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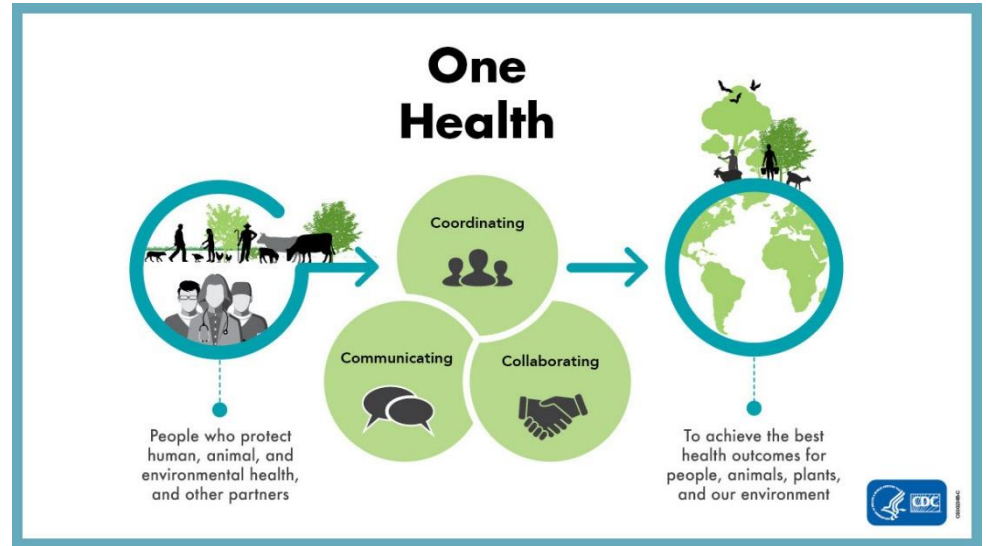
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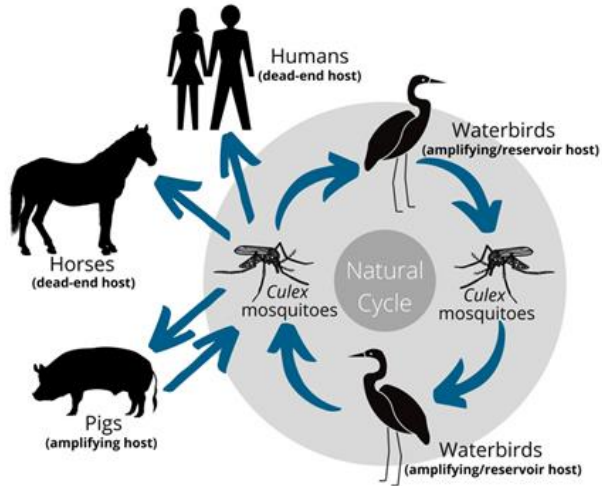
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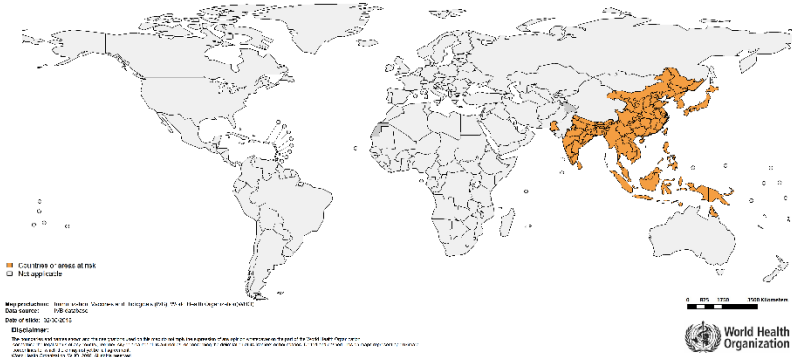
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- Zoonotic infections
- Anti-microbial resistance

Japanese Encephalitis



Countries/ areas of risk, 2018



Impact of vaccination against Japanese encephalitis in endemic countries



National or sub-national programs
(Leston et al, 2024, PLoS NTD; Vannice et al, 2021, npj vaccines)

2022 JEV outbreak in Australia

Warning about mosquito-borne viruses in SA, Victoria and NSW after one person dies and seven sent to hospital

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Three people in Victoria in hospital with Japanese encephalitis after virus found in pigs

Victoria reports four cases of virus that spreads through mosquito bites and cannot be caught by eating pig product

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Japanese encephalitis virus situation declared a Communicable Disease Incident of National Significance

Dr Mark Schipp, Australia's Chief Veterinary Officer and Dr Sonya Bennet, Australia's Acting Chief Medical Officer have today declared the Japanese encephalitis virus situation a Communicable Disease Incident of National Significance (CDINS).



