



Approaches towards new meningococcal vaccines

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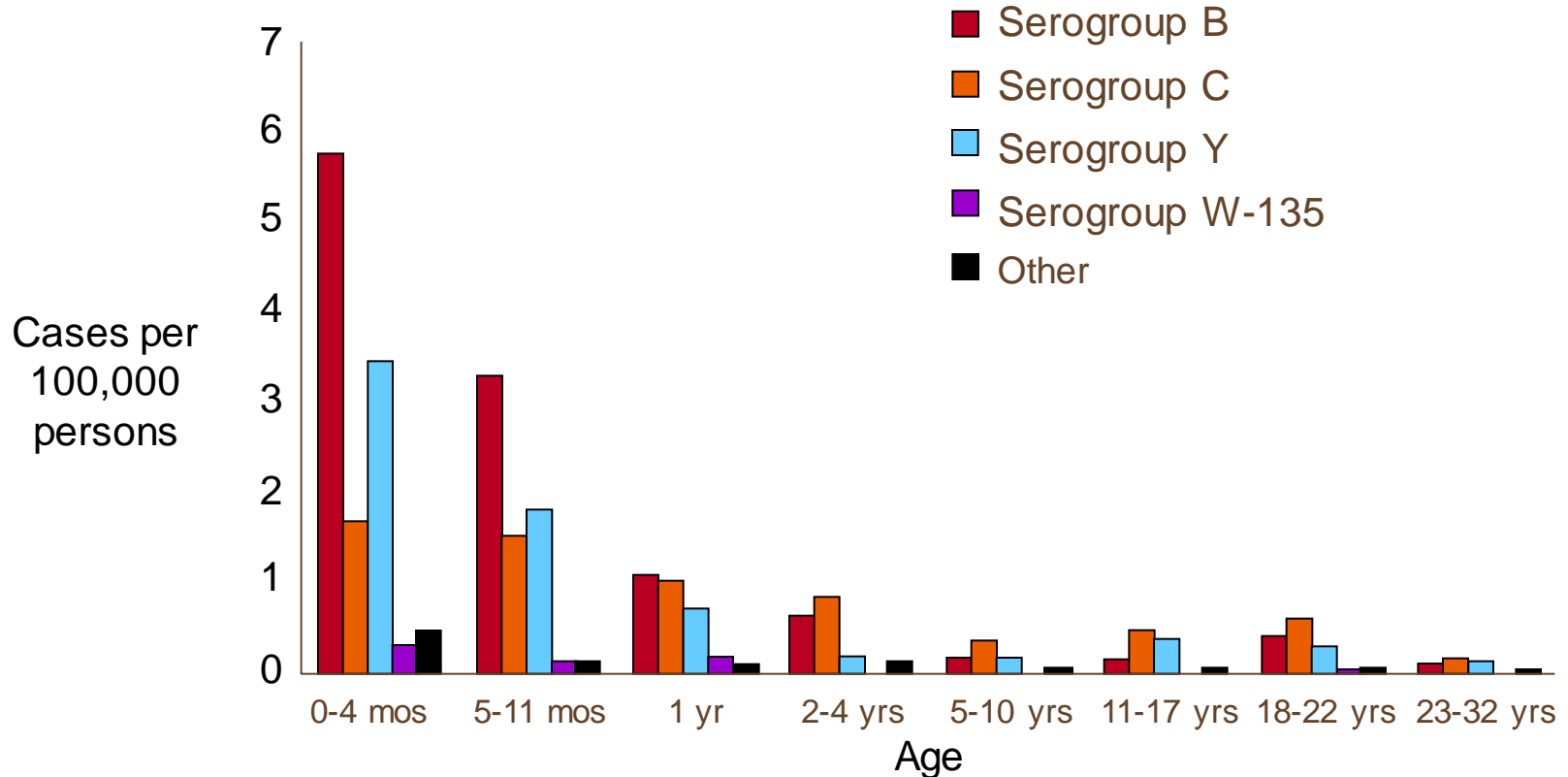
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Age- and Serogroup-Specific Meningococcal Disease Incidence

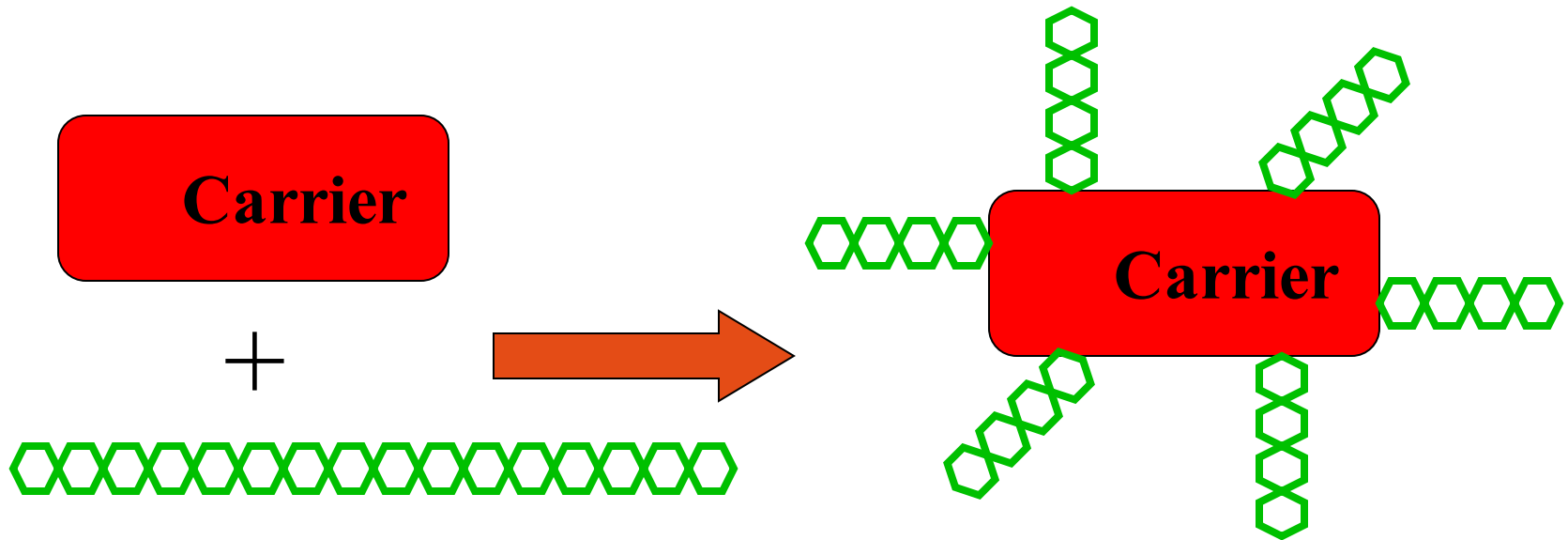
United States, 1993–2002



Invasive Meningococcal Disease has serious consequences and impacts on highly vulnerable populations: infants and adolescents

- Mortality high despite treatment
- Sequelae in 11 - 19% of survivors (amputations, hearing loss, skin scarring)
- Bimodal pattern of disease
 - Peak incidence in infants < 6 months of age; mortality 8%
 - 2nd peak incidence in adolescents; mortality ~20%

Polysaccharides and conjugates



Plain capsular polysaccharide:

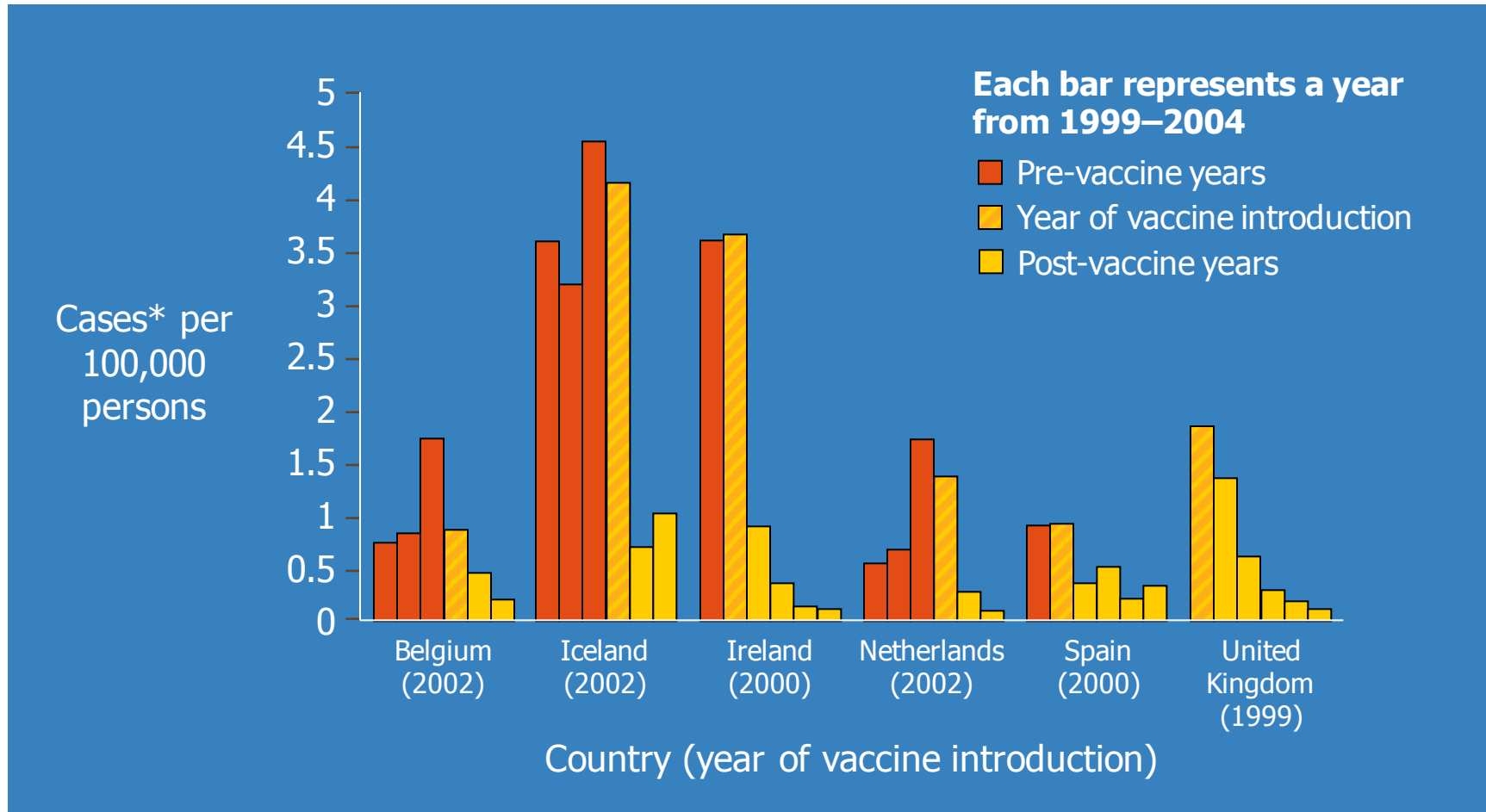
- ✓ No response in < 18 mo-olds
- ✓ No immunological memory
- ✓ No boosting response

Conjugated vaccine:

- ✓ Good response in infants
- ✓ Good immunological memory
- ✓ Good boosting response

Impact of an Immunization Campaign Using Serogroup C Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine

Europe

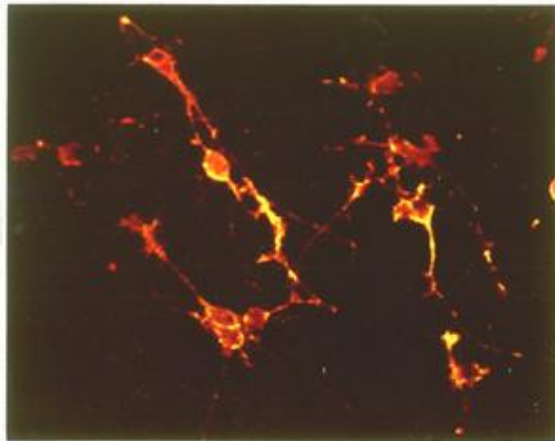
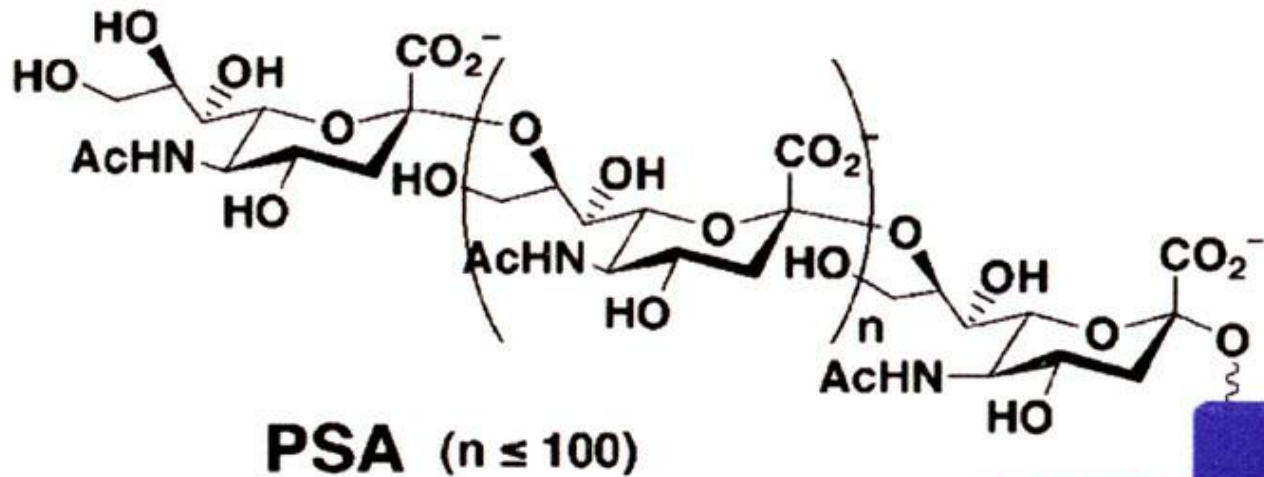


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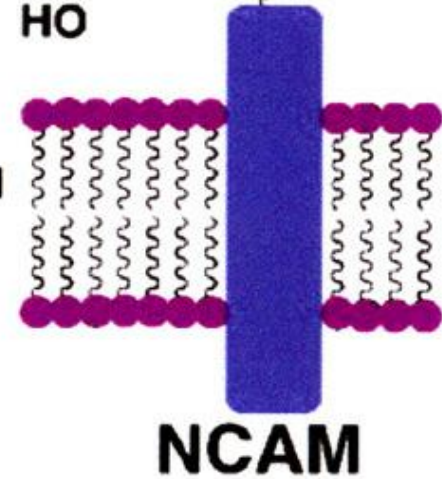
Status of the vaccines needed for elimination of bacterial meningitis

<i>Pathogen</i>	<i>Status of the vaccine</i>
Hib	Available
Pneumococcus	Available
MenA, MenC and MenCY	Available
MenA, Men C, MenY, MenW	Available
MenB	Trials and tribulations !

