

Dengue Vaccines

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Deliberations of the Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization on the use of CYD-TDV dengue vaccine

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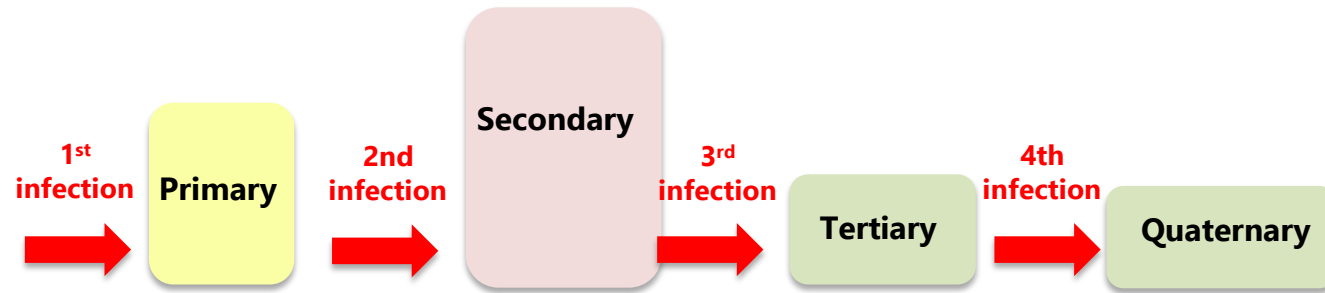
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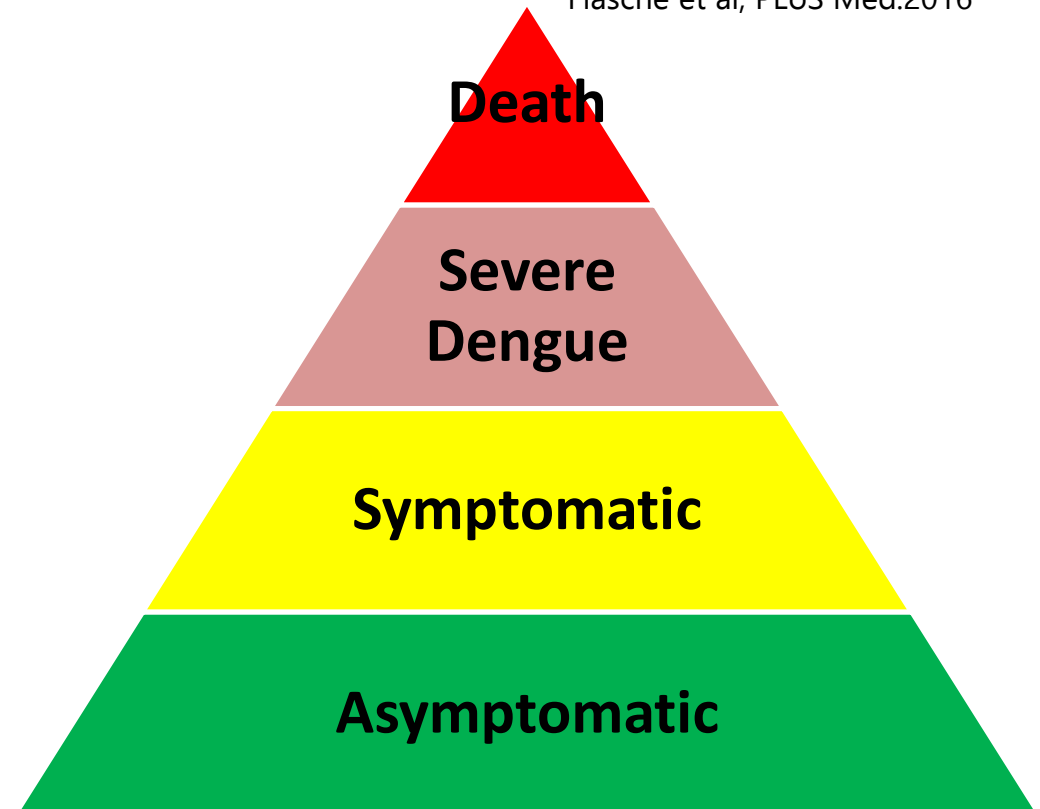
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Dengue



Flasche et al, PLoS Med.2016

- **Four** antigenically distinct serotypes (DENV1-4)
- **50-100 million cases every year**
- Clinical spectrum:
 - 80% asymptomatic
 - Self-limiting febrile illness
 - Severe dengue (~2-4% of symptomatic)
 - Secondary infections are associated with higher risk of more severe dengue
 - CFR 0.1—1%



Dengue Vaccine

(http://www.who.int/immunization/research/vaccine_pipeline_tracker_spreadsheet/en/)

Phase I

Phase II

Phase IIb

Phase III

Registration

DPIV

GlaxoSmithKline,
Biomanguinhos,
WRAIR

DEN-80E
Merck

TVDV

Naval Medical
Research Center

TLAV-TPIV
WRAIR

CYD-TDV
SANOFI PASTEUR

TV003/TV005

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DENVax
Takeda

CYD-TDV

Dengvaxia™
Sanofi Pasteur

YFV 17D-204 5'

