

# Exploring Preventable Diseases in Childhood: Implications on Clinical Practice

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At the conclusion of this presentation participants will be able to:

- 1. Evaluate the key clinical manifestations of the covered vaccine- preventable diseases of childhood.
- 2. Differentiate between vaccine contraindications and precautions for administering routine ACIP recommended vaccines.
- 3. Analyze situations where vaccine preventable diseases may re- emerge.
- 4. Explain the epidemiology of routine vaccine preventable diseases in the U.S. and globally.
- 5. Illustrate adverse events that may occur following routine immunizations.

### **Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule**

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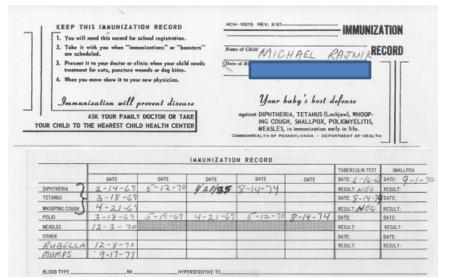


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# Measles, Mumps and Rubella

MMR and MMRV



### Measles

- Measles (Rubeola) virus is a Paramyxovirus.
  - 24 serotypes but all behave as 1 immunologically
- It is spread via large droplets and inhaled aerosolized droplets
  - Infects respiratory epithelia
  - Spreads throughout the body via the lymph nodes and infects other lymphoid tissue
- It is one of the most infectious agents
  - R<sub>0</sub> is 12-18 for measles, COVID-19 1.4-3.9 (R<sub>0</sub> – Expected cases per one exposure)
- Clinical manifestations occur following 7-21 days of incubation

### **EPIDEMIOLOGY**

- Prior to the measles immunization, about 500,000 cases annually in the U.S.
  - In 2000, U.S. declared measles eliminated
  - Recent outbreaks related to globalization and decreased U.S. vaccine coverage
- Globally, a huge push for immunizations dropped annual cases

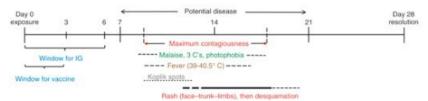
Year	Cases	Deaths
2000	29 million	650,000
2016	6.5 million	90,000



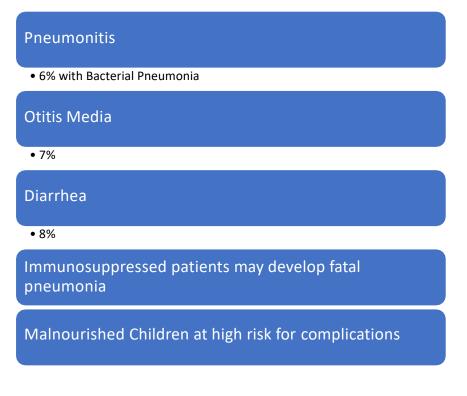
# Measles – Clinical Manifestations & Complications

#### Clinical Manifestations \* Ill appearing

- Onset begins with onset of fever and malaise
- 10 days post-exposure
  - Brassy cough, coryza, conjunctivitis (3 C's) and photophobia
  - Koplik spots will occur during this time
  - Maculopapular rash
    - Face -> Trunk -> Limbs
- Fevers begin with the prodrome and lasts for 4 days into the rash



#### **Complications**





### Koplik Spots





### **Cutaneous Measles**









### **Measles Immunization - Development**

- John Enders
  - First investigator to cultivate the measles virus (previously poliovirus)
  - He developed a live-attenuated viral vaccine which proved to be effective
    - Isolated from John Edmonston became known as the Edmonston strain
- Maurice Hilleman further attenuated the vaccine
  - Edmonston-Enders Strain (Moraten)
  - This is the strain used for all measles vaccines since 1968

- Post-vaccine
  - Measles cases dropped precipitously in the U.S.
  - Goal was to eliminate from U.S. by 1982
    - Had achieved a greater than 80% reduction
  - 1989 U.S. outbreak among schoolaged children
    - Led to 2<sup>nd</sup> vaccine dose
  - 2000 Measles declared eliminated from U.S.





### **Measles Immunization Controversy**

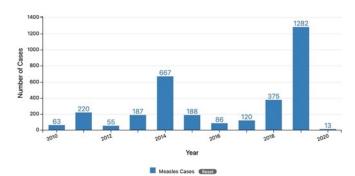
- Wakefield Autism
  - Published a paper noting that colonic lesions associated with measles vaccine virus allowed for neurotoxic proteins to get to the blood stream and CNS
- Additional reports citing the finding of the virus in various tissues
- Political and celebrity proponents of the vaccine-autism link joined in
- Wakefield's article was redacted
- Next turned to the presence of thimerasol
- All of these efforts resulted in decreasing vaccine rates in developed countries

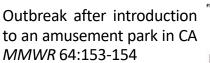
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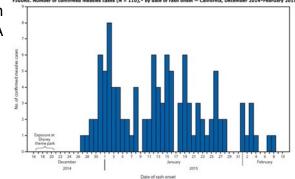
Number of measles cases reported by year

CDC.gov











### **Measles Recommedations**

- Children
  - First dose at 12 to 15 months of age
  - Second dose at 4 to 6 years of age
    - (Separated by at least 28 days)
- Post-High School Ed. Institutions
  - 2 doses separated by 28 days if not evidence of immunity
- Adults
  - Immune if born before 1957
  - If 1957 or after, need one dose if non-immune

- International Travel
  - Infants 6 11 months one dose\*
  - Children > 12 months of age<sup>#</sup> should have 2 doses separated by 28 days
  - Teenagers and adults without evidence of immunity should have 2 doses if non-immune
  - Healthcare workers must show evidence of immunity

\* MMR does not count towards primary series# MMRV may be used, separated by at least 3 months