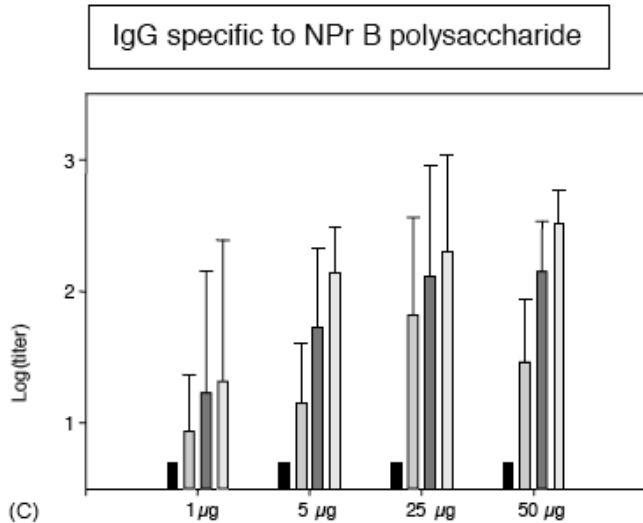
MenB capsular polysaccharide is a self antigen



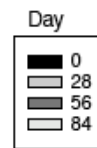
Neuron or tumor cell
membrane



Poor immunogenicity of NPr MenB PS in humans



N-Propionyl MenB PS conjugated to TT and given 3 x at 4 wks intervals at 1, 5, 25, 50 µg



IgG response

But not functional (bactericidal) antibodies

Participant number

Bactericidal titres^a

M986 strain

H44/76 strain

With rabbit complement

With human complement

With human complement

Day 0

Day 84

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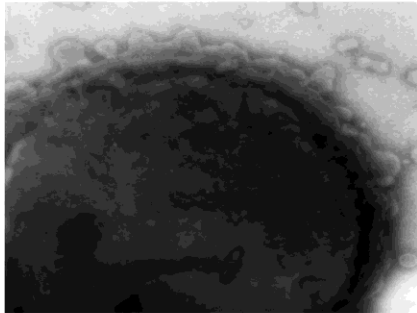
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Bruge et al *Vaccine* **22**: 1087-96, 2004

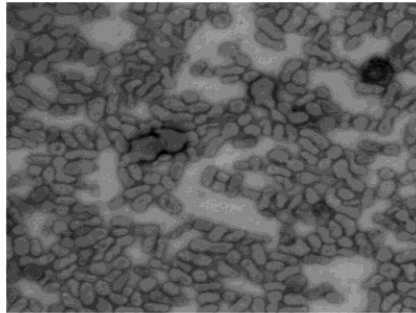
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OMV vaccine preparation

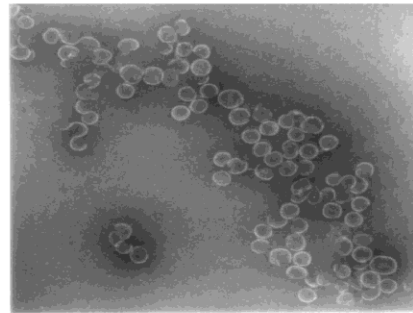
Bactericidal (= protective) antibody primarily **directed at PorA strain-specific**



**“blebbing”
meningococcus**

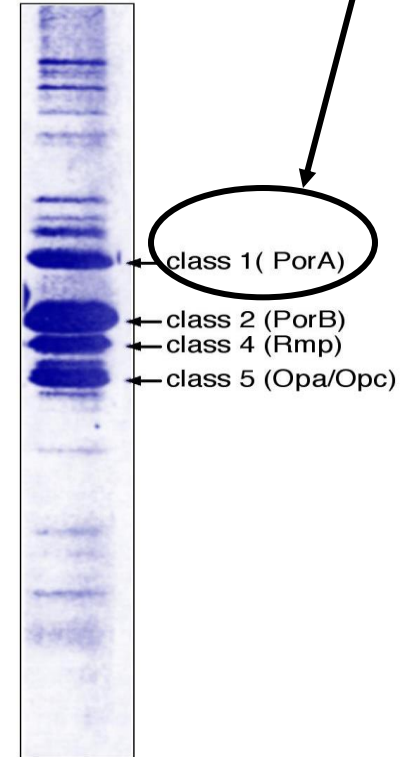


extracted OMV vesicles



**purified
LPS-depleted OMV**

OMPs



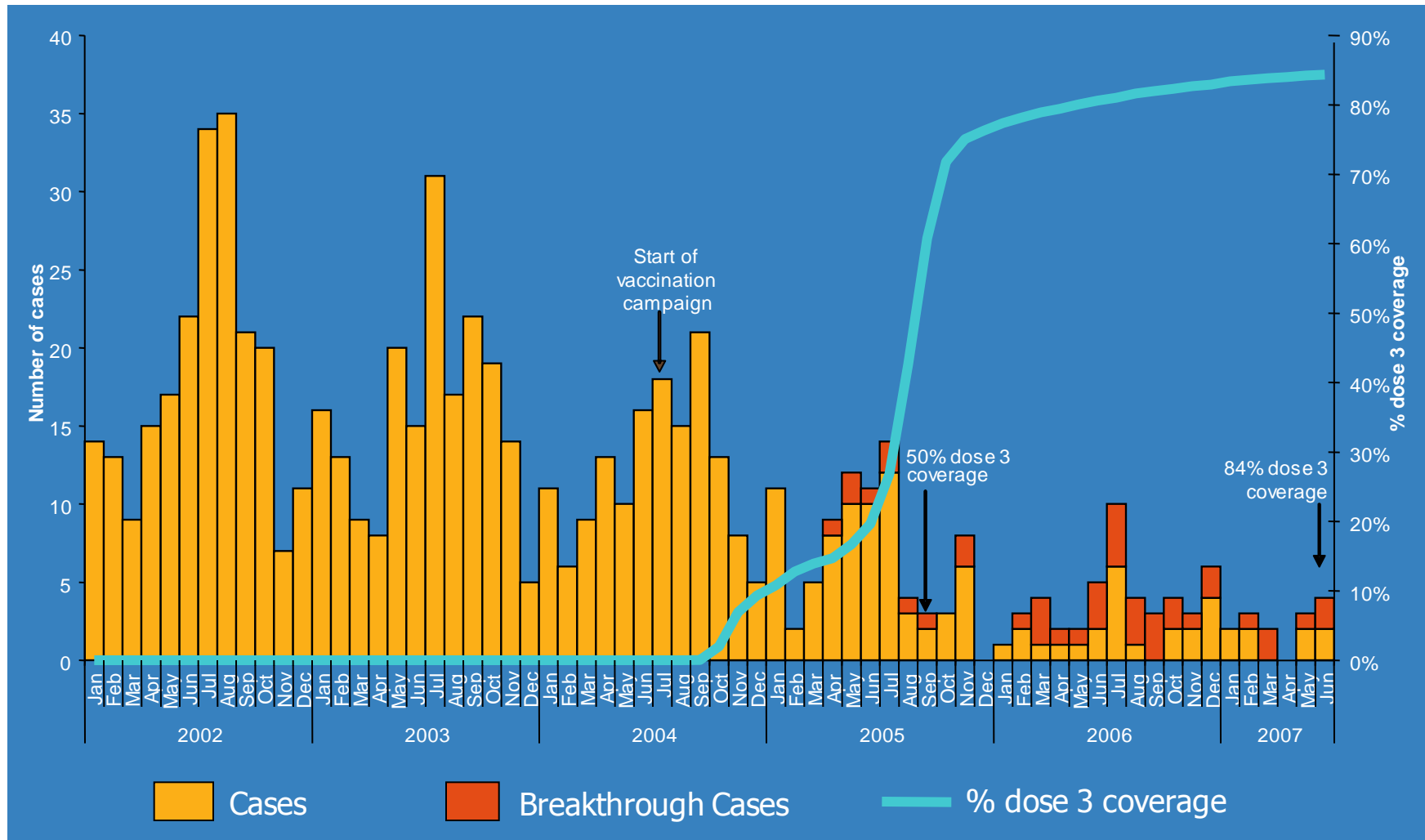
SDS PAGE of OMVs

Three doses of OMV vaccines induce good bactericidal titers against the homologous strain at all ages. No or low titers against heterologous strain in infants and children.

Bactericidal responses (percentages)

Strain	Norwegian vaccine			Cuban vaccine		
	<i>Infants</i>	<i>Children</i>	<i>Adults</i>	<i>Infants</i>	<i>Children</i>	<i>Adults</i>
Chilean	12	35	60	10	31	37
Cuban	2	24	46	90	78	67
Norwegian	98	98	96	31	41	56

Successful program using PorA tailor made OMV vaccine against serogroup B meningococcal disease: *New Zealand*



Martin D, et al. The Epidemiology of Meningococcal Disease in New Zealand in 2006. Report prepared for the Ministry of Health by the Institute of Environmental Science and Research Limited (ESR). Wellington: Ministry of Health. Unpublished 2007 data.

NspA

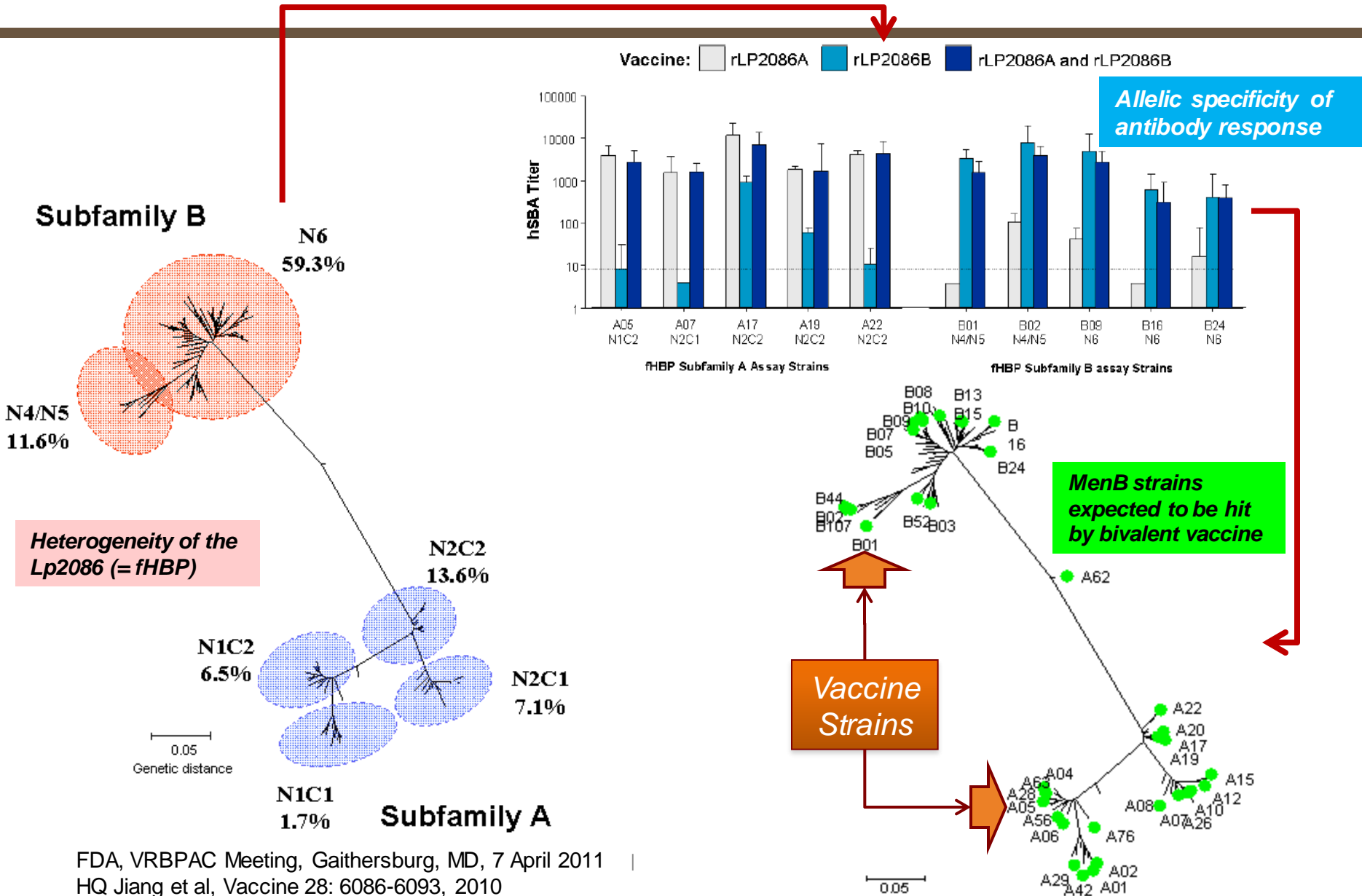
- Neisserial surface protein A (NspA) is a conserved, surface-exposed outer membrane protein of *Neisseria meningitidis* shown to induce a bactericidal antibody response in animals
- Healthy 18-50-year-old adults were assigned to receive, in a dose escalating manner, 3 doses of 1 of 5 formulations of an experimental, unfolded, recombinant NspA (rNspA) vaccine
- An antibody rise measured by enzyme immunoassay was elicited with a dose-related increase that reached a maximum with the 125 µg dose.
- **No bactericidal antibodies were detected after any of the rNspA formulations**

Geometric mean anti-rNspA antibody after one dose of Menomune® or each of three doses of rNspA or placebo

Study	Vaccine formulation	Geometric mean antibody level (95% confidence interval)			
		Pre-immunization	Post-dose 1	Post-dose 2	Post-dose 3
Bactericidal assay					
A	Menomune®	1.74 (0.73–4.15) [§]	1.74 (0.73–4.15)	–	–
	Placebo	1.23 (0.77–1.97)	–	–	1.23 (0.77–1.97)
	RNspA 7 µg	1.23 (0.77–1.97)	–	–	1.23 (0.77–1.97)
	RNspA 35 µg	1.49 (0.93–2.41)	–	–	1.67 (1.00–2.77)
	RNspA 105 µg	1.49 (0.93–2.41)	–	–	1.86 (1.09–3.17)
B	Placebo	2.11 (0.87–5.13)	–	–	1.76 (0.74–4.17)
	RNspA 125 µg	1.00 (1.00–1.00)	–	–	1.21 (0.92–1.59)
	RNspA 250 µg	1.00 (1.00–1.00)	–	–	1.09 (0.91–1.32)

Halperin et al, *Vaccine* **25**:450-457, 2007

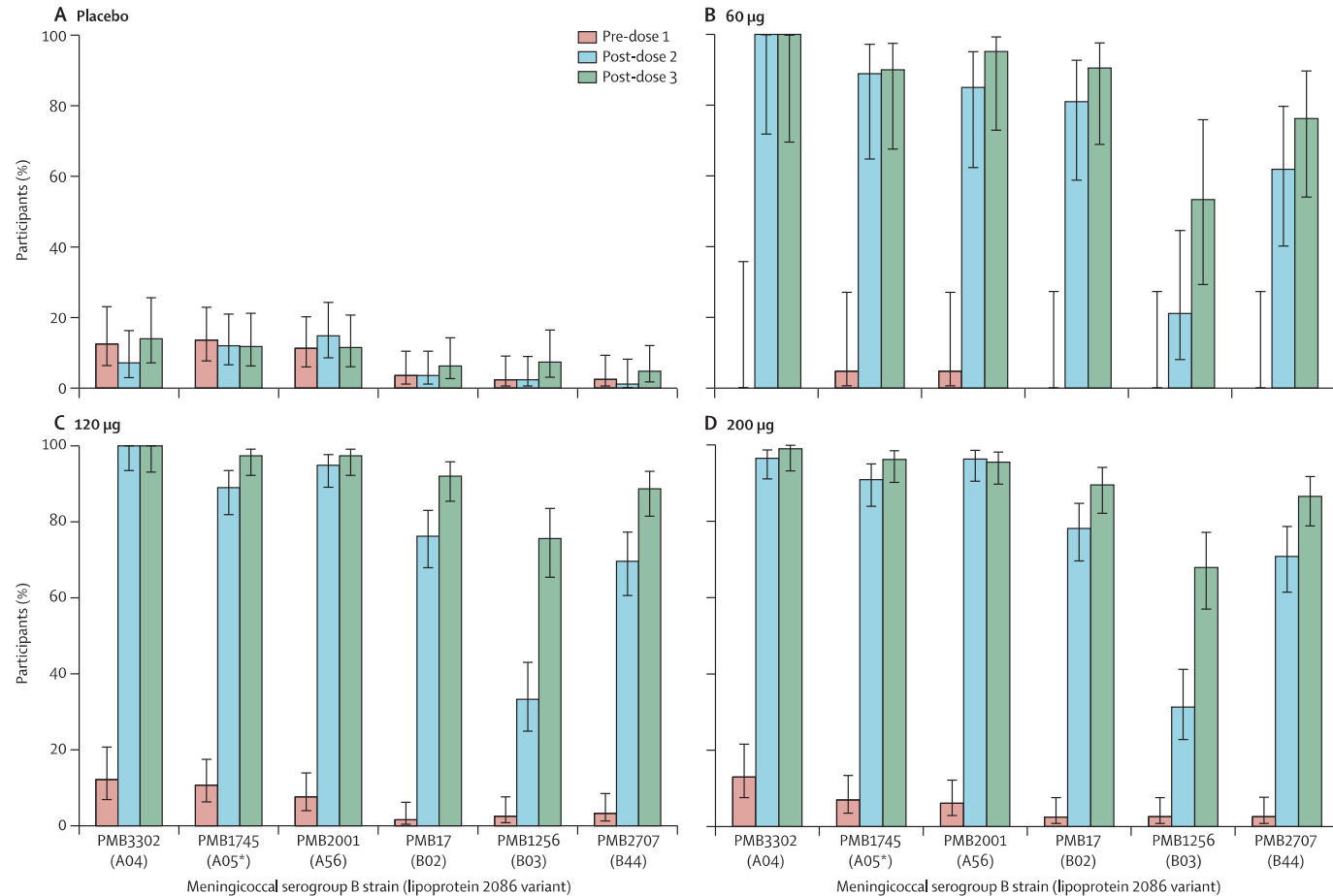
Lp2086 (= fHBP)