DENV1 5'

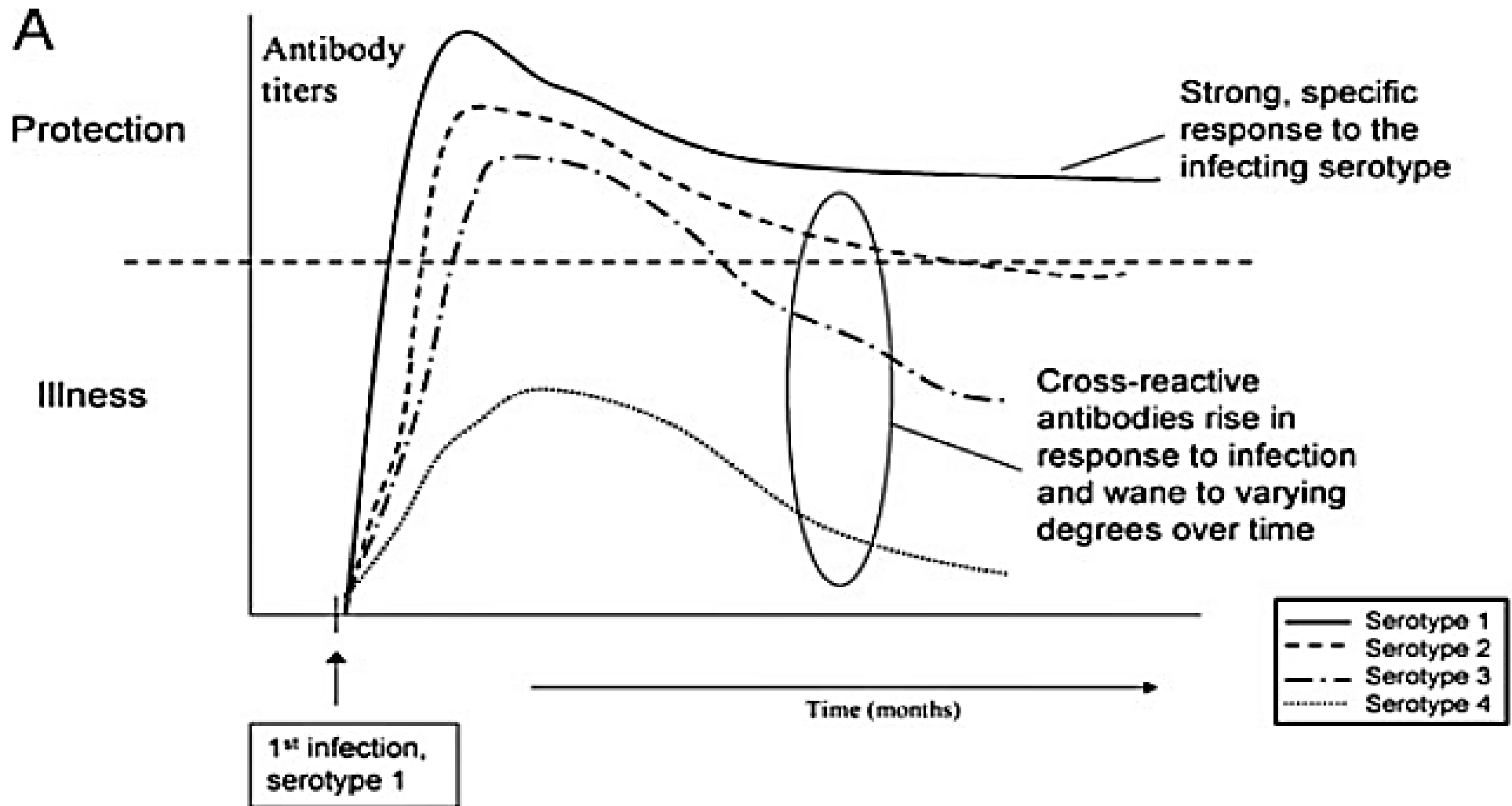
DENV2 5'

DENV3 5'

DENV4 5'

C	prM	E	NS1	NS2A	NS2B	NS3	NS4A	NS4B	NS5	3'
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Homotypic and heterotypic antibodies