### Measles – Post Exposure Prophylaxis

- Measles immunizations can be given within 72 hours of an exposure
  - MMR
- After 72 hours, immunoglobulin (IVIG) may be given

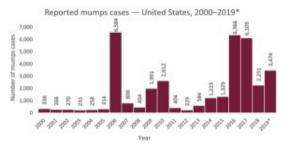


# Mumps

- Mumps virus is a Paramyxovirus It is inactivated by many chemicals, UV light, heat
- It is spread via aerosolized droplets
- Incubation period is 16-18 days
- It infects the nasopharynx and regional lymph nodes
  - Secondary viremia takes virus to the CNS and other glandular tissue
  - CNS infection is common with the virus spreading to CNS via the choroid plexus
  - Orchitis occurs via direct infection with the virus

### **EPIDEMIOLOGY**

- Prior to the mumps immunization, about 186,000 cases annually
- Began routine use in 1977 and further decline occurred in 2003 after use of a second dose
  - 99% reduction
  - Cases in the hundreds/year
- Outbreaks continue to occur in U.S. as immunization is not 100% effective
  - Usually in people 18-24 years of age
  - Universities, athletic teams, religious groups





### Mumps – Clinical Manifestations & Complications

#### **Clinical Manifestations**

- 1/3 of cases have a respiratory tract infection
  - Prodrome of HA, anorexia, abdominal pain
- Parotitis will begin unilateral and 70% become bilateral (7-10 days)





#### Complications

- CNS
  - Pleocytosis > 50% of cases, with symptoms in up to 10%
  - Male >> Female
  - Meningitis >> Encephalitis
- Orchitis
  - 24 35% of males aged 15 to 29 years
  - · Usually unilateral results in testicular atrophy
  - · Infertility is rare
- Glomerulonephritis
  - · Hematuria and Proteinuria
  - Self-resolving
- Arthritis 3 weeks after parotitis



### Mumps Immunization

- Maurice Hilleman
  - 1963 Cultured the mumps virus from his daughter Jeryl Lynn
  - 1967 Developed the first mumps from an attenuated version of this
    - Jeryl Lynn Strain
    - Still Used in todays Mumps immunizations
  - In 1971, introduced the first combination vaccine – MMR
  - 40 vaccines have been attributed to his development



Images courtesy of Dale Smith, Ph.D.



### Measles, Mumps and Rubella Titers

#### Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Titers in Air Force Recruits Below Herd Immunity Thresholds?

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Lewis et al / Am J Prev Med 2015;49(5):757-760

- - - Area bounded by dashed lines indicates upper and lower estimates of herd immunity thresholds after adjusting for sensitivity and specificity of MFI.



### Measles, Mumps, Rubella and Varicella

> MSMR. 2019 Oct;26(10):2-12.

### Measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella among service members and other beneficiaries of the Military Health System, 1 January 2016-30 June 2019

Valerie F Williams, Shauna Stahlman, Michael Fan

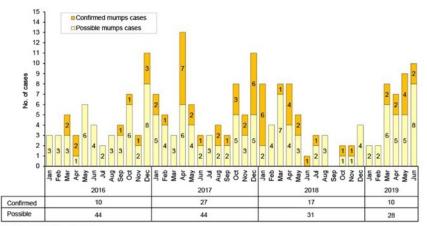


FIGURE 3. Confirmed and possible cases of mumps among MHS beneficiaries, by year and month, 1 January 2016–30 June 2019

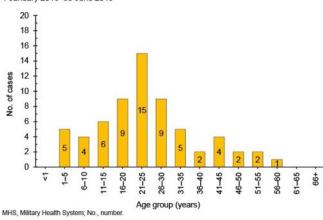


FIGURE 4. Age distribution of confirmed cases of mumps among all MHS beneficiaries, 1 January 2016–30 June 2019

MHS, Military Health System; No., number.



# Rubella

- Rubella virus is a Togavirus with humans as the only natural host
- It is inactivated by many chemicals, UV light, heat
- It is spread via aerosolized droplets
- Infectivity is normally 3 to 8 days after exposure for 11-14 days
- Infectious 5 days before and 6 days after the onset of rash

### **EPIDEMIOLOGY**

- Endemic regions experience late winter to spring outbreaks
  - 2-4 year cycles
- Most experienced rubella in childhood (3-9 years of age)
- Attack rates in closed communities like colleges and military will approach 75-90%
- Most cases now are acquired by foreign travel and foreign born
- No longer endemic in the U.S. after 2003



### Rubella – Clinical Manifestations

#### **Acquired Rubella**

- Rash and lymphadenopathy
- Rash begins on the face and spreads cephalocaudally over 24 hours – fades in same pattern over 2-3 days
- Lymphadenopathy may precede the rash by 1 week
  - Suboccipital
  - Post-auricular



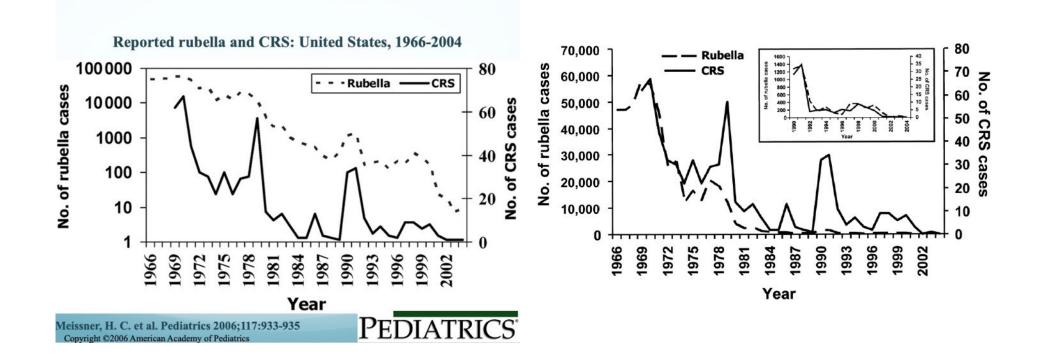
#### **Congenital Rubella**

- Ophthalmologic
  - Cataracts, retinopathy, glaucoma
- Cardiac
  - *PDA*, peripheral pulmonary artery stenosis
- Auditory
  - Sensorineural hearing impairment
- Neurologic
  - Behavioral d/o, meningoencephalitis, MR
- Other
  - Growth retardation
  - Hepatosplenomegaly
  - Thrombocytopenia
  - Purpuric skin lesions