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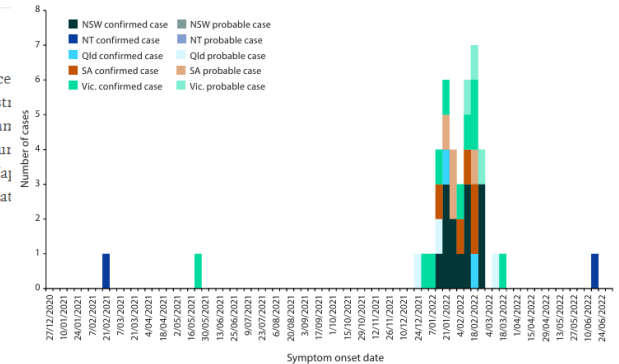
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Japanese Encephalitis in Australia — A Sentinel Case

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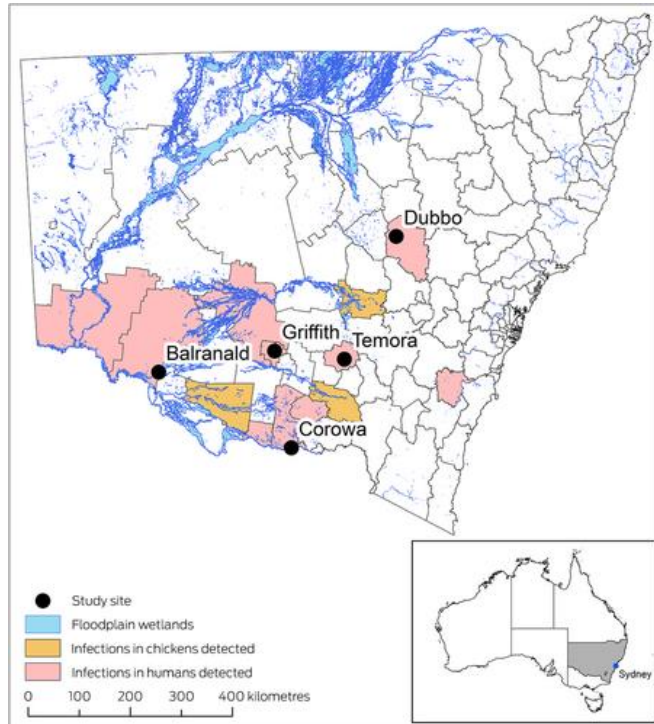
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Figure 1: Japanese encephalitis virus cases (confirmed and probable) in Australia by jurisdiction of residence and symptom onset week,^{a,b} 1 January 2021 – 30 June 2022



a Source: Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care Japanese Encephalitis Virus Outbreak REDCap Database.
b Date of symptom onset or date of first specimen collection if date of symptom onset is missing.

2022 JEV outbreak in New South Wales, Australia



The University of Sydney

The seroprevalence of antibodies to Japanese encephalitis virus in five New South Wales towns at high risk of infection, 2022: a cross-sectional serosurvey

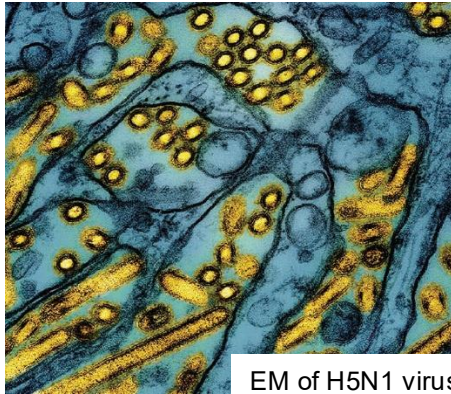
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- 1/11 serosurvey participants from 5 regional NSW towns were at risk on ecological grounds, were seropositive for JEV-specific antibody, presumably reflecting non-clinical JEV during the preceding arbovirus season
- Vaccination against JEV in areas of NSW at particular risk of JEV accompanied with mosquito control & communication campaigns 🚀
- One Health approach

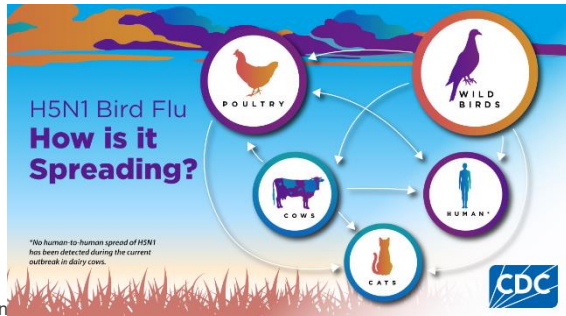
Current recommendations: high-risk & travellers

<https://immunisationhandbook.health.gov.au/contents/vaccine-preventable-diseases/japanese-encephalitis>

Avian influenza



EM of H5N1 virus particles



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Human infection with avian influenza A(H5) viruses

Human infection with avian influenza A(H5N1) virus

From 15 to 21 Aug 2025, **no new case** of human infection with avian influenza A(H5N1) virus were reported to WHO in the Western Pacific Region. The last case was reported from Takeo Province, Cambodia with onset of symptoms on 27 July. The case had exposure to sick and dead poultry.

From 1 January 2003 to 1 July 2025, a total of 474 cases of human infection with avian influenza A(H5N1) virus have been reported from six countries within the Western Pacific Region (Table 1). Of these cases, 316 were fatal, resulting in a case fatality rate (CFR) of 66.7%.

Table 1: Cumulative number of laboratory-confirmed human cases (C) and deaths (D) of influenza A(H5N1) virus infection reported to WHO, by date of onset (1 January 2003 to 1 July 2025), Western Pacific Region

Country	2003-2009		2010-2014		2015-2019		2020-2024		2025		Total	
	C	D	C	D	C	D	C	D	C	D	C	D
Australia	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Cambodia	9	7	47	30	0	0	16	6	11	6	83	49
China	38	25	9	5	6	1	3	1	1	0	57	32
Indonesia	162	134	35	31	3	3	0	0	0	0	200	168
Lao PDR	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	2
Viet Nam	112	57	15	7	0	0	2	1	1	0	130	65
Total	323	225	106	73	9	4	23	8	13	6	474	316

[Source: Confirmed human cases for avian influenza A\(H5N1\) reported to WHO, 2003-2025](#)

Vaccines

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The world should prepare now for a potential H5NI flu pandemic, experts warn

7th March 2025



- Pandemic preparedness – multi-sectoral responses
- Rapid scalable vaccines along with therapeutics, diagnostics, PPE
- Deployment plan including communication plans using behavioural science
- Agricultural readiness



Australian Government

May 2025

Preparing for H5 avian influenza (bird flu)

Vaccination of priority native bird species

The Australian Government is actively working through regulatory and policy arrangements to enable the vaccination of Australian priority native bird species in the event of a H5 bird flu incursion (or significant threat of an incursion). Preparations include the purchase of a bird flu vaccine and vaccination trials.

