

# **Multiple Modalities to Explore Typhoid among Children: implication in vaccination policy**

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# BANGLADESH

- ~150 million people
  - 7th most populous country in the world
- Population density ~2,000 persons/square kilometer
  - Highest among any country
- Global mean 42 persons/km<sup>2</sup>
- Per capita income : US\$ 840



Dhaka Trade Mark<sup>®</sup>

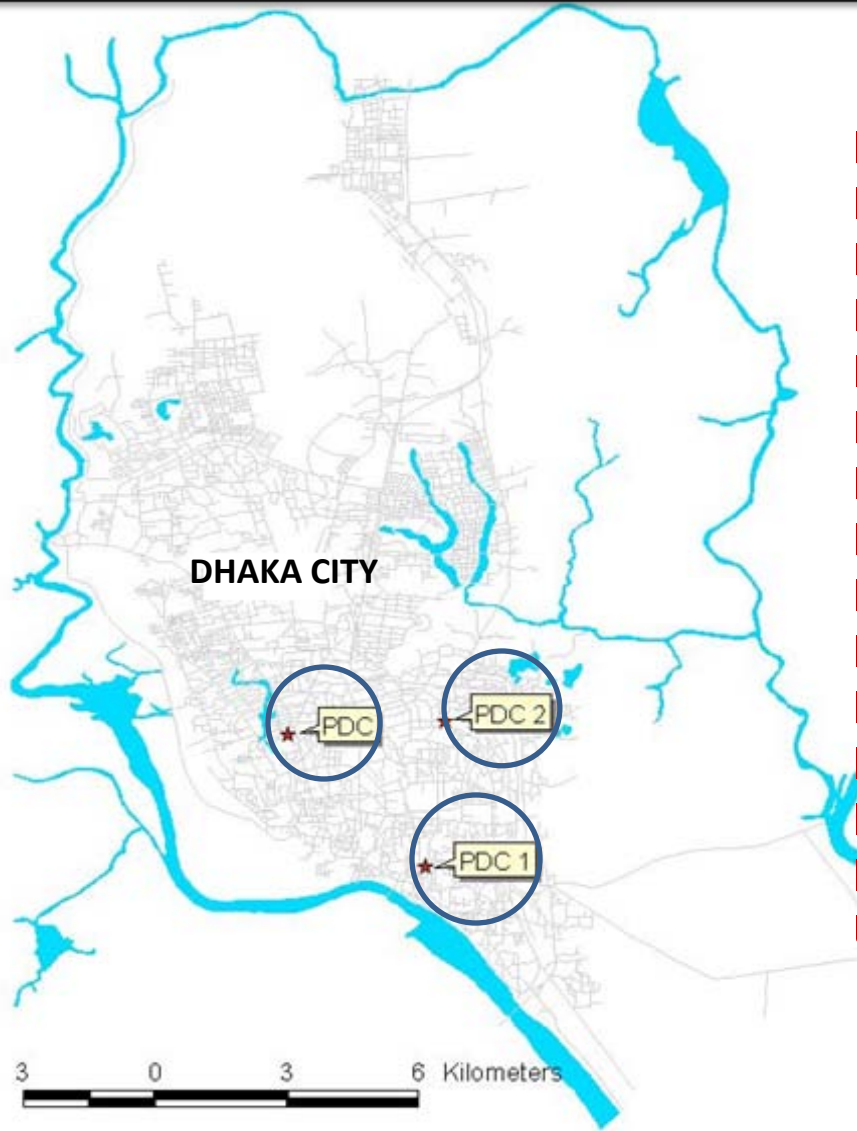
## Prior Antibiotic – Community and Hospital

Before coming to hospital	32%
At hospital, prior to specimen collection	20%
Overall cases <u>without</u> prior antibiotic	48%

# Surveillance for Invasive Bacterial Infections – Multiple Modalities

- Multicentre laboratory based surveillance in Dhaka city
- Multicentre hospital based surveillance – Urban and Rural
- Population based surveillance in a rural community
- Population based surveillance in an urban slum

# Multicentre Laboratory Based Surveillance in Dhaka City (1994 – 2011)



- Out patient based diagnostic centers
  - Expensive private facilities
  - Cases referred by senior pricey practitioners
  - Higher SES

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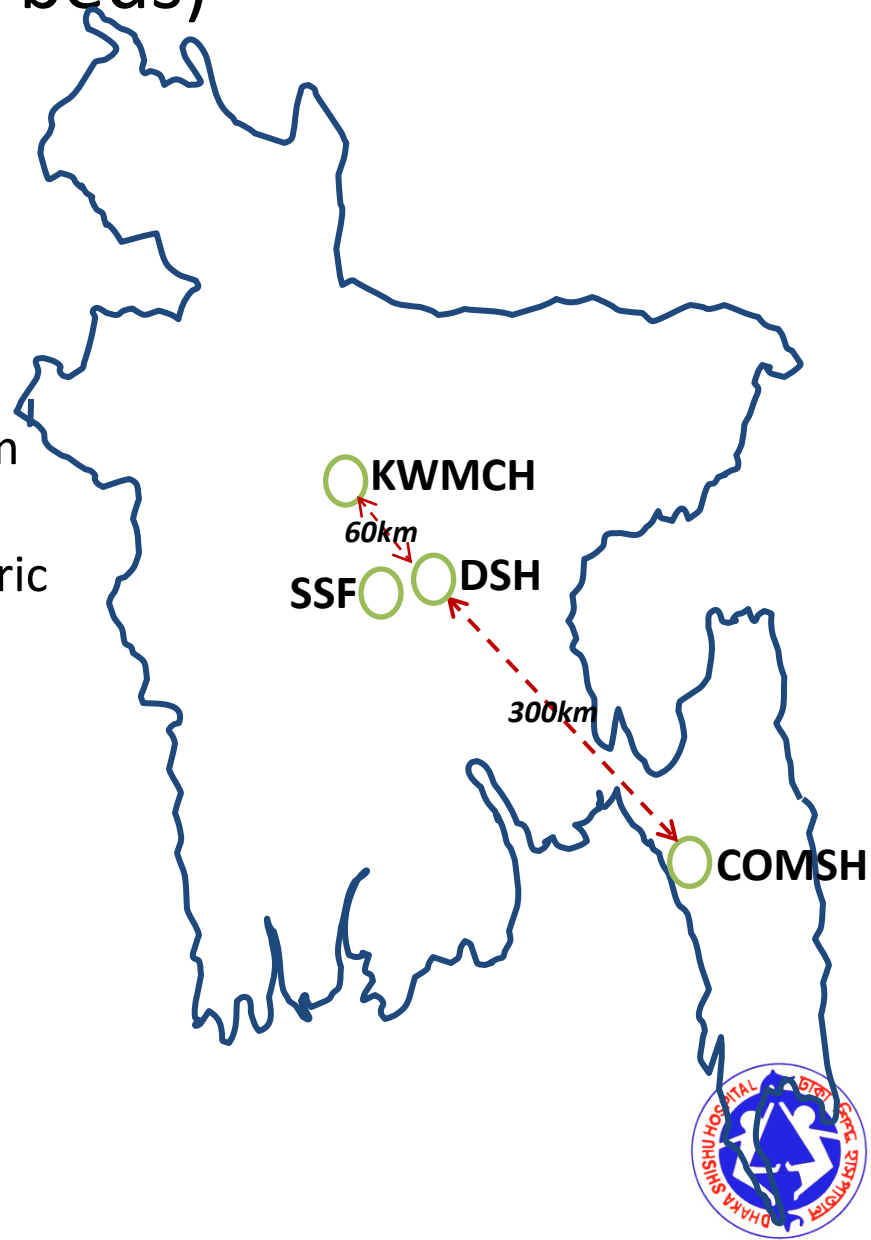
Total Blood Culture = 74,210

Positive Cases = 6,678 (9%)

*Salmonella Typhi* = 4,111 (62%)