Phase II randomized controlled trial in Singapore

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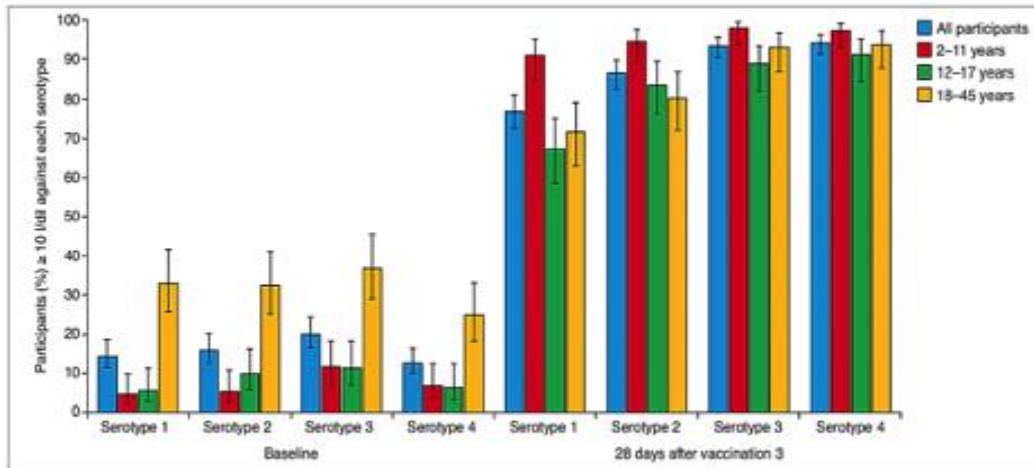


Figure 3. Seropositivity rates (percentage of participants PRNT₅₀ titer ≥ 10 IU/ml) against each of the four dengue virus serotypes (1, 2, 3 and 4) at baseline and 28 d after the third vaccination in all participants and in each of the three age groups.

- Vaccine efficacy varied by :
 - Serotype (**serotype 4 and 3**)
 - Serostatus (**seropositive**)
 - Severity of disease (**more severe**)
 - Age (**older age**)

NEJM 2015

Efficacy and Long-Term Safety of a Dengue Vaccine in Regions of Endemic Disease

S.R. Hadinegoro, J.L. Arredondo-García, M.R. Capeding, C. Deseda, T. Chotpitayasunondh, R. Dietze,

WHO recommendations for settings with seroprevalence > 70% (April 2016)

- Licensed for age 9 and above
- **Public Health benefit**– Vaccine preventable disease incidence, seropositivity drives efficacy
- **Safety benefit** – high proportion of seropositives; seronegatives will have a higher or equal risk of secondary infections through natural exposure than potential vaccine induced secondary-like infections

Press release from Sanofi, 29 Nov 2017



November 29, 2017

Sanofi updates information on dengue vaccine

- New analysis of long-term Dengvaxia® data found differences in vaccine performance based on prior dengue infection
- Company will ask regulators to update product label to reflect new information

PARIS, FRANCE – November 29, 2017 – Sanofi will ask health authorities to update information provided to physicians and patients on its dengue vaccine Dengvaxia® in countries where it is approved. The request is based on a new analysis of long-term clinical trial data, which found differences in vaccine performance based on prior dengue infection.

Based on up to six years of clinical data, the new analysis evaluated long-term safety and efficacy of Dengvaxia in people who had been infected with dengue prior to vaccination and those who had not. The analysis confirmed that Dengvaxia provides persistent protective benefit against dengue fever in those who had prior infection. For those not previously infected by dengue virus, however, the analysis found that in the longer term, more cases of severe disease could occur following vaccination upon a subsequent dengue infection.

"These findings highlight the complex nature of dengue infection. We are working with health authorities to ensure that prescribers, vaccinators and patients are fully informed of the new findings, with the goal of enhancing the impact of Dengvaxia in dengue-endemic countries," said Dr. Su-Peiing Ng, Global Medical Head, Sanofi Pasteur.

About half of the world's population lives in countries where four serotypes of dengue virus are in circulation. Every year an estimated 390 million dengue infections are reported. People can be infected with dengue up to four times in their lifetime and they can get severely ill after any of these infections. Surveillance data from some endemic countries indicate that between 70 and 90 percent of people will have been exposed to dengue at least once by the time they reach adolescence. There are many factors that can lead to severe dengue infection. However, the highest risk of getting more severe disease has been observed in people infected for the second time by a different dengue virus.

Dengvaxia is currently indicated in most of the countries for individuals 9 years of age and older living in a dengue-endemic area. In this indicated population, Dengvaxia has been shown to prevent 93 percent of severe disease and 80 percent of hospitalizations due to dengue over the 25 month phase of the large-scale clinical studies conducted in 10 countries in Latin America and Asia where dengue is widespread.

Proposed Label Update

Based on the new analysis, Sanofi will propose that national regulatory agencies update the prescribing information, known as the label in many countries, requesting that healthcare professionals assess the likelihood of prior dengue infection in an individual before vaccinating. Vaccination should only be recommended when the potential benefits outweigh the potential risks (in countries with high burden of dengue disease). For individuals who have not been previously infected by dengue virus, vaccination should not be recommended.

The Sanofi label proposal will be reviewed by national regulatory agencies in each of the countries where the vaccine is registered or under registration. Following their review, each agency might amend the company proposed label.

...analysis found that in the longer term, more cases of severe disease occur following vaccination upon a subsequent dengue infection.....

- *For individuals who have not been previously infected by dengue virus, vaccination should not be recommended.*



News analysis

Politics comes into play in dengue vaccine scare



Raul Dancel
Philippines Correspondent



Philippines defied experts' advice in pursuing dengue immunisation...