Immunogenicity of Lp2086 vaccine in adolescents

Percentage of subjects with detectable bactericidal antibodies

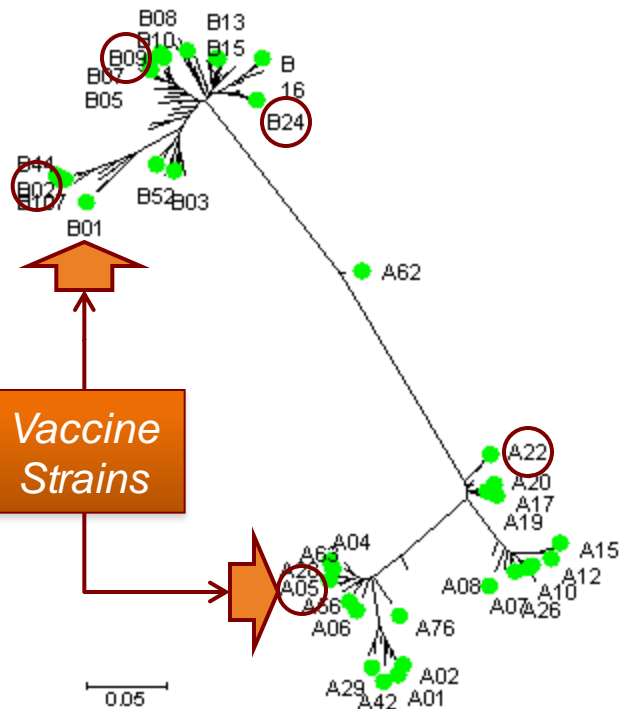
- Well conserved surface exposed lipoprotein. Two main alleles (A and B)
- Candidate vaccine: rec Lp2086 allele A and rec Lp2086 allele B with aluminium phosphate, three times IM (0, 1, and 6 months) to 18-25 years old subjects at dosages of 60 µg, 120 µg or 200 µg of each protein



...and in 8-14 yr-old children

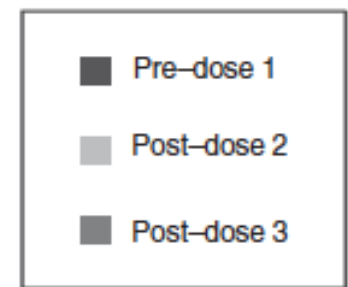
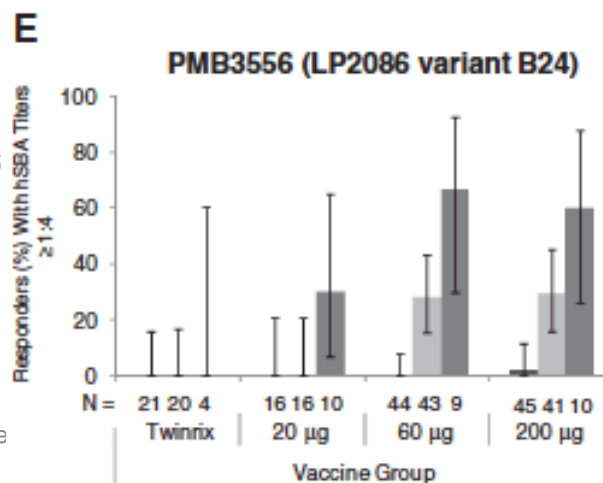
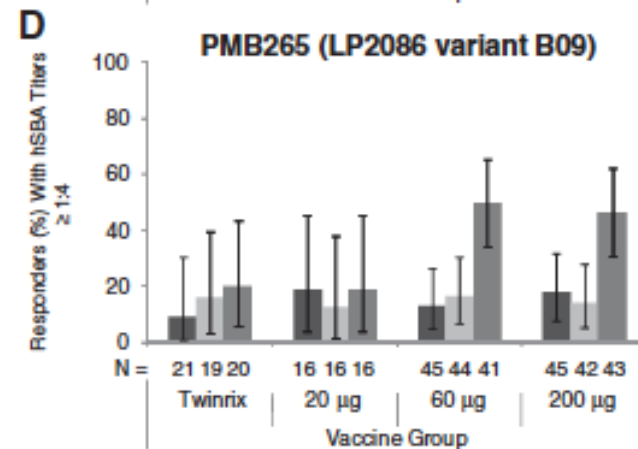
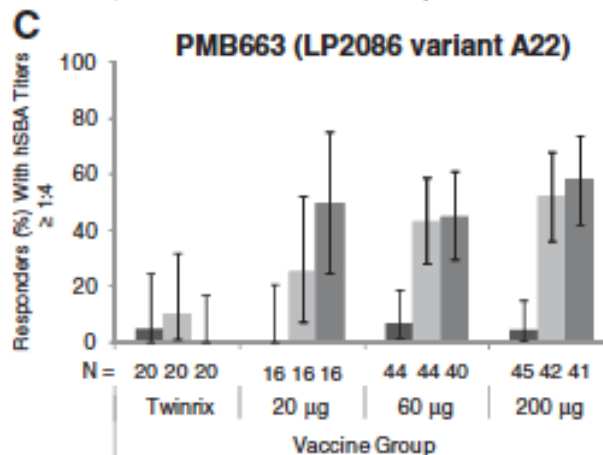
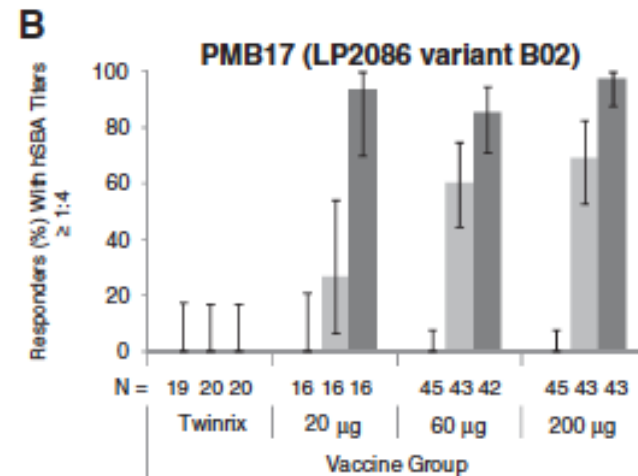
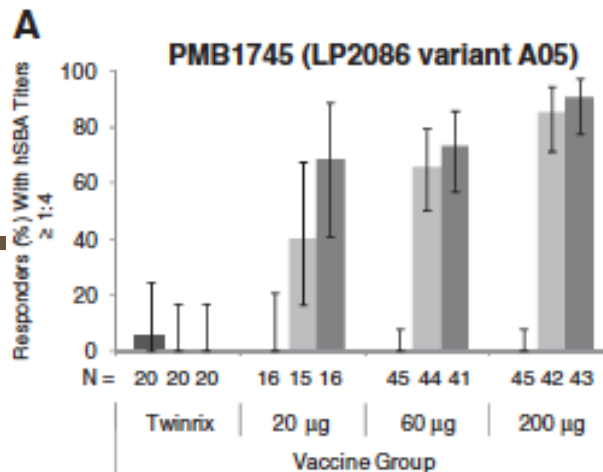
Randomized, observer-blinded phase III study

- 127 healthy 8-14 year-old children
- Vaccine (var. A05 + var. B01) given at 0, 1 and 6 months



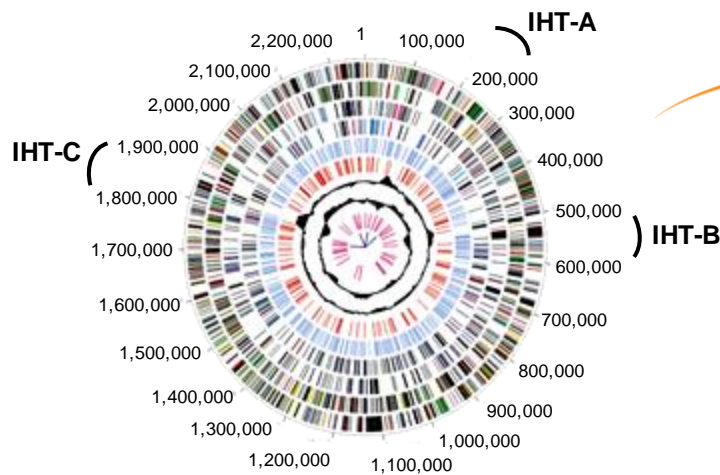
Nissen et al, *Pediatr Infect Dis J* 32: 364-371, 2013

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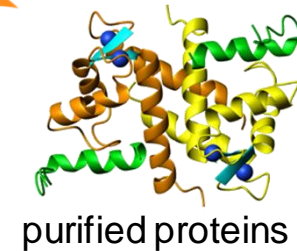
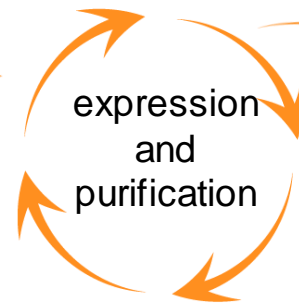


Novel Antigens Identified by Reverse Vaccinology: Example of MenB

Based on the genome sequence of MC58,
570 ORFs that potentially encoded novel surface
exposed or exported proteins were identified

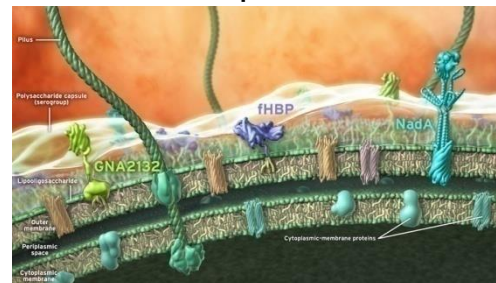


~**350** proteins successfully expressed in
Escherichia coli, purified, and used to
immunize mice



immunizations

Sera used to confirm
surface exposure of
novel proteins



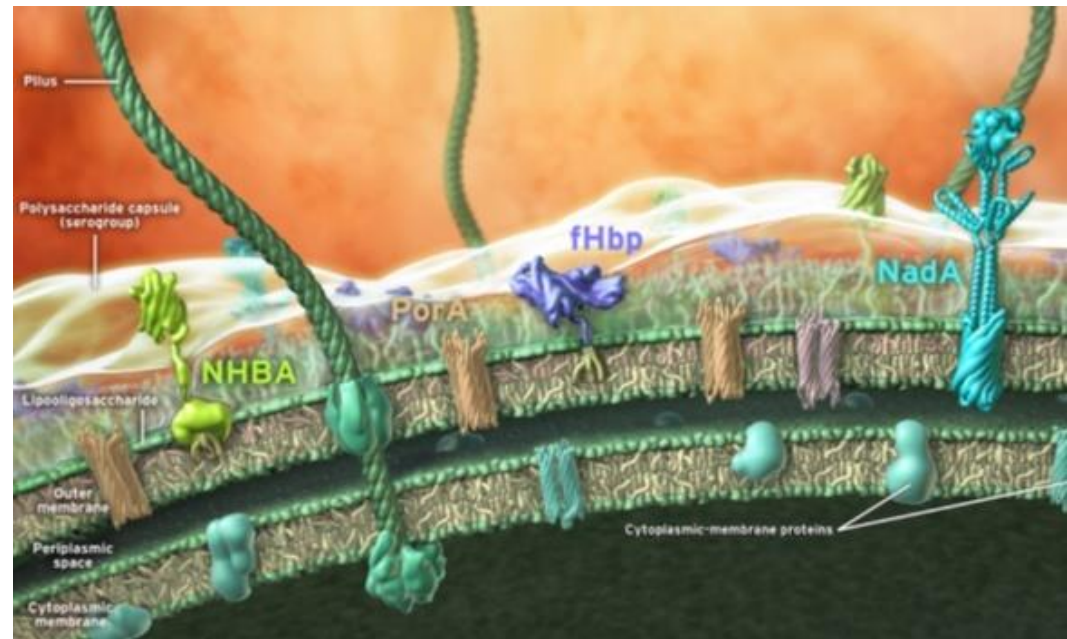
28 novel protein
antigens with
bactericidal activity
were identified

ORF = open reading frame.

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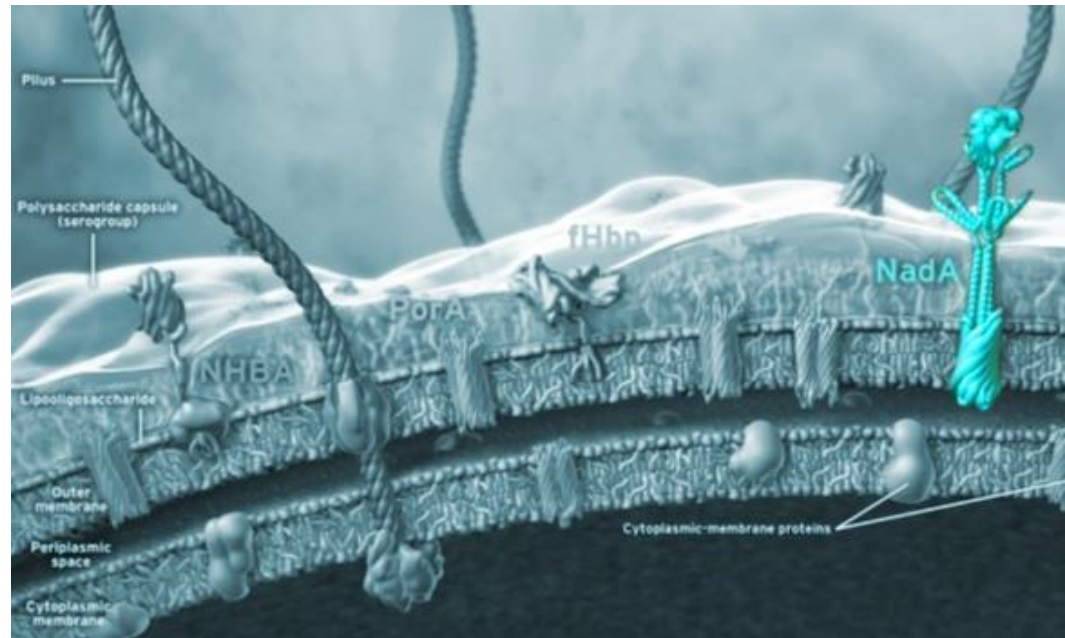
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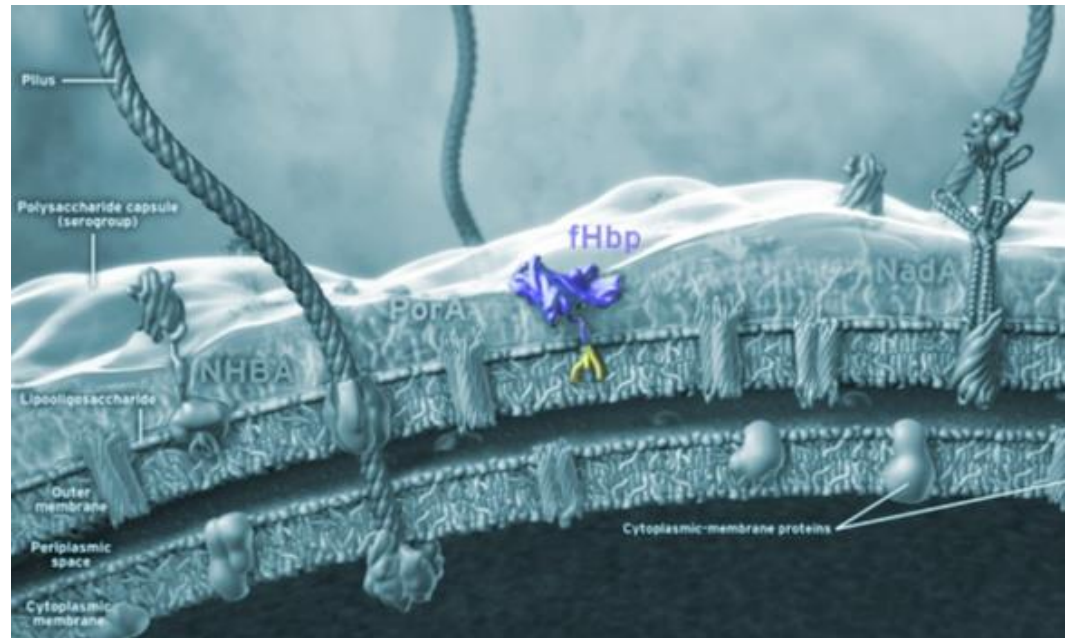
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= Lp2086

