

# Genomics Impact on Infectious Diseases

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## Welcome to the Genomic Era

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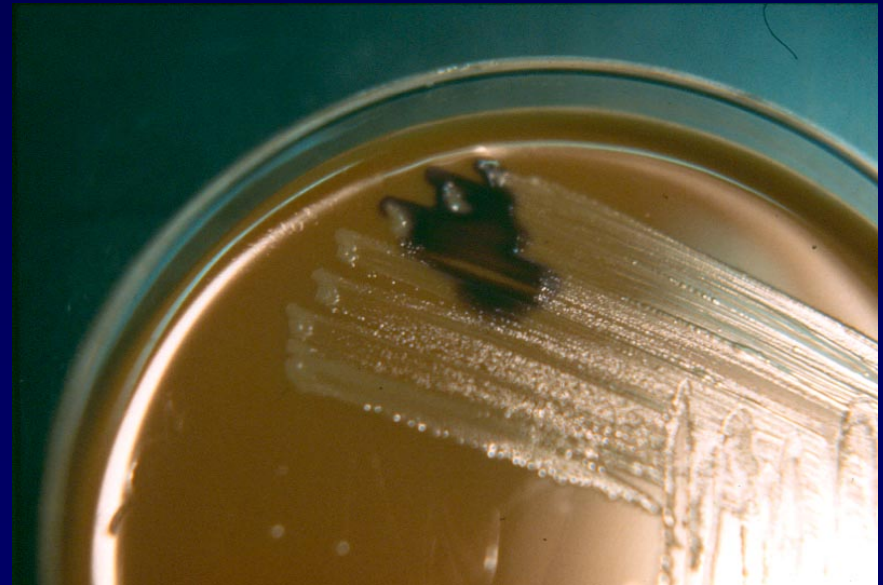
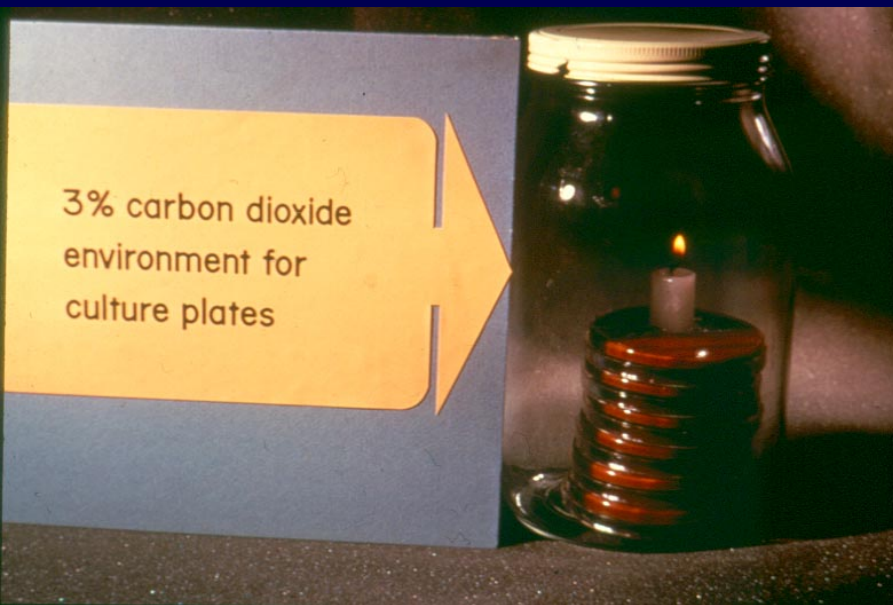
To him who devotes his life to science, nothing can give more happiness than increasing the number of discoveries, but his cup of joy is full when the results of his studies immediately find practical applications.

— Louis Pasteur

announcement (available at <http://www.genome.gov/11006929>) that it had achieved the last of the project's original goals, the complete sequencing of the human genome. The extent and pace of progress in genomics are suggested by the fact that this achievement occurred 11 days shy of the 50th anniversary of the publication of Watson and Crick's

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# Bacterial Diagnosis until 2000



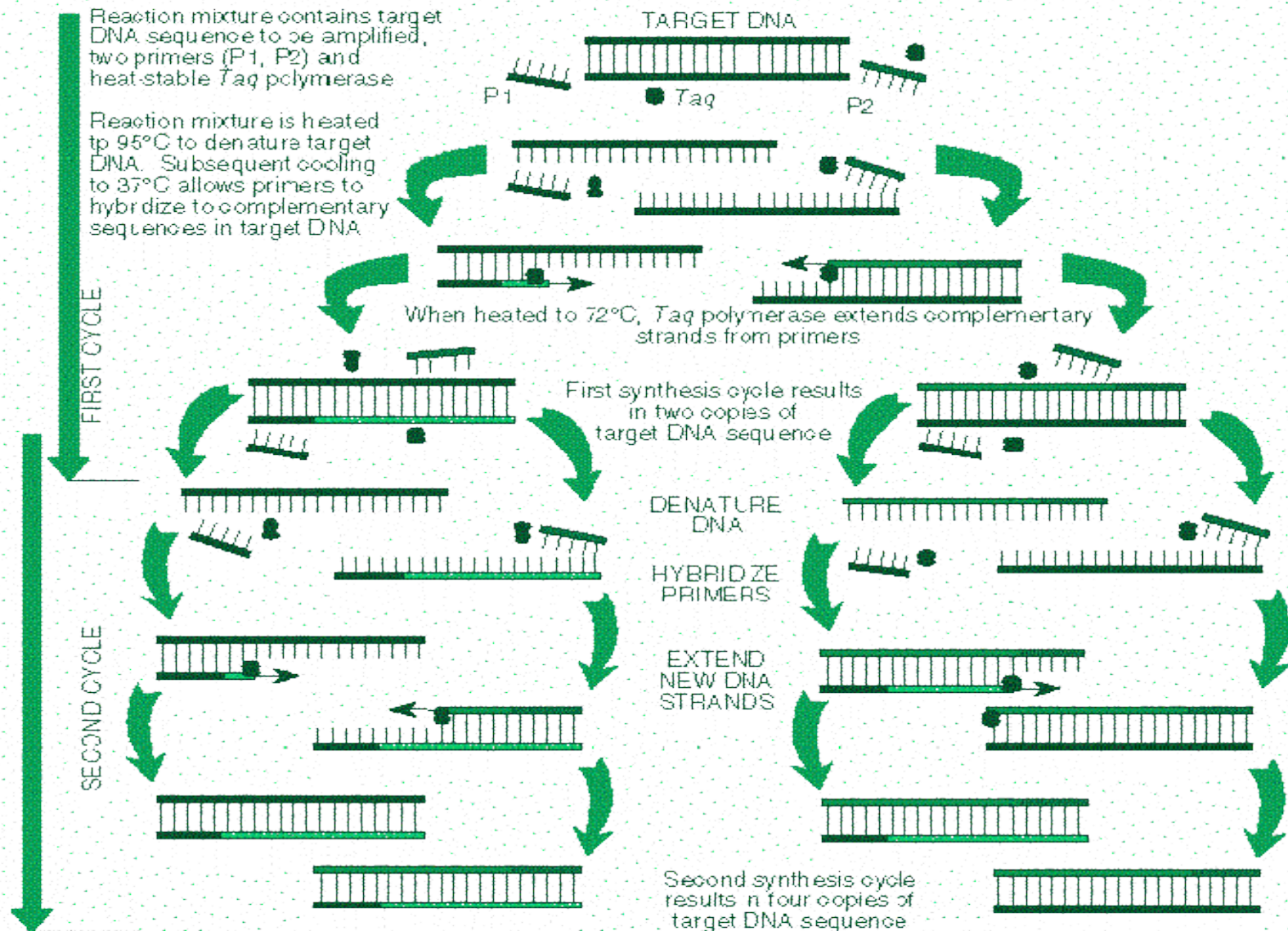
# Problems with Cultures

- Cultures take 24-48 hours to process
- Quantitative Cultures take longer
- Cultures are prone to overgrowth
- Are there molecular approaches?

# Genomics Diagnostics-- Principles

- Detect DNA
- Amplification via PCR—Impact on Sensitivity
- Bacterial DNA have unique 16S ribosome DNA elements
- March to libraries
- Link to detection system
- Specificity can be a problem

## DNA Amplification Using Polymerase Chain Reaction



Source: *DNA Science*, see Fig. 13.

# Accelerated Progress

- Nucleic Acid Diagnostics Commercialized in 1990s (STDs, HIV viral load)
- Non cultivable pathogens identified
- 2001 attacks—Major investments
- Simultaneous HGP and Sequence projects
- ~2000 organisms fully sequenced



# Current Trends

- Commercialization of Discovery
- Rapid Clinical Diagnostics
- Genomics as Clinical Management Tools
- Bacterial Population Genomics and Impact
- Host Genomics and Susceptibility
- Microbiome Projects
- Expert and Benchtop systems

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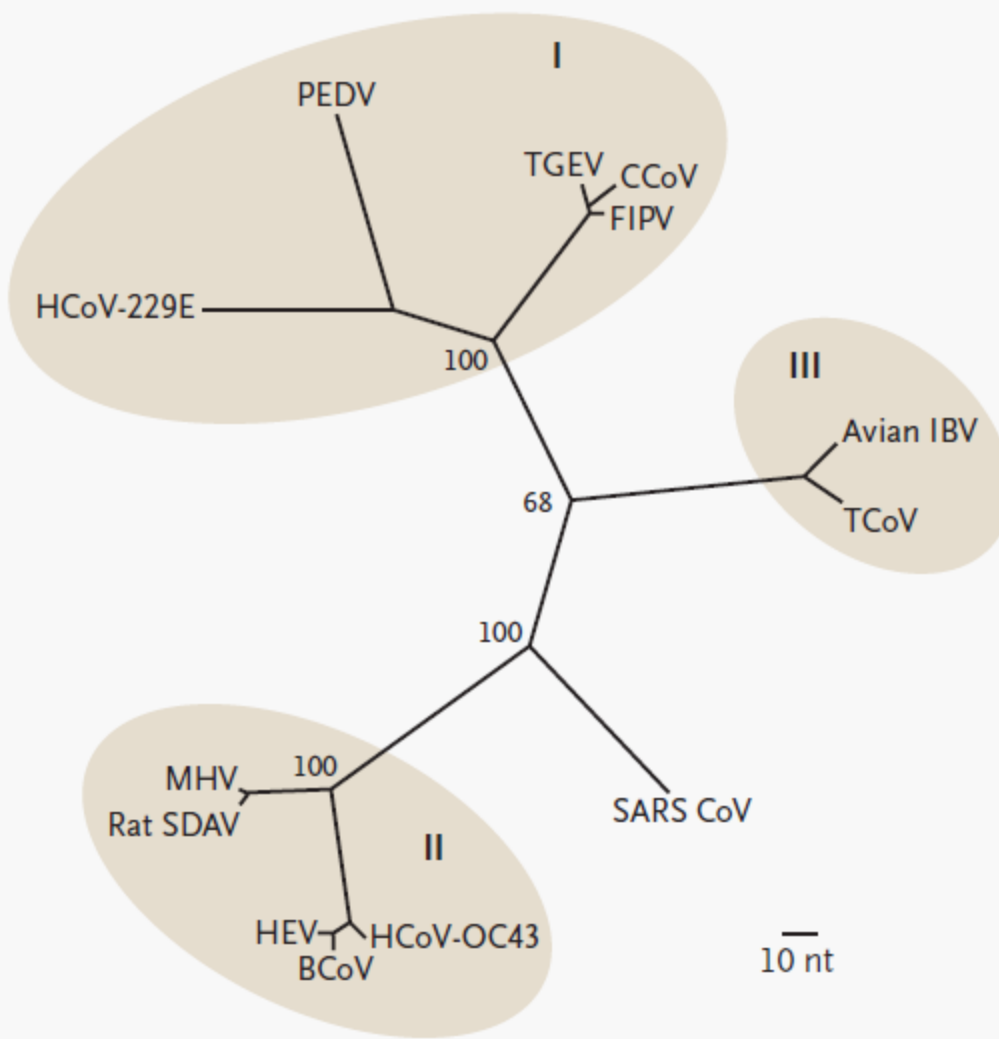
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## A Novel Coronavirus Associated with Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome

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ABSTRACT



**Figure 3.** Estimated Maximum-Parsimony Tree Based on the Sequence Alignment of 405 Nucleotides of the Coronavirus Polymerase Gene Open Reading Frame 1b (Nucleotide Numbers 15173 to 15578 Based on Bovine Coronavirus Complete Genome Accession Number NC\_003045) Comparing SARS Coronavirus with Other Human and Animal Coronaviruses.

The three major coronavirus antigenic groups (I, II, and III), represented by

# Nucleic Acid Amplification Tests

- NAAT tests are the dominant mode of gonococcal and chlamydia testing
- Can be used in genital and non-genital samples-eg urine, self administered swabs-field applications
- Screening in field settings, schools, jails etc
- No transport issues
- Turnaround 24 hours
- Multiplex
- BUT-cant detect resistance

# Untreated Gonococcal and Chlamydial Infection in a Probability Sample of Adults

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**Context** The prevalence and distribution of gonococcal and chlamydial infections in the general population are poorly understood. Development of nucleic acid amplification tests, such as the ligase chain reaction assay, provides new opportunities to estimate the prevalence of untreated infections in the population.

**Objective** To estimate the overall prevalence of untreated gonococcal and chlamydial infections and to describe patterns of infection within specific demographic subgroups of the young adult population in Baltimore, Md.

**Design and Setting** Cross-sectional behavioral survey based on a probability sample of Baltimore households with collection of urine specimens between January 1997 and September 1998.

**Participants** A total of 728 adults aged 18 to 35 years completed the interview portion of the study, and 579 of these respondents also provided a urine specimen adequate for testing.

**Main Outcome Measure** Prevalence of untreated infection, as measured by the presence of organisms testing positive for untreated gonococcal and chlamydial infection by

UNTREATED INFECTION WITH

**Table 2. Estimated Prevalence of Untreated Gonococcal and Chlamydial Infections by Race and Sex: 1997-1998 Baltimore STD and Behavior Survey\*.**

**Table 2.** Estimated Prevalence of Untreated Gonococcal and Chlamydial Infections by Race and Sex: 1997-1998 Baltimore STD and Behavior Survey\*

	Black		Other Race		Total
	Women	Men	Women	Men	
Unweighted sample size	193	126	142	118	579
<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> and/or <i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i>					
No. of cases (unweighted)†	21	14	8	6	49‡
Prevalence (weighted), % (SE)§	15.0 (3.7)	6.4 (2.1)	1.3 (0.5)	2.8 (1.3)	7.9 (1.6)
<i>N gonorrhoeae</i>					
No. of cases (unweighted)†	12	10	8	3	33
Prevalence (weighted), % (SE)§	9.3 (3.3)	5.3 (2.0)	1.3 (0.5)	1.3 (0.9)	5.3 (1.4)
<i>C trachomatis</i>					
No. of cases (unweighted)†	10	4	0	4	18
Prevalence (weighted), % (SE)§	6.4 (2.2)	1.1 (0.7)	0	2.4 (1.3)	3.0 (0.8)

\*STD indicates sexually transmitted disease. Estimates are based on age-eligible respondents who provided urine specimens for *N gonorrhoeae* and *C trachomatis* testing (ligase chain reaction assay). The estimates are weighted to account for differing probabilities of selection and poststratification adjustments to match US Census marginals. The estimates presented differ slightly from preliminary estimates for sexually experienced subjects presented at the International Society for Sexually Transmitted Diseases Research meetings.<sup>25</sup> In addition to the difference in population definition (all subjects vs subjects with sexual experience), subsequent comparison of laboratory records and the preliminary analysis file revealed 1 instance in which a subject who tested positive for gonococcal infection was mistakenly coded as positive for both pathogens in the preliminary analysis file.

†Unweighted case counts are not appropriate for making inferences about the prevalence of infection in populations since they do not take account of the differing probabilities of selection of households and individuals.

‡Includes 2 cases that were positive for both infections.

§SEs were calculated from weighted data using statistical algorithms that take account of impact of complex sample design on variance estimates.