Parents of vaccine 'victim' seek justice

Philippines Suspends Dengue Shots After Drug Firm's Warning

Myths, Misconceptions and Lies



Dr Susan Mercado

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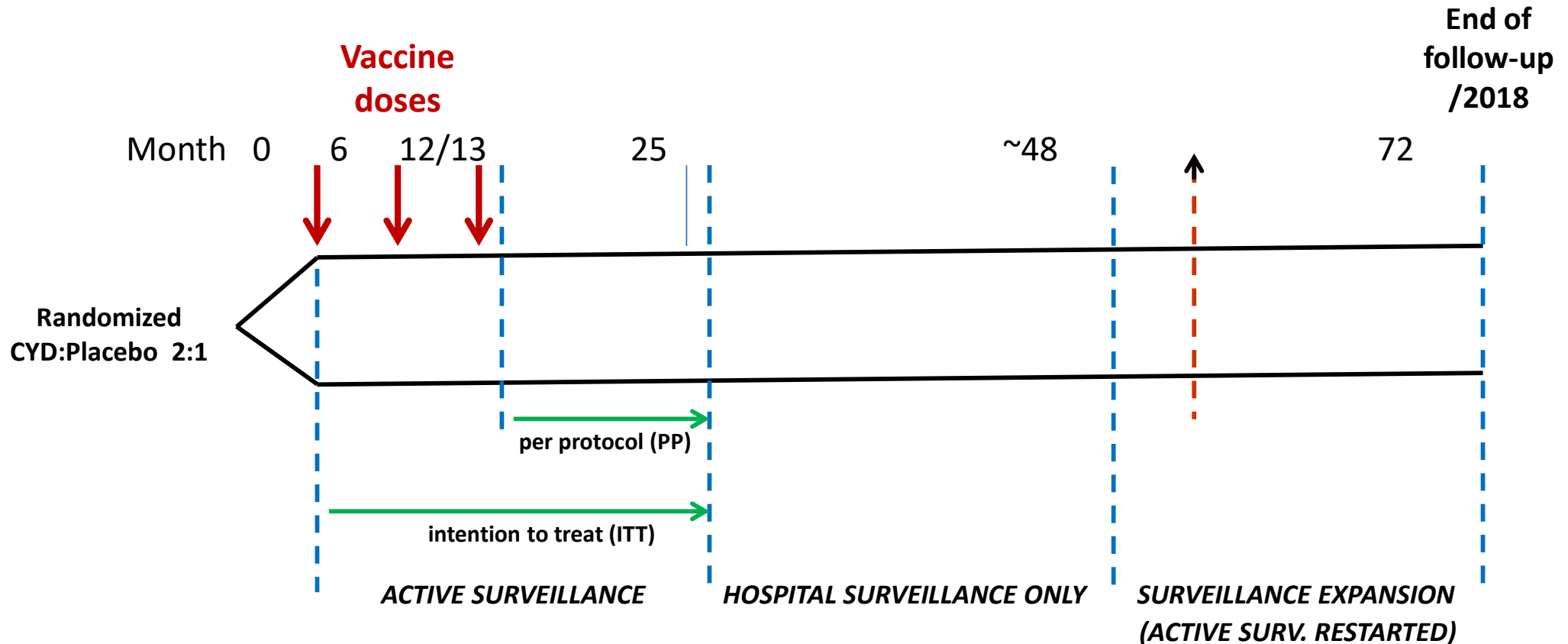


Dear parents, teachers and fellow Health workers - I visited Health Secretary Francisco Duque III in his office today and turned over the names, vaccination dates and concerns of 854 parents who "registered" on this FB site in December 2017 and early January 2018. I also submitted a report of 50 cases of UTI reported by parents. Salamat po sa supporta at tiwala. Ito po ay I-check ng DOH ayon sa baranggay, eskwela, municipio at probinsiya. Ipaalam lang po kung may ibang tulong na kailangan.



- “Insomnia and declining school grades is due to neurotropic disease of Dengvaxia.
- Systemic disease is due to viscerotropic disease of Dengvaxia”
- “Genocide”
- Collateral damage:
- Loss of vaccine confidence, reduced vaccine uptake, first measles outbreaks....

How did Sanofi Pasteur determine serostatus-dependent performance?