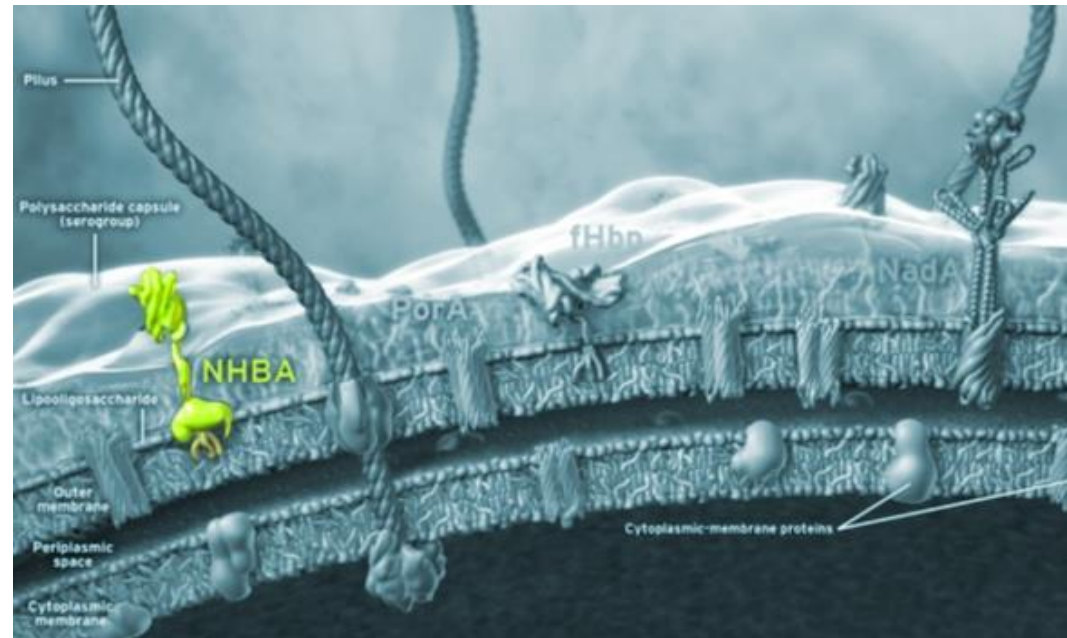


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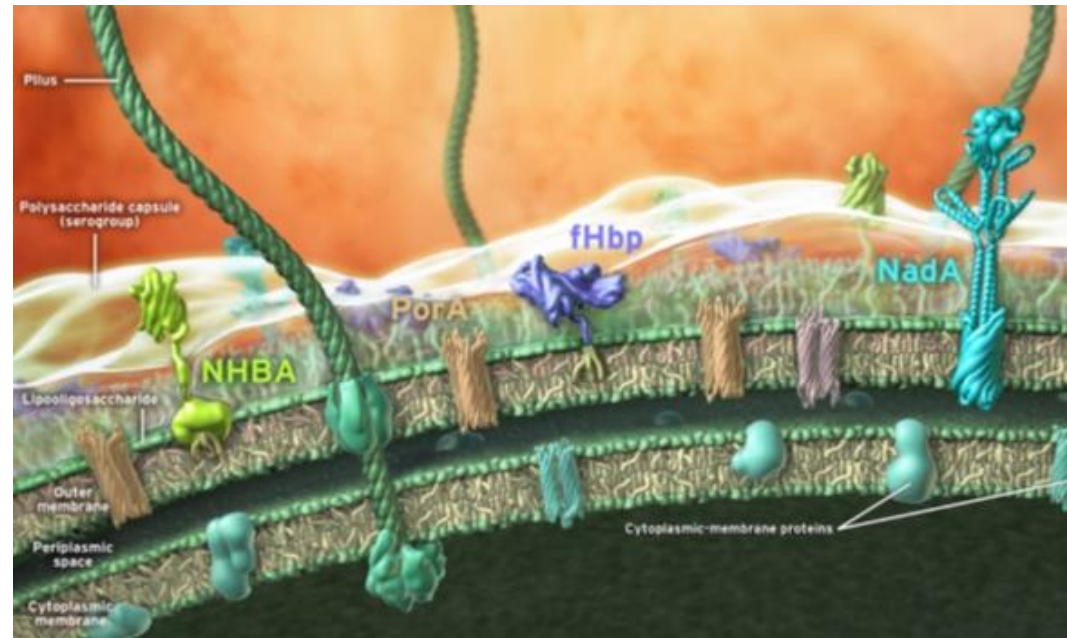


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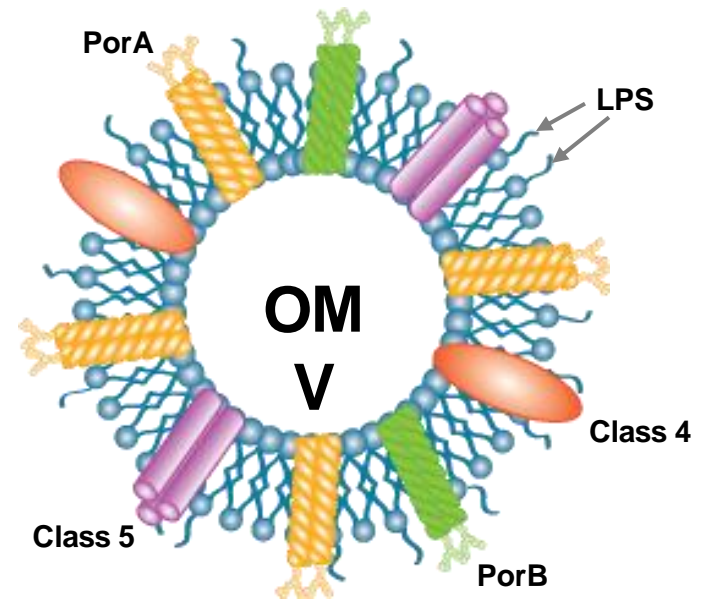
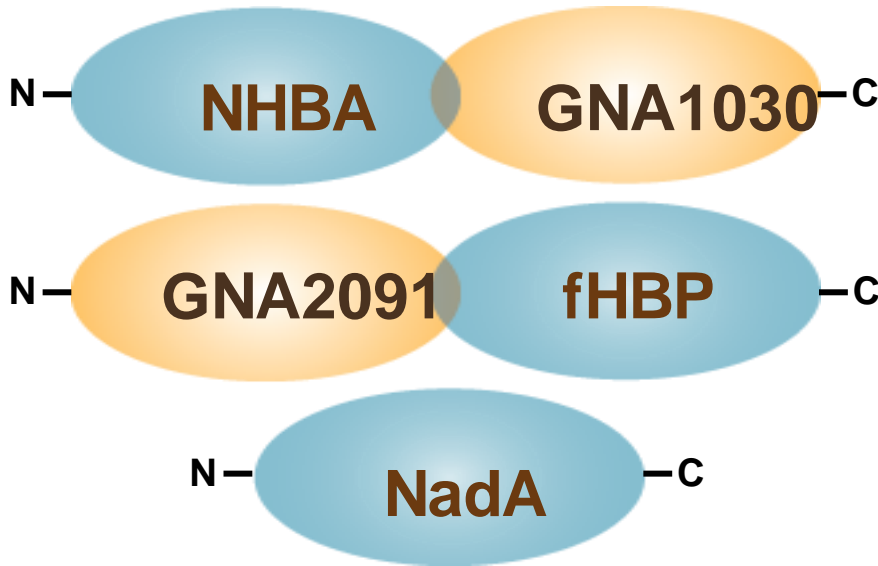
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 - Provides broad coverage
 - Maintains coverage against emergence of escape mutants



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4CMenB Vaccine Composition

- Three protein antigens (two fusion proteins and one single polypeptide)
- Outer Membrane Vesicle (OMV) component (NZ PorA is P1.4)





- 4CMenB is a suspension for injection

Dose	NHBA-GNA1030	fHBP-GNA2091	NadA	OMV	Al ³⁺
0.5ml	50 µg	50 µg	50 µg	25 µg	0.5 mg

Rationale for Multicomponent 4CMenB Vaccine

- Provide broad coverage in all age groups
- Minimize potential for escape mutants
- Induce synergistic bactericidal activities with multiple target antigens
- Include OMV:
 - Contains PorA, an important antigen
 - Induced protective immunity in all age groups in New Zealand
 - Provided coverage of hypervirulent clonal complex (41/44; Lineage 3)
 - Proven effective in clinical trials

Predicted Serogroup B Strain Coverage of the 4CMenB Vaccine by Country

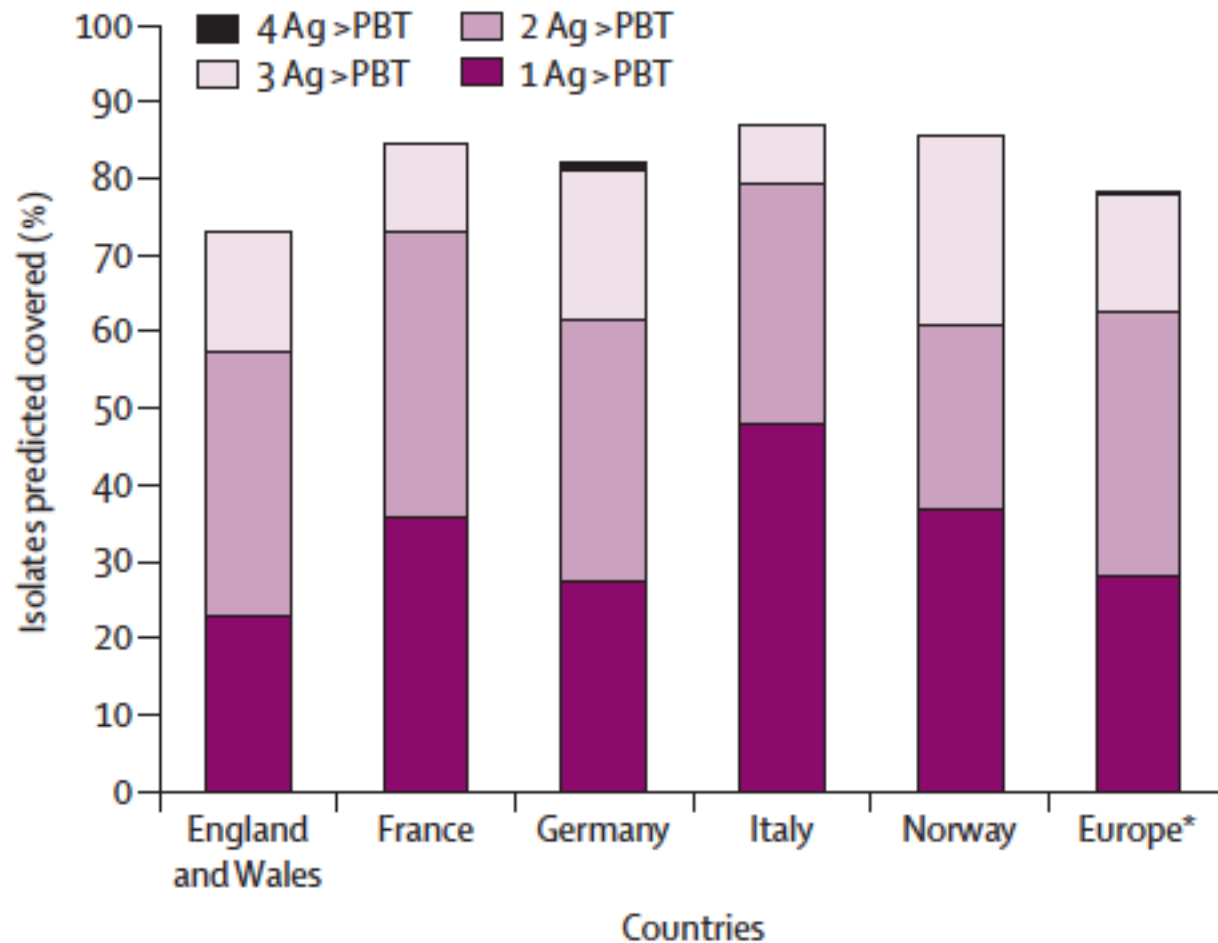
Country	Years	No. of strains	Predicted coverage (95% CI)
United States ¹ 	2000–2008 [†]	442	91% (72%–96%)
Greece ² 	2008–2010	52	88% (60%–96%)
Italy ³ 	2007/8*	54	87% (70%–93%)
Norway ³ 	2007/8*	41	85% (76%–98%)
France ³ 	2007/8*	200	85% (69%–93%)
Germany ³ 	2007/8*	222	82% (69%–92%)
Brazil ⁴ 	2010 [‡]	99	81% (71%–95%)
Australia ⁵ 	2007–2011	373	76% (63%–87%)
Czech Republic ³ 	2007–2010	108	74% (58%–87%)
England & Wales ³ 	2007/8*	535	73% (57%–87%)
Spain ³ 	2008–2010	300	69% (48%–85%)
Canada ⁶ 	2006–2009	157	66% (46%–78%)

*All invasive capsular group B isolates tested. [†]Downweighted with respect to outbreak strains from Oregon.

[‡]Represents about 53% of capsular group B cases.

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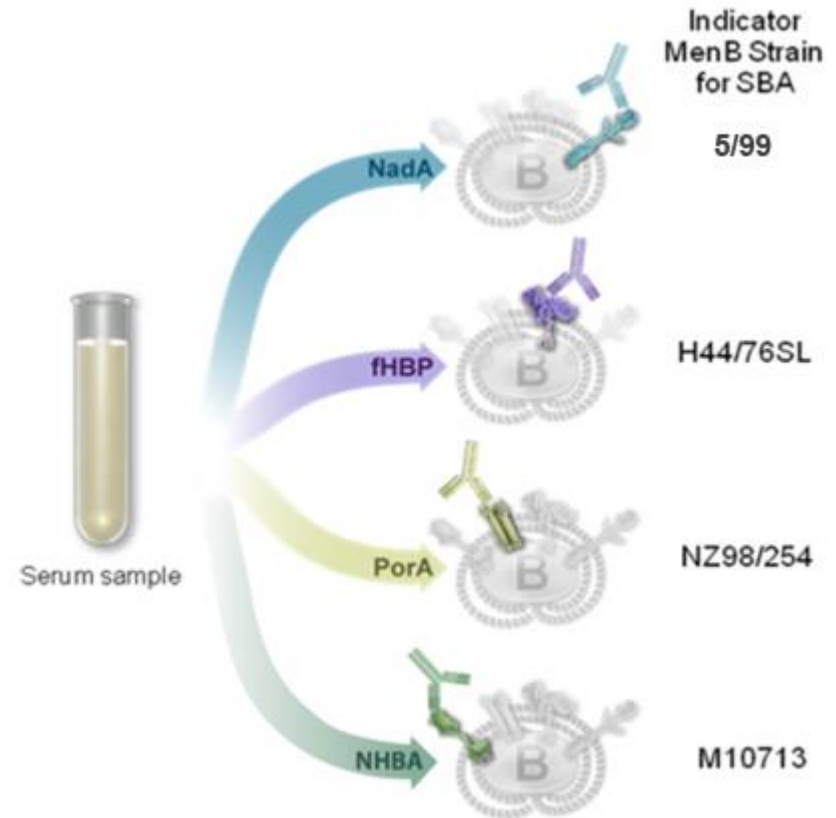
Percentage of strains predicted to be covered by no. of antigens and by country



