# Immunizations (and Poliovirus)

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## Vaccines—the beginning

#### Dr. Edward Jenner (English physician)--1796

- Milkmaids who contract Cowpox (Vaccinia virus) do not get Smallpox
- James Phipps, age 8, inoculated with pus from a Cowpox lesion
- 6 weeks later, Jenner exposed James to Smallpox, and he did not get sick
- Over 2 years, 23 additional patients either inoculated or infected with Cowpox were followed—none got Smallpox
- Paper published by Jenner concluded, "that the cowpox protects the human constitution from the infection of smallpox."
- Multiple sources coined the term "vaccine" based on Jenner's work

## Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (Childhood)

- Hepatitis B
- DTP
  - Diphtheria
  - Tetanus
  - Pertussis
- Polio
- Haemophilus Influenza B
- Pneumococcus
- Rotavirus

- Influenza
- MMR
  - Measles
  - Mumps
  - Rubella
- Varicella
- Hepatitis A
- Human Papilloma Virus
- Meningococcus
- Covid-19

### Success of Vaccines--Cases

Disease	Pre-Vaccine Era Estimated Annual Morbidity*	Most Recent Reports <sup>†</sup> or Estimates <sup>‡</sup> of U.S. Cases	Percent Decrease
Diphtheria	21,053	0 <sup>†</sup>	100%
H. influenzae (invasive, <5 years of age)	20,000	243 <sup>†§</sup>	99%
Hepatitis A	117,333	11,049 <sup>‡</sup>	91%
Hepatitis B (acute)	66,232	11,269 <sup>‡</sup>	83%
Measles	530,217	61 <sup>†</sup>	>99%
Mumps	162,344	982 <sup>†</sup>	99%
Pertussis	200,752	13,506 <sup>†</sup>	93%
Pneumococcal disease (invasive, <5 years of age)	16,069	4,167 <sup>‡</sup>	74%
Polio (paralytic)	16,316	0†	100%
Rubella	47,745	4 <sup>†</sup>	>99%
Congenital Rubella Syndrome	152	1 <sup>†</sup>	99%
Smallpox	29,005	0†	100%
Tetanus	580	14 <sup>†</sup>	98%
Varicella	4,085,120	449,363 <sup>‡</sup>	89%

<sup>\*</sup>CDC. JAMA, November 14, 2007; 298(18):2155-63

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>CDC. MMWR, January 8, 2010; 58(51,52):1458–68

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>‡</sup>2008 estimates, S. pneumoniae estimates from Active Bacterial Core Surveillance

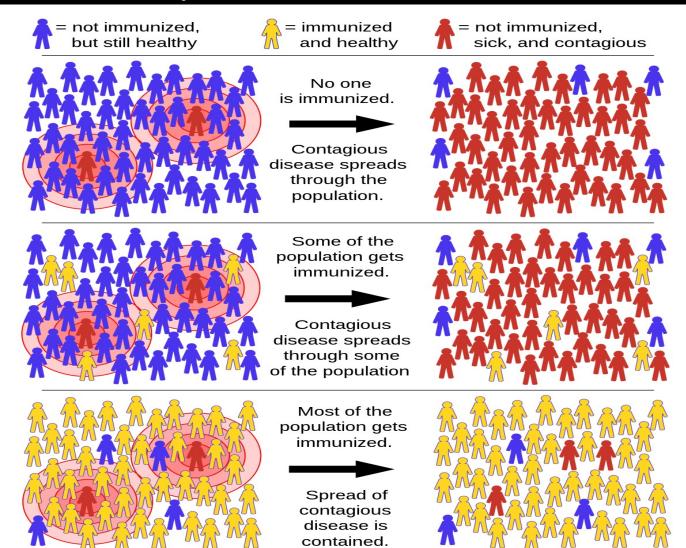
<sup>§25</sup> type b and 218 unknown

#### Vaccine success--Deaths

 
 Table 1. Historical Comparison of Morbidity and Mortality for Vaccine-Preventable Diseases With Vaccines Licensed or Recommended Before
 1980: Diphtheria, Measles, Mumps, Pertussis, Poliomyelitis, Rubella, Smallpox, Tetanusa

