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Probiotics: new therapeutic options in acute gastroenteritis and antibiotic associated diarrhea

Strategies according to ESPGHAN guidelines



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Evidence-based Guidelines for Management of Acute Gastroenteritis in Children in Europe

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Recommendations for acute Gastroenteritis

MEDICAL POSITION PAPER

Based on Systematic Reviews and Meta-analyses

CLINICAL C

Use of Probiotics for Management of Acute Gastroenteritis: A Position Paper by the ESPGHAN Working Group for Probiotics

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as and to demonstrate use and effect in humans





ANALYSIS

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RATING QUALITY OF EVIDENCE AND STRENGTH OF RECOMMENDATIONS

GRADE: an emerging consensus on rating quality of evidence and strength of recommendations

Guidelines are inconsistent in how they rate the quality of evidence and the strength of recommendations. This article explores the advantages of the GRADE system, which is increasingly being adopted by organisations worldwide

Quality of evidence

Study design

High

Randomized trial


Moderate

Low

Observational study


Very low

Lower if...



Study limitations
Inconsistency
Indirectness
Imprecision
Publication bias

Higher if...



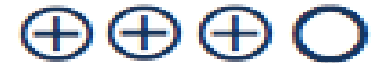
Large effect (e.g., RR 0.5) Very large effect (e.g., RR 0.2)
Evidence of dose-response gradient
All plausible confounding would reduce a demonstrated effect

Quality of evidence

High Further research is very unlikely to change our confidence in the estimate of effect



Moderate Further research is likely to have an important impact on our confidence in the estimate of effect and may change the estimate



Low Further research is very likely to have an important impact on our confidence in the estimate of effect and is likely to change the estimate



Very Low Any estimate of effect is very uncertain



ESPGHAN recommendations according to the GRADE system

Strong recommendation (SR): when the desirable effects of an intervention clearly outweigh the undesirable effects, or clearly do not

Weak recommendation (WR): when the trade-offs are less certain

Recommendations are formulated if **at least 2 RCTs** are available

Disclaimer:

- recommendations may be modified in a specific country based on health care organisation, local habits, availability, quality and costs
- recommendations were for Europe (well-nourished children)

Evidence based recommendations in an algorithm



A

ACUTE DIARRHOEA

↓ stool consistency and/or > 3 stools /24 hrs < 7 days

- Warning signs ?**
- Neurologic abnormalities
 - Intractable vomiting
 - Bilious vomiting
 - Suspected surgical condition
 - Severe bleeding
 - Poor family context
 - Age < 2 months

- One or more of the following conditions:**
- Clinical dysentery
 - High fever
 - Travels to high risk areas
 - Chronic conditions
 - Immuno-compromised

Consider microbiological and/or lab investigations

No

Yes

Neg

Pos

HOSPITALISATION / REFERRAL

Clinical Dehydration Scale

- No** (score 0)
- Mild** (score 1-4)
- Moderate/Severe** (score 5-8)

ORS & early re-feeding
Consider probiotics^o, racecadotril*, diosmectite

Improvement?

Yes

No

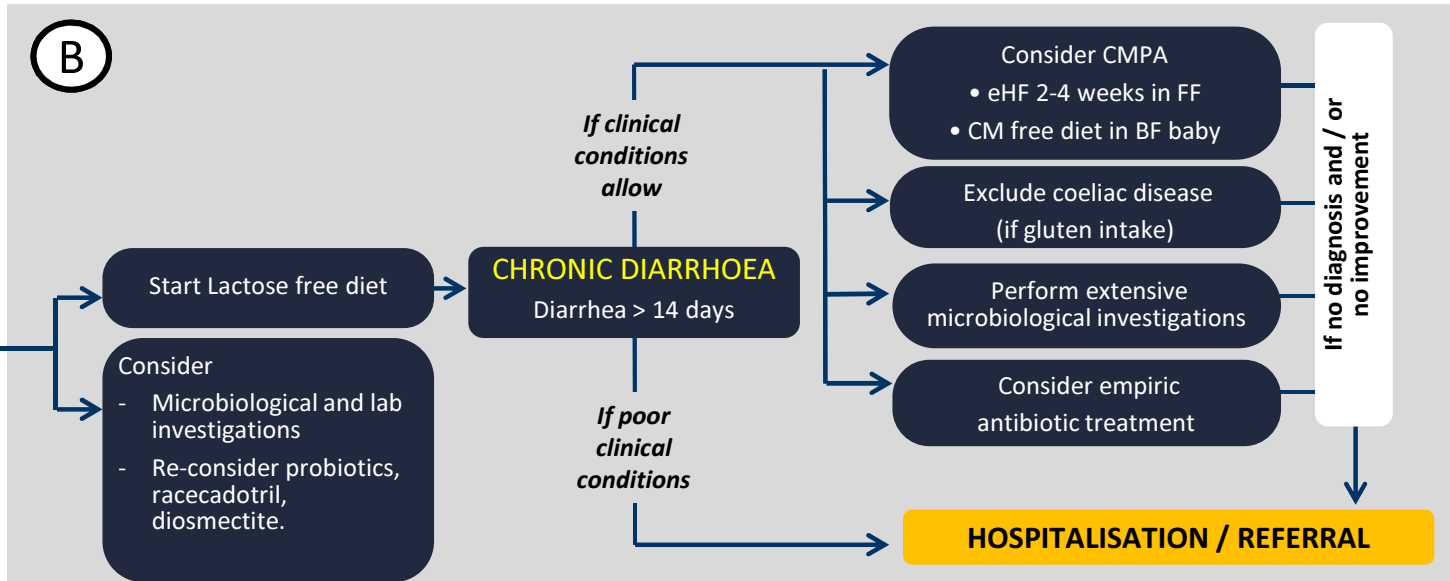
Cured

PROTRACTED DIARRHOEA
Diarrhea 7 -14 days

ORS & early re-feeding
Consider antibiotic treatment

?

