

Institut Pasteur International Network : the 33rd Pasteur Institute in Conakry

One network, multiple international programs on ID



The IPGu on the UGANC campus

- Renovation and equipment of a « Laboratoire Pasteur »
-> opened June 2018



- Building and equipment of the « INSTITUT PASTEUR DE GUINÉE »
-> end 2019



Platforms

- Diagnosis : Molecular, serology
 - Large spectrum detection tools
- Biobank
- BSL3

Two/three Research units

- Virology
 - Viral Haemorrhagic Fevers
 - Rabies
- Entomology
 - Arboviroses (RVFV, CCHFV, YFV, Zika...)
- Others

Reinforcing competences teaching/training curriculum

Molecular biology applied to pathogen detection (UGANC, Conakry)

- Theoretical (**Nov 2016, Feb 2017**)
- Practical (**Oct 2018, Nov 2018**)

One Health (Vet School, Dalaba) (**March 2017**)

Lab management (IPPS, Fondation Mérieux) (**Feb 2018, June 2018**)

Fellowships for Masters / Lab training

- 2 Dakar; 1 Yaounde; 1 Madagascar; 4 France

Collaboration with Guinean Universities/Institutions

- Master of Microbiology (viro, bacterio, parasito)
- Veterinary program (Guinea – Sierra Leone)

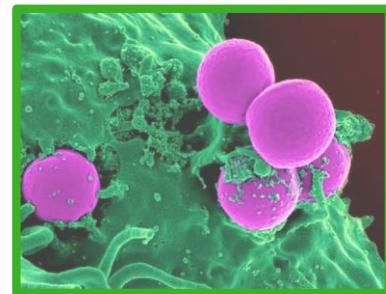
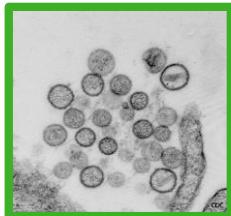
Collaboration with International Institutions

- Institut Pasteur Network
- Friedrich Loeffler Institute (Germany)...





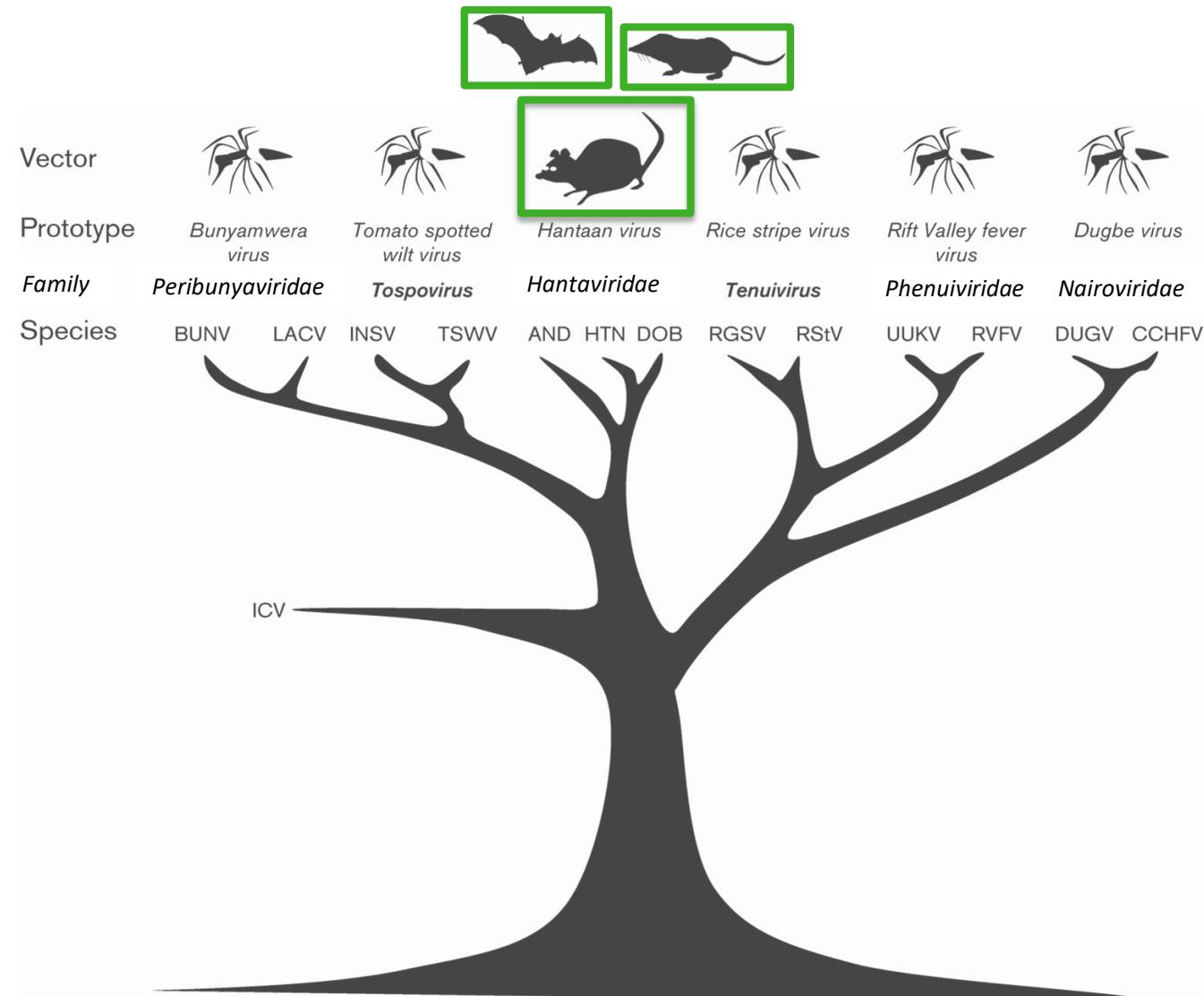
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Molecular and functional diversity of Hantaviruses

