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WHA Resolution on WHO Expanded Programme on Immunization (EPI)



The twenty-seventh World Health Assembly

- Recognizing immense contribution of immunization
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1. Recommends

that Member States develop or maintain immunization and surveillance programmes.. according to the epidemiological situation in their respective countries

2. Requests the WHO DG

- **To assist member states (i) in developing suitable programmes by providing technical advice on the use of vaccines and (ii) in assuring availability of good quality vaccines at reasonable costs**



Global Vaccine Action Plan

2011–2020



Goals of the Decade of Vaccines (2011–2020)

Achieve a world free of poliomyelitis



Meet global and regional elimination targets



Meet vaccination coverage targets in every region, country and community



Develop and introduce new and improved vaccines and technologies



Exceed the Millennium Development Goal 4 target for reducing child mortality



**WHO'S
VISION AND
MISSION
IN IMMUNIZATION
AND VACCINES
2015-2030**



OUR VISION:

The highest attainable standard of health for all individuals and communities by preventing disease.

OUR MISSION:

To support all countries to deliver quality immunization services as part of an integrated, people-centred platform of disease prevention that spans the human life-course.

Immunisation programmes are more ambitious and complex than ever before

THEN ...1970's | NOW...2016

3.8 Billion Global population

Global population **7.3 Billion**

Infants



Pregnant women
Women Childbearing Age
Adolescents
Children
Infants



All countries **4 vaccines**
6 diseases

>12 vaccines All countries
>15 diseases

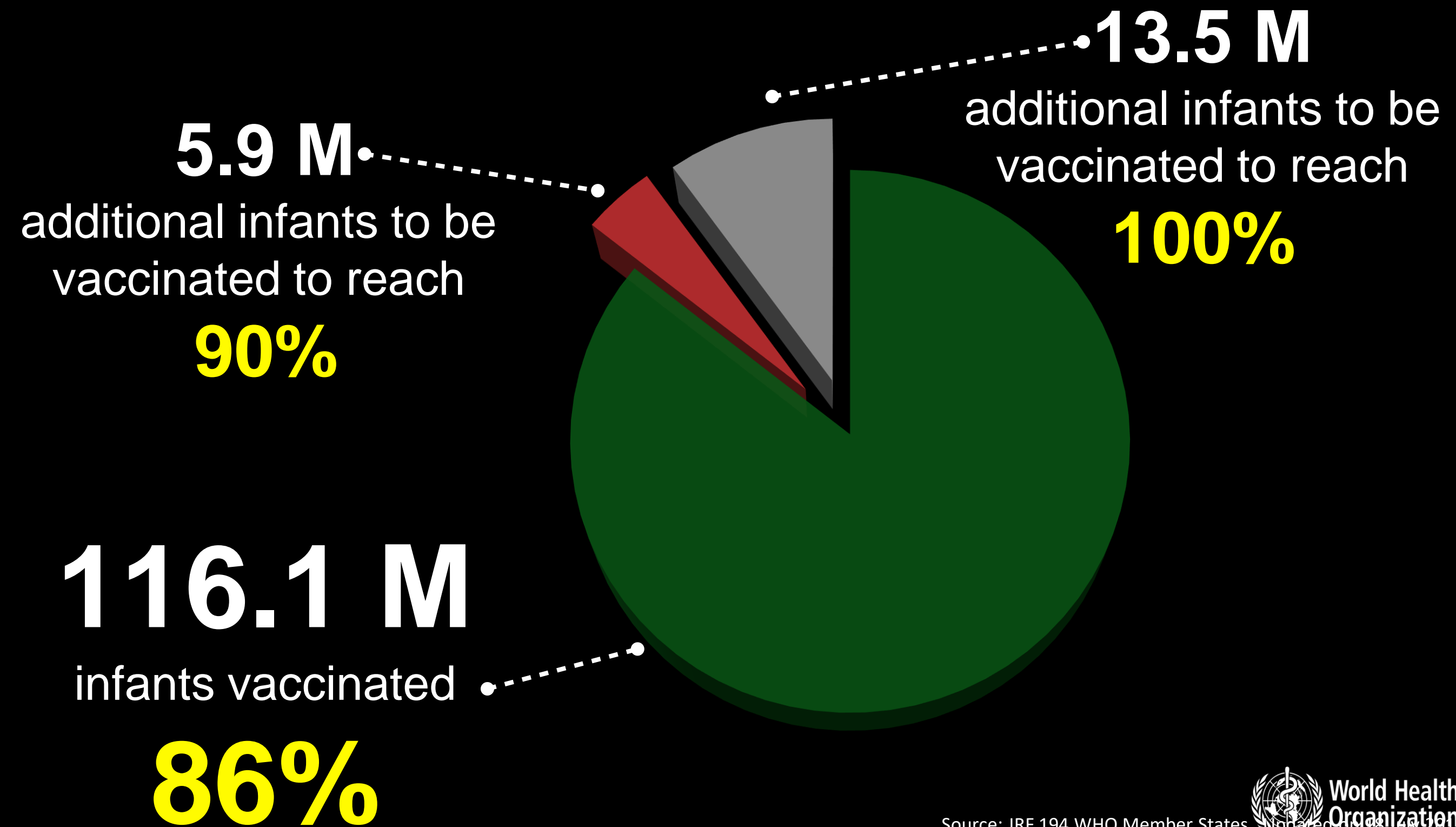
>3 vaccines Some regions
>3 diseases

>7 vaccines High risk popn.
> 10 diseases

>3 vaccines certain countries
>6 diseases



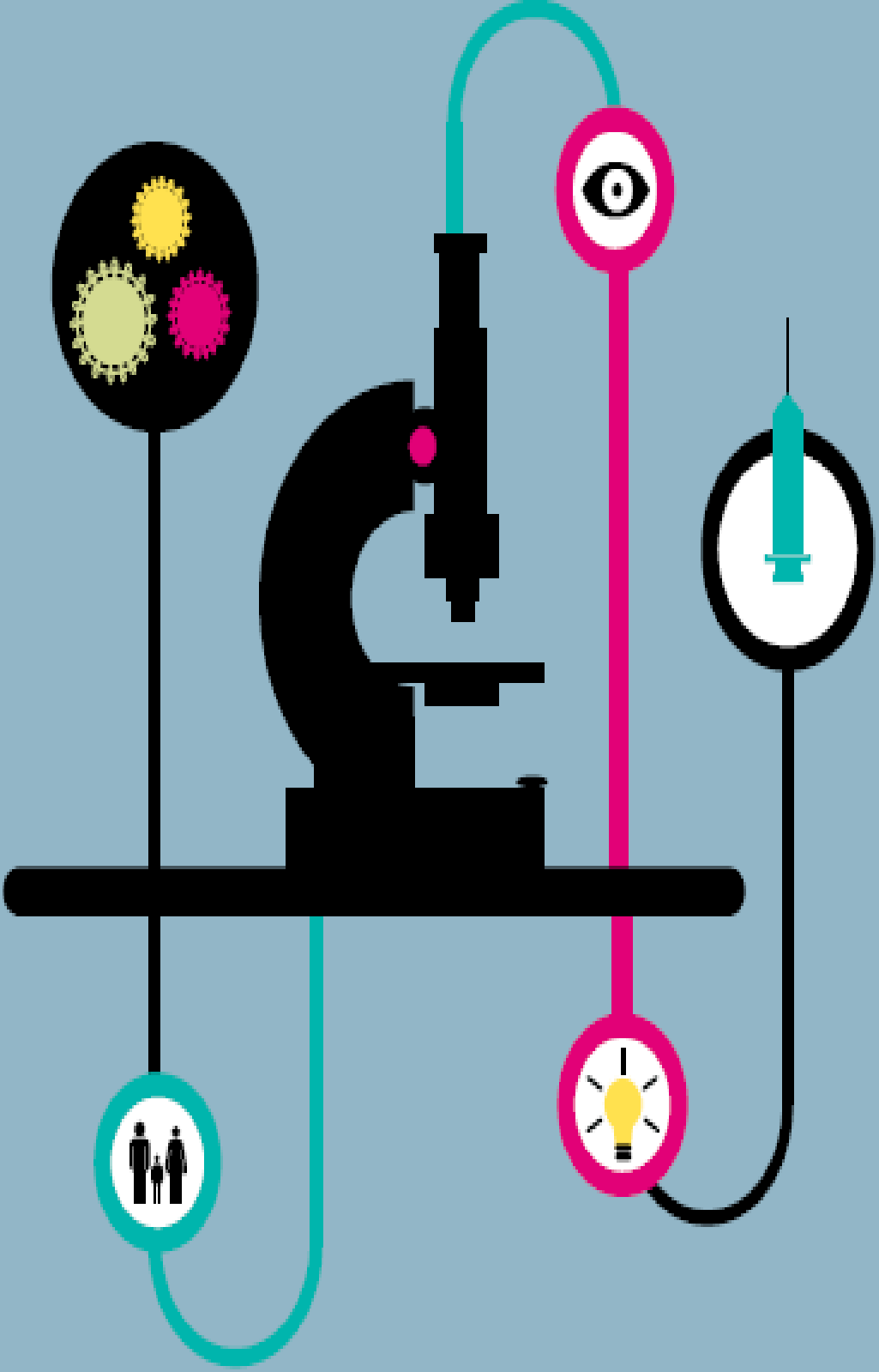
Infants in the world according to their DTP3 vaccination status, 2015



**High level advocacy to ensure
sustained international support for
immunisation**



Initiative for Vaccine Research (IVR)



Vaccines/products
licensed and
currently in use

Research to minimize barriers & improve coverage of vaccines currently in use

Research to improve methods for monitoring of immunization programs

Research to conduct impact evaluation of vaccines in use

Research to generate evidence to optimize existing policy recommendations or develop new ones

Candidate vaccines/
products under
development

Research to generate evidence to inform policy for candidate vaccines at advanced stages of development

Research to accelerate licensure of vaccines in earlier clinical phase of development

Research to promote and accelerate development of vaccines in early development

Immunization & vaccines related implementation research advisory committee (IVIR-AC)

- **Agenda setting and prioritization of implementation research** in immunization which may include identifying potential research projects/issues and, where necessary, also reviewing the proposed methodologies for conducting such research.
- **Review progress** of implementation research and advise/guide researcher/research groups as appropriate.
- **Review best practices relating to methods** for conducting and reporting on quantitative immunization and vaccines-related research.
- IVIR-AC subcommittees to address specific subjects in greater depth before review by IVIR-AC



**AN R&D BLUEPRINT FOR
ACTION TO PREVENT
EPIDEMICS**
PLAN OF ACTION
MAY 2016



a global strategy and
preparedness plan

a convening mechanism
and an instrument to
articulate technical guidance

**A BLUEPRINT to catalyse R&D
activities for emerging pathogens
with potential to lead to PHEIC**

Approaches currently being used to improve preparedness under the R&D Blueprint.