# Hospital Based Surveillance - Network of 4 Hospitals (1,055 beds)



# Multicentre Hospital Based Surveillance for invasive bacterial diseases



Screen babies of  
2-59 months

**IF MEET INCLUSION  
EXCLUSION CRITERIA**

**ELIGIBLE**

*Consent taken*

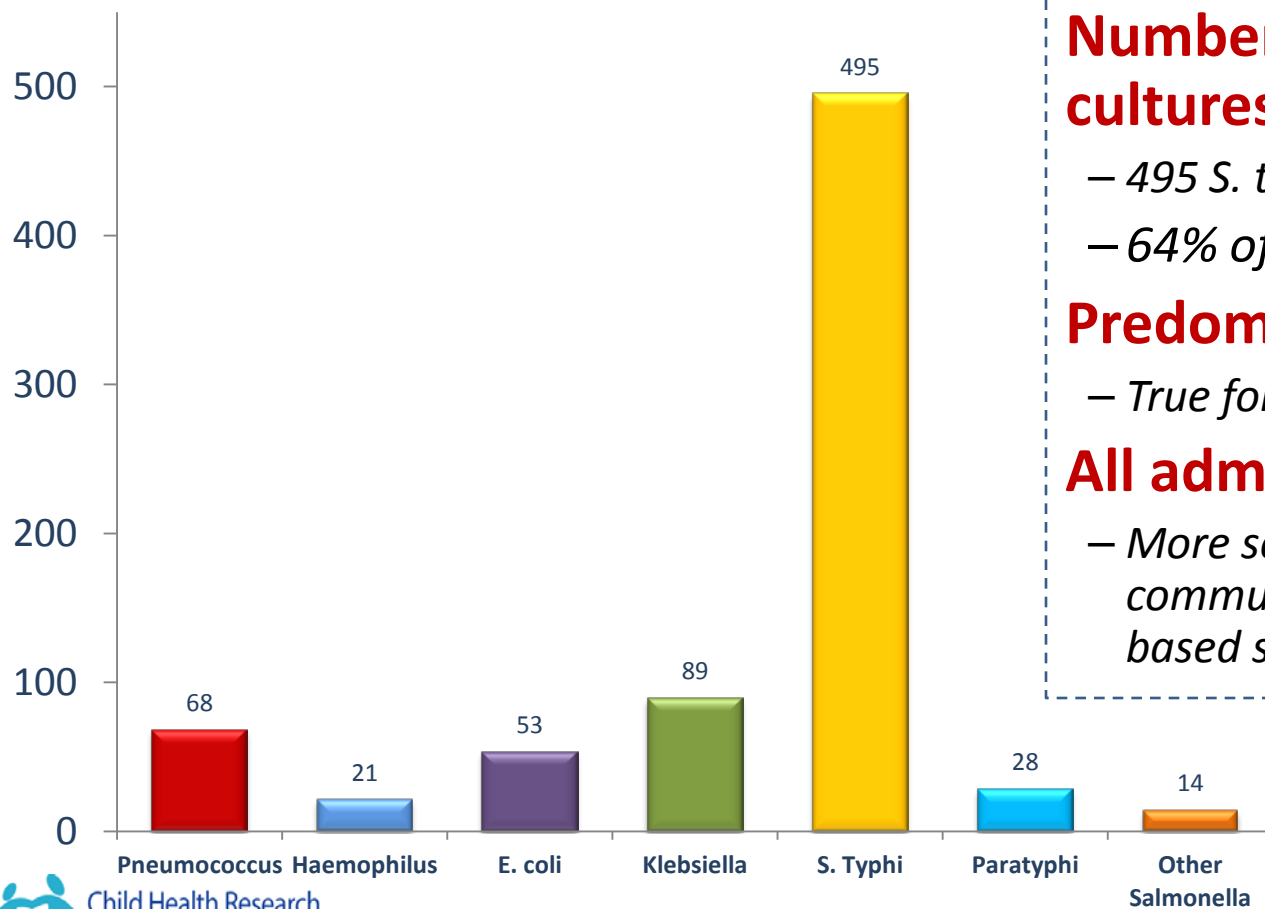
**BLOOD COLLECTION**

**ENROLLED**

**CULTURE**



# Multicentre Hospital Based Surveillance for Invasive Bacterial Diseases – 3 urban hospitals



**Number of blood cultures (18,652)**

– 495 *S. typhi*

– 64% of all isolates

**Predominance of *S. typhi***

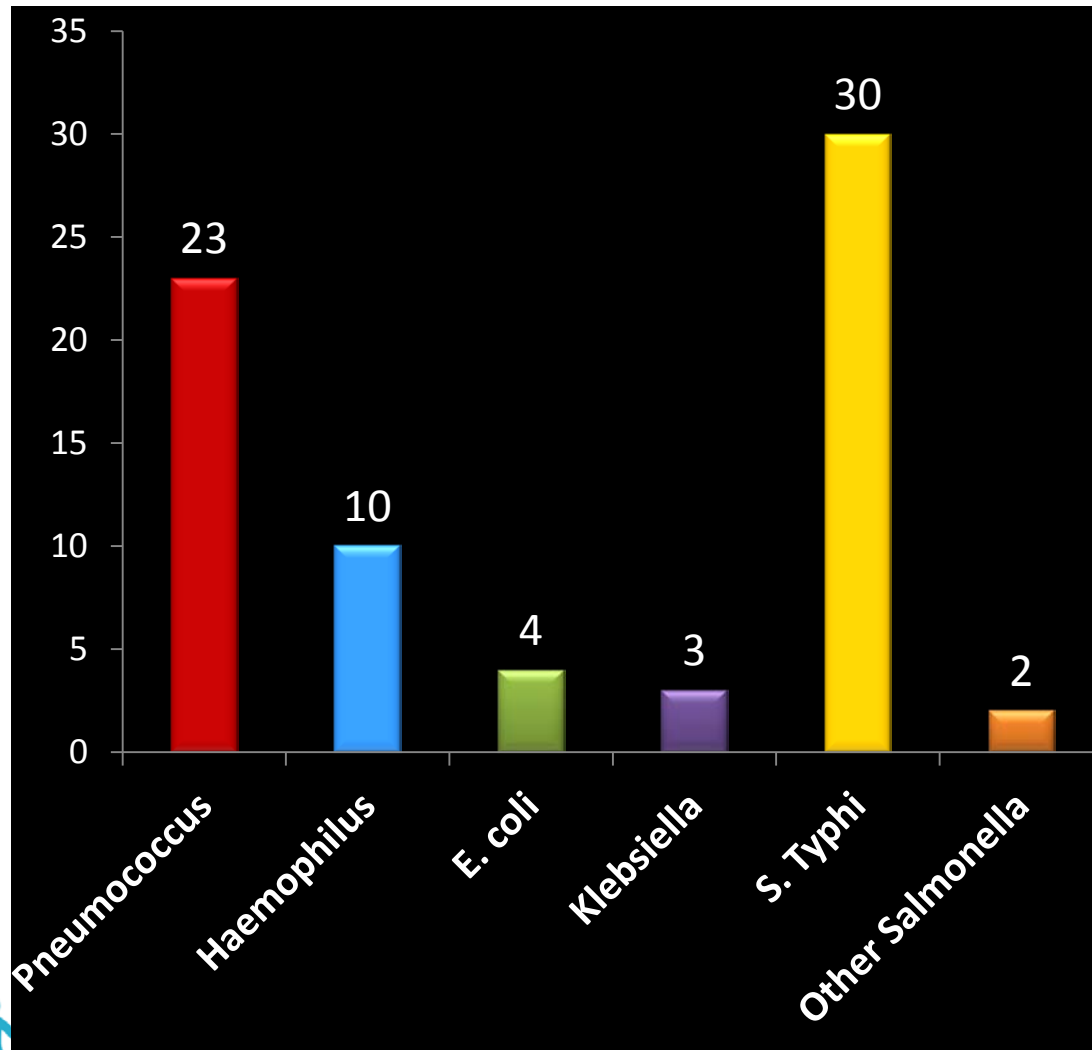
– True for other hospitals

**All admitted cases**

– More severe cases than community patients in lab based surveillance



# Multicentre Hospital Based Surveillance for Invasive Bacterial Diseases – Rural hospital



- Total blood culture – 4,203
- Relatively low rate of isolation
  - 42% of all isolate
  - Relatively low prevalence

Mirzapur, Rural Bangladesh

# **POPULATION BASED FIELD SITE**

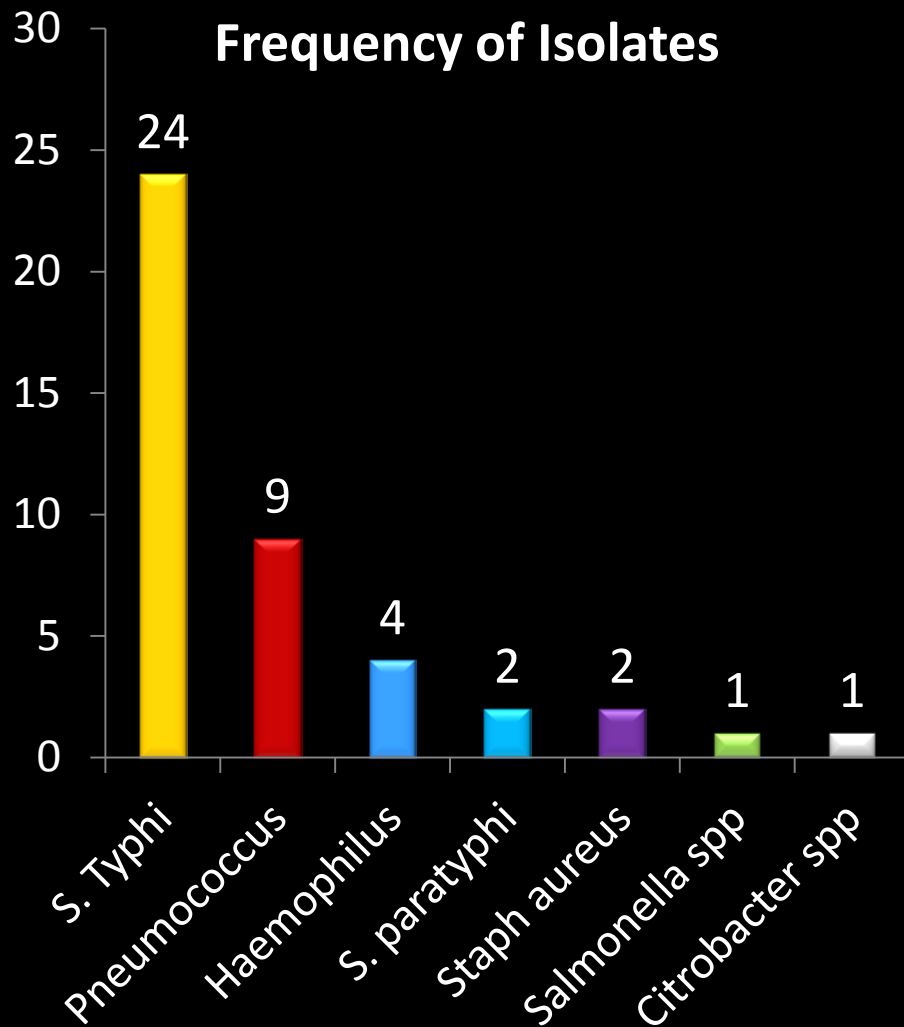
# Integrated Rural Field Site



- **Mirzapur**
  - 63 kilometers north of Dhaka city
  - Population: 400,000
- **Health facilities:**
  - Kumudini Hospital (750 beds)
    - ~120 pediatric patients at OPD daily
    - >500 patients a day
    - Pediatric ward of 80 beds
  - Upazilla Health Complex (31 beds)

# Distribution of Blood Culture in Rural Bangladesh

Frequency of Isolates



**Variables**

**No.**

Population

144,000

Total enrolled

11,439

Episodes with  
temp  $\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$

3,978

Blood Culture  
done

3,724



# Age-specific Incidence of typhoid fever <5 children in rural Bangladesh

Age groups (months)	Culture confirmed cases	Typhoid incidence/ per 100,000 person-years
0 – 11	0 (0)	0
12 – 23	3 (12.5)	94
24 – 35	6 (25)	145
36 – 47	13 (54.2)	304
48 – 59	2 (8.3)	64
<b>Total</b>	<b>24 (100)</b>	<b>151</b>



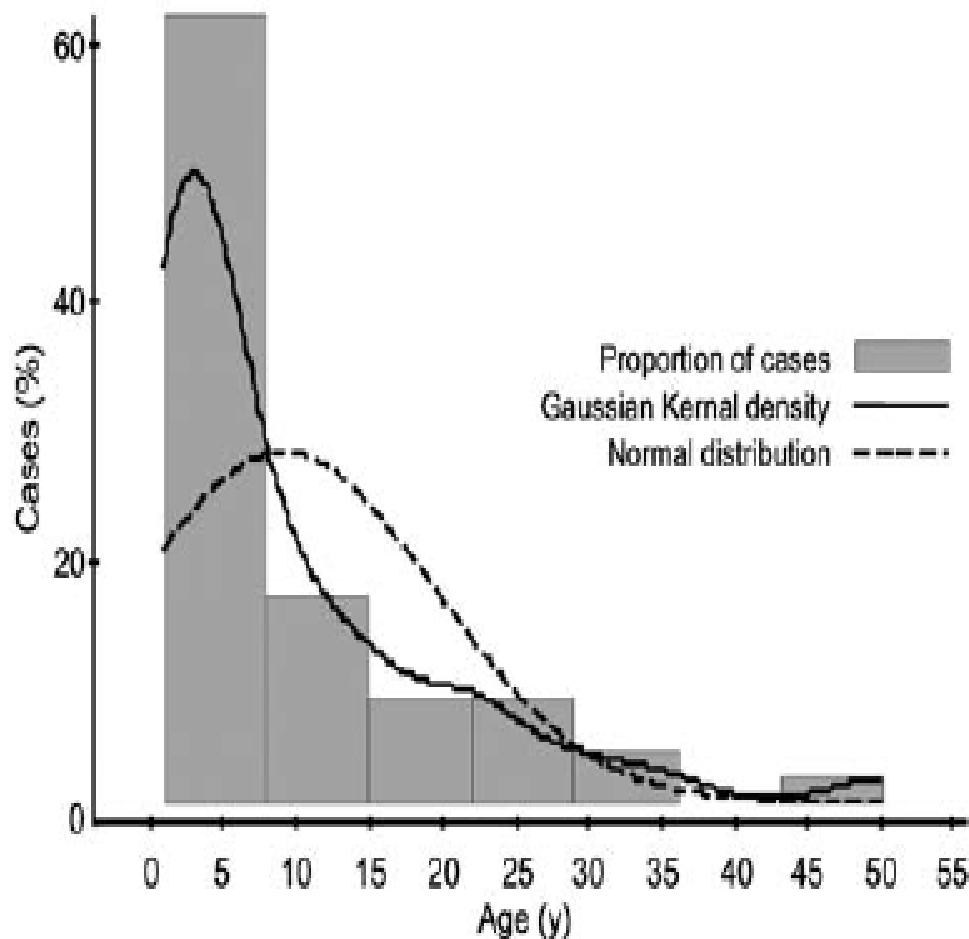


# Population Based Surveillance in Urban Slum





# Population Based Surveillance in Urban Slum



**Active surveillance**  
**all age group**

*Fever  $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$  – blood culture*