From Rubella (German Measles, Three-Day Measles), Signs and Symptoms, CDC.gov



# Impact of Immunization on Rubella and Congenital Rubella Syndrome



Meissner, H. C. (2006). Elimination of rubella from the United states: A milestone on the road to global elimination. PEDIATRICS, 117(3), 933-935. doi:10.1542/peds.2005-1760



### Rubella Hotspots Still Exist

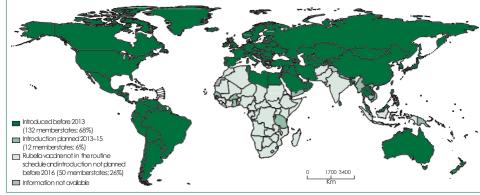
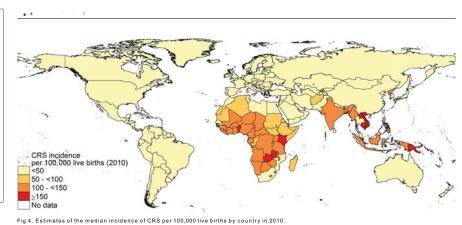


Figure 2: Distribution of countries using rubella-containing vaccine in their routine immunisation schedule in 2012, and countries planning introduction during 2013–15

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### Congenital Rubella Outbreak in Vietnam

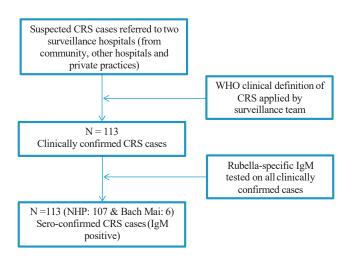


Fig. 1. Outline of CRS surveillance in Hanoi, Vietnam.

#### Table 1

Clinical signs and symptoms of CRS.

Clinical manifestations	Frequency (N=113)	Percentage
Congenital anomalies		
CRS multiorgan defect <sup>a</sup>	44	38.9
Congenital heart malformation <sup>b</sup>	72	63.7
Deafness at birth	35	31.0
Hearing loss at 1stmonth	37	32.7
Cataract	29	25.7
Other eyeabnormalities <sup>c</sup>	24	21.2
Microcephaly <sup>d</sup>	41	36.3
Developmental delay	3	2.6
Signs at birth		
Thrombocytopenia <sup>e</sup> (<100.000/mm <sup>3</sup> )	96	85.0
Neonatal hemorrhage (purpura)	84	74.3
Splenomegaly	72	63.7
Hepatomegaly	71	62.8
Anemia	69	61.1
Blueberry muffin rash	69	61.1
Hepatitis (liver enzymes>2 UNL)	54	47.8

<sup>a</sup> 16 cases with three major CRS defects (deafness, eye abnormality and congenital heart malformation, 14 cases with deafness and congenital heart malformation and another 14 cases with eye abnormality and congenital heart malformation).

<sup>b</sup> Congenital heart malformation included: 52 patent ductus arteriosus (PDA), 8 PDA with pulmonary stenosis (PS), 6 PDA with atrial septal defect (ASD), 3 PS and 2 PDA with ventricular septal defect (VSD).

<sup>c</sup> Other eye abnormalities included: 21 microphthalmia, 2 lacrimal canal obstruction and 1 glucoma.

<sup>d</sup> Ahead circumference at birth <2 SD for fetal age.

<sup>e</sup> Thrombocytopenia lasted for more than 15 days in 71 cases.

Van Bang, N., Anh, N. T., Van, V. T., Thai, T. T., Van Thuong, N., Khandaker, G., & Elliott, E. (2014). Surveillance of CONGENITAL RUBELLA syndrome (CRS) in tertiary care hospitals in Hanoi, Vietnam during A Rubella epidemic. *Vaccine*, *32*(52), 7065-7069. doi:10.1016/j.vaccine.2014.10.087



### 4 month old from Vietnam



"Blueberry Muffin" Rash

Patient Permission Obtained and provided courtesy of COL (Dr.) Ashley Maranich, M.D.



Cataracts - bilateral



# Varicella (Chickenpox)

- Chickenpox is caused by the Varicella Zoster Virus
  - A member of the herpes virus family
  - Remains latent in sensory nerve ganglia
  - May re-emerge at herpes zoster (shingles)
- It is spread via inhaled aerosolized droplets and requires airborne precautions
  - 90% of susceptible contacts will get disease
- Incubation period is 10 21 days
  - Prodrome of fever for 1-2 days before rash
  - This is the most infectious time period
- Clinical manifestations occur following 7-21 days of incubation

### EPIDEMIOLOGY

- Prior to the varicella immunization, about 4 million cases annually in the U.S.
  - 10,500 13,000 were infected
  - 100-150 died each year

#### Impact of Immunization (% Decrease)

Vaccine	Incidence	Hospitalizations	Deaths	Infants
1 dose		93%		
2 dose	85%	38% (Additional)	94%	90%

- Breakthrough Varicella
  - Usually mild, afebrile, low fever
  - One dose 25-30% will still have disease similar to unvaccinated