Sridhar et al. Effect of Dengue Serostatus on Dengue Vaccine Safety and Efficacy. N Engl J Med. 2018 Jul 26;379(4):327-340

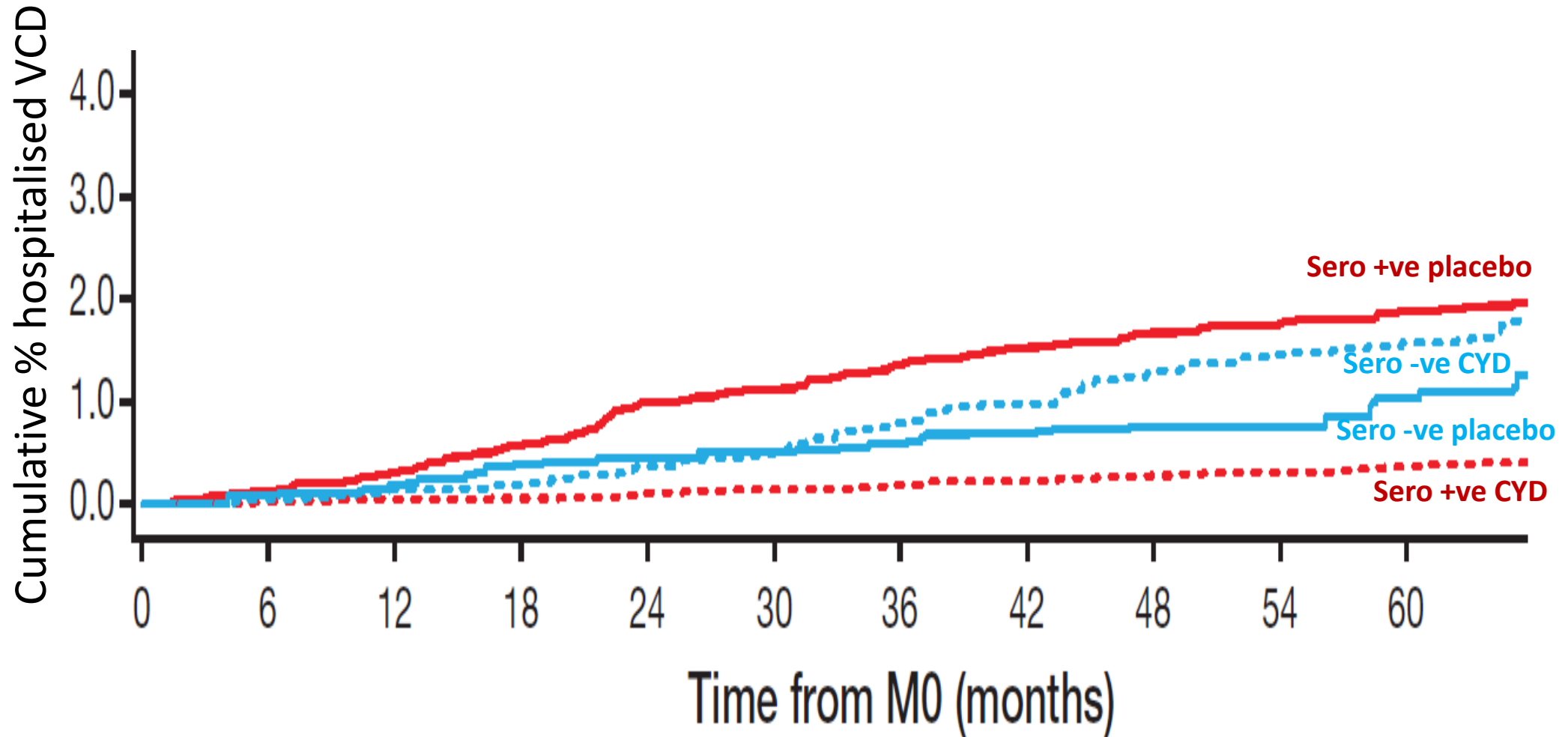
Vaccine efficacy against symptomatic VCD in the 25 months after dose 1 (2-16 year-olds - MI method)

Sero-status at dose 1	Vaccine efficacy	95% confidence interval
Sero-positive	72%	58%, 82%
Sero-negative	32%	-9%, 58%

Relative risk of severe VCD comparing vaccinated to controls in the 66 months after dose 1
(2-16 year-olds - MI method)

Sero-status at dose 1	Relative risk (CYD:Control)	95% confidence interval
Sero-positive	0.28	0.15, 0.52
Sero-negative	3.00	1.10, 8.15

Time to hospitalized VCD – MI method - age 9-16 years



How do we explain the CYD-TDV
observations?