		Prevaccine No. (y)			Postv	Most Recent Postvaccine Reported No.		Prevaccine Estimated Annual No. vs Most Recent Reported No.	
Vaccine-Preventable	Estimated Ann	ual Average	Pe	ak	Vaccine	Cases,	Deaths,	(% Red	duction)
Disease	Cases <sup>b</sup>	Deaths <sup>c</sup>	Casesd	Deaths <sup>e</sup>	Date(s), y <sup>f</sup>	2006 <sup>g</sup>	2004 <sup>h</sup>	Cases	Deaths
Diphtheria	21 053 (1936-1945)	1822 (1936-1945)	30 508 (1938)	3065 (1936)	1928-1943	0	0	21 053 (100)	1822 (100)
Measles	530 217 (1953-1962)	440 (1953-1962)	763 094 (1958)	552 (1958)	1963, 1967, 1968	55	0	530 162 (99.9)	440 (100)
Mumps	162 344 (1963-1968)	39 (1963-1968)	212 932 (1964)	50 (1964)	1940s, 1967	6584	0	155 760 (95.9)	39 (100)
Pertussis	200 752 (1934-1943)	4034 (1934-1943)	265 269 (1934)	7518 (1934)	1914-1941	15 632	27	185 120 (92.2)	4007 (99.3)
Poliomyelitis, acute	19 794 (1941-1950)	1393 (1941-1950)	42 033 (1949)	2720 (1949)	1955, 1961-1963, 1987	0	0	19 794 (100)	1393 (100)
Poliomyelitis, paralytic	16 316 (1951-1954)	1879 (1951-1954)	21 269 (1952)	3145 (1952)	1955, 1961-1963, 1987	0	0	16 316 (100)	1879 (100)
Rubella	47 745 (1966-1968)	17 (1966-1968)	488 796 (1964)	24 (1968)	1969	11	0	47 734 (99.9)	17 (100)
Congenital rubella syndrome	152 (1966-1969)	Not available	20 000 (1964-1965)	2160 (1964-1965)	1969	1	0	151 (99.3)	Not available
Smallpox	29 005 (1900-1949)	337 (1900-1949)	110 672 (1920)	2510 (1902)	1798	0	0	29 005 (100)	337 (100)
Tetanus	580 (1947-1949)	472 (1947-1949)	601 (1948)	511 (1947)	1933-1949	41	4	539 (92.9)	468 (99.2)
<sup>a</sup> Footnote letters correspond to Box	<1.								