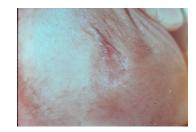
# Varicella – Clinical Manifestations

#### **Unvaccinated Varicella**

- Generalized and Pruritic Rash
  - Macules  $\rightarrow$  Papules  $\rightarrow$  Vesicle  $\rightarrow$  Crust
- Rash begins on the torso and face and spreads over the body
- Temperatures of 102°F and rash for 2-3 days

#### **Breakthrough Varicella**

- Breakthrough infection with wild-type in immunized people can occur
  - May occur in up to 42 days post exposure
- Tend to have less than 50 lesions
- Rash is likely to be maculopapular



#### Immunocompromised

- May develop visceral dissemination
  - Pneumonia, hepatitis, encephalitis, DIC
- Atypical rash with more lesions and > 7 days
   August (Laws CD, Counte)

#### **HIV or AIDS** (Low CD<sub>4</sub> Counts)

- Atypical rash may come up for weeks/months
- May develop visceral dissemination
- Retinitis

#### **Pregnant Women**

- At risk for pneumonia (Esp., 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester)
- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester (0.4-2.0%) Congenital Varicella Syndrome
  - Scarring, Limb Abnormalities, Brain, Eyes, LBW
- Neonatal Varicella
  - 5 days before to 2 days after delivery
  - Up to 30% mortality



### Varicella Rashes



Dew Drop on Rose Petal

Varicella

Measles





Healing Scabs



### Varicella - Complications

#### Most Common

- Children Bacterial infections of the skin and soft tissues
- Adults Pneumonia



#### **Severe Complications**

- Septicemia
- Toxic Shock Syndrome
- Necrotizing Fasciitiis
- Osteomyelitis
- Bacterial Pneumonia
- Septic Arthritis







### Varicella – Who is Immune?

- Documentation of Age-Appropriate Vaccination
  - Preschool 1 dose
  - School age and above 2 doses
- Laboratory evidence of immunity or disease
  - Commercial labs will detect disease induced immunity but may not detect vaccine induced
- Birth in the United States before 1980
  - Does not count for healthcare personnel
  - Pregnant women
  - Immunocompromised people

- Diagnosis or verification of a history of varicella or herpes zoster
  - Epidemiologic link to another typical varicella case or lab confirmed case
  - Evidence of laboratory confirmation in acute disease
  - If verification is not up to this standard then a vaccine is recommended



# Varicella – Management of High-Risk

#### Who is high risk?

- Immunocompromised
  - Leukemia or Lymphoma
  - Meds to suppress the immune system
  - Cellular immunity
- Newborns whose mothers have varicella 5 days before and 2 days after
- Premature babies
  - > 28 weeks and have no evidence of immunity
  - < 28 weeks or weigh less than 1,000 grams
- Pregnant women with no evidence of immunity

#### **Treatment – High Risk Persons**

- Varicella-Zoster Immune Globulin (VariZIG)
  - Lack Immunity to varicella
  - Exposure is likely to result in infection
  - High-Risk for severe varicella
- Oral Acyclovir Treatment (Valacyclovir)
  - Healthy people < 12 years of age
  - Chronic skin or pulmonary disorders
  - On long-term ASA
  - Receiving short, intermittent or inhaled corticosteroids
- IV Acyclovir
  - Severe disease (Pneumonia, encephalitis, thrombocytopenia, hepatitis)
  - Immunocompromised



### MMR – MMRV – Why two doses?

	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose
Measles	93%	97%
Mumps	78%	88%
Rubella	97%	
Varicella*	82%/100%	98%/100%

\* Varicella vaccine: Any form of varicella/severe varicella

• Measles

- 2<sup>nd</sup> shot is to protect against vaccine failure
- Immunity for lifetime
- Mumps
  - Immunity decreases over time
  - Consider a 3rd dose if close contact with mumps patient
- Rubella one dose, lifetime immunity
- Varicella
  - 1<sup>st</sup> dose 97% protective in 1<sup>st</sup> year
  - 1<sup>st</sup> dose 86% protective in 2<sup>nd</sup> year
    - Stable until year 8



### MMR and MMRV Safety

- Febrile Seizures
  - 4/10,000 children have febrile seizures in 7-10 days when MMR and varicella given separately with first dose
  - Rate increases by 2-fold for children receiving MMRV
  - Children less than 7 years of age, rate is 1 in 3,000-4,000
- Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP)
  - Increased risk for 6 weeks after MMR
  - Rate 1 in 40,000 vaccinated children

- Joint Pain
  - Associated with the rubella portion
  - More common in adults receiving the vaccine
  - Women >> Men
    - 1 in 4 post-pubertal women
    - Begins 1-3 weeks post-immunization and lasts 2 days
- Measles Inclusion Body Encephalitis
  - Much more common with wild-type measles (1 in 1,000)
  - Tends to occur within 1 year after infection
  - Three published cases following the MMR



# Diphtheria, Pertussis and Tetanus

DTap, Tdap, Td Immunizations



# Diphtheria

#### Pre-Immunization

- First described by Hippocrates in 5<sup>th</sup> Century B.C.
- 1921
  - 206,000 cases/15,520 deaths
- Death rates range from 20% for those age < 5 years and > 40 years to 5-10% between ages 5-40 years

#### Post-immunization

- Diphtheria rates dropped rapidly
- U.S. no cases 2004-2008
- Independent States of the Former Soviet Union
  - Decrease in public health led to huge surge of cases
  - 150,000 cases/> 5000 deaths

- Caused by the bacterium *Corynebacterium diphtheriae* 
  - After attaching to respiratory epithelium, it secretes a toxin with two subunits
  - A subunit inhibits protein synthesis in the cell
    - Cells die and induce a robust inflammatory response
    - Develops an exudate that becomes fibrinous pseudomembrane
    - Toxin produced can travel throughout the body
      - Myocarditis
      - Peripheral neuropathy myelin
      - Kidney disease



### Varicella - Complications

#### Most Common

- Children Bacterial infections of the skin and soft tissues
- Adults Pneumonia



#### Severe Complications

- Septicemia
- Toxic Shock Syndrome
- Necrotizing Fasciitiis
- Osteomyelitis
- Bacterial Pneumonia
- Septic Arthritis







# Diphtheria

- Treatment (Antitoxin and Antibiotics)
  - Antitoxin need to treat early
    - Available thru the CDC

Laryngeal/Pharyngeal (< 48 hours)	20,000 – 40,000 U	
Nasopharyngeal	40,000 – 60,000 U	
Severe Pharyngeal/Laryngeal	80,000 – 120,000 U!	

