

# Pathogenesis and impact of respiratory viruses

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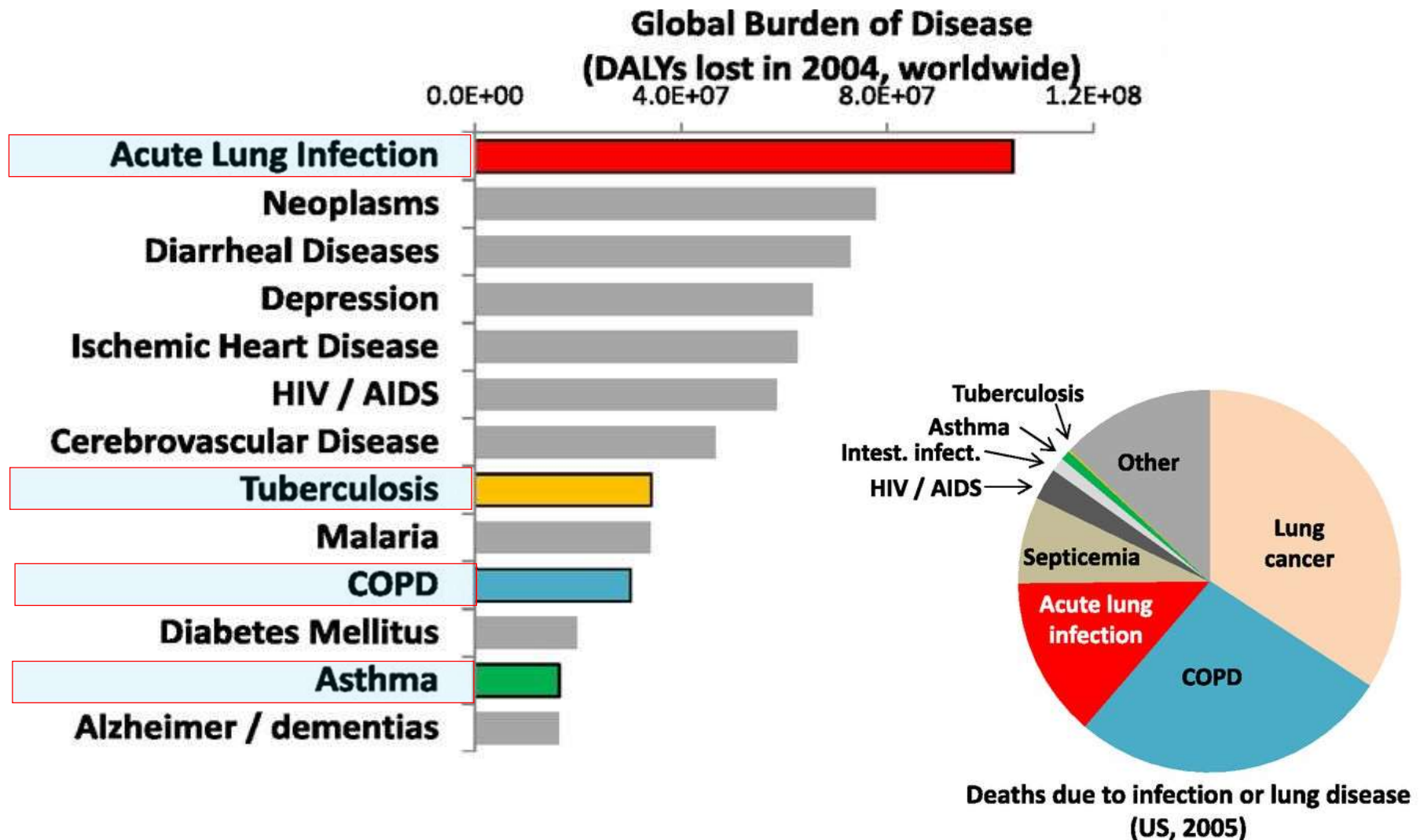
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# Respiratory Infection and the Impact of Pulmonary Immunity on Lung Health and Disease

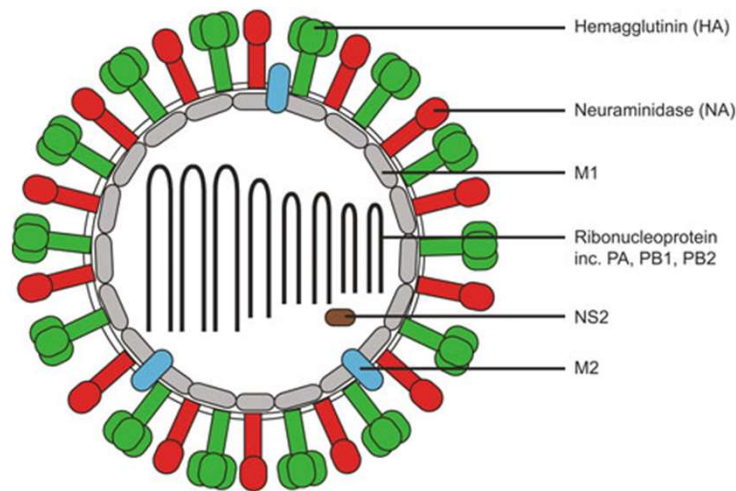
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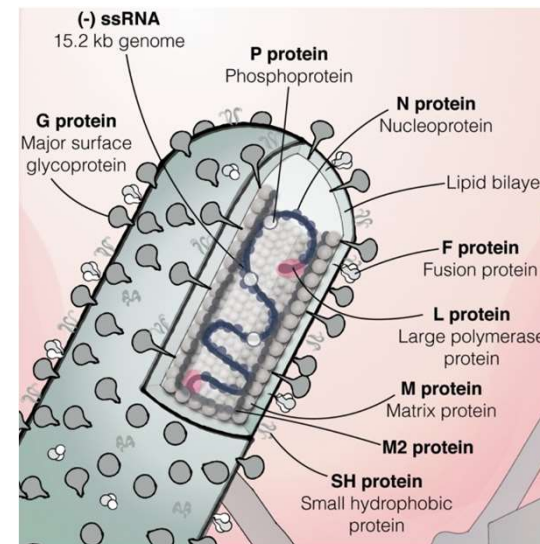
## Influenza vs respiratory syncytial virus

### Influenza



- No re-infection by same strain
- Imperfect vaccines:
  - Vaccine-induced immunity rapidly wanes
  - Mainly homotypic immunity
  - Annual vaccination required

### RSV



- Recurrent re-infection with similar strains
- No vaccine
  - Poor immunogenicity
  - Vaccine-enhanced disease
  - Very active research field



Human  
RSV bronchiolitis



## RSV interference with host immune response

### Non-structural proteins

- NS1 disrupts IRF3 binding to the IFN $\beta$  promoter
- NS2 protein binds RIG-I, blocking innate signalling
- NS1/2 enhance degradation of STAT2, terminating innate response
- NS1/2 inhibits cDC maturation, inhibiting APC functions

### Surface glycoproteins

- G protein binds to CX3CR1 on pDC/ciliated cells
- Secreted G acts as a decoy for antibody
- F binds to TLR4, possibly causing innate desensitisation

