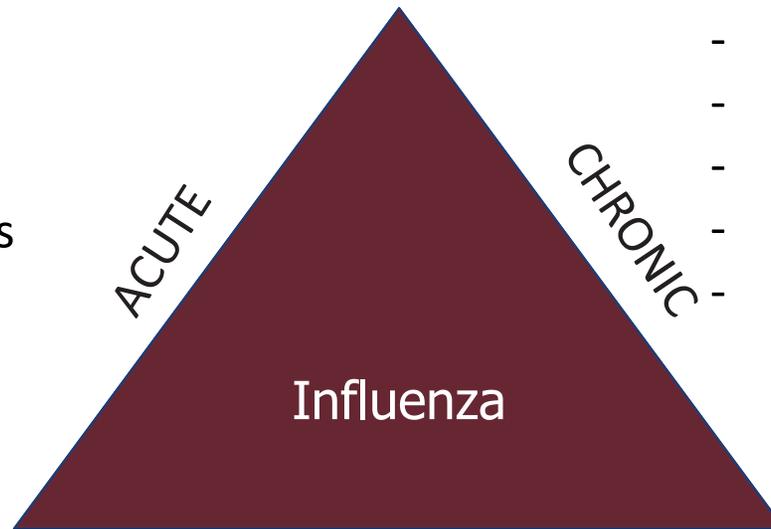
- Age
- Nutritional Status
- Co-morbidities
- Access
- SES
- Others



Generally lead to worsened Outcomes but hard to predict.

## Medical Care Costs

- Diagnostic
- Supportive Therapy
  - ICU
  - Ventilator status



## Continuing Medical Costs

- Related to organ COPD
- Asthma
- Nosocomial infection
- Others
- Combination of FU Diagnostic and Treatment Costs

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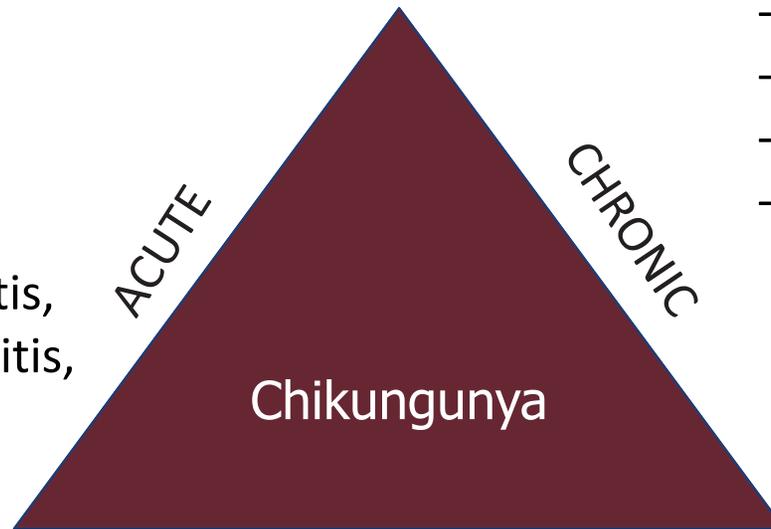
## Medical Care Costs

- Diagnostic
- Supportive Therapy
  - Pain meds OTC
  - Fever control

## Continuing Medical Costs

- Joint pain
- Fatigue
- Others
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Complications: uveitis, retinitis, myocarditis, hepatitis, arthritis, G-B Syn, cranial n. palsy



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# Chikungunya Virus (formerly Dengue)

## GLOBAL DISTRIBUTION OF CHIKUNGUNYA VIRUS\*



- Countries currently, or previously, with local transmission of the Chikungunya virus
- Islands with local transmission

SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

\*as of December 2, 2014

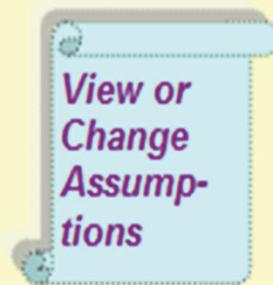
# CDC Flu models

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- FluSurge 2.0: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/pandemic-resources/tools/flusurge.htm>
  - Models the surge in demand for hospital-based services
  - Part of Pandemic Flu Preparedness Tools
  - Also Excel SS models called
    - Community Flu 2.0 –simulates the spread of influenza through a model community and the impact of potential interventions and some cost calculations
    - FluAid 2.0 – modeling for Pediatric age (<18 years)
    - FluLabSurge 1.0 – models surge in flu related laboratory services
    - FluWorkLoss 1.0 – models flu related work loss
    - Influenza Risk Assessment Tool (IRAT) – assess risk for influenza A