**Total blood culture – 888**

**Total positive – 65 (7%)**

***S. typhi* – 49 (75%)**

*Predominant cause of  
bacteraemic fever*

**Incidence**

<5 years – 19

episodes/1000 person-years

$\geq 5$  years – 4 episodes/1000

person-years

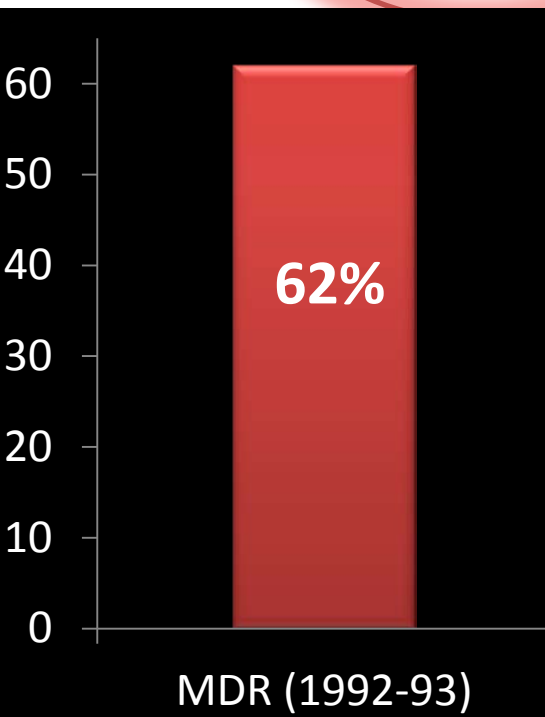
# The specter of anti-microbial resistance

## DO WE KNOW THE DYNAMICS?

# Treatment of Typhoid Fever

- 1<sup>st</sup> line of Antibiotic
  - Amoxycillin
  - Chloramphenicol
  - Cotrimoxazole

- Problem since 1990s
  - Slow epidemic of multi-drug resistant *S. Typhi* in the subcontinent



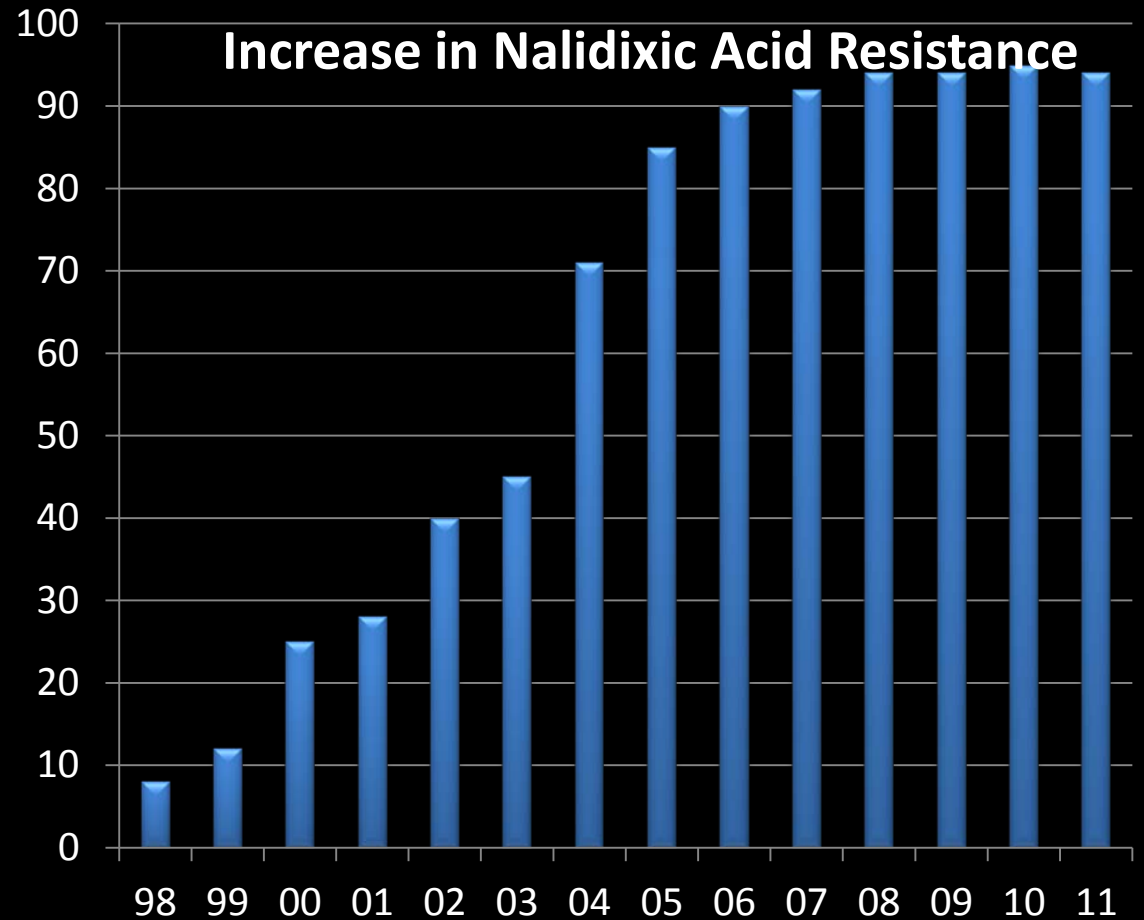
- Concern for the public health practitioners
- Confusion between clinicians and microbiologists



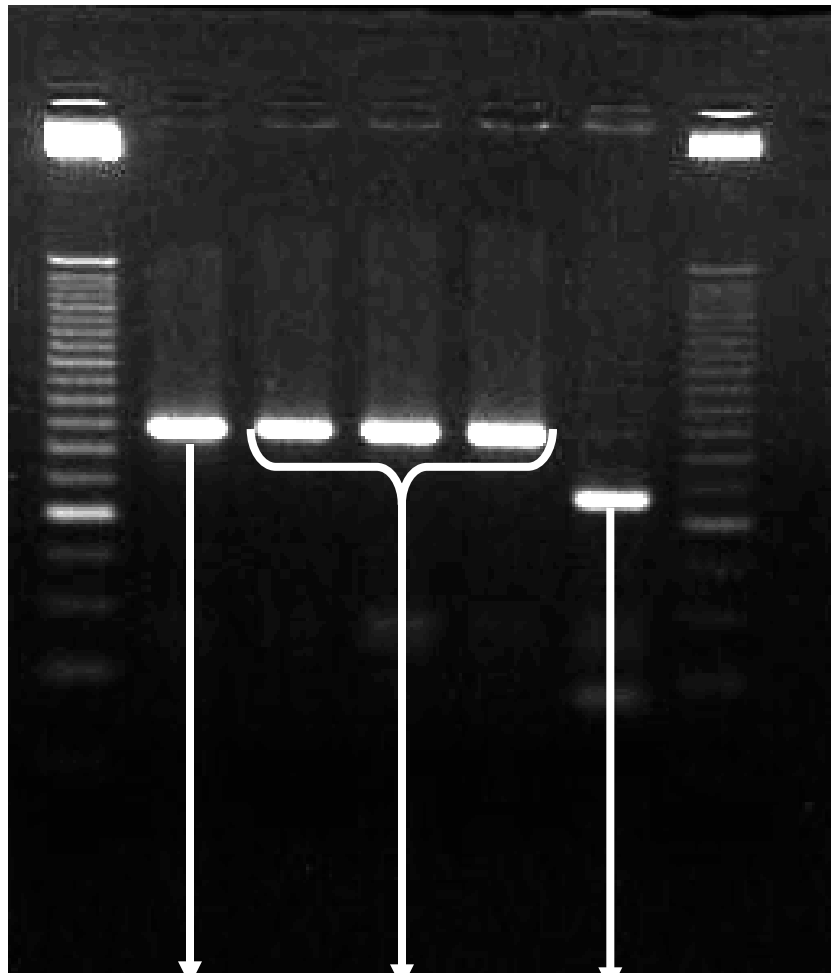
- 2<sup>nd</sup> line of antibiotic
  - Ceftriaxone - Expensive
  - Ciprofloxacin – Widely Used

# Trend of Drug Resistance '94-'11 (N=5,937 )

- Progressive increase in relative resistance to ciprofloxacin
  - Delay in clinical response
  - Treatment failure
  - Recurrences