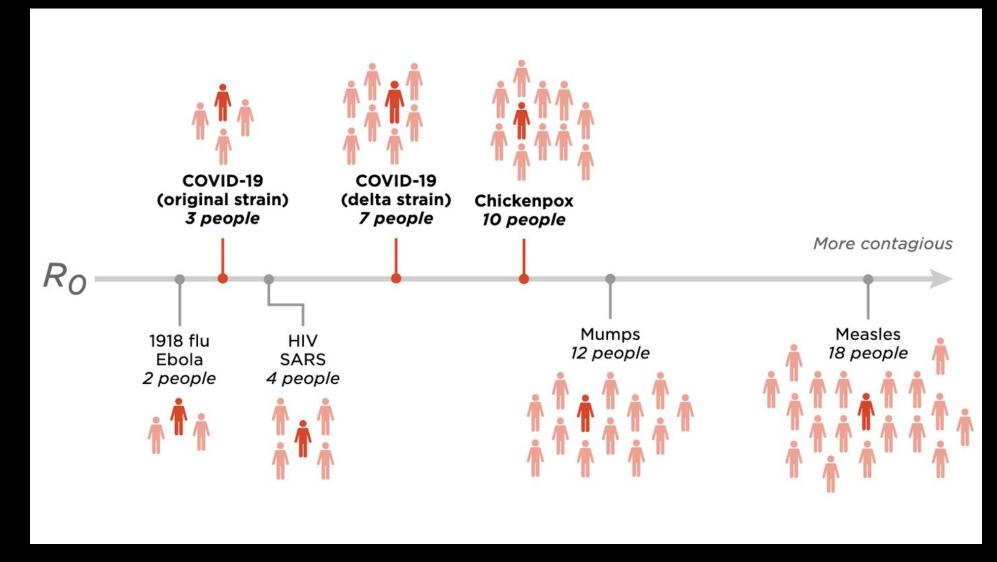
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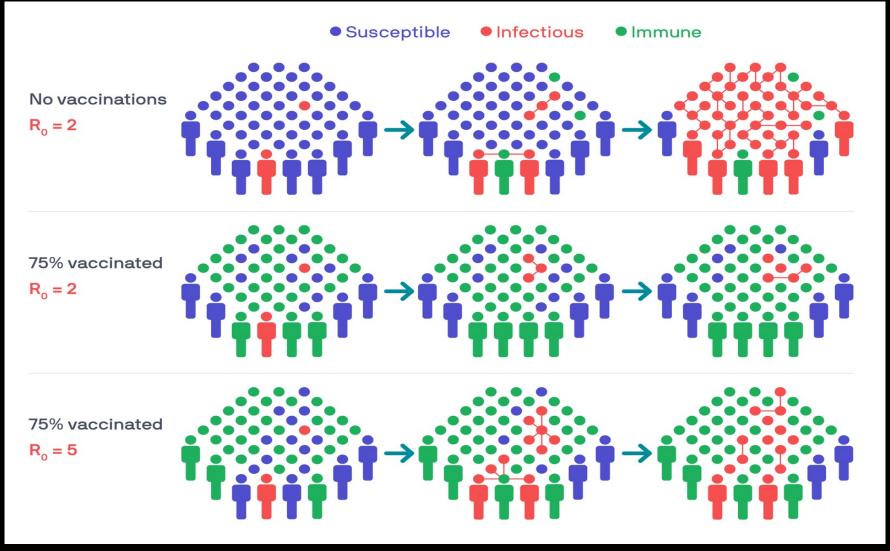
# The Concept of R<sub>0</sub>

Disease	R0	Threshold (%)
Mumps	4-7	75–86
Polio	5-7	80–86
Smallpox	5-7	80–85
Diphtheria	6-7	85
Rubella	6-7	83–85
Pertussis	12-17	92–94
Measles	12-18	83–94