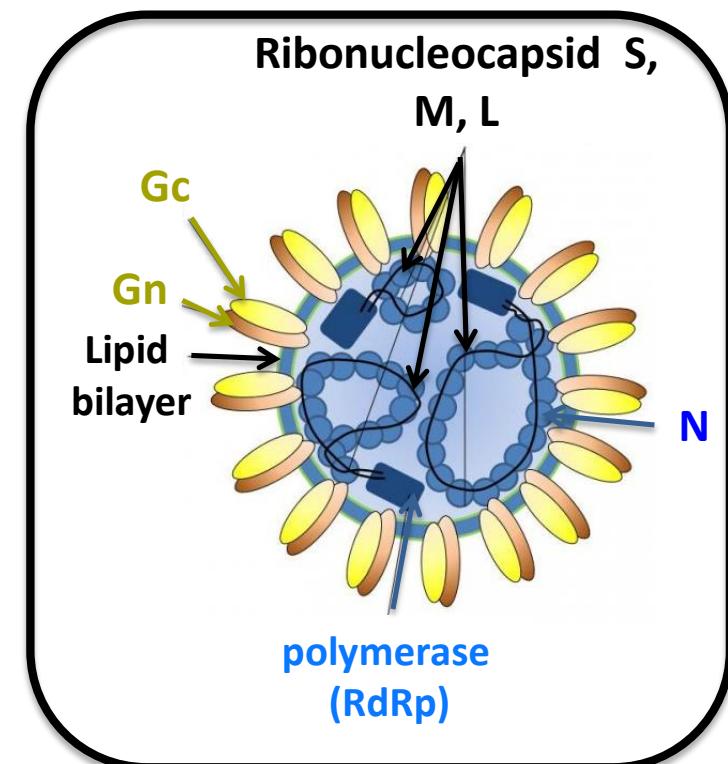
Hantaviruses: emerging pathogens

✓ Order *Bunyavirales*



✓ Genome

Tri-segmented negative strand RNA



Hantavirus history

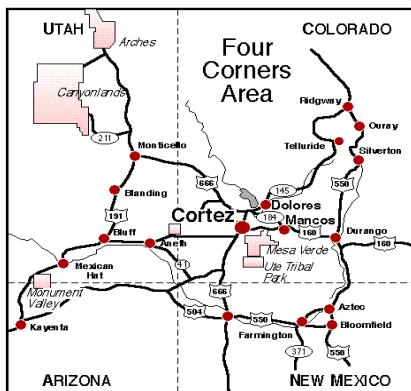


Hantaan river

- **1951-1954** : Korean war
 - Korean Hemorrhagic Fever (associated with renal syndrom)
 - > 3000 US soldiers (10-15% mortality)
- **1976**: Hantaan virus isolated from *Apodemus agrarius* near Hantaan river
(Lee HW J Kor Soc Vir 1977; 7: 1-9)
- **1979** : Seoul virus among persons manipulating rats in Korea (Lee J Infect Dis 1982;146:638-644)
- **1980** : Puumala virus in Europe causing Nephropathia Epidemica (NE) and found in *Myodes glareolus* (bank vole) (Brummer-Korvenkontio J Infect Dis 1980;141:131-4)

Hantavirus discovery in the new world: 1993

Before 1993



Sin Nombre Virus 1993

- unexplained human epidemics
- acute respiratory distress syndrome
- > 50% mortality



Prospect Hill Virus
Microtus pennsylvanicus

- serum cross reactivity with Hantaan, Seoul, Puumala
- identification of a new hantavirus:
Sin Nombre virus



Nichol, Science 1993 ; 914-917
Kziazek, Am J Trop Med Hyg 1995

Peromyscus maniculatus

New hantaviruses discovered in the Americas

After 1993



One virus
species
associate with
one rodent
species

■ Hantavirus with CardioPulmonary Syndrom (HCPS)

■ Non pathogenic viruses

MacNeil et al, Virus Research, 2011

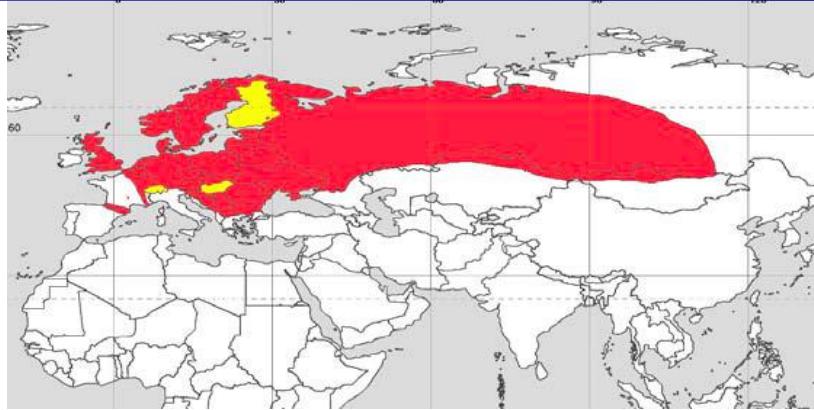
First hantaviruses isolated in shrews and bats



Suncus murinus

virus Thottapalayam

Carey et al. Ind. J. Med. Res. 1971



EUROPE :

- Switzerland
- Finland
- Hungaria
- Russia...