### Internal proteins

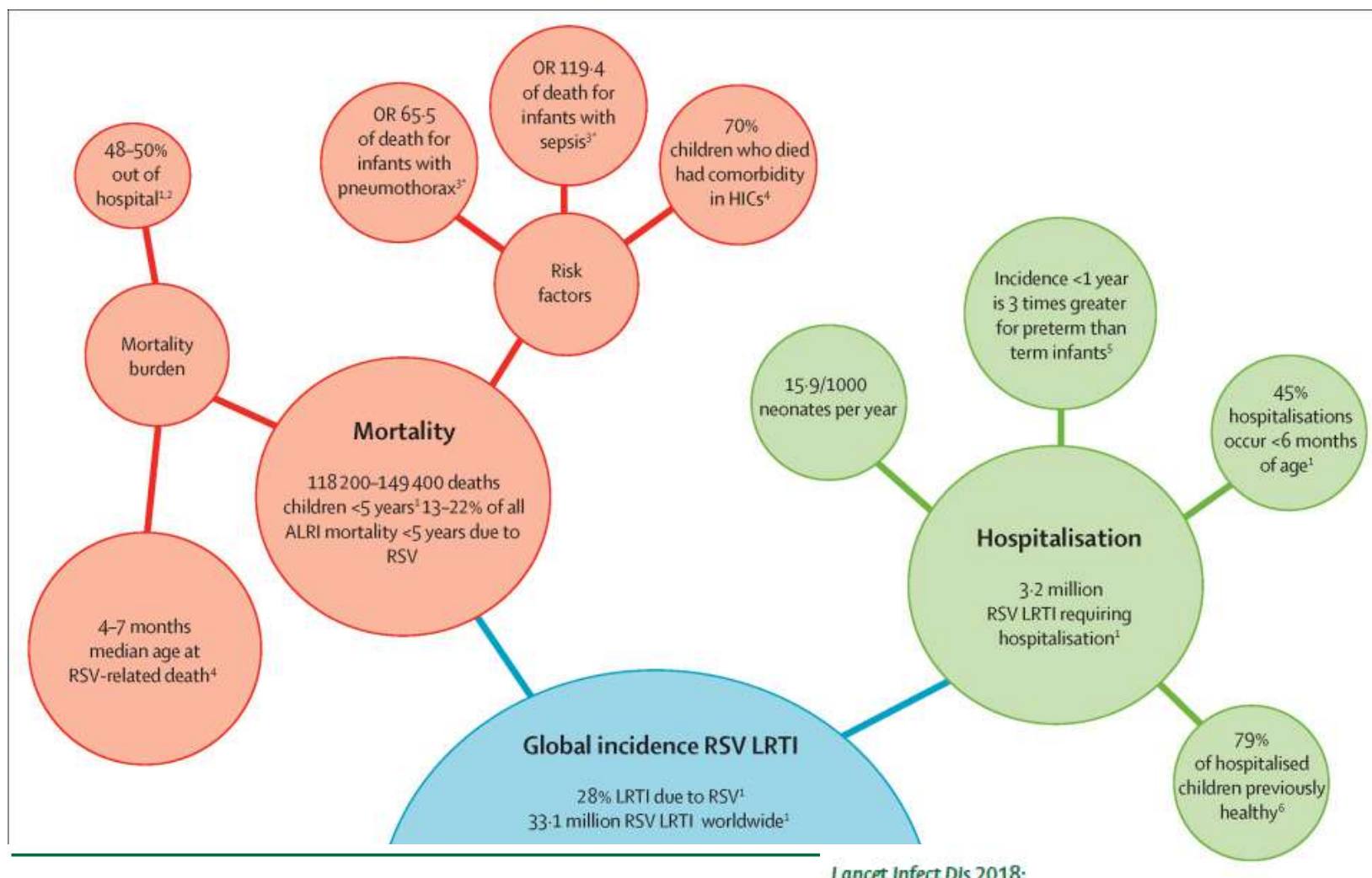
- N disrupts the synapse between CD4 and CD8 cells

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**Protective and harmful immunity to RSV infection** *Annu Rev Immunol* 35, 501–32



# Global burden of RSV in children under 5 years of age



## The respiratory syncytial virus vaccine landscape: lessons from the graveyard and promising candidates

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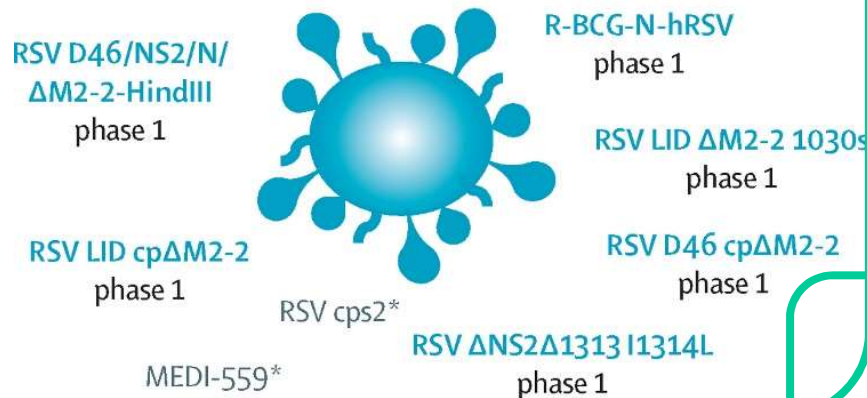
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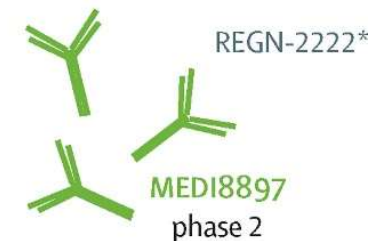
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## Live-attenuated or chimeric