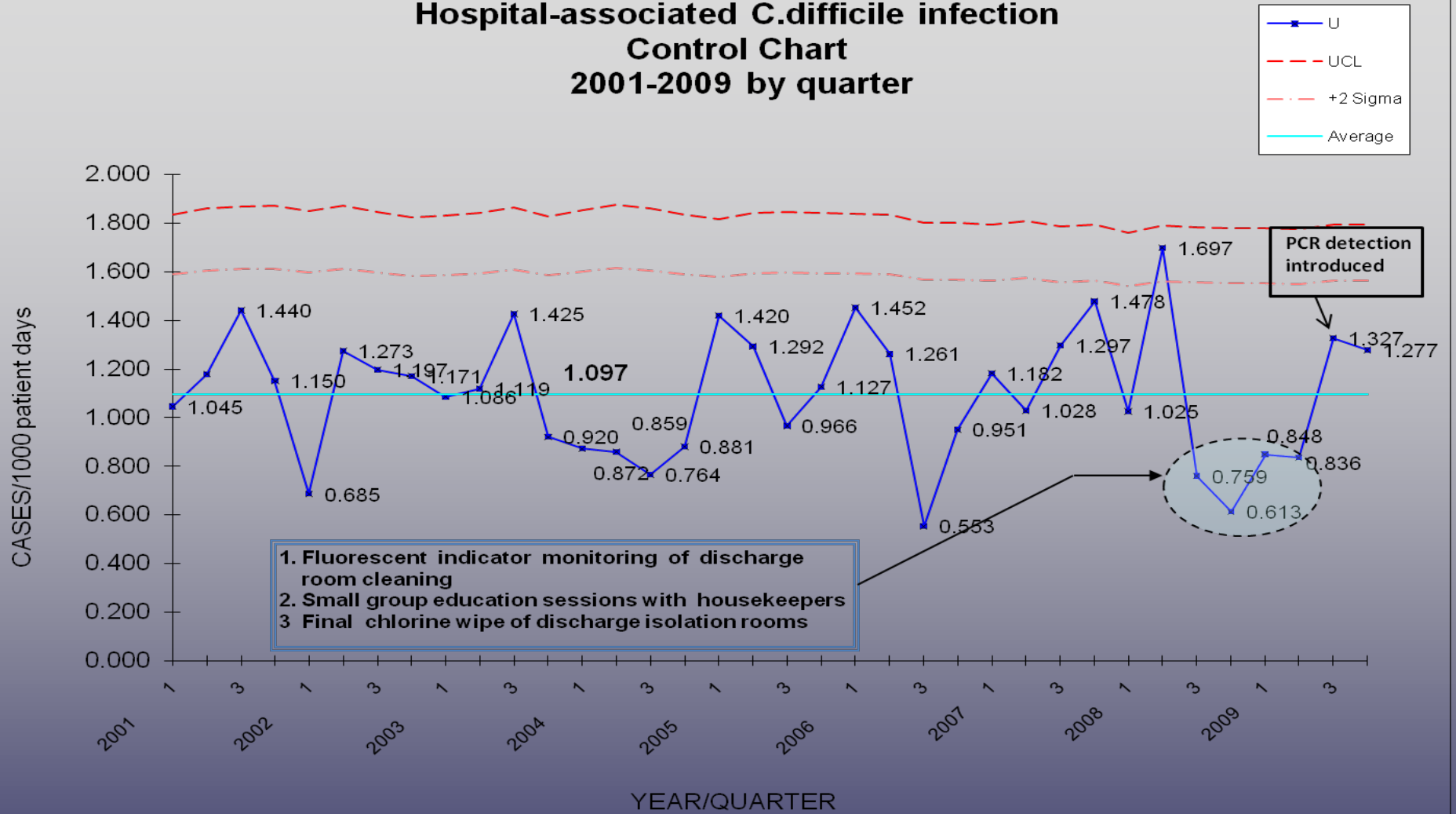
# Diagnostic Progression of *C. Difficile*

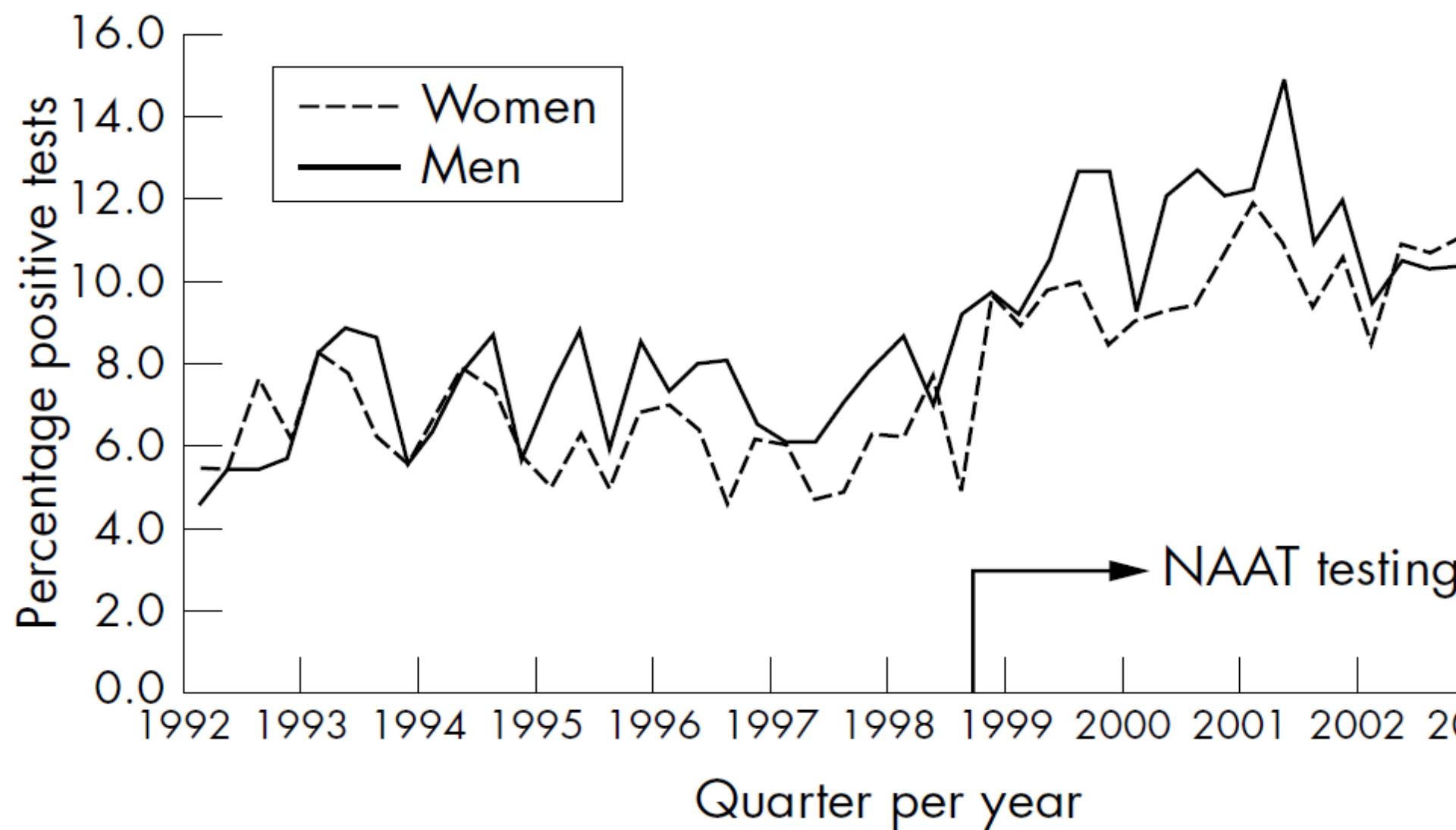
- Culture—Takes days and is non-specific
- Toxin assay –Stool filtrate in tissue culture
- ELISA assay—Sensitivity ~80%
- Current—PCR of toxinA/toxinB genes—  
potential 6 hour turnaround

BUT—what happens when you  
start using the new tests?



# Hospital-associated C.difficile infection Control Chart 2001-2009 by quarter





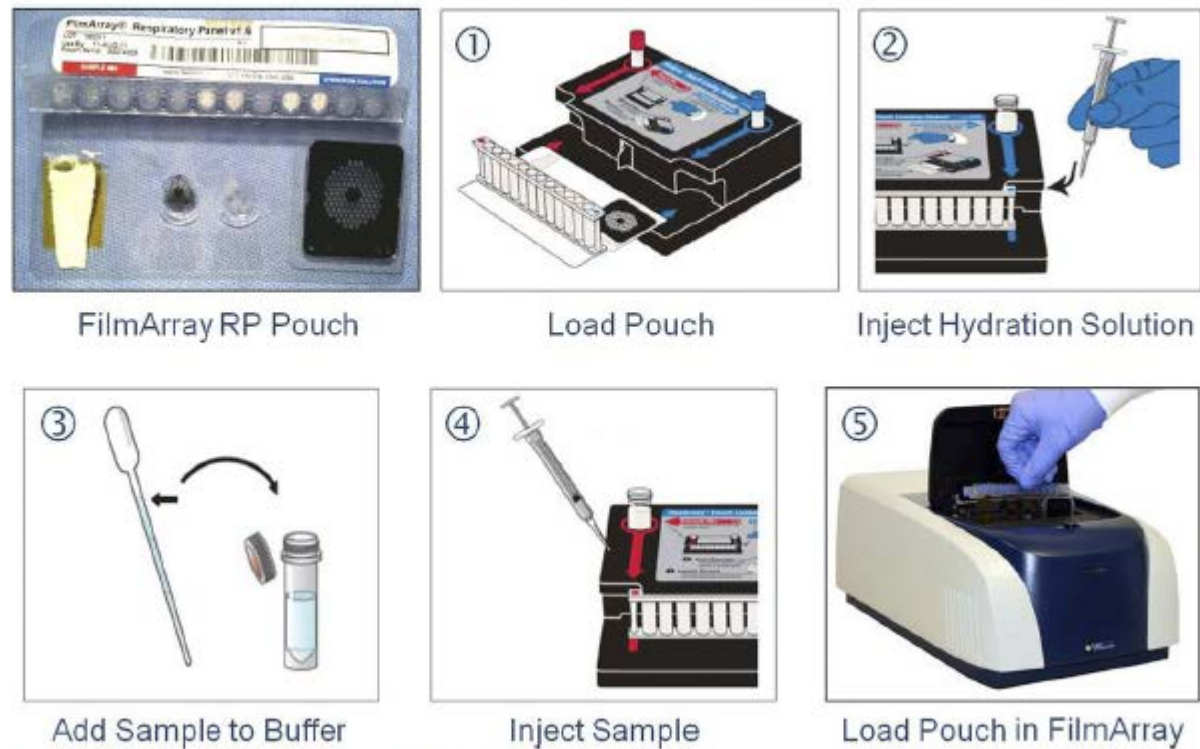
**Figure 1** Percentage positive chlamydia tests per yearly quarter Royal Infirmary Edinburgh GUM dataset for 1992 to 2003, separated for males and females; date of change from culture to NAAT for males

# Comparison of the Idaho Technology FilmArray System to Real-Time PCR for Detection of Respiratory Pathogens in Children

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The FilmArray Respiratory Panel (RP) multiplexed nucleic acid amplification test (Idaho Technology, Inc., Salt Lake City, UT) was compared to laboratory-developed real-time PCR assays for the detection of various respiratory viruses and certain bacterial pathogens. A total of 215 frozen archived pediatric respiratory specimens previously characterized as either negative or positive for one or more pathogens by real-time PCR were examined using the FilmArray RP system. Overall agreement between the FilmArray RP and corresponding real-time PCR assays for shared analytes was 98.6% (kappa = 0.92 [95% confidence interval (CI), 0.89 to 0.94]). The combined positive percent agreement was 89.4% (95% CI, 85.4 to 92.6); the negative percent agreement was 99.6% (95% CI, 99.2 to 99.8). The mean real-time PCR threshold cycle ( $C_T$ ) value for specimens with discordant results was  $36.46 \pm 4.54$ . Detection of coinfections and correct identification of influenza A virus subtypes were comparable to those of real-time PCR when using the FilmArray RP. The greatest comparative difference in sensitivity was observed for adenovirus; only 11 of 24 (45.8%; 95% CI, 27.0 to 64.0) clinical specimens positive for adenovirus by real-time PCR were also positive by the Film



**FIG 1** Illustration of the FilmArray RP pouch and the steps involved in processing a specimen for testing using the FilmArray system.

# Detecting Undetectable/Hard to detect organisms

- Bartonella and other fastidious bacteria (eg TB)
- HPV viruses
- T. palliduma and LGV in lesions
- Newly discovered organisms

# The Expansion of the Microbiological Spectrum of Brain Abscesses with Use of Multiple 16S Ribosomal DNA Sequencing

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**(See the editorial commentary by DiGiulio and Relman on pages 1179–81)**

20 patients with brain abscess

Cultures=22 strains; PCR=72 strains

27 species not previously seen in brain abscess

1 subject had 16 strains

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# Antimicrobial Resistance

- Genomics can rapidly detect antimicrobial resistance
- You need to know what you are looking for
- Can be used as rapid screens
- High utility in tracking outbreaks, identifying clones

# Quinolone Resistance–Determining Region Mutations and *por* Type of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates: Resistance Surveillance and Typing by Molecular Methodologies

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Quinolone resistance is increasing rapidly in *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* and is a significant public health problem



**Table 3. Mutations in the quinolone resistance–determining regions (QRDRs) of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* strains isolated in Israel from January 2000 through October 2001.**

Fluoroquinolone susceptibility	No. of isolates	MIC of ciprofloxacin, $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$	QRDR mutations, by gene and amino acid		
			In <i>gyrA</i> <sup>a</sup>		In <i>parC</i> , <sup>b</sup>
			aa 91	aa 95	aa 86
CipR <sup>c</sup>	39	2–16	TCC→TTC	GAC→AAC	GAC→AAC
	2	4–8	TCC→TTC	GAC→GGC	GAC→AAC
	1	8	TCC→TTC	<i>wt</i>	GAC→AAC
CipI <sup>d</sup>	1	0.125	<i>wt</i>	GAC→AAC	<i>wt</i>
CipS <sup>e</sup>	37	.002–.016	<i>wt</i>	<i>wt</i>	<i>wt</i>

**NOTE.** CipI, intermediately resistant to ciprofloxacin; CipR, resistant to ciprofloxacin; CipS, susceptible to ciprofloxacin; *wt*, wild type.


<sup>a</sup> All isolates were *wt* at loci coding aa 92–94 of *gyrA*.

<sup>b</sup> All isolates were *wt* at loci coding aa 85 and 87–91 of *parC*.

<sup>c</sup> MIC of ciprofloxacin,  $\geq 1 \mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ .

<sup>d</sup> MIC of ciprofloxacin,  $\geq 0.125 \mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ .

<sup>e</sup> MIC of ciprofloxacin,  $< 0.125 \mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ .

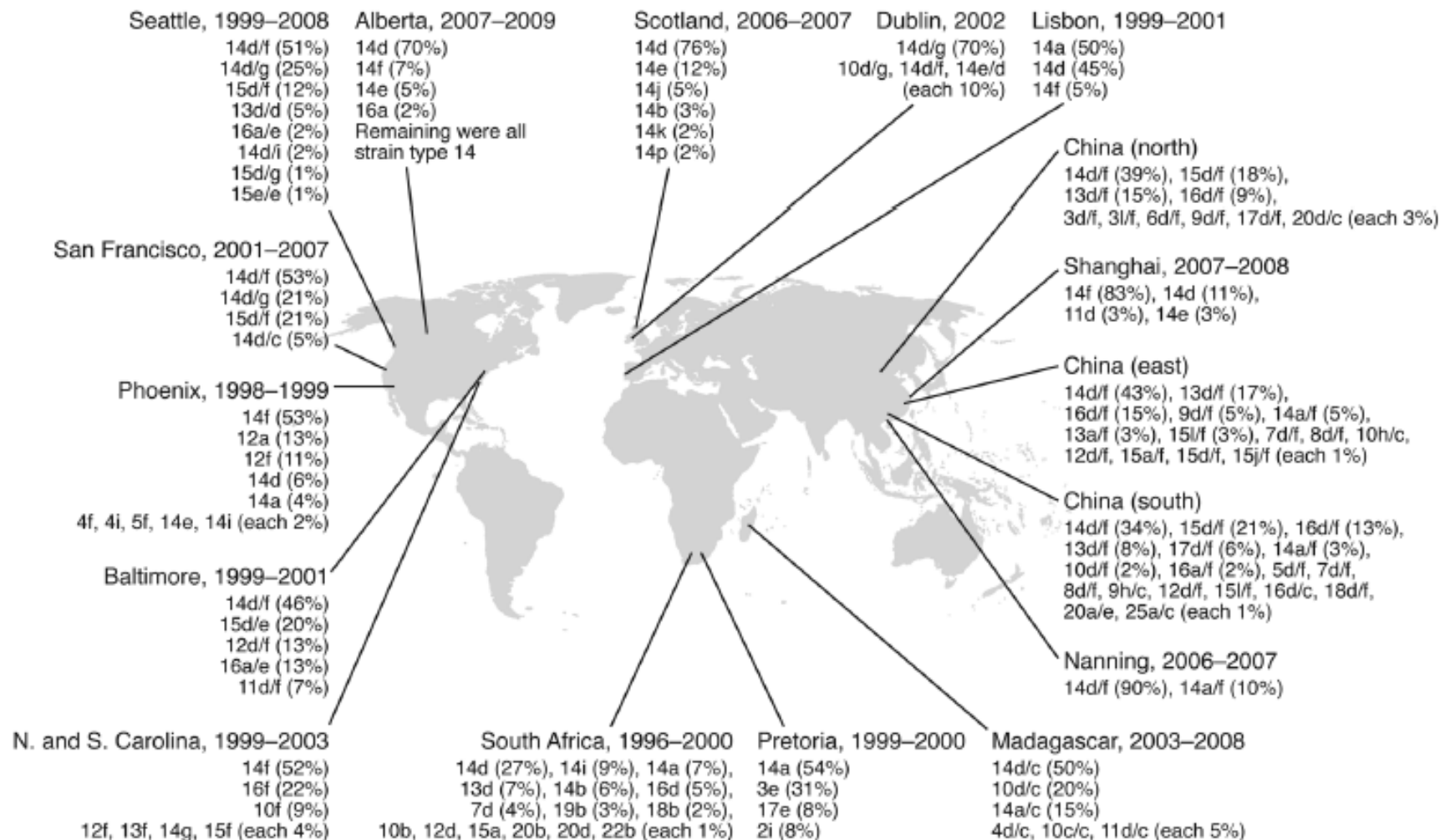


Syphilis –*T pallidum* cannot be  
cultured –Genomics has  
facilitated understanding the  
epidemiology of resistance

The Presence of the 23S rRNA Gene Mutation in *T. pallidum* Samples Collected from Sites in the United States and Ireland from 1912 through 2003.