Sorex araneus

virus Seewis

Song et al., Virology J. 2007

Kang et al., Virology J. 2009

Yashina et al., VB Zoon Dis. 2010



Neoromicia nanus

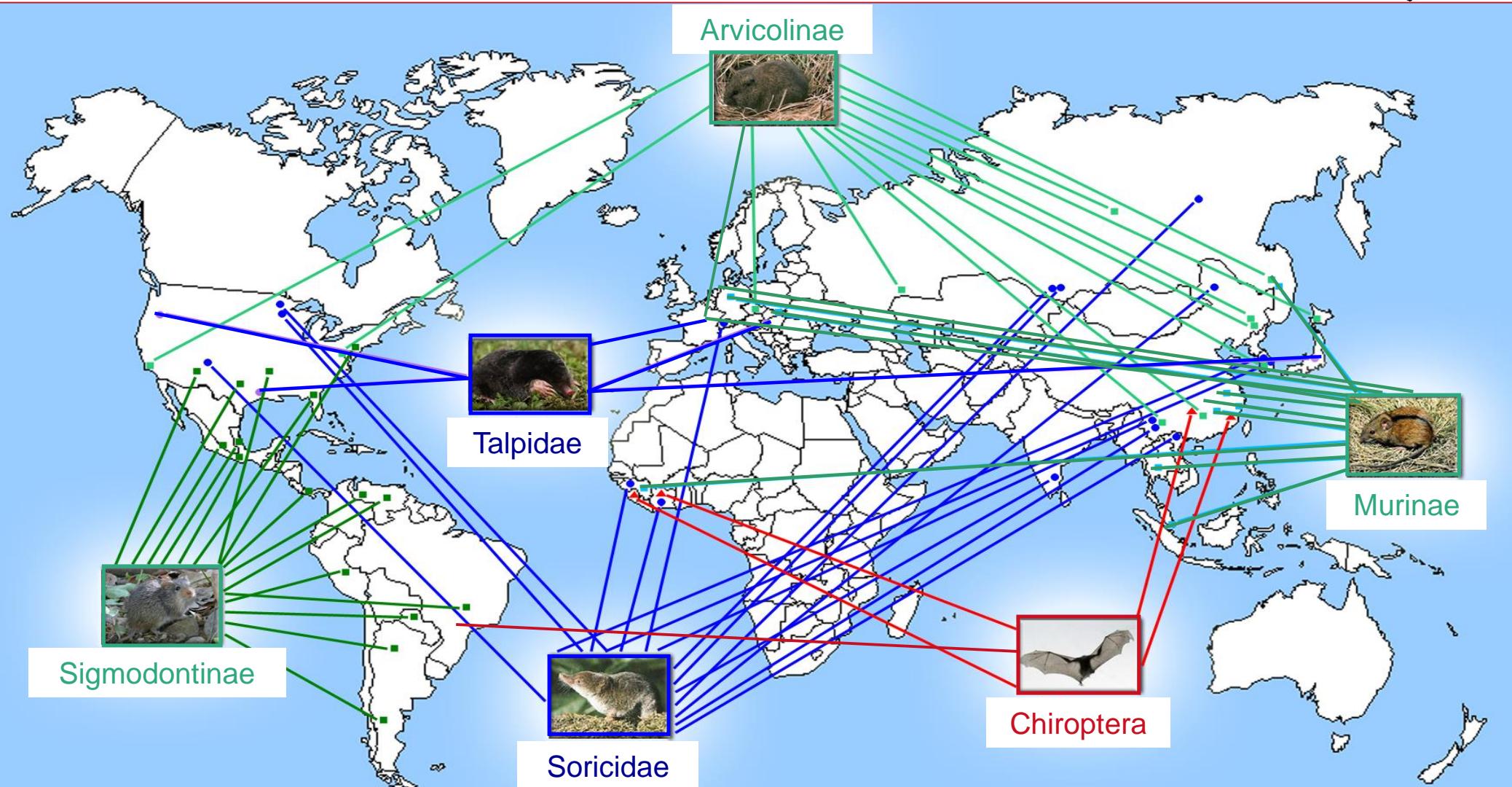
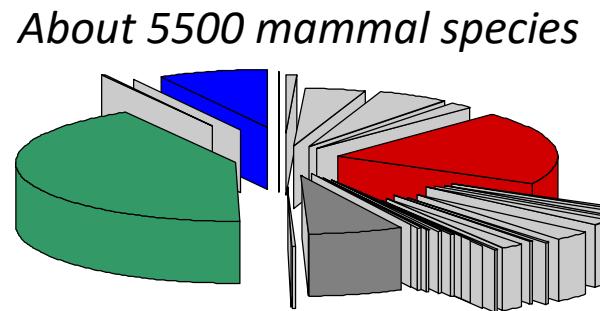