A

Improving coordination & fostering an enabling environment

1. Building an effective governance & coordination framework
2. Outlining innovative transparent and aligned funding processes
3. Encouraging effective communication

B

Accelerating Research & Development processes

1. Assessing epidemic threat & defining priority pathogens
2. Developing R&D roadmaps to accelerate evaluation of diagnostics, therapeutics & vaccines
3. Outlining appropriate regulatory & ethical pathways

C

Developing new norms and standards adapted to the epidemic context

1. Supporting expansion of capacity to implement adequate study designs
2. Developing guidance & tools to frame collaborations and exchanges
3. Anticipating evidence needs to inform regulatory review and policy development

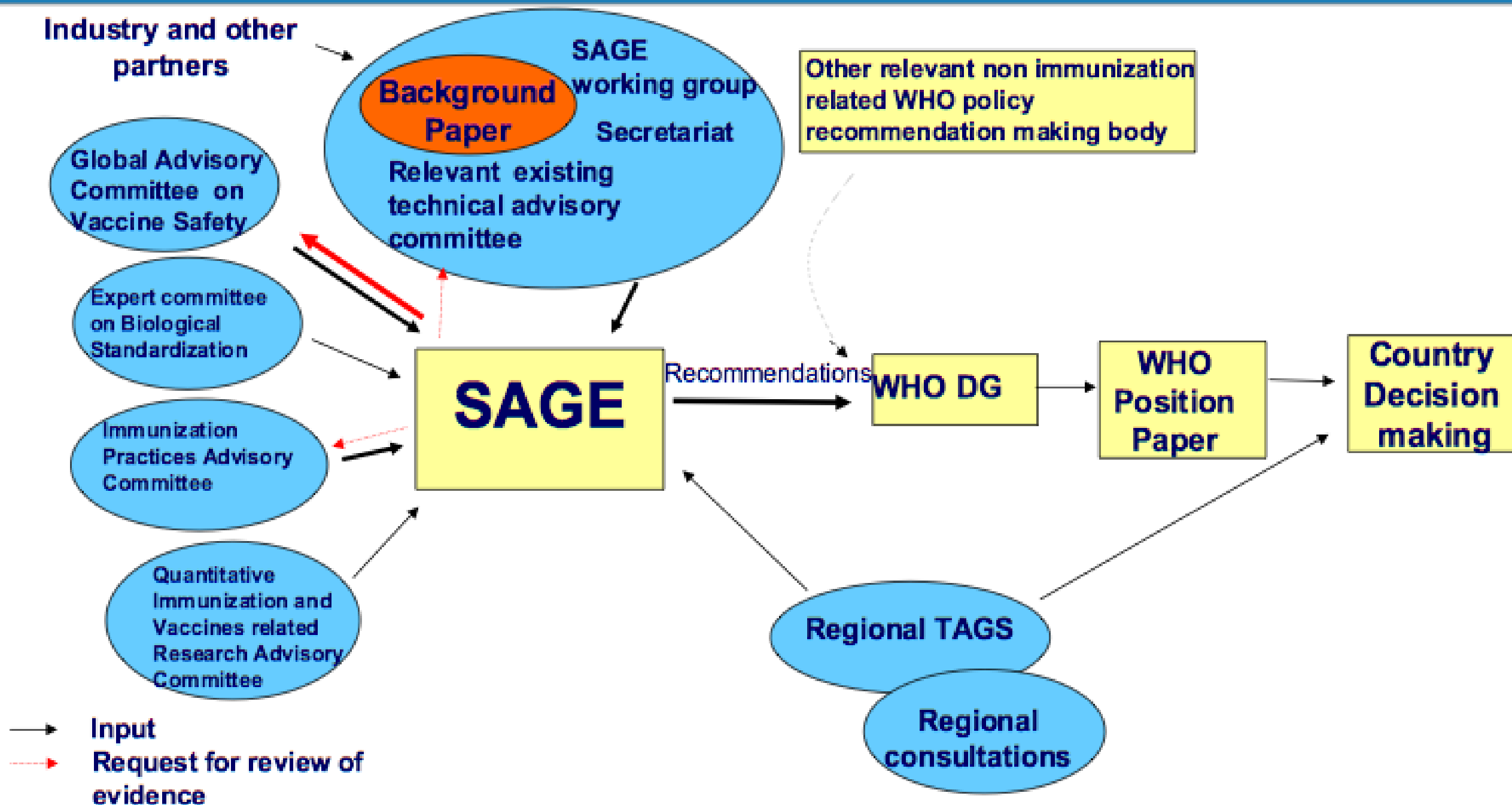


**Connecting the
Blueprint with other
international efforts**

Strategic Advisory Group of Experts (SAGE)

- Principal advisory group to WHO for vaccines and immunization (from research to delivery of immunization and linkages with other health interventions - all vaccines, all ages) → reports directly to DG and involves all relevant WHO departments

Pathways for WHO recommendations on vaccine use



Factors that are taken into consideration by **SAGE** when making recommendations

- disease epidemiology and clinical profile;
- the benefits and harms of the options;
- values pertaining to the importance of the desirable and undesirable effects;
- equity considerations;
- feasibility and resource implications including economic considerations;
- social values and preferences, and acceptability;
- health-system opportunities, and
- interaction with other existing intervention and control strategies.

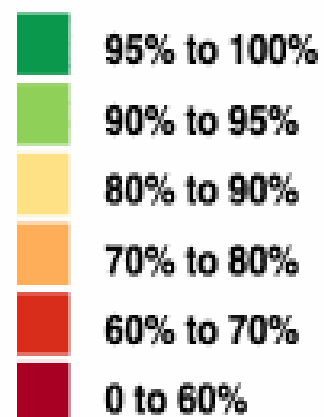
Appendix 1. Specific factors which underpin the development of SAGE recommendations⁴⁰

Main factors	Specific elements
Epidemiologic features of the disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -disease burden, including age specific mortality, morbidity, and social impact -specific risk groups -epidemic potential -disease occurrence over time (i.e. secular trends) -serogroup or serotype distribution (for serogroup or serotype specific vaccines) -changes in epidemiological features over time.
Clinical characteristics of the targeted disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -clinical management -disease severity and fatality -primary/secondary/tertiary care implications -long-term complications and medical care requirements.
Other options for disease control and prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -existence of other prevention and control options.
Vaccine and immunization characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -efficacy -effectiveness and population impact of the vaccine (including herd immunity) -safety (serious adverse events and reactogenicity profile) -indirect effects (potential impact on strain selection, herd immunity, potential safety concerns of live attenuated vaccines in contacts of vaccines, serotype replacement) -cold chain and logistical concerns -vaccine availability -vaccine schedule(s) -social and programmatic acceptability of the schedule(s) -ability to reach the target populations -ability to monitor programme impact.
Economic considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -cost of illness -vaccine and vaccine delivery costs -potential for vaccine price reductions -cost-effectiveness of immunization programmes -affordability of immunization.
Health system considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -possible interactions with other interventions and control strategies -possible impact of vaccine introduction on the wider health system.
Social impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -possible impact on social equality and inequality.
Legal considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -possible legal requirements for implementation.
Ethical considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -possible ethical considerations.

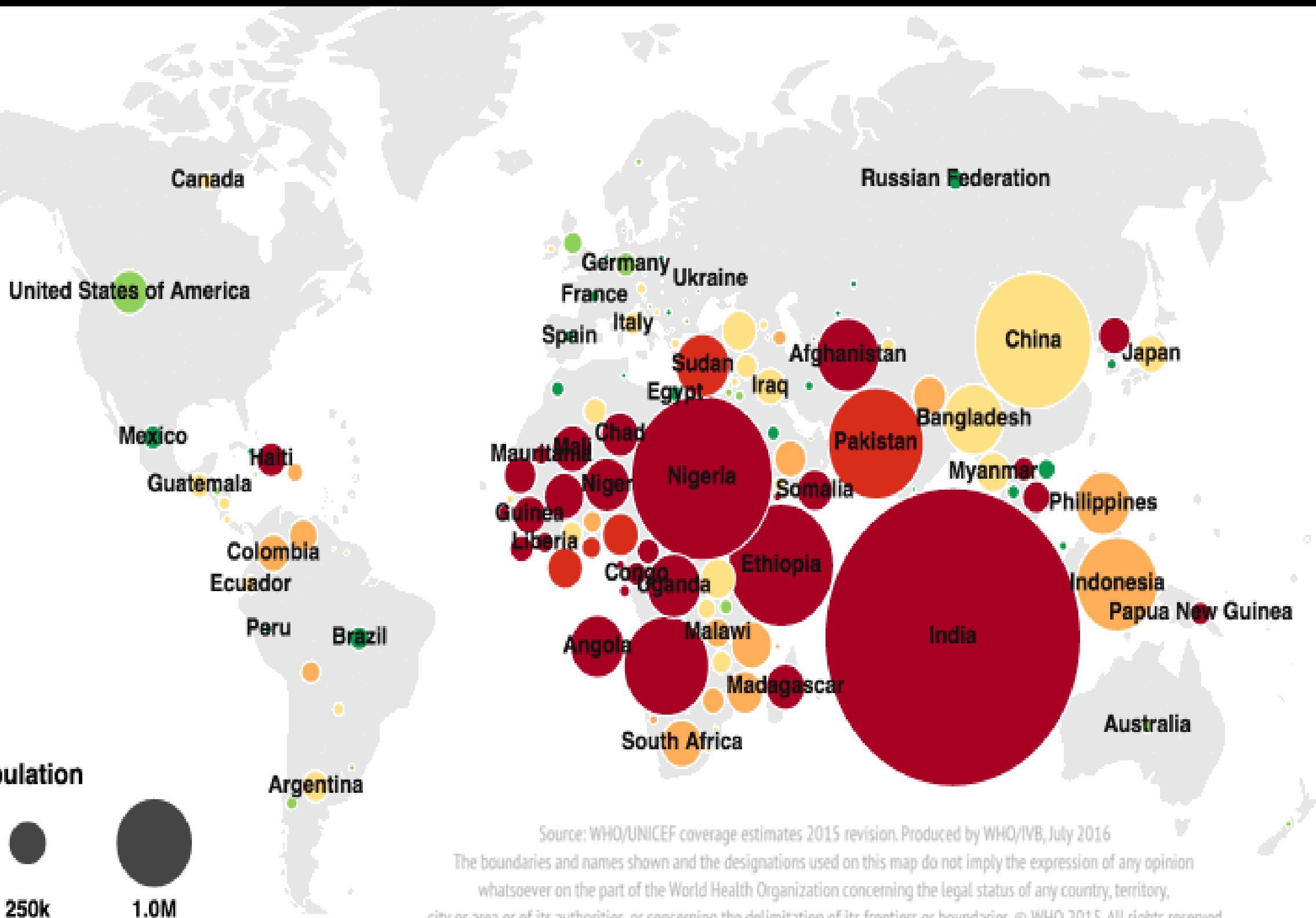
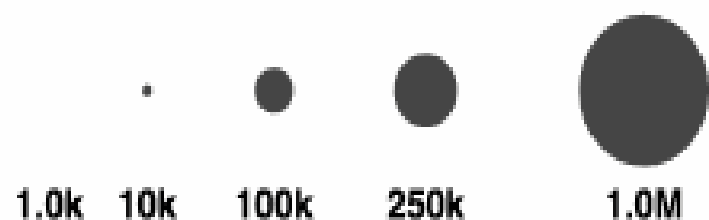
Significant progress have been achieved over the last 15 years

