

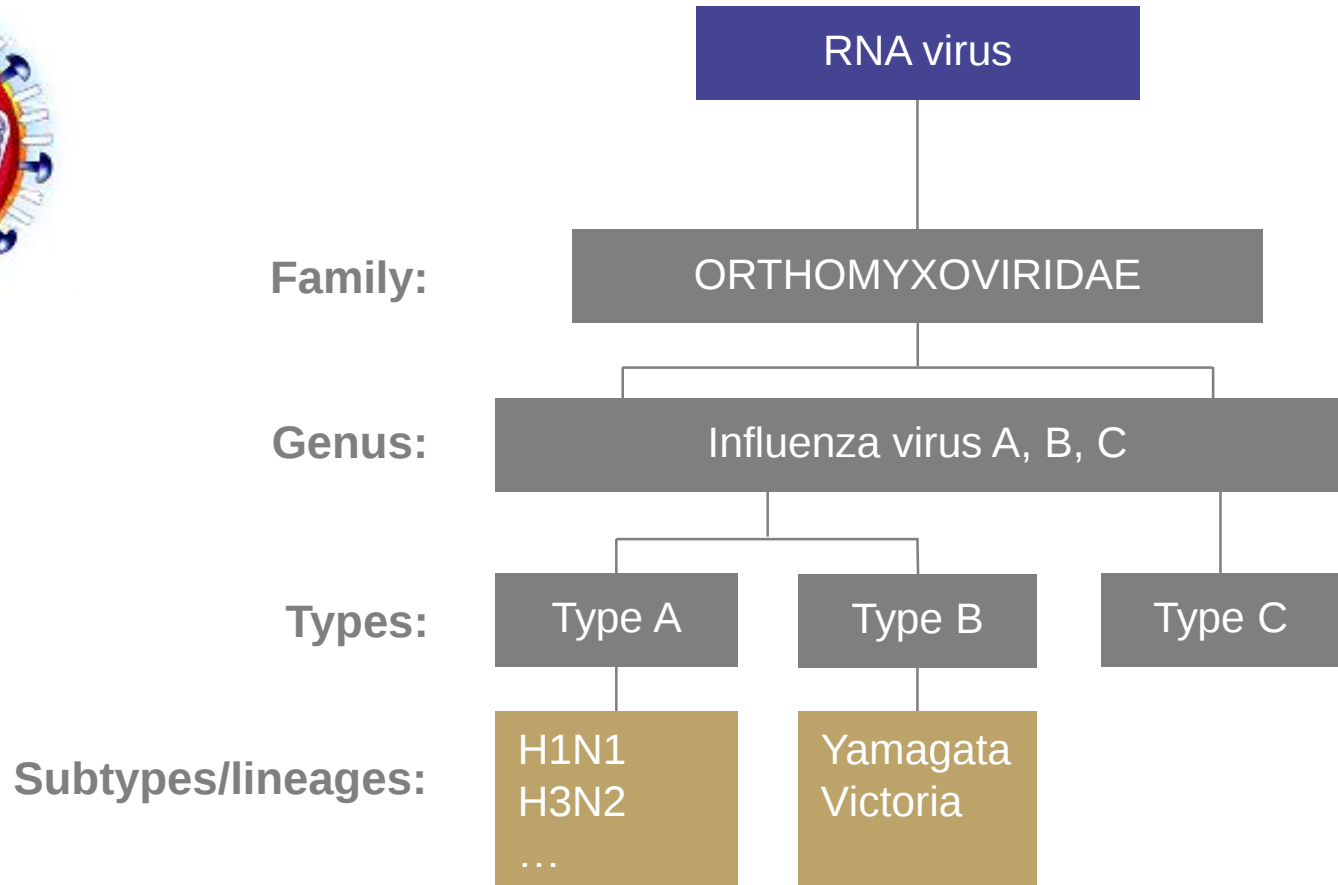
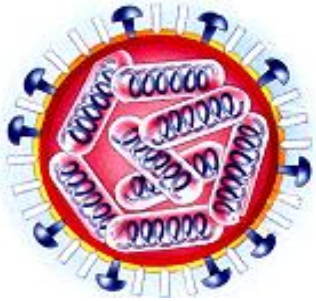
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Influenza Virus