Vogel et al, *Lancet Infect Dis* **13**: 416-425, 2013

Strain Panel for Demonstrating Antigen-specific Bactericidal Responses

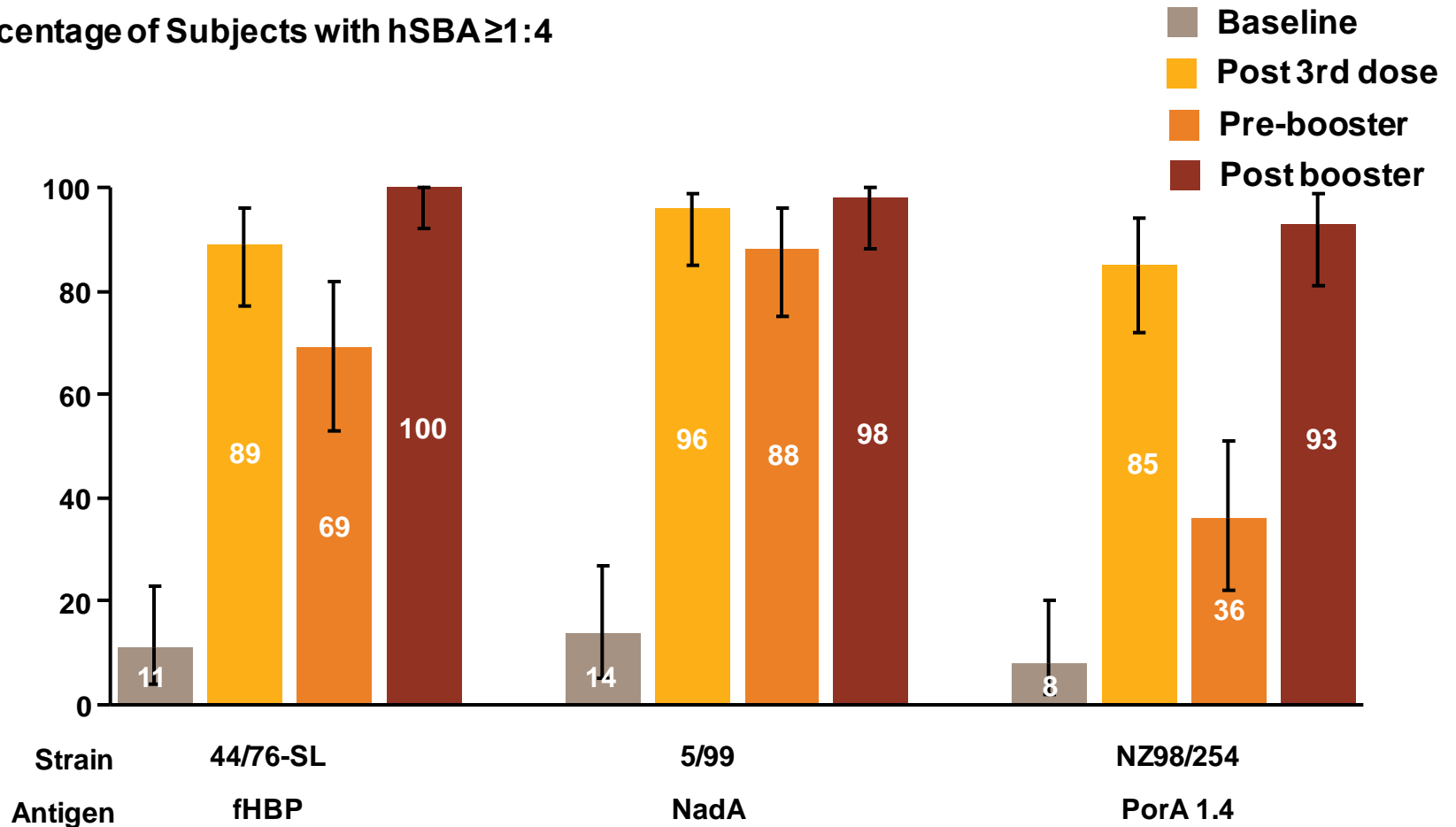
- **NadA:** 5/99, NadA allele 2
- **fHbp:** H44/76, variant 1.1
- **OMV:** NZ98/254, source of OMV and therefore matched to PorA and also the other OMV components
- **NHBA:** M10713, variant 10 (vaccine is variant 2)



hSBA Titers $\geq 1:4$ After 3 Doses of Novartis MenB Vaccine and Persistence to 12 Months of Age

Phase II Immunogenicity in Infants

Percentage of Subjects with hSBA $\geq 1:4$



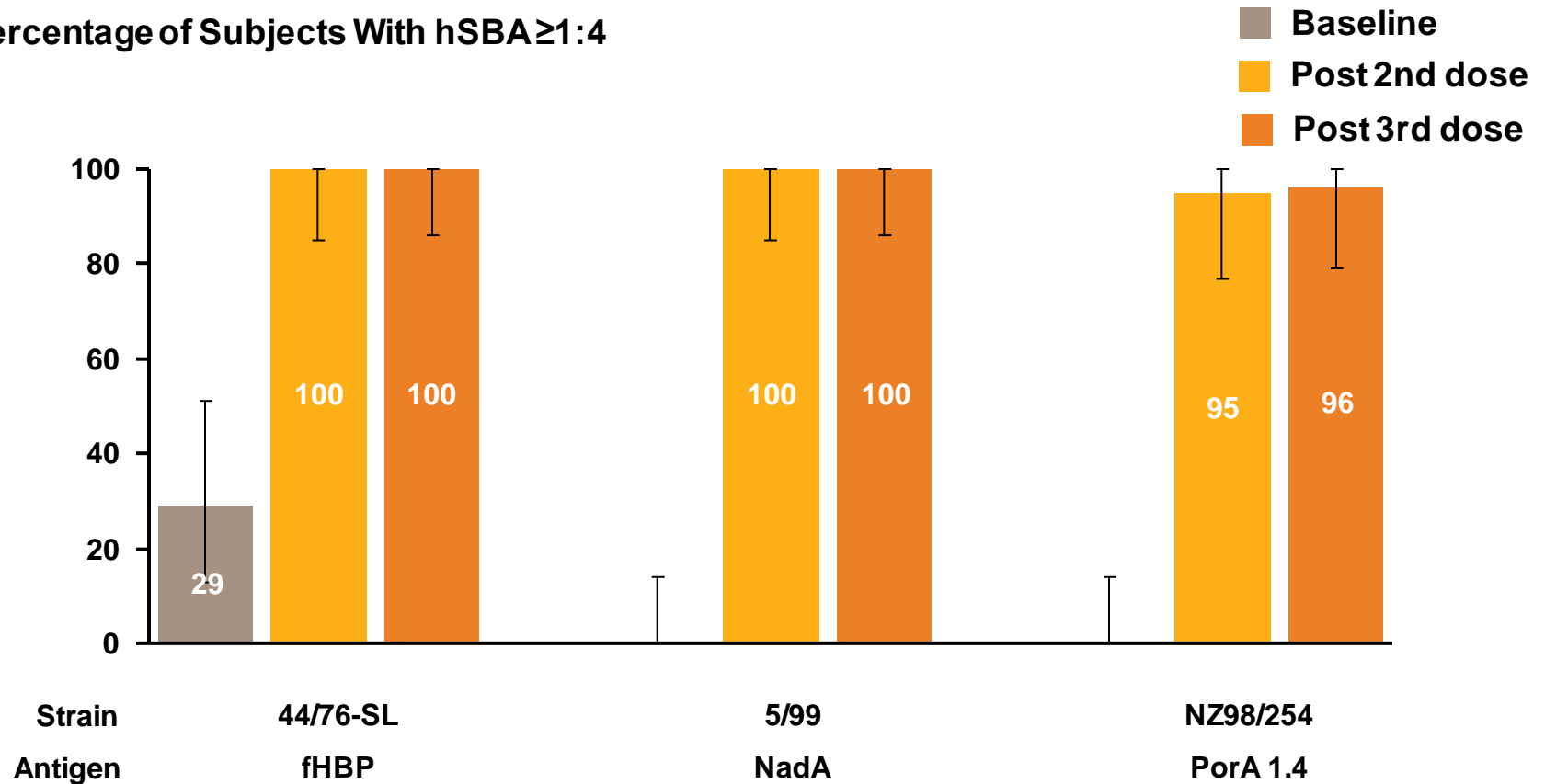
MenB vaccine = rMenB + OMV.

Findlow et al, *Clin. Infect Dis* 51: 1127-1137, 2010.

hSBA Titers $\geq 1:4$ After 2nd and 3rd Doses of Novartis MenB Vaccine

Phase II Immunogenicity in Infants 6-8 Months of Age

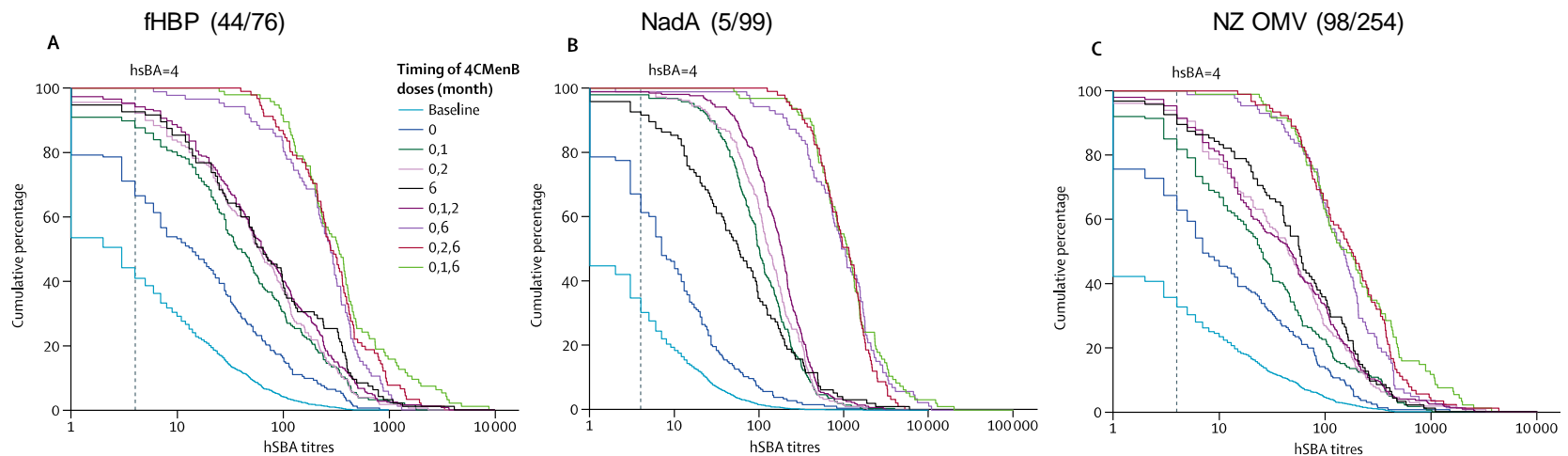
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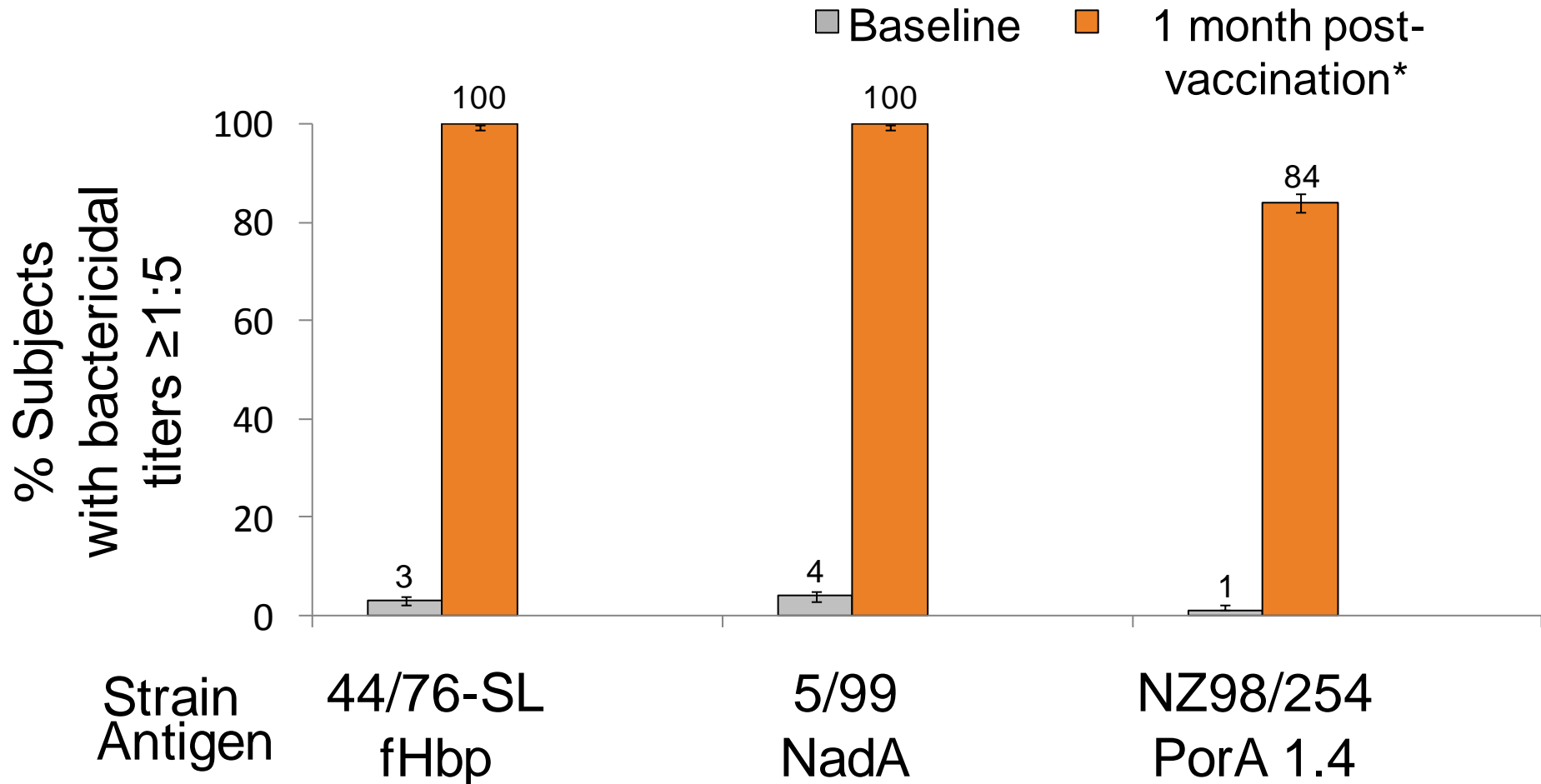
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Immunogenicity of 4CMenB vaccine (Novartis) in adolescents. Bactericidal antibody responses



Santolaya et al, Lancet 379: 617-624, 2012

Percentage of Infants with Bactericidal Titers $\geq 1:5$ After a Primary Series of 4CMenB* at 2, 4, and 6 Months of Age



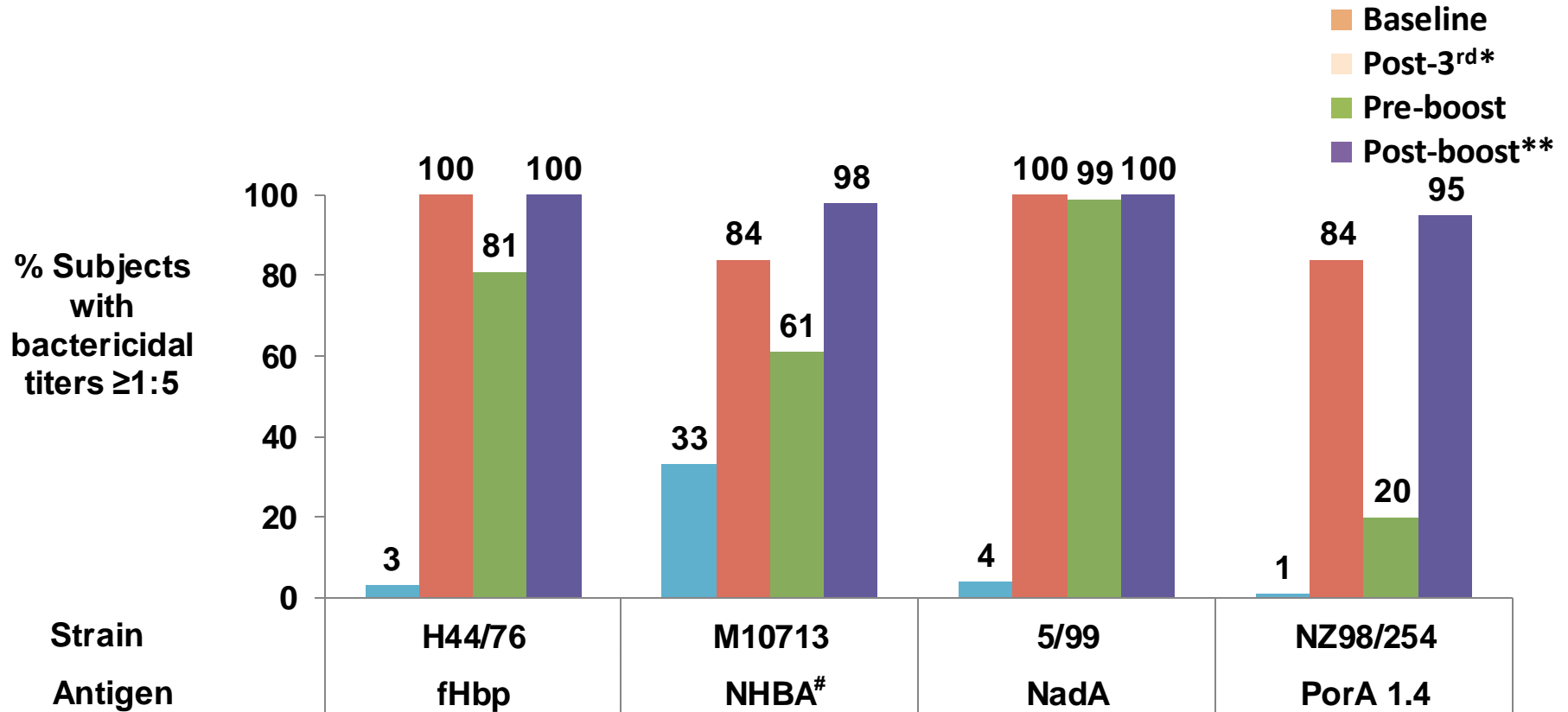
*Blood drawn at age 7 months, N=1149-1152;