# Emergence of Highly Cipro-Resistant *S. Typhi*: Molecular Basis of Resistance



Control, No  
treatment

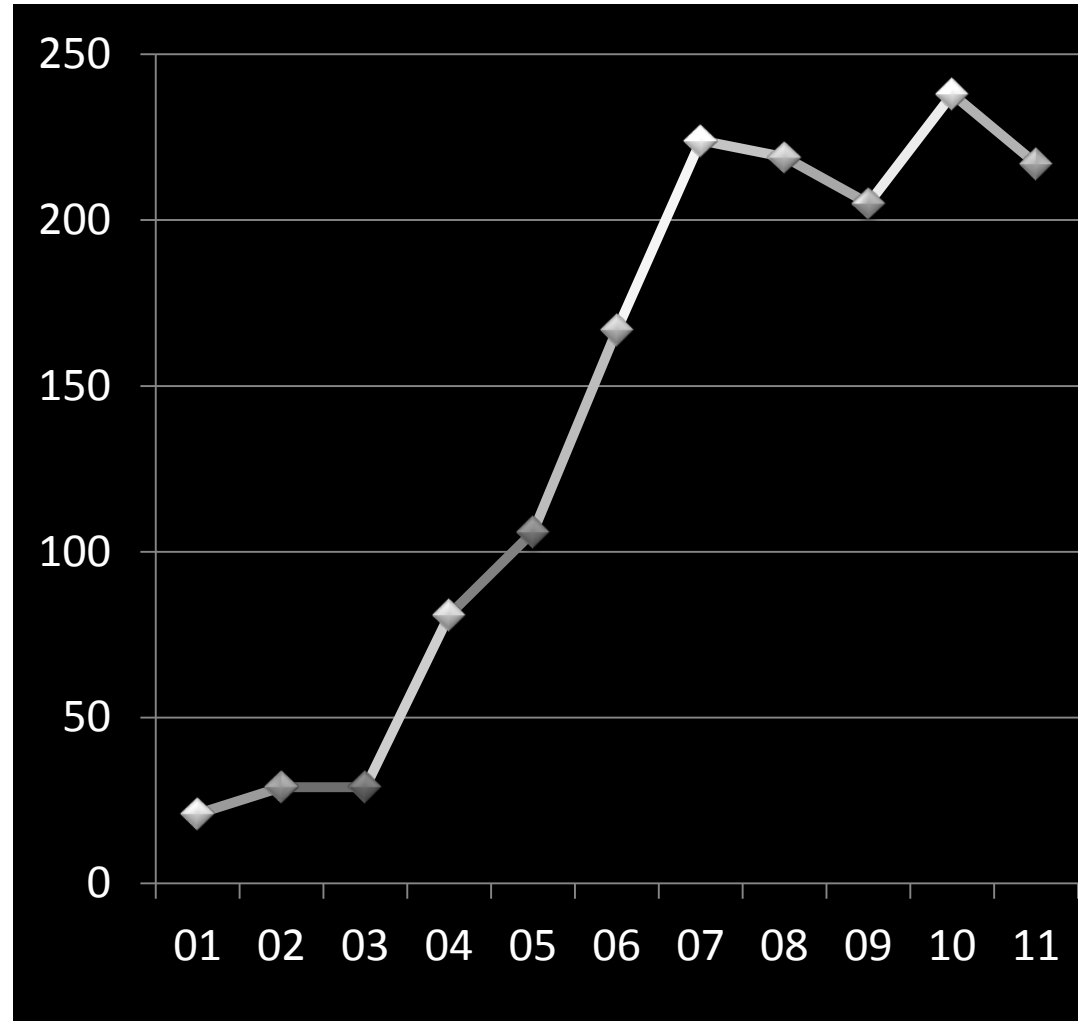
Double  
mutations

No  
mutation

- Highly ciprofloxacin resistant *S. Typhi*
  - MIC 512  $\mu\text{g/ml}$
  - Double mutation at point 83 and 87 of gyrase genome
  - Contrast to “No mutation” in sensitive strains

# Financial Implications of Drug Resistance

- High prevalence of MDR and Nalid<sup>R</sup>
- Increasing trend isolation at hospital
  - Hospitalization lead to 10 times increase in direct cost (\$22-29 Vs \$172-286)
    - Mean income of typhoid cases - \$73
  - Indirect cost – absence from the business, food for attendants, missing schools, etc.



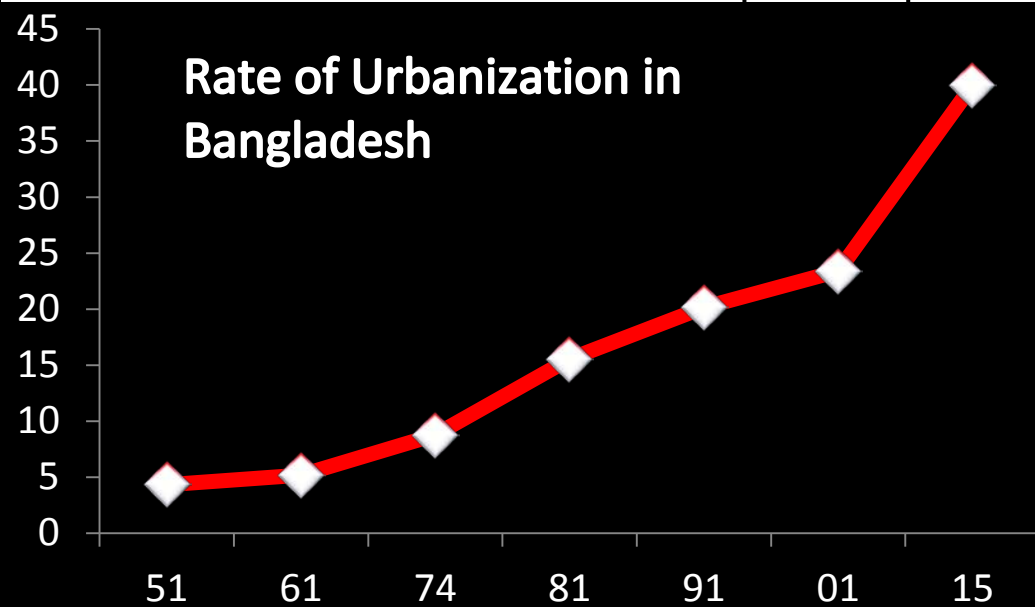


Improved Living Conditions – sanitation, hygiene, piped water and so on

## **WHAT COULD BE THE POSSIBLE IMPACT ON TYPHOID?**

# Comparative Prevalence of Typhoid in Urban and Rural Bangladesh

	Urban	Rural
Among blood cultures Hospital	2.7%	0.80%
Among blood cultures - Community	5.4	0.64%
Among isolates - Hospital	64%	41%
Among isolates - Community	75%	56%
Incidence/100,000	1,900	151



Immunization against Typhoid

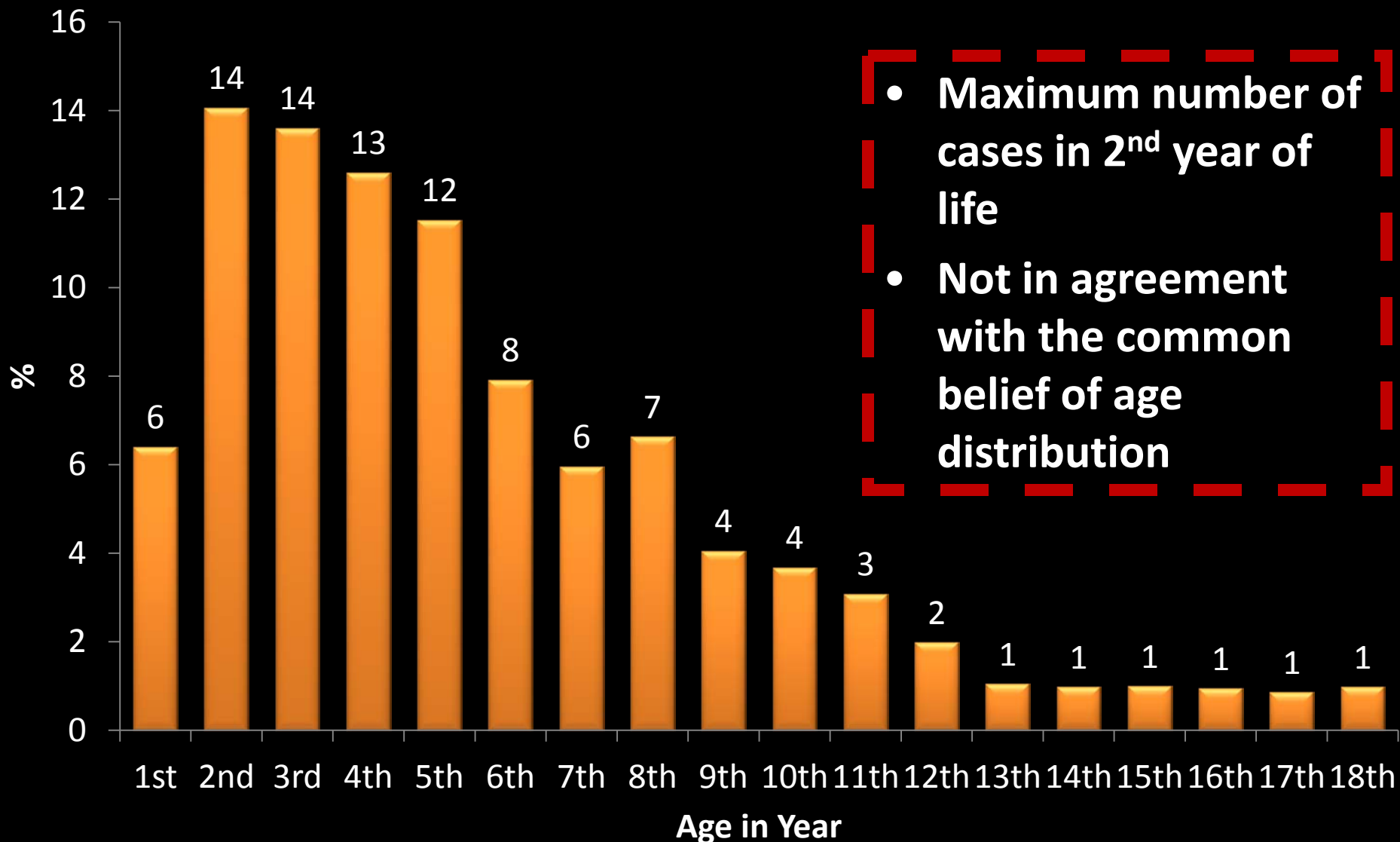
# **PERSPECTIVE FOR BANGLADESH AND BEYOND**

# Typhoid: Dogma of Recent Past

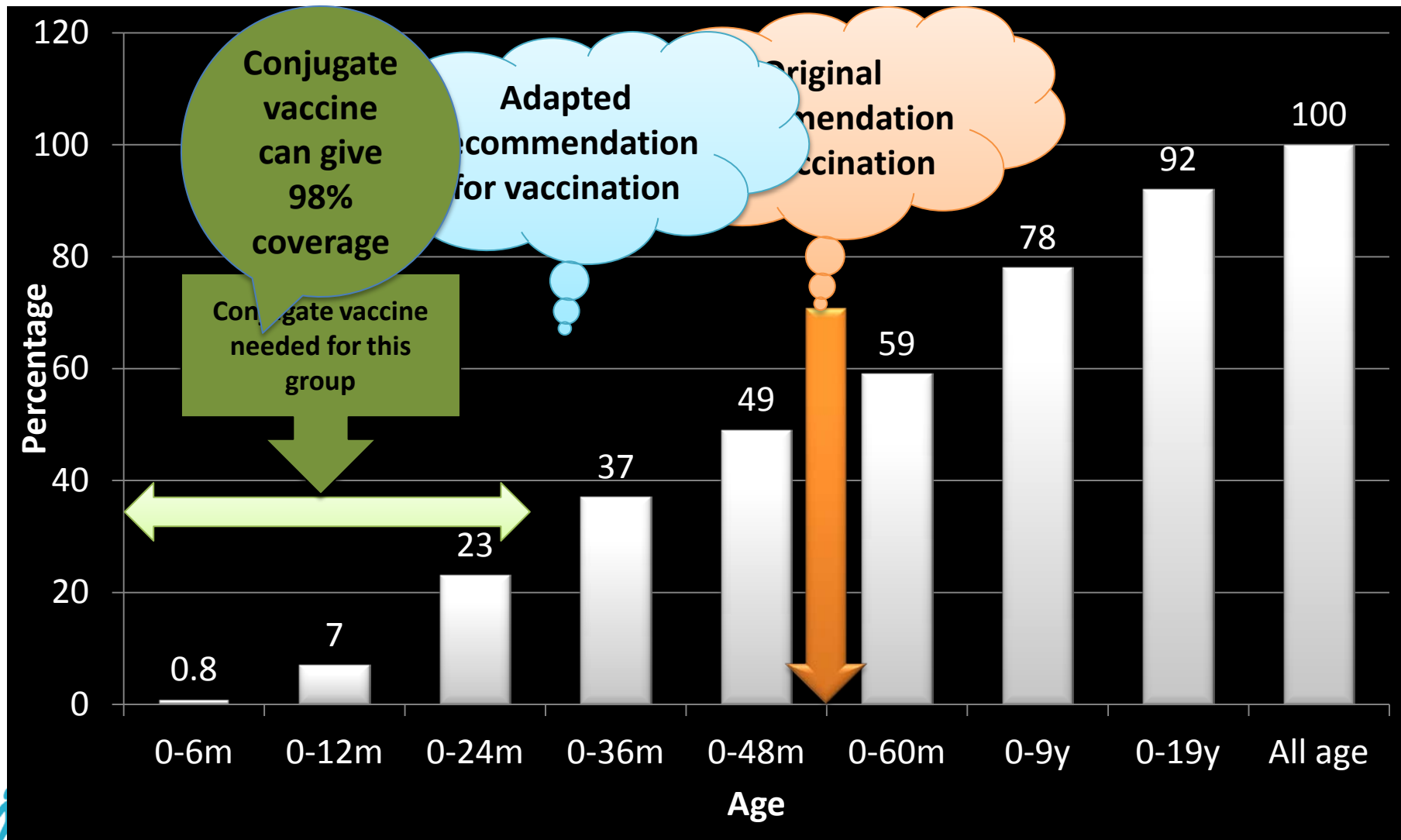
The disease is not prevalent among Preschool Children