Influenza virus classification^{1,2}

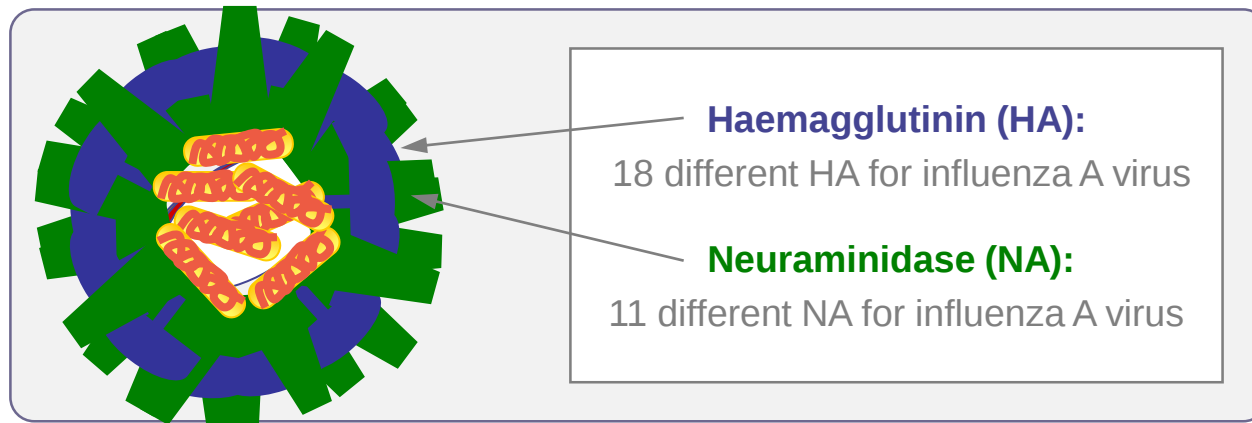


References: 1. Kingsbury DW. Virology, 2nd edition, New York; 1990. p. 1076-87 2. Keiji Fukuda et al, Vaccines, 2004

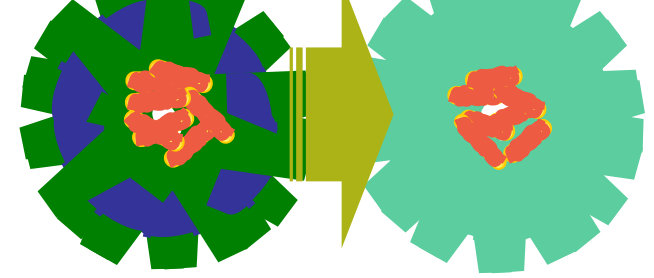
Constant and rapid genetic evolution of influenza¹

Surface antigens of influenza viruses change:

- **Antigenic drift:**
 - **Minor changes** associated with annual outbreaks or epidemics
 - Impact : updating vaccine yearly to match predicted strains that will be circulating
- **Antigenic shift:**
 - **Major changes** resulting in new subtype with a new HA protein (and sometimes NA)
 - Can lead to pandemics