Coadministered with PCV7 and DTPa-IPV/IPV/Hib

Vesikari et al, Lancet 381: 825-835, 2013

Each Component of 4CMenB Induces a Robust Antigen-specific Bactericidal Response

Infants immunized at 2, 4, 6 and 12 months of age in European Ph III



* Blood drawn at 7 months, N-1149-1152

** Blood drawn at 13 months, N-421-424

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N=100

Vesikari et al, Lancet 381: 825-835, 2013

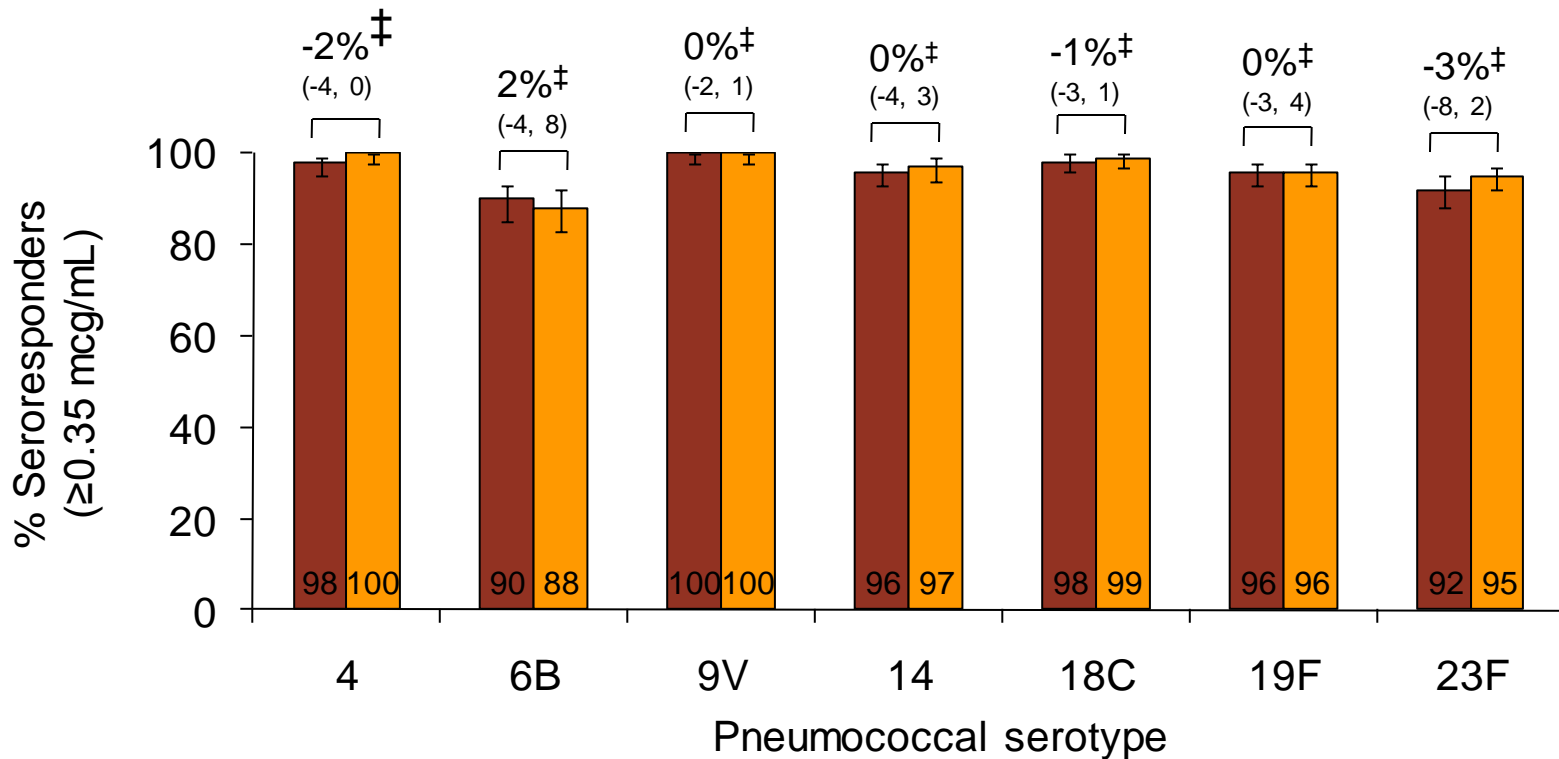
Phase III Study in Infants

Pneumococcal Seroreponse After Routine Vaccines

Coadministered With 4CMenB or Routine Vaccines Alone in Infants

4CMenB plus routine or routine alone given at 2, 4, and 6 months*

■ 4CMenB plus routine vaccines*[†]
 ■ Routine vaccines alone*[†]



* Routine vaccines: Infanrix-Hexa™; Prevenar™.

[†]n=242-243.

[‡]Criteria met for LL 95% CI > -10% for difference in percent of responders.

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 Blood drawn at 7 months.

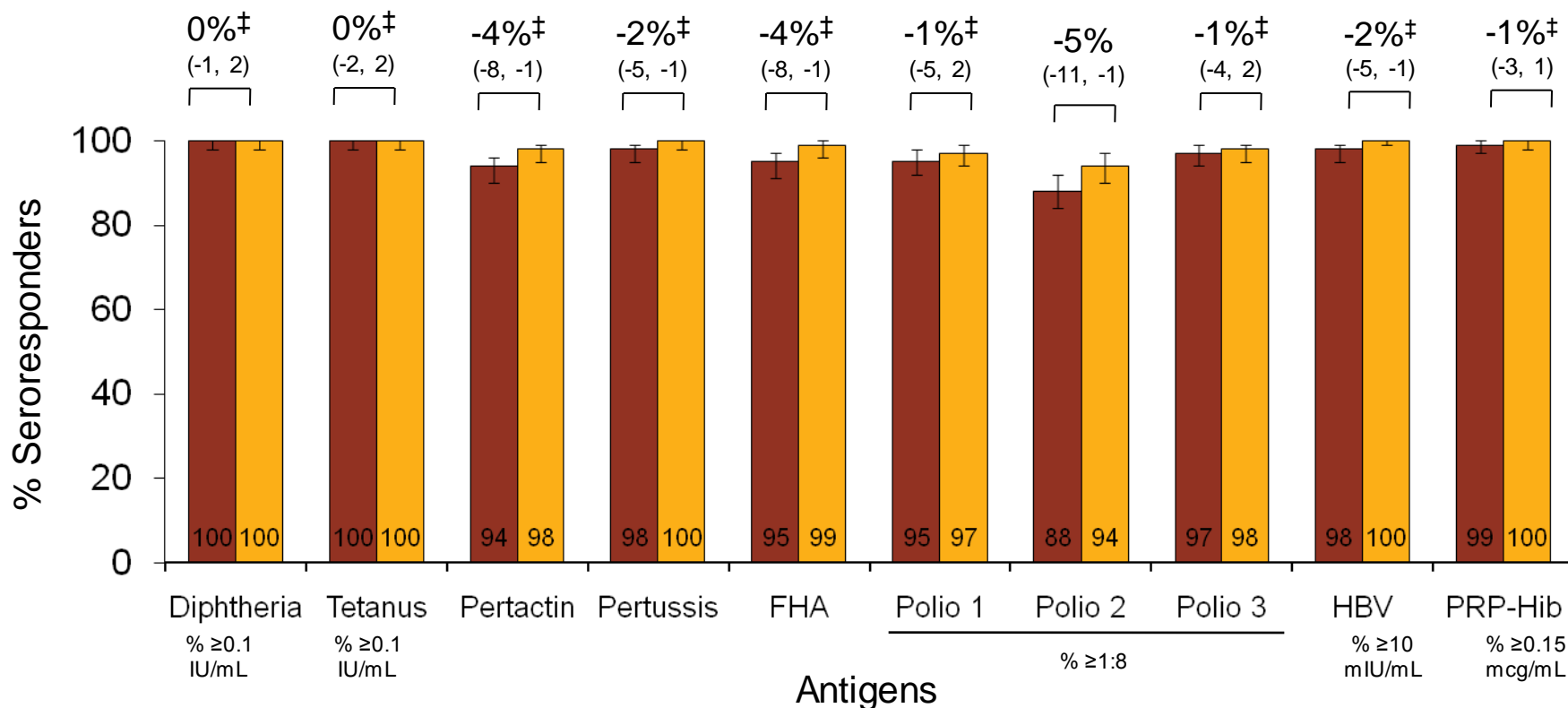
Gossger et al, JAMA 307: 573-582, 2012

Phase III Study in Infants

Immunogenicity of Routine Infant Vaccines Given With or Without 4CMenB

4CMenB plus routine or routine alone given at 2, 4, and 6 months*

■ 4CMenB plus routine vaccines*†
 ■ Routine vaccines alone*†



* Routine vaccines: Infanrix-Hexa™; Prevenar™.

†n=238-248.

‡Criteria met for LL 95% CI for difference in seroresponders > -10%.

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Gossger et al, JAMA 307: 573-582, 2012



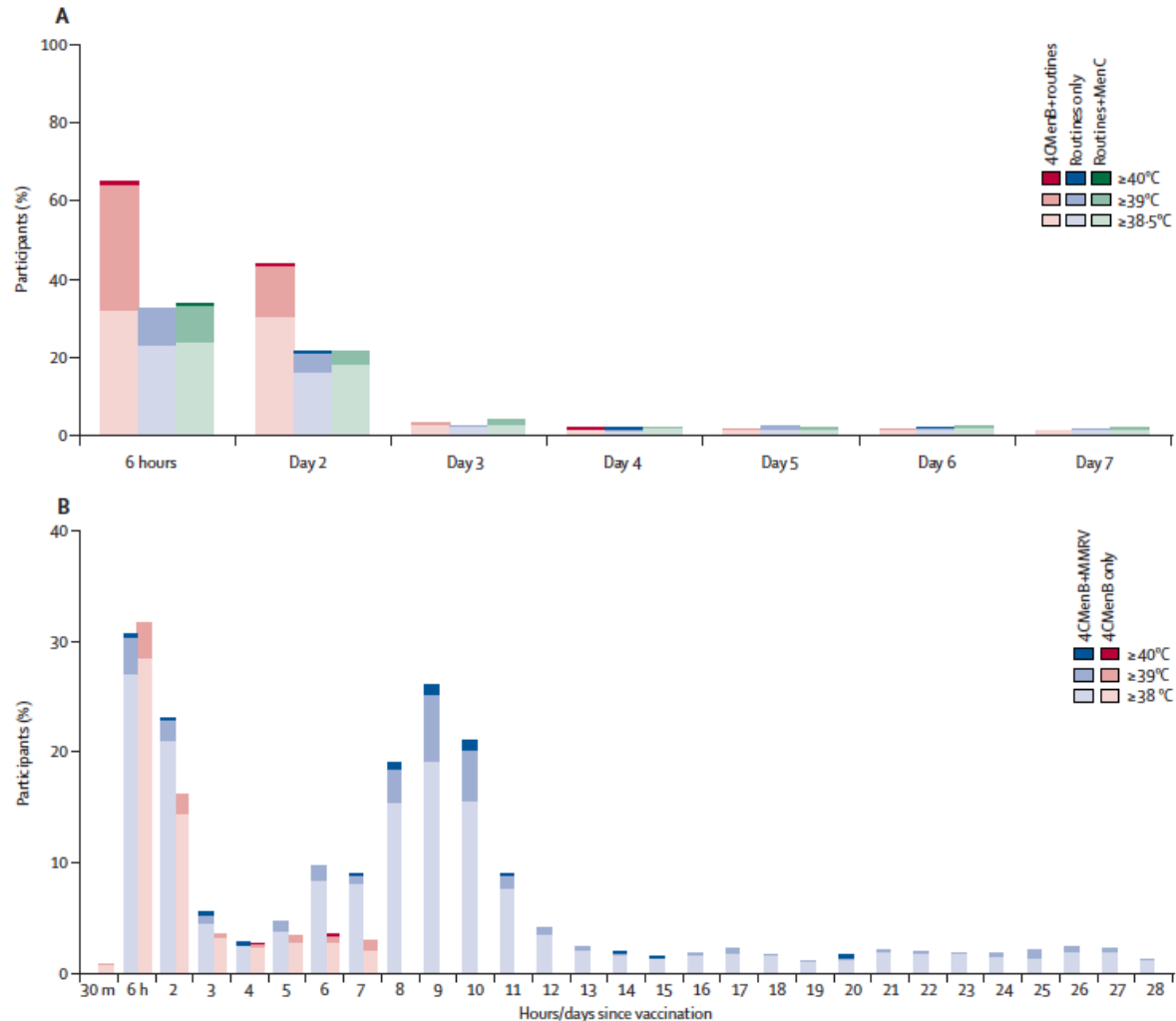
Serious Adverse Events and Adverse Events After Any Vaccination

	4CMenB+Routine (N=2480)	Routine Vaccines (N=658)	MenC+Routine Vaccines (N=488)
Serious Adverse Events	8%	8%	6%
Adverse Events	87%	83%	73%

*Routine vaccines: PCV7 and DTPa-HPV-IPV/Hib

Vesikari et al, Lancet 381: 825-835, 2013

Fever rates after 4CMenB vaccine given without or without routine vaccines



Vesikari et al, Lancet 381: 825-835, 2013

In summary

- **Conventional approaches** for MenB vaccine development have consistently **failed**: conjugates not feasible; proteins variable and not immunogenic (no bactericidal antibodies induced)
- A **tailor-made approach** does work (e.g. OMV in New Zealand), but it has **limited geographical impact**.
- The genome-based approach has allowed the identification of a large number of potential vaccine candidates which are now in clinical trials
- Data from these clearly show that a **protein-based vaccine against MenB offering a broaden coverage** against circulating strains is a reality at all ages, including infants
- **This has led to the approval of the first vaccine against MenB able to confer broad protection starting from 2 months of life**

Conclusions. Positive opinion granted by CHMP on 12 November 2012 for use starting from the age of 2 months



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15 November 2012
EMA/CHMP/669278/2012
Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP)

On 15 November 2012, the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) adopted a positive opinion, recommending the granting of a marketing authorisation for the medicinal product Bexsero, suspension for injection intended for the prophylaxis against invasive disease caused by *N. meningitidis* group B strains. The applicant for this medicinal product is Novartis Vaccines and

The approved indication is: "Bexsero is indicated for active immunisation of individuals from 2 months of age and older against invasive meningococcal disease caused by *Neisseria meningitidis* group B. The impact of invasive disease in different age groups as well as the variability of antigen epidemiology for group B strains in different geographical areas should be considered when vaccinating. See section 5.1 of SmPC for information on protection against specific group B strains. The use of this vaccine should be in accordance with official recommendations." It is proposed that Bexsero be prescribed by physicians experienced in the disease caused by *Neisseria meningitidis* group B.



Authored article

MenB vaccine should join childhood vaccination programme

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Writer: Deputy Chief Medical Officer John Watson

Deputy Chief Medical Officer John Watson welcomes JCVI's recommendation for a new meningococcal B (MenB) immunisation programme.

Today marks an important step forward in tackling meningococcal B (MenB) disease, which can have a devastating and distressing impact, particularly for babies and young children. MenB is a disease that many parents of young children fear.

Our expert advisers on vaccination and immunisation, [the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation \(JCVI\)](#), have recommended that a recently licensed MenB vaccine is added to the childhood immunisation programme. The committee recommended that MenB immunisation should be offered to infants starting at 2 months of age, subject to the vaccine being obtained from the manufacturer at a cost-effective price which represents good value-for-money to the NHS.