Overview

While bird flu preparedness activities have been a national focus for many years, a highly contagious and serious strain, known commonly as H5 bird flu, has spread quickly across the world through the movement of wild birds. Overseas outbreaks have demonstrated that H5 bird flu could have significant impacts on our wildlife, agriculture industry and communities if it reaches Australia.

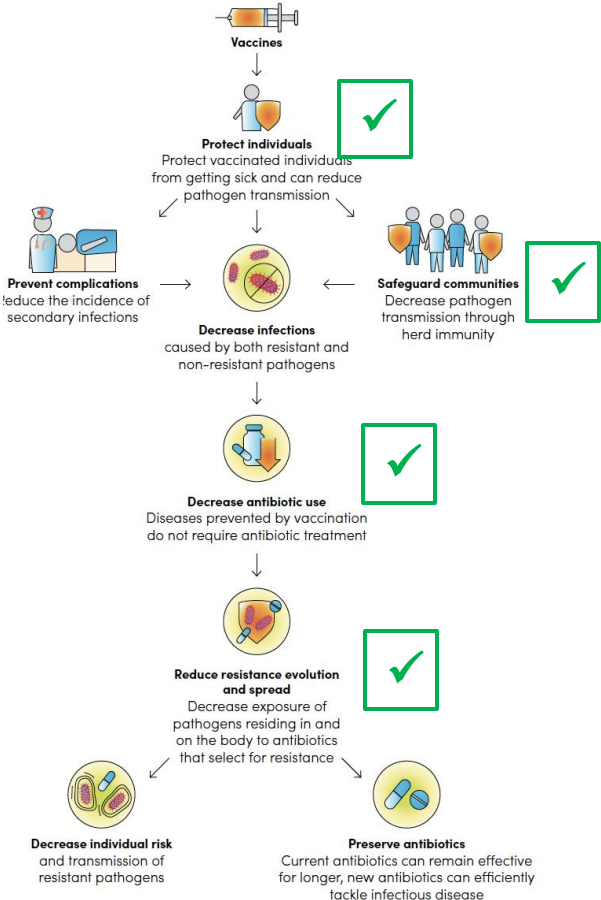
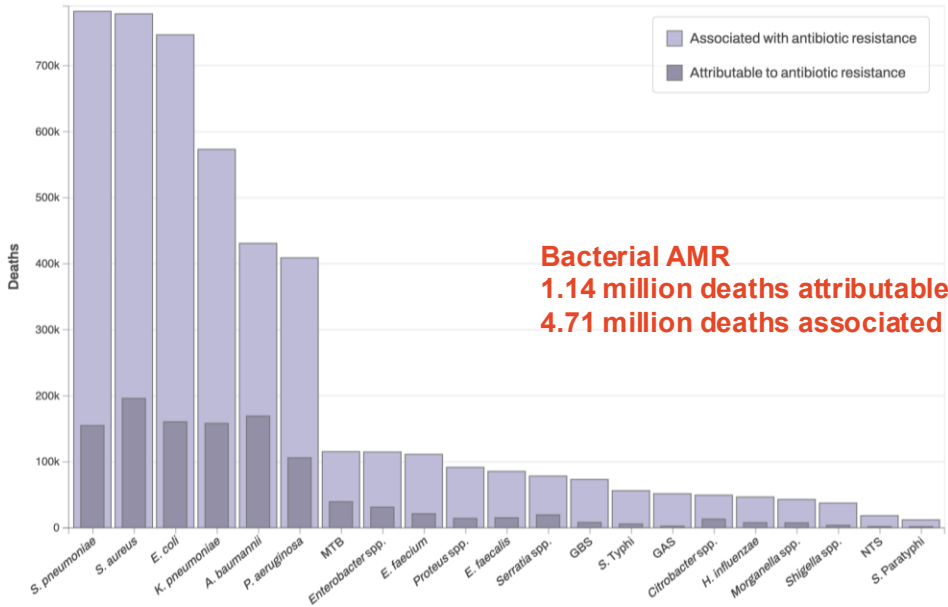
The Australian Government is preparing for a possible outbreak of H5 bird flu with a range of measures, including considering the vaccination of priority native bird species.

- Inactivated H5 bird flu vaccine from Zoetis – under trial by CSIRO
- Evaluate the safety and efficacy of this vaccine in small Australian bird species -> support emergency use

How do vaccines reduce AMR?