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- Ivory Coast

Sumibcay et al. 2012
Virology journal

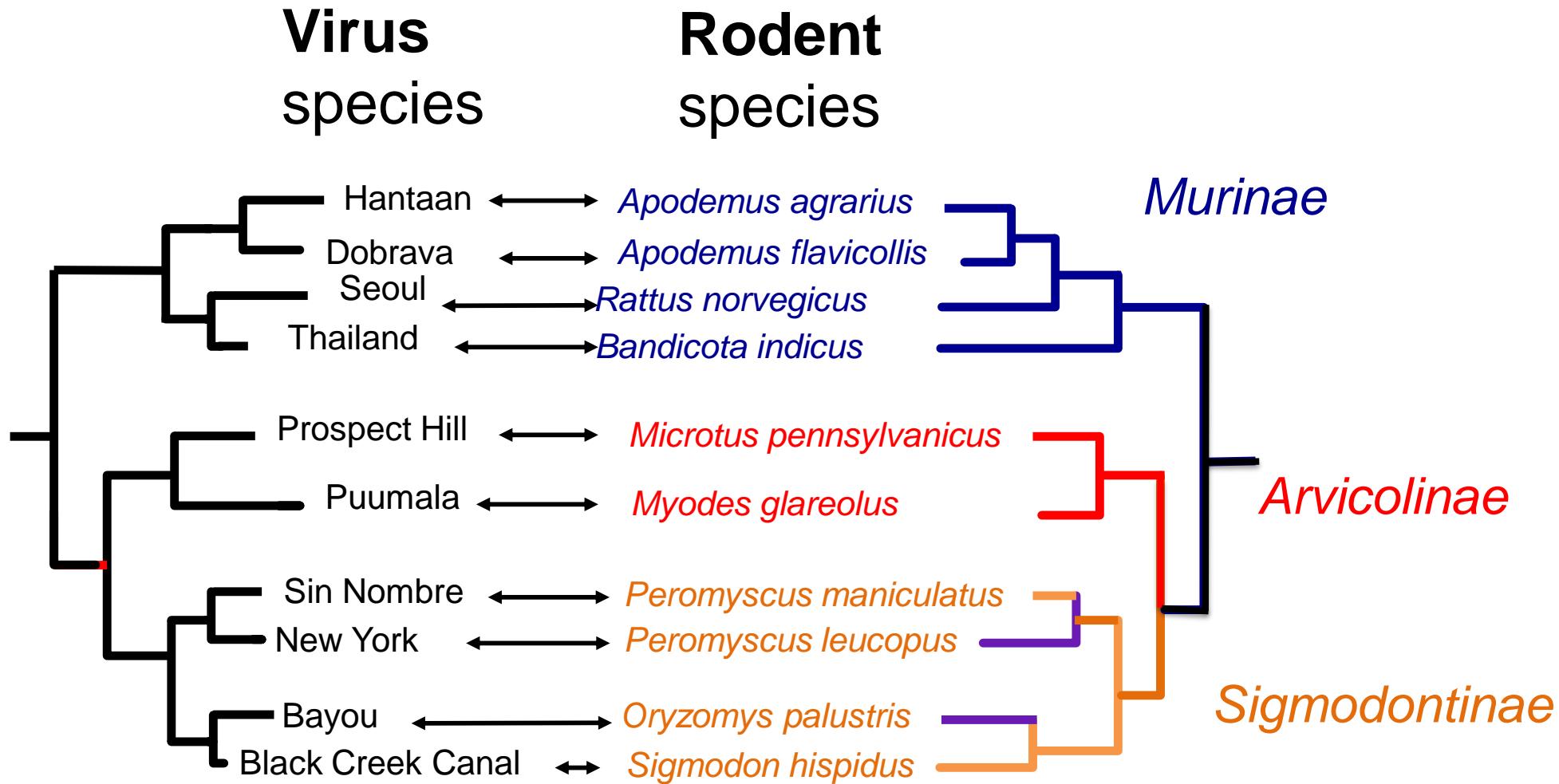
Hantaviruses : a story of rodents, insectivores and bats

- Rodentia: 42.02%
- Chiroptera: 20.5%
- Soricomorpha: 7.9%
- Primates: 6.94%



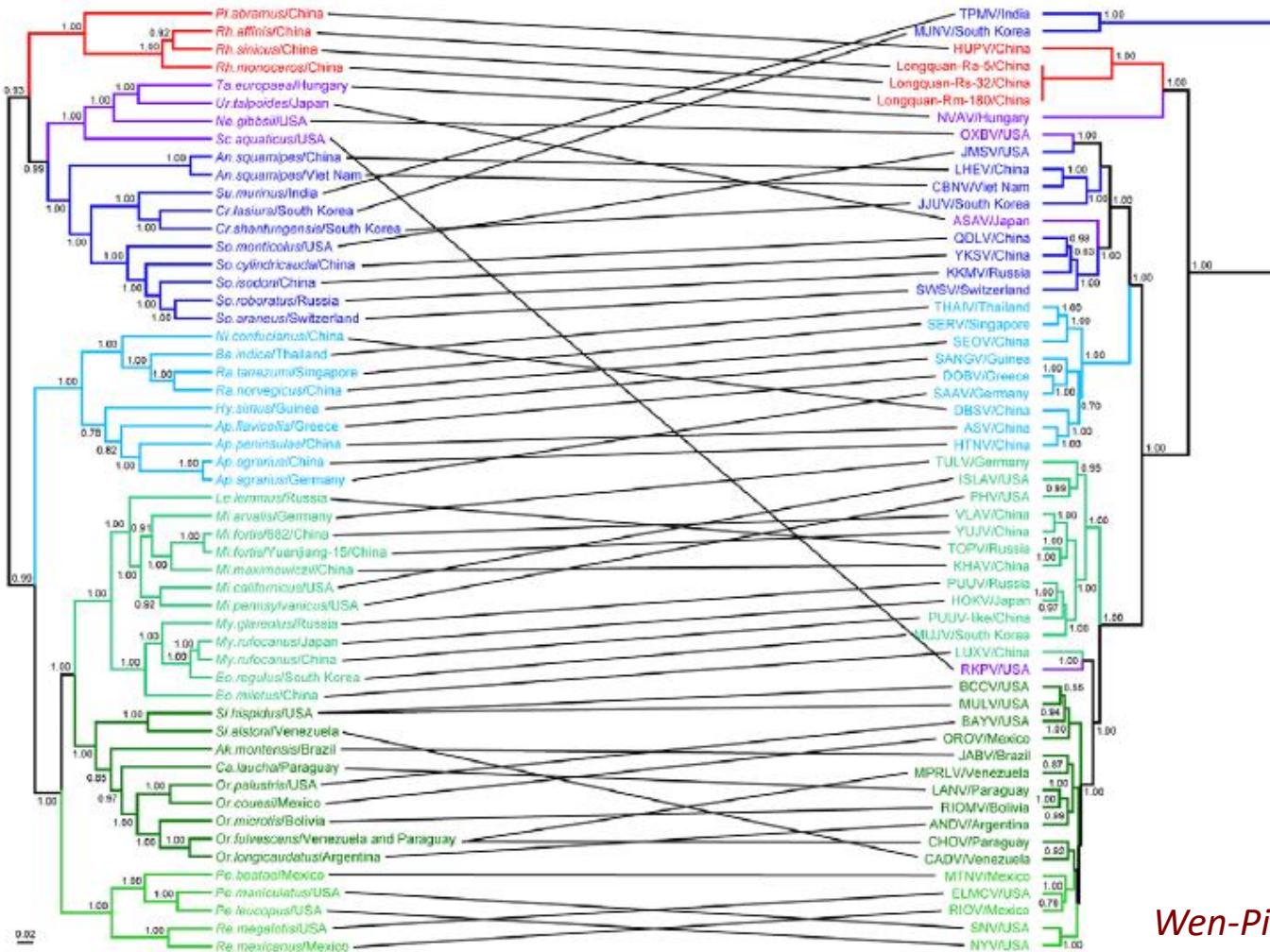
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More simple with rodents only