# R<sub>0</sub> Illustrated



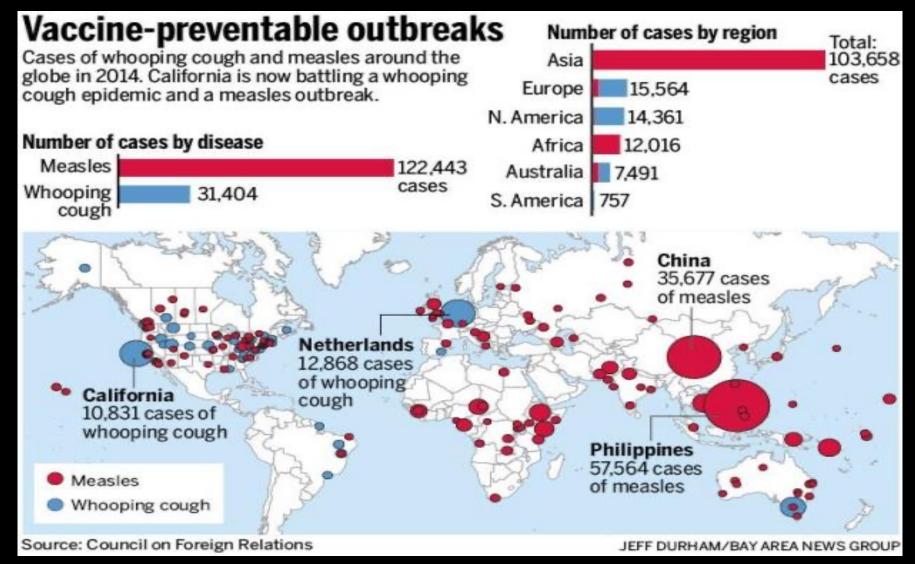
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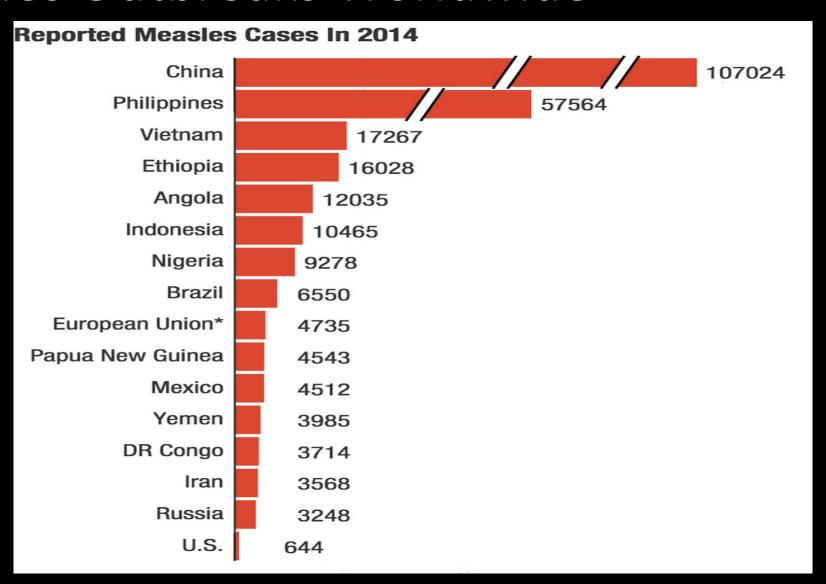
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#### Outbreaks