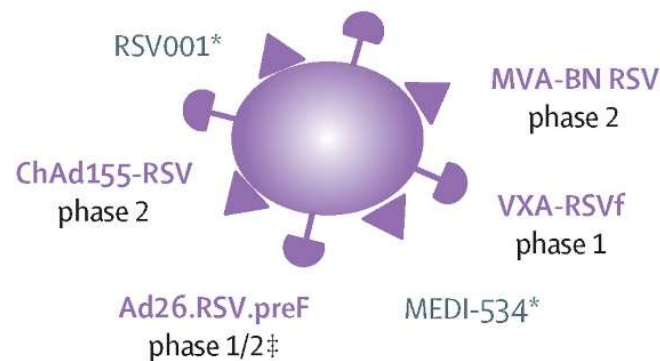
## Monoclonal antibodies



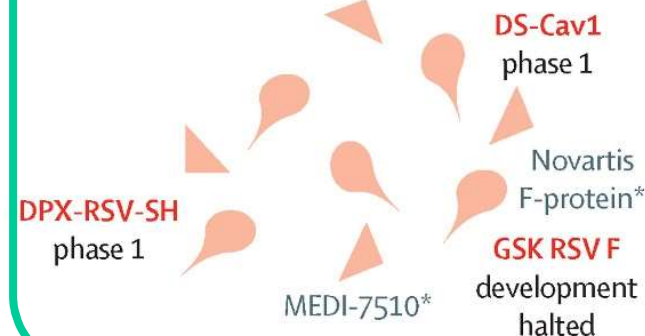
## Particle-based



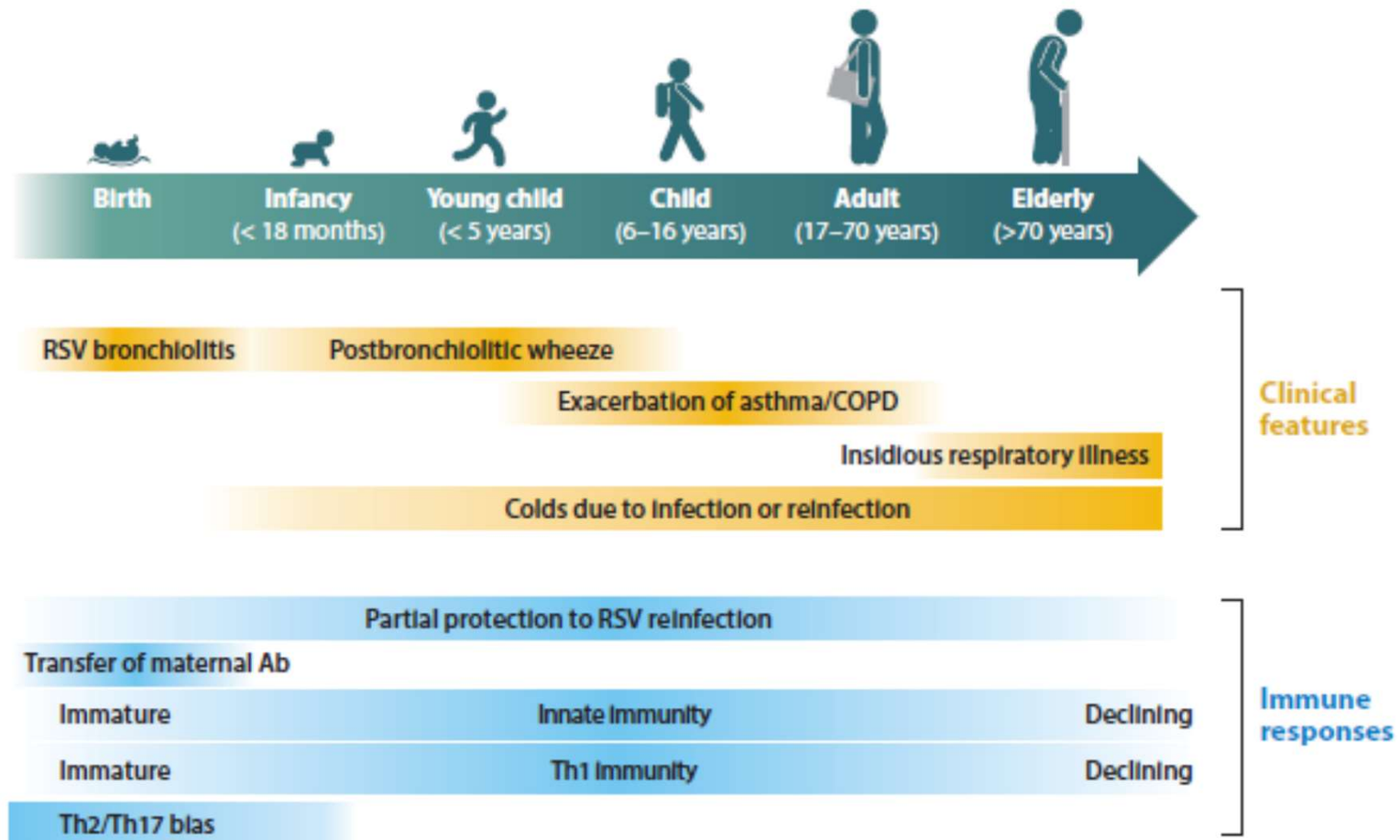
## Vector-based



## Subunit



# Age and RSV disease



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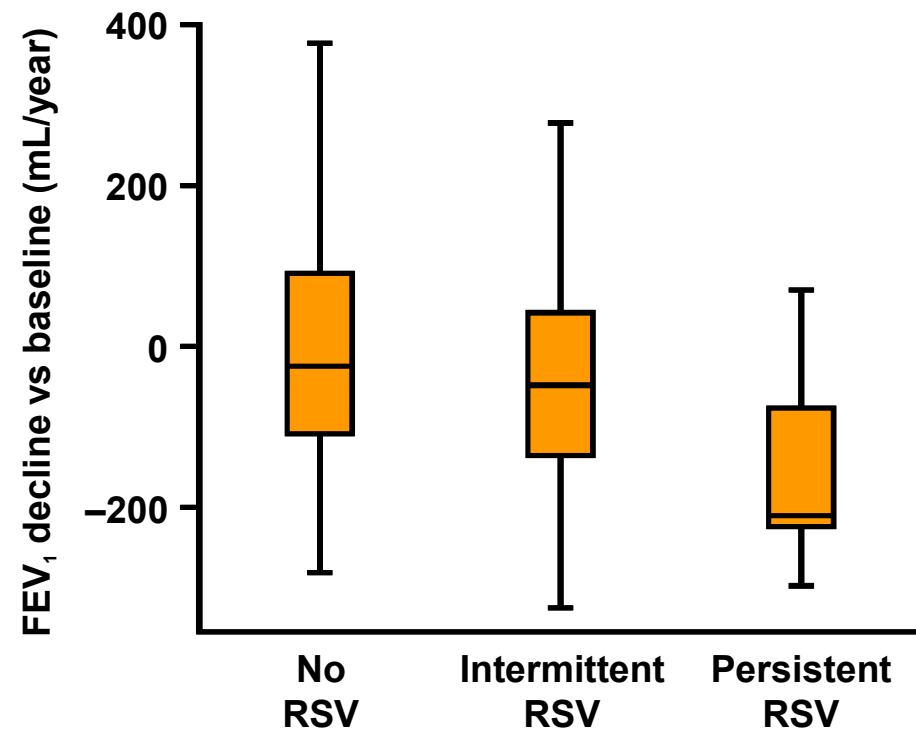


# Respiratory Syncytial Virus, Airway Inflammation, and FEV<sub>1</sub> Decline in Patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

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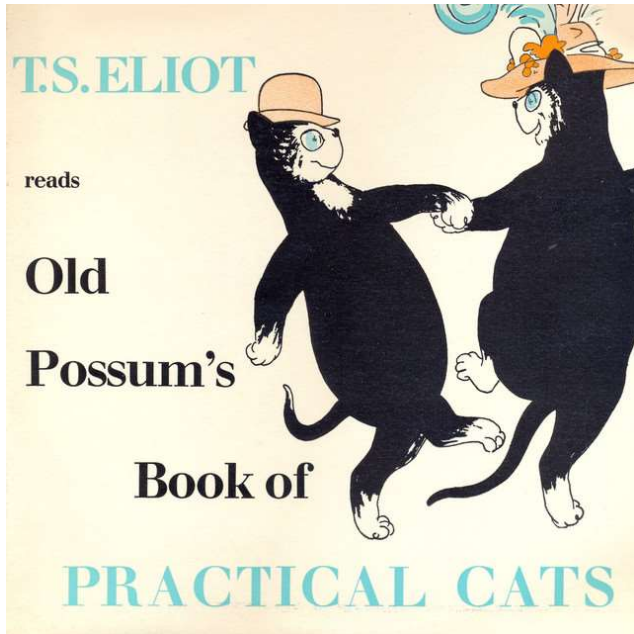
Tom M. A. Wilkinson, Gavin C. Donaldson, Sebastian L. Johnston, Peter J. M. Openshaw, and Jadwiga A. Wedzicha

- 88 COPD patients (from East London)
- Prospective study, 14-month duration
- Daily diary cards
- Sputum samples every 3 months
  - 272 samples collected
    - quantitative microbiology
    - RSV by qualitative PCR
- 34 patients were RSV negative throughout (RSV free)
- 42 patients had RSV detected in one or more samples, but not all sputa (intermittent RSV)
- 12 patients were RSV positive in all their samples ('persistent' RSV)