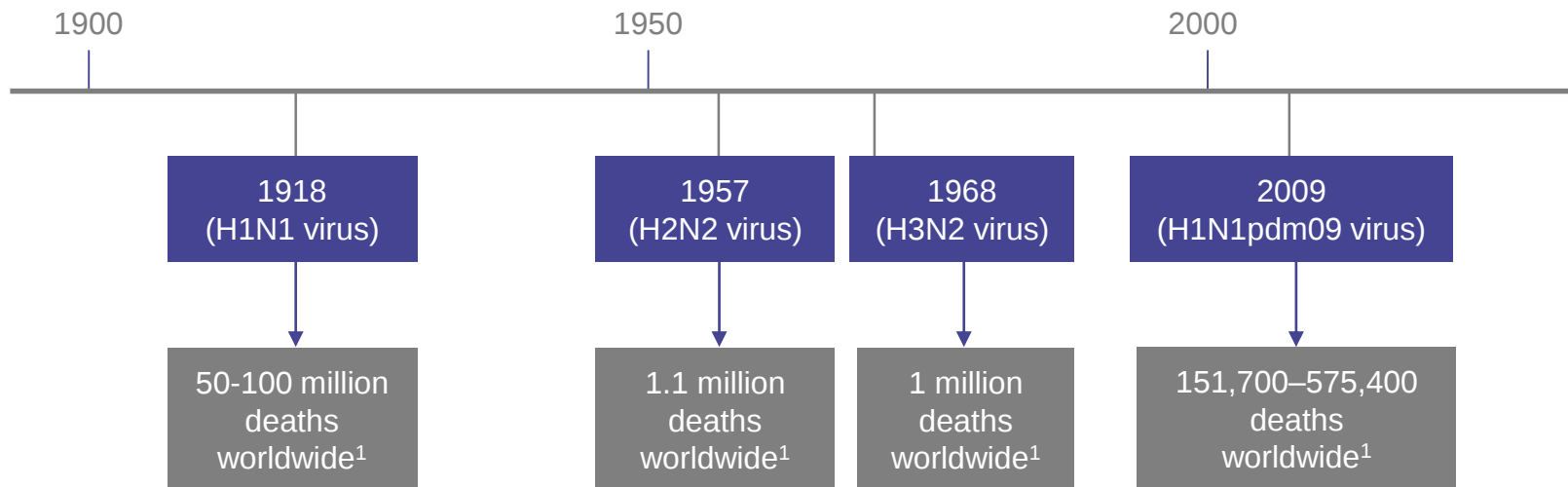


Genetic shift can lead to an influenza pandemic



- Pandemics are rare:¹

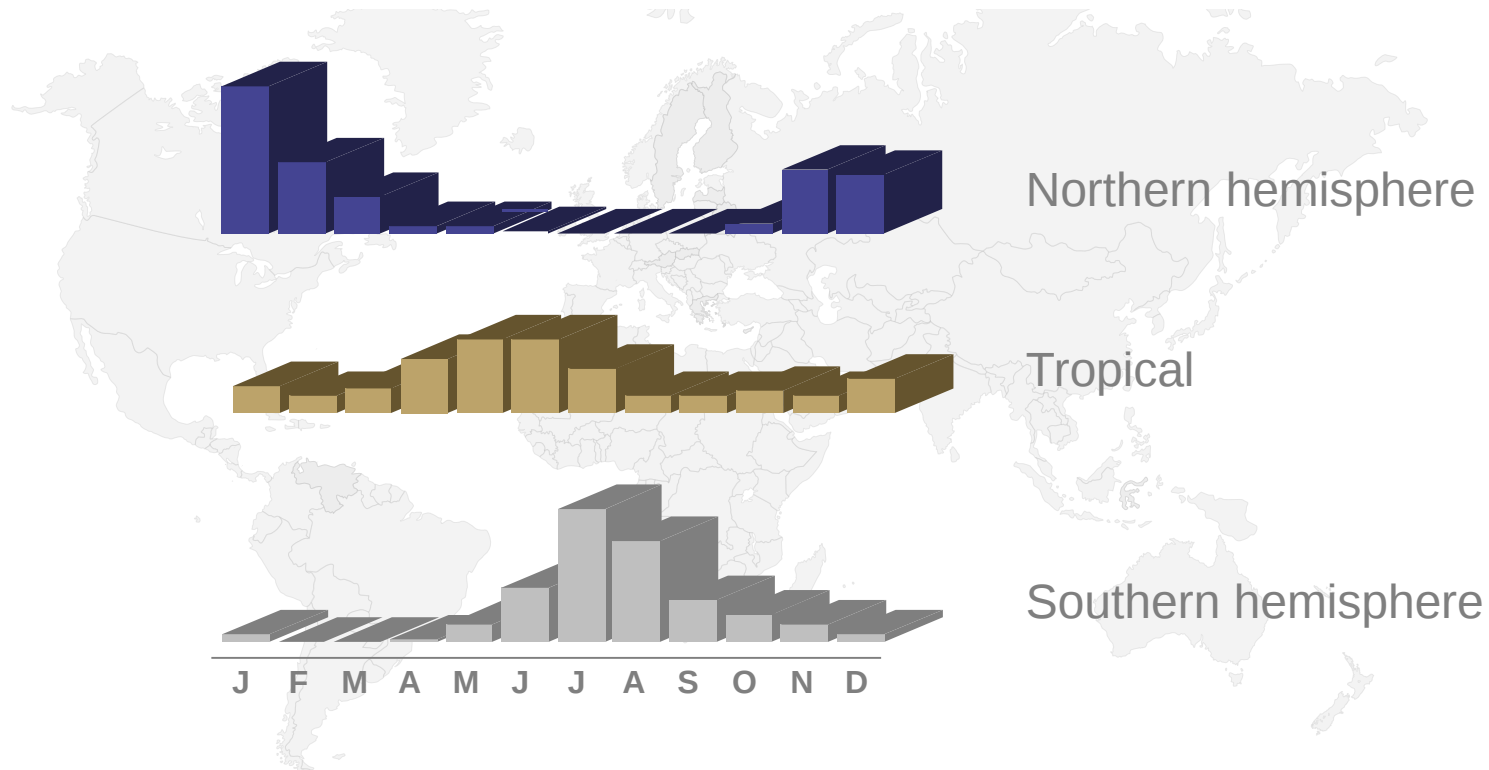
- Re-assortment resulting in a viable influenza A virus with the ability to infect humans is rare
- Only four in the last hundred years¹



Reference: 1. CDC: Pandemic influenza (<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/pandemic-resources/basics/past-pandemics.html>)

Influenza seasonality

Influenza activity and occurrence in different climates¹



Temperate climates: yearly winter epidemics

Tropical climates: year-round transmission with several peaks

Reference: 1. WHO. Influenza (Seasonal). Fact Sheet No. 211 <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs211/en/>

Influenza is a respiratory disease

Symptoms of influenza:

Central: headache



Systemic: fever
chills

Nasopharynx: runny/ stuffy nose
sore throat
sneezing



Muscular: fatigue
myalgia



Respiratory: coughing



Digestive: vomiting
diarrhea



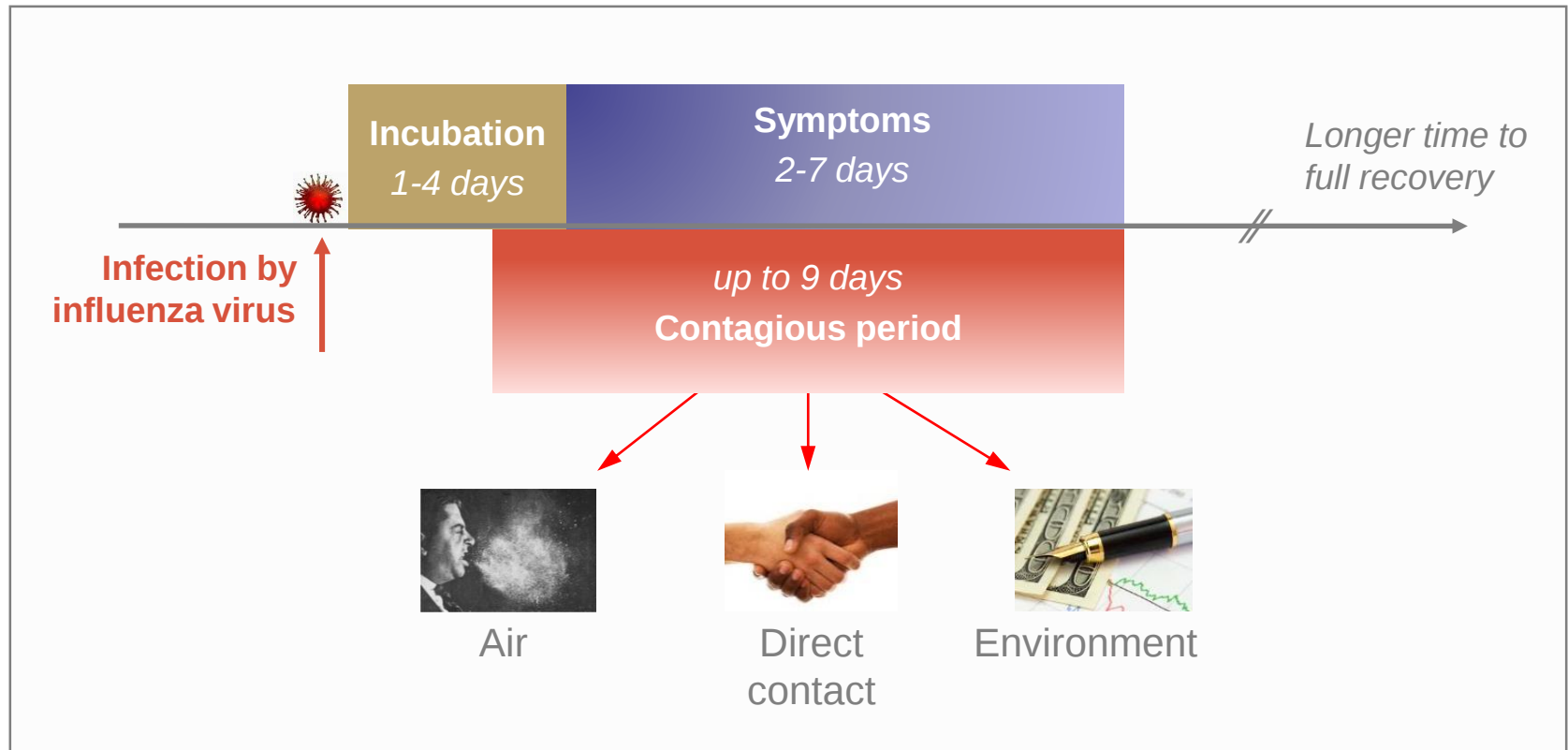
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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Influenza#/media/File:Symptoms_of_influenza.svg
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Influenza vs common cold

Influenza and cold have similar influenza-like symptoms but in general influenza is worse than the common cold, and symptoms such as fever, body aches, extreme tiredness, and dry cough are more common and intense with more rapid onset. People with colds are more likely to have a runny or stuffy nose. Colds generally do not result in serious health problems such as pneumonia, bacterial infections, or hospitalizations.^{1,2}

Reference: 1. CDC: Seasonal flu; Questions and Answers (<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/qa/coldflu.htm>) 2. CDC: Seasonal flu: Flu & You (<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/consumer/symptoms.htm>)

Influenza is a highly transmissible viral disease



Reference: 1. CDC: Seasonal flu; Clinical signs and symptoms of influenza (<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/acip/clinical.htm>)