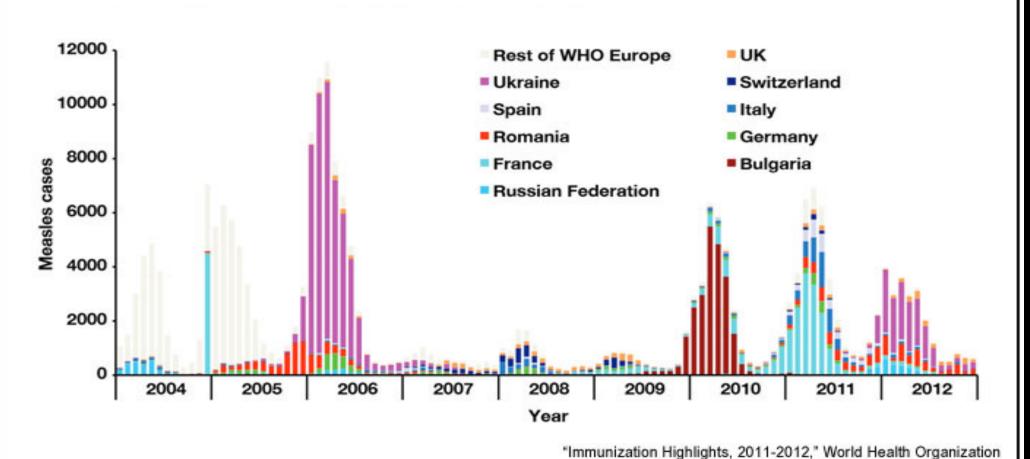


#### Measles Outbreaks Worldwide

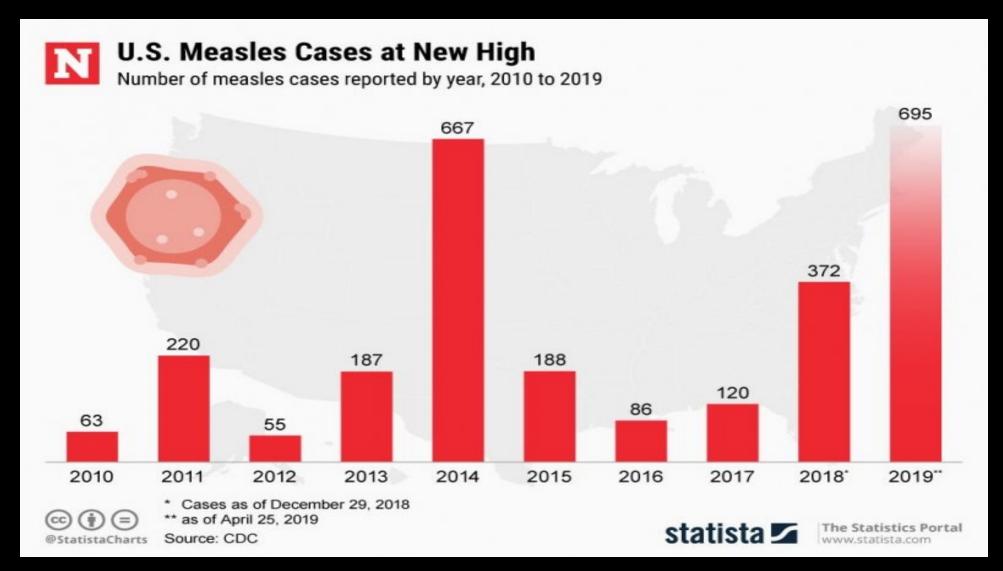


## Measles Outbreaks--Europe

#### Measles outbreaks in central Europe, 2004-2012



#### Measles Outbreaks in the USA



#### Poliovirus

- RNA virus
- Three serotypes (type 1, type 2, type 3)
- Transmission
  - Incubation period 3-6 days
  - Fecal-oral or oral-oral spread
  - Can shed virus for 6 weeks in the stool
- Symptoms
  - 75% asymptomatic
  - ~25% Flu-like symptoms
  - 1% Paralytic Polio

#### Poliovirus

- Symptoms (1<sup>st</sup> week)
  - Fever
  - Back pain
  - Muscle aches
  - Abdominal pain
- Paralytic polio (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> weeks)—destroys motor neurons
  - Muscle weakness
  - Difficulty breathing

# The Iron Lung



#### Polio Vaccines

#### Salk Vaccine

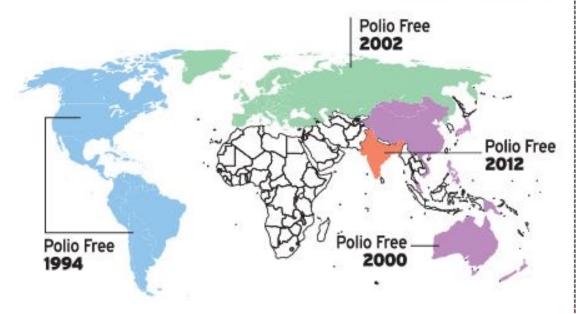
- Developed by Jonas Salk; released in 1955
- Inactivated vaccine (killed)
- Provides blood but not gut immunity
- Given by intramuscular injection
- Only vaccine given in US since 2000
- Cannot spread from person-to-person
- 90% protective after 2 doses
- 99% protective after 3 doses

#### **Sabin Vaccine**

- Developed by Albert Sabin; released in 1961
- Live, attenuated vaccine (weakend)
- Provides both blood and gut immunity
- Given orally
- Cheap, easy to administer, used for mass vaccination campaigns
- Can spread from person-to-person
- Can revert to non-weakened strain in underimmunized populations (Vaccine-Derived Poliovirus)

#### Polio Eradication

#### POLIO ERADICATION - TIMELINE



1988 : World Health Assembly sets goal of global polio eradication. Polio endemic in more than 125 countries, with over 350,000 cases of the disease annually.

1994: WHO Region of the

Americas certified as polio-free

1999: Of the three types of naturally-occurring wild poliovirus (type 1, type 2 and type 3), transmission of type 2 was successfully stopped.