AMR and Vaccines

The number of deaths associated and attributable to resistance by pathogen, in 2021



WHO report: Estimating the impact of vaccines in reducing antimicrobial resistance and use

- Vaccines in early and late-stage clinical development have the potential to annually avert up to:
 - **515,000 deaths**
 - **28 million DALYs**
 - **US \$30 billion in hospital costs**
 - **US \$20 billion in productivity losses**
- These vaccines could also help to reduce antibiotic use by **2.5 billion doses**

Estimating the impact of vaccines in reducing antimicrobial resistance and antibiotic use

AMR
associated
costs

PCV and rotavirus vaccines reduce *antibiotic use* in children in LMICs

Analysis of Demographic Health Surveys (DHS) and Multiple Indicator Cluster Surveys (MICS)

VACCINE IMPACT WITH RECENT COVERAGE

PCV prevents 23.8 million antibiotic treated episodes annually

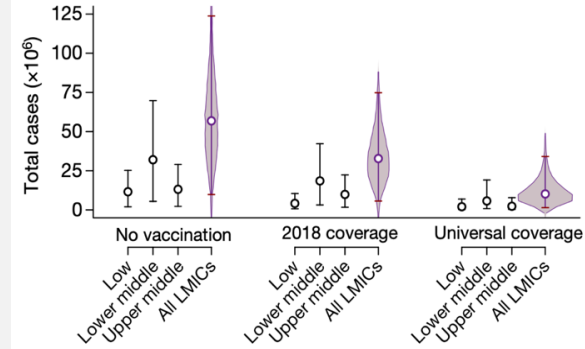
Rotavirus vaccine prevents 13.7 million antibiotic treated episodes annually

VACCINE IMPACT WITH 90% COVERAGE

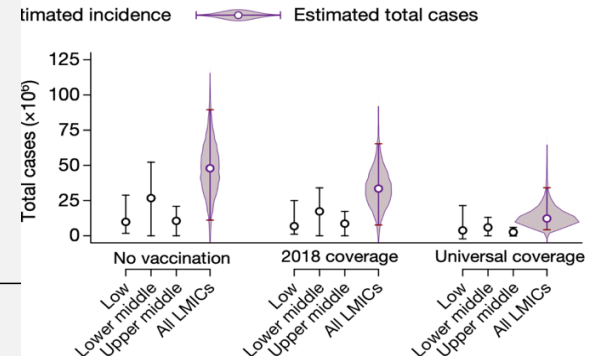
PCV could avert additional 21.7 million antibiotic treated episodes

Rotavirus vaccines could avert additional 18.3 million antibiotic treated episodes

Total PCV10/13 vaccine-preventable antibiotic consumption and incidence, children 24–59 months



Total rotavirus vaccine-preventable antibiotic consumption and incidence, children 0–23 months



<https://www.nature.com/articles/s41586-020-2238-4>

Estimating the Impact of Vaccines in Reducing Antimicrobial Resistance and Antibiotic Use

Acknowledgement: Dr Hasso-Agopsowicz

Many emerging resources

Mycobacterium tuberculosis (TB_2)

A vaccine against pulmonary *M.tuberculosis* disease given to 70% of children aged 10 years, with 10-year efficacy of 50% and subsequent boosting to ensure lifelong protection [TB_2]

Target pathogen: Mycobacterium tuberculosis	Targeting: Children aged 10 years	Duration: 10 years	Usage scenario: Efficacy: 50% Coverage: 70%	WHO AMR priority: CRITICAL
Vaccine name: TB_2				Feasibility of vaccine development and implementation: HIGH

WHO region	Deaths associated with resistance in 2019 (95% UI)	Deaths associated with resistance averted by a vaccine in 2019 (95% UI)	DALYs associated with resistance in 2019 (95% UI)	DALYs associated with resistance averted by a vaccine in 2019 (95% UI)
AFR	43 000 (29 000–48 000)	13 500 (12 000–15 500)	1.9 (1.7–2.1) million	522 000 (455 000–595 000)
EUR	12 000 (11 000–13 000)	4098 (3614–4654)	504 000 (466 000–545 000)	170 000 (153 000–191 000)
EMR	19 500 (17 000–22 500)	6015 (5137–7222)	899 000 (776 000–1 million)	252 000 (206 000–308 000)
SEAR	116 000 (98 000–134 000)	40 000 (33 500–48 000)	4.1 (3.5–4.9) million	1.4 (1.2–1.7) million
AMR	2508 (2224–2829)	858 (733–994)	88 000 (78 000–99 500)	29 000 (25 000–33 500)
WPR	18 500 (16 500–21 000)	6380 (5600–7347)	632 000 (570 000–700 000)	209 000 (187 000–239 000)
GLOBAL	211 000 (193 000–231 000)	70 500 (64 000–78 000)	8.1 (7.5–8.9) million	2.6 (2.3–2.8) million

WHO region	Pathogen-associated antibiotic use in 2019, DDD (95% UI)	Pathogen-associated antibiotic use averted by a vaccine in 2019, DDD (95% UI)
AFR	690 (670–700) million	230 (220–230) million
EUR	150 (150–160) million	52 (50–53) million
EMR	260 (250–270) million	84 (81–86) million
SEAR	1600 (1500–1600) million	520 (500–560) million
AMR	120 (120–120) million	42 (41–42) million
WPR	700 (680–720) million	240 (230–240) million
GLOBAL	3500 (3400–3600) million	1200 (1100–1200) million