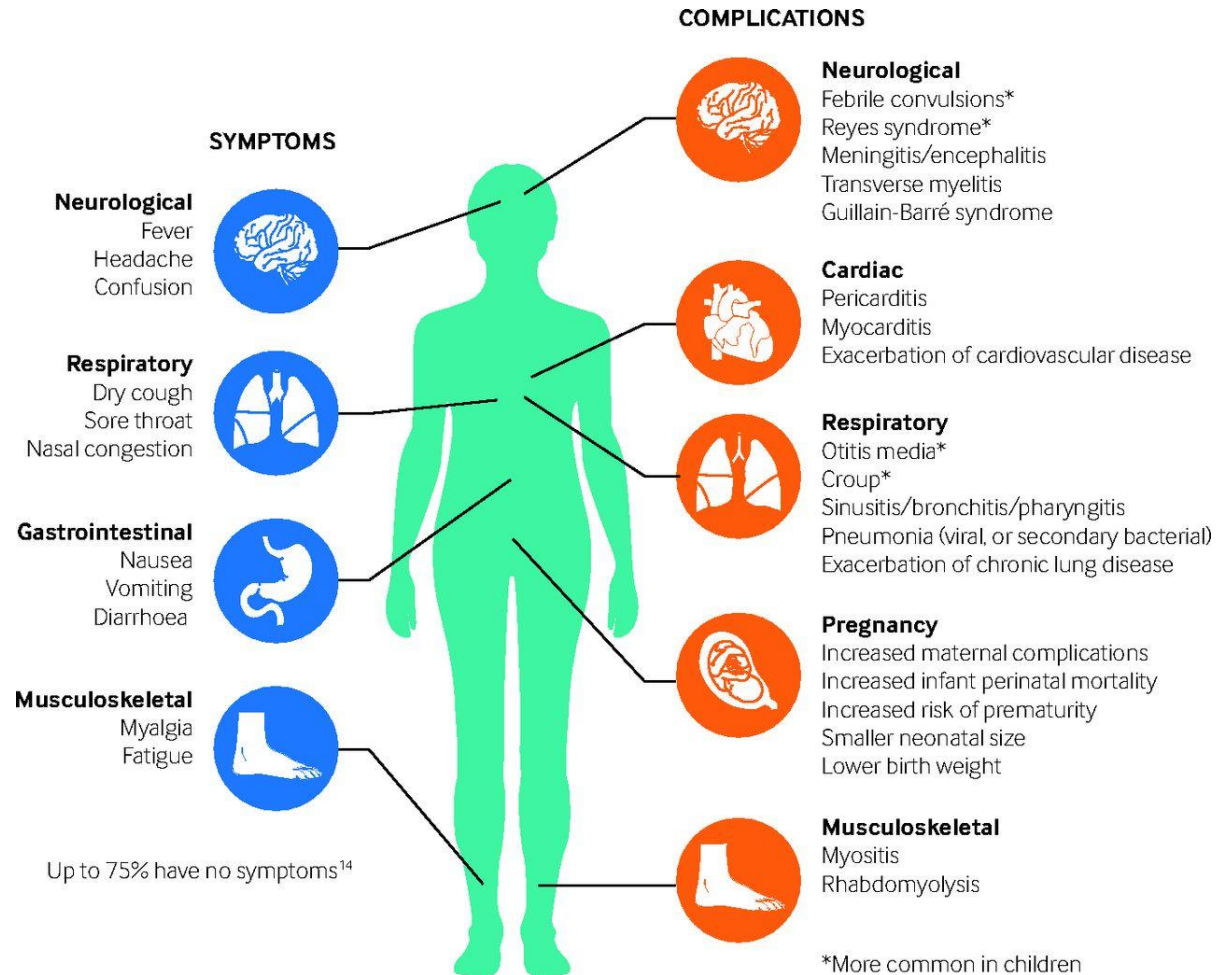
Main clinical features of influenza infections

- Not all people infected will present with all the symptoms
 - During a typical season up to ~75% of infected people are asymptomatic¹
- The disease can be mild to very severe
 - Severity depends on the virus, host factors, and other factors, e.g. access to care¹
- Flu is not easily distinguished from other acute respiratory influenza-like illnesses without laboratory testing
- Influenza complications
 - Bacterial superinfections (e.g. pneumonia), decompensation of chronic diseases, deaths (mainly among high-risk groups : the very young, elderly or chronically ill)
- Case management
 - Symptomatic treatment:
 - Antivirals may be used for hospitalized persons or at high risk of influenza complications²

References: 1. ECDC Fact Sheet for Health Professionals http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/healthtopics/seasonal_influenza/basic_facts/Pages/factsheet_professionals_seasonal_influenza.aspx 2. CDC: Seasonal influenza. Antiviral drugs (<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/antivirals/summary-clinicians.htm>)

Symptoms and complications of Influenza

- Influenza is characterized by sudden onset of fever, myalgia, headache, malaise, dry cough, sore throat, and nasal congestion. Gastrointestinal symptoms including nausea, vomiting and diarrhea are also common.
- Influenza can cause severe illness or death, particularly in high risk populations



A frequent and serious disease leading to heavy public health burden (WHO data)