The Department of Health, which requested JCVI's advice on MenB vaccine, has accepted this recommendation and will work to introduce the programme as quickly as possible. This timing will depend on being able to purchase a sufficient and continuing supply of vaccine at an appropriate

Bexsero recommendations for regional & national vaccination programs

Country	National	Regional	Funding	Infant	Children	Adolescent	High Risk	Note
UK								JCVI: Infants 2-4 moa, 2+1 schedule
Germany	*	*	see note					Saxony: 2moa-18 yoa Ped Assoc.: all children Voluntary reimbursement by 40+ Sick Funds
France	*		**					High risk, outbreak, epidemic, hyperendemic
Italy	*							Basilicata: infants, 3+1 Med Societies: all infants
Australia	*							ATAGI: young children, esp.<2 yoa; 15-19 yoa
Austria	*		see note					High risk reimbursable by regional insurance
Czech Rep	*							Vaccinology Society: 2 moa-10 yoa, 13-15 yoa
Poland	*							From 2moa, no upper age limit

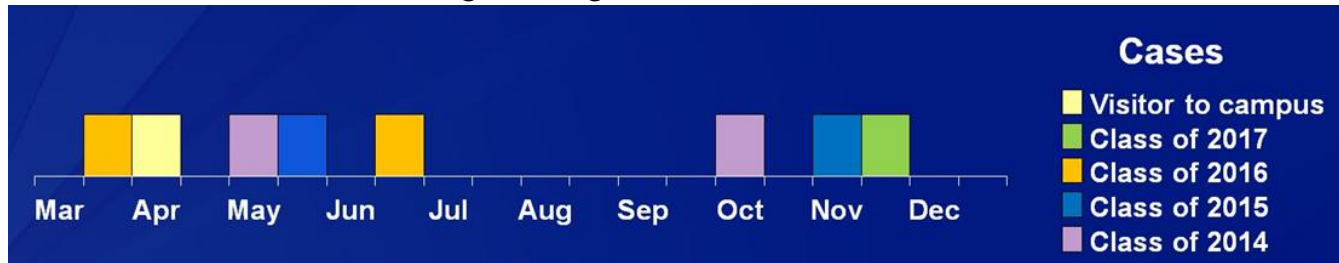
* clinical recommendation, not linked to funding

** currently for outbreak only reimbursement for high risk groups under review

Serogroup B meningococcal disease outbreaks in the US: Princeton University and University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB)

■ 8 cases at Princeton University from March to November 2013

- Students or persons with links to the university
- No fatalities; 2 cases with sequelae
- Attack rate 134/100,000 among undergraduates



■ 5 cases at UCSB from March to November 2013

- Undergraduates (age 18-22 years): no epi-links
- 4 recovered, 1 case with sequelae (bilateral foot amputation)
- Attack rate of 21.1/100,000 among UCSB 17-22 year olds
 - 234-fold higher than incidence rate for 17-21 year olds in general US population



US Adolescents vaccinated under expanded access treatment IND (CDC) (1/2)

Chronology

- CDC approached FDA to explore the use of Bexsero in outbreak setting under an expanded access Investigational New Drug (IND) Protocol – August 2013
- Princeton Institutional Review Board approval and FDA Safe-to-Proceed letter issued – November 2013
- Vaccination campaign in Princeton started in December 2013
- CDC-sponsored expanded access IND approved by FDA for use in UCSB outbreak in January 2014
- Vaccination campaign at UCSB started in February 2013
 - Second dose in April 2014

Bexsero: Princeton and UCSB



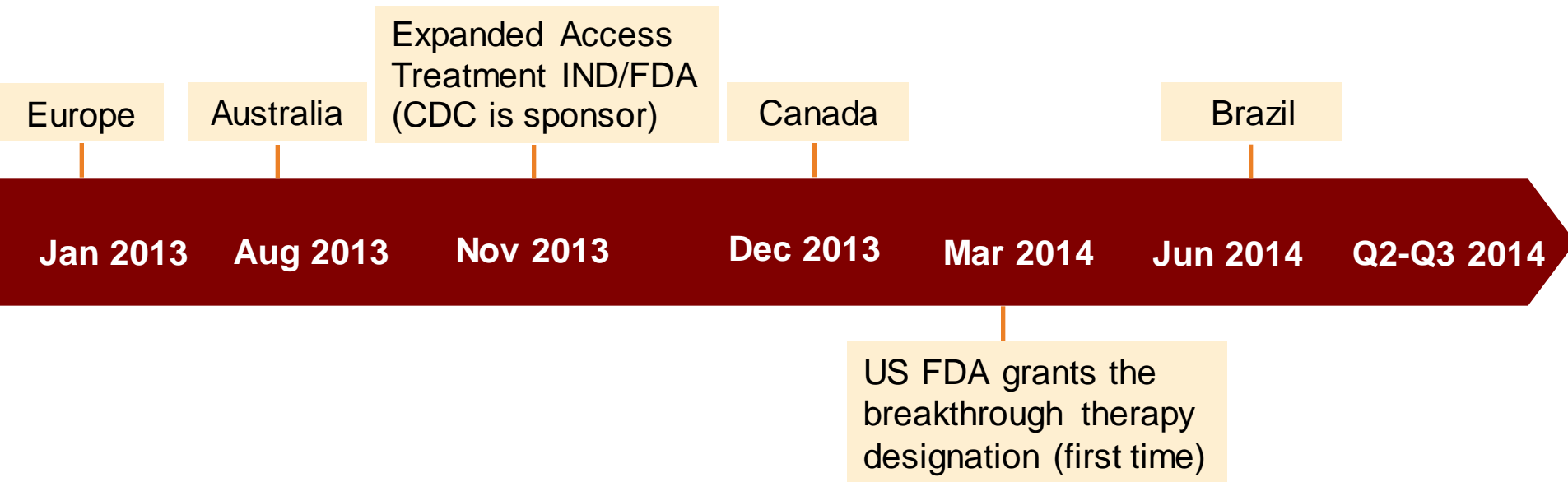
US Adolescents vaccinated under expanded access treatment IND (CDC) (2/2)

Safety follow-up

- More than 14000 subjects were vaccinated with Bexsero as of end March 2014
- Mandatory reporting of all serious adverse events (SAEs) to FDA including expedited reporting for related events
- Additional collection including pregnancy exposures, vaccine failure (none to date) and non-serious adverse events screened by CDC Vaccine Safety group and summarized
- Preliminary data from Princeton vaccination campaign (more than 5000 exposed students)
 - Rate of SAEs reported is 2.0/1,000 vaccinees in first dose recipients and 0.2/1,000 vaccinees in second dose recipients
 - Consistent with clinical trial safety profile

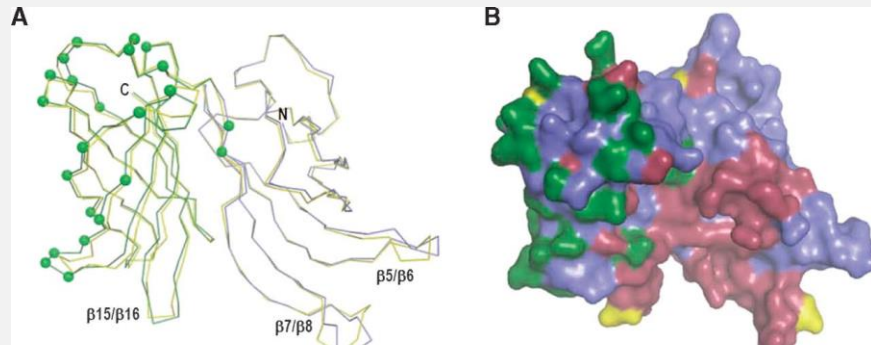
Bexsero: 2013-14 approvals and submissions

Approvals



Submissions

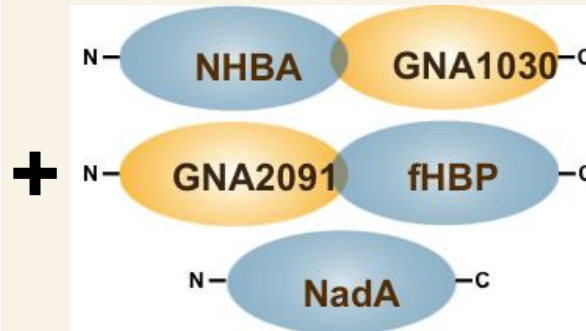
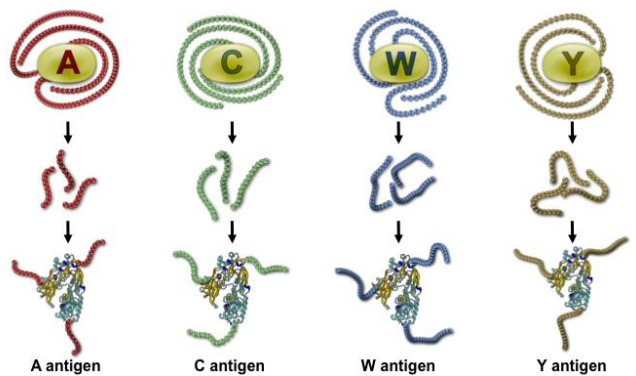
Future perspectives



	MC58	UK149	M4030	UK185	NZ98/254	961-5945	M3153	C11	M6208 [†]	M1239
	1.1	1.4	1.12	1.10	1.14	2.1	2.4	2.7	2.10	3.1
Antigen										
fHBP var.1.1 wt	2048	256	512	16	128	<8	<8	<8	<8	<8
fHBP var.2.1 wt	<8	<8	<8	<8	<8	64	<8	<8	128	<8
GNA2091-G1-G1	1024	512	>512	256	256	64	256	256	512	256
Homologs	2048	>1024	512 [†]	>1024	>1024	256	128	128	512	1024

Molecular surgery
Construct molecules containing all variants for broader responses

Scarselli et al, *Science Transl Med* 3: 91ra62, 2011

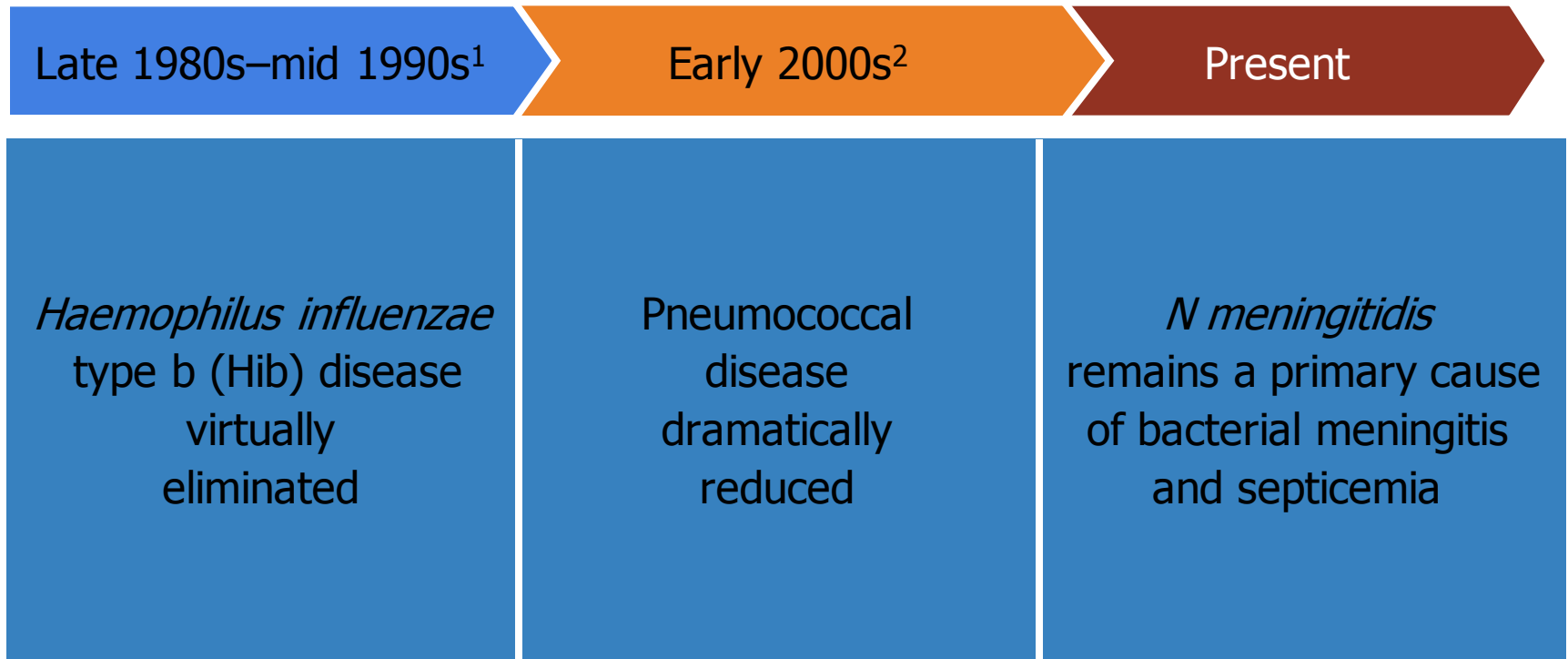


Vaccine blending
Blend together conjugates of MenA, MenC, MenW, MenY and proteins of MenB

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- The volunteers and the parents of the children participating in the trials

Neisseria meningitidis: Next Target for Vaccine Prevention of Pediatric Bacterial Meningitis and Septicemia



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TABLE 1. FUNCTION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE OUTER-MEMBRANE COMPONENTS OF *NEISSERIA MENINGITIDIS*.

COMPONENT	FUNCTION	CLASSIFICATION
Capsule	Protects against host-mediated, complement-dependent bacteriolysis and phagocytosis	13 Serogroups (A, B, C, E-29, H, I, K, L, M, W-135, X, Y, Z)
Outer-membrane proteins		
Porins	Create pores through which small hydrophilic solutes pass, cation-selective or anion-selective	
PorA		Class 1 outer-membrane protein (serosubtyping)
PorB		Class 2 or 3 outer-membrane protein (serotyping)
Opacity-associated proteins		
Opa	Promotes adherence to host cells and leukocytes	Class 5 outer-membrane proteins
Opc	Promotes adherence to host cells	
Reduction-modifiable protein	Unknown	Class 4 outer-membrane protein
Lipooligosaccharide	Has potent endotoxic activity	13 Immunotypes*
Pili	Promote initial adherence to epithelial and endothelial cells and erythrocytes	Class I and II*

*The classification is based on differences in antigenicity.

Development of MenA conjugated vaccine

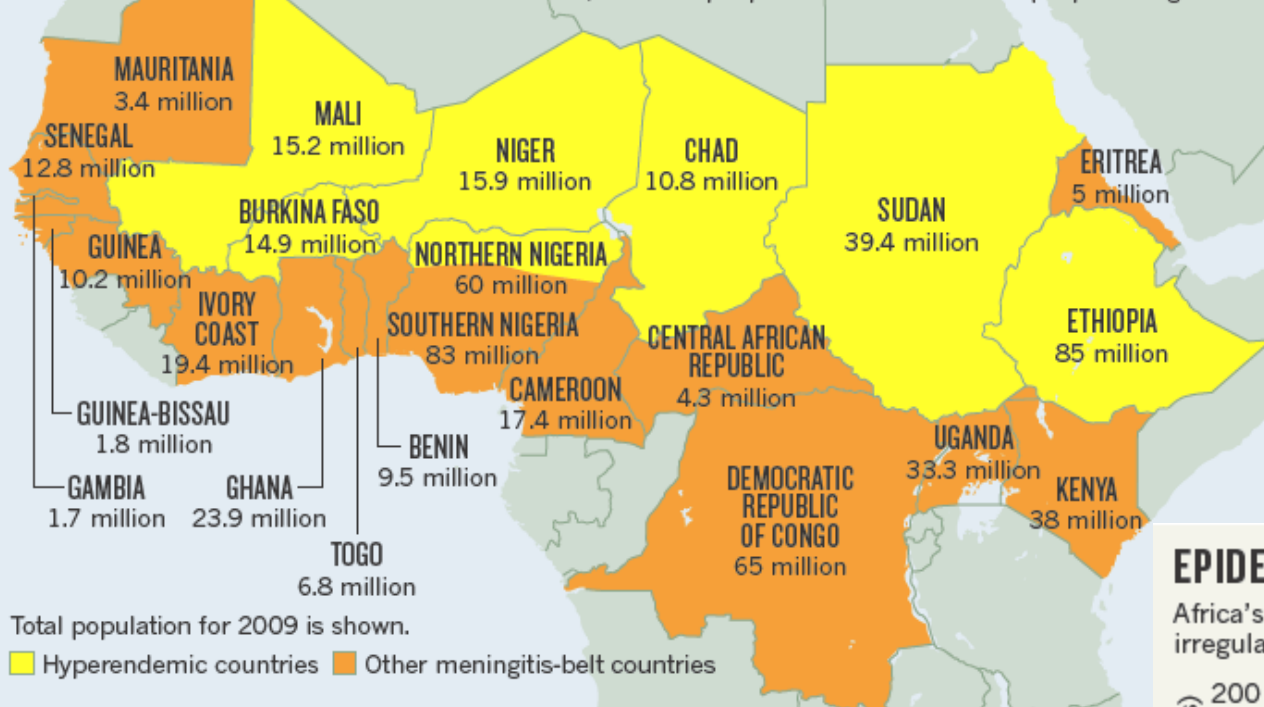
Tetanus toxoid as carrier protein

Immune response and antibody persistence to PsA-TT and PsA + C vaccines

	Vaccine group		
	Ps-ATT conjugate vaccine (24 ^a)	PsA + C vaccine (25 ^a)	TT vaccine (25 ^a)
Proportion of subjects with MenA SBA titer ≥ 8			
Baseline			
% (95%CI) [N]	88 (68–97) [21]	92 (74–99) [23]	88 (69–98) [22]
4 weeks			
% (95%CI) [N]	100 (86–100) [24]	100 (86–100) [25]	80 (59–93) [20]
6 months			
% (95%CI) [N]	100 (86–100) [24]	100 (86–100) [24]	88 (69–98) [22]
1 year			
% (95%CI) [N]	100 (86–100) [24]	100 (86–100) [24]	76 (55–91) [19]
Proportion of subjects with four-fold increase in MenA SBA pre to post-vaccination			
4 weeks			
% (95%CI) [N]	83 (63–95) [20]	72 (51–88) [18]	12 (2–31) [3]
6 months			
% (95%CI) [N]	83 (63–95) [20]	64 (42–82) [16]	4 (0–20) [1]
1 year			
% (95%CI) [N]	83 (63–95) [20]	56 (35–76) [14]	0 (0–14) [0]
MenA SBA GMT			
Baseline			
% (95%CI) [N]	228 (84–617)	422 (191–929)	347 (140–861)
4 weeks			
% (95%CI) [N]	8192 (5221–12,885)	5257 (2798–9878)	217 (73–644)
6 months			
% (95%CI) [N]	6339 (4973–8023)	4096 (2798–5997)	458 (178–1176)
1 year			
% (95%CI) [N]	4211** (3517–5078)	2226** (1552–3191)	256 (78–837)

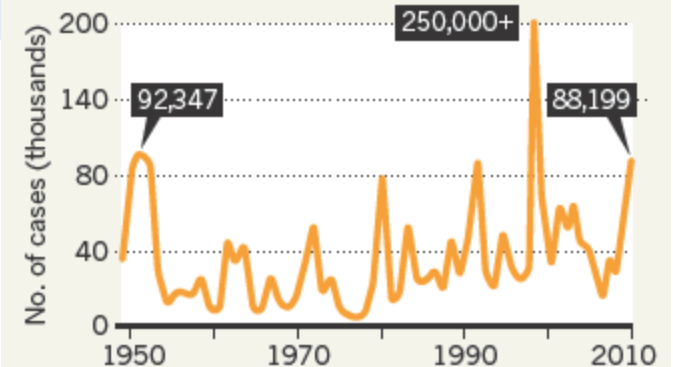
THE MENINGITIS BELT

The MenAfriVac vaccine will be rolled out to 12.5 million people in Burkina Faso, 4 million people in Mali and 4 million people in Niger.