**Table 1.** The Presence of the 23S rRNA Gene Mutation in *T. pallidum* Samples Collected from Sites in the United States and Ireland from 1912 through 2003.

Geographic Site	Date Sample Collected	Samples with Mutation/ Total Amplifiable Samples
		<i>no./total no. (%)</i>
San Francisco	1999–2002	1/25 (4)
	2003	11/30 (37)
Seattle	2001–2003	3/23 (13)
Baltimore	1998–2000	2/19 (11)
Dublin	2002	15/17 (88)
Historical strains from multiple locations	1912–1987	1/18 (6)



**Figure 3**

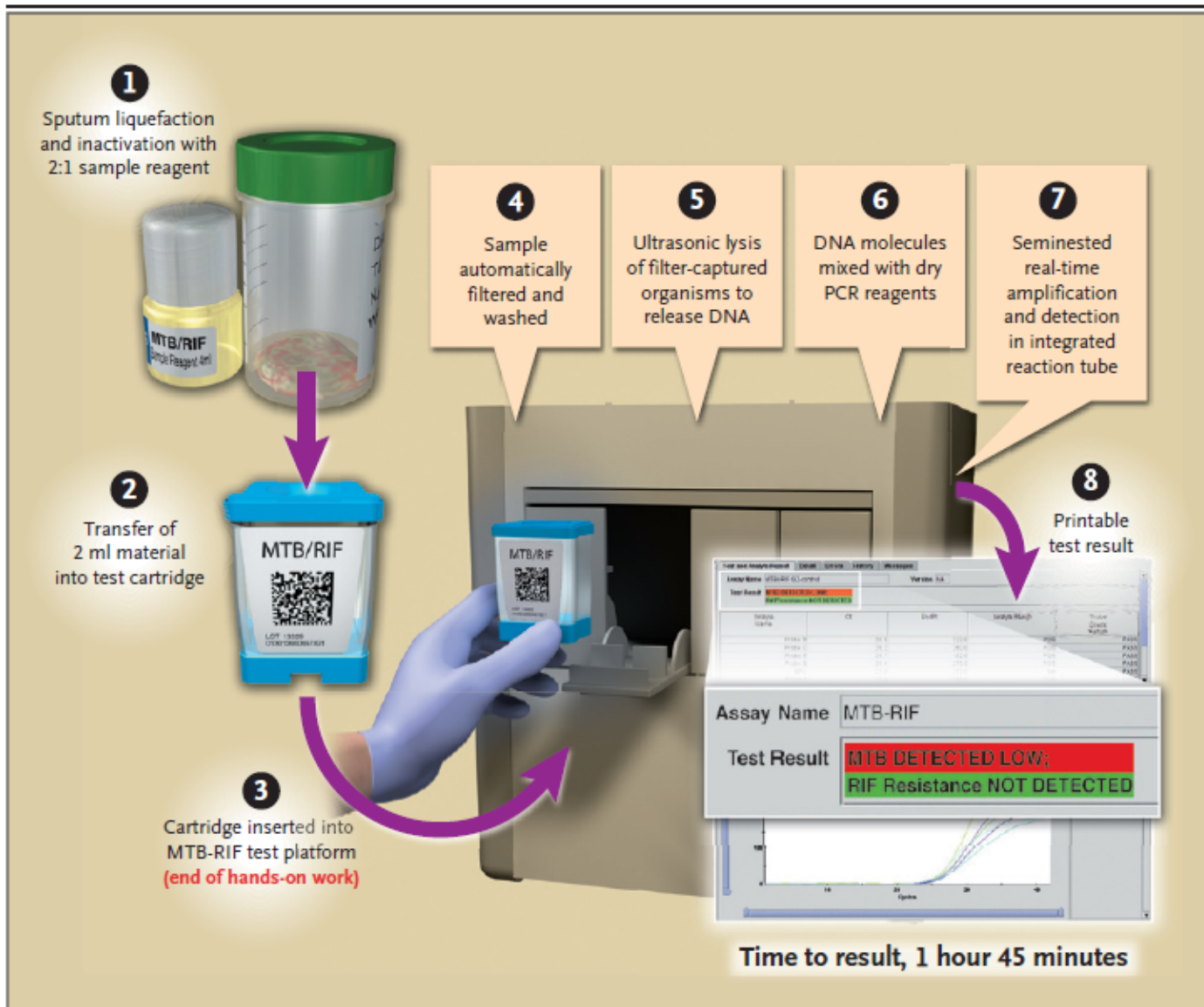
*T. pallidum* strain types identified throughout the world. The strain type information, years of collection, and the frequency of each strain type from each location are based on information in references 126, 127, 129–131, 133–135, 149, and 150.

# Rapid Molecular Detection of Tuberculosis and Rifampin Resistance

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Sensitivity and Specificity >98% for both  
TB detection and Susceptibility

Rapid Turnaround (2 hours)



**Figure 2. Assay Procedure for the MTB/RIF Test.**

Two volumes of sample treatment reagent are added to each volume of sputum. The mixture is shaken, incubated at room temperature for 15 minutes, and shaken again. Next, a sample of 2 to 3 ml is transferred to the test cartridge, which is then loaded into the instrument. All subsequent steps occur automatically. The user is provided with a printable test result, such as "MTB detected; RIF resistance not detected." PCR denotes polymerase chain reaction.

# High-Level Cefixime- and Ceftriaxone-Resistant *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* in France: Novel *penA* Mosaic Allele in a Successful International Clone Causes Treatment Failure

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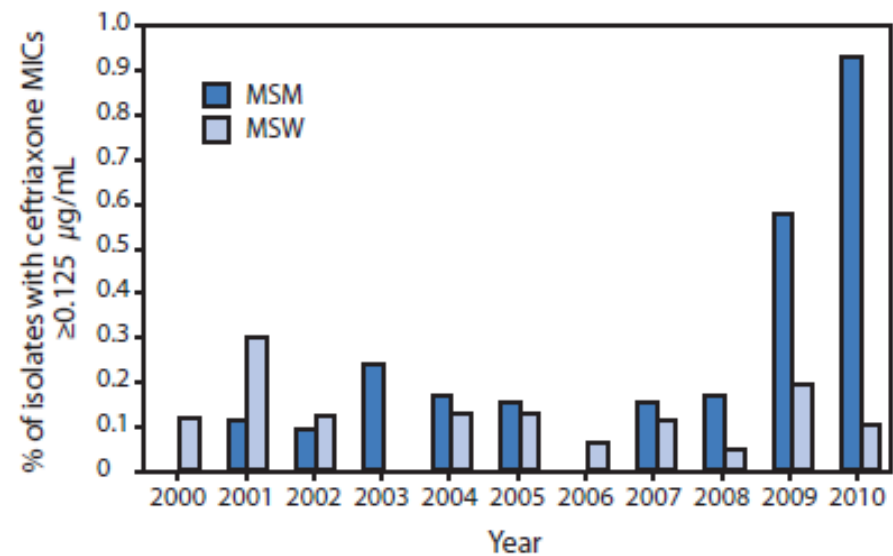
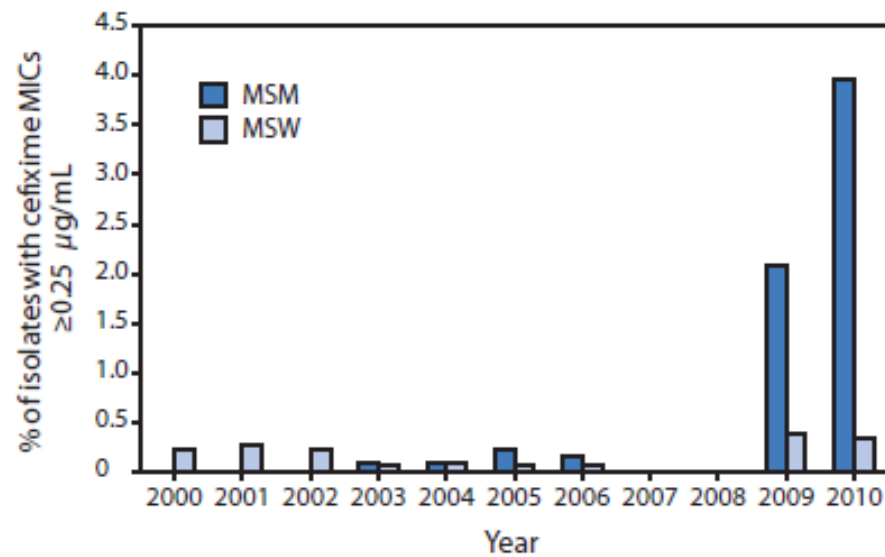
Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

## Cephalosporin Susceptibility Among *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* Isolates — United States, 2000–2010

*Neisseria gonorrhoeae* is a major cause of pelvic inflammatory disease, ectopic pregnancy, and infertility, and it can facilitate human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) transmission (1). Emergence of gonococcal resistance to penicillin and tetracycline occurred during the 1970s and became widespread during the early 1980s. More recently, resistance to fluoroquinolones developed. Resistance was documented first in Asia, then emerged in the United States in Hawaii followed by other

2000–2010 were analyzed. Cefixime susceptibilities were not determined during 2007–2008 because cefixime was unavailable in the United States during that period. Decreased antibiotic susceptibility for cefixime or ceftriaxone is defined by the Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI) as MICs  $\geq 0.5 \mu\text{g/mL}$ ; criteria for cefixime and ceftriaxone resistance in *N. gonorrhoeae* have not been defined (6). Because few isolates exhibited decreased susceptibility and

**FIGURE 2. Percentage of gonorrhea isolates with cefixime MICs  $\geq 0.25$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$  and ceftriaxone MICs  $\geq 0.125$   $\mu\text{g/mL}$ , by sex of sex partner — Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project, United States, 2000–2010**



**Abbreviations:** MICs = minimum inhibitory concentrations; MSM = men who have sex with men; MSW = men who have sex exclusively with women.



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10      20      30      40      50      60      70      80      90      100     110     120
M32091 MLIKSEYKPR MLPKEEQVK PMTSNGRISF VLMAMAVLFA CLIARGLYLQ TVTYNFLKEQ GDNRIVRTQA LPATRGTVSD RNGAVLALSA PTESLFAVPK DMKEMPSAAQ LERLSELVDV
XXXIV  .....
CI (F89) .....
XXVI   .....
XXX    .....
C (H041) .....
XIII   .....
XVIII  .....

130     140     150     160     170     180     190     200     210     220     230     240
M32091 PVDVLRNKLE QKGKSFIIWK RQLDPKVAEE VKALGLENFV FEKELKRHYP MGNLFAHVIG FTDIDGKQE GLELSLEDSL YGEDGAEVVL RDRQGNIVDS LDSPRNKAPQ NGKDIILSLD
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C (H041) .....
XIII   .....
XVIII  .....

250     260     270     280     290     300     310     320     330     340     350     360
M32091 QRIQTLAYEE LNKAVEYHQA KAGTVVVLDA RTGEILALAN TPAYDPNRPG RADSEQRRNR AVTDMIEPGS AIKPFVIAKA LDAGKTDLNE RLNTQPYKIG PSPVR-DTHV YPSLDVRGIM
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XIII   .....
XVIII  .....

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XIII   .....
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490     500     510     520     530     540     550     560     570     580
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# L'inquiétante émergence de «superbactéries»

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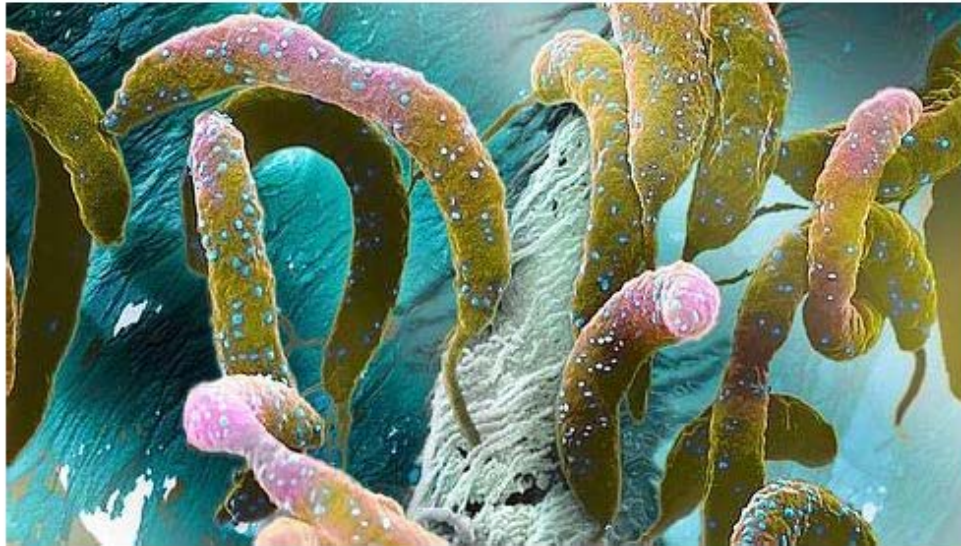


Photo d'une colonie de bactéries d'eau prise en 2008. Crédits photo : ASSOCIATED PRESS

**De nombreux cas de patients infectés par une famille de bactéries très résistantes aux antibiotiques usuels ont été découverts en Grande-Bretagne. La propagation rapide et massive de cette souche, isolée pour la première fois en Inde en 2008, inquiète la communauté médicale.**

Le Figaro , Paris  
Aug 12, 2010

# Facilitating Epidemiology

# Subclinical Herpes Viral Shedding –Old Model

- >90% of persons with genital HSV-2 shed virus asymptotically
- Present 1%-10% of asymptomatic days in persons who have recurrent herpes due to HSV-2
- Responsible for most transmission

# Viral Shedding Patterns in Women

Subject 1: HSV-2 seropositive

Day	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Cervix																															
Vulva															+						+	+		+							
Perianal									+																						
Lesion(s)																															

Subject 2: HSV-2 seropositive

Day	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Cervix																															
Vulva			+				+																								
Perianal						+	+	+	+																						
Lesion(s)																															

Subject 3: HSV-1 seropositive

Day	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Cervix																			+	+	+	+	+	+							
Vulva																			+	+	+	+	+	+							
Perianal																			+	+											
Lesion(s)																															