FEV<sub>1</sub> = forced expiratory volume in 1 second

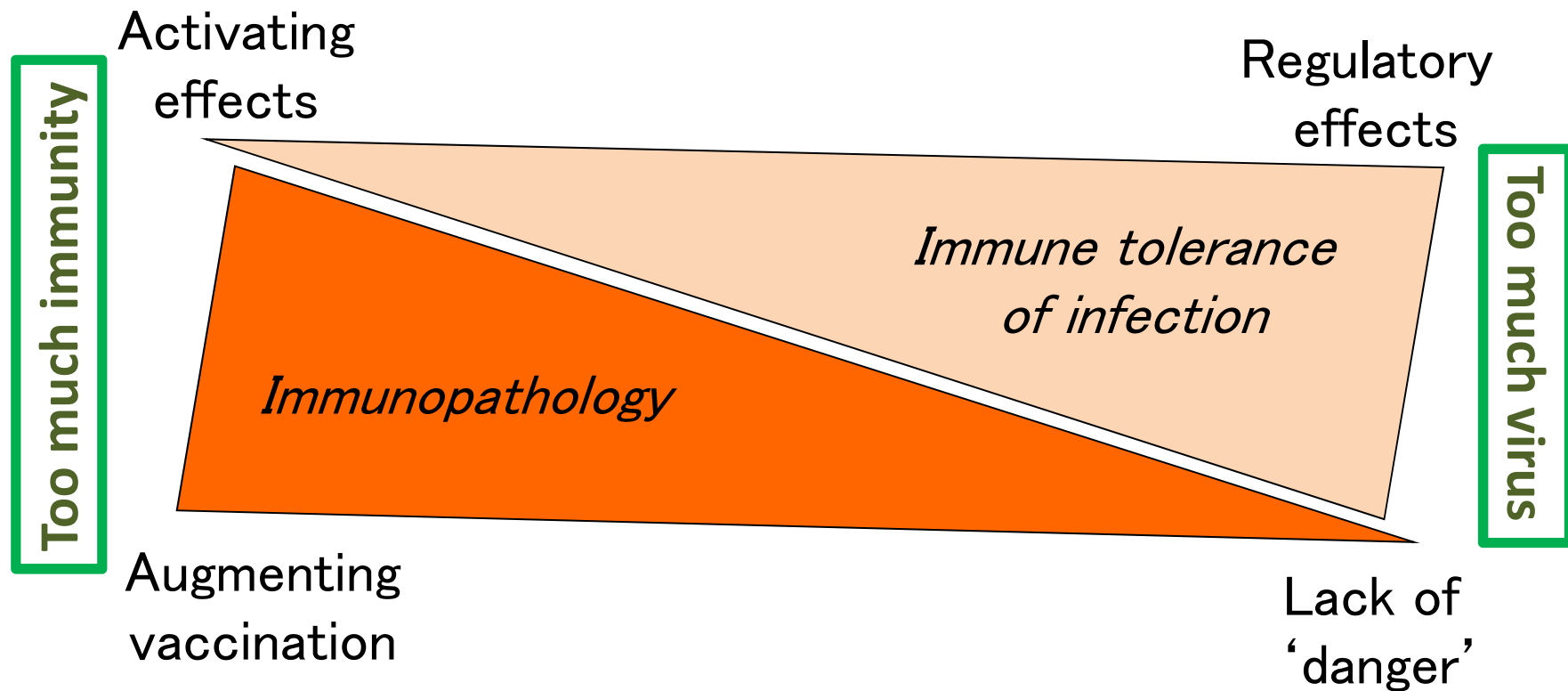
# RSV: the 'hidden paw'



Macavity's a Mystery Cat: he's called the Hidden Paw—  
For he's the master criminal who can defy the Law.  
He's the bafflement of Scotland Yard, the Flying Squad's despair:  
For when they reach the scene of crime—Macavity's not there!

# Antiviral B cell and T cell immunity in the lungs

Christopher Chiu & Peter J Openshaw

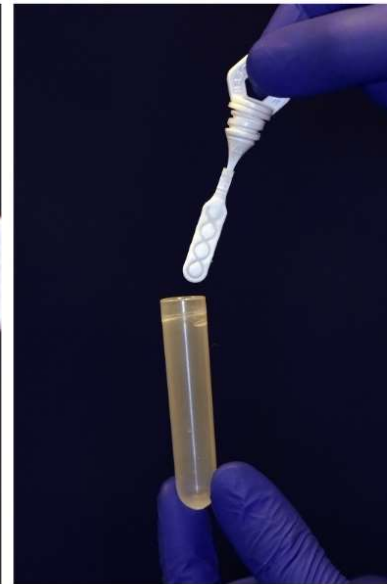




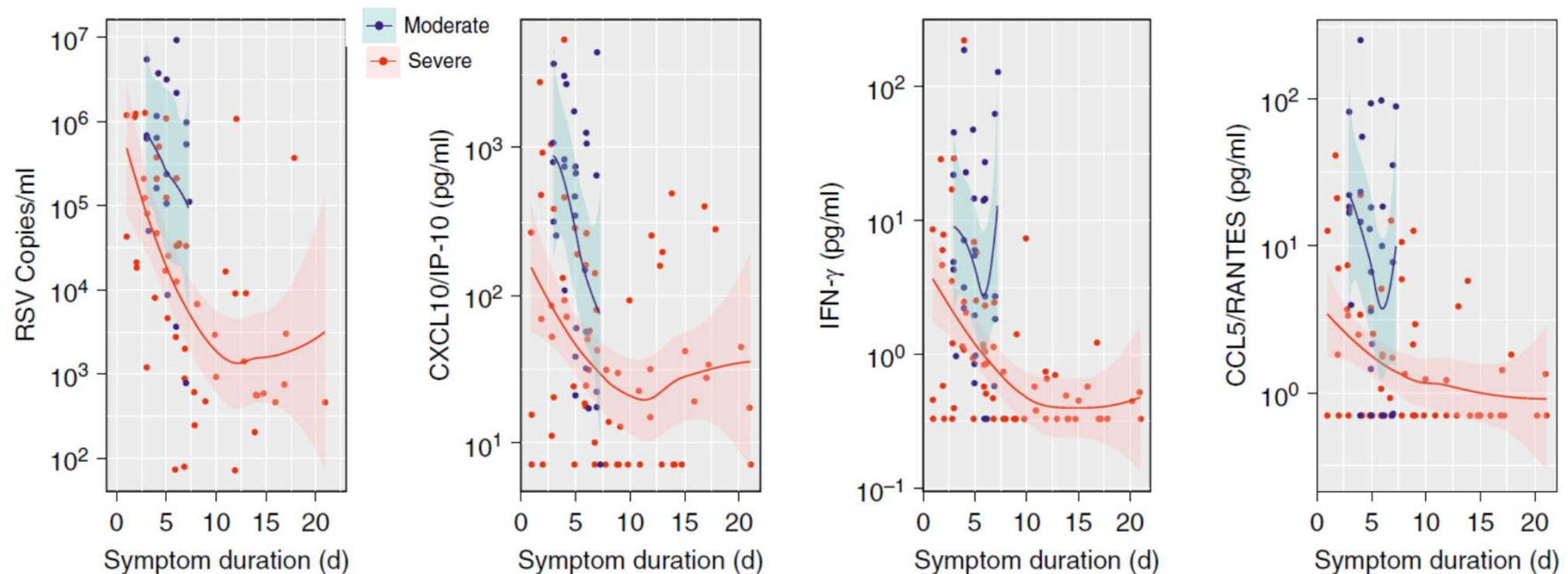
## RSV load and immune mediator levels in nasal mucosal lining fluid

- 55 infants with bronchiolitis, one hospital, 2016/17 season.
- 30 were RSV infected:
  - 18 'moderate' (ward care)
  - 12 mechanically ventilated 'severe'

*Up to 13 samples  
per patient*



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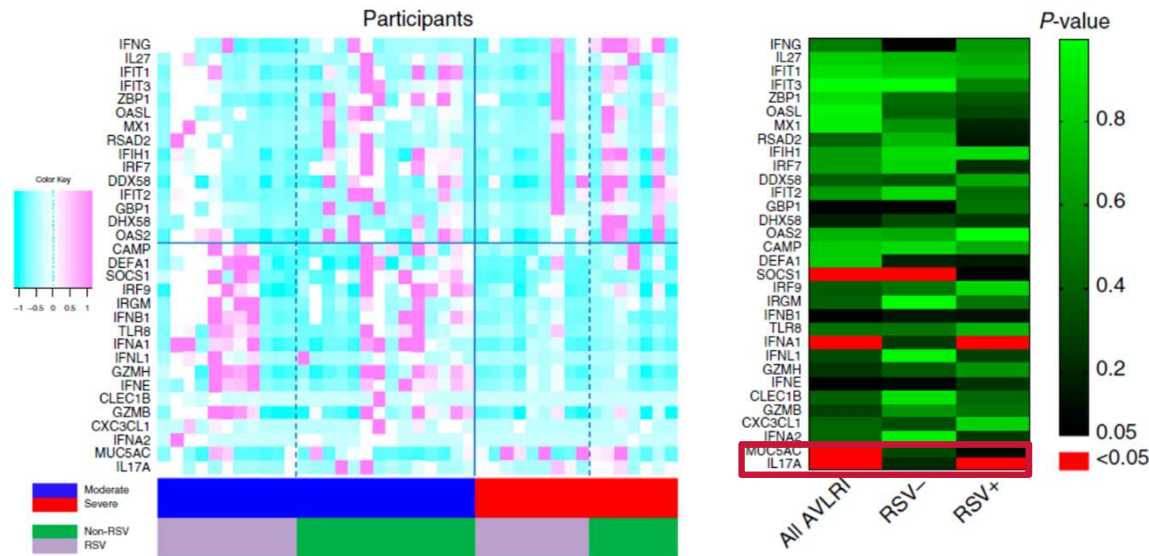
Compared to moderately ill children, those with severe RSV bronchiolitis have:

Lower nasal viral loads

Reduced, IP-10/CXCL10, CCL5 and IFN $\gamma$  levels

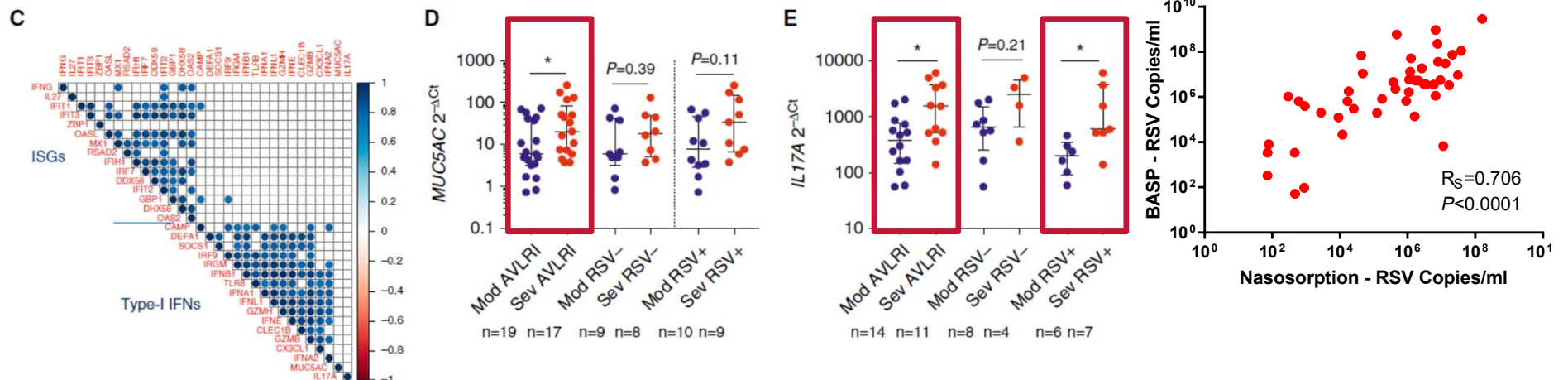
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# Gene expression in mucosal samples at enrolment



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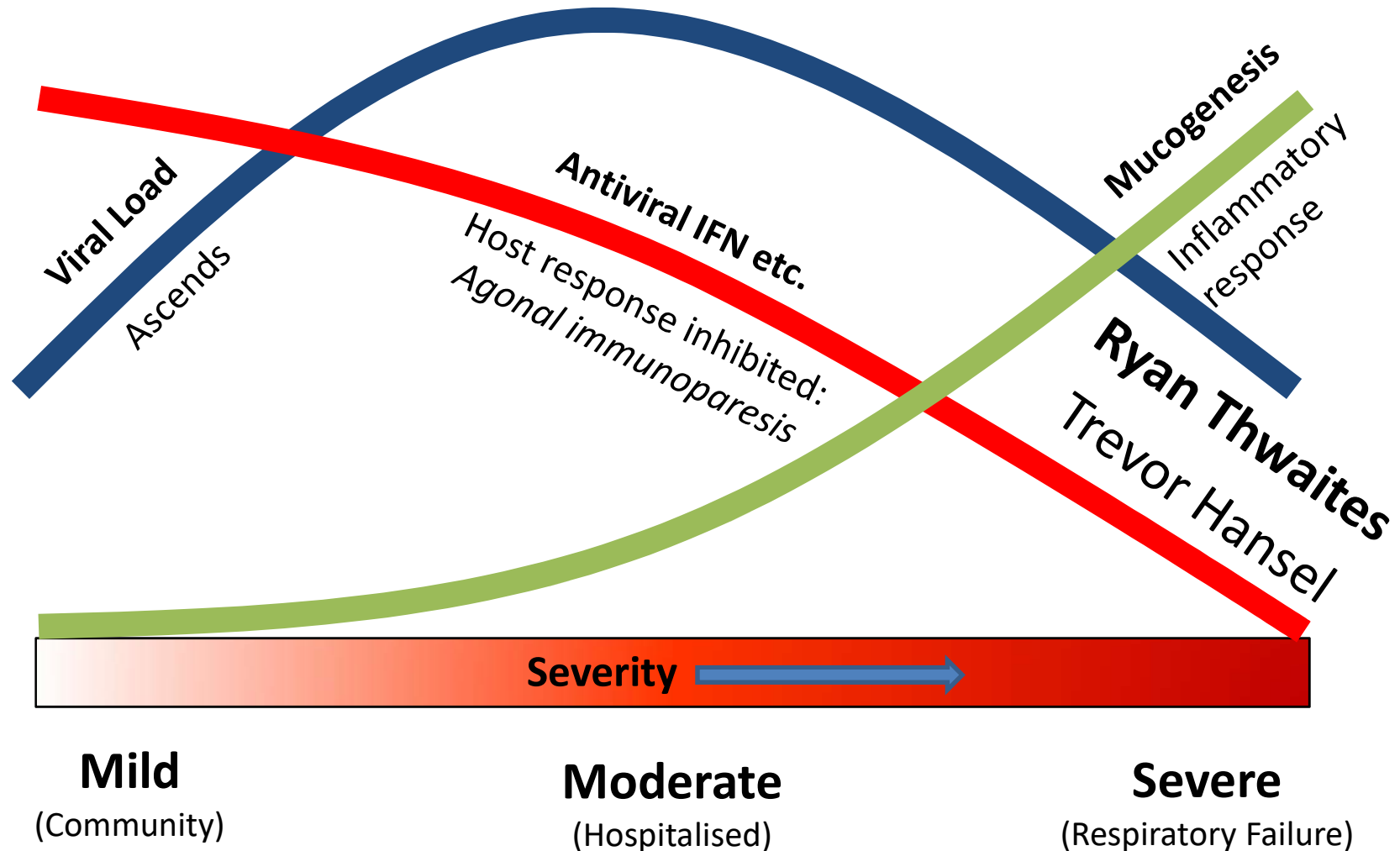
increased  
*MUC5AC* and *IL17A*





# Infantile viral lung infection

*Pathogenesis progresses through stages*



*The relationship between viral load and interferon breaks down in severe disease, where mucus production mediates airway plugging and respiratory failure*

# Infant study group



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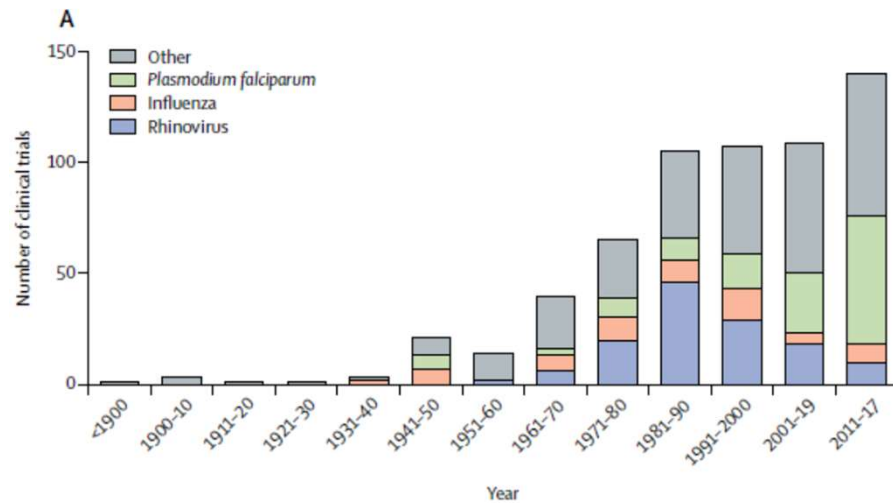
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# Experimental infection of human volunteers