2000

DTP3 Coverage

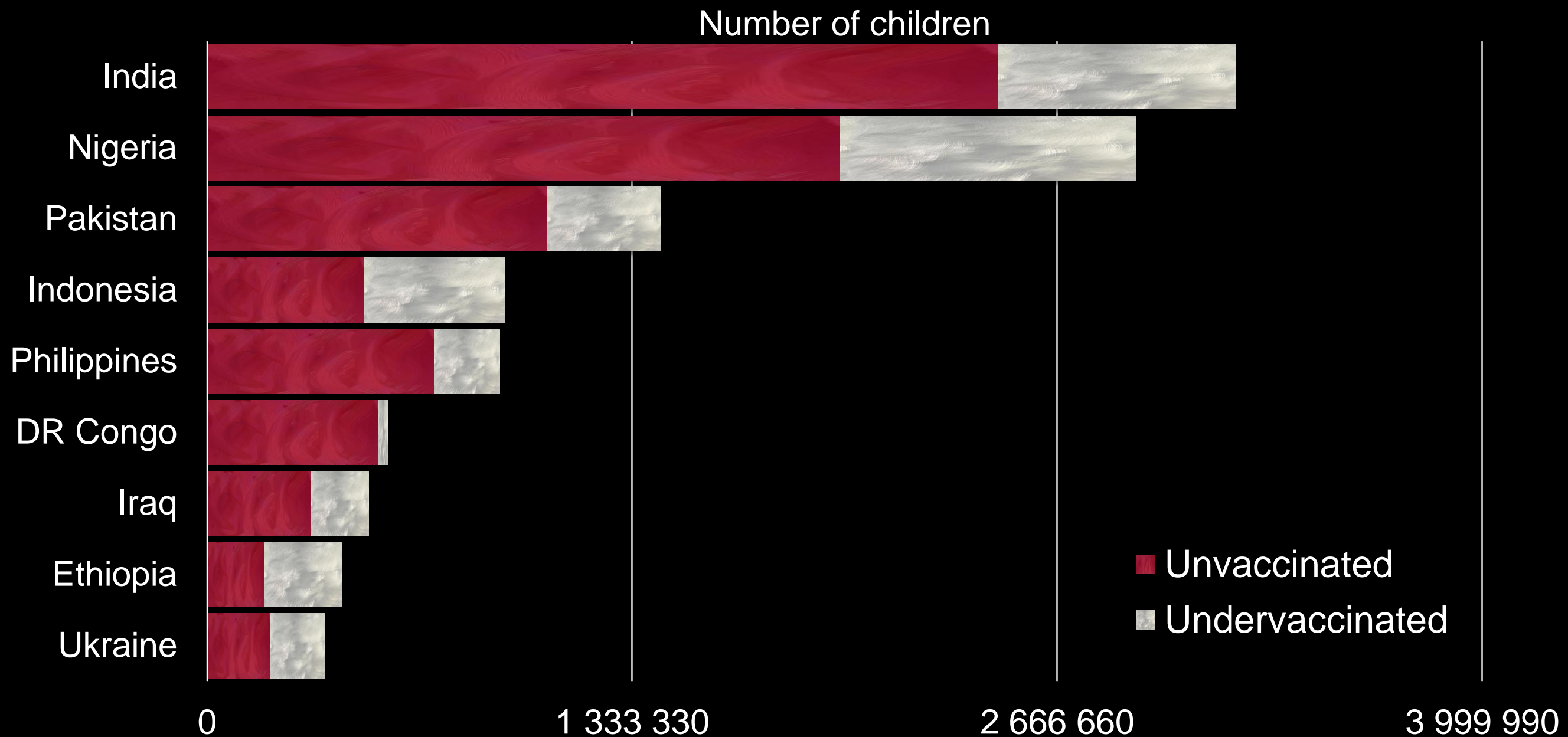


Unvaccinated Population



Source: WHO/UNICEF coverage estimates 2015 revision. Produced by WHO/IVB, July 2016
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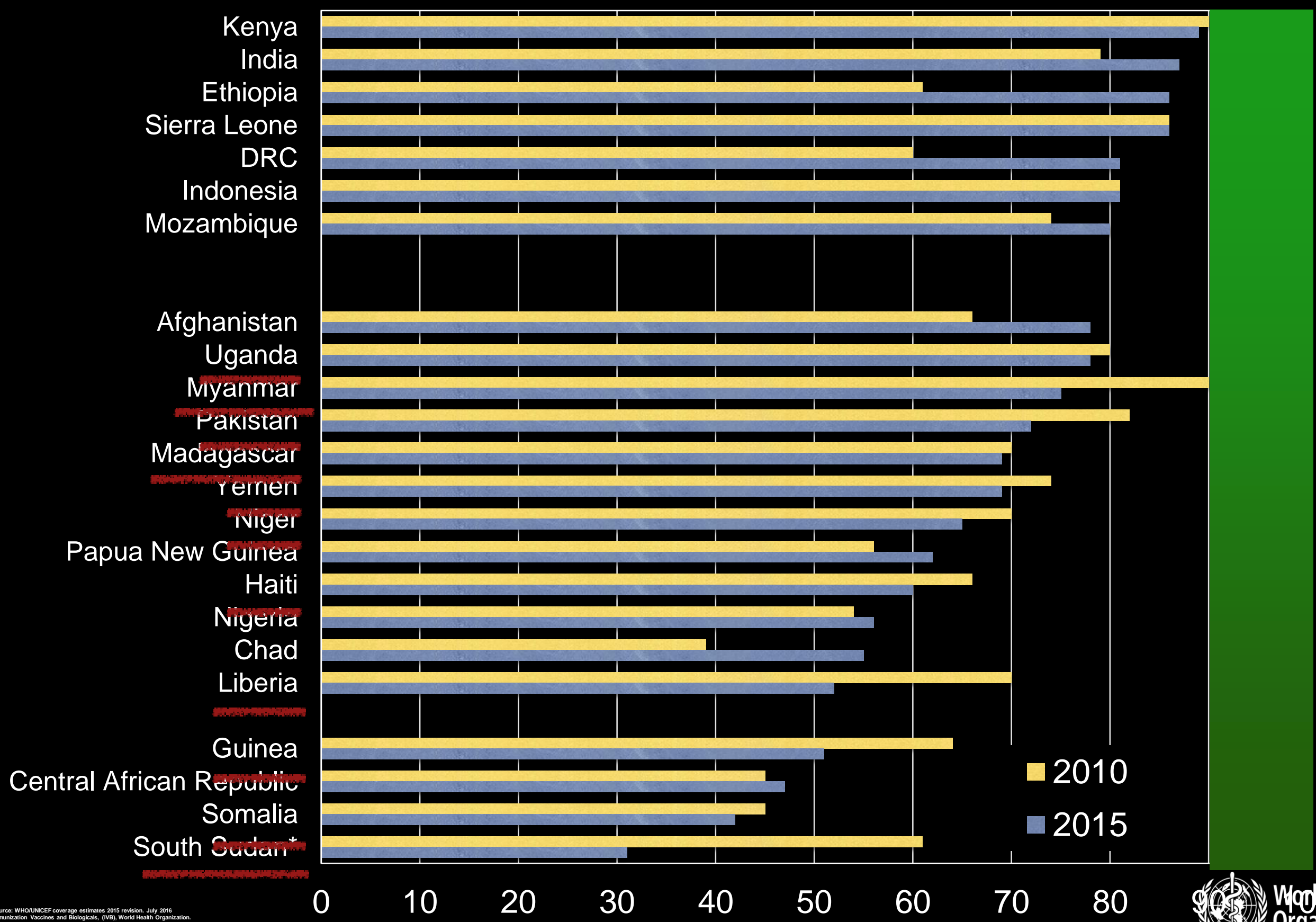
The 10 countries with most under-vaccinated and un-vaccinated children, 2015



Source: WHO/UNICEF coverage estimates 2015 revision. July 2016
Immunization Vaccines and Biologicals, (IVB), World Health
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194 WHO Member States. Date of slide: 19 July 2016