Subject 4: HSV-2 seropositive

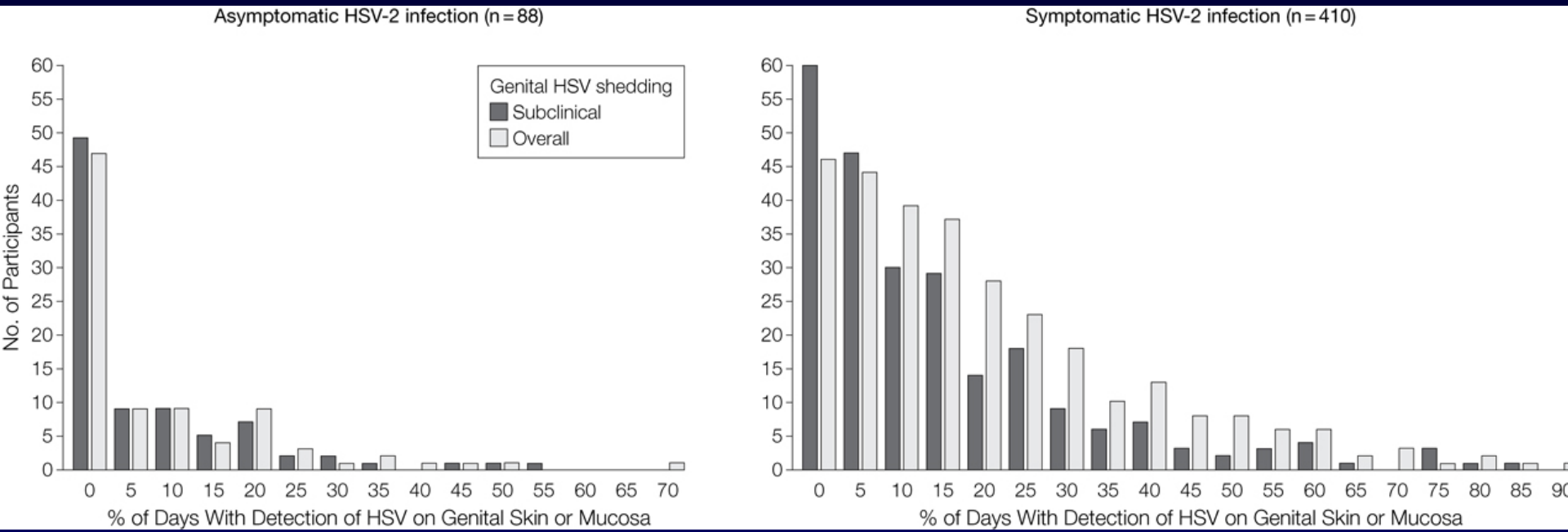
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Vulva																															
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# Figure 1. Distribution of Genital Shedding Rate Among Asymptomatic and Symptomatic Infection Groups

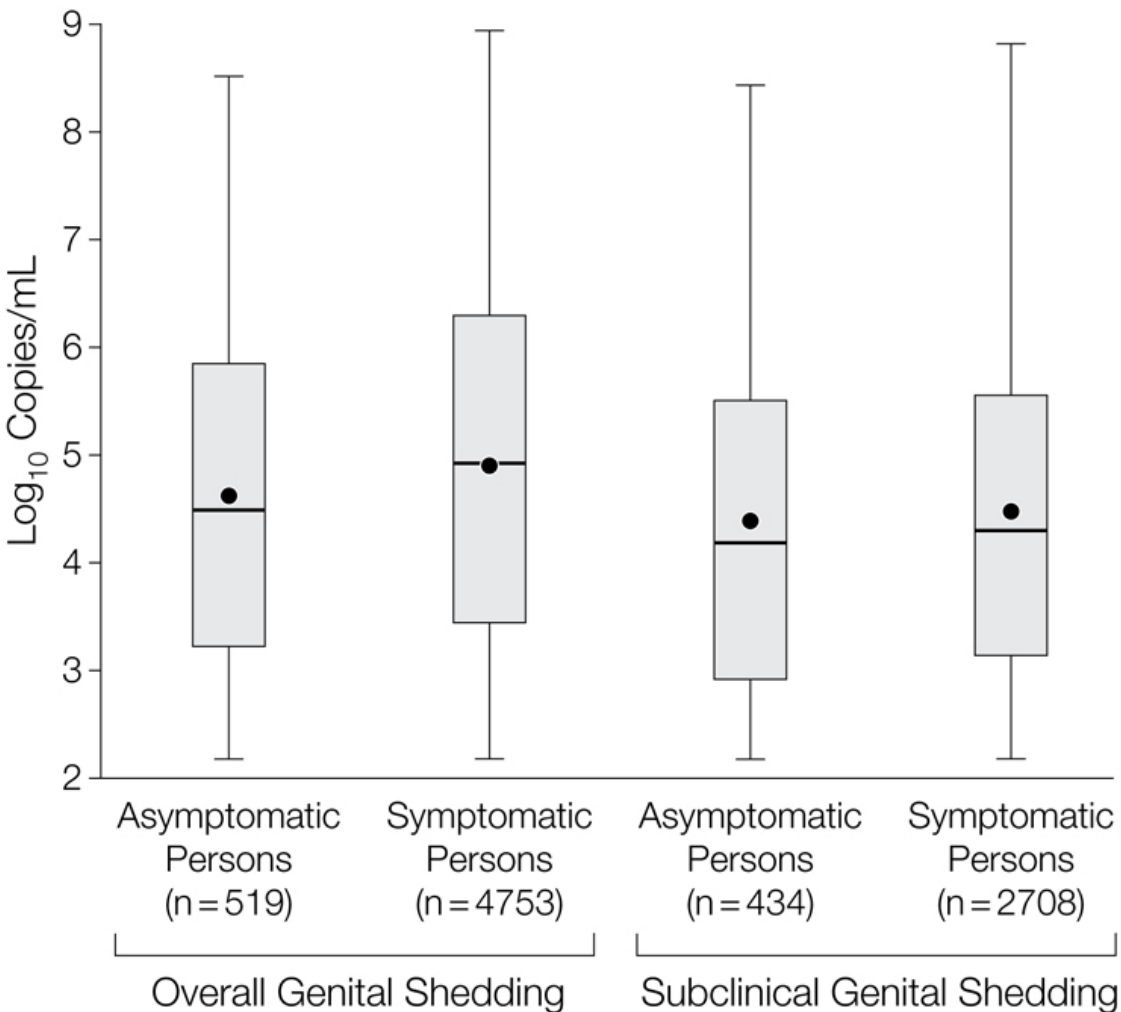


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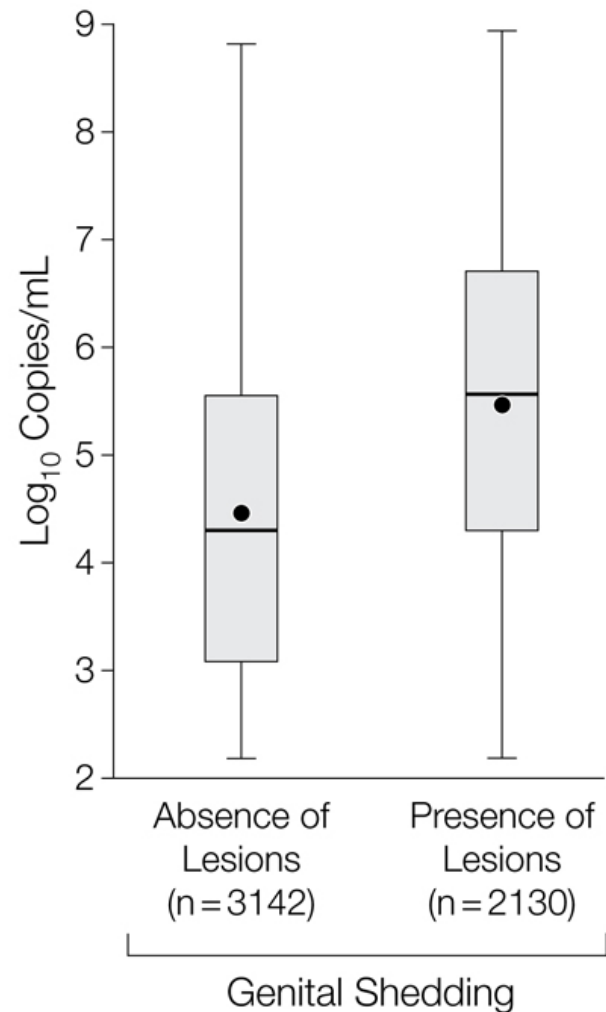




### Genital HSV-2 shedding and history of HSV-2 infection



### Genital HSV-2 shedding and lesion status



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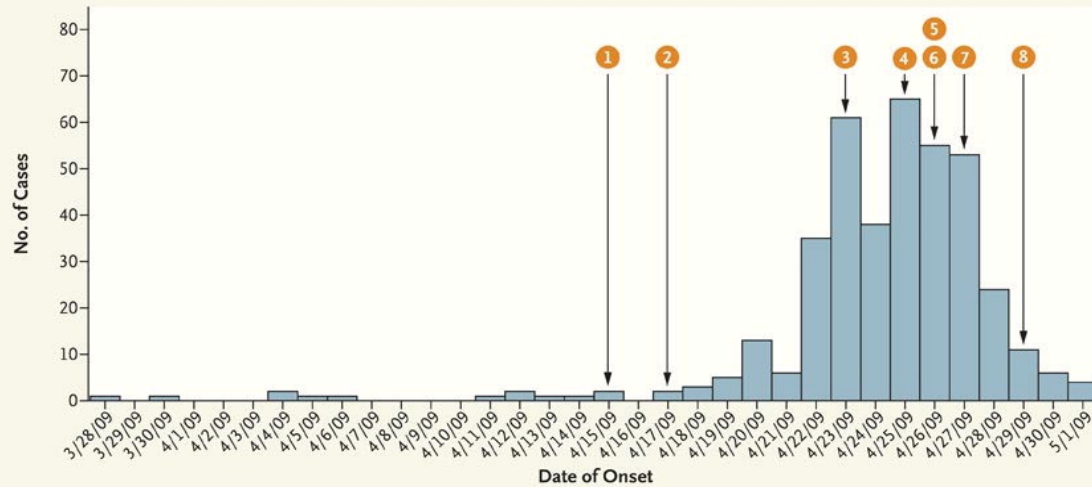


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# Triple-Reassortant Swine Influenza A (H1) in Humans in the United States, 2005–2009

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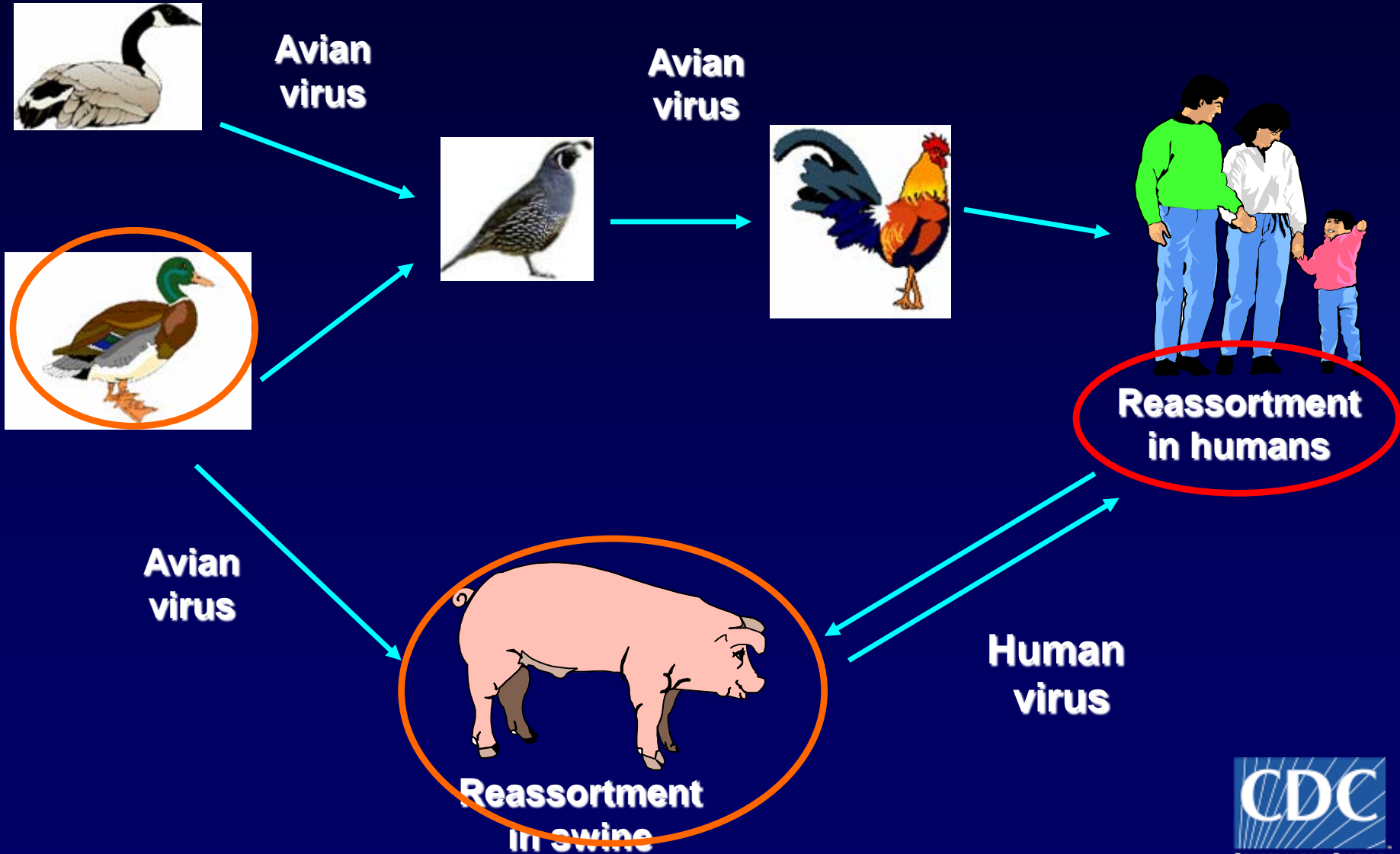
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- 3 April 23, 2009 — CDC conducts first press briefing related to outbreak.
- 4 April 25, 2009 — WHO declares public health emergency of international concern.
- 5 April 26, 2009 — WHO raises global pandemic alert to phase 3, characterized by sporadic cases or small clusters of disease caused by human–animal transmission of an influenza reassortant virus.
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- 7 April 27, 2009 — WHO raises global pandemic alert to phase 4, characterized by human-to-human transmission of an animal or human–animal influenza reassortant virus able to cause “community-level outbreaks.”
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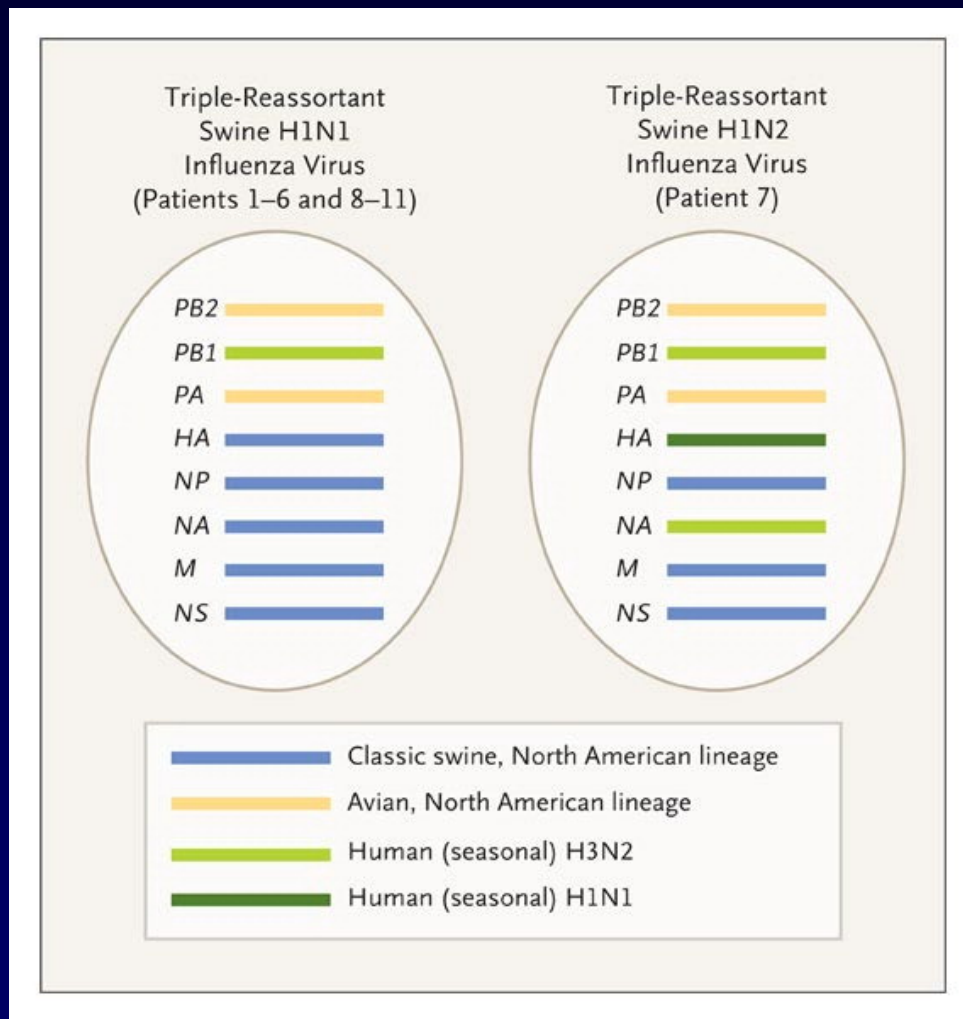


