

# MDR TB

## How Much of a Risk to Texas

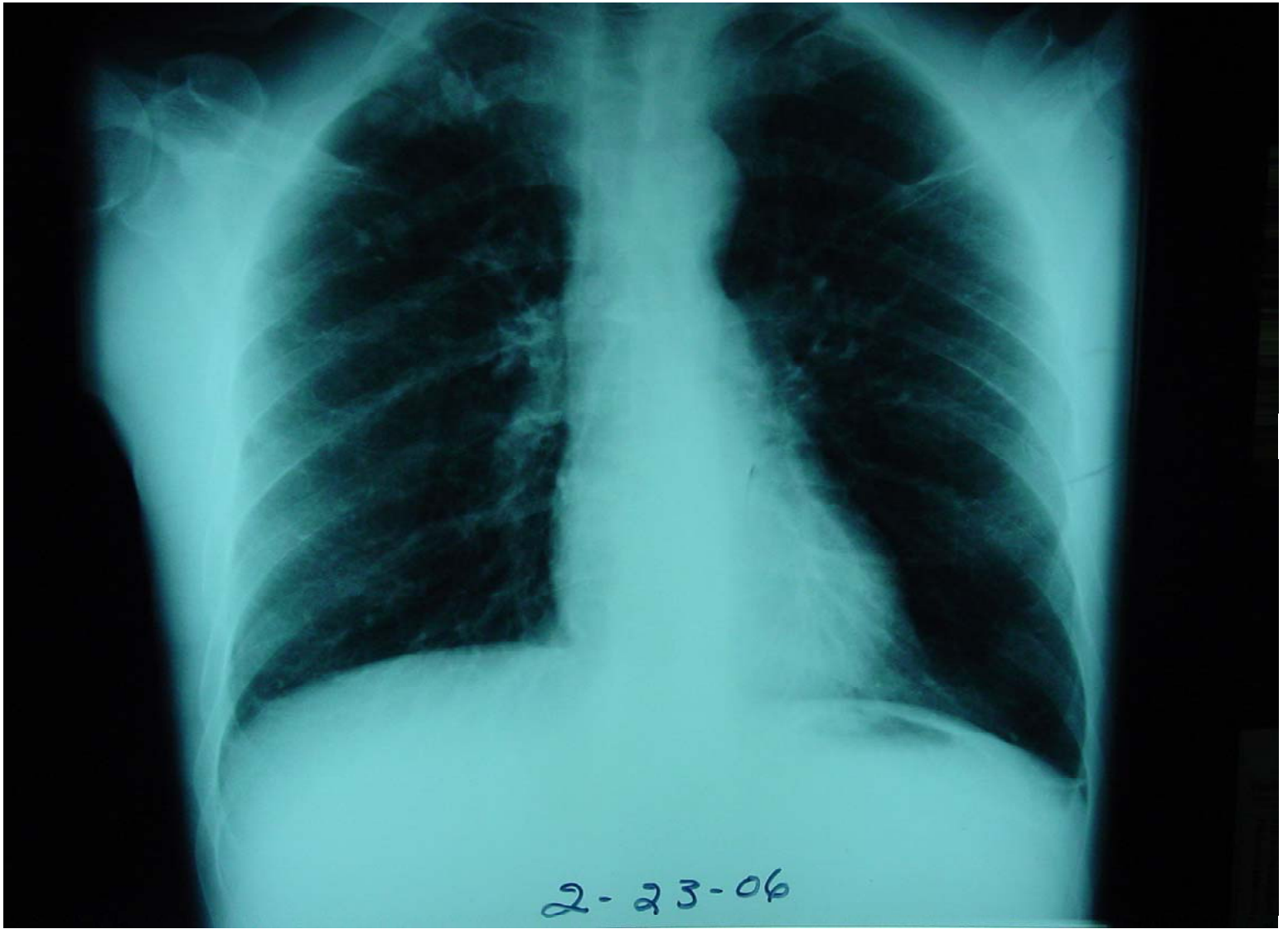
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Primary MDR TB DOB:10-10-52, Date of film: 2-23-06

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# Inadequate Management from Past

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- **Father was drug susceptible at first diagnosis!**
- **Chronic, untreatable disease with transmission created by inadequate therapy, non-compliance and public health decisions**

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# Pathogenesis of Drug Resistant Tuberculosis

- Genetic mutations occur spontaneously that confer resistant to an anti-tuberculosis drug
  - Are present in wild type M tuberculosis isolates.
  - Occur by chance alone
  - Do not depend on prior drug exposure
  - Not linked
  - Occur in frequency specific for each drug
    - INH: 1 in  $10^6$ , rifampin: 1 in  $10^8$
    - INH and rifampin: 1 in  $10^{14}$ 
      - Individual risk of each drug multiplied together