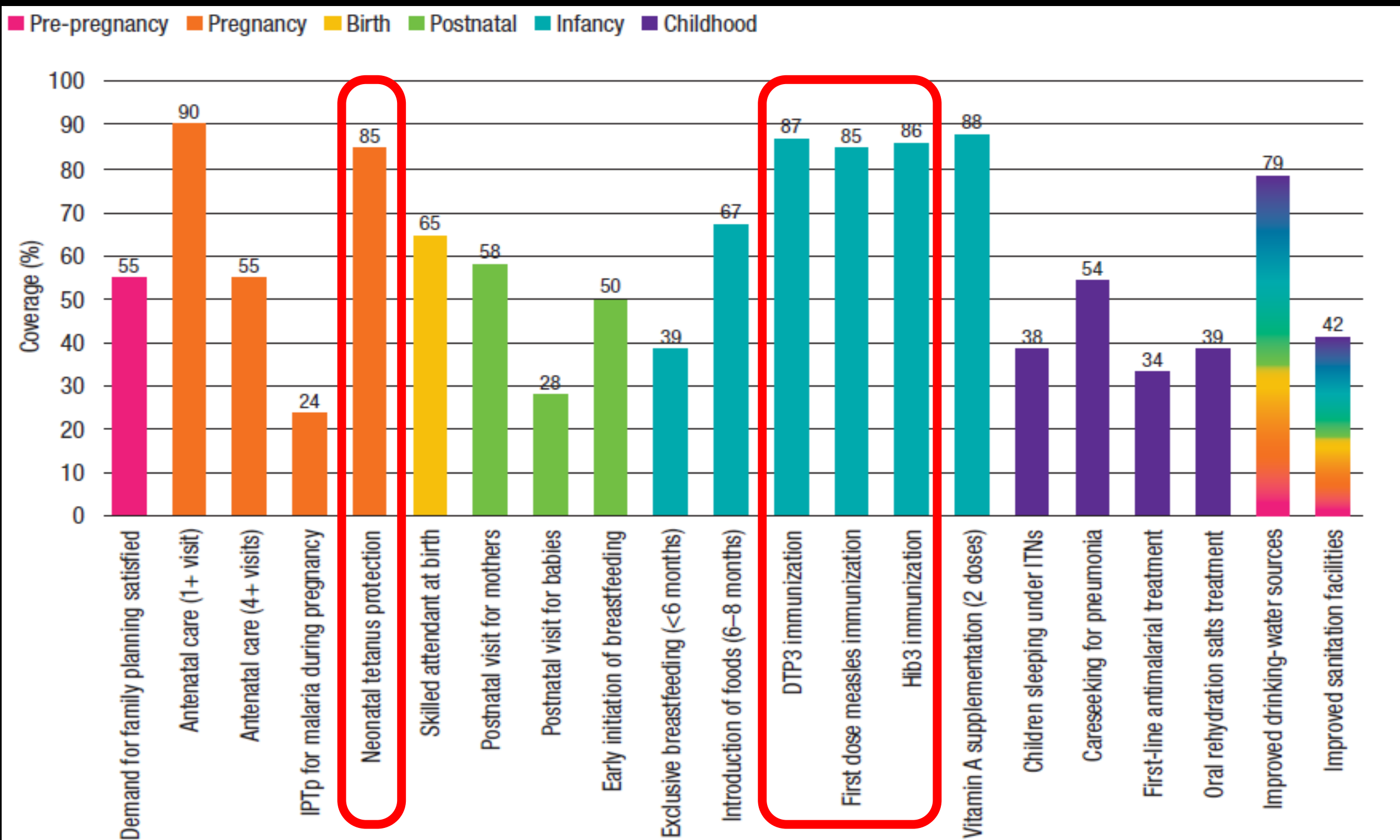
DTPcV3 coverage in selected countries, 2010-2015



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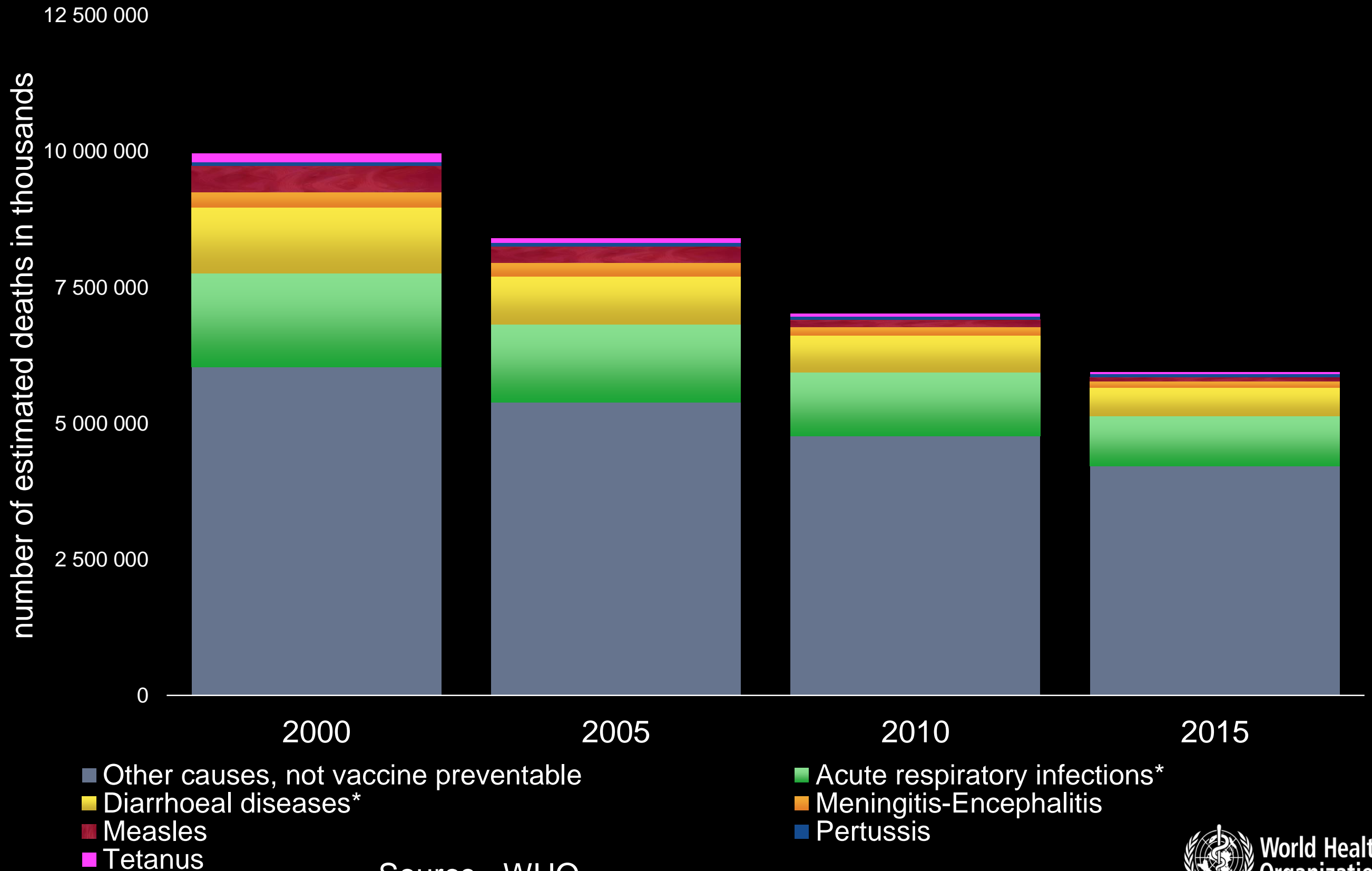


Coverage of interventions across the continuum of care, 2015



^a Median national coverage of 75 countries, based on most recent survey 2009 or later.