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# Influenza Transmission to Humans



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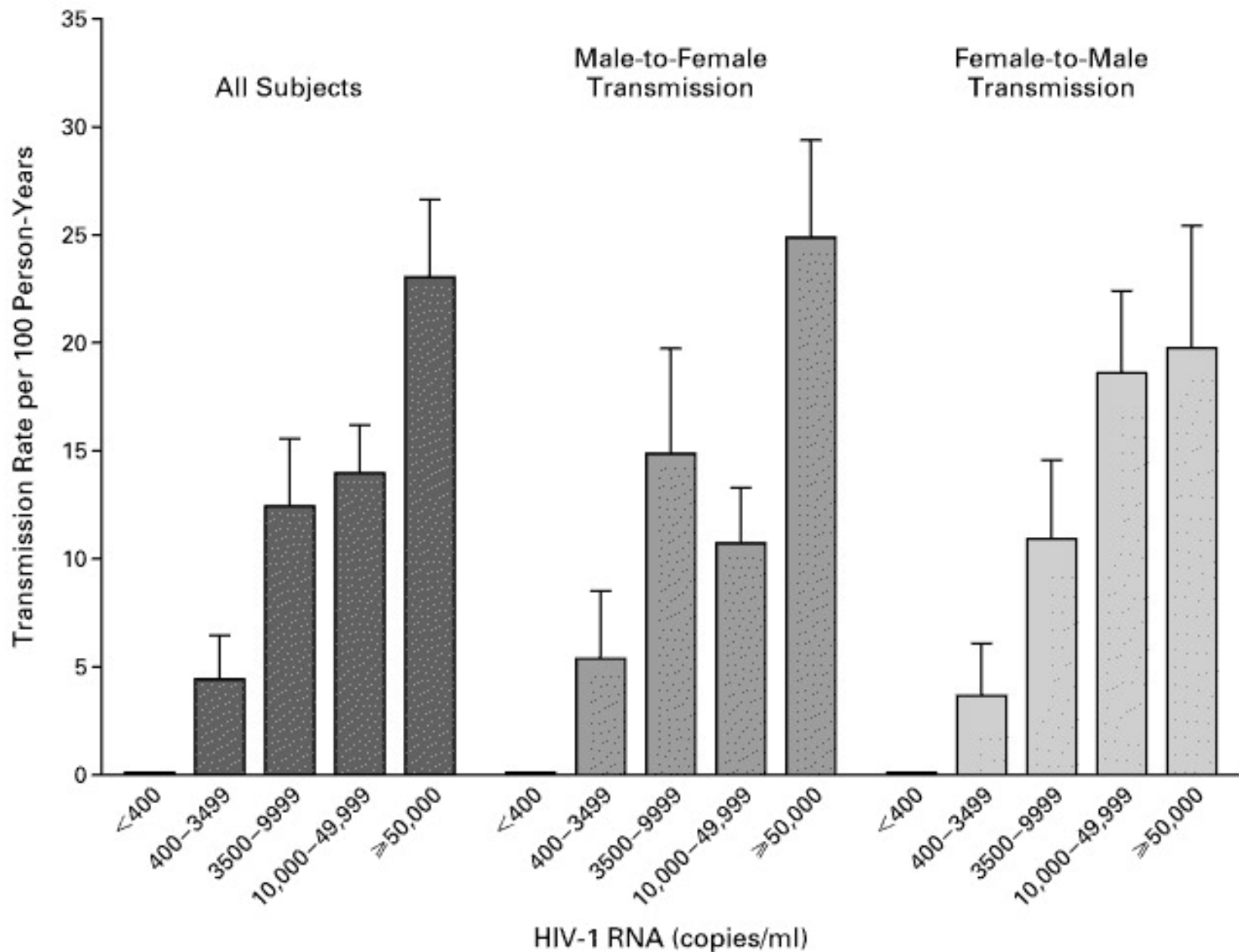
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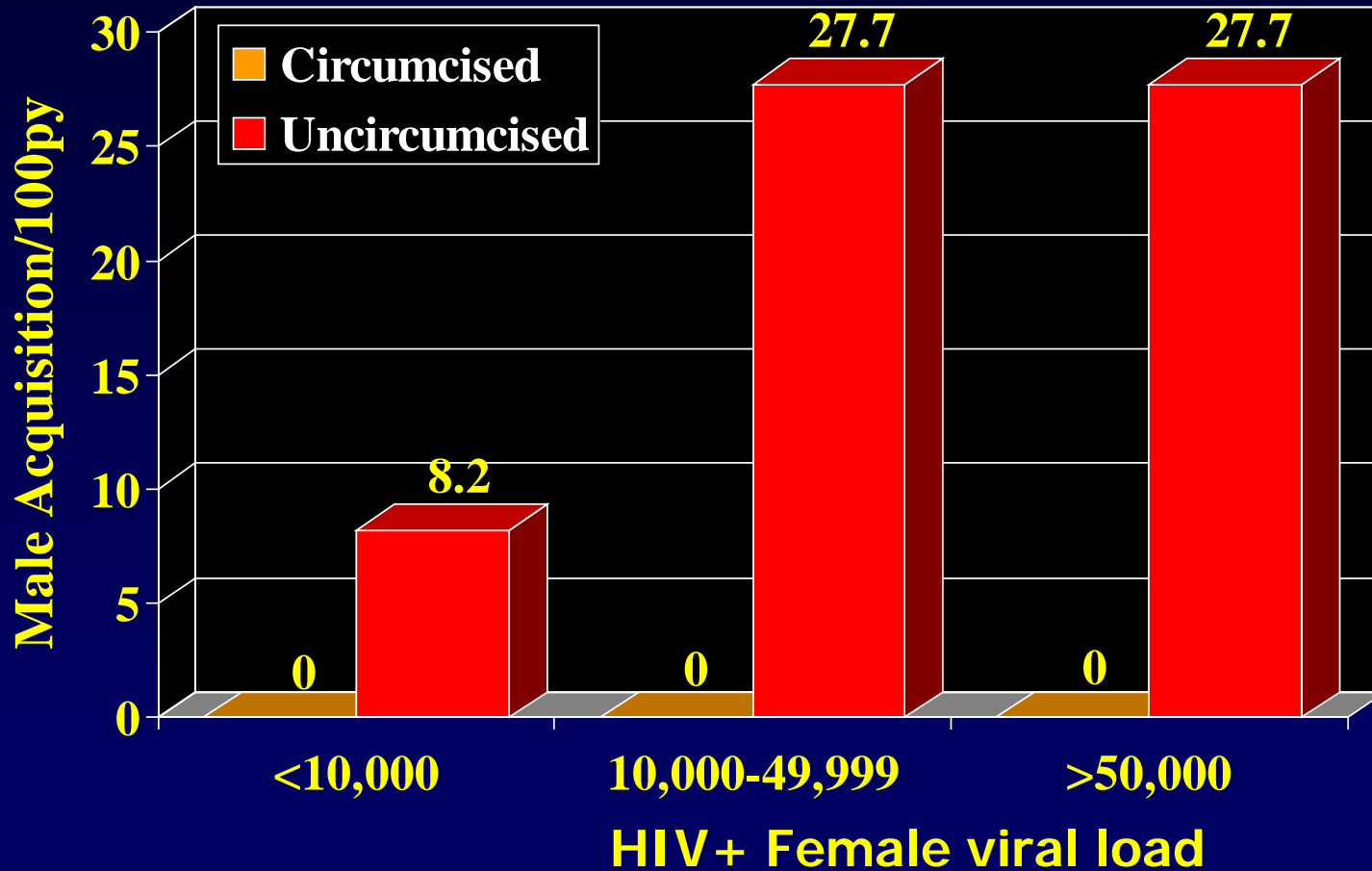
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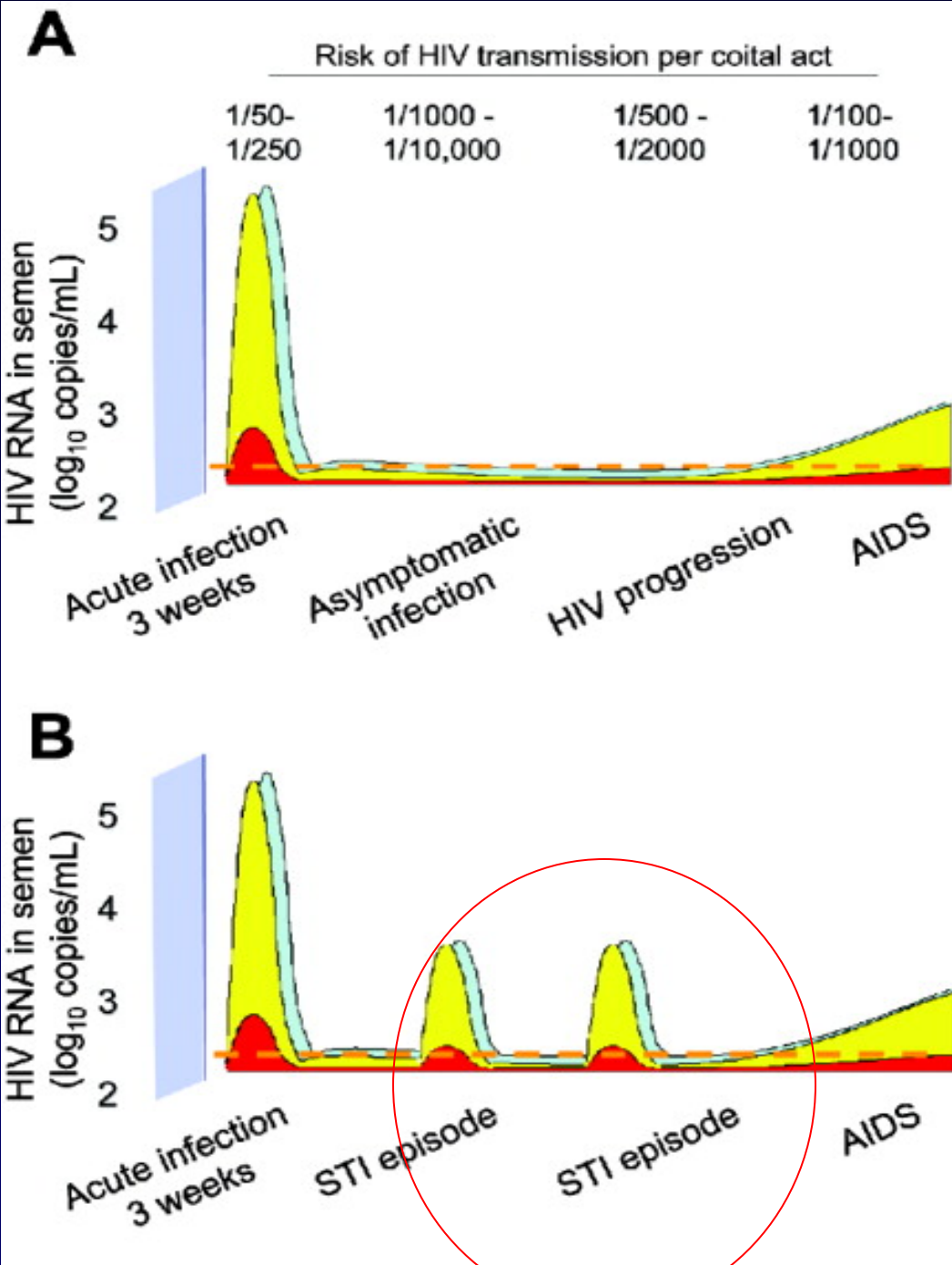
HIV

Where Genomics Guides  
Epidemiological Investigation  
Understanding Transmission  
Interventions  
Therapy



# Female-to-male HIV transmission in HIV-discordant couples, by circumcision status in Rakai, Uganda





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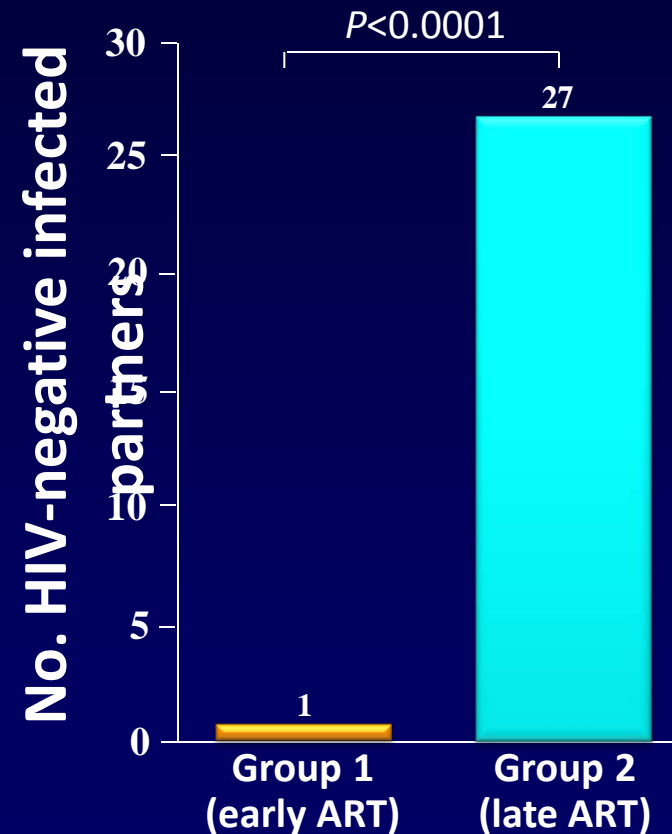
# Interventions

- Detecting Acute HIV cases
- Circumcision
- Treatment to Prevent Transmission

# ART, Serodiscordant Couples, and HIV Transmission: Study Results

- ART initiation substantially protected HIV-negative sexual partners from acquiring HIV infection
  - **Group 1:** Early treatment group—only 1 partner infected by the HIV-infected participant, with a 96% reduction in risk of HIV infection
  - **Group 2:** Late treatment group—27 partners infected by the HIV-positive participant
- The difference was highly statistically significant ( $P < 0.0001$ )

Effect of Early vs. Late Initiation of ART on HIV Transmission



# Hepatitis C

- Genomics Guide Detection and Therapy
- Resistance is genomically defined (similar to HIV)
- Therapy strategies based on genomic testing
- Host susceptibility genomically defined



# Nucleotide Changes, Result In Codon Changes That Can Confer Resistance To A Drug

Example: Codon 155 of the HCV Protease



**G** → **A**



Consensus "wild type"  
amino acid

Resistant variant amino acid



# Lack Of Cross-Resistance Between Peg-IFN/RBV &/Or A Combination Of Antiviral Agents May Provide An Opportunity For Elimination Of Resistant Variants

Target	Variant	NS3 Linear	NS3 Macrocytic	NS5A inhibitor	NS5B nucleoside	NS5B Palm	NS5B Thumb	NS5B Finger	IFN	RBV
NS3 Protease	V36M	R	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
	T54A	R	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
	R155K	R	R	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
	A156T	R	R	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
	D168V	S	R	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
NS5A	L28V	S	S	R	S	S	S	S	S	S
	Y93H	S	S	R	S	S	S	S	S	S
NS5B	S282T	S	S	S	R	S	S	S	S	S
	C316Y	S	S	S	S	R	S	S	S	S
	M414T	S	S	S	S	R	S	S	S	S
	R422K	S	S	S	S	S	R	S	S	S
	M423T	S	S	S	S	S	R	S	S	S
	P495S	S	S	S	S	S	S	R	S	S

