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# Towards Human Challenge with NTS

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Other Invasive Salmonellosis, Kampala, Uganda

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# Overall Aims

Establish a controlled human infection model (CHIM) of nontyphoidal *Salmonellae* (NTS) to:

- understand the pathogenesis and immunobiology of NTS infection in man
- accelerate the development of NTS vaccines (and diagnostics)

# Do we need a NTS controlled human infection model?

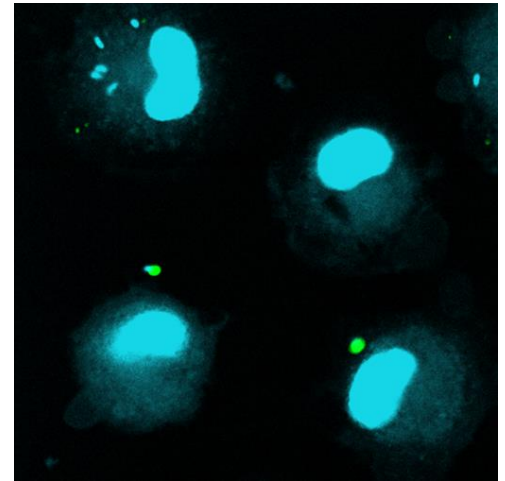
Disease burden data supports development of a NTS vaccine for Africa

Limited knowledge of human NTS infections

NTS vaccinology lags 100 years behind typhoid vaccinology

# Modalities of protective immunity

- Facultative intracellular bacteria
- Evolved to survive within macrophages
- Capable of cell-free survival
- Consistent with role for:
  - T cells to clear disease
  - Antibody to prevent fatal bacteraemia



# Current knowledge of NTS infections

1. Mouse studies
2. Studies of patients with primary immunodeficiencies
3. Limited studies of cases and at-risk populations from LMICs

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## REVIEWS

Genetic susceptibility to invasive  
*Salmonella* disease

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(Nat Rev Immunol 2015)

# Antibodies in immunity to invasive nontyphoidal *Salmonella* disease



Research article

The neglected role of antibody in protection against bacteremia caused by nontyphoidal strains of *Salmonella* in African children

(MacLennan CA, et al J Clin Invest 2008)

## **Dysregulated Humoral Immunity to Nontyphoidal *Salmonella* in HIV-Infected African Adults**

Antibodies:  
Can you have too much of a good thing?

Calman A. MacLennan,<sup>1-4\*</sup> James J. Gilchrist,<sup>1,2,5</sup> Melita A. Gordon,<sup>2,6,7</sup> Adam F. Cunningham,<sup>1</sup> Mark Cobbold,<sup>1</sup> Margaret Goodall,<sup>1</sup> Robert A. Kingsley,<sup>8</sup> Joep J. G. van Oosterhout,<sup>2,7</sup> Chisomo L. Msefula,<sup>2,4,9</sup> Wilson L. Mandala,<sup>2,9,10</sup> Denisse L. Leyton,<sup>11</sup> Jennifer L. Marshall,<sup>1</sup> Esther N. Gondwe,<sup>1,2,9</sup> Saeeda Bobat,<sup>1</sup> Constantino López-Macías,<sup>12</sup> Rainer Doffinger,<sup>13</sup> Ian R. Henderson,<sup>11</sup> Eduard E. Zijlstra,<sup>7</sup> Gordon Dougan,<sup>8</sup> Mark T. Drayson,<sup>1</sup> Ian C. M. MacLennan,<sup>1</sup> Malcolm E. Molyneux<sup>2,7,9</sup>

(Science 2010)

# Vaccines in development

Two candidate vaccines in development against iNTS disease

- GVGH bivalent *S. Typhimurium* and *S. Enteritidis* GMMA vaccine
- University of Maryland bivalent O:4-flagellinH<sub>i</sub> and O:9-flagellinH<sub>m</sub>,

Need for improved understanding of basis of protective immunity against iNTS disease and how to protect individuals with key comorbidities. Is antibody enough?

Issues:

1. Animal models indicate that T cell immunity is required for full elimination of infection
2. Inhibition of killing of *S. Typhimurium* by high levels of antibodies against O-antigen in HIV-infected Africans

# Opportunity

Oxford experience of *S. Typhi* and *S. Paratyphi A* CHIM

Increasing understanding of how to maximise information derived from CHIM



# S. Typhimurium ST313

Relative contributions of

1. the pathovar ST313
2. host immunity/immunocompromise
3. transmission

to frequency of iNTS disease is uncertain

CHIM will allow examination of ST313 infection without interference of differences in host immunity and transmission

# Challenges

iNTS disease is by definition – invasive

Oral administration of *Salmonella*

Original portal of entry almost certainly through the GI tract

ST313 isolates found in invasive and diarrheal infections  
(Robert Onsare and Sam Kariuki; Satheesh Nair)

# Safety

iNTS bacteraemia almost never observed in immunocompetent adults

no established latent disease state – persistence?

12-hourly monitoring of volunteers

use of ciprofloxacin/ceftriaxone sensitive bacterial strains

availability of antibiotics

# End-points

- Fever  $\geq 38.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 12 hours, or
- Positive blood culture for *S. Typhimurium*
- 3 or more loose stools in 24 hours, or

# High-level outline

GMP manufacture of ST313 *S. Typhimurium* (ideally compare with ST19 *S. Typhimurium*)

Establish infecting dose for 65-70% of volunteers to develop clinical infection

Characterise clinical presentation, pathogenesis, and immune response

Identify potential correlates of protection/susceptibility

Identify new markers for exploitation as diagnostics

# Next steps

1. For testing efficacy of candidate NTS vaccines
2. Potential transfer to developing world setting

Back up slides

## Increased severity of respiratory infections associated with elevated anti-LPS IgG2 which inhibits serum bactericidal killing

Timothy J. Wells,<sup>1,2</sup> Deborah Whitters,<sup>3,4</sup> Yanina R. Sevastyanovich,<sup>1,2</sup> Jennifer N. Heath,<sup>1,2</sup> John Pravin,<sup>1,2</sup> Margaret Goodall,<sup>2</sup> Douglas F. Browning,<sup>1,2</sup> Matthew K. O'Shea,<sup>5</sup> Amy Cranston,<sup>6</sup> Anthony De Soyza,<sup>7</sup> Adam F. Cunningham,<sup>1,2</sup> Calman A. MacLennan,<sup>1,2</sup> Ian R. Henderson,<sup>1,2</sup> and Robert A. Stockley<sup>4</sup>

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### **The Use of Plasmapheresis in Patients with Bronchiectasis with *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Infection and Inhibitory Antibodies.**

[Wells TJ](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Davison J](#)<sup>2</sup>, [Sheehan E](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Kanagasundaram S](#)<sup>2</sup>, [Spickett G](#)<sup>2</sup>, [MacLennan CA](#)<sup>3</sup>, [Stockley RA](#)<sup>4</sup>, [Cunningham AF](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Henderson IR](#)<sup>1</sup>, [De Soyza A](#)<sup>2,5</sup>.



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