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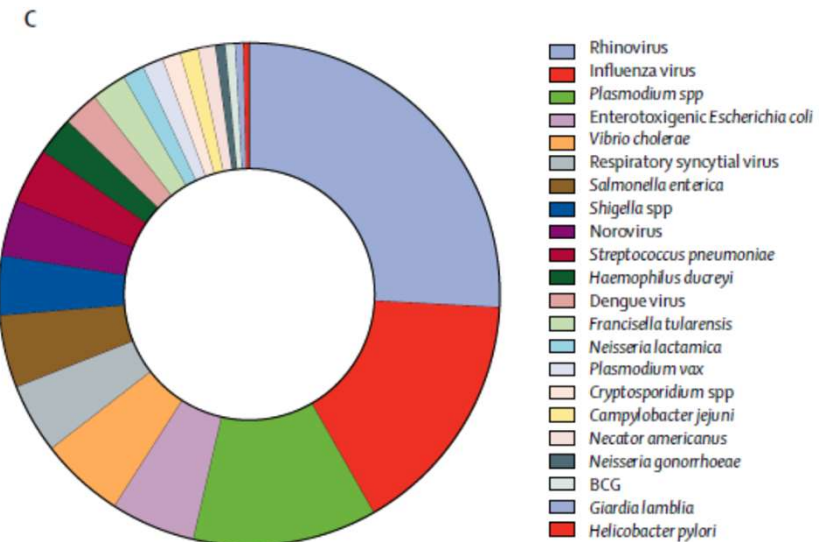
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NH researchers infect volunteers with the flu virus in an ongoing effort to improve vaccines.

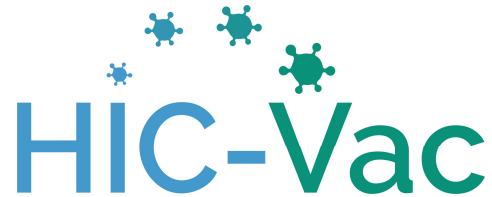
Studies that intentionally infect people with disease-causing bugs are on the rise

By Jon Cohen | May 18, 2016, 3:00 AM



Total=22 257 Volunteers





The network  
[www.hic-vac.org](http://www.hic-vac.org)

**£3m, 4 yr MRC-funded network to:**

*Support, develop and advocate the use of Human Infection Challenge, to...*

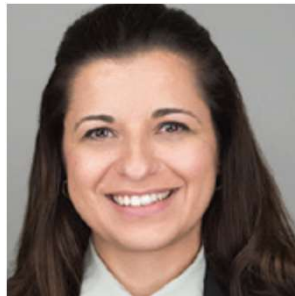
- Improve understanding of infections and the diseases they cause
- Enhance the development of new/better vaccines/treatments for LMIC infections



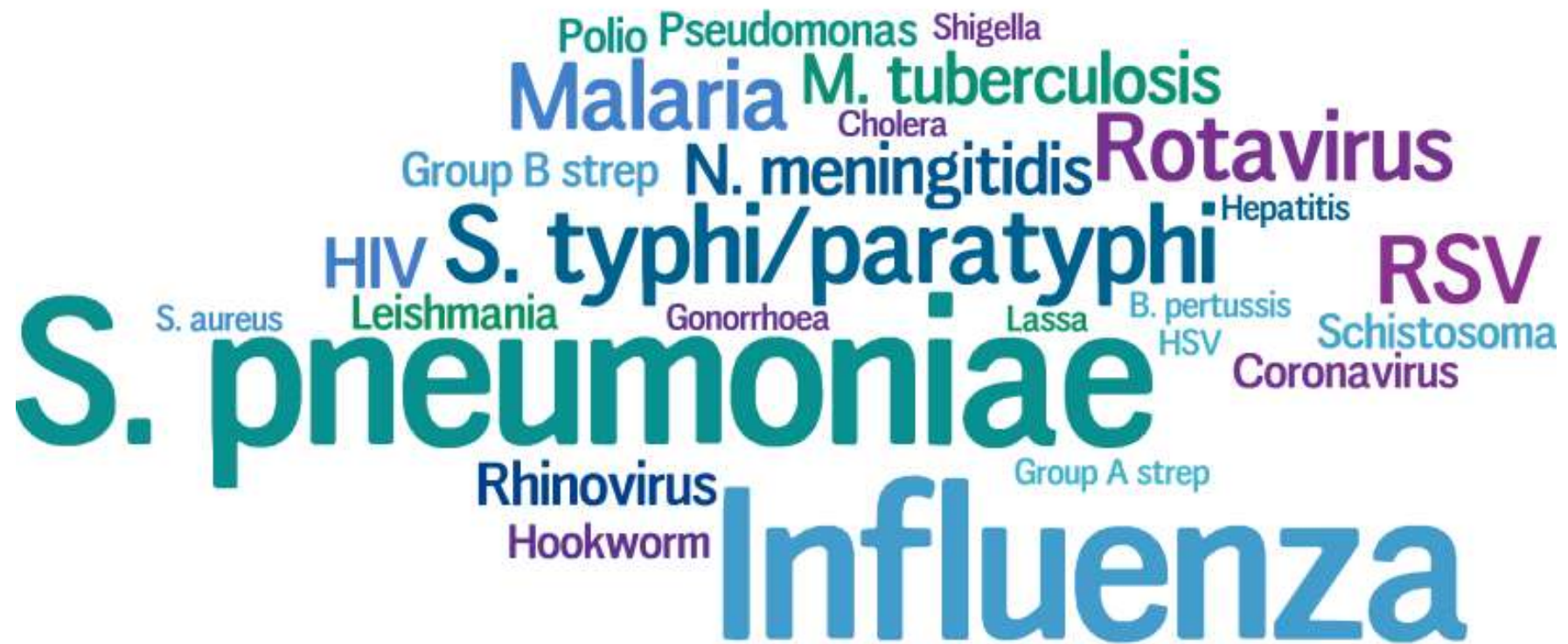
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Human challenge network  
focus:



# UK Members (n=114)





# Non-UK Members: n=77



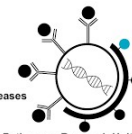
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Christian  
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# Membership

**Total members September, 2018: 191, 25% LMIC**

- 1. Investigators (74):** Independent current HIC studies
- 2. Associates (69):** Work with Investigators (Postdoc *etc.*)
- 3. Affiliates (48):** Others interested in HIC studies

## **What we provide:**

- Eligibility to apply for HIC-Vac funding
- Invitations to meetings and events
- Profile on website – networking and collaborations
- HIC-Vac mailing list for network notices