WHO region	Hospital costs associated with resistance in 2019, US dollars (95% UI)	Hospital costs associated with resistance averted by a vaccine in 2019, US dollars (95% UI)	Productivity losses associated with resistance in 2019, US dollars	Productivity losses associated with resistance averted by a vaccine in 2019, US dollars
AFR	32.2 (17.2–40.3) million	9.8 (5.2–18.4) million	451 million	133 million
EUR	1399 (600–2640) million	480 (237–909) million	824 million	280 million
EMR	49.7 (23.5–89.6) million	16 (7.5–28.5) million	459 million	136 million
SEAR	243 (25.2–734) million	83.2 (8.6–251) million	1393 million	470 million
AMR	64.4 (33–120) million	21.7 (11.1–37.1) million	136 million	45 million
WPR	132 (6.5–40) million	6.6 (3.2–13.9) million	306 million	101 million
GLOBAL	1807 (973–3181) million	617 (303–1085) million	3569 million	1165 million

AMR: antimicrobial resistance; DDD: defined daily doses; UI: uncertainty interval; WHO: World Health Organization. Regions: AFR: WHO African Region; AMR: WHO Region of the Americas; EMR: WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region; EUR: WHO European Region; SEAR: WHO South-East Asia Region; WPR: WHO Western Pacific Region.

Impact on AMR by vaccine and region

Pathogen: **Acinetobacter baumannii** | Vaccine: **AB_4** | Burden & Impact: **Hospital costs**

Urgency of AMR threat: **Critical**

Feasibility: **Low**

Stage of development: **Early**

Coverage: **70%**

Hospital costs associated with AMR (\$ US): **Global: 22,772,592,003**

Hospital costs associated with AMR and averted by a vaccine (\$ US): **Global: 11,158,472,081**

Averted % of total: **Africa: 3%**

A snapshot for programme implementers

Estimating the impact of vaccine in reducing antimicrobial resistance and antibiotic use

Vaccines are an essential part of a holistic response to reduce antimicrobial resistance (caused by both drug-sensitive and drug-resistant pathogens), reduce antibiotic use, and slow the emergence and spread of drug-resistant pathogens. 1 estimate of how vaccines could contribute to reducing AMR – programme 1 infers their decision-making on vaccine introduction.

AMR – a significant global health threat



1. See www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/antimicrobial-resistance

A snapshot for policy-makers

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Quick tips for health workers

How to use vaccines to reduce antimicrobial resistance and save lives

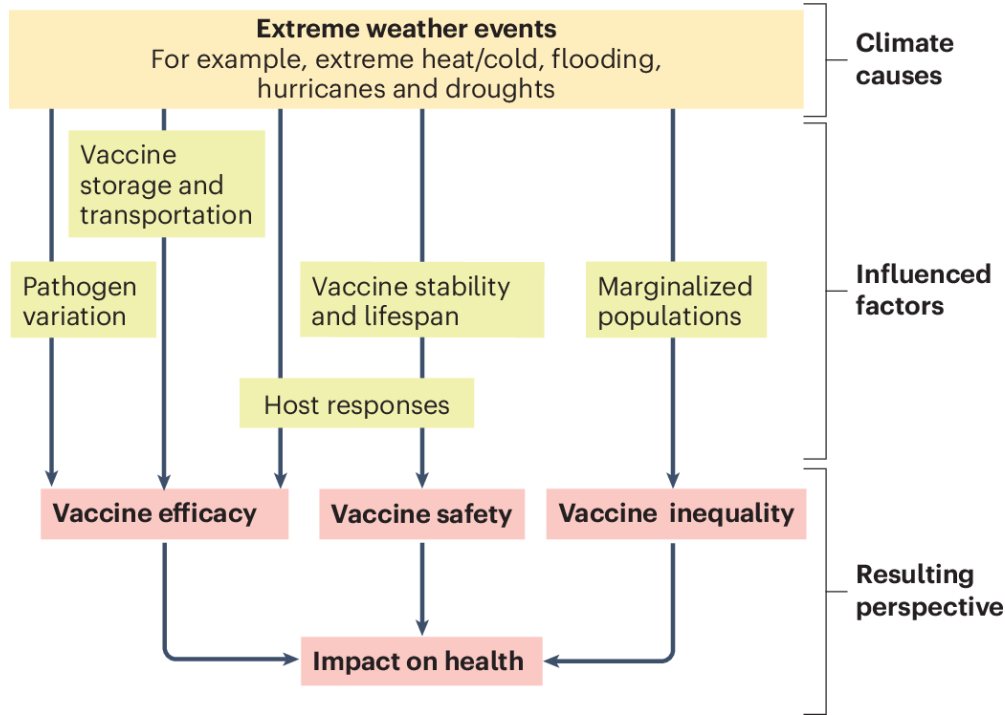
This guide outlines how health workers can use vaccination to help combat antimicrobial resistance (AMR).

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Climate change, vaccines & immunisation – the next challenge