**Step 1: Determine population of locale by age groups:**

Age Group	Population
0-19 yrs	1,350,707
20-64 yrs	2,106,171
+ 65 yrs	1,153,154



**Step 2: Determine basic hospital resources:**

Total licensed non-ICU beds:	7,300
% licensed non-ICU beds staffed:	100%
Total staffed non-ICU beds:	7,300
Total licensed ICU beds:	759
% licensed ICU beds staffed:	100%
Total Staffed ICU beds:	759
Total number of ventilators:	691
% ventilators available:	100%
Total number of ventilators available:	691

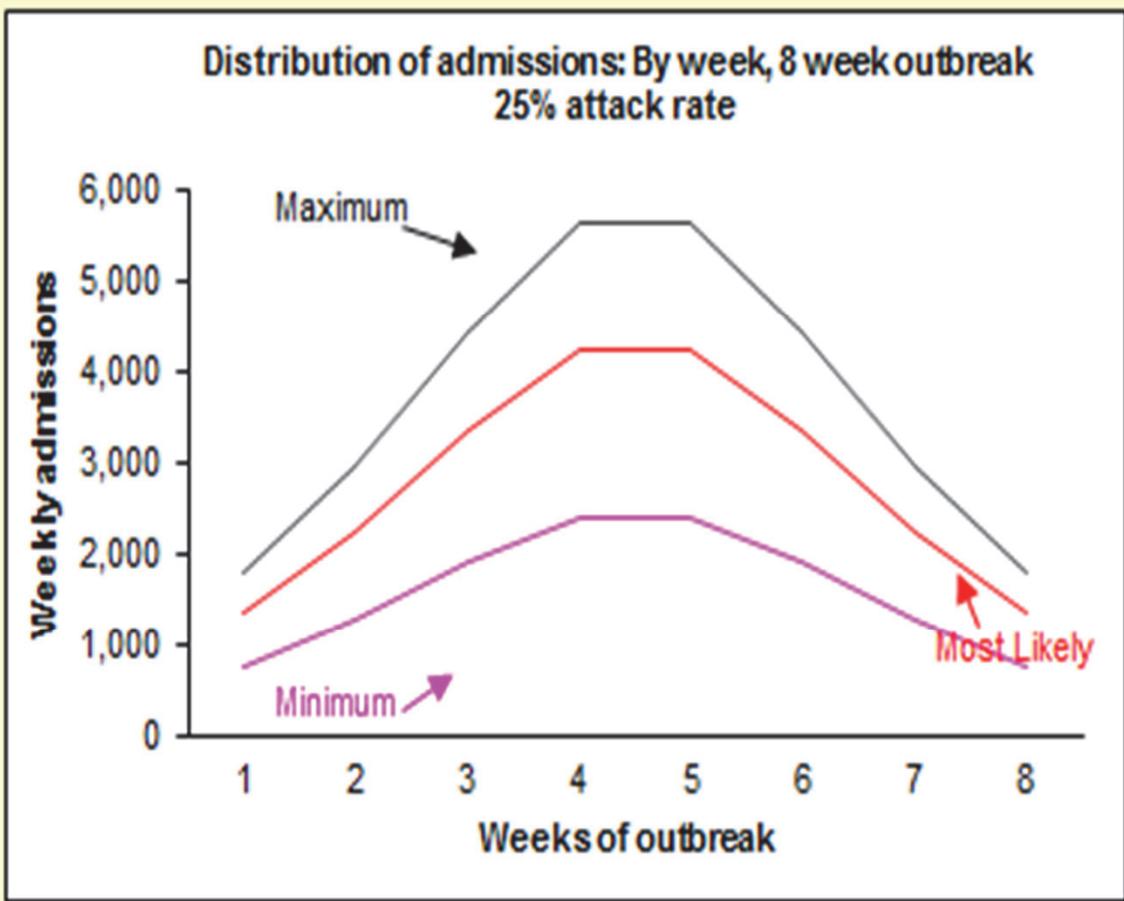
**Step 3: Determine duration (6, 8, or 12 weeks) and attack rate (15%, 25% or 35%) of the pandemic:**

Duration:

Attack rate:

**Step 4:** [Click to View Results](#)

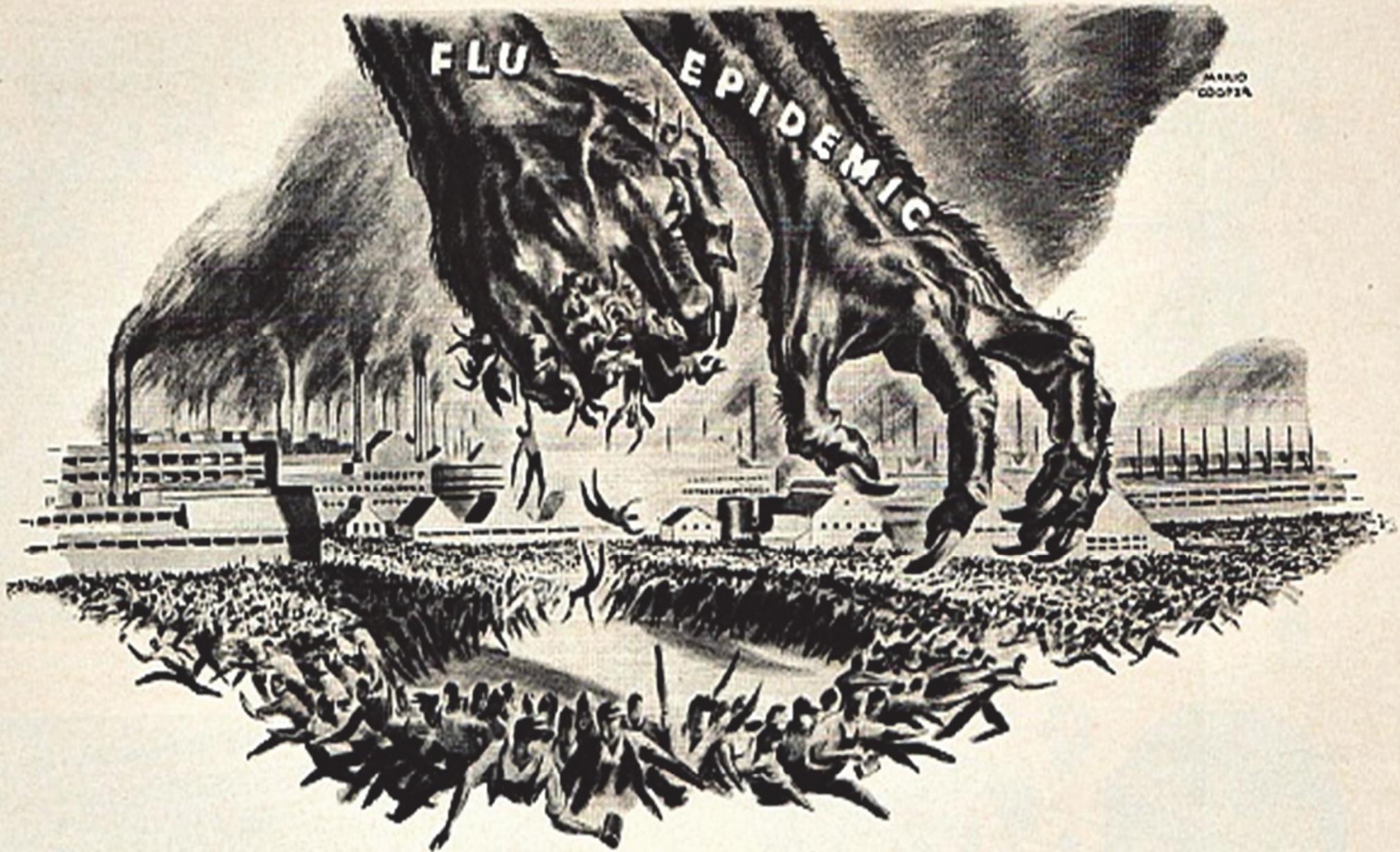
<b>Pandemic Influenza Impact / Attack Rate</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>Total Hospital Admissions</b>	
Most Likely Scenario	22,200
Minimum Scenario	12,605
Maximum Scenario	29,504
<b>Total Deaths</b>	
Most Likely Scenario	5,378
Minimum Scenario	4,293
Maximum Scenario	7,814



Hosp Adm. / Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Most Likely Scenario	1,332	2,220	3,330	4,218	4,218	3,330	2,220	1,332
Minimum Scenario	756	1,261	1,891	2,395	2,395	1,891	1,261	756
Maximum Scenario	1,770	2,950	4,426	5,606	5,606	4,426	2,950	1,770

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