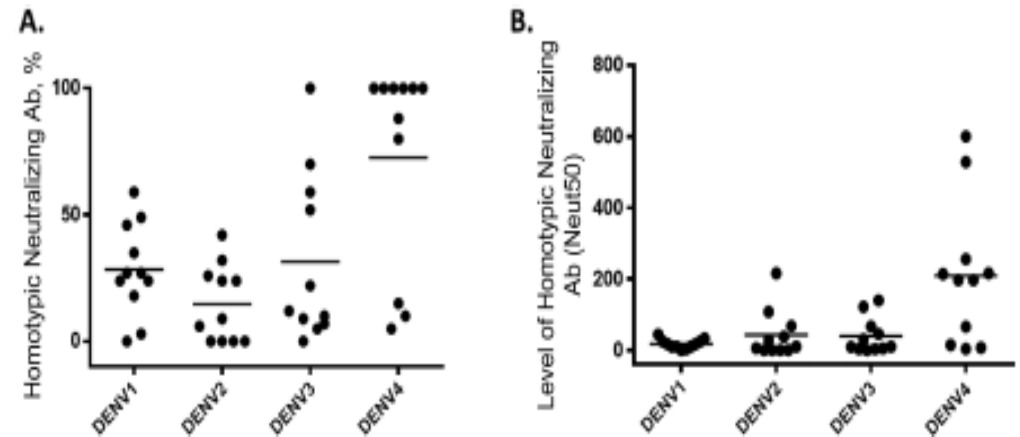
Viremia induced by CYD

Percentage of subjects with detectable viremia by culture after a single dose (% by RT-PCR) in flavivirus-naïve subjects				
	DENV-1	DENV-2	DENV-3	DENV-4
CYD, Day 7 (n=12) ¹	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (17)	8 (50)
CYD, Day 7 (n=84) ²	0 (0)	1 (2)	0 (0)	2.1 (30)
CYD (n=25) ³	(0)	(4)	(0)	(52)
CYD (n=95) ⁴	(7.4)	(0)	(12.6)	(44.2)

1. Qiao et, 2011, viremia only measured on day 7 & 14, but cumulative viremia was not reported
2. Poo, et al, 2011, viremia only measured on day 7 & 14, but cumulative viremia was not reported
3. Dayan, et al, 2013; CYD 5:5:5:5 formulation. Viremia measured only by RT-PCR
4. Torresi, et al 2017; CYD lot-to-lot consistency trial. Viremia measured on days 6, 8, 10, 14, & 20

Homotypic vs heterotypic antibody response in CYD-TDV (Dengvaxia): depletion assays

- *Samples were depleted of serotype specific antibodies to determine proportion of cross-reactive response*
- **Serotype specific** antibodies dominated the DENV-4 response (CYD-4 most often detected post-vaccination)
- **Cross-reactive** antibodies dominated the DENV-2 response



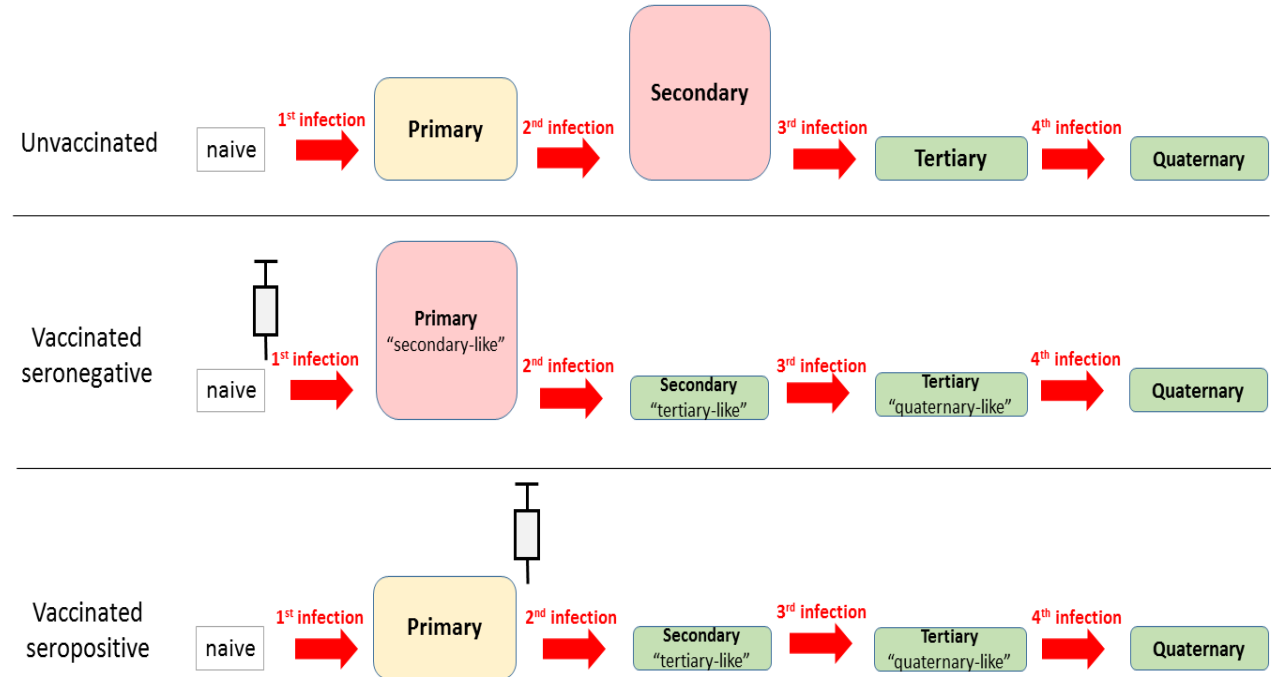
Henein et al, JID 2017

Explanatory hypothesis for excess cases in seronegative trial participants:

“Silent infection” mode of action

- Vaccination primes the immune system similarly to infection:

1. Temporary high degree of cross-immunity in at least seronegative recipients
2. Seronegative recipients have secondary-like breakthrough infection once cross-immunity wanes
3. Seropositive recipients have tertiary-like breakthrough infection once cross-immunity wane



Summary: CYD-TDV vaccine

Serostatus dependent performance

- Dengvaxia is efficacious and safe in seropositive persons
- Dengvaxia increases the risk of severe dengue in seronegative persons

How to best use the first licensed dengue vaccine?