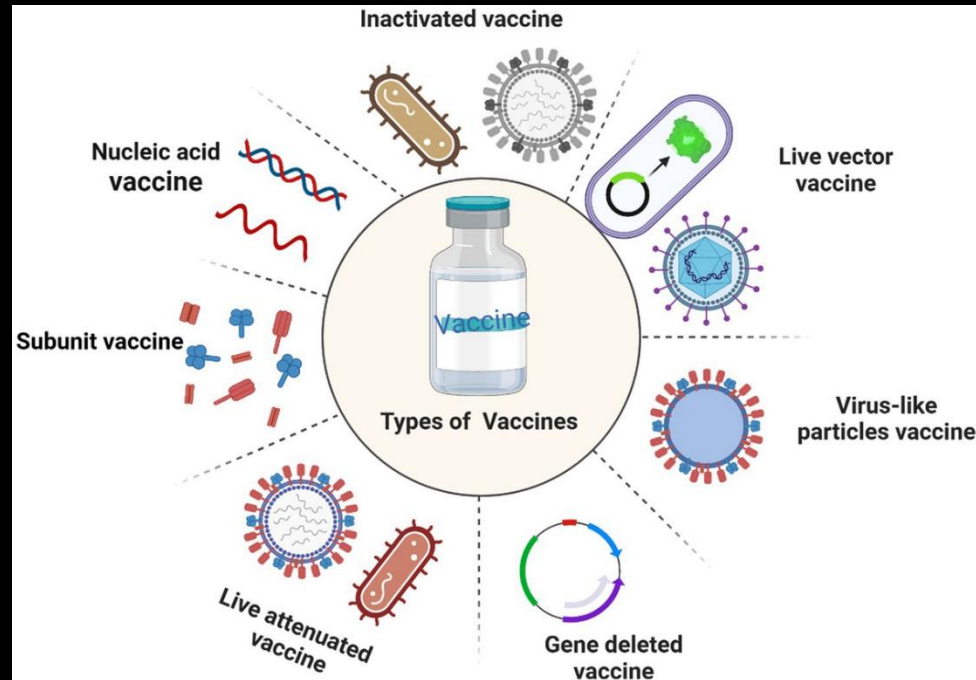


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Zhang et al, 2024, Nature climate change

Combination Vaccines



Combination Vaccines

- A single shot containing antigens that protect against more than one vaccine-preventable disease.
- How many vaccines visits does a parent have to make to be fully immunised?



Increasingly crowded schedule

	1984	2010	2023	2030
Maternal	..	1	1 +1 or more regional vaccines	2 +1 or more regional vaccines
Birth	1	2	2	2
Infant (aged 6 weeks to 6 months; 2 or 3 visits within 14 weeks)	2	3-5	3-6* +1 or more regional vaccines	3-6* +1 or more regional vaccines
6 months	..	..	+1 or more regional vaccines	+1 or more regional vaccines
7 months	..	..	+1 or more regional vaccines	+1 or more regional vaccines
9 months	1	2 +1 or more regional vaccines	2 +1 or more regional vaccines	2 +1 or more regional vaccines
15 months	..	1	1 +1 or more regional vaccines	1 +1 or more regional vaccines
12-23 months	..	2-4	1-4 +1 or more regional vaccines	1-4 +1 or more regional vaccines
Childhood (24 months to 8 years)	..	2-4	1-4 +1 or more regional vaccines	1-4 +1 or more regional vaccines
Adolescents (aged ≥9 years)	..	3-5	2-5 +1 or more regional vaccines	2-5 +1 or more regional vaccines
Adults	..	+1 or more regional vaccines	+1 or more regional vaccines	+1 or more regional vaccines
Older adults (aged ≥65 years)	..	..	+1 or more regional vaccines	+1 or more regional vaccines

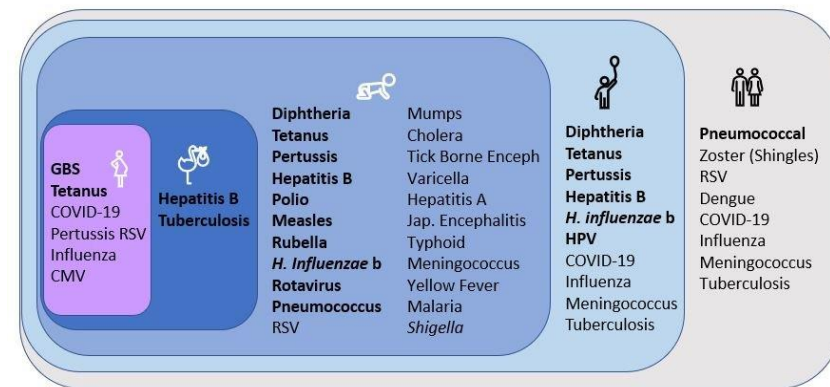
This table reflects the number of separate administrations, per visit, of vaccines recommended globally by WHO;² we also note at which visits one or more additional vaccines are recommended for high-burden regions or populations at high risk (termed regional vaccines). The specific vaccines underlying these numbers are shown in the appendix (p 2). Not all vaccines are administered parenterally. For clarity, the 2030 column only depicts the additional vaccines that we anticipate to be recommended in addition to those shown in 2023. *In some cases, up to five or six vaccines are recommended but generally no more than four parenteral vaccines would be administered in a single visit.

Table: The evolution in number of vaccines recommended both globally and regionally at different visits



Increasing number of shots and visits
4 in 1984
>15 in 2023 region dependent

By 2030, there could be vaccines available for up to 30 diseases, with the majority recommended for infants and toddlers.





📌 Fiji Introduces Hexavalent Vaccine to Enhance Infant Immunization Program 🌟

In a significant update to its vaccination strategy, Fiji has officially introduced the hexavalent vaccine for young infants. This new vaccine replaces the previous pentavalent vaccine and the inactivated polio vaccine, streamlining the immunization process for newborns. 🧡🌟

The hexavalent vaccine will be administered in three doses at 6 weeks, 10 weeks, and 14 weeks of age. Parents are urged to plan for their infants' vaccinations as they approach these milestones. Additionally, for children who have reached one year of age, a booster dose of the hexavalent vaccine will replace both the DTP vaccine and the inactivated polio vaccine. Caregivers are reminded to incorporate vaccination schedules into their birthday celebrations! 🎂🧡

This initiative is a result of significant advancements in vaccine development, ensuring that Fijian infants benefit from the latest global innovations. Local medical experts have meticulously monitored international vaccination trends and combined this knowledge with a thorough understanding of the local health

Combination vaccines are not new

- Existing combination vaccines.....