EPIDEMIC CYCLE

Africa's meningitis epidemics usually take place in irregular cycles every 5–12 years.



Comparison of immune responses 1 month post-vaccination with either 3 doses of HibMenCY-TT at 2, 4, and 6 months of age or 1 dose of MPSV4 at 3 to 5 years of age

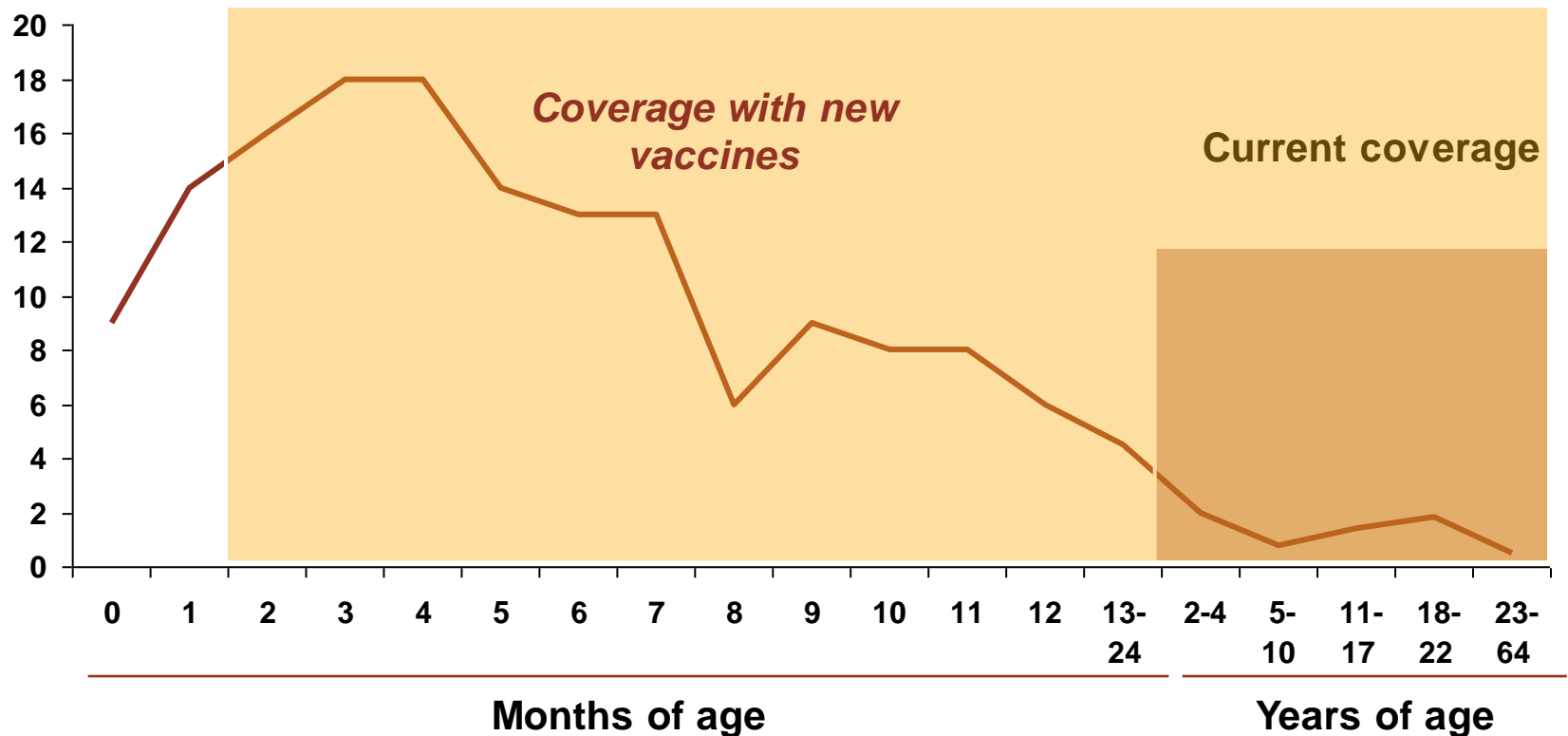
Antibody	Group	N	n	%	95% CI	n	%	95% CI	GMC or GMT*	95% CI
<i>N. meningitidis</i> serogroup C										
<i>hSBA</i>										
				≥1:4			≥ 1:8			
	HibMenCY-TT	121	118	97.5*	[92.9; 99.5]	116	95.9*	[90.6; 98.6]	523.0*	[398.8; 686.0]
	MPSV4	53	20	37.7*	[24.8; 52.1]	16	30.2*	[18.3; 44.3]	6.4*	[3.6; 11.5]
<i>rSBA</i>										
				≥1:8			≥ 1:128			
	HibMenCY-TT	177	173	97.7*	[94.3; 99.4]	171	96.6*	[92.8; 98.7]	1096.5*	[896.5; 1341.1]
	MPSV4	136	126	92.6*	[86.9; 96.4]	105	77.2*	[69.2; 84]	284.2*	[210.1; 384.3]
	Hib-TT	194	7	3.6	[1.5; 7.3]	2	1.0	[0.1; 3.7]	4.4	[4.1; 4.8]
<i>N. meningitidis</i> serogroup Y										
<i>hSBA</i>										
				≥1:4			≥ 1:8			
	HibMenCY-TT	141	129	91.5*	[85.6; 95.5]	126	89.4*	[83.1; 93.9]	139.8*	[102.6; 190.5]
	MPSV4	61	30	49.2*	[36.1; 62.3]	29	47.5*	[34.6; 60.7]	9.1*	[5.8; 14.2]
<i>rSBA</i>										
				≥1:8			≥ 1:128			
	HibMenCY-TT	174	171	98.3	[95.0; 99.6]	154	88.5	[82.8; 92.8]	495.3*	[409.2; 599.6]
	MPSV4	139	134	96.4	[91.8; 98.8]	131	94.2	[89.0; 97.5]	685.1*	[540.3; 868.7]
	Hib-TT	186	35	18.8	[13.5; 25.2]	6	3.2	[1.2; 6.9]	6.8	[5.8; 8.1]

N=number of subjects with available results; n=number of subjects with concentration/titer above the specified cut-off; *Statistically significant difference between HibMenCY-TT and MPSV4 groups

Marchant et al, *Pediatr Infect Dis J* 29: 48-52, 2010

Coverage with tetravalent MenA,C,W,Y conjugated meningococcal vaccines: Today & Tomorrow

Incidence of culture confirmed meningococcal disease,
Cases per 100 000 population

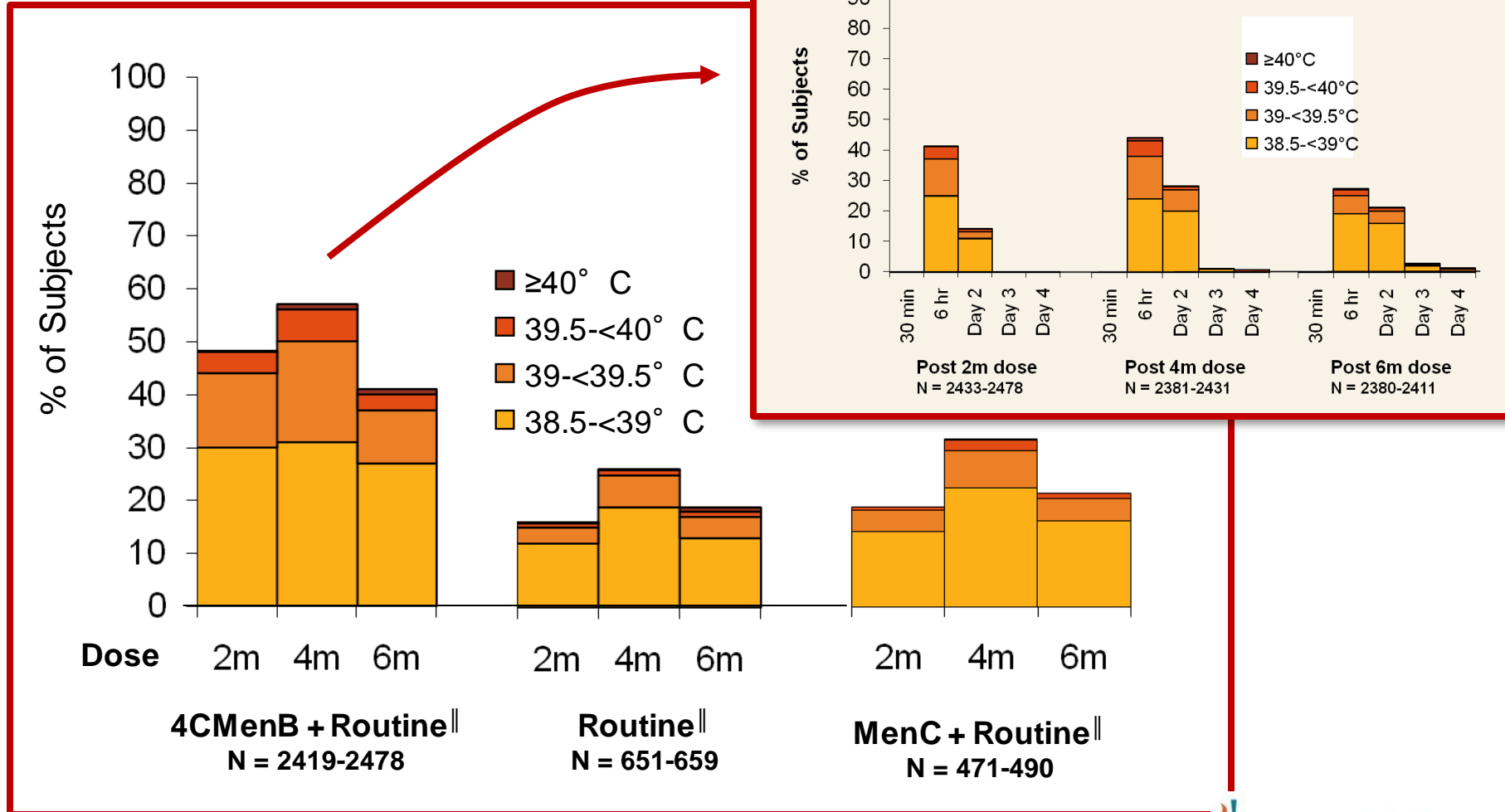


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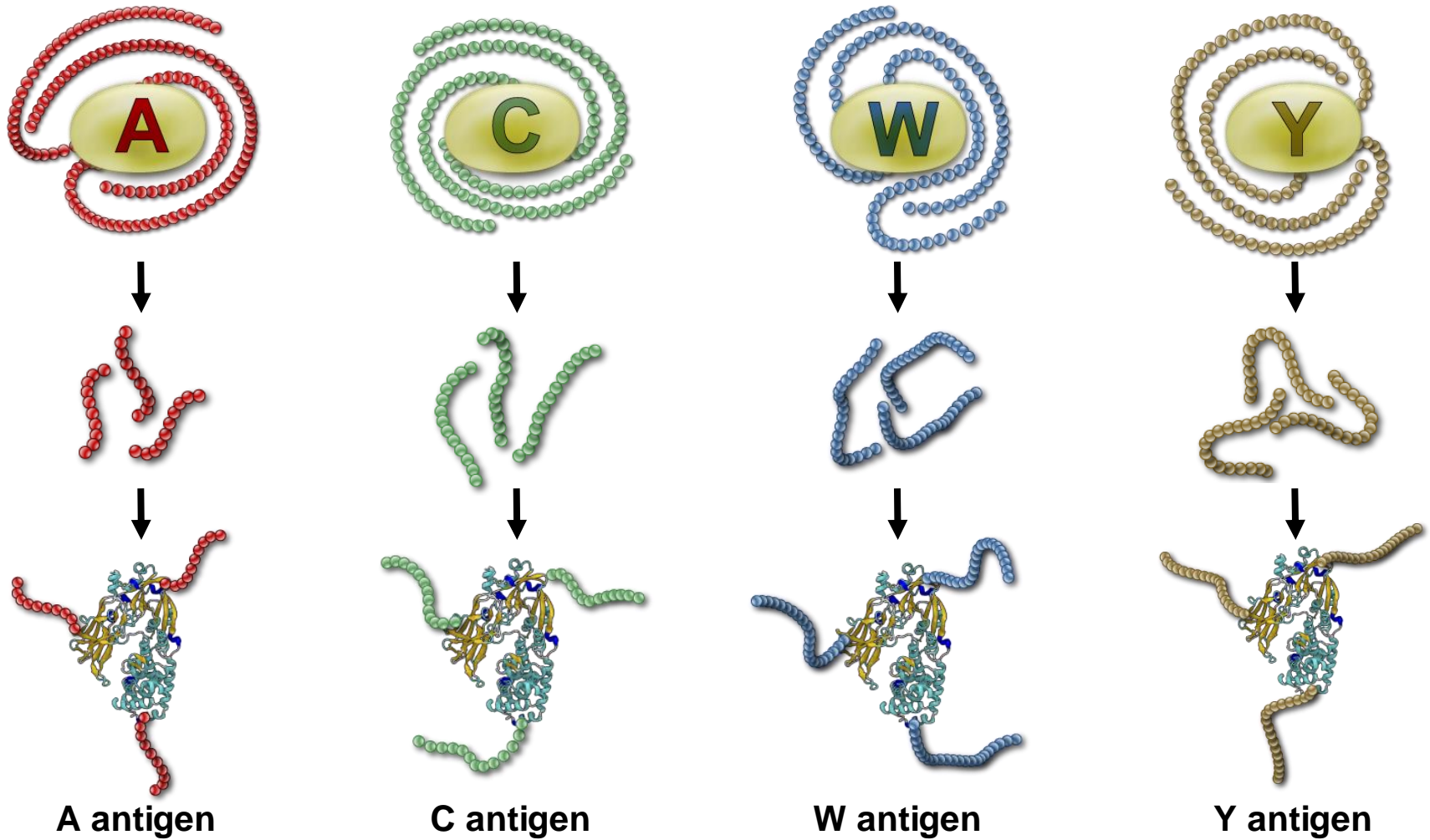
Note: No vaccines currently available for serogroup B disease for any age group

Phase III Study in Infants

Fever Rates by Dose for 4CMenB + Routine Vaccines vs. Routine Vaccines Alone vs. MenC + Routine Vaccines



Meningococcal glycoconjugates



Current Conjugated Meningococcal Vaccines

- Menomune[®], an ACWY polysaccharide vaccine (MPSV4) licensed in 1981¹
- Monovalent MenC, various companies, licensed in various countries
- Menactra[®], an ACWY conjugate vaccine with diphtheria toxoid as the protein carrier, licensed in the United States in 2005⁴
- Menveo[®], an ACWY conjugate vaccine with CRM-197 as the protein carrier, licensed in Europe and in the United States in 2010
- Other approaches
 - Monovalent MenA (MenAfriVac[®])
 - Bivalent MenC-MenY (± Hib)

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