Vaccines have been contributors to the global reduction of under 5 mortality



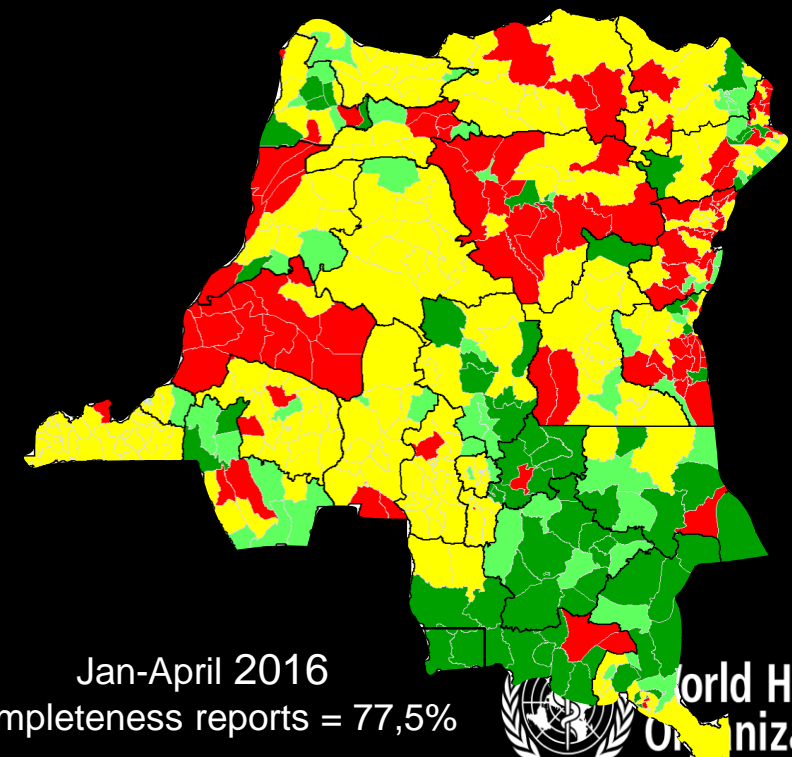
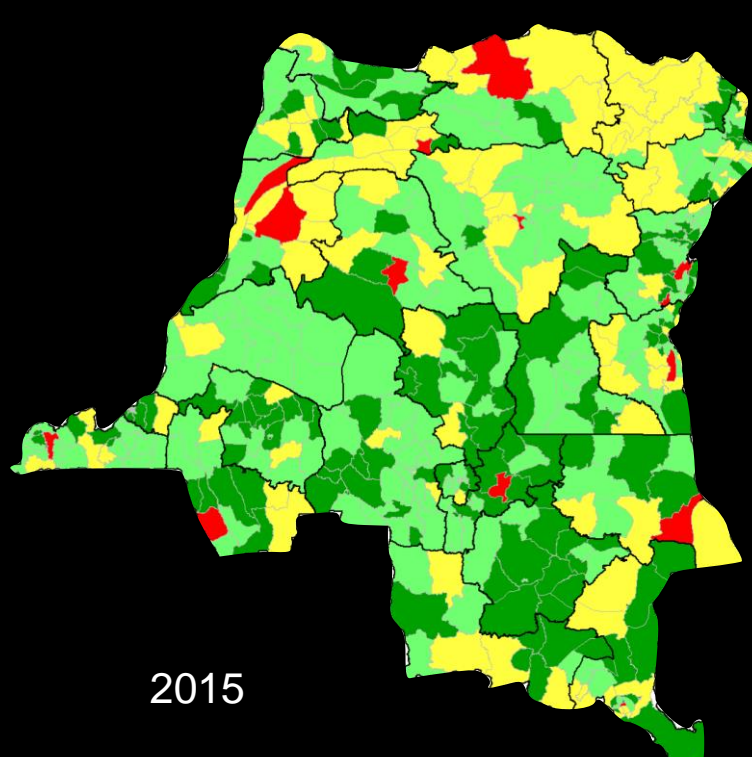
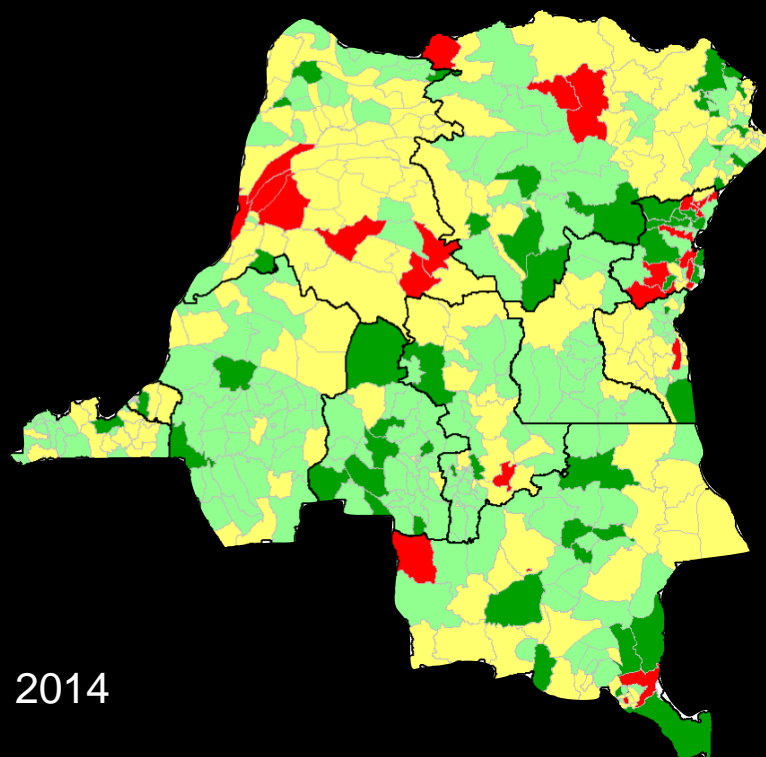
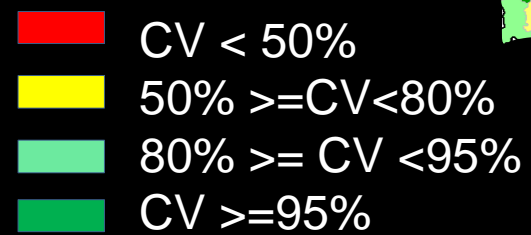
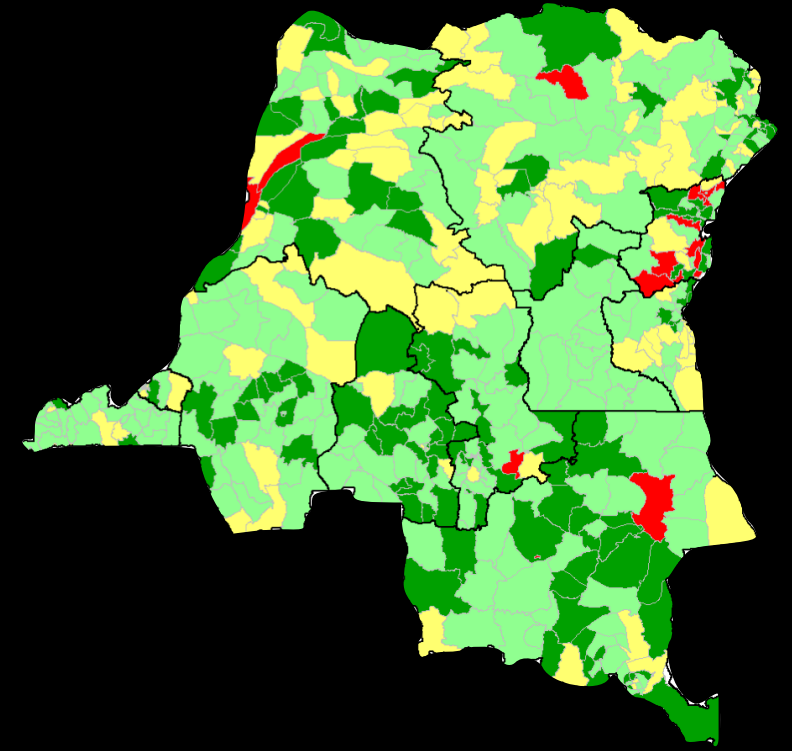
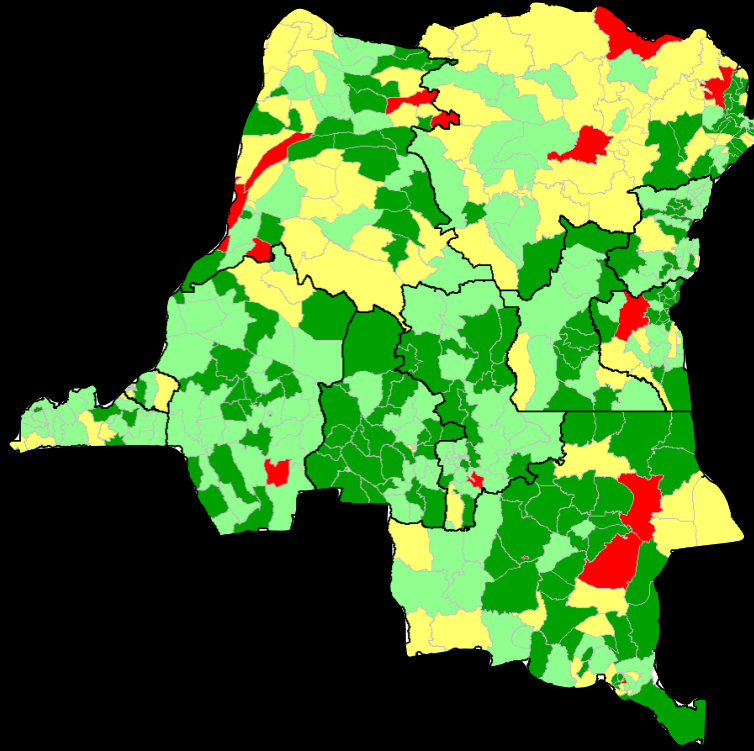
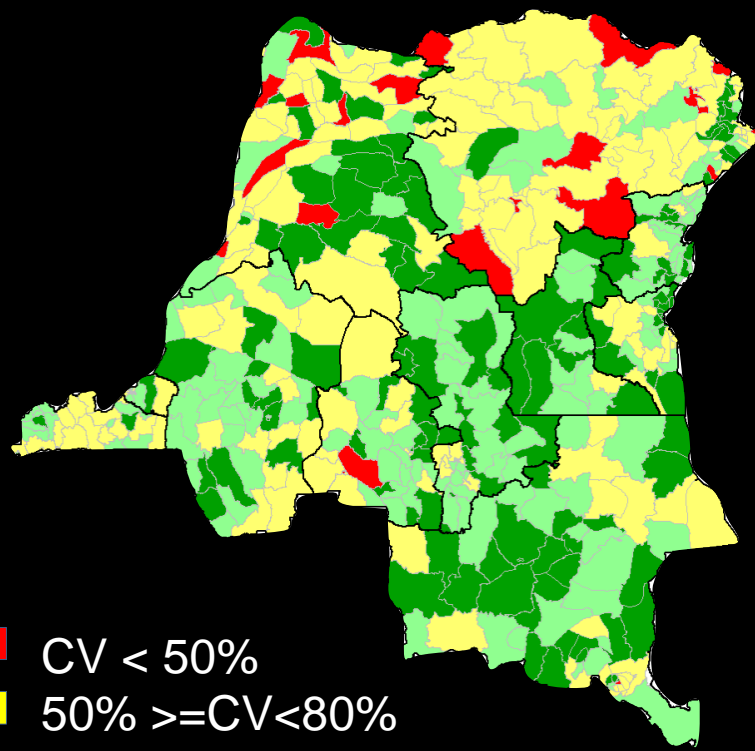
Source= WHO