Even if it is there, the disease episodes are benign

# Age Group Distribution of Typhoid Cases (N= 5,937)



# Age Group Distribution (N= 5,937) – impact on typhoid vaccination policy

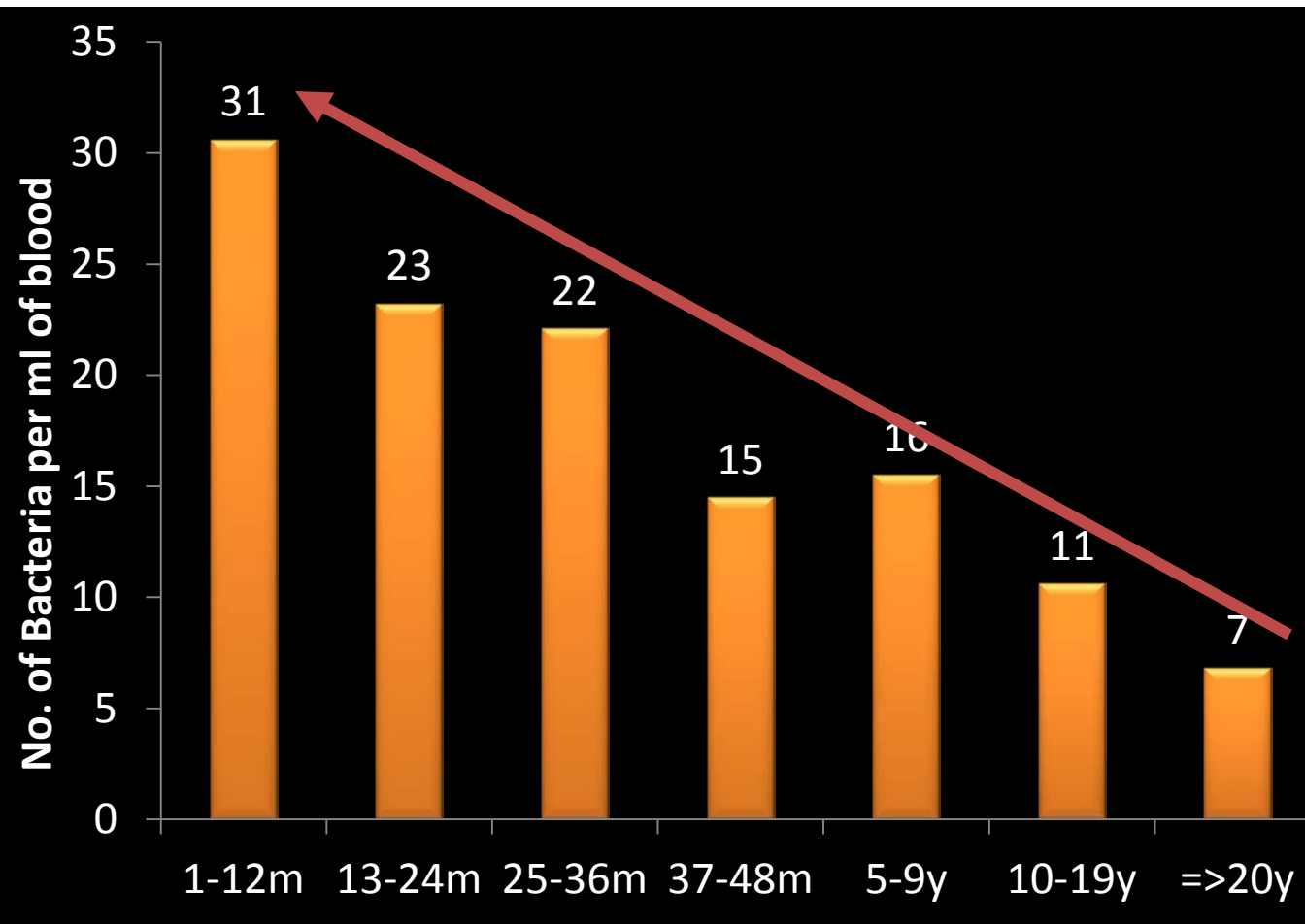




Typhoid in Early Age

# **IS IT REALLY SEVERE IN YOUNGER AGE GROUP?**

# Magnitude of S. Typhi bacteraemia



Previous concept:  
Less severe in  
young infants?

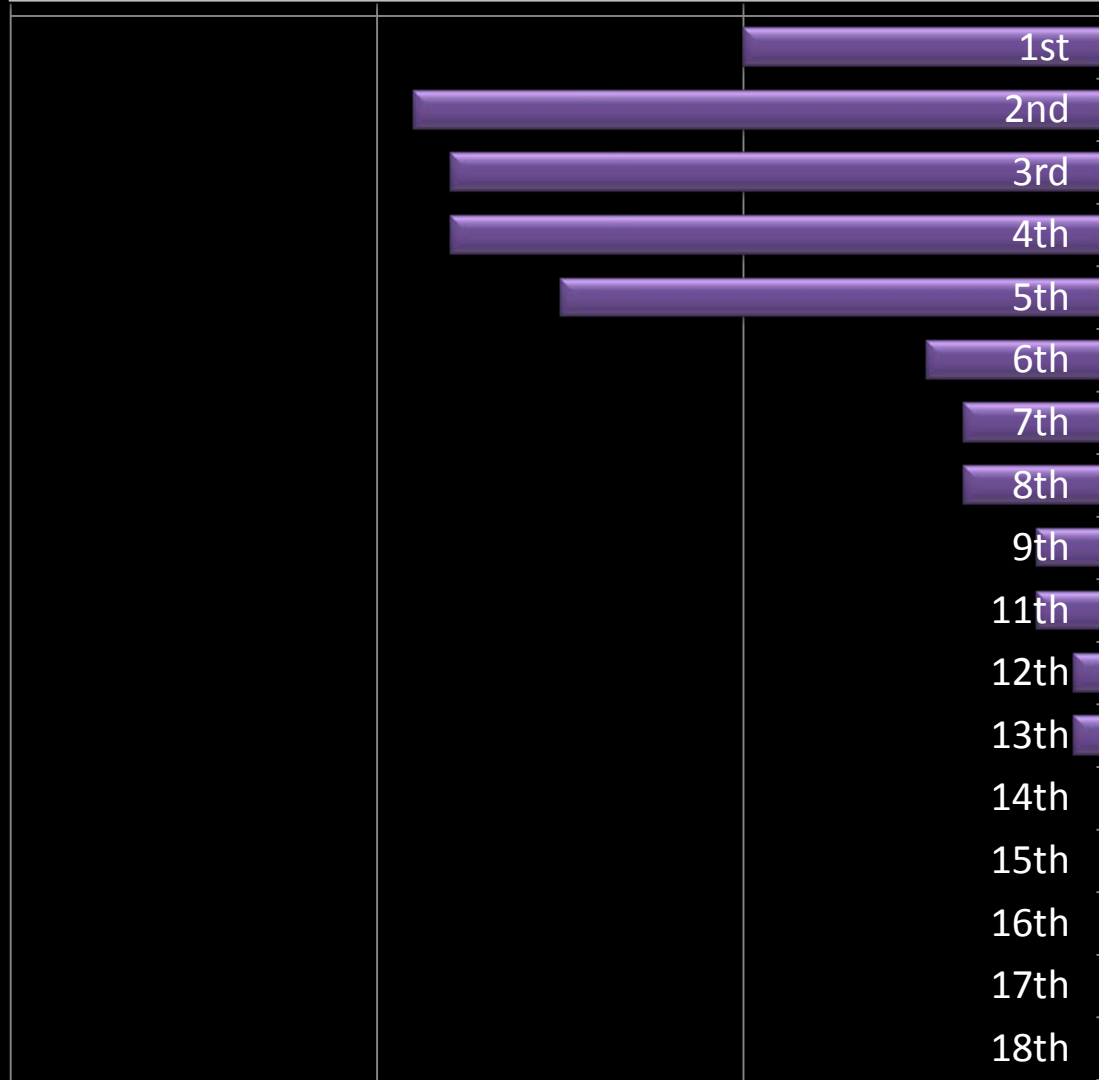
- High magnitude of bacteremia
- Facility based study
  - Care seeking behavior
  - Access to health
- We dealt with sicker children