Public health net benefit of Dengvaxia

Impact for vaccinated subjects over 10 years (direct protection only)

Results for a vaccinated cohort of 1,000,000 vaccinees

Prevented number of hospitalisations over 10 years*				
	Endemic setting	Hospitalisations		
		Sero+	Sero-	All
Very high	90%	6419 [5713;7101]	348 [82;992]	6767 [5795;8093]
	80%	6535 [5834;7116]	-7 [-436;612]	6528 [5398;7728]
High	70%	5611 [5219;6332]	-572 [-874;-287]	5039 [4344;6045]
	60%	4303 [3833;5148]	-1484 [-1740;-698]	2820 [2093;4450]
Moderate	50%	2978 [2724;3181]	-2039 [-2224;-1758]	939 [500;1423]
	40%	2243 [2124;2484]	-1904 [-2337;-1314]	340 [-213;1170]
Low	30%	143 [115;219]	-217 [-290;-188]	-74 [-176;31]
	20%	74 [43;80]	-231 [-701;-122]	-157 [-658;-42]
Very low	10%	9 [6;11]	-57 [-89;-44]	-48 [-83;-33]

Ethical Dilemma



Perspective

Trolleyology and the Dengue Vaccine Dilemma

Lisa Rosenbaum, M.D.

70% seroprevalence:

Every **1** excess case of hospitalized dengue in vaccinated seronegatives would be offset by **7** hospitalized cases prevented in vaccinated seropositives

85% dengue seroprevalence:

Every **1** excess case of hospitalized dengue in vaccinated seronegatives would be offset by **18** cases prevented in vaccinated seropositive persons

SAGE Working Group Considerations

A number of dimensions:

- Population benefit versus individual risk
- Ethical considerations
- Risk perceptions and communication
- Screening tests versus serosurveys
- Programmatic issues
- Vaccine coverage estimates

Came down to an evaluation of:

*Population Seroprevalence Criteria
without Screening*

Pre-Vaccination Screening

1. Benefits and Harm

Population Seroprevalence Criteria without Screening

BENEFIT

Overall substantial population benefit in areas with high seroprevalence predicted.

HARM

An identifiable subset of the population will be put at increased risk of severe dengue, at least in the short to medium term.

Pre-Vaccination Screening

BENEFIT

Maximizing the benefit (high efficacy and good safety) in seropositive while avoiding harm in correctly identified seronegatives.

HARM

Some seronegative individuals will be put at increased risk of severe dengue if vaccinated due to a false positive screening test result.

2. Risk

Population Seroprevalence Criteria without Screening

- If vaccine is introduced in a setting with 80% seroprevalence, 20% of the vaccinated population will be put at risk.
- Loss in vaccine confidence (dengue vaccines and possibly other vaccines).
- Inability of vaccinees to know own serostatus may lead to increased vaccine hesitancy.

Pre-Vaccination Screening

- Risk of false positive test: seronegative individuals will be misclassified as seropositive
- In a setting with 80% seroprevalence and a test with 98% specificity, 0.4% of the population would be unintentionally vaccinated.

Pre-Vaccination Screening Strategy

- For countries considering vaccination as part of their dengue control program, a “pre-vaccination screening strategy” is the recommended strategy, in which only dengue-seropositive persons are vaccinated



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What about travellers?



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Promoting healthy travel worldwide
Established 1991

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Serostatus-dependent performance of the first licensed dengue vaccine: implications for travellers

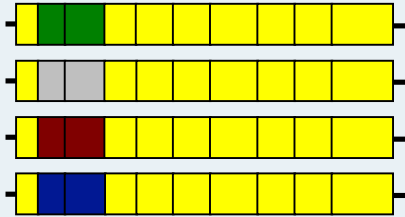
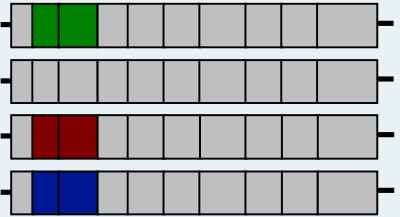
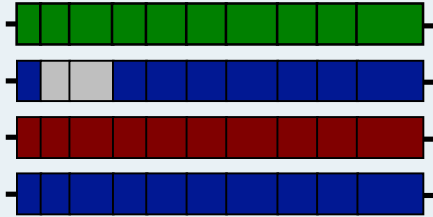
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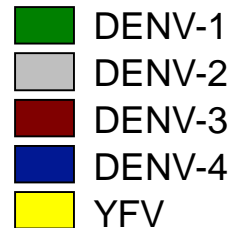
Low seroprevalence in travellers