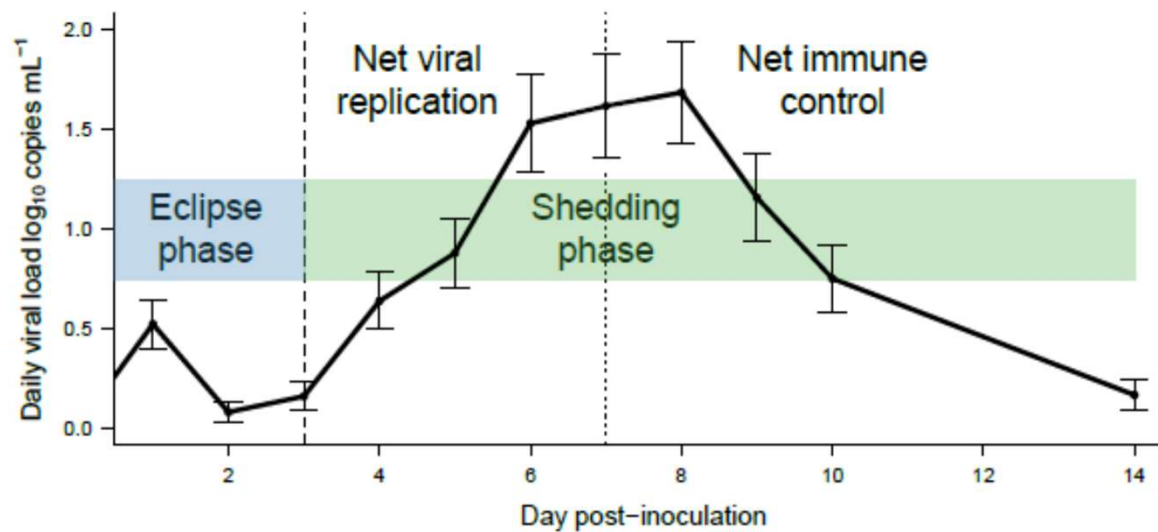
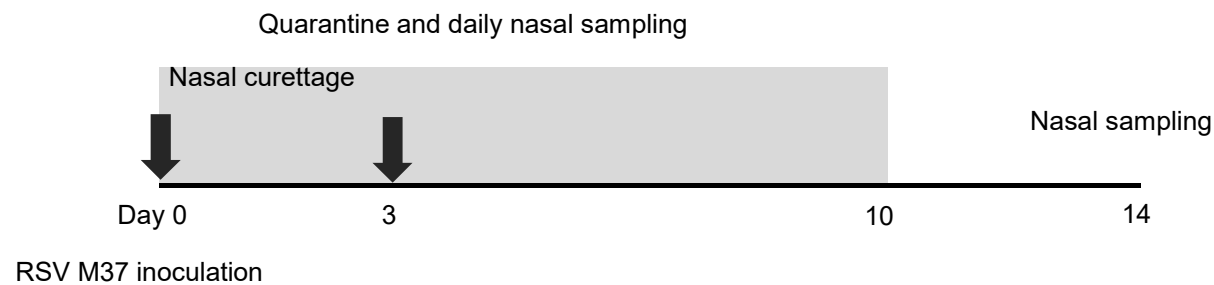
# Inoculation of volunteers with RSV



- **Healthy**, aged 18 – 55 years
- Intranasal  $10^4$  pfu RSV A **Memphis 37**
- Keep in seclusion from D-1 to D10
- Intensive daily sampling
- Follow-up:
  - day 14 (airway)
  - day 28 (airway and blood)

*Dr Max Habibi  
and Chris Chiu*

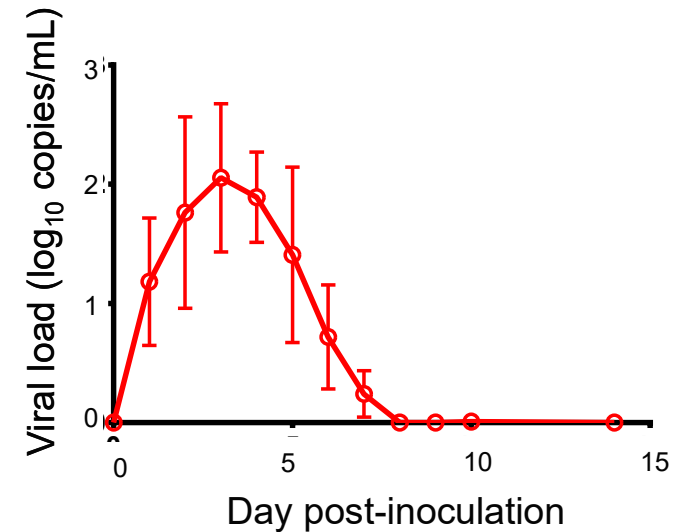
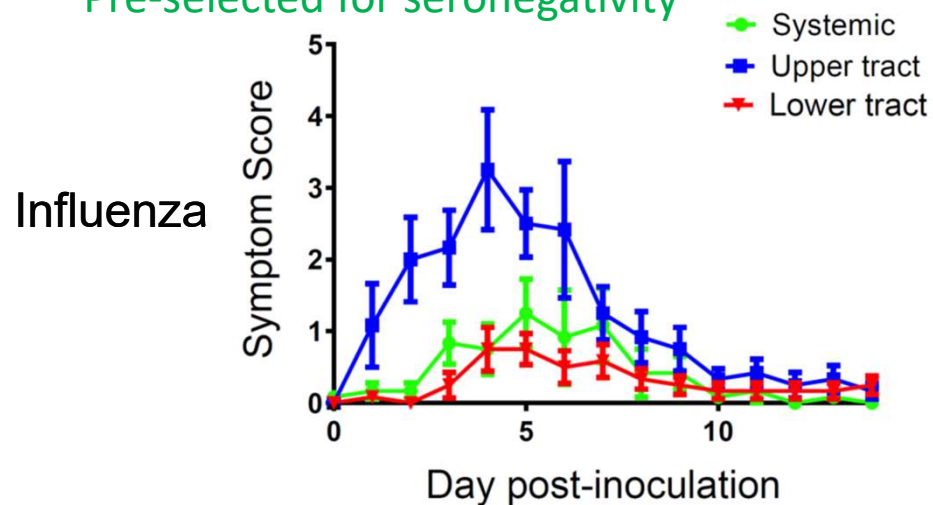
## RSV infection of adult volunteers



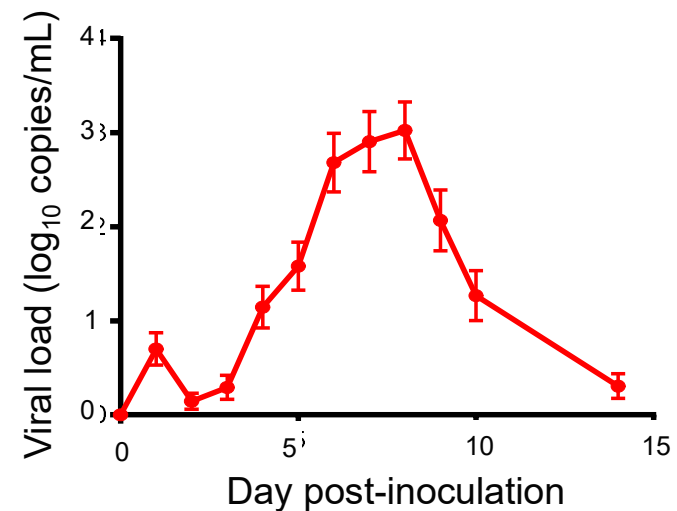
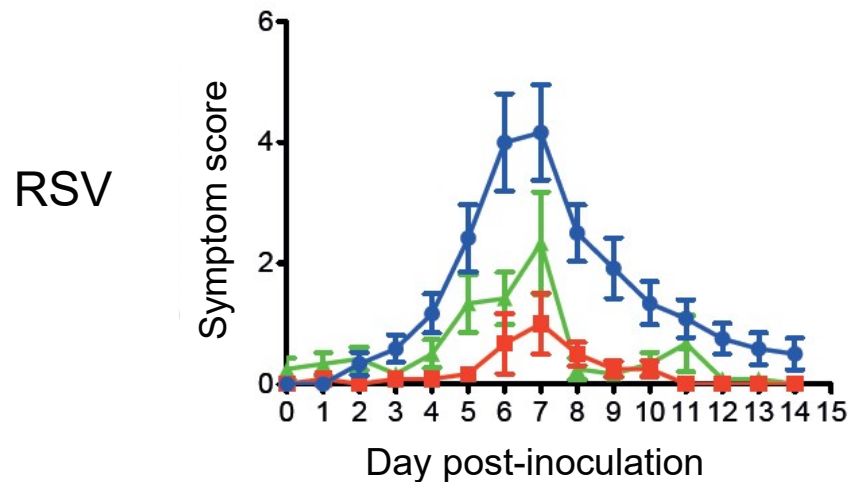