Severity in young children is no less

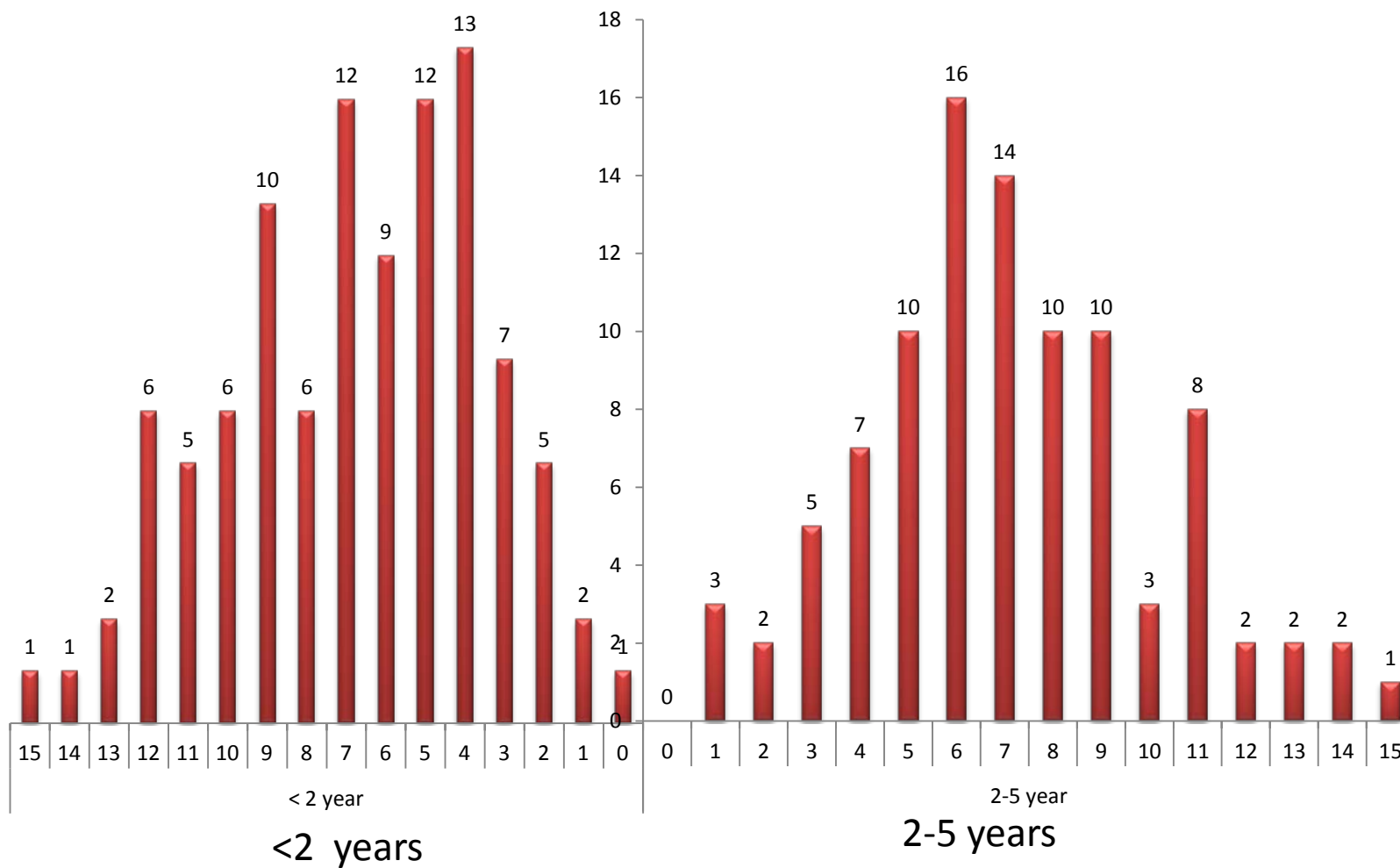
# Age Distribution of Typhoid Cases in Hospital and Community

■ Isolates in hospital

■ Isolates in community



# Duration of Hospital Stay by Age Group



- Similar duration of hospital stay irrespective of age group

So we can not just escape the children

**THESE ARE NOT THE POPULATION  
WE ARE LOOKING FOR**

What needs to be done to prevent Typhoid

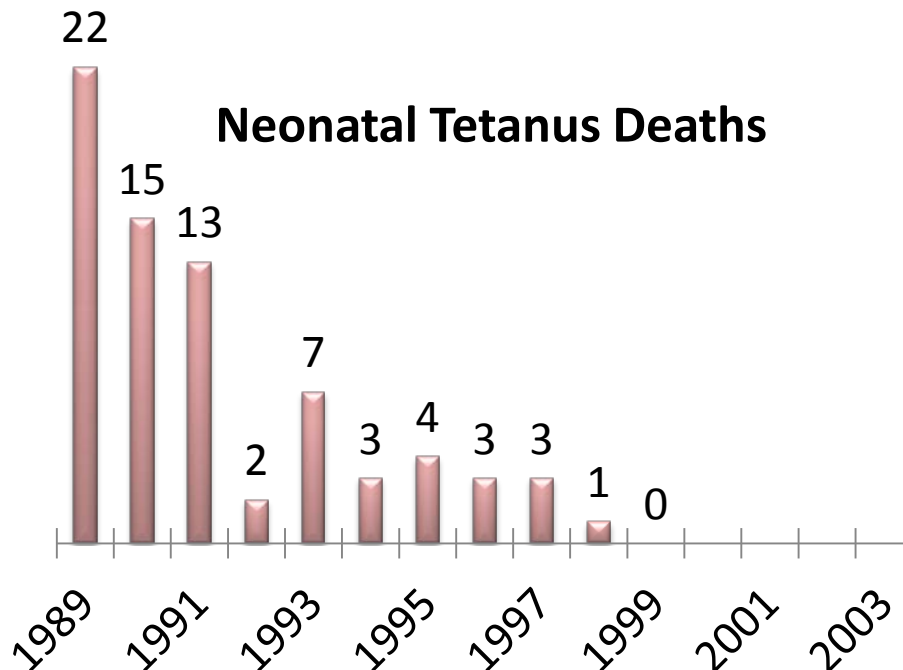
# **IMPROVED SANITATION AND IMMUNIZATION**



# Highest Price Tag for Child Survival

## **WATER AND SANITATION**

# Impact of Immunization is Straight Forward

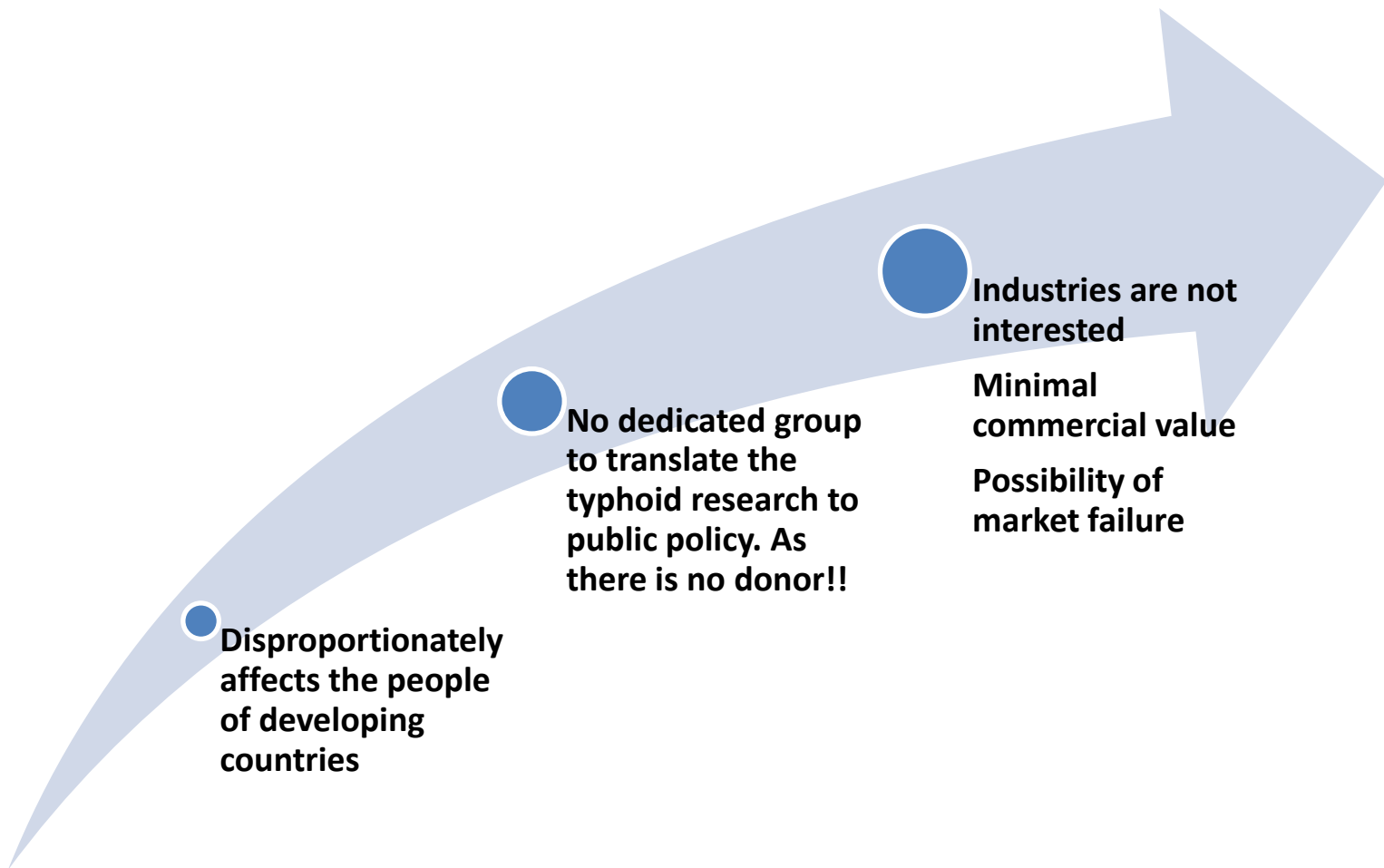


- Bangladesh has Few Things to be Proud
  - Our Immunization Program
  - a success story e.g. near disappearance of Tetanus, Diphtheria, Polio, Hib, etc.
- In the process of introducing Pneumo vaccine

# Issues with Typhoid Vaccines – Polysaccharide vs Protein Conjugated Vaccine

When conjugation technology is  
available for last 3 decades

# Why the Uncertainty about Conjugate Vaccine for Typhoid?



# New Hope in Preventing Typhoid

COALITION  
AGAINST  
**TYPHOID**

# Thank You



Are we too much focused to our own agenda?