Not licensed in most non-dengue endemic countries

3 doses (however, short-term efficacy after one dose is as high as after 3 doses)

Second-generation dengue vaccines

Dengvaxia (Sanofi Pasteur)				TDV (Takeda)	TV003 (Butantan)
Status	Licensed	Phase 3	Phase 3		
# Doses	3 doses over 12 months (0, 6, 12)	2 doses 3 months apart	1 dose		
Indicated age	9 - 45	Phase 3: age range 4 - <16 ¹	Phase 3: age range 2 - 59 ²		
Construct					
# DENV proteins	8	16	32		

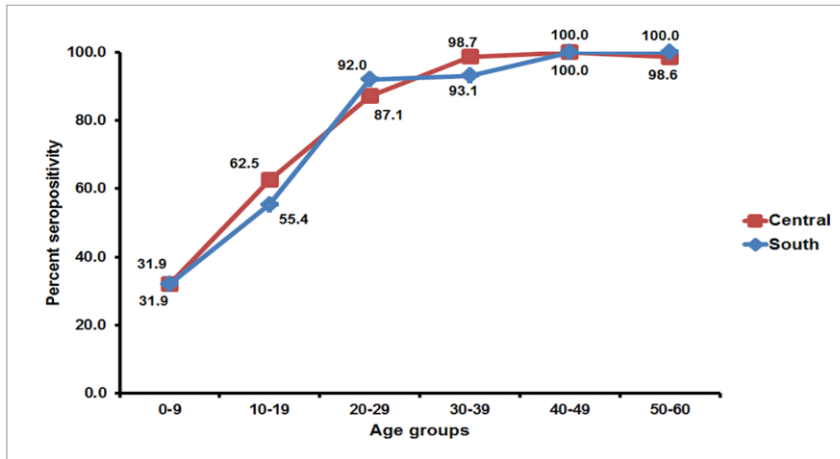


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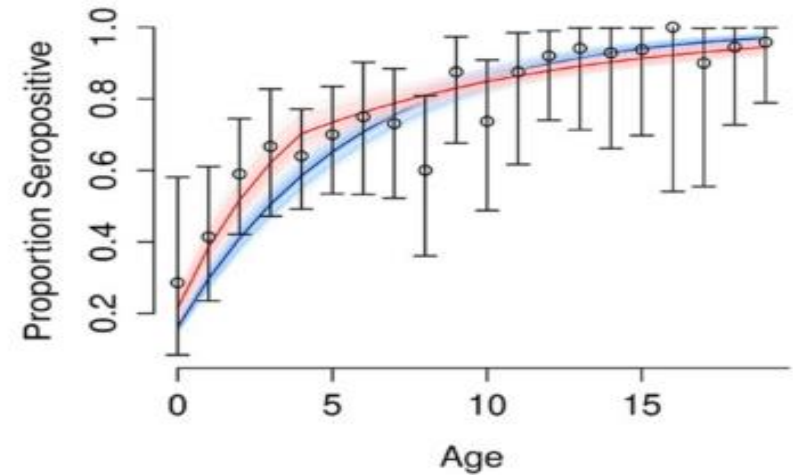
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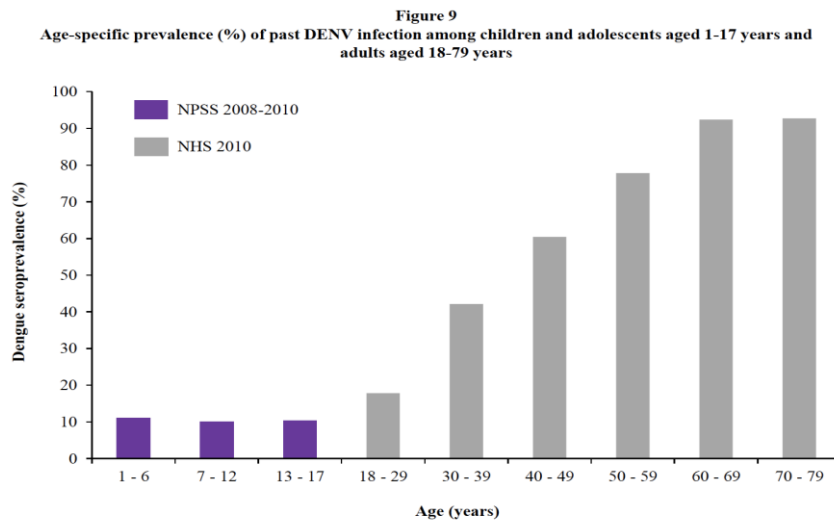
Heterogeneity of seroprevalence between and within countries



Thailand. Vongpunsawad et al. PLoS ONE 2017



Philippines. L'Azou M, et al. *N Engl J Med* 2016



Singapore Ang et al, Epi News Bulletin 2014



https://mrcdata.dide.ic.ac.uk/_dengue/dengue.php

Optimal age for pre-vaccination screening strategy