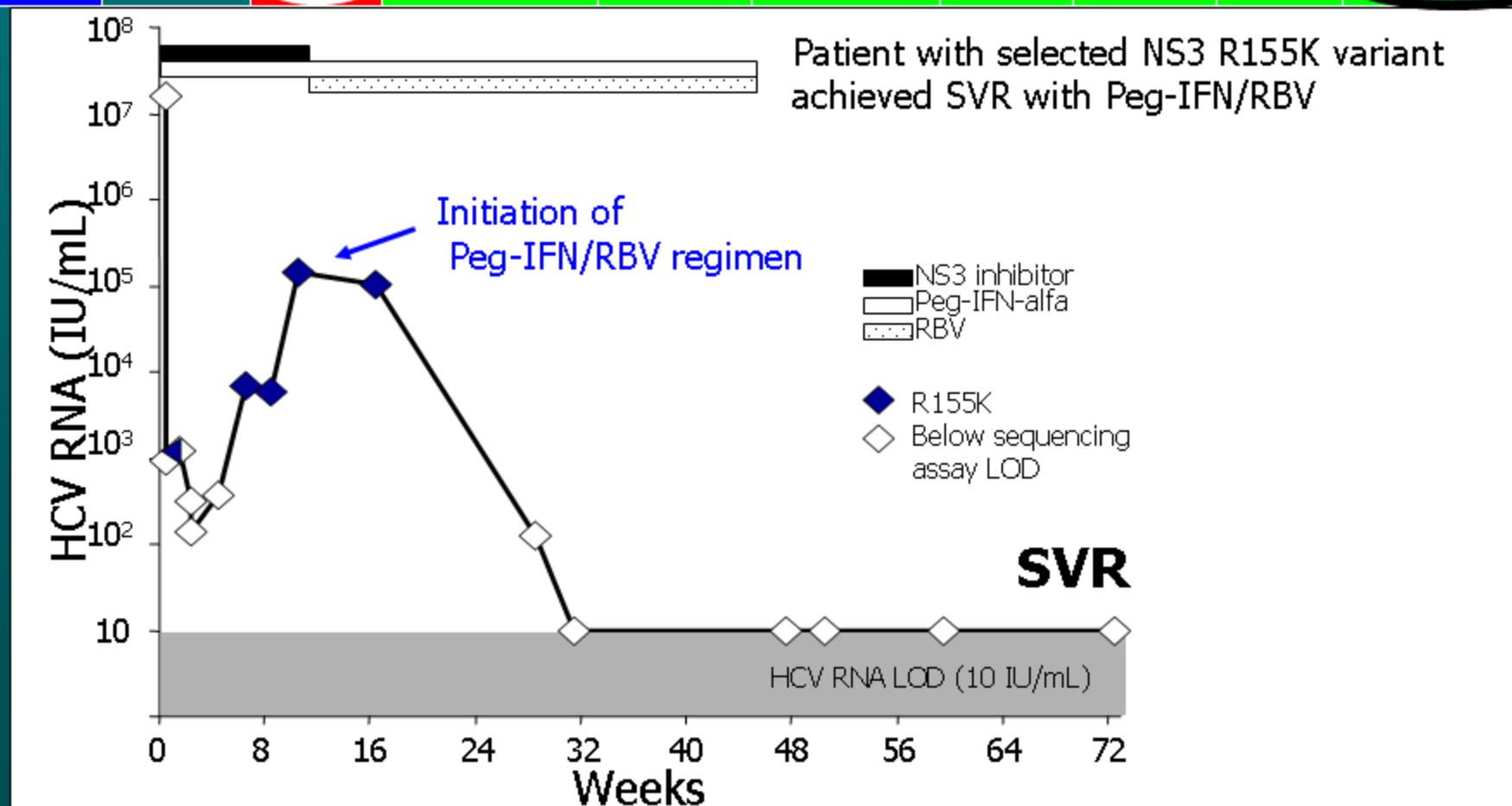
**S = Susceptible**  
( $< 4$  fold shift in HCV replicon EC50)

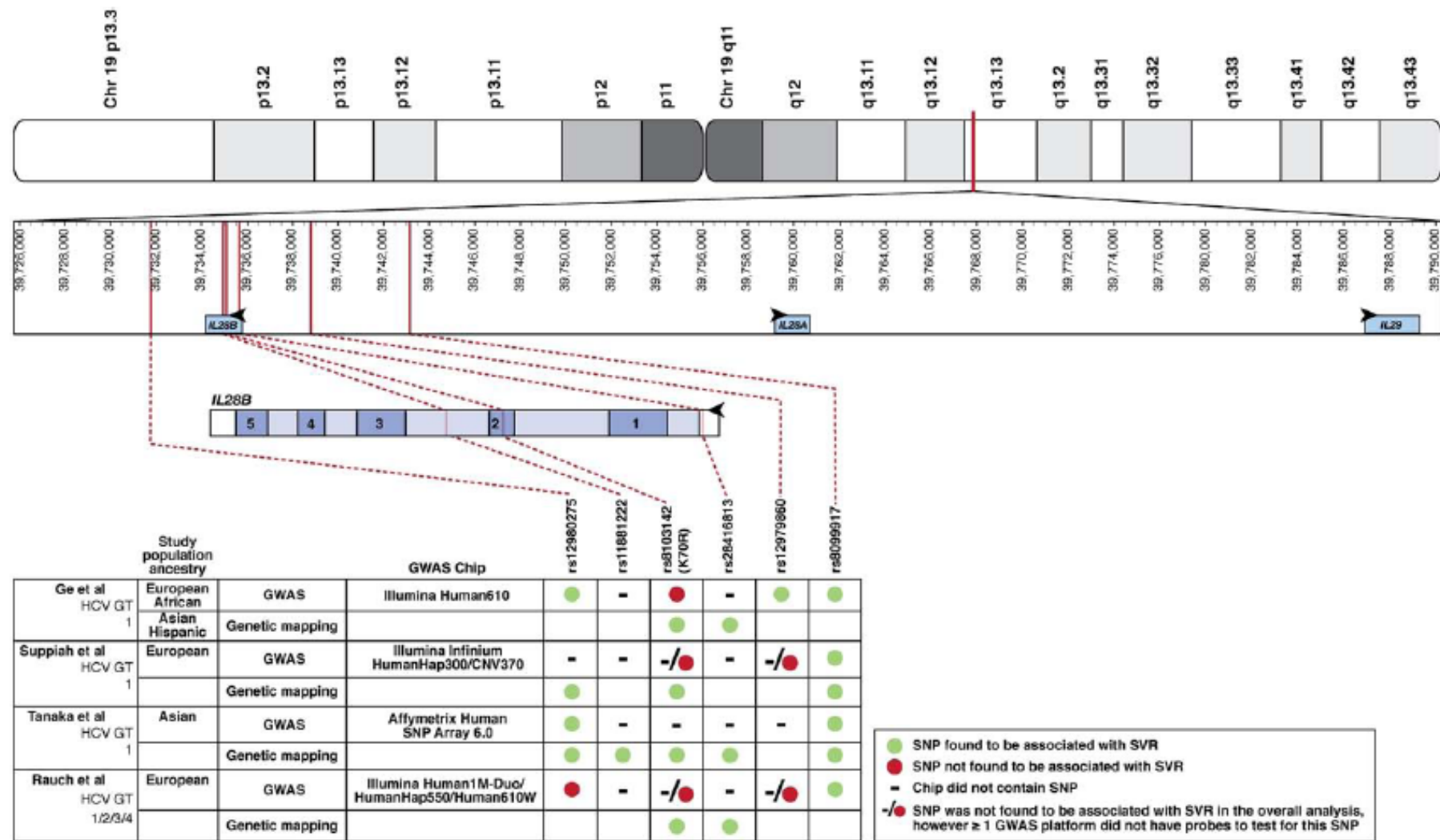
**R = Resistant**  
( $>4$  fold increase in EC50)



# Patients With NS3 Inhibitor-Resistant Variants Can Respond To Peg-IFN/RBV

Target	Variant	NS3 Linear	NS3 Macrocytic	NS5A inhibitor	NS5B nucleoside	NS5B Palm	NS5B Thumb	NS5B Finger	IFN	RBV
NS3	R155K	R	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S





**Figure 1.** SNPs in IFN- $\lambda$  gene cluster associated with HCV control. The IFN- $\lambda$  gene cluster is shown in the *top panel*, indicating its position on chromosome 19. In the *second panel*, the positions of the relevant SNPs corresponding to the text and published data are indicated in relation to the IFN- $\lambda$  gene cluster.<sup>10,12-14</sup> *IL28B* is upstream and in reverse orientation compared with *IL28A*. The *third panel* depicts the genomic structure of *IL28B*, including its 5 exons, intervening introns, and flanking putative regulatory regions. Vertical lines denote the position of individual SNPs that are associated with HCV treatment response and are connected by dashed lines to the adjoining table. The only SNP that is in a coding region encodes

HCV. These results indicate the involvement of the

This distribution of alleles could account for the high



**Figure 4.** Allele frequencies of the SNP rs12979860 among different ethnic populations. Thomas et al genotyped the rs12979860 SNP in 2371 subjects from 51 distinct populations. The frequency map shows the proportional prevalence of the C (associated with HCV clearance) and T (associated with persistence) alleles. People in East and Southeast Asia have the lowest frequency of the alleles associated with HCV persistence, people in Europe have intermediate incidence, and people in sub-Saharan Africa have the highest frequency. Adapted with permission from Macmillan Publishers Ltd: Nature, Thomas et al, © 2009.<sup>15</sup>



# The Human Microbiota

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- Our adult bodies harbor ~10 times more microbial cells than human cells – a significant number of these species have not been successfully grown in culture
- The “human genome” is an amalgam of human genes and the genes of our microbial partners
- Our microbial partners carry out many metabolic reactions that are not encoded in the human genome and are necessary for health
- A number of studies have suggested that various disease states are associated with microbial community disturbance
- Without understanding the interactions between our human and microbial genomes, it is impossible to obtain a complete picture of our biology



# The NIH Human Microbiome Project



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- Determining whether individuals share a core human microbiome
- Understanding whether changes in the human microbiome can be correlated with changes in human health
- Developing the new technological and bioinformatic tools needed to support these goals
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NIH Human Microbiome Project is only one of several international efforts

# Critical questions

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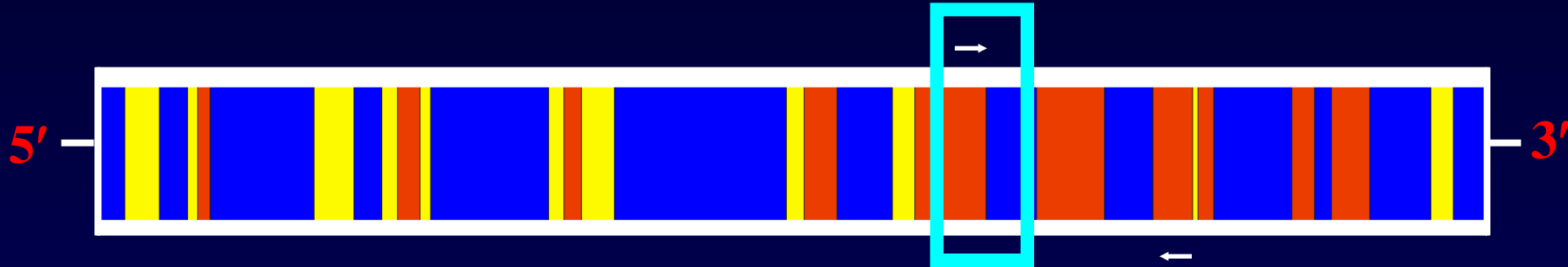


- How do we acquire and maintain our microbial communities?
- How resilient is our microbiome in response to stress?
- Can we use this information to devise ways to intentionally manipulate our microbiome (probiotics, immunization) to promote health and/or to prevent or treat various diseases?

How do genotype, environmental exposures, and physiological status affect microbiome composition?

**KEY CONCEPT—MICROBIOLOGICAL COMMUNITY**

# 16S rRNA Gene

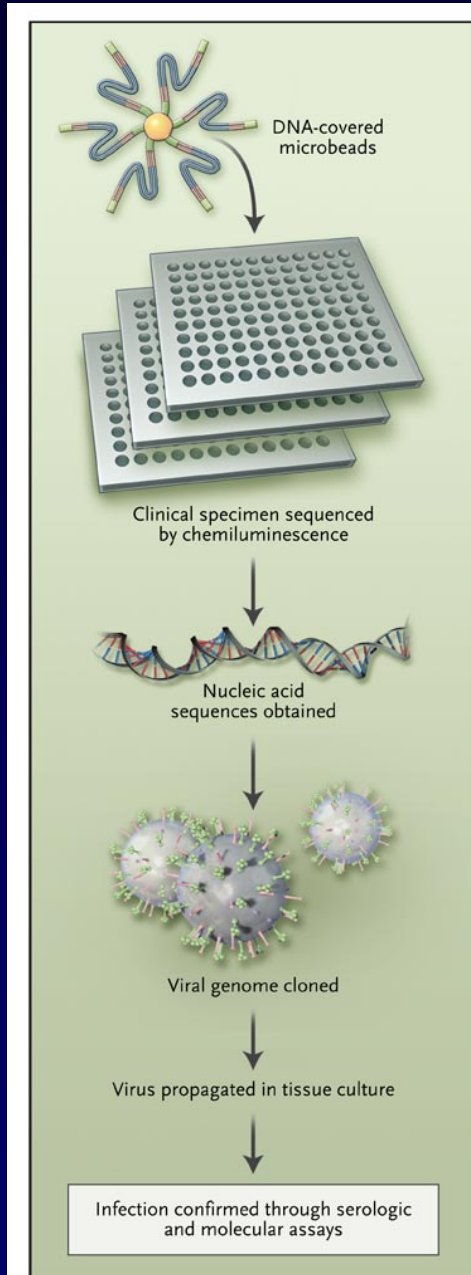


 **Highly Conserved Regions (99% Identity)**

 **Conserved Regions (93-95% Identity)**

 **Hypervariable Regions**

# Use of High-Throughput DNA Pyrosequencing for Pathogen Discovery



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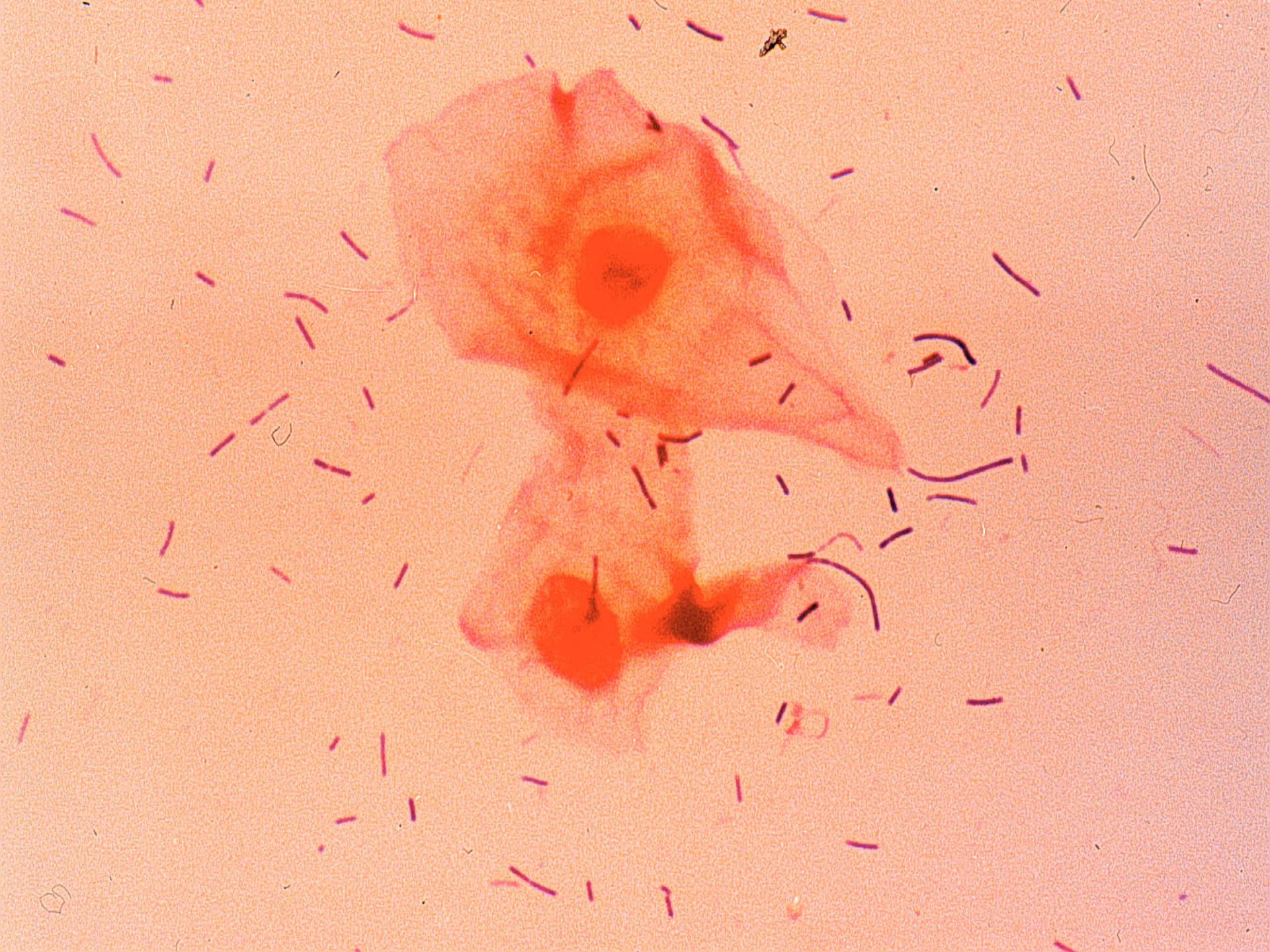