Measles vaccine coverage in DRC, 2011-2016

2011

2012

2013



2014

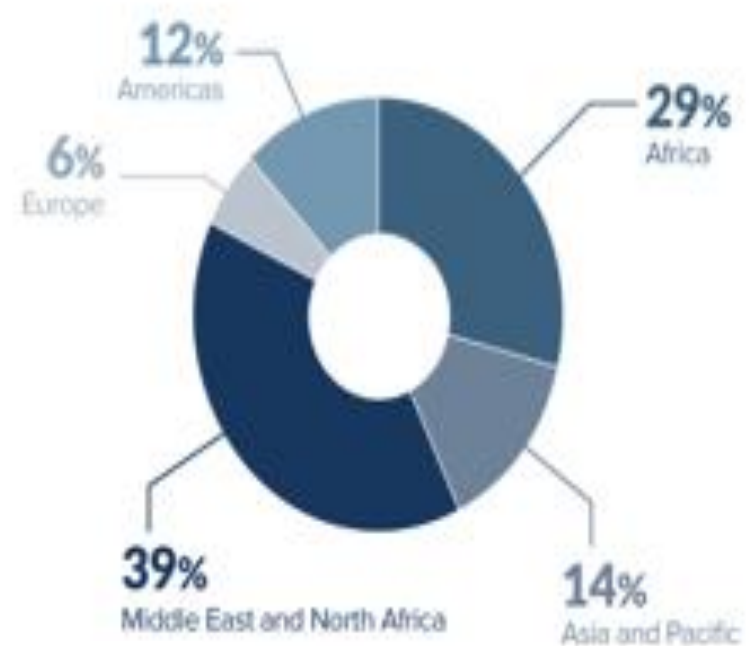
2015

Jan-April 2016
Completeness reports = 77,5%

We are now witnessing the highest levels of displacement on record



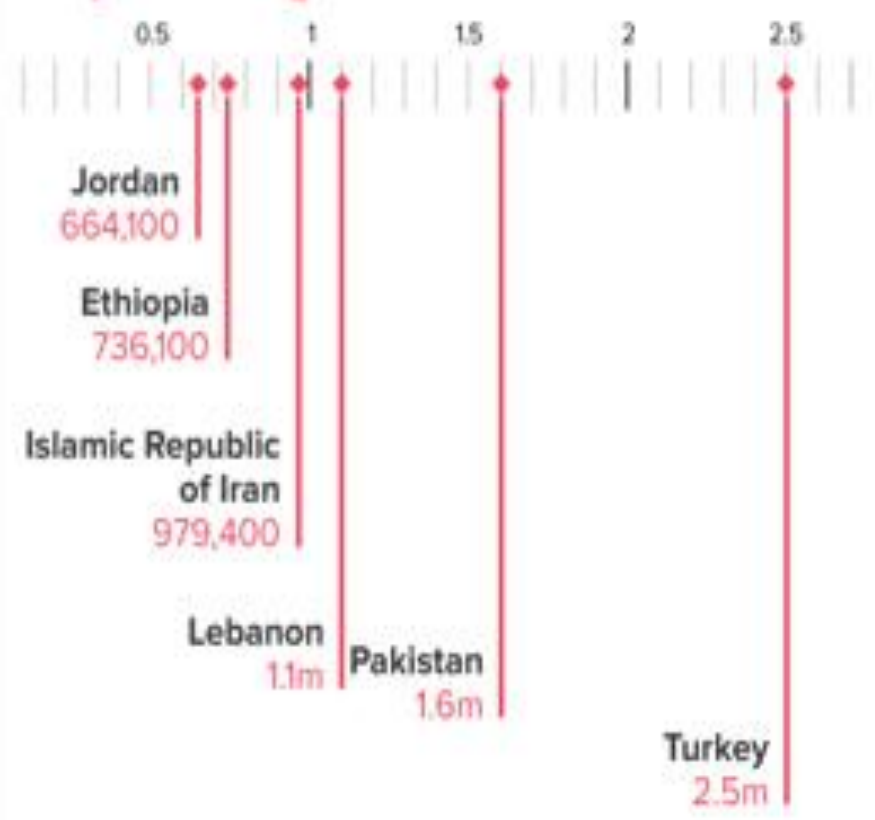
Where the world's displaced people are being hosted



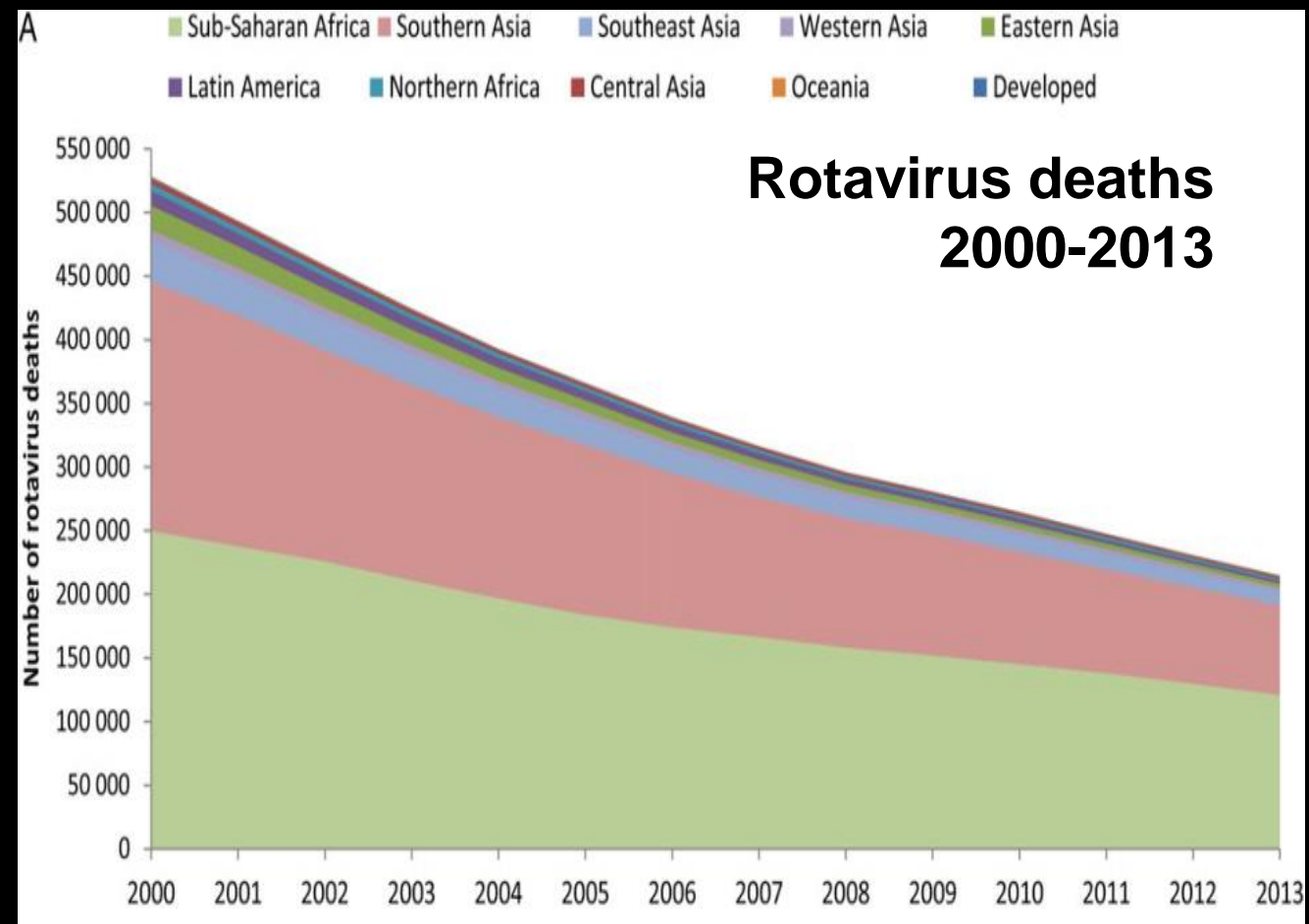
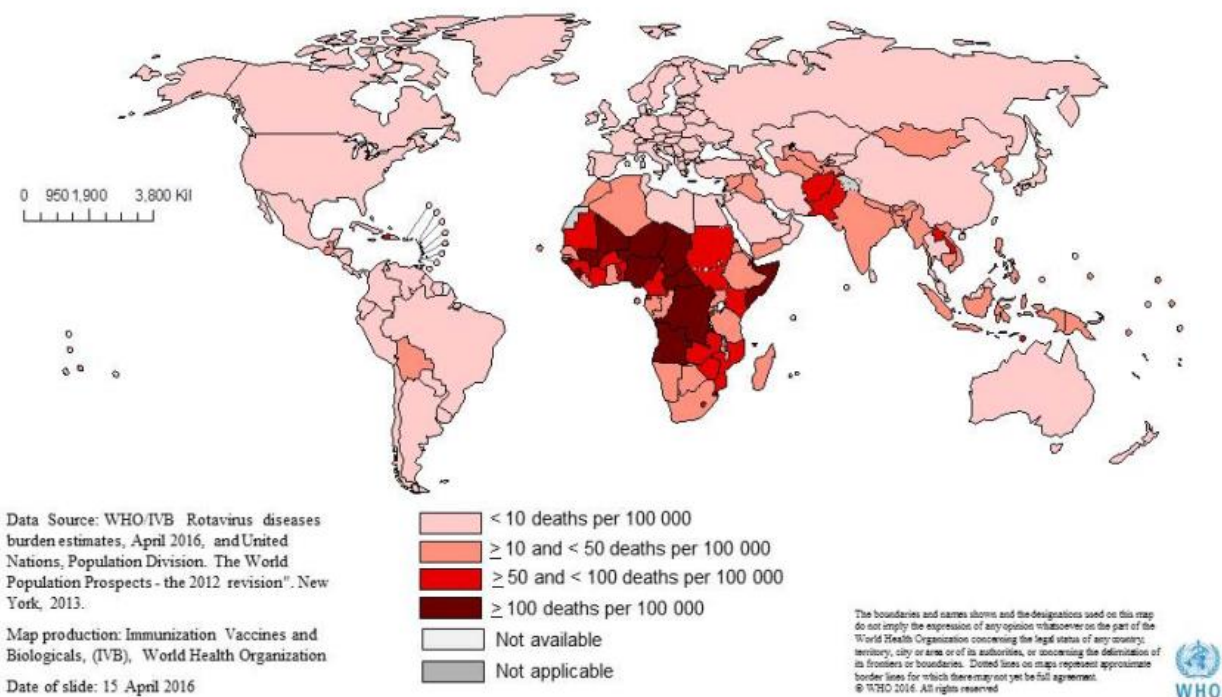
54% of refugees worldwide came from three countries



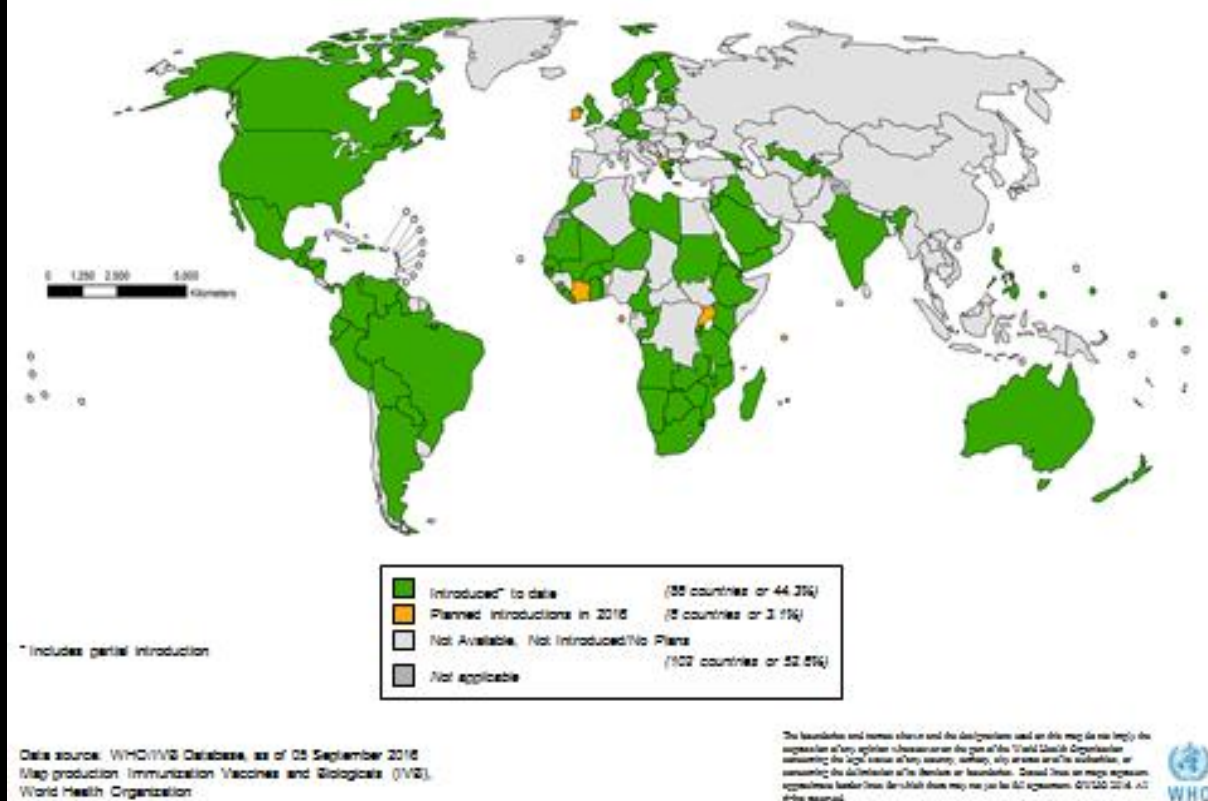
Top hosting countries



Rotavirus mortality rate in children younger than 5 years, 2013



Countries with Rotavirus vaccine in the national immunization programme; and planned introductions in 2016