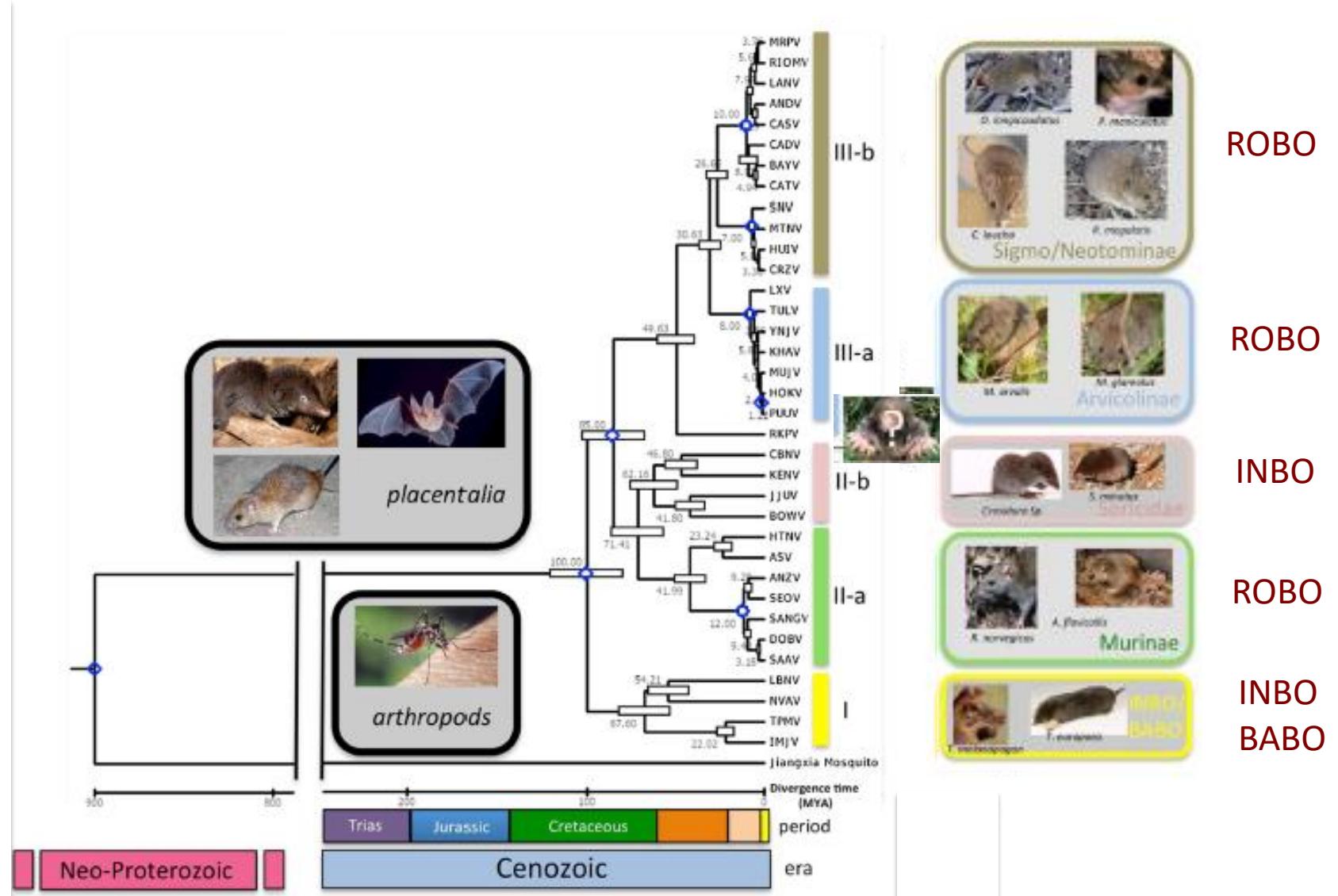
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More complex adding insectivores and bats