**HOPE TO GET BACK THE PERIPHERAL  
VISION SOON**





# Expectations from this Meeting

- Bangladesh will be part of Global Health Work of UoT focusing on
  - Infectious Diseases
  - Translation of Science to Public Policy

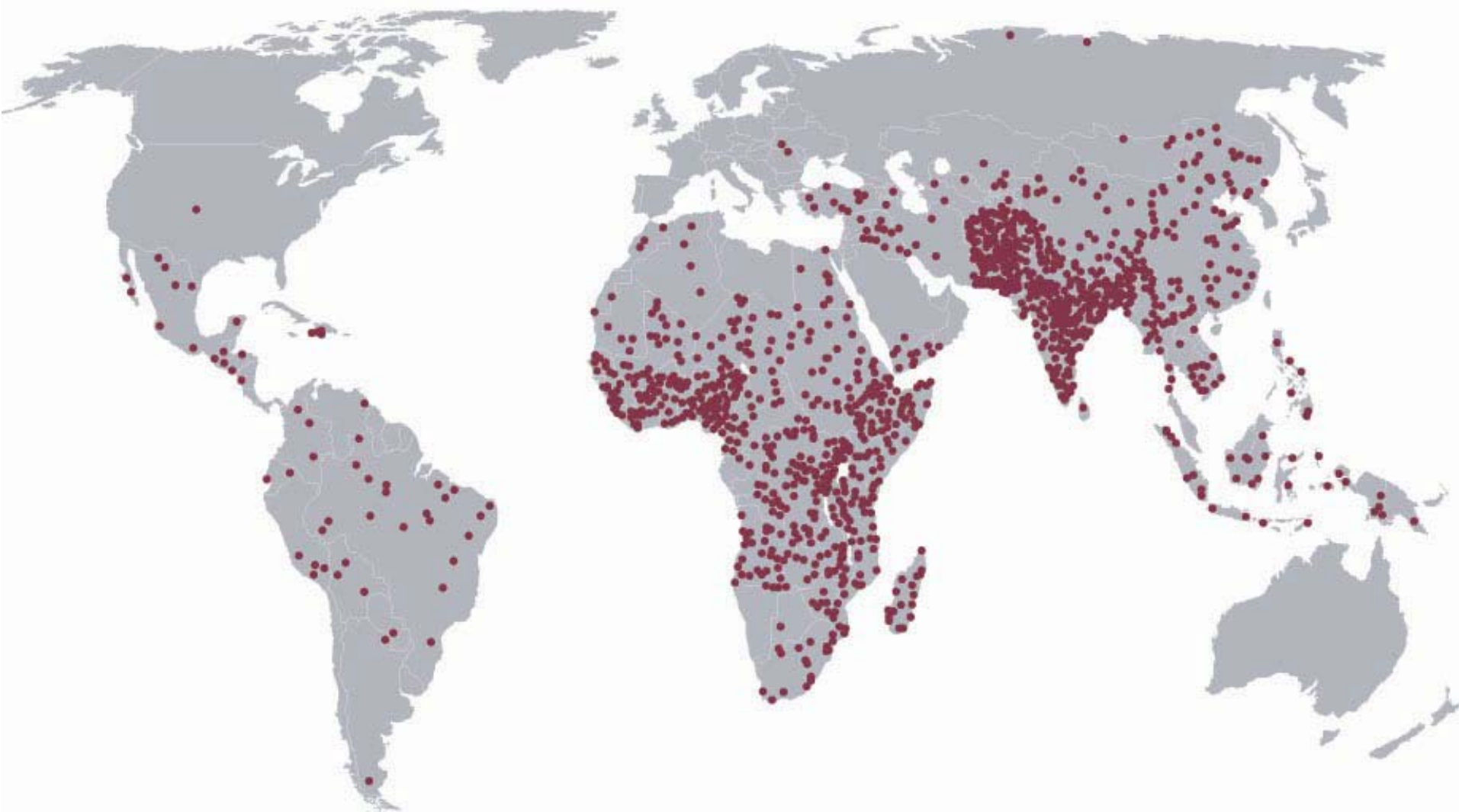
Donor Driven Research

**WE DIDN'T INTEND TO DO ANY  
RESEARCH ON TYPHOID SPECIFICALLY**

# Key Issues for this Talk

- Child Health
- Infectious Diseases
- Typhoid
- Surveillance
- Vaccines

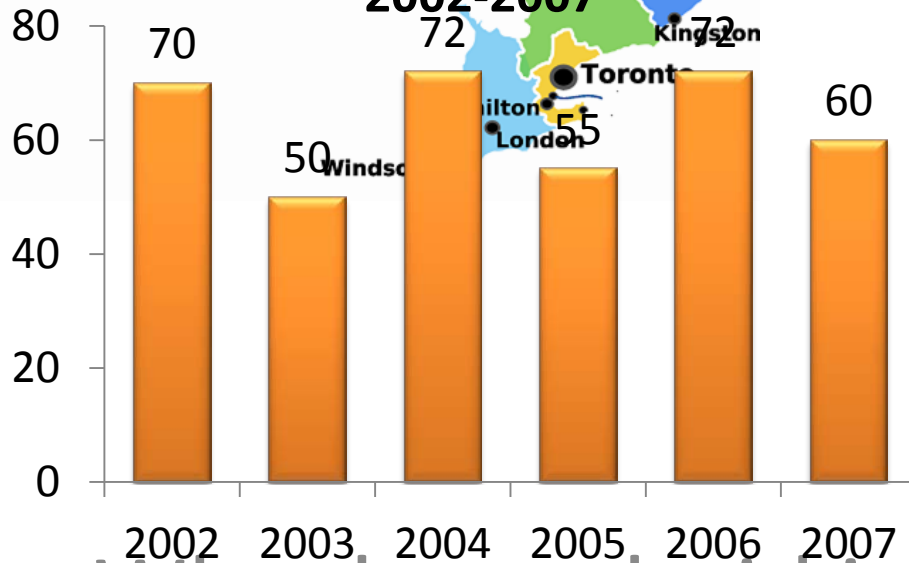
# Illogical Distribution of Technologies





*S. Typhi* cases per year in Ontario,

2002-2007



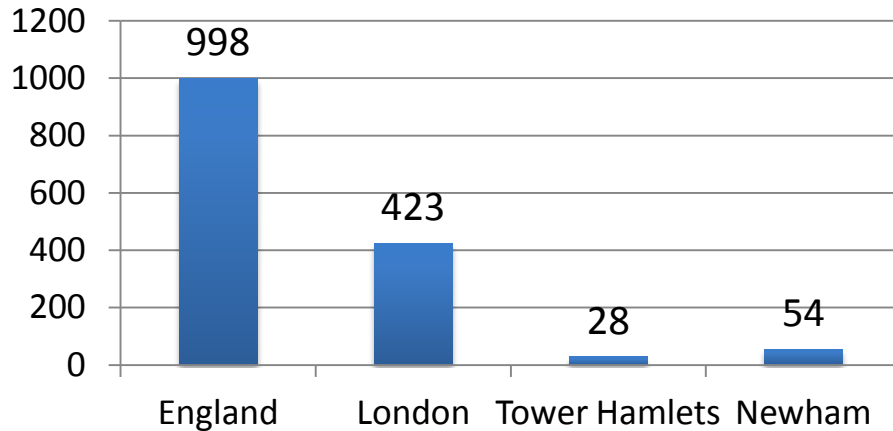
Why the typhoid issue at Toronto?