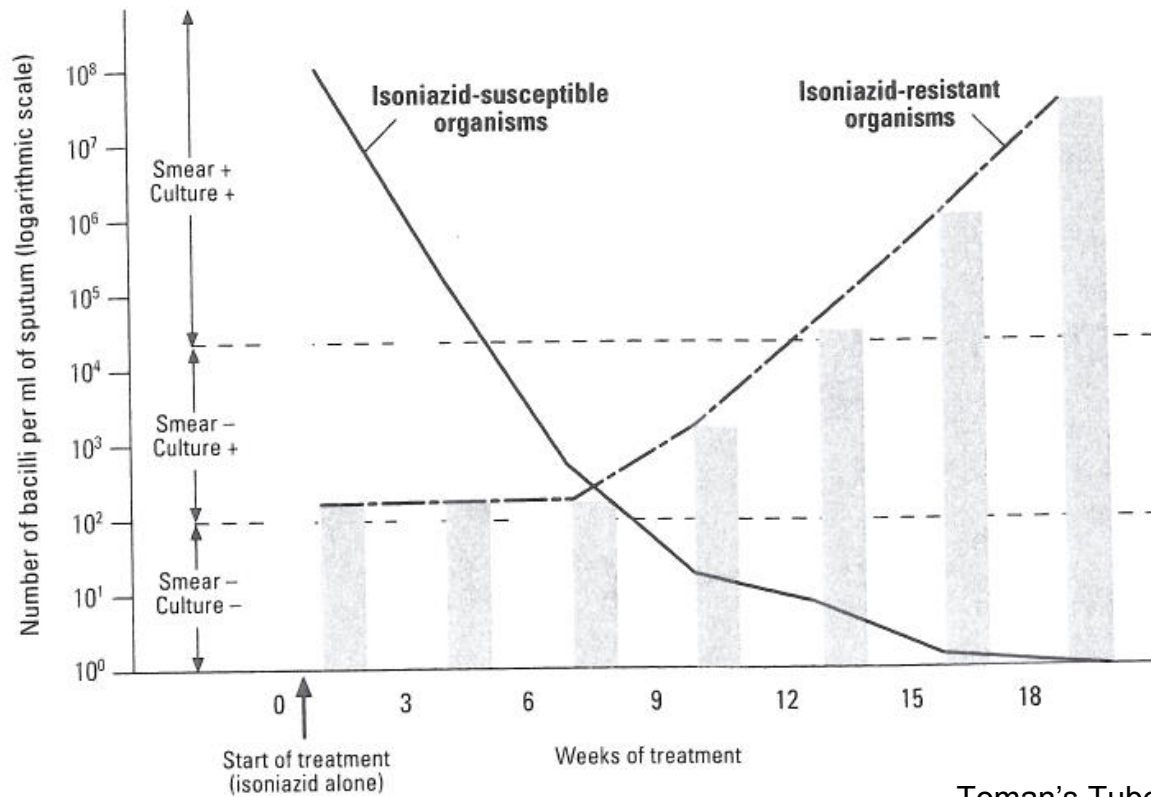
# Pathogenesis of Drug Resistant Tuberculosis

- Because of the natural occurrence of spontaneous mutations, if treatment is given with only one drug (or one effective drug) resistance will ultimately develop in the whole population of mycobacteria.
- Treatment should always include two drugs
  - which the population of M Tb is susceptible to
  - which have activity at the site.
    - PZA is not active in cavitory lesions or lesions with actively dividing mycobacteria,



# “Fall and Rise” phenomenon

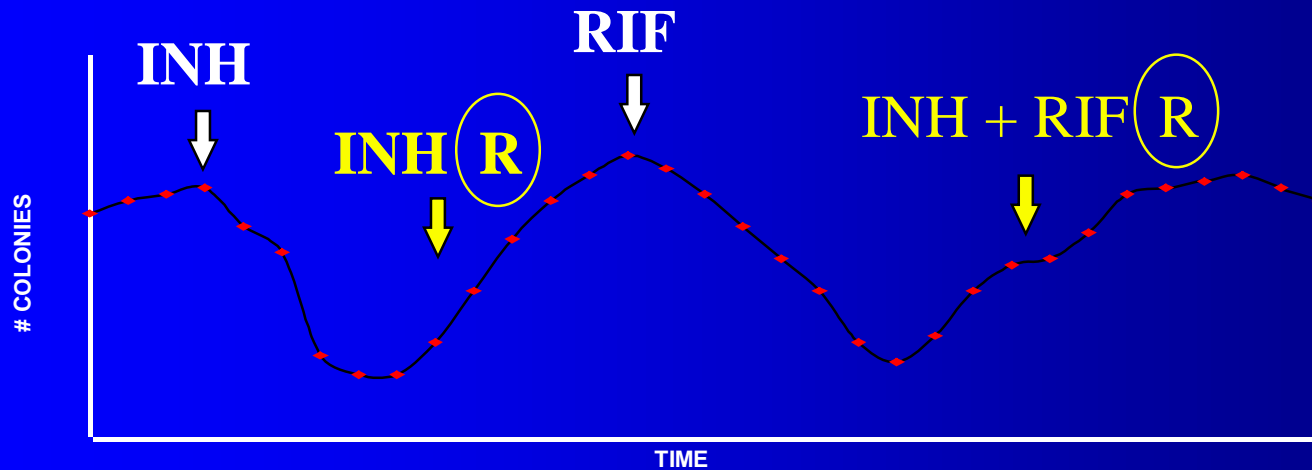
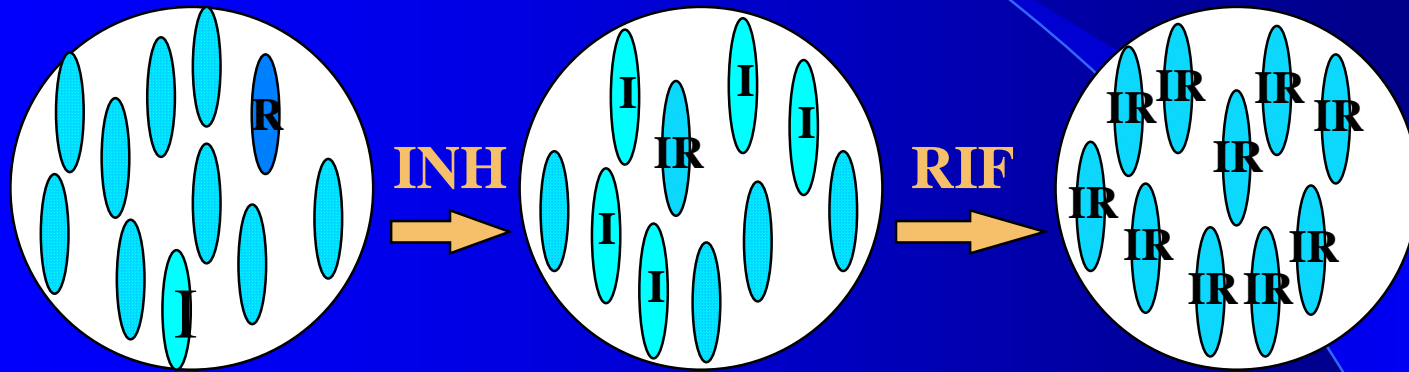
Figure 16  
The “fall and rise” phenomenon<sup>a</sup>