Wen-Ping Guo et al,
PLoS Pathog 2013 9(2): e1003159

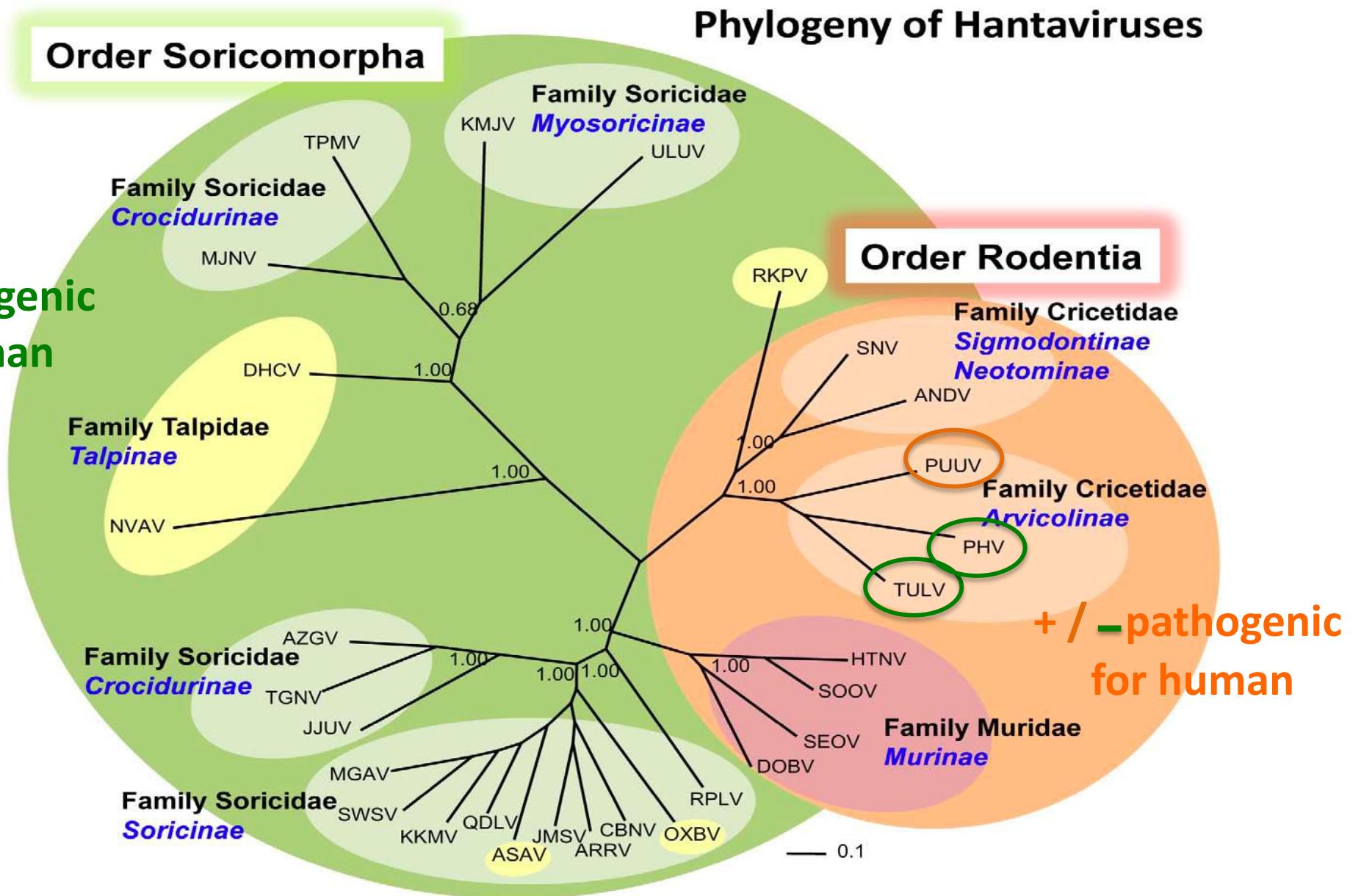
Phylogeny of hantaviruses using fossils : insect origin ?



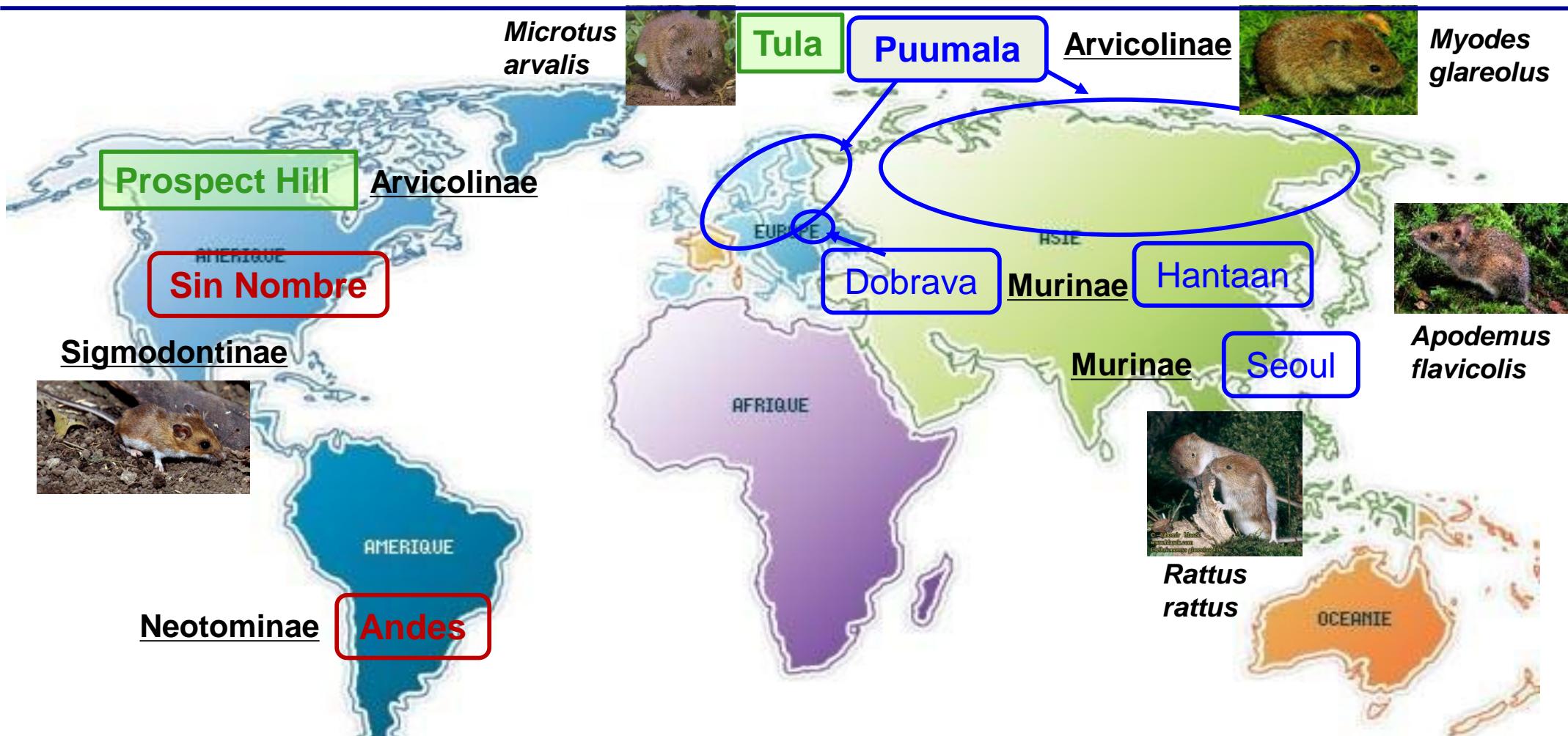
Castel, Tordo et Pyusnin, Virus Res 2017