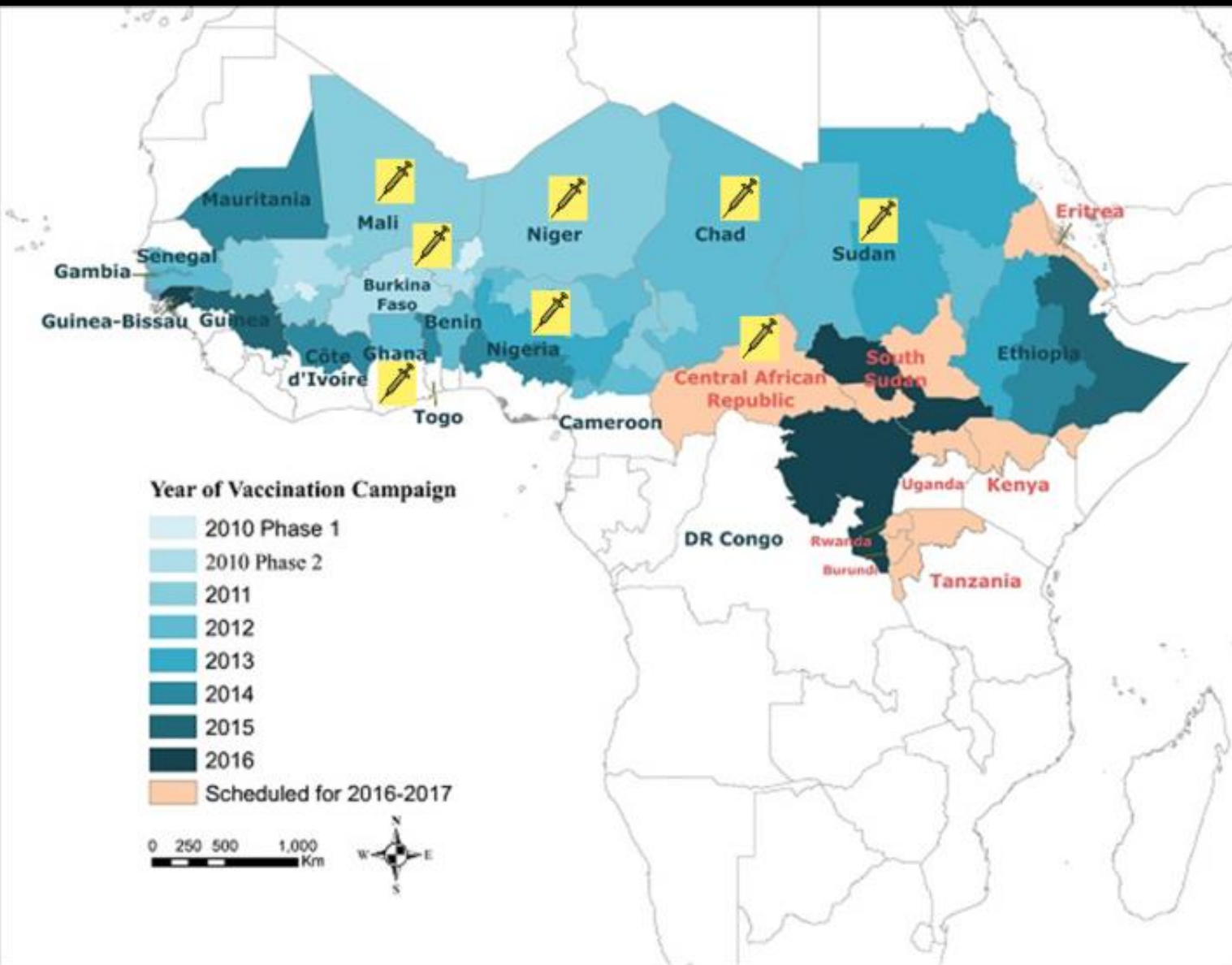
Rotavirus deaths have decreased over time.

But, countries with highest mortality rate are still not benefiting from vaccine

Meningitis A vaccine

> 260 million immunized
 19/26 countries conducted campaigns 1-29 year-olds

8/26 countries introducing in routine national EPI for 9-18 month-olds (2016-mid-2017)



71% decline in risk of meningitis (suspected cases)
 >99% decline in risk of NmA meningitis (confirmed cases)

94% reduction in incidence of meningitis in vaccinated vs. unvaccinated districts (suspected cases)

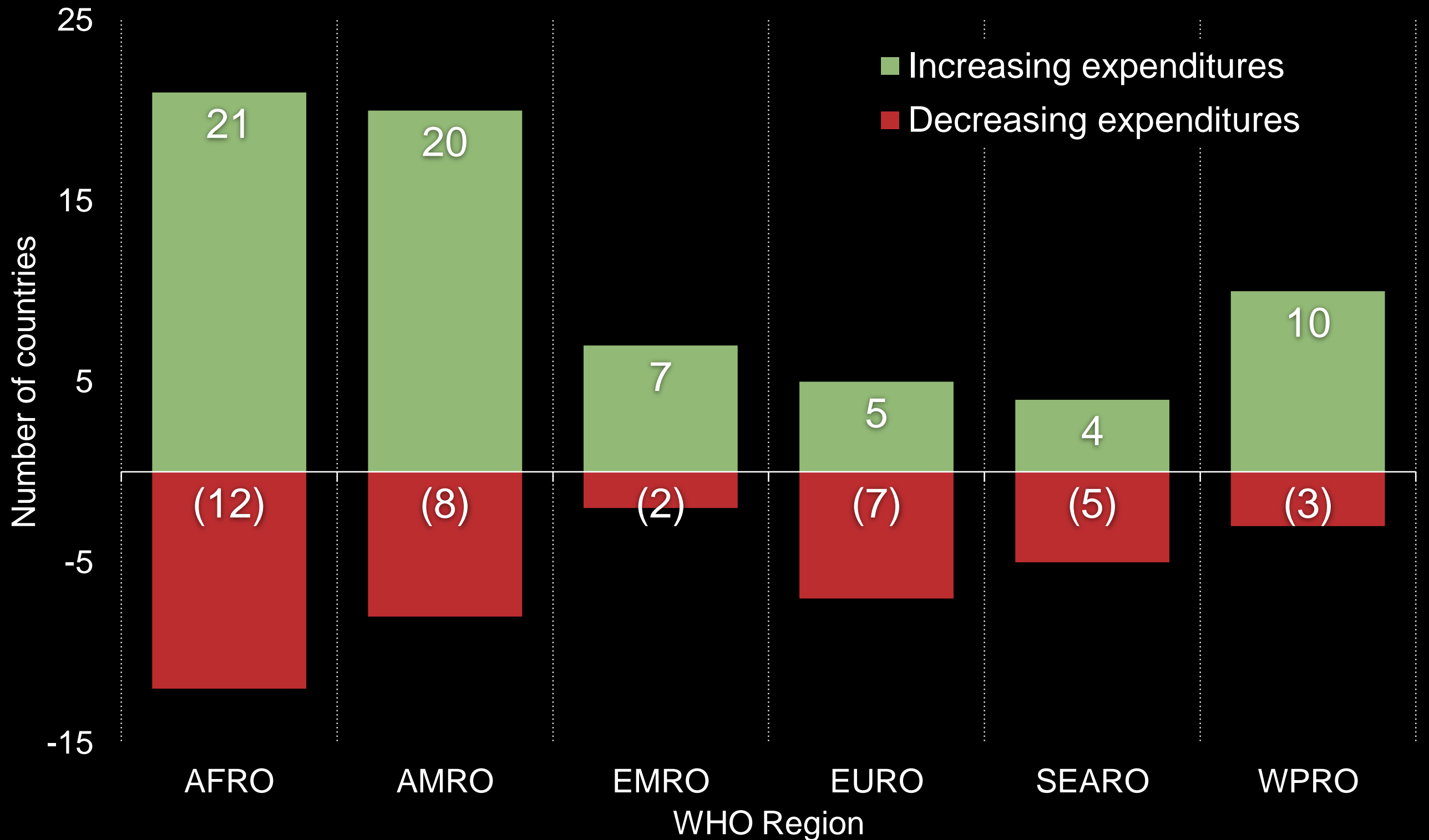
60% decline in risk of epidemics = risk of a district reaching the epidemic threshold
 Increase in incidence of non-NmA meningitis not statistically significant

Elimination of NmA carriage in vaccinated & unvaccinated population up to 13 months after mass vaccination, when comparing pre- and post-vaccination carriage prevalence

98% decrease in NmA carriage prevalence 4-6 months after mass vaccination vs. pre-vaccination

58% decline in incidence of meningitis (suspected cases)
 >99% decline in incidence of NmA meningitis (confirmed cases)

Trends in country expenditures in the immunisation programme by Region (2010-2015)



Note: Number of countries reporting increasing/decreasing trends of Government Expenditure on Routine Immunization
Source: JRF, WHO-UNICEF

Immunisation has a broader impact in the communities



Productivity gains

Measles vaccination results in a 9.5% increase in future school enrolment for boys in Bangladesh



Community benefits

Rotavirus vaccination averts US\$800,000 in catastrophic health expenditures, improving **household risk protection** in Ethiopia



Economic impacts

Rotavirus vaccination increases government **net tax revenue** by US\$58 million over 50 years in Egypt

Use vaccine research as an additional tool to achieve set goals

Position Vaccines research in emerging global agendas

Blueprint - R&D for diseases with a PHEIC potential

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research to assess and enhance the impact of available vaccines

Achieving worldwide vaccination goals will be a difficult task, and finding approaches to ensure the continued development of effective vaccines is potentially more challenging.