2000 : WHO Western Pacific Region certified as polio-free

2002 : WHO European Region certified as polio-free

2011: INDIA: Rukhsar becomes the last child to be crippled by a wild poliovirus in India

2012 : Goal of stopping wild

polio transmission globally by end-2012 missed. Some 222 wild polio cases reported from five countries.

INDIA: Remained polio-free and was removed from the list of endemic countries

2014: If India remains free of polio, the WHO South-East Asian Region can be certified as polio-free.

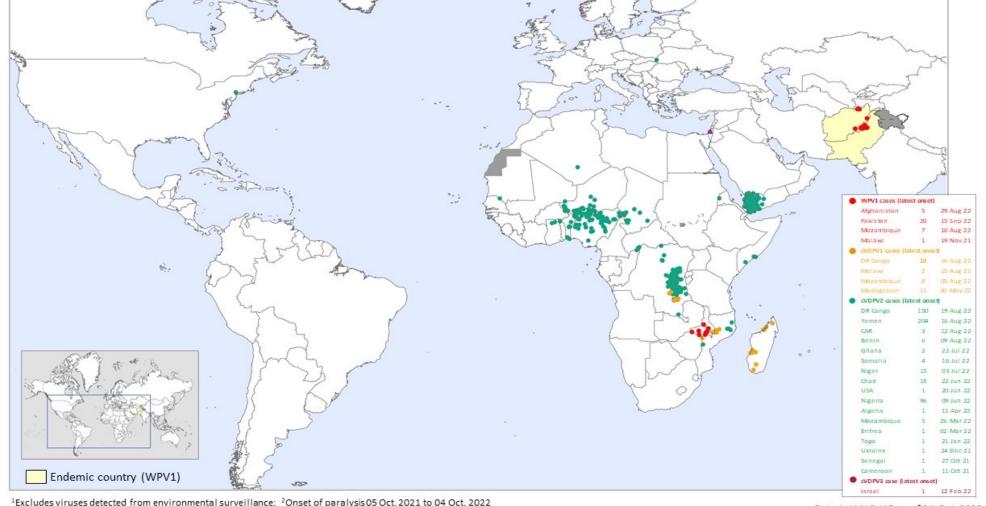
Last wild polio case in the world (Global Polio Eradication Initiative's draft "Polio Eradication and Endgame Strategic Plan, 2013-2018")?

End 2018 : Global certification of wild poliovirus eradication?

## Polio Eradication—Where Are We Now?

Global WPV1 & cVDPV Cases<sup>1</sup>, Previous 12 Months<sup>2</sup>





Excludes viruses detected from environmental surveillance; 2Onset of paralysis 05 Oct. 2021 to 04 Oct. 2022

Data in WHO HQ as of 04 Oct. 2022

#### Polio in New York

#### July 21, 2022

- Rockland County New York
- Unimmunized young adult developed fever, stiff neck, abdominal pain and muscle aches
- 3 days later developed leg weakness—presented to the ED—weakness worsened
- No history of recent travel
- Confirmed to be positive for Type 2 VDPV
- Discharged to a rehabilitation facility
- Wastewater surveillance in Rockland and surrounding counties identified 70 samples positive for Poliovirus, 63 of which were genetically linked to the case

## Don't Forget to Get Your Flu Shot

2017-2018 Flu Season: Flu Burden and Flu Burden Averted by Vaccination

During the 2017-2018 flu season, CDC estimates flu caused:

49 million

flu illnesses

960,000

flu hospitalizations

79,000

flu deaths

This severe season could have been worse without flu vaccines.



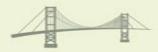
Approximately 40% of the U.S. population chose to get a flu vaccine during the 2017-2018 flu season, and this prevented an estimated:

7 million



about the population of New York City. 109,000

flu hospitalizations,



about the number of vehicles crossing the Golden Gate Bridge each day. 8,000

flu deaths,



twice the number of hospitals in the United States.

Imagine the impact if more Americans chose to get a flu vaccine.

Many more flu illnesses, flu hospitalizations and flu dealths could be prevented.

https://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/disease/burden-averted-vaccination.htm



get vaccinated www.cdc.gov/flu