National Immunisation Program Schedule

Childhood vaccination		
(also see vaccination for people with medical risk conditions)		
Age	Diseases	Vaccine Brand
Birth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hepatitis B (usually offered in hospital) 	H-B-Vax® II Paediatric or Engerix B® Paediatric
2 months (can be given from 6 weeks of age)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough), hepatitis B, polio, <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b (Hib) Rotavirus Pneumococcal Meningococcal B (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children) 	Infanrix® hexa or Vaxelis® Rotarix® Prevenar 13® Bexsero®
4 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough), hepatitis B, polio, <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b (Hib) Rotavirus Pneumococcal Meningococcal B (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children) 	Infanrix® hexa or Vaxelis® Rotarix® Prevenar 13® Bexsero®
6 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough), hepatitis B, polio, <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b (Hib) Pneumococcal (Children with specified medical risk conditions) Pneumococcal (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in WA, NT, SA, Qld) Meningococcal B (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children with specified medical risk conditions) 	Infanrix® hexa or Vaxelis® Prevenar 13® Prevenar 13® Bexsero®
6 months to <5 years (annually)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Influenza 	Age appropriate
12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meningococcal ACWY Measles, mumps, rubella Pneumococcal Meningococcal B (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children) 	Nimenrix® M-M-R® II or Priorix® Prevenar 13® Bexsero®

And new vaccines in the pipeline.....

Identifying WHO global priority endemic pathogens for vaccine research and development (R&D) using multi-criteria decision analysis (MCDA): an objective of the Immunization Agenda 2030

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Summary

Background To date, global priorities for new vaccine R&D have not been systematically identified for endemic pathogens. As part of Immunisation Agenda 2030 (IA2030), we have systematically identified priority endemic pathogens for new vaccine R&D based on country and regional stakeholder values to address this need.

Methods MCDA surveys targeting policy makers and immunisation stakeholders in each World Health Organization (WHO) region were used to weight eight criteria for prioritisation. Applying those weights to regional pathogen data yielded regional top ten pathogen lists, which are intended to inform regional deliberations on R&D priorities. The regional top ten lists were combined into an IA2030 global priority list. To inform R&D, use cases for new vaccines and monoclonal antibodies were identified, then categorised in terms of the activities needed to accelerate progress.

Findings In five out of six WHO regions, Annual deaths in children under five and Contribution to antimicrobial resistance were the most heavily weighted criteria. How participants weighted the criteria was not associated with their region, biographical characteristics, or areas of expertise. Five pathogens were common priorities across all regions: *M. tuberculosis*, HIV-1, *K. pneumoniae*, *S. aureus*, and Extra-intestinal pathogenic *E. coli*. Six pathogens were priorities in single regions. Combining regional top ten lists provided a global list of 17 priority pathogens for new vaccine R&D. Thirty-four distinct use cases were identified for new products targeting these pathogens. While most are in the "Advance product development" category, ten are in the "Research" category and seven are in the "Prepare to implement" category.

Interpretation These priorities for new vaccine R&D will help stakeholders better respond to regional and country needs. The use cases will inform R&D and enable monitoring of R&D under IA2030.

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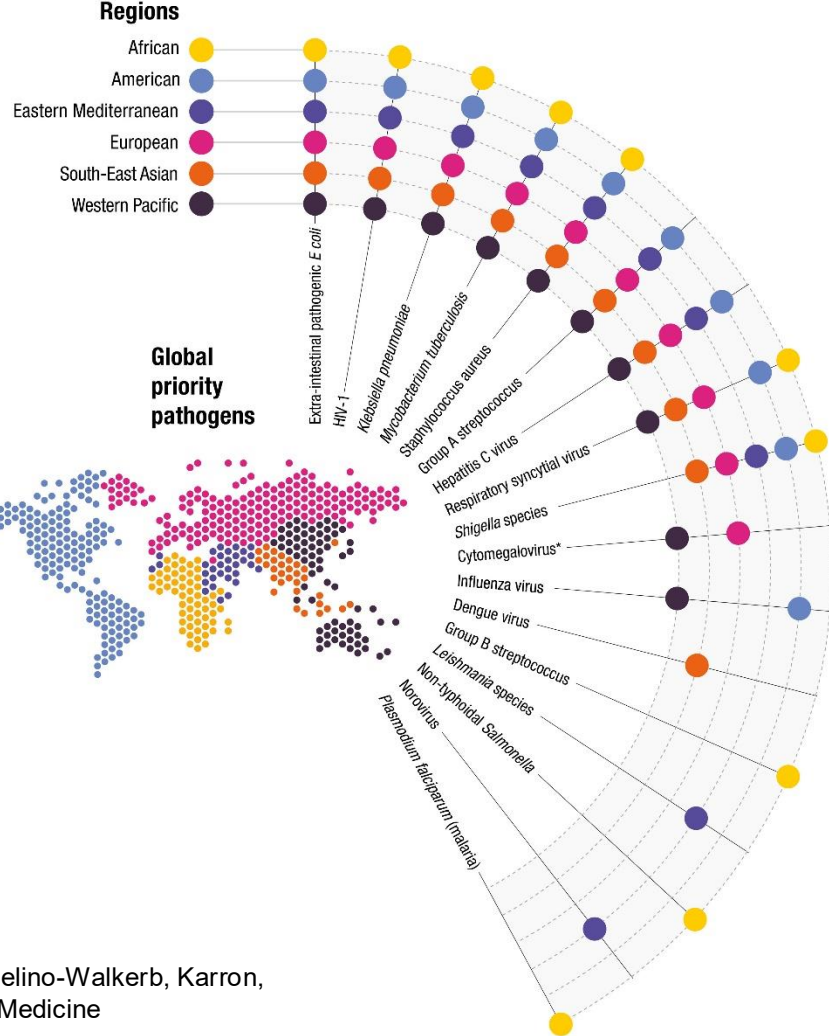
Introduction