**DIDN'T WE ERADICATE TYPHOID**

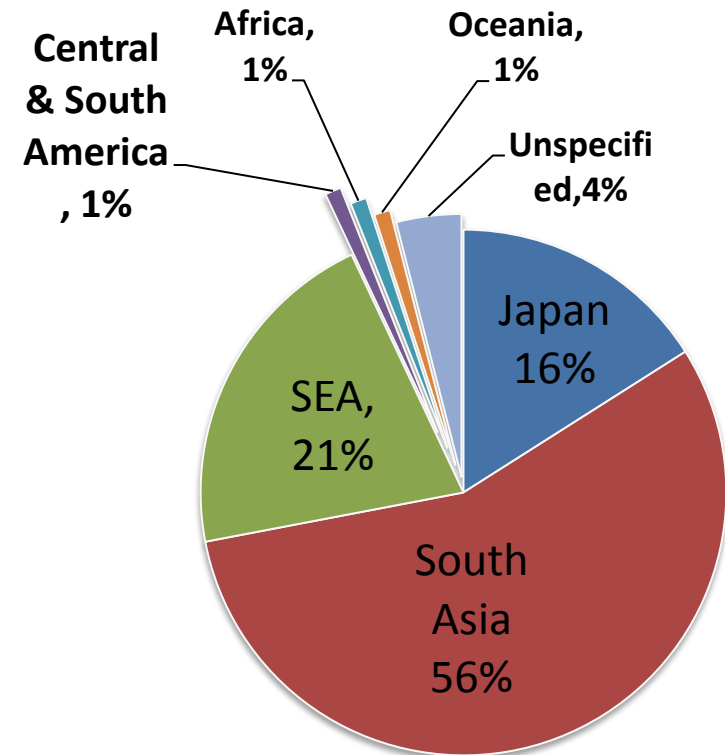
**YEARS AGO?**

# Typhoid Travels Across the World

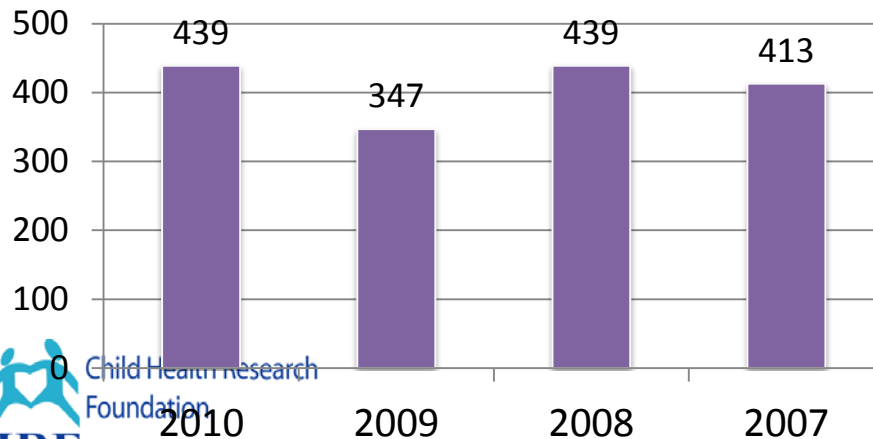
1,503 Typhoid cases in UK, 2006-09



227 Typhoid Cases in Japan, 2005-08



Typhoid cases in USA

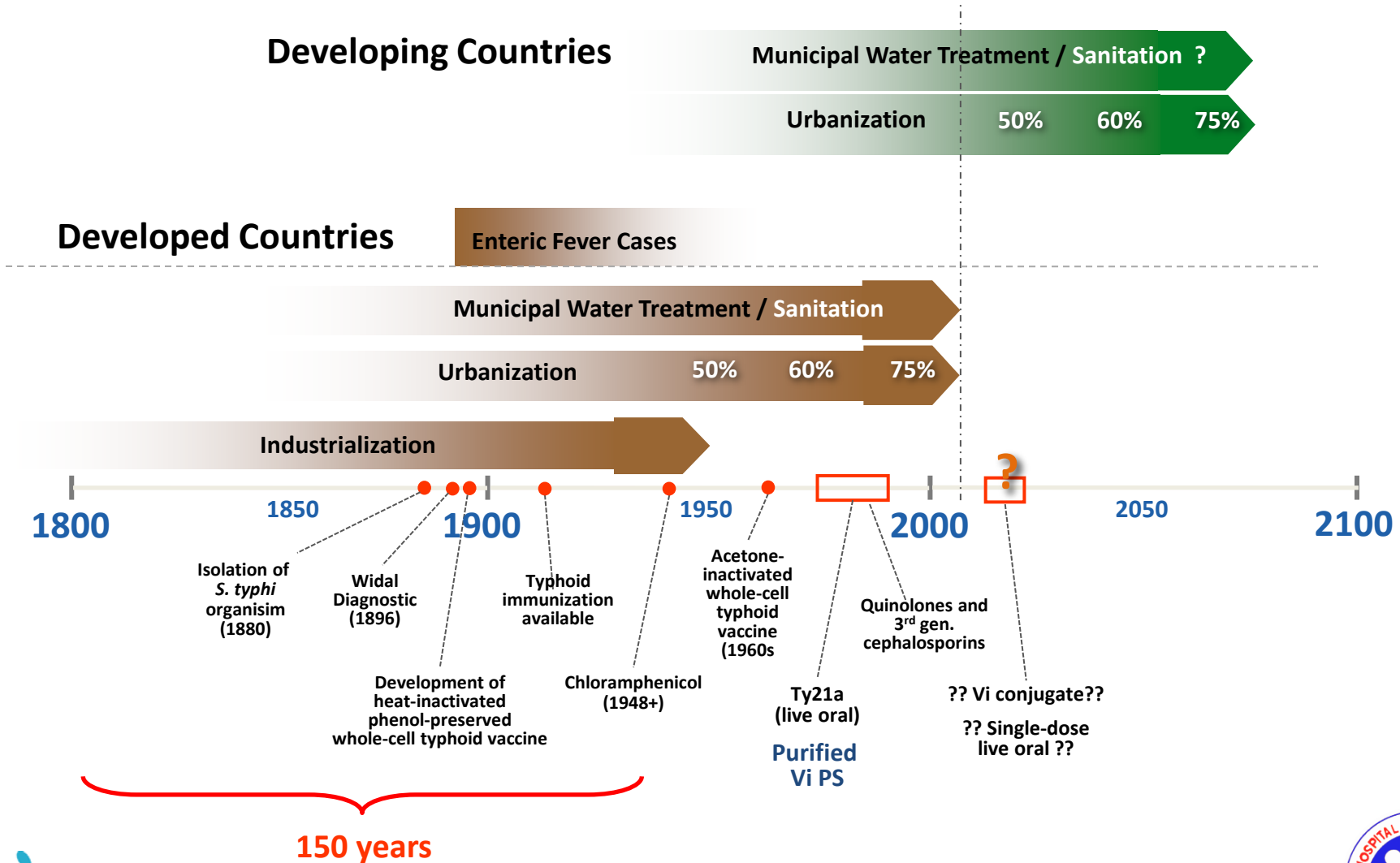




## Typhoid – A Global Disease

**IT CAN NOT BE FOOLED BY SAYING - THESE  
ARE NOT THE POPULATIONS YOU ARE  
LOOKING FOR!**

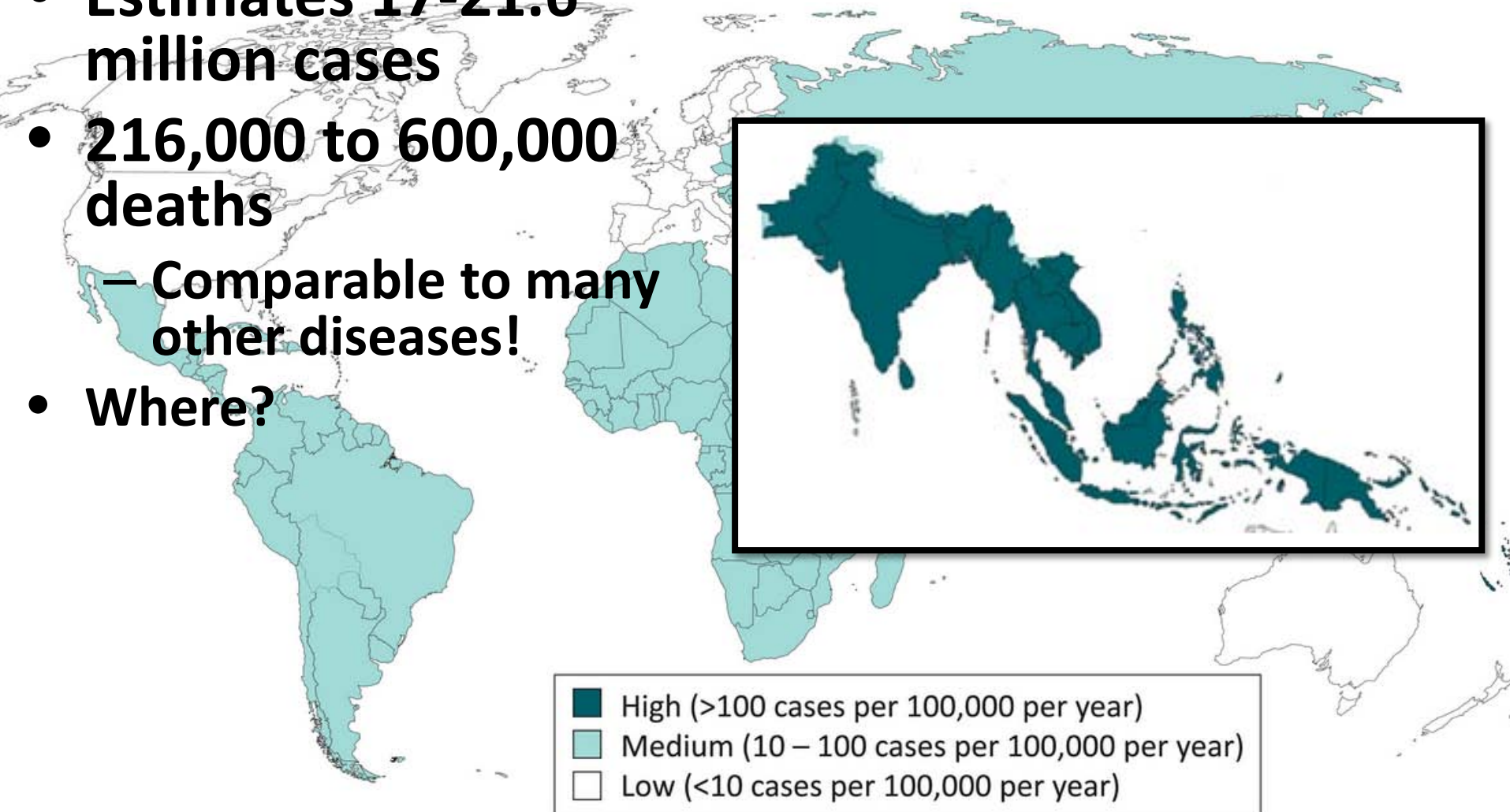
# Typhoid Through the Centuries





# How Big a Problem Is This and Where?

- Estimates 17-21.6 million cases
- 216,000 to 600,000 deaths
  - Comparable to many other diseases!
- Where?

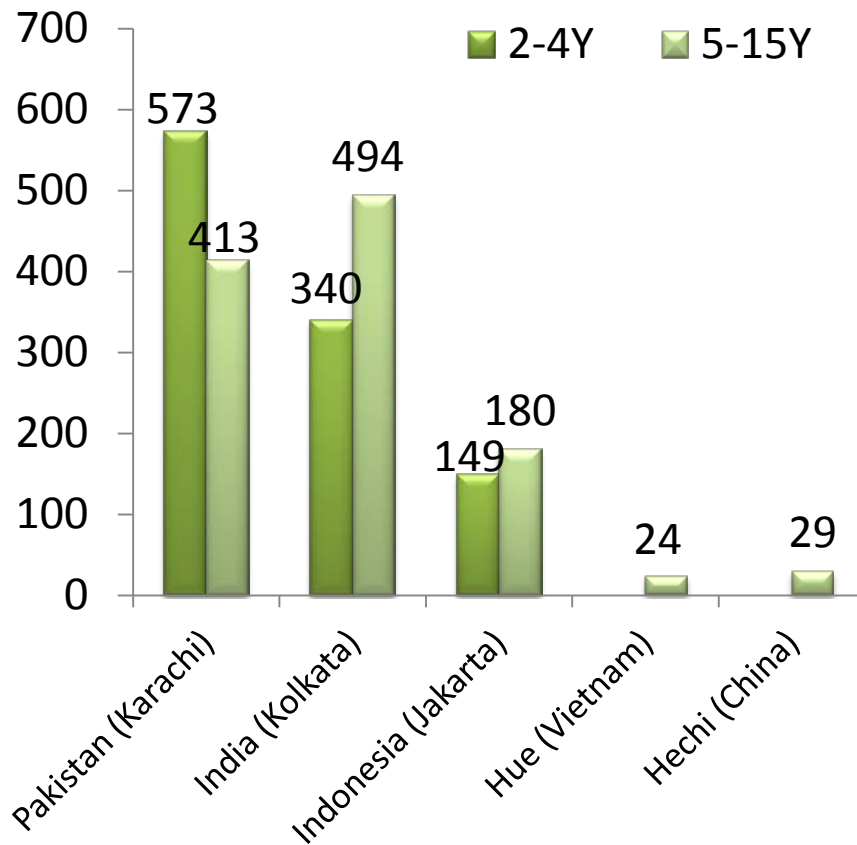


# Typhoid Remains Neglected

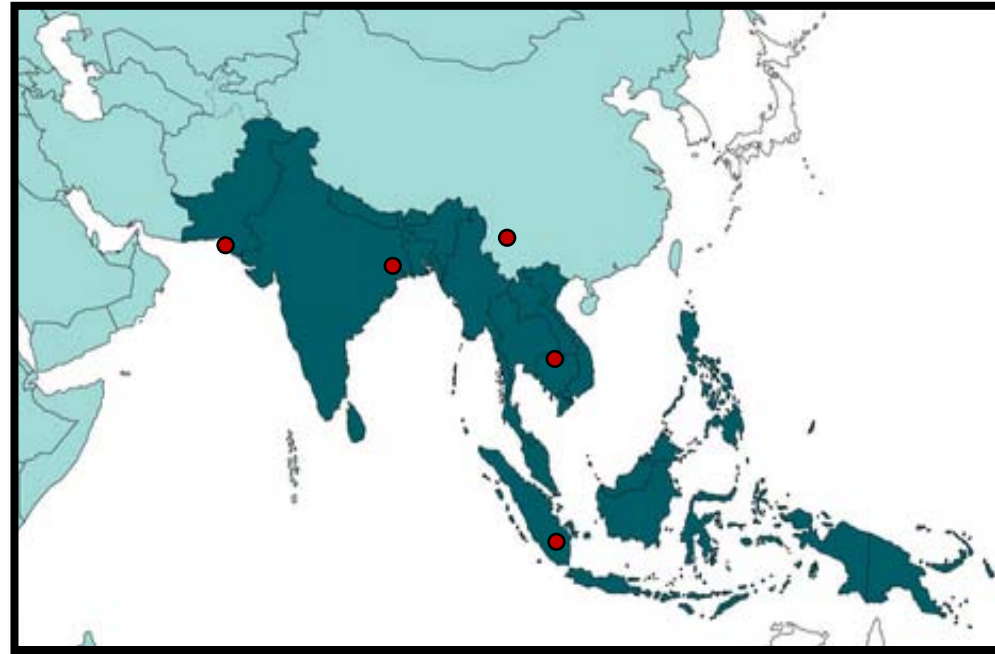
- None at WHO
- No GAVI Initiative,
- Recent initiative from BMGF – DOMI (Diseases of the most impoverished) programme
- More Recently “Coalition Against Typhoid”

# DOMI TYPHOID PROGRAM

## Population-based studies



**CHINA, INDIA, INDONESIA, PAKISTAN, VIETNAM**



Tunnel Versioned!

**I HOPE THESE INITIATIVES COULD  
BE WITH BROADER PERSPECTIVES**

Bangladesh Team

# **TAKEN THEIR VISION OUT OF THE TUNNEL TO UNDERSTAND TYPHOID**