# Amplification of Drug Resistance

- Development of additional drug resistance during treatment of TB.
  - Acquired Drug Resistance

# DEVELOPMENT OF DRUG RESISTANCE



# Protecting Rifampin

Preventing Amplification of Drug Resistance:

- Initial RX: INH, Rifampin, EMB, & PZA.
  - If INH resistance is present:
    - EMB will protect rifampin during initial phase of treatment

Amplification Can Develop During Initial Therapy with INH, Rifampin, & PZA if INH resistance is present:

- PZA is not active in cavities and rapidly growing lesions so it does not protect rifampin
- Continuation phase: INH & Rifampin
  - If there is INH resistance which is not detected:
    - Rifampin is only active drug

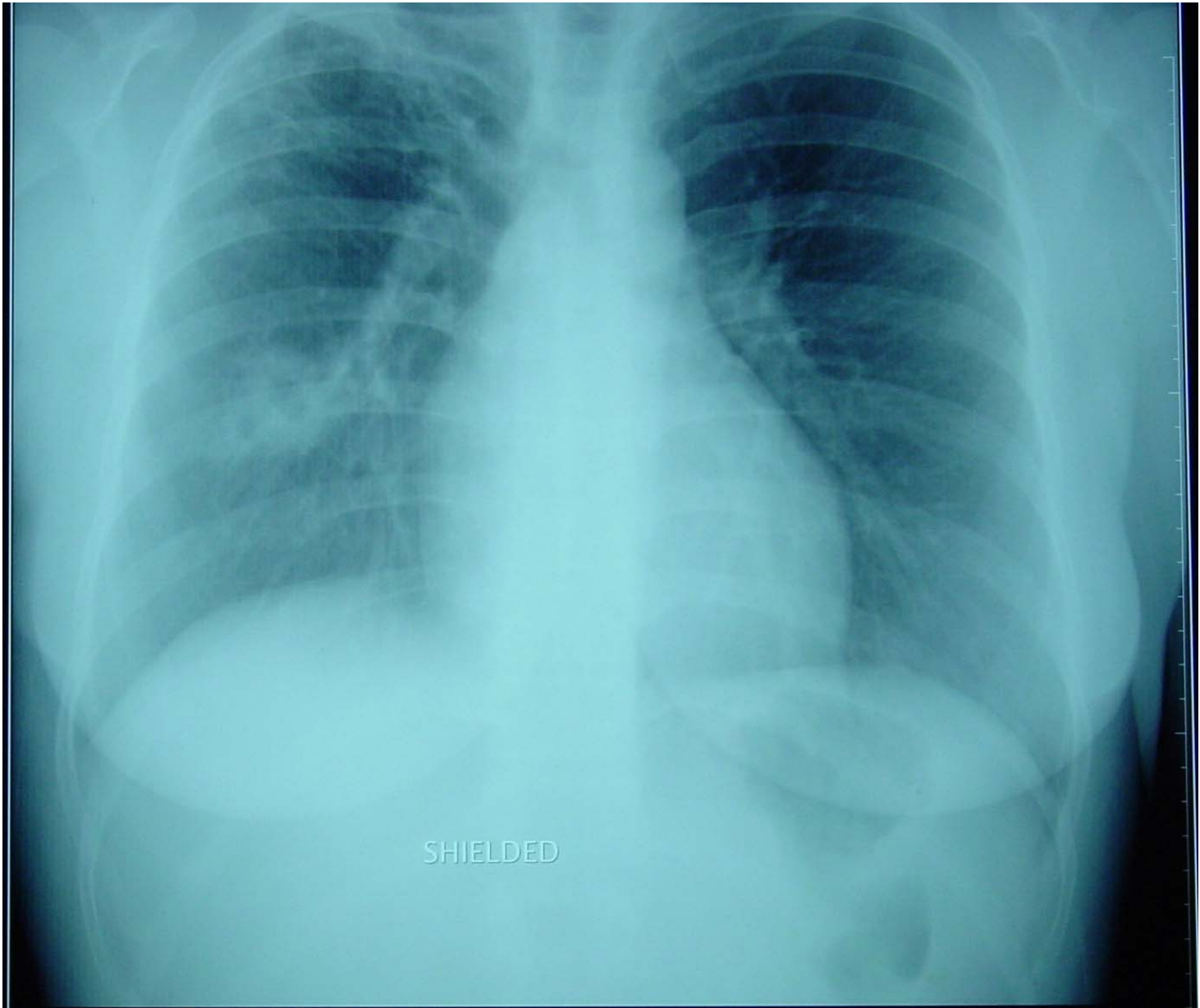
# Fluoroquinolone resistance

- Mice infected with *M.tb complex* and treated with four concentrations of moxifloxacin (0.125, 0.25, 0.5, 1.0%).
- Selection of fluoroquinolone resistant mutants occurred in all surviving mice
- Conclusion: Fluoroquinolone resistance in tuberculosis may rapidly emerge

Ginsburg AS, Sun R, Calamita H, Scott CP, Bishai WR, Grosset JH.  
*Antimicrob Agents Chemother* 2005 Sep;49(9):3977-9

# Is Our Detection and Management of LTBI Good? But What About Undetected Drug Resistance?

- 55 year old female; 3 mo history of cough, fever, weight loss, TST negative
  - Rheumatoid Arthritis
    - Prednisone 20 mg twice daily
    - Adalimumab (Humira) stopped three months ago
    - Immigrated from Honduras 10 years ago
    - Worked in egg processing plant
- After 7 weeks of therapy report of resistance to **INH, ethambutol, & PAS**