Only rodent hantaviruses are pathogenic in human

not pathogenic
for human



Worldwide distribution of rodent-borne hantaviruses



Rodent reservoir: persistent and asymptomatic

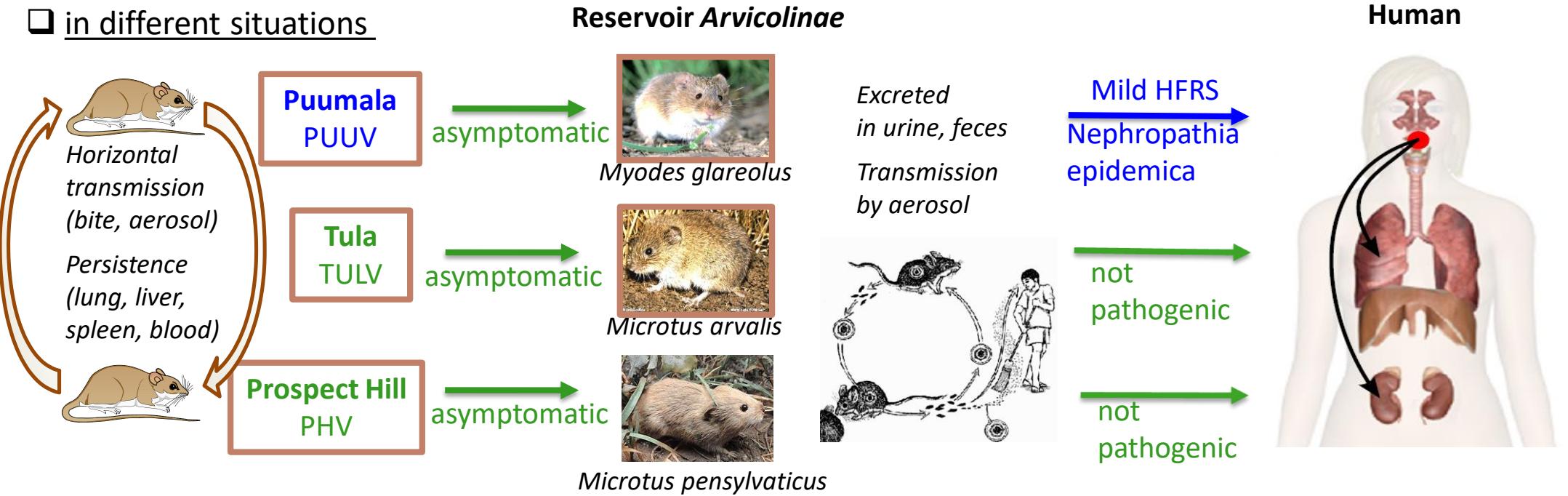
Humans:

- Hemorrhagic Fever with Renal Syndrome (**HFRS**) 150.000 cases/year 0-15% death
- Hantavirus Cardio-Pulmonary Syndrome (**HCPS**) 1000 cases/year 30-40% death
- non pathogenic

Hantavirus model and objectives

Comparative *in vitro* study of hantavirus interactions with their hosts

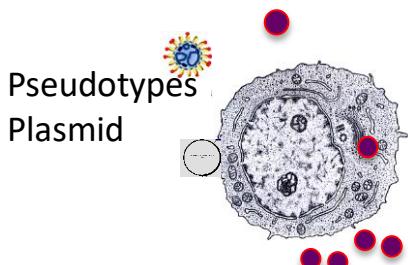
in different situations



at different levels

➤ **Molecular**

- Search for host factors
 - Yeast 2-hybrid
 - Proteomics



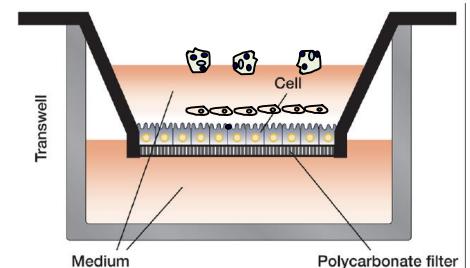
➤ **Cellular**

Virus cycle

- Entry / tropism
- Maturation / assembly
- Exit / cell to cell passage
- Host factor activation