ANNUAL ATTACK RATE¹

- 5–10% in adults
- 20–30% in children

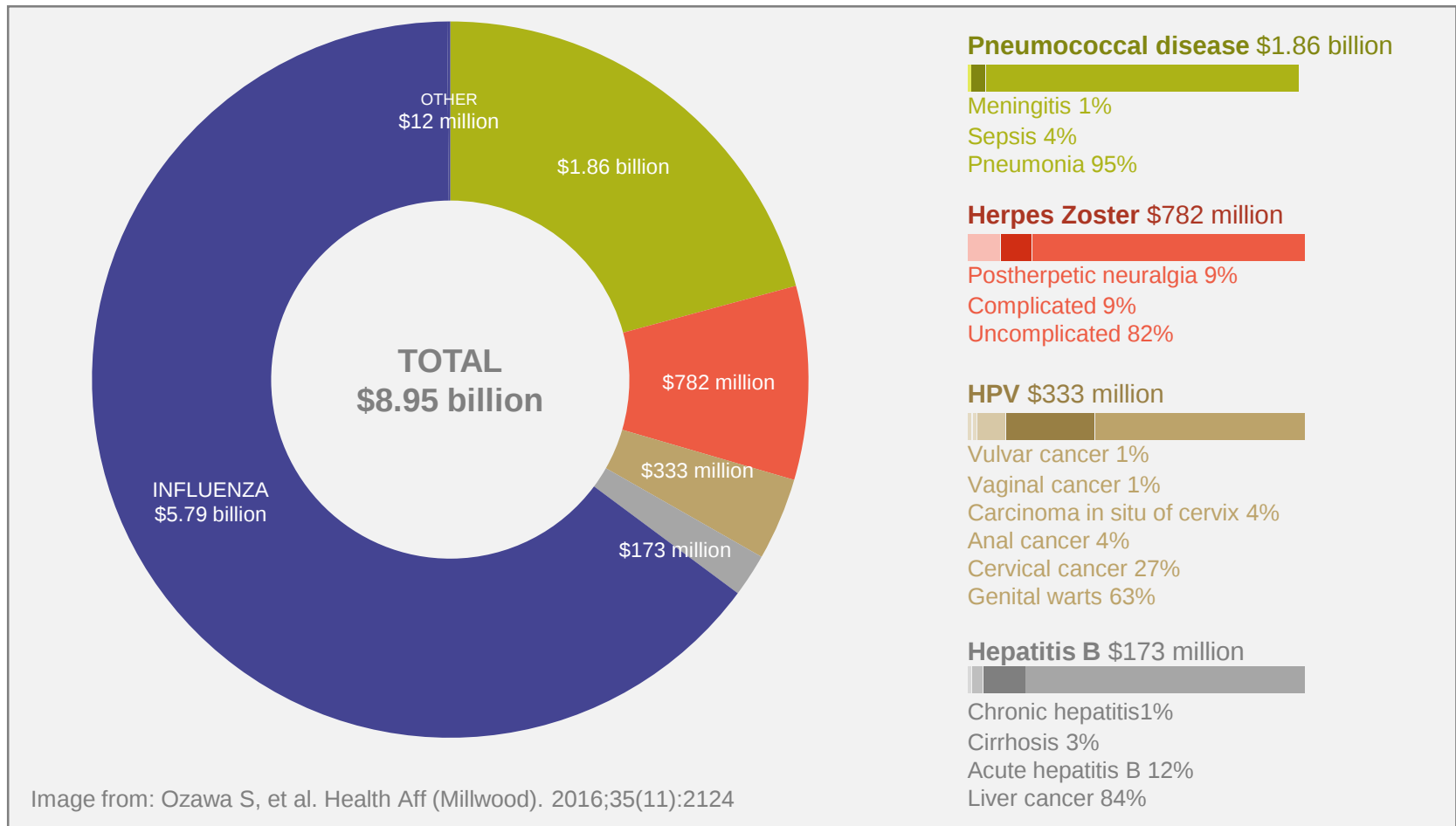


3 TO 5 MILLION CASES OF SEVERE ILLNESS²



290,000 TO 650,000 ESTIMATED
DEATHS EVERY YEAR WORLDWIDE²

In the US, influenza accounts for 65% of the annual economic burden of vaccine-preventable diseases¹



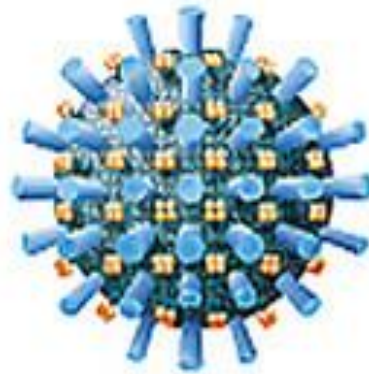
Reference: 1. Ozawa S, et al. Health Aff (Millwood) 2016; 35(11):2124

Children are recommended by WHO for influenza vaccination (1/2)



- Influenza infection is highest in children, affecting 20–30% of the total pediatric population¹
- Influenza is a burdensome disease in children
 - Considerable number of children need hospitalization
 - Up to 10% of all admitted children need management in the intensive care unit (especially children <2 years of age)³
- Children may die from influenza
 - At least 28,000 to 111,500 deaths in children younger than 5 years attributable to influenza-associated acute lower respiratory infections per year in the world²

Types of Inactivated Influenza Vaccines



Whole virus



Split virus



Subunit
(surface antigen)