- Antibiotics
  - 14 day course of Penicillin or erythromycin
  - IV if cannot take oral medication
  - Should have follow up cultures after 2 weeks
    - 10 days of erythromycin if still positive
- Immunization should also occur in convalesence

- Prevention
  - Active immunization with Diphtheria toxoid (DT or adult Td)
    - Pediatric formulations have 3-4 times more toxoid
    - Combined into DTP or DTaP
    - Primary Series is 5 doses followed by boosters of Td every 10 years
    - First booster is Tdap at age 11-12 yrs
  - Immunization is directed vs. the phagemediated toxin
    - Often response is incomplete
    - Need 70-80% immunization level to prevent epidemic spread\*
    - Texas Outbreak<sup>#</sup>
      - No immunization 30-fold increase in symptomatic
      - Incomplete 11.5 fold increase

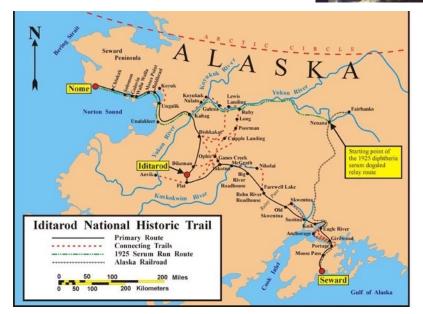
\*Am J Public Health 1985; 75: 1393-1397

# Vaccine 1994; 12:1167-1172



### The Great Race of Mercy

- A diphtheria outbreak occurred in Nome, AK in 1925
- It was noted after the last supply ship for the fall had left
- The only mechanism to get antitoxin to the city was by dogsled
- They faced temperatures -70°F
- The last sled team was led by Balto who has become immortalized for his role in the trip



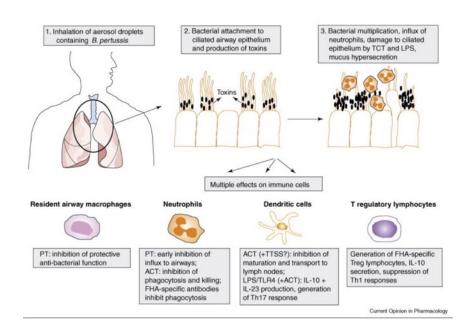
U.S. Bureau of Land Management - <u>U.S. Bureau of Land Management</u> Map of the historical Iditarod Trail and the current Iditarod National Historic Trail in Alaska, USA



# Pertussis – Whooping Cough

#### • Caused by *B. pertussis*

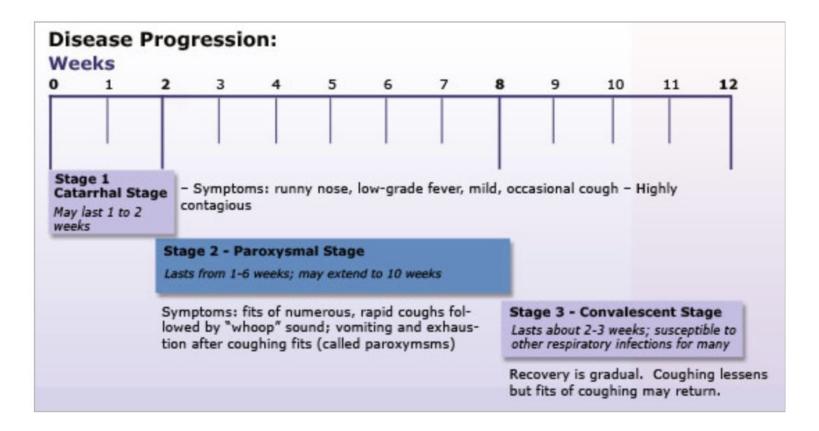
- Fastidious, gram-negative bacteria
- Only infects humans
- Multiple virulence factors lead to infection and symptomatic disease
  - Pertussis toxin
  - Filamentous hemagglutinin
  - Agglutinins
  - Adenylate cyclase
  - Pertactin
  - Tracheal cytotoxin



CARBONETTI, N. (2007). Immunomodulation in the pathogenesis of *Bordetella pertussis* infection and disease. *Current Opinion in Pharmacology*, 7(3), 272-278. doi:10.1016/j.coph.2006.12.004 Current Opinion in Pharmacology, 2007, 7:272-278.