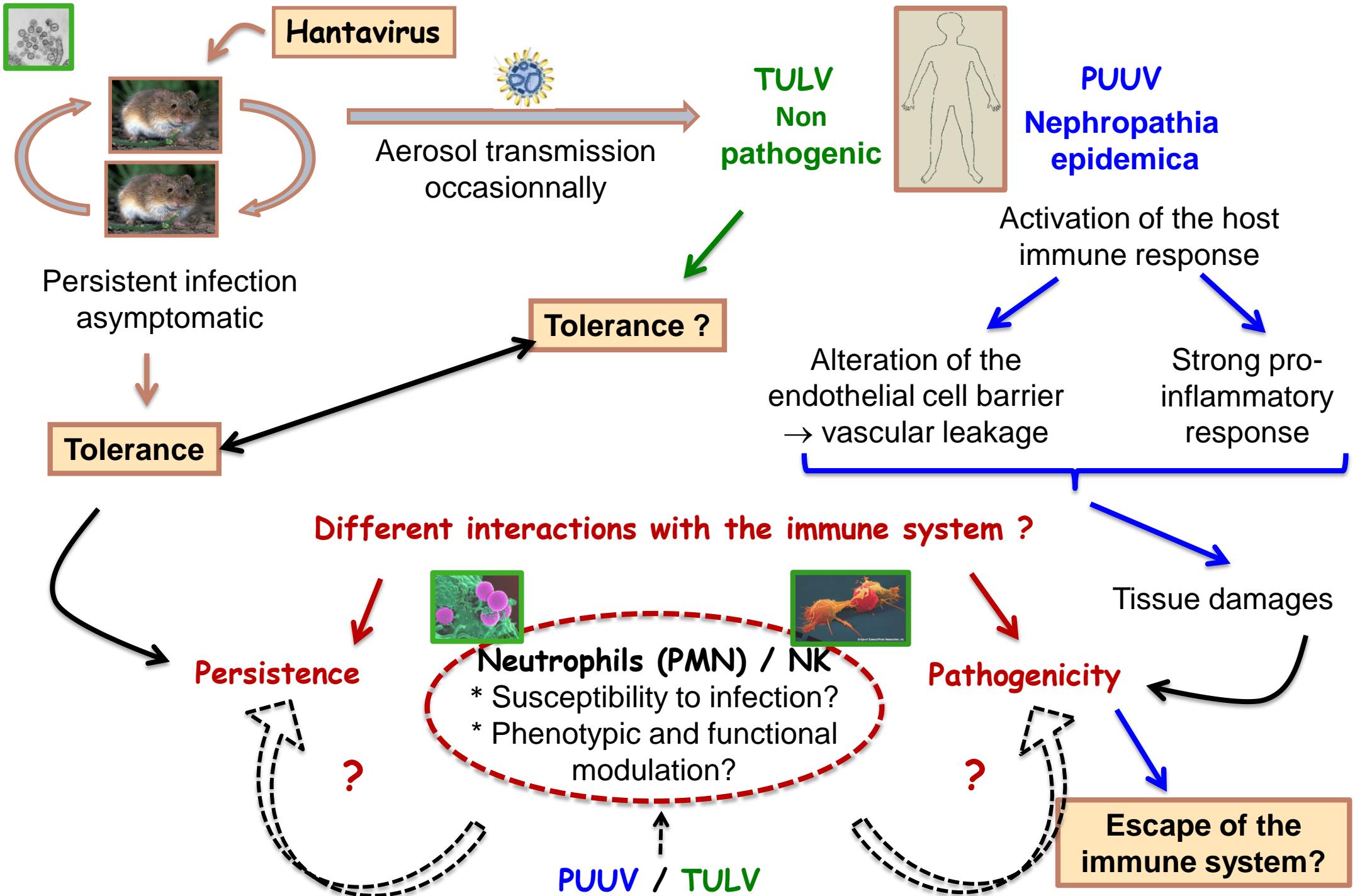
➤ **Systemic**

Propagation and barriers



on different cells

- Tissues (epithelium, endothelium, immune system), Organs (lung, kidney)
- Species (human, rodent)

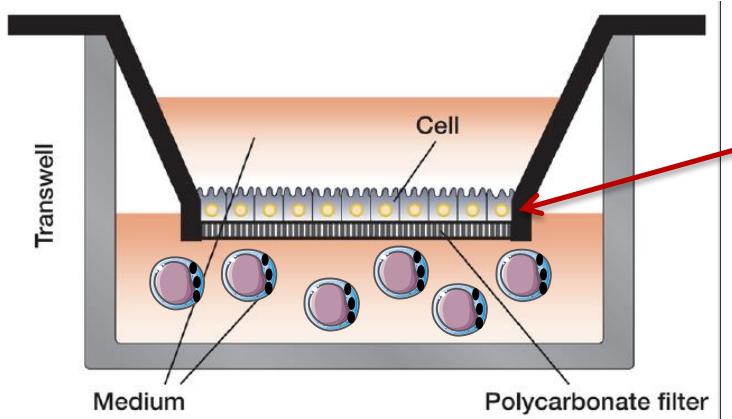


Conclusions

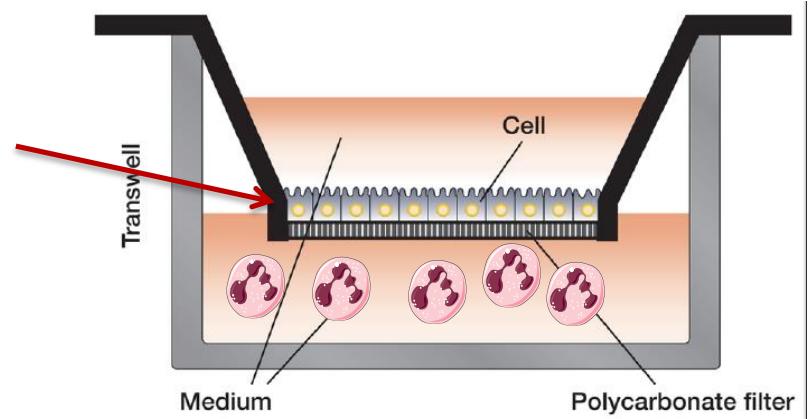
- Understand why Hantaviruses are persistent/asymptomatic in animal reservoirs but may be pathogenic in Human
 - ✓ Comparing human and rodent cells susceptibility
 - ✓ Comparing human and rodent partners of viral proteins (2-hybrid)
- Understand if the different outcomes in humans and rodents involve distinct interactions with the immune system which may provoke alteration of the endothelial barrier
 - ✓ Neutrophils (PMN) from healthy human donors are very poorly sensitive to infection by PUUV (pathogenic) and TULV/PHV (non pathogenic)
 - ✓ No correlation with surface expression of “hantavirus” receptors
 - ✓ The pathogenic PUUV increases the survival of Neutrophils through delayed apoptosis, the non-pathogenic TULV/PHV do not.
 - Trojan horse for virus dissemination ?
 - Shaping the adaptive immune response ?

Perspectives: How immune cells interact with epithelial and endothelial barrier?

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Neutrophils



- Evaluation of neutrophils and NK cells activation
- Barrier alteration: trans-epithelial resistance
- Virus propagation across barriers (junctions alteration or via immune cells)

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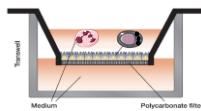
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