Trivalent versus Quadrivalent Influenza Vaccines

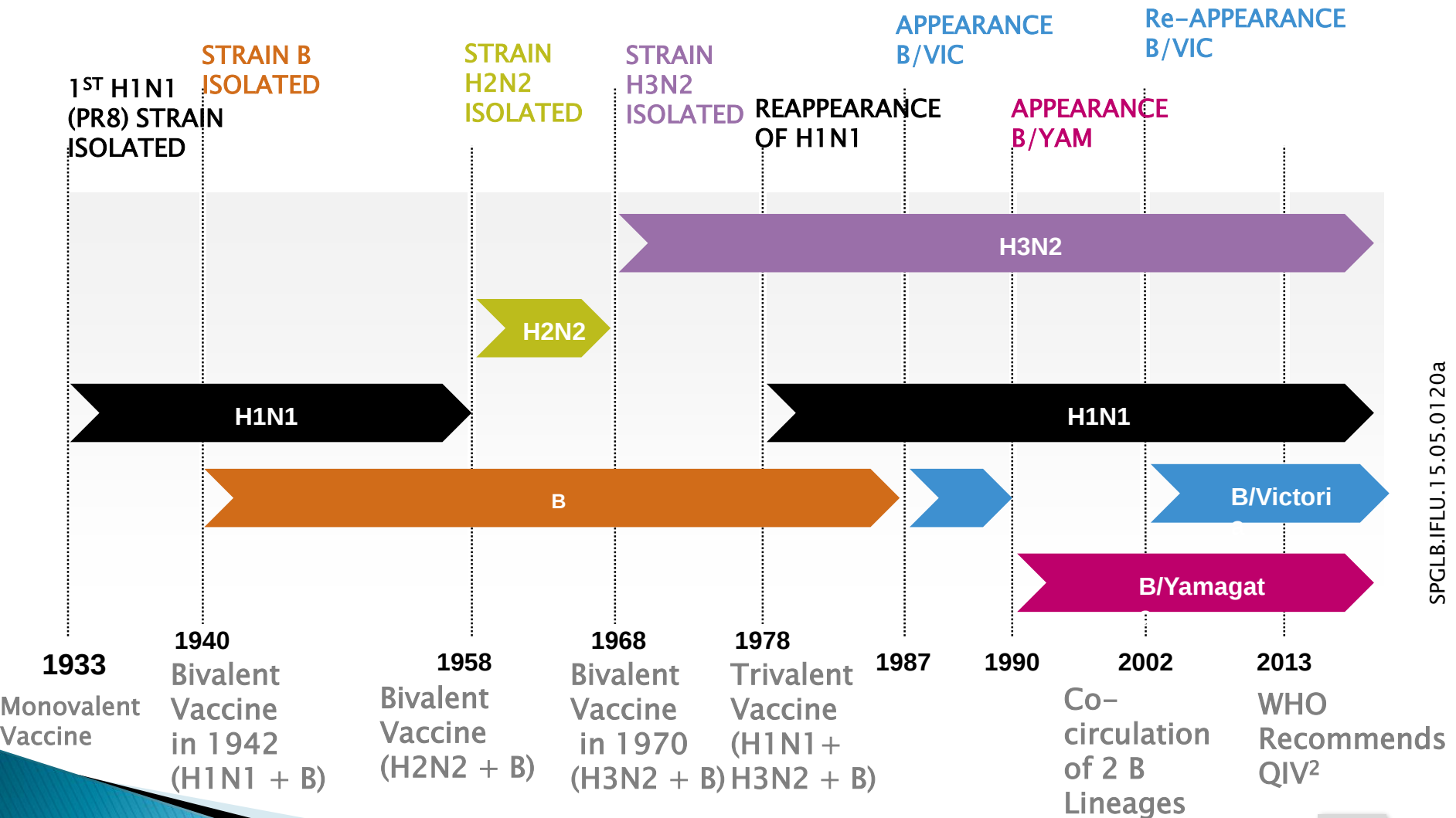
TIV

1. A(H3N2)
2. A(H1N1)pdm09
3. B/Yamagata or
B/Victoria

QIV

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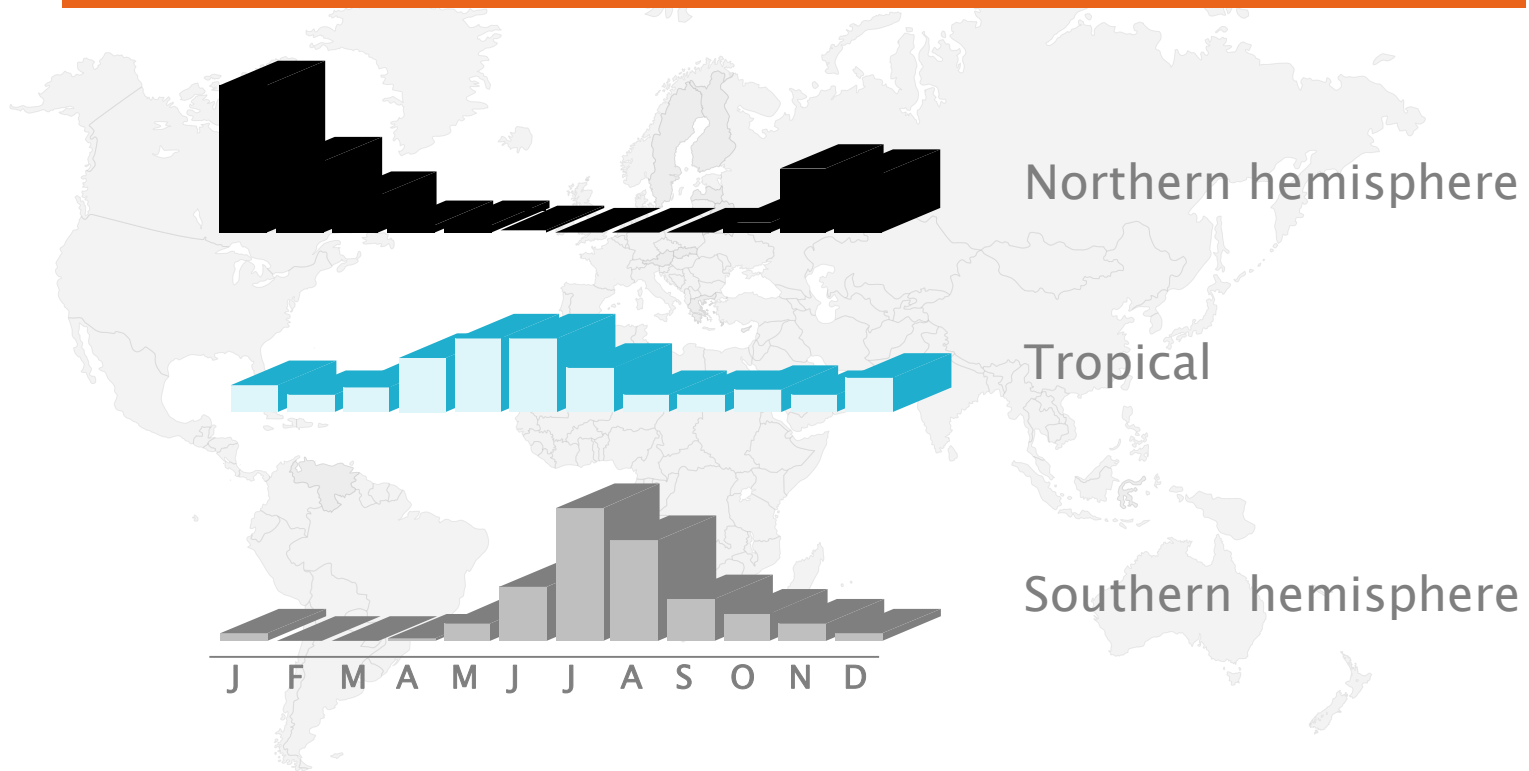
Vaccine Composition and Influenza Virus Evolution