Nov 22, 2005: 30 yr old refugee from Uzbekistan

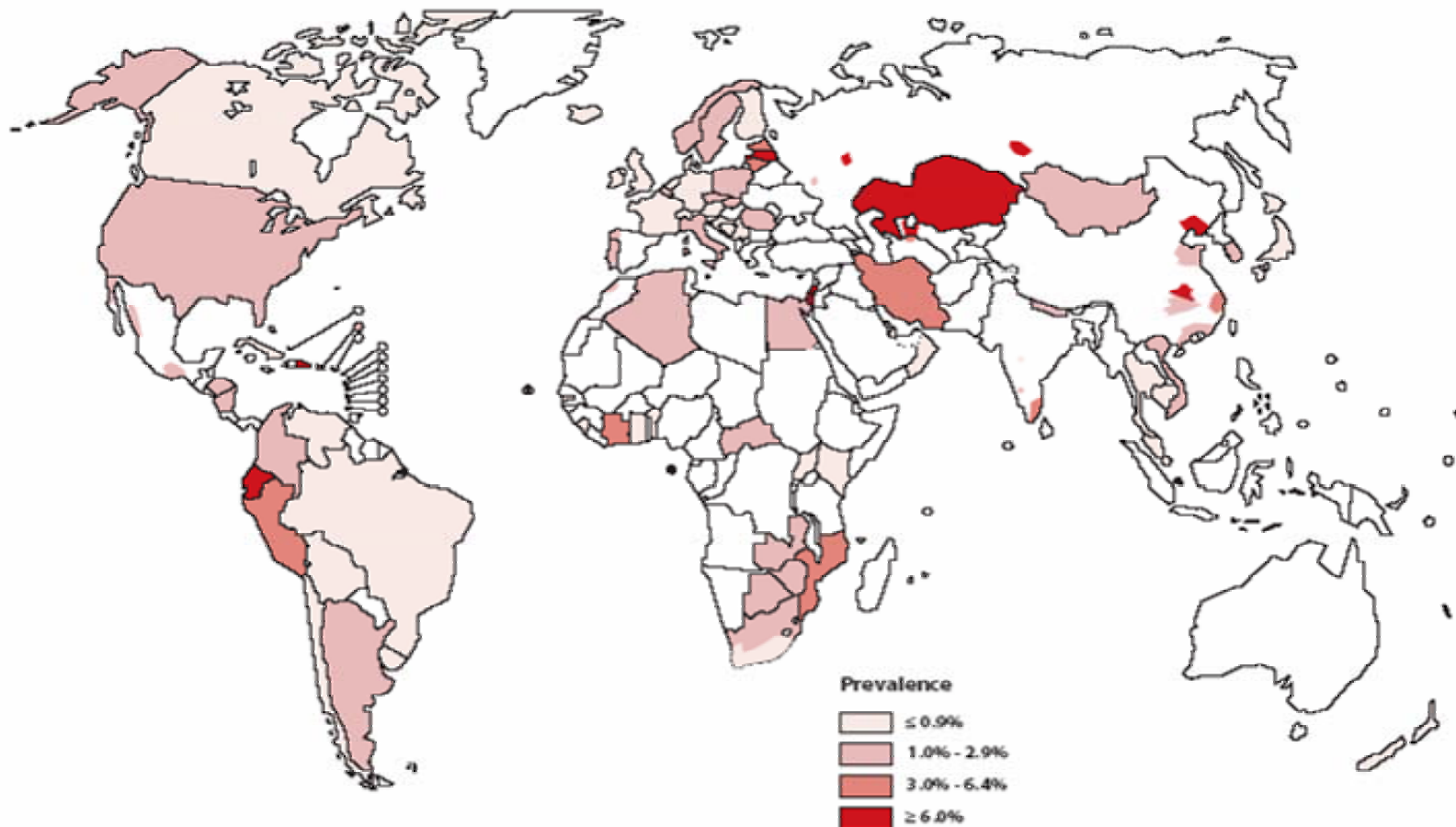
# How Aggressive is Our Management of Contacts of MDR TB?

- Use 2 drugs to which the infecting organism has demonstrated susceptibility  
(Ethambutol, levofloxacin, Moxifloxin and PZA)
- Treat for 6 months or observe without treatment  
(HIV-negative)
- Treat HIV-positive persons for 12 months
  - **Follow for 2 years regardless of treatment**
  - **CXR and clinical evaluation**



# Anti-tuberculosis drug resistance in the world report no. 3 WHO/HTM/TB/2004.343

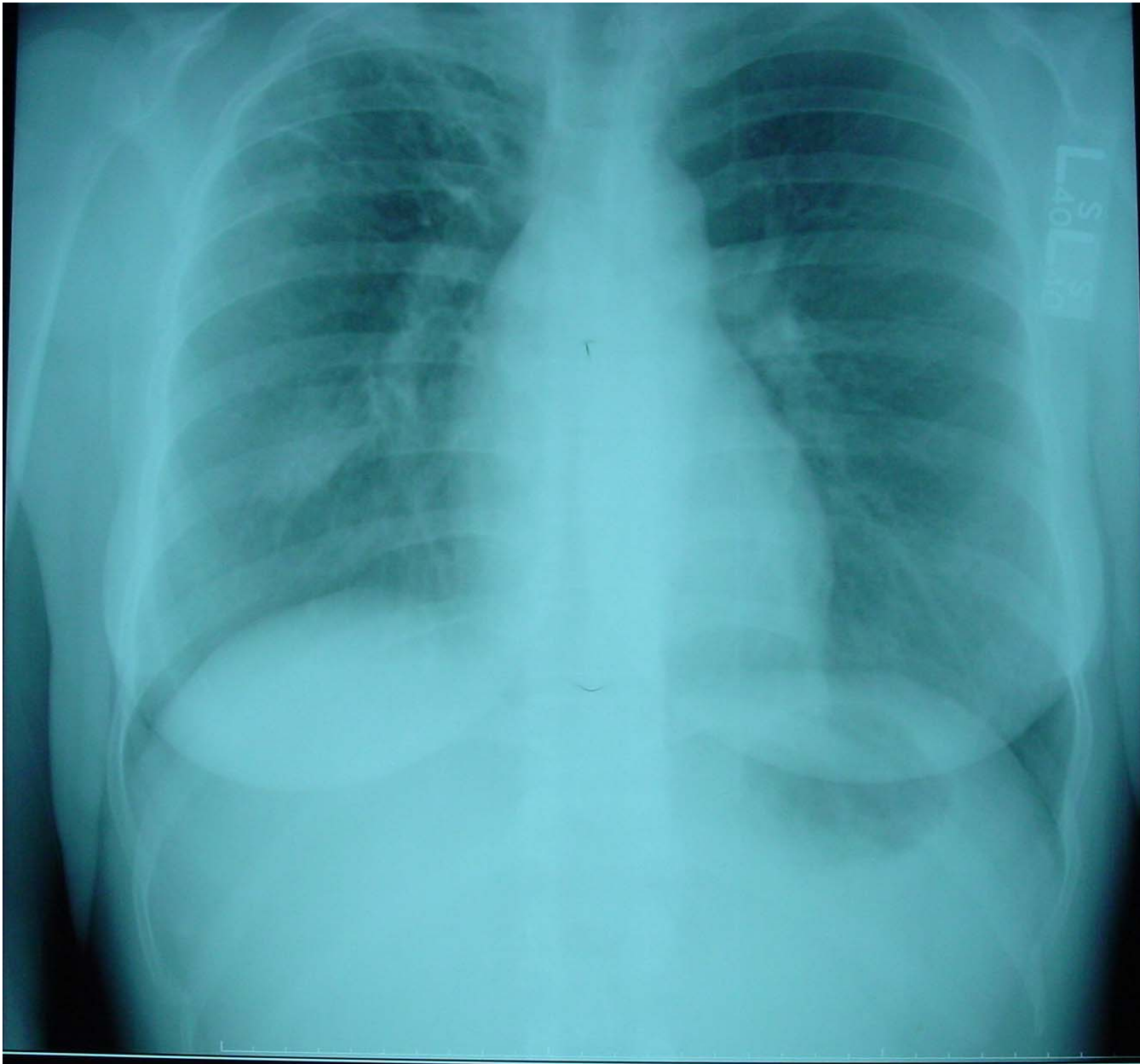
Prevalence of MDR-TB among new TB cases, 1994-2002