### Pertussis – Clinical Disease





# Antibiotics in Pertussis

#### Treatment

- Treatment should occur as early as possible – needs to occur during the paroxysmal phase
  - 3 weeks of cough onset if older than 1 y/o
  - 6 weeks of cough onset if younger than 1 y/o
- Drugs of Choice
  - Azithromycin\*#
  - Clarithromycin\*
  - Erythromycin\*

#### **Post-Exposure Prophylaxis**

- All household contacts of a pertussis case
- All high-risk people within 21 days of exposure to a pertussis case
  - Infants and women in the 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester of pregnancy
  - People with pre-existing health conditions which may be exacerbated
  - People living with infants or those with pre-existing conditions
  - People in high-risk settings
    - NICU, Childcare settings, Labor/Delivery

\*Concern for hypertrophic pyloric stenosis in infants

# Consider other agents with patients with prolonged QT syndrome



# Pertussis Diagnostic Criteria

#### **Clinical Criteria**

- Cough Illness lasting > 2 weeks with at least one of the following:
  - Paroxysms of Coughing
  - Inspiratory Whoop
  - Post-tussive vomiting
  - Apnea

#### **Laboratory Criteria**

- Isolation of *B. pertussis* from a clinical specimen
- Positive PCR for *B. pertussis*

#### Epidemiologic Linkage

 Contact with a laboratory-confirmed case of pertussis



### **Case Classifications**

#### Probable

• In the absence of a more likely diagnosis, illness meets clinical criteria

#### OR

- Illness with cough of any duration with at least one
  - Paroxysms of Coughing
  - Inspiratory Whoop
  - Post-tussive vomiting
  - Apnea

#### AND

Contact with a laboratory confirmed case

#### Confirmed

- Acute cough illness of any duration
  - Isolation of pertussis from a clinical specimen
  - PCR positive for *B. pertussis*



# Pertussis Immunization – whole-cell (wP)

#### Historical

- First immunizations were developed in 1930's by Leila Denmark
- Developed a whole-cell killed B. pertussis bacteria
- This was very immunogenic
- Side effects were prevalent increased with the addition of doses
  - Fevers
  - Arm swelling



#### Controversy

- 1970's and 80's
  - Great decrease in incidence of pertussis
  - There were a few very severe diseases associated with encephalopathy
- DPT producers began to stop due to lawsuits
- DPT: Vaccine Roulette WRC-TV4
  - Increased lawsuits
  - National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act



### Pertussis Immunization – acellular (aP)

#### History

- Sato develop the acellular vaccine to counteract Japanese disapproval with wP
  - Pertussis toxin (PT) and filamentous hemagglutinin (FHA)
- To increase efficacy, pertactin (pt) and type 2 and 3 fimbriae (fim) were added
- A switch was made as these vaccines were acutely efficacious with less side effects

#### **Present formulations**

- Dtap
  - Daptacel<sup>®</sup>, Pentacel<sup>®</sup>, Quadracel<sup>®</sup> (PT – 10ug, FHA – 5 ug, pt – 3 ug, fim – 5ug)
    - Pentacel<sup>®</sup> has half the PT and FHA
  - Infanrix <sup>®</sup>, Kinrix<sup>®</sup>, Pediarix<sup>®</sup> (PT 25 ug, FHA 25 ug, pt 8)
- Tdap
  - Adacel<sup>®</sup> (PT 2.5ug, FHA 5 ug, pt 3 ug, fim – 5 ug)
  - Boostrix<sup>®</sup> (PT 8 ug, FHA 8 ug, pt 2.5)



# Impact of Change in Pertussis Vaccine

#### **Increased incidence of Pertussis**

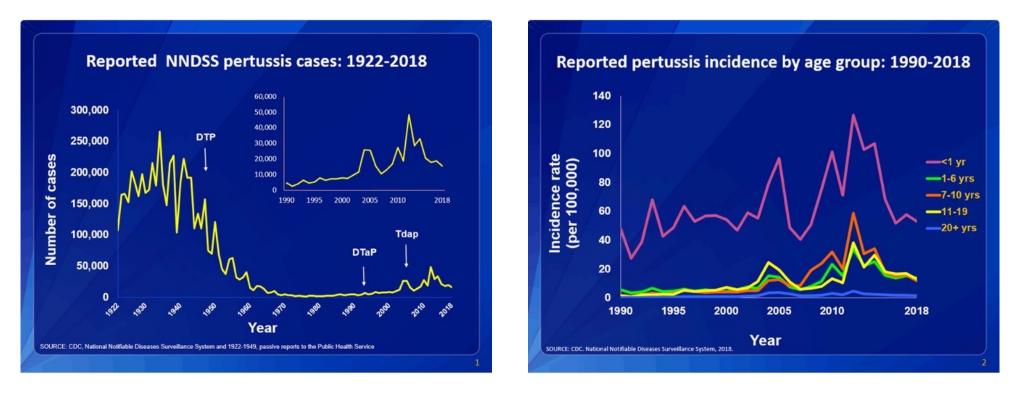
- Increased awareness (young adults)
- Improved diagnostic testing
  - Molecular techniques
- Improved reporting and surveillance
- Increased circulation of the bacteria
- Waning Immunity
  - aP vaccines are not as durable

#### **Efficacy of aP Vaccines**

- DtaP (completion of 5 doses)
  - 1 year 98%
  - 5 year 71%
- Tdap Adolescents
  - 1 year 73%
  - 4 year 34%
- Tdap Pregnant Women
  - Decreased pertussis cases by 78% in 2 month olds
  - Decreased hospitalizations by 90% in 2 month olds



# Epidemiology of Pertussis in the U.S.



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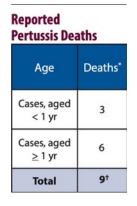
### **2019 Provisional Pertussis Surveillance Report**

#### Reported Pertussis Cases and Percent Hospitalization by Age Group

Age	No. of Cases (% of total)	Age Inc /100,000	% Hospitalized by age**
< 6 mos	1202 (7.7)	62.5	40.7
6-11 mos	638 (4.1)	33.2	9.8
1-6 yrs	3282 (21.0)	13.7	3.1
7-10 yrs	1988 (12.7)	12.2	1.1
11-19 yrs	4758 (30.4)	12.6	1.5
20+ yrs	3736 (23.9)	1.5	8.2
Unknown Age	58 (0.4)	N/A	N/A
Total	15,662 (100)	4.8*	6.7