Immunization has had an unparalleled impact on global morbidity and mortality, but because vaccine development is technically and commercially challenging, we

lack vaccines against many pathogens that continue to impose a substantial public health burden.¹ Prioritization of pathogen targets for vaccine R&D is therefore crucial for the efficient use of limited resources, to

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*Provisional result due to lack of systematic burden data

Hasso-Agopsowicz, Huang, Hollm-Delgado, Umbelino-Walker, Karron, Rao, Asante, Sheel, Sparrow, Giersing; Lancet eBioMedicine

Do combination vaccines offer a solution....

Pros

- >timeliness of vaccination; acceptability by end users and health-care providers
- Higher and more equitable vaccination coverage
- Greater, more equitable impact
- Facilitates targeting less prevalent but still important pathogens
- Allows possibility of a syndromic combination— ie, a combination vaccine targeting pathogens causing same clinical syndrome
- Reduced clinical waste – syringes etc (sustainability)
- >demand for combination than individual components, leading to economies of scale and reduced cost of goods

Challenges

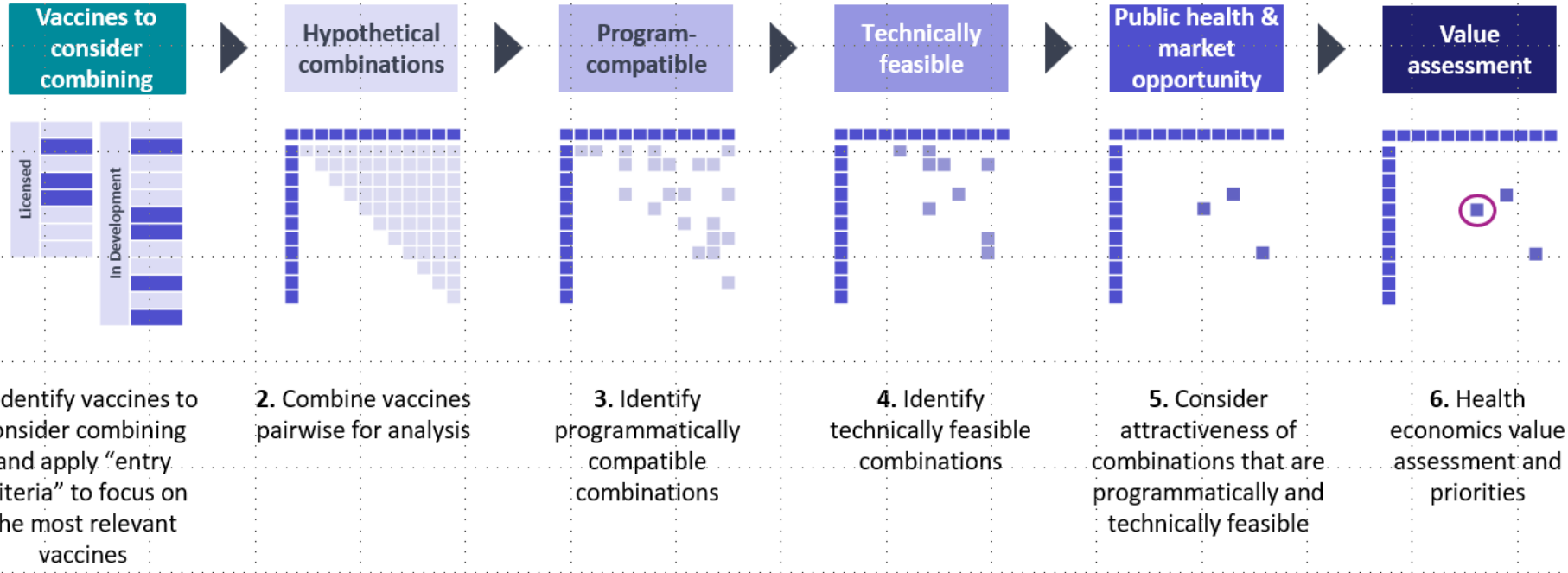
- Value of overall combination compared with stand-alone components?
- Monitoring safety signal per component
- Cost to procure than each component vaccines, even if less expensive to deliver
- Policy making – limited guidance on how to introduce into schedule or use
- Greater risk of failure due to immunological interference or unacceptable reactogenicity
- More complex, lengthy, and expensive clinical development pathway
- Market forces – pharma, IP, manufacturing agreements

Obstacles to development

- Traditionally approach – combining individual vaccines
- No priorities for combination vaccines R&D.
- Limited guidance from regulatory agencies.
- No guidance about policy decisions.
- Lack of comprehensive evaluations of the benefits and risks of combination vaccines.



Development of Combo Vaccine Policy Framework



Conclusion

- The current public health immunisation paradigm is centered around vaccines targeting single pathogens
- Need better policy and frameworks to expedite development
- Early consideration around introduction and implementation
- Full value assessment – health, economic and social