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How Good is Our Management of Refugees?

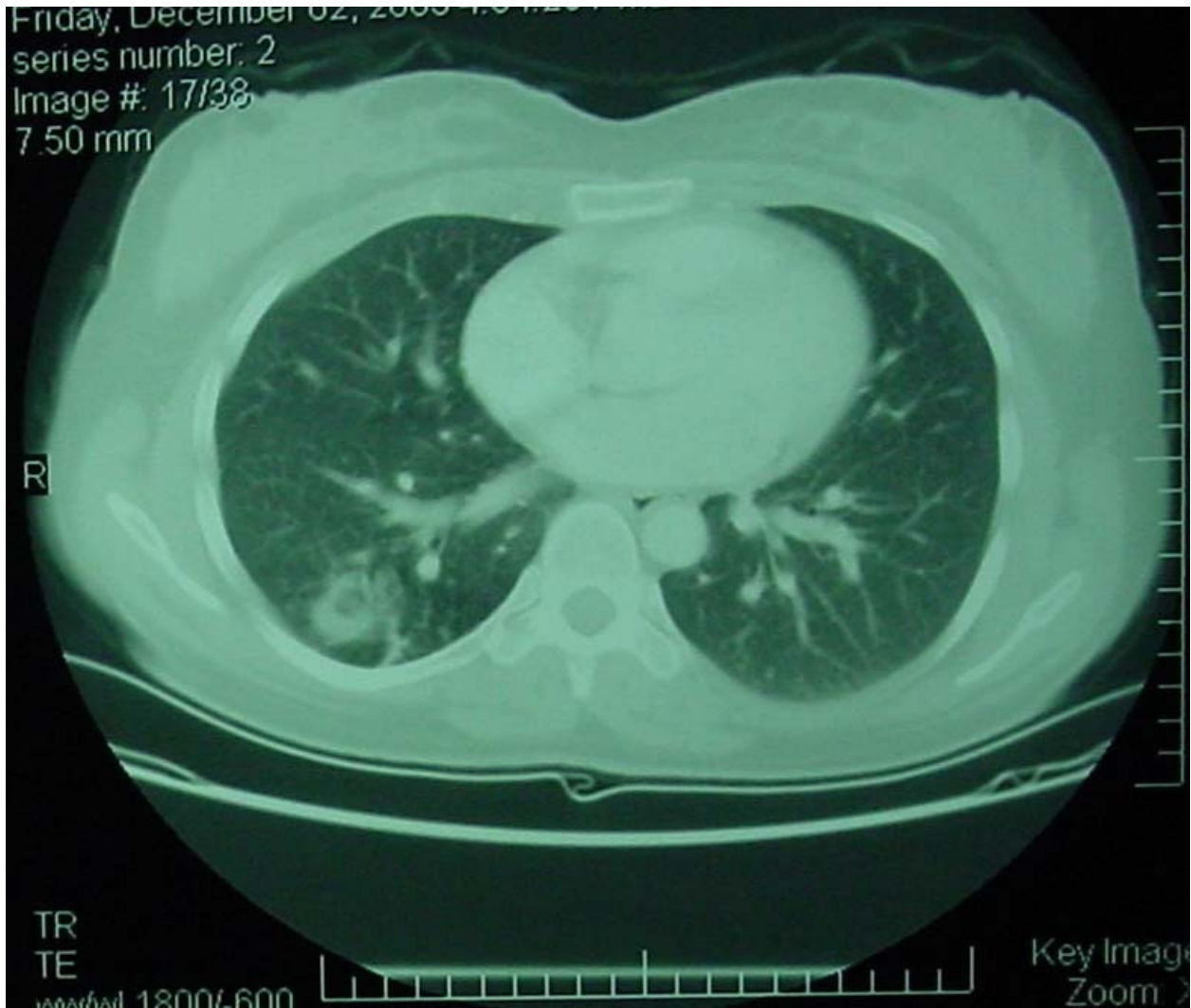


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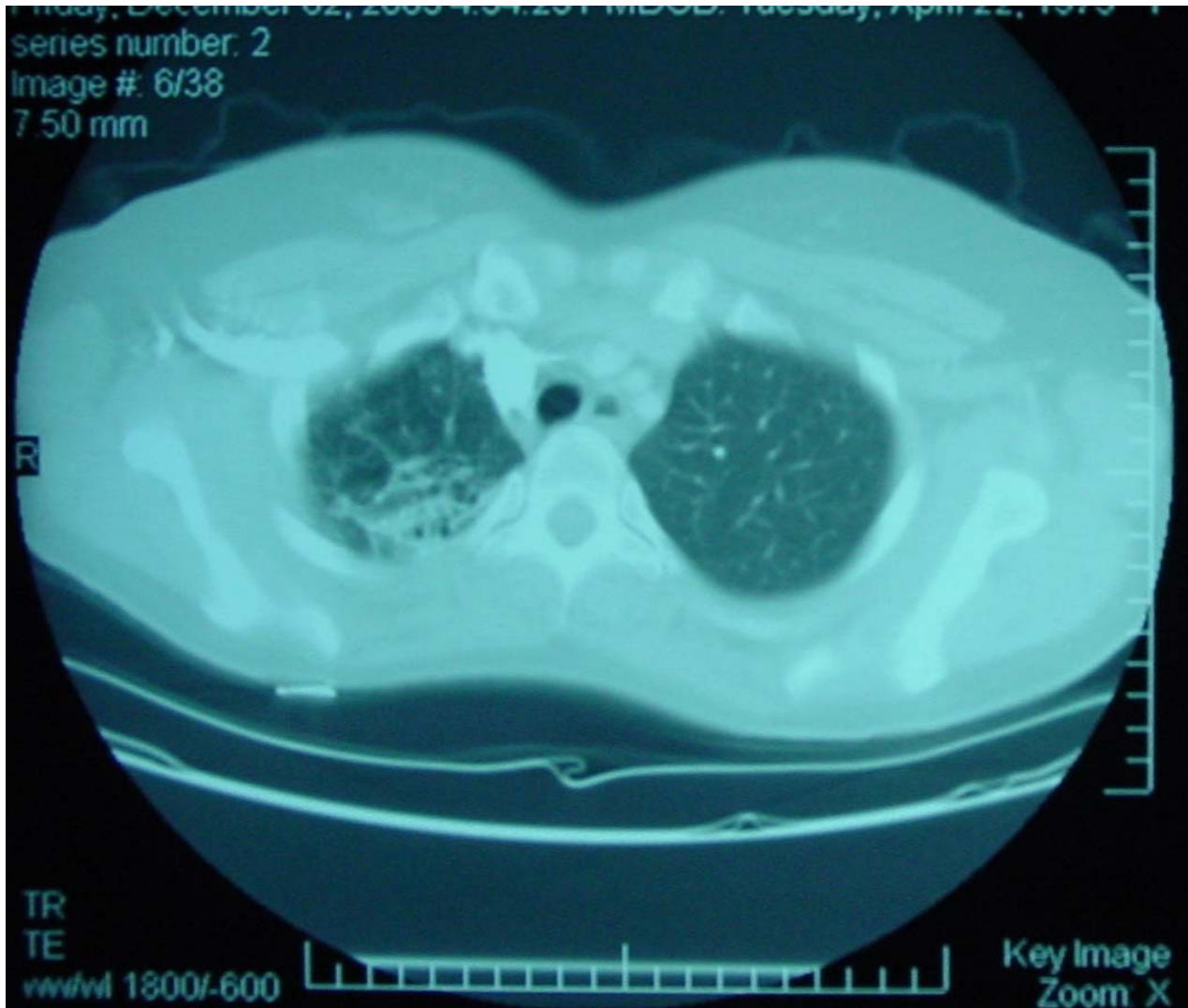




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# **Emergence of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* with Extensive Resistance to Second-Line Drugs — Worldwide, 2000–2004**

# Extensive MDR TB (XDR TB)

- TB resistant to INH and rifampin and at least 3 additional classes of drugs
  - Aminoglycosides: Amikacin, Kanamycin
  - Polypeptides: Capreomycin
  - Fluroquinolones: Ciprofloxacin, Ofloxacin
  - Thioamides: Ethionomide Prothionamide
  - Cycloserine
  - PAS
- No mention of ethambutol or PZA



# XDR TB

- CDC/WHO survey of 25 Supranational TB reference labs on 6 continents: 2000-2004
  - 20% MDR TB
  - 2% XDR TB (10% of all MDR isolates)
- Identified in all regions but most common
  - South Korea 15% of all MDR
  - Eastern Europe/western Asia 14% of all MDR
- Increasing incidence 5% (2000), 7% (2004)

# XDR TB

- Increasing incidence:
  - Eastern Europe/western Asia
    - Latvia
      - 30/204 (15%) cases 2000
      - 39/186 (21%) cases 2002
  - Industrialized countries
    - (UK, US, Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Portugal, & Spain)