#### Reported DTaP Vaccine Status of Children with Pertussis, Ages 6 months through 6 years

Age	Vaccine History Unknown	Unvaccinated	Undervaccinated (1-2 doses)	Completed Primary DTaP Series (3+ doses)	Total
	No. (%)	No. (%)	No. (%)	No. (%)	No.
6-11 mo	311 (48.8)	48 (7.5)	85 (13.3)	194 (30.4)	638
1-4 yrs	1206 (49.2)	234 (9.5)	89 (3.6)	923 (37.6)	2452
5-6 yrs	360 (43.4)	63 (7.6)	29 (3.5)	378 (45.5)	830
Total*	1877 (47.9)	345 (8.8)	203 (5.2)	1495 (38.1)	3920



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### Tetanus

- Caused by the bacterium *Clostridium tetani* 
  - It is spore forming normally located in soil, dust, manure
  - Infection occurs through inoculation via contaminated objects or breaks in the skin
    - Wounds contaminated by dirt, feces, saliva
    - Puncture wounds via nails/needles
    - Burns
    - Crush trauma

- Incubation Period
  - 3-21 days, average of 14
  - Shorter incubation with more contaminated wounds
- Spores will germinate in anerobic environments and produce toxins
- Tetanus toxin will cause release of neurotransmitters
  - Seizures
  - Autonomic instability



### Tetanus, cont.

#### Epidemiology

- Who gets tetanus?
  - Unimmunized individuals
  - Those who have not received 10year boosters
- 2009-2017
  - 264 cases reported in the U.S.
  - 60% between 20 and 64 years of age
  - 25% older than 65 years of age\*
- \* Group at highest risk of disease

#### **Risk Factors for Tetanus in the U.S.**

- Diabetes
  - 13% of all cases and 25% of all deaths
- IV drug use
  - 7% of all cases
- Natural Disasters



# Tetanus, cont.

#### **Clinical Manifestations**

- Lockjaw Trismus
  - Caused by muscular contractions of the masseter and neck muscles
- Abdominal Rigidity
  - Often the first sign
- Generalized seizures
  - Induced by sensory stimuli
- Neonatal Tetanus infected umbilical stump

Туре	Lockjaw Present	Seizures Present	Localized Muscle Spasms	Facial Nerve Palsies	Mortality
Generalized	Yes	Yes			10-20%
Localized			Yes		
Cephalic				Yes	

Localized and Cephalic may rarely progress to Generalized



### Tetanus, cont.

#### Prevention

- Wound Assessment
  - Dirty
    - Soil, feces, saliva (human or animal)
  - Penetrating wounds
    - More likely to be contaminated
- Wounds with devitalized tissue
  - Frostbite, crush injuries, avulsion injuries
- Clean all wounds to remove dirt, foreign material and necrotic material

#### Prevention

- Evaluate to see if they have completed a primary series (3)
- If yes
  - If last dose is < 5 years, they are protected
  - If last dose is > 5 years, give a booster
- If no, and a contaminated wound, you would give Tetanus Immunoglobulin (TIG)
  - Can bind and remove unbound toxin
  - 250 IU IM x 1
  - HIV patients and those with significant immunosuppression should also receive TIG



### Tetanus – Why is this important?

- Operation Unified Response Haiti following the January 12, 2010 earthquake
- USNS COMFORT accepted first patients Jan 19
- Earthquakes produce a large number of wounded
- Haiti underimmunized to tetanus (~50%)
- In total, 6 tetanus patients were admitted over a ~50 day period of operations

Courtesy of CAPT (Dr.) Todd Gleeson, M.D., M.P.H.



### Tetanus – why is this important?

Patient with acute tetanus – Jockjaw



Patient follow-up at three weeks after D/C



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# Poliovirus and Poliomyelitis

Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV), Inactivated Polio Vaccine (IPV)



# Poliomyelitis

- Caused by Poliovirus
  - Member of the Enterovirus family
  - Three types of Poliovirus (1,2,3)
    - Wild poliovirus type 2 eradicated in 2015 (WHO)
    - Wild type poliovirus type 3 has not been detected since 2012
  - Humans are the only reservoir
- Polio remains only endemic in three countries (Never interrupted transmission)
  - Nigeria
  - Pakistan
  - Afghanistan

- Pathophysiology
  - Transmitted via the fecal-oral route
  - Transmission most likely due to contaminated drinking water
- Incubation Period up to 10 days
- 75% of patients exhibit no symptoms
- 24% of patients develop abortive poliomyelitis
  - Fever
  - Cold-like symptoms
- 1-5% develop aseptic meningitis
  - Associated with stiff limbs for 10 days
- < 2% lead to paralytic poliomyelitis



# Paralytic poliomyelitis

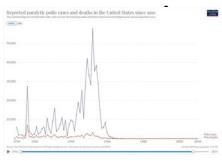
- It is a biphasic illness
  - Resolution of viral syndrome
  - High fever returns with muscle pain and loss of reflexes
- Progression is sudden and quick with loss of motor function in a limb occurring over hours
  - Peaks about day 5
- Hallmark is asymmetric paralysis
  - Proximal muscles > distal muscles
  - Lower ext. > upper ext.
- Bladder and bowel atony are common
- CNS and cranial nerves can be involved
  - Cranial Nerves in 5%-35% of cases

- Respiratory Failure
  - Leading cause of death
  - Causes
    - Respiratory muscle weakness
    - Brainstem involvement
    - Cranial Nerves 9, 10, 12 lead to paralysis of the pharynx, soft palate and vocal cords
- Outcomes
  - Paralysis
    - Maximal improvement in 6 months
    - 60% of patients have some residual deficit
    - Spinal Poliomyelitis has a mortality rate is 7%
      - Vs. 60% in pre-ventilator era