Vaccines should be seen not as a cost that increases public health budget needs, but as an investment with long term and sustainable and large-scale impacts.

The benefits of the efforts to increase immunization coverage and vaccine access are likely to heavily outweigh the costs.

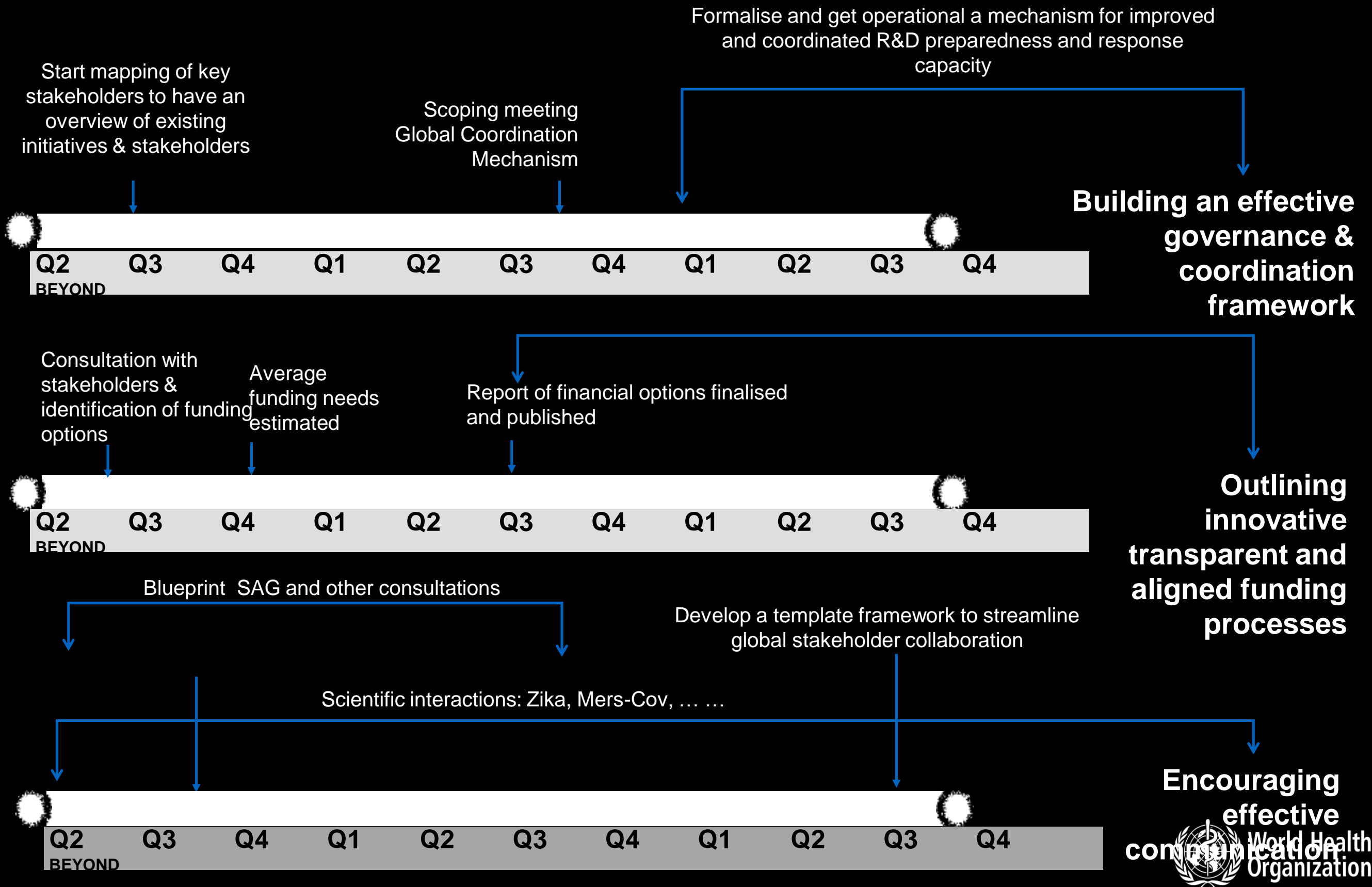
CLOSE
THE IMMUNIZATION
GAP

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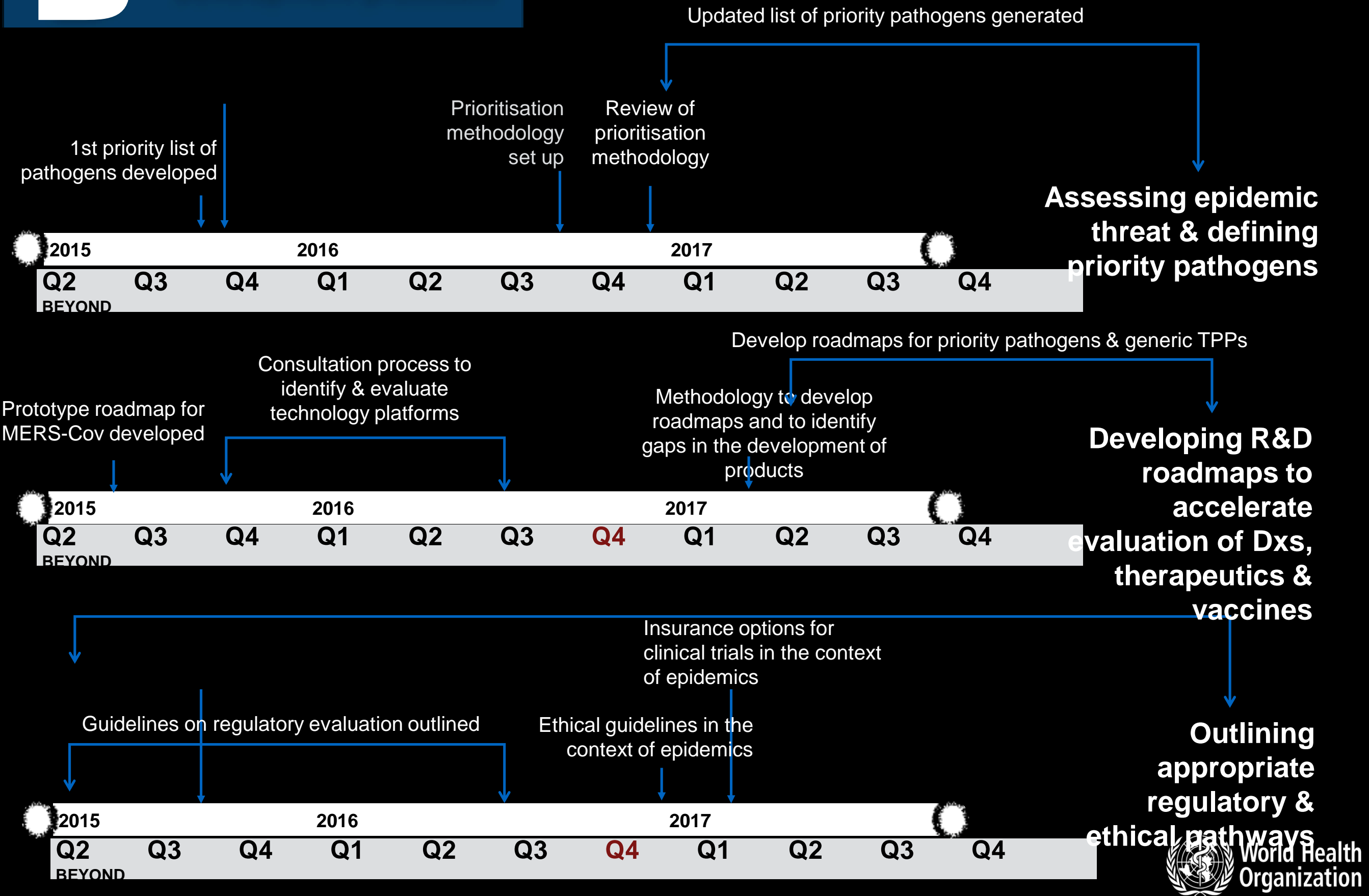
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Accelerating Research & Development processes





Developing new norms and standards adapted to the epidemic context

Tools: Methods design discussion, decision tree, annotated generic protocol

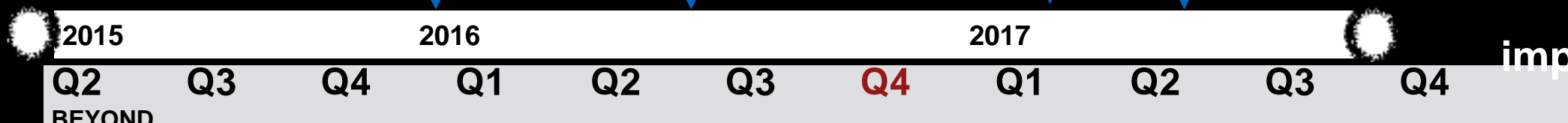
Steps outlined to develop tools to inform discussions on trial designs

Draft tools available for vaccines

Wider consultation on tools for vaccines starts

Initiate work for therapeutics

Supporting expansion of capacity to implement adequate study designs

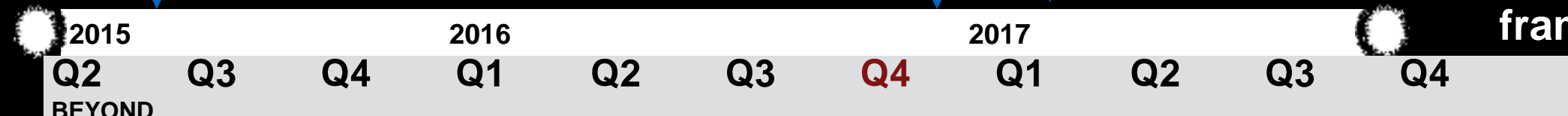


Consultation on ownership, benefit sharing & IP

MTA capacity building tool

Biobanking platforms process initiated

Developing guidance & tools to frame collaborations and exchanges



Develop global norms for sharing data & results during public health emergencies

SAGE recommendation on evidence need for policy making on Ebola vaccines

Consultation on data sharing

Consultation biobanking + decision tree data sharing
WHO Statement Data sharing

Anticipating evidence needs to inform regulatory review and policy development