    - United States
      - 37/944 (3.9%) cases 1993-96
      - 17/381 (4.5%) cases 2001-04

# Treatment Outcomes of XDR TB

**TABLE 2. Tuberculosis treatment outcomes among patients with extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis (XDR TB) and multidrug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR TB) — Latvia, 2000–2002, and United States, 1993–2002\***

Outcome	XDR TB	MDR TB	Relative risk (95% CI†)	p-value
	No. (%)	No. (%)		
<b>Latvia§¶</b>				
<b>Total</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>490</b>		
Cure/Completion	70 (61)	339 (69)	Referent	
Death/Failure	30 (26)	83 (17)	1.5 (1.1–2.2)	0.02
Death	3 (3)	35 (7)		
Failure	27 (23)	48 (10)		
<b>United States¶**</b>				
<b>Total</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>1,513</b>		
Completion	20 (31)	828 (55)	Referent	
Death	21 (33)	375 (25)	1.6 (1.2–2.2)	0.01

\* Inclusion in this cohort was truncated at December 2002 to allow time for MDR TB treatment completion and reporting.

† Confidence interval.

§ Outcome definitions used are based on international standards (5).

¶ Excludes 83 patients (15 with XDR TB and 68 with MDR TB) from Latvia and 333 patients from the United States (23 with XDR TB and 310 with MDR TB) for whom treatment outcome was unknown.