# Poliomyelitis

- Historical Perspective
  - Endemic
    - Few cases of Poliomyelitis
    - Overlap between maternal protection and early exposure
  - Epidemic
    - Occurred as hygiene improved
    - This overlap was spread out
      - U.S. epidemics showed ages ranging between 1 and 6 years of age
  - Vaccine Era



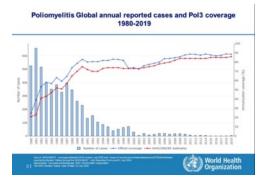
 Polio impact reduced first in more developed countries

Eradicated from the Western Hemisphere in 1994

#### • Global Perspective

- Wild-type poliovirus remains endemic in three countries
  - Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria
- Nearing eradication possible due to no nonhuman reservoir





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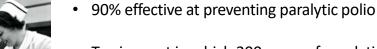


# Poliomyelitis – The Vaccine Era

"Well, the people I would say. There is no patent. Could you patent the sun?", Jonas Salk, M.D., 1955



- Inactivated Polio Vaccine
  - Jonas Salk developed formaldehydeinactivated polio vaccine
  - This vaccine was injectable
  - Initial study was on children who had previously had polio
    - Measured increased Ab levels
  - Conducted a randomized placebocontrolled trial
    - 1:1 Aged 6 to 9 years of age
    - Coined "Polio Pioneers"



• Tragic event in which 200 cases of paralytic polio and 11 deaths were attributed to a batch of vaccine that was not inactivated

- Oral Polio Vaccine
  - Prior to WWII, Sabin had worked on live Poliovirus cultures
  - Upon his return, he was at Cincinnati, conducted autopsies on all deaths within 400 miles
    - Determined that poliovirus began by first growing in the intestinal tract
  - Sabin tested many strains and found 3 that did not cause paralysis
  - Large-scale trial conducted in Soviet Union

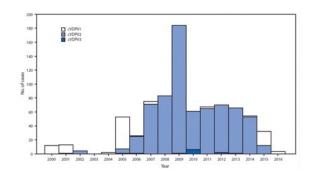
•Sabin's strains were delivered to Pfizer for mass production





### **Present Vaccines**

- Vaccine Schedule
  - 2 months, 4 months, 6-18 months and 4 through 6 years
  - Recs are for IPV or trivalent OPV
  - Final dose > 4 years of age
- Oral Polio Vaccines (OPV)
  - Trivalent (tOPV) was the staple of use in the global eradication efforts
  - Bivalent (bOPV 1,3) is the predominant vaccine in use
  - Monovalent immunizations exist
- Inactivated Polio Vaccine (IPV)
  - Protective against all virus types



- Vaccine-Derived (Associated) Paralytic Poliovirus
  - Vaccine Associated is when a spontaneous mutation occurs that leads to neurovirulence
    - 1 in 2.7 million cases
  - Derived virus slowly transforms to be more virulent
    - Occurs in areas of low immunization coverage
    - Almost all were serotype 2
  - Led to changes in U.S. and use of bilavent vaccine globally



PERSPECTIVE VIEWPOINT: COVID-19

#### Can existing live vaccines prevent COVID-19?

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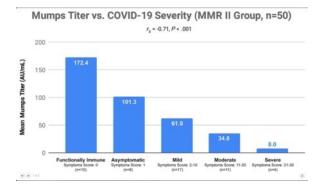
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#### BCG vaccination history associates with decreased SARS-CoV-2 seroprevalence across a diverse cohort of health care workers

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### Immunization Contraindications and Precautions

Vaccine	Contraindications	Precautions
MMR	<ol> <li>Severe reaction of anaphylaxis after previous dose</li> <li>Pregnancy</li> <li>Known severe immunodeficiency</li> <li>Family history of altered immunocompetence</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Receipt of antibody containing blood products (≤ 11 months)</li> <li>History of thrombocytopenia or thrombocytopenic purpura</li> <li>Need for tuberculin skin testing or interferon-gamma release assay (IGRA) testing</li> <li>Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever</li> </ol>
DTaP	<ol> <li>Severe reaction of anaphylaxis after previous dose</li> <li>Encephalopathy within 7 days of a previous dose with no other source</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Progressive neurologic disorder, including infantile spasms, uncontrolled epilepsy, progressive encephalopathy</li> <li>Guillain-Barre Syndrome &lt; 6 weeks after previous dose of tetanus-toxoid–containing vaccine</li> <li>History of Arthus-type hypersensitivity reactions after a previous dose of diphtheria-toxoid–containing or tetanus- toxoid–containing vaccine</li> <li>Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever</li> </ol>
IPV	1. Severe reaction of anaphylaxis after previous dose	<ol> <li>Pregnancy</li> <li>Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever</li> </ol>
Varicella	<ol> <li>Severe reaction of anaphylaxis after previous dose</li> <li>Pregnancy</li> <li>Known severe immunodeficiency</li> <li>Family history of altered immunocompetence</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Receipt of antibody containing blood products (≤ 11 months)</li> <li>Receipt of specific antiviral drugs (acyclovir, famciclovir, or valacyclovir) 24 hours before vaccination; avoid use for 14 days following immunization</li> <li>Use of aspirin or aspirin containing products</li> <li>Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever</li> </ol>







- Childhood vaccines have decreased the morbidity and mortality of children globally.
- Clinicians must be cognizant of the clinical presentation of vaccine- preventable diseases (VPD) in order recognize them in outbreak settings.
  - Particularly important for DoD personnel who may deploy to any setting
  - Clinicians need to understand both local and global epidemiology of VPD
- Immunizations are safe but they do have important adverse events which need to be monitored.



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- 7. If you require further support, please contact us at dha.ncr.j7.mbx.cepo-cms-support@mail.mil

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