## Symptoms & viral load: comparing RSV and flu

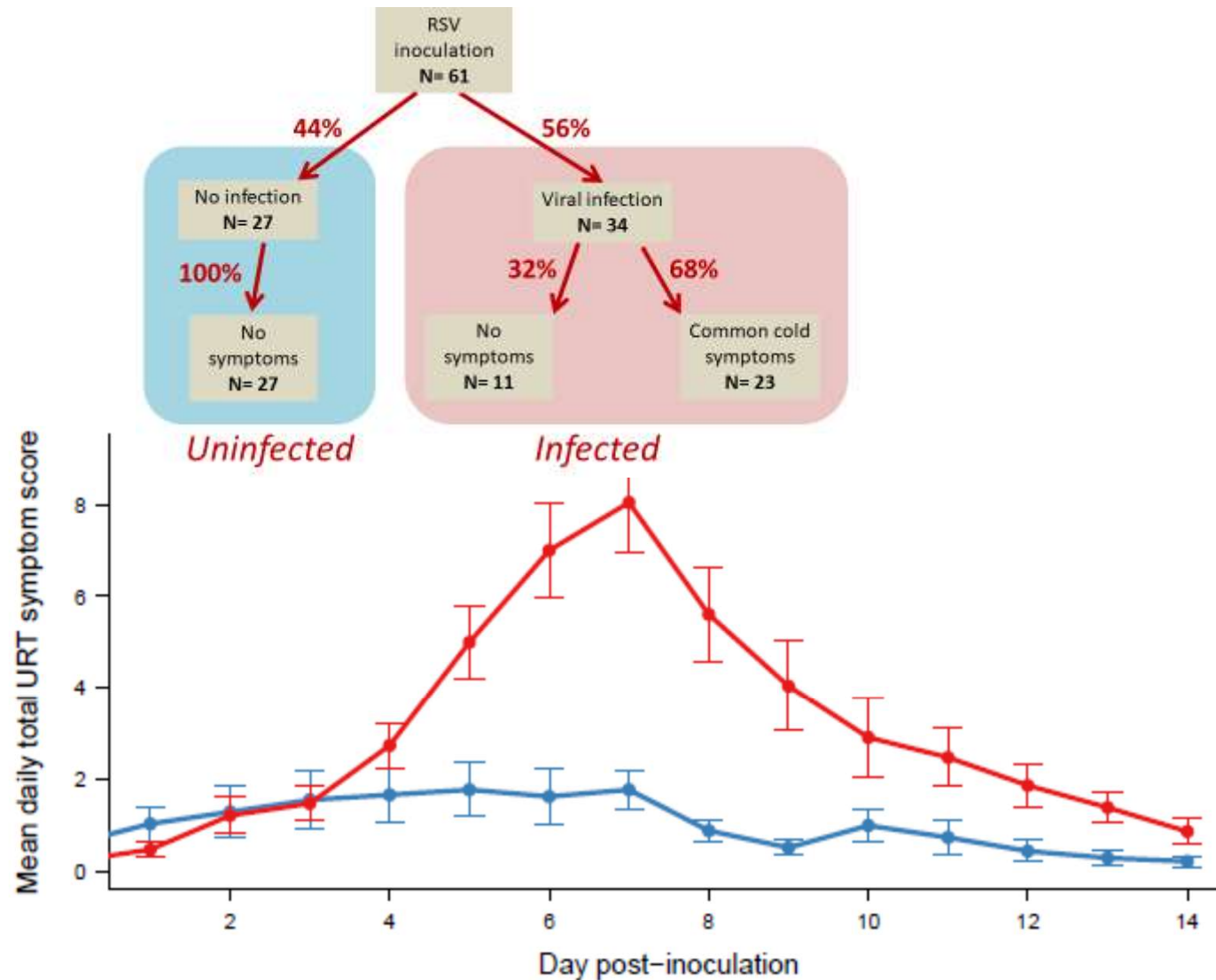
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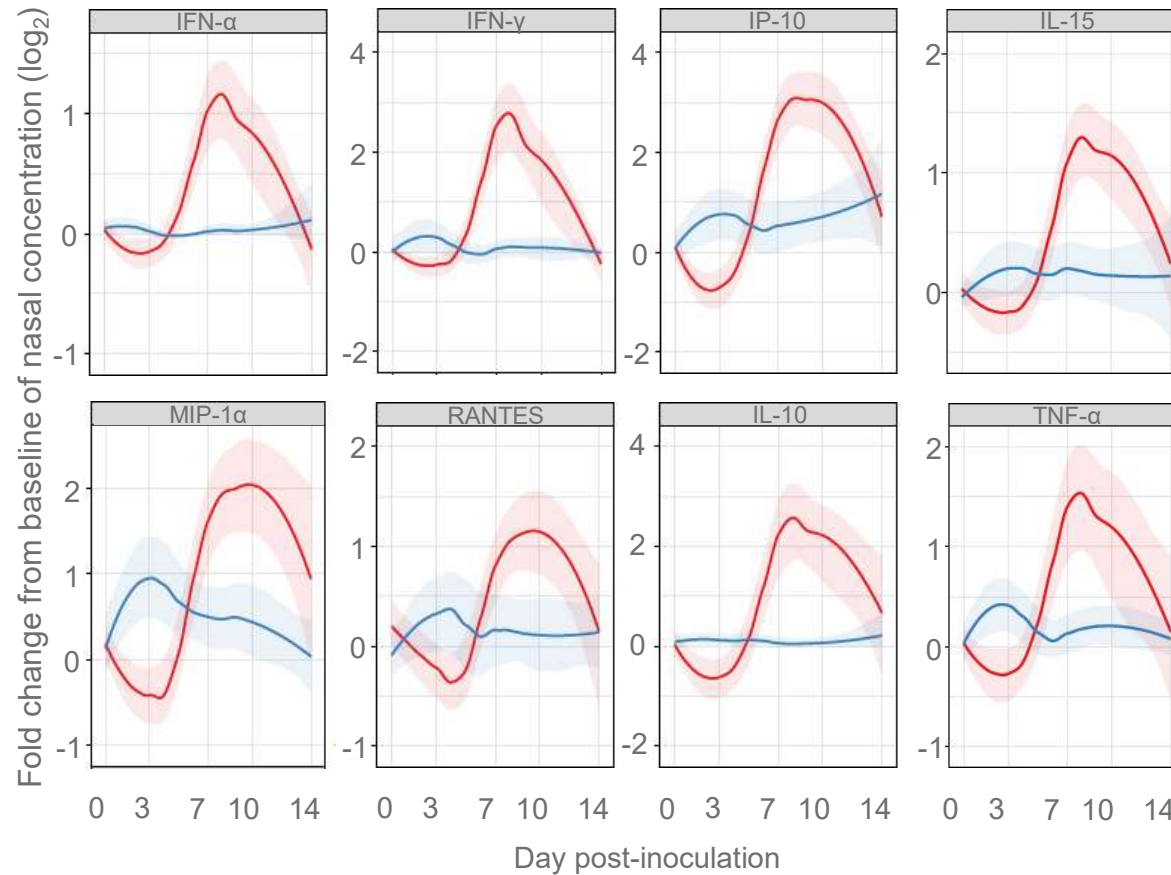
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## Outcome of RSV inoculation in 61 adults



## The silent phase is vital in understanding outcome



Host shows a response: virus defeated

Host mediators suppressed: virus succeeds

## The infection challenge team

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