\*\* Among persons who were alive at time of TB diagnosis and who initiated therapy with more than one anti-TB drug.

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# Very Resistant MDR TB

- Texas Morbidity and Non-morbidity
  - Average # drugs resistant to is 4.8
  - 9/17(53%) resistant  $\geq$  3 drug + INH & rifampin
    - Counts drugs such as ethambutol and PZA
  - At least one is XDR (5.9%)
  - 1/17 (5.9%) simple MDR TB
- Nuevo Laredo Binational Project
  - Average # drugs resistant to is 5
  - 2/25(8%) XDR-TB
  - 8/25 (32%) resistant 2 classes +/- PZA, EMB

# Drug Resistance in Nuevo Laredo Binational Project

- 25 patients
  - 6 Resistant to RIPE
  - 5 Resistant to Rifampin, INH and Ethambutol
  - 3 Resistant to Rifampin, INH and PZA
- Only 3 Resistant to Rifampin, INH and Rifabutin
- ALSO
  - 9 Resistant to Ethionamide
  - 4 Resistant to Ofloxacin
  - 2 Resistant to all Injectables

# Individualized Treatment for MDR TB Nuevo Laredo – 25 Patients

- Culture and Susceptibility
- Case Management and DOT
- Toxicity Assessment and intervention
- Outcomes
  - 12 Completed therapy as cured
    - 8 well at F/U 12+ mo, 1 at 6 mo
  - 8 in treatment
    - 5 culture negative by 3 mo, 3 Rx < 3 months
  - 1 Failed (Resistant RIPE, ethionamide, all injectables)
  - 3 Lost ( all converted culture prior to loss)

# MDR Treatment Outcomes: WHO Standard Retreatment Regimen

Cure: Negative smear at 5 and 8 months

- 2SHRZE / 1HRZE / 5HRE
  - 5HRE given three times/week
- 42 MDR patients\*
  - 14 (33%) smear negative at end of therapy
- Historical controls 1947
  - 26% smear negative at 4 years of follow-up

Springett Tubercle 1971

\*Cases were relapse or treatment failure from Vietnam

Lan. Int J Tuberc. Lung Dis 2001

# Retreatment Strategies After Failure of Standard Category 1 Treatment - Peru

- Strategy A: (Standard Category 2 Rx)
  - 3SHREZ/5HRE(2x/wk)
    - If failure then -
  - Standard Rx MDR TB
    - 3 KM CPX ETH EMB  
PZA/15 CPX ETH EMB  
PZA
  - No drug susceptibility
  - 28/73 (38%) cured

## Strategy B:

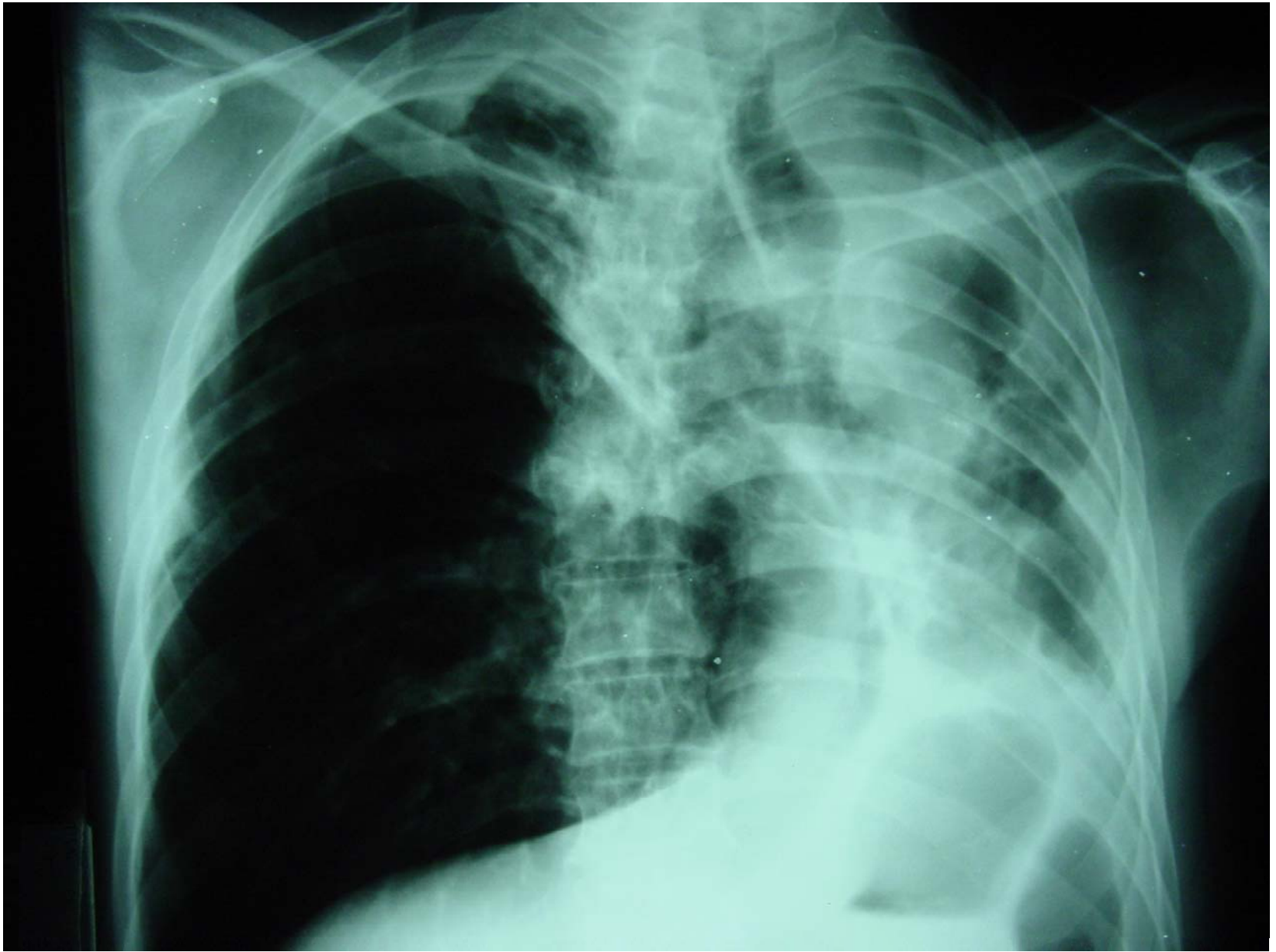
- Culture and susceptibility
  - Empiric therapy MDR TB
    - Pending susceptibility
    - Same as standard
  - Individualized Therapy for DST
    - 18-24 mo, 5 or > drugs
  - 41/52 (79%) cured
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- Saravia. Int J Tuber Lung Dis 9:421, 2005