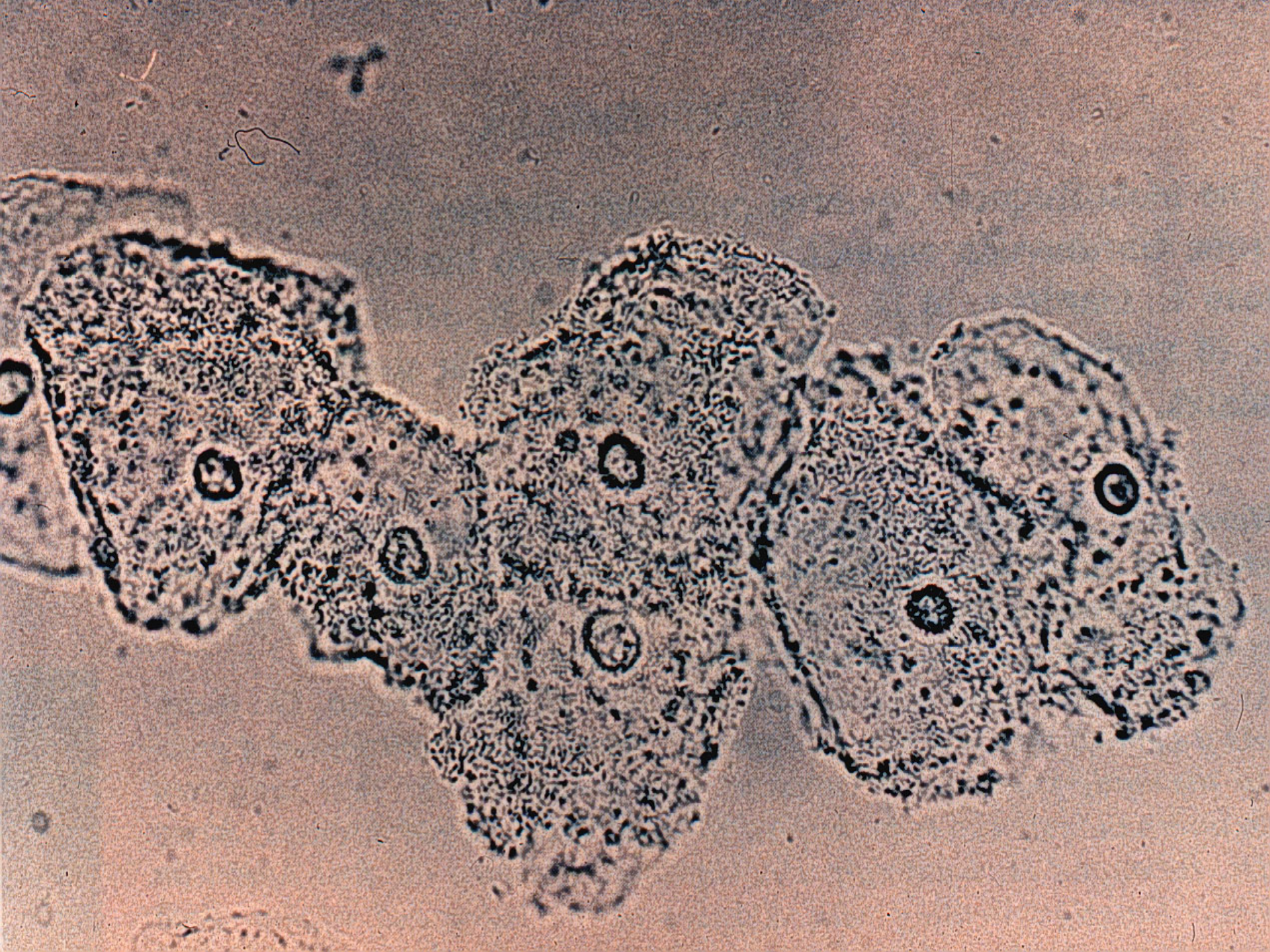
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# Bacterial Vaginosis

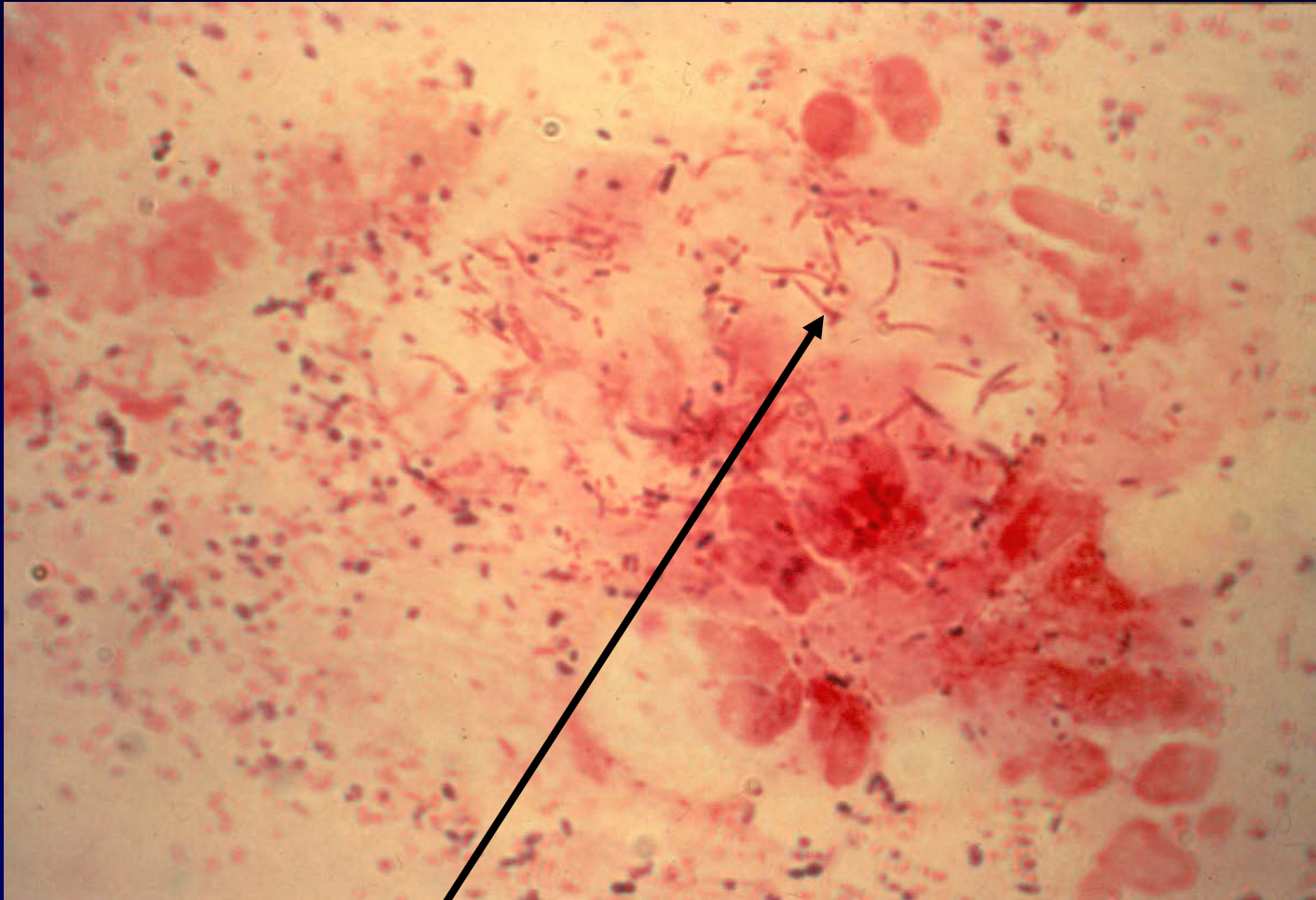
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- Ecologic disturbance of vaginal flora
- Not an STD
- Dx based on clinical criteria or gram stain



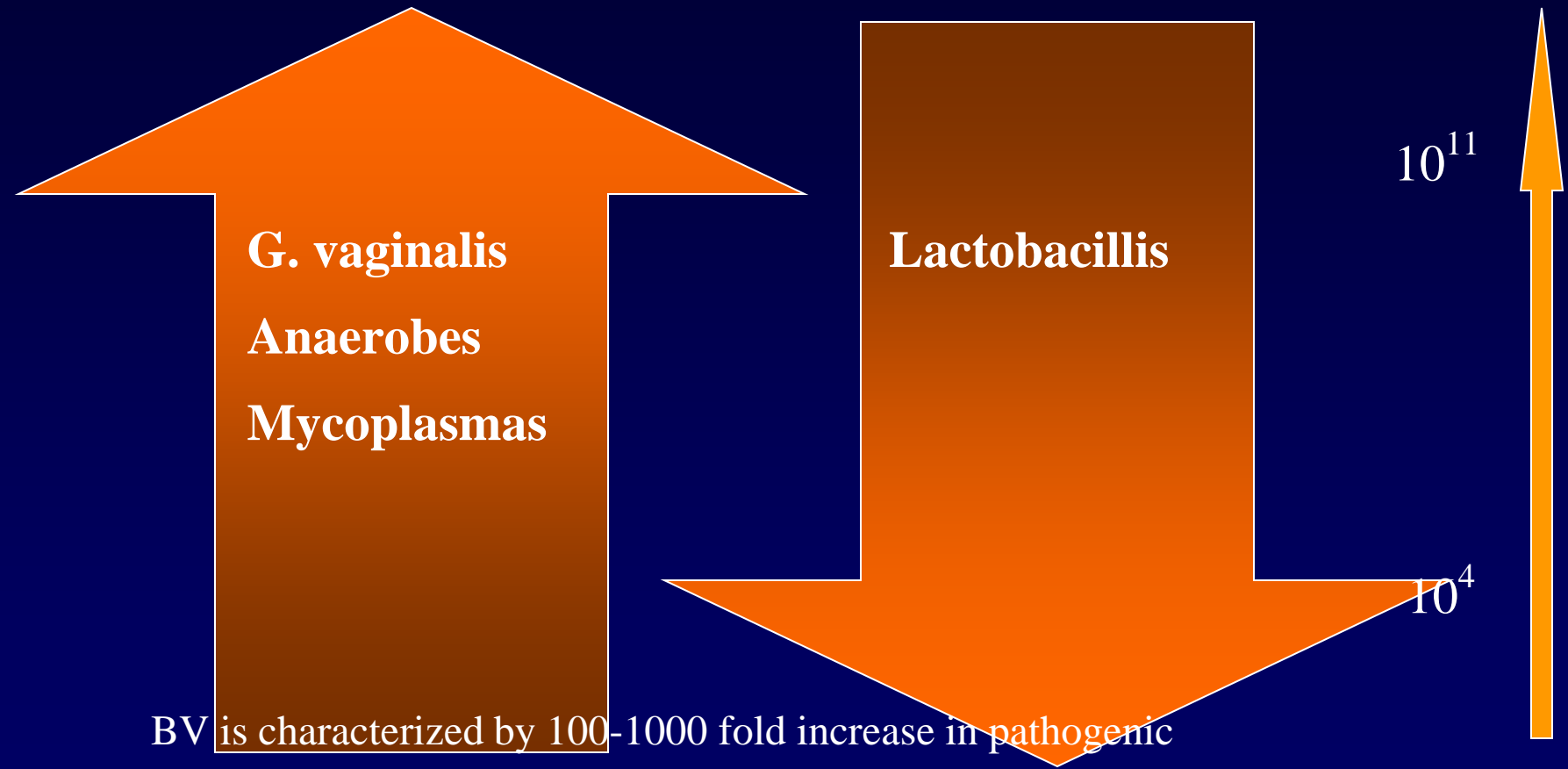






Vaginal Gram stain with fusobacillary forms

# Microbial Shifts Occurring in BV



BV is characterized by 100-1000 fold increase in pathogenic bacteria. Lactobacilli concentrations decrease substantially

**B**

Community groups



pH



Nugent score

*L. iners**L. crispatus**L. gasseri**L. jensenii**Prevotella**Megasphaera**Sneathia**Atopobium**Streptococcus**Dialister**Lachnospira**Anaerococcus**Peptoniphilus**Eggerthella**Fingoldia**Rhodobaca**Anaerotruncus**Ureaplasma**Mycoplasma**Aerococcus**Parvimonas**Staphylococcus**Corynebacterium**Veillonella**L. vaginalis*

pH

4.0-4.5

4.6-5.0

5.1-5.5

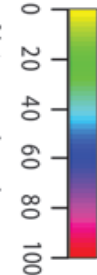
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Nugent score

0-3

4-6

7-10



0  
20  
40  
60  
80  
100

% taxon abundance

# Chronic Wounds Impact

- Wounds have direct medical cost impact (\$25 Billion)
- Wounds have substantial indirect cost benefit
  - Self image
  - Economic impact on family members
  - Disability
- There is little evidence basis for care that is provided
- Most research is dressing directed
- Little pathogenesis research is being done—  
OPPORTUNITY!!

# Infection in Chronic Wounds— Current state of art

Definitions of infection in Chronic Wounds

Colonization versus Infection

Clinical— erythema, advancing border,  
purulent drainage, “you know it when you see  
it”

– Quantitative Culture—  $>100,000$  CFU/Gm of  
tissue



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Patient Initials/Number

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LLE 5 days Post GRAFT

# Problems with Cultures

- Cultures take 24-48 hours to process
- Quantitative Cultures take longer
- Cultures are prone to overgrowth
- Are there molecular approaches?

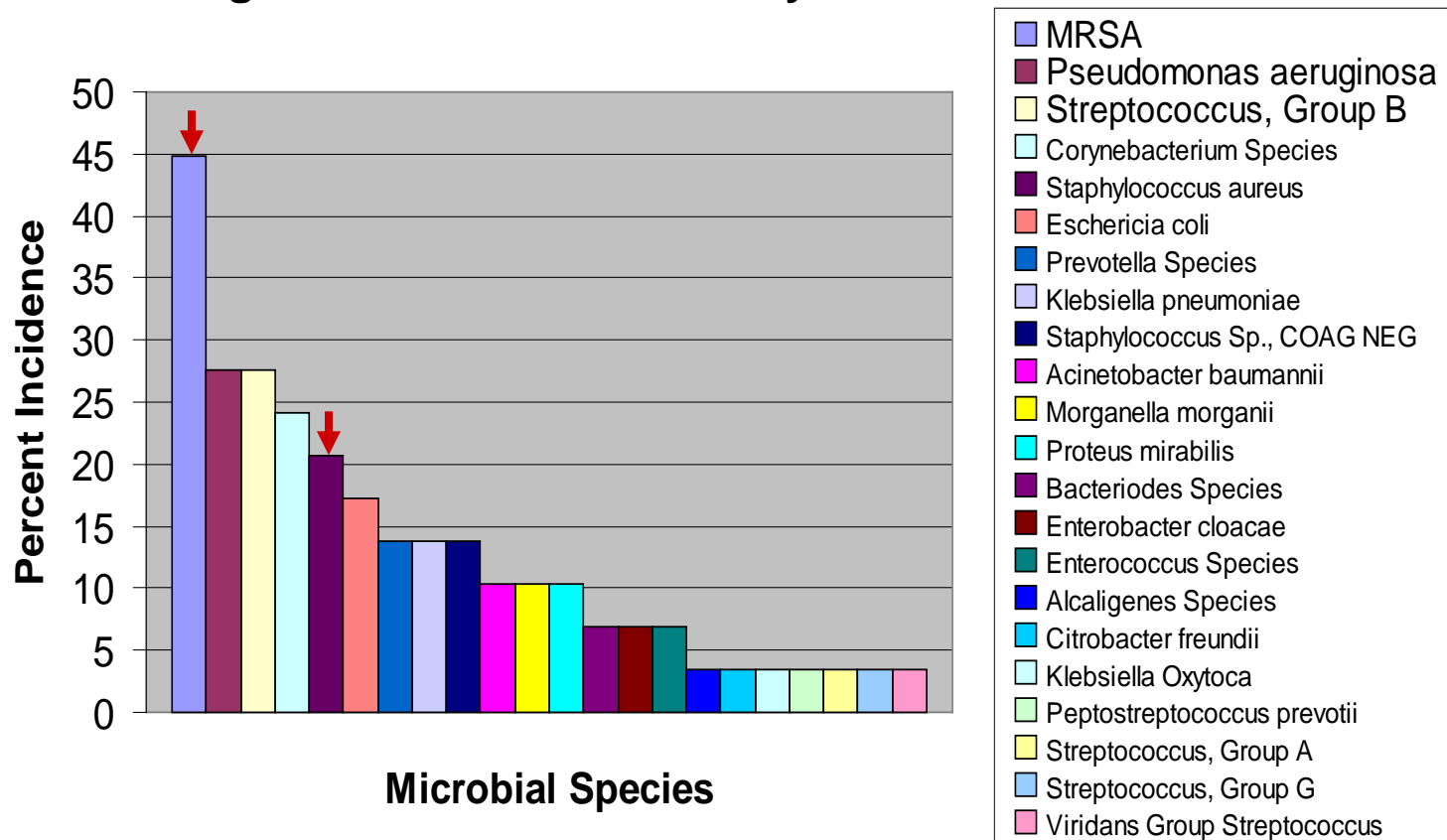
## JHU Wound Research Program objectives