1) Hannoun, Expert rev. Vaccines 12(9), 1085-1094 (2013)
 2) http://www.who.int/influenza/vaccines/virus/recommendations/2013_14_north/en/

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WHO position



“The most effective way to prevent the disease is vaccination.

Safe and effective vaccines are available
and have been used for more than 60 years.

Among healthy adults, influenza vaccine provides
protection, even when circulating viruses may
not exactly match the vaccine viruses.”

– *WHO, Nov. 2016¹*



Who should be vaccinated?

WHO recommendations for influenza vaccination



WHO Recommends¹

- ▶ People at high risk of complications:
 - Pregnant women (highest priority)
 - Children aged 6 months to 5 years:
 - Children aged 6–23 months of age
 - Children aged 2–5 years of age
 - Elderly people (≥65 years of age)
 - People with underlying health conditions (diabetes, asthma, chronic heart or lung diseases, HIV/AIDS)
 - International travelers with any of the above
- ▶ People at high risk of exposure and/or capable of transmitting influenza to those at high risk of influenza related complications:
 - Healthcare workers



Overall conclusion

- Seasonal influenza
 - A significant disease causing considerable morbidity in all age groups and mortality in WHO recommended groups
 - A public health problem with significant socioeconomic implications
- Vaccination
 - The most effective way to prevent influenza infection and severe outcomes
 - Composition updated twice yearly due to rapid evolution of the influenza viruses
- The main challenges are to improve vaccine coverage rate and performance
- Influenza vaccine performance is under constant improvement
 - QIV: New standard of care for all age groups to match influenza virus evolution
 - HD: Proposing a proven solution adapted to the elderly population

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Conjugated Pneumococcal vaccine



- Active immunisation for the prevention of invasive disease, pneumonia and acute otitis media caused by *Streptococcus pneumoniae* in infants
- and children from 6 weeks to 17 years of age.



 The use of Prevenar 13 should be determined on the basis of official recommendations taking into consideration the impact of invasive disease and pneumonia in different age groups as well as the variability of serotype epidemiology in different geographical areas.



 The recommended immunisation series consists of four doses. The primary infant series consists of three doses, with the first dose usually given at 2 months of age and with an interval of at least 1 month between doses. The first dose may be given as early as six weeks of age. The fourth (booster) dose is recommended between 11 and 15 months of age.



 In preterm infants, the recommended immunisation series consists of four doses, each of 0.5 ml. The primary infant series consists of three doses, with the first dose given at 2 months of age and with an interval of at least 1 month between doses. The first dose may be given as early as six weeks of age. The fourth (booster) dose is recommended between 11 and 15 months of age.

Unvaccinated infants and children ≥ 7 months of age

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- Two doses, with an interval of at least 1 month between doses. A third dose is recommended in the second year of life.
 - Children aged 12-23 months: Two doses, with an interval of at least 2 months between doses.
 - Children and adolescents aged 2-17 years: One single dose.

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- Children who are considered completely immunised with Prevenar (7-valent) should received one dose of 0.5ml of Prevenar 13 to elicit immune responses to the additional 6 serotypes. This dose of Prevenar 13 should be administered at least 8 weeks after the final dose of Prevenar (7-valent)
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