# Chronic MDR TB

## Extensive Drug Resistance

- 56 y.o. male, treated age 37, relapsed 2002
  - Positive smear after 5 months of Rifater
    - Ciprofloxacin 2 ½ months led to negative smears
- Relapsed 2003, smear remained + after Rifater, **EMB** and Ciprofloxacin for 6 months
- All treatment was in private sector
- 2005: Cough, SOB, wt loss, destroyed lung
  - Referred to Binational Project



Extensive MDR TB, Nuevo Laredo, Date of film: 02-13-06

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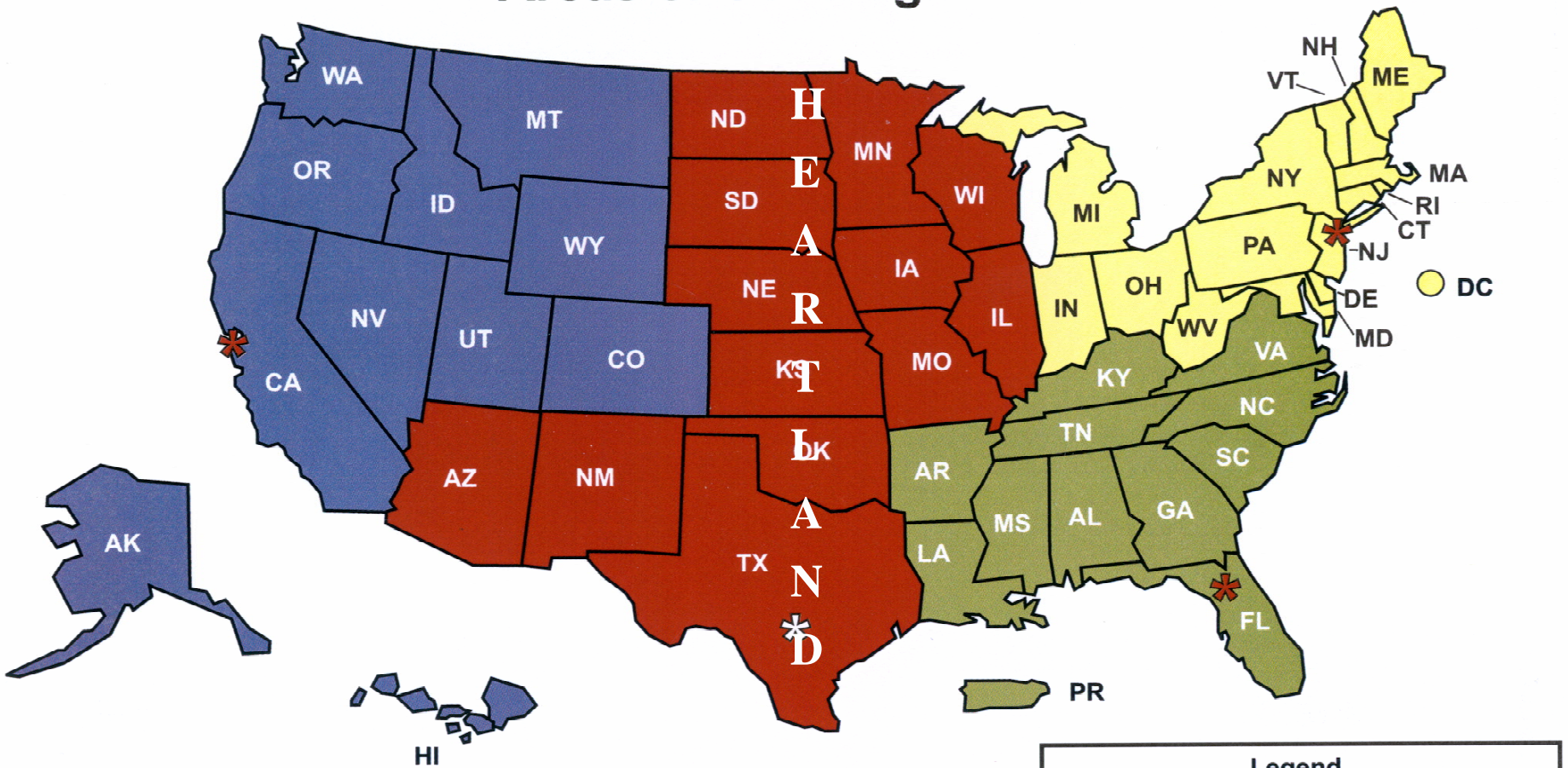
- 2005: Referred to Binational Project
  - Resistance: INH, Rifampin, Rifabutin, Strep, PZA, EMB, Ethionamide, Levofloxacin and Imipenem
  - Susceptible: Amikacin, Capreo, Cycloserine, PAS, Linezolid
  - Intermediate: Moxifloxacin 1.0 microgram/ml
- Treatment: Amikacin, Capreo, Moxifloxin 800mg, PAS and Linezolid 600mg
  - Culture conversion at 3 months
  - A long way still to go

**THEY ALWAYS COME BACK**

**Do It Right The First Time!**

# Regional Training and Medical Consultation Centers (RTMCCs)

## Areas of Coverage



Legend	
Area of Coverage	* Center Location
Region 1	San Francisco, CA
Region 2	San Antonio, TX
Region 3	Newark, NJ
Region 4	Gainesville, FL