- Describe prevalence of bacterial species in chronic wounds in a tertiary wound care clinic.
- Assess microbial burden by: qualitative culture, quantitative culture, and bacterial DNA (real-time polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR))
- Compare microbial populations found at 2 different locations within a single chronic wound (standardize methodology).
- Preliminary investigation of DNA footprints of microbes in wound tissue



# Prevalence of bacterial species by quant culture

Figure 2. Microbial Diversity in Chronic Wounds

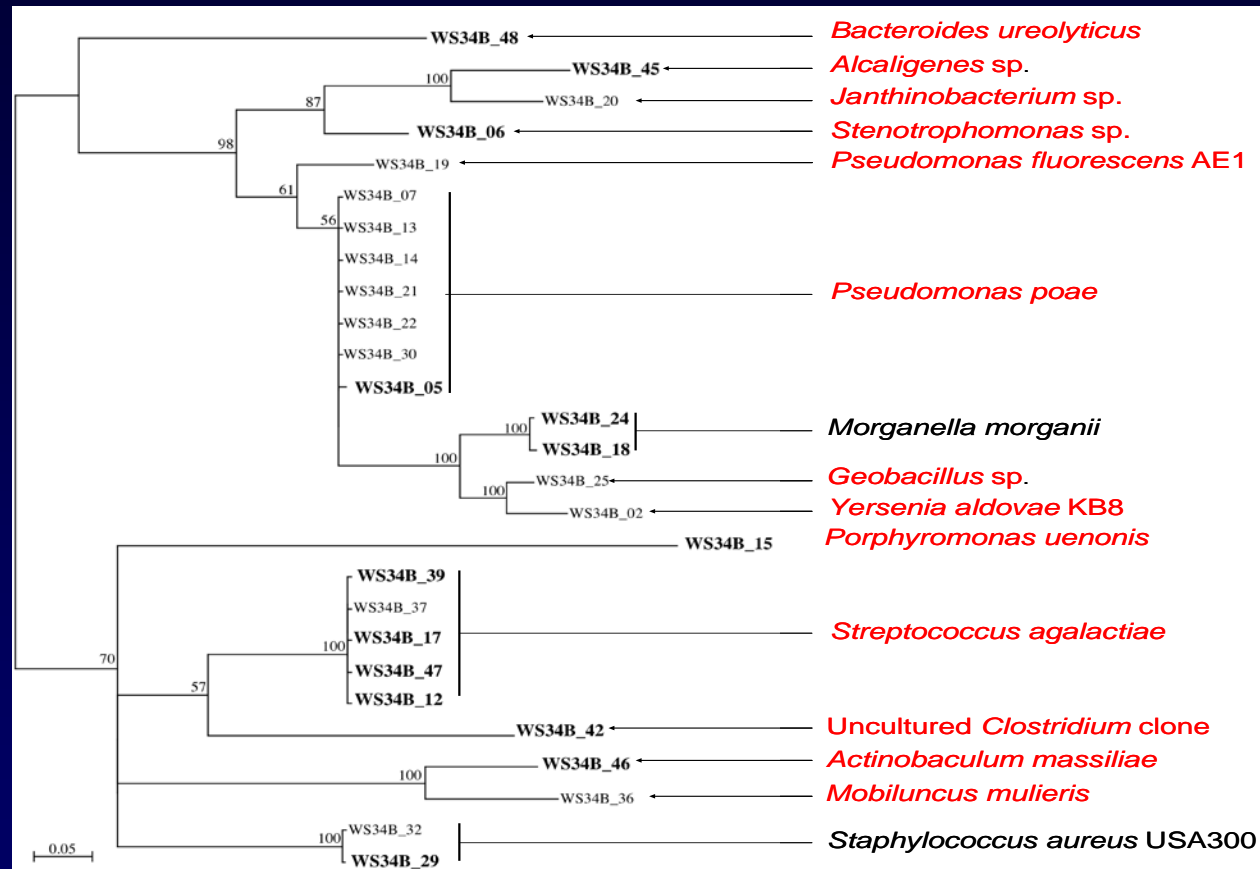


- **MRSA (44.8%) , *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (27.6%), Group B Streptococcus (27.6%).**

## Prevalence of bacterial species

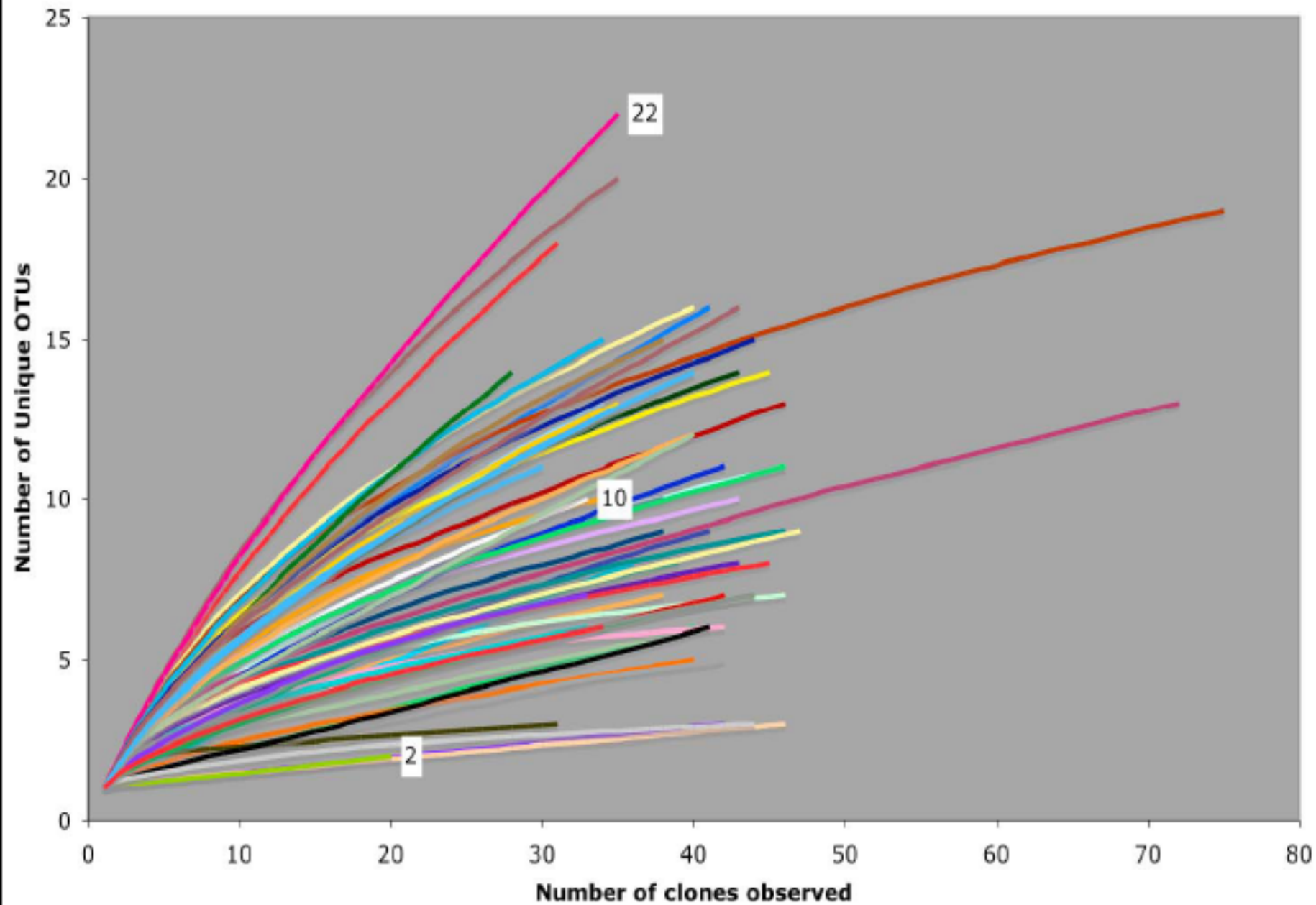
- 97% of wounds cultured had at least one organism, 60% three or more
- MRSA (44.8%) , *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (27.6%), Group B Streptococcus (27.6%).
- 19/22 samples positive for MRSA had  $\geq 10^5$  CFU/g organisms.
- 11/14 of negative qualitative results were positive on quantitative microbiology (78.6%, 95%CI 49.2%-95.3%).

# Preliminary 16S DNA clone libraries suggest that wounds contain many more species of organisms than recovered by culture

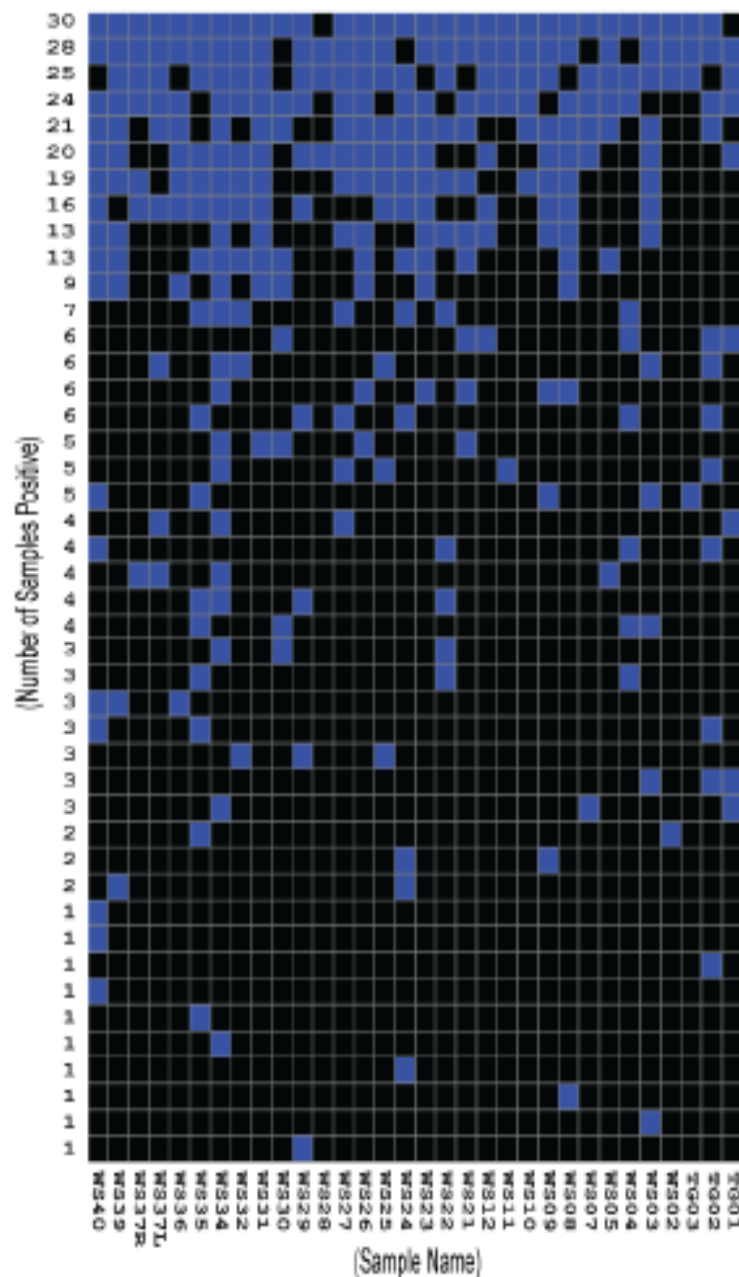


- 16S-based phylogenetic tree from a single chronic wound.
- Organisms labeled in red were not recovered by quantitative microbiology.

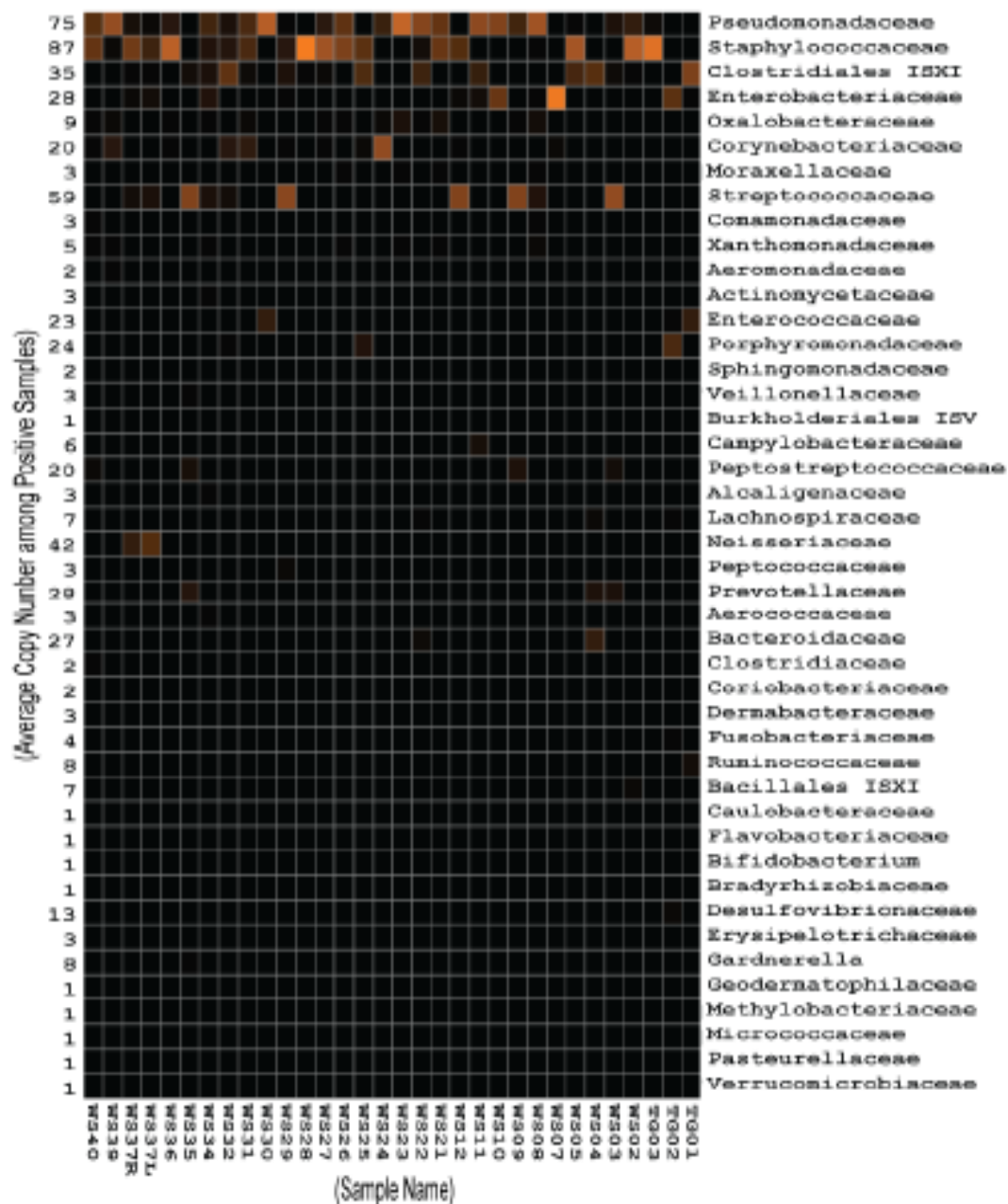
# Independent Rarefaction Analysis of Unique Species from All Wounds



Presence/Absence - ■ + ■



Concentration 1 300



# Molecular Microbiology: New Dimensions for Cutaneous Biology and Wound Healing

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## Community Analysis of Chronic Wound Bacteria Using 16S rRNA Gene-Based Pyrosequencing: Impact of Diabetes and Antibiotics on Chronic Wound Microbiota

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### RESEARCH LETTERS

**Defining Wound Microbial Flora:  
Molecular Microbiology Opening  
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# Conclusions from Metagenomics

- Microbial Diversity was significantly lower in those patients treated with antimicrobials
- High proportion of anaerobes and non cultivables
- Pyrosequencing validated RT/PCR and culture results  
–when latter were positive; i.e. was more sensitive
- Genomics data suggest that anaerobes are critically important and this may represent synergistic infections
- This is DNA only—Need to do RNA transcriptome and Host

# Conclusions

- Genomics has impacted
  - Discovery of new pathogens
  - Detection
  - Understanding the epidemiology
  - Guiding therapy and interventions
  - Understanding resistance
  - Understanding host susceptibility



# Conclusions

- Genomic Methods are rapidly replacing traditional microbiology
- “Cellphone Paradigm” in appropriate settings

# Conclusions

- The Microbiome is an ecological concept that is leading to new understanding of infectious diseases based on “microbial community” concepts