B



Clinical Dehydration Scale

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(score 0)

Mild
(score 1-4)

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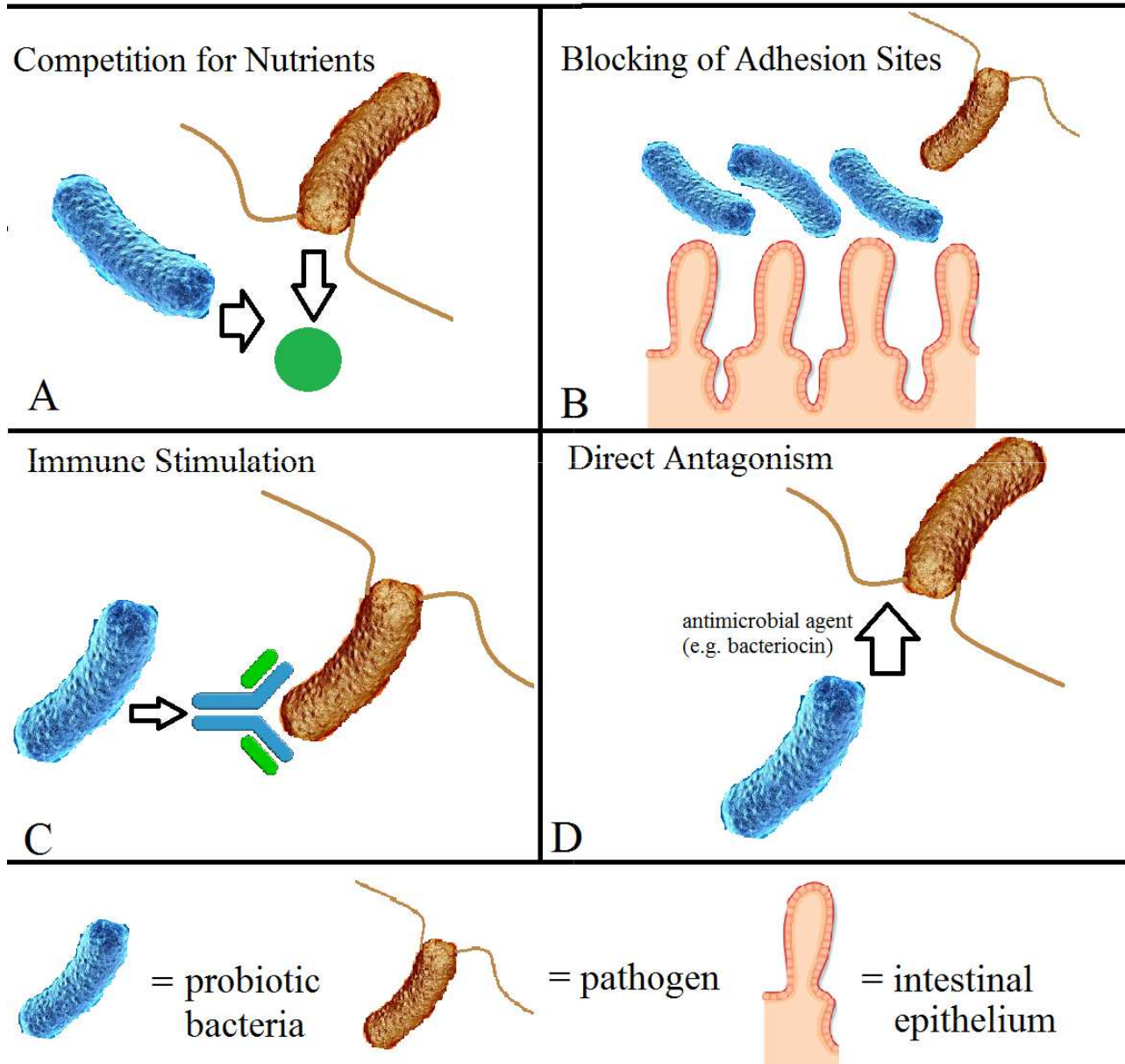
Therapies for AGE

- Rehydration
- Diets
- Antiemetics
- Antimotility or antiperistaltic drugs
- Adsorbents
- Antisecretory drugs
- Zinc
- Probiotics



What is the evidence?

How Probiotics Work



SPGHAN (2014): more active treatment and effective medical interventions

	<u>Recommendation</u>
Hydration (oral – nasogastric – intravenous)	Yes SR
Normal diet	Yes SR
Antiemetics (ondansetron)	Can be considered SR
Probiotics (LGG, SB, L reuteri DSM 17938)	Can be considered SR (WR)
Racecadotril	Can be considered WR
Mectite	Can be considered WR
Bismuth subsalicylate	No SR
Antimotility drugs (loperamide)	No SR
None	No (in Europe) SR
Relatane tannate	No SR
Antimicrobial drugs	Exceptionally SR

Pharmacological therapy



Always in Addition to Oral Rehydration
Therapy

A focus on probiotics

Live microorganisms that, when administered in adequate amounts, confer a health benefit to the host (WHO, 2002)

Identified by genus, species, and strain

Evidence is mostly obtained at strain-specific level as a probiotic drug in a well defined condition and population from a manufacturer with regulated quality control

Evidence for children can only be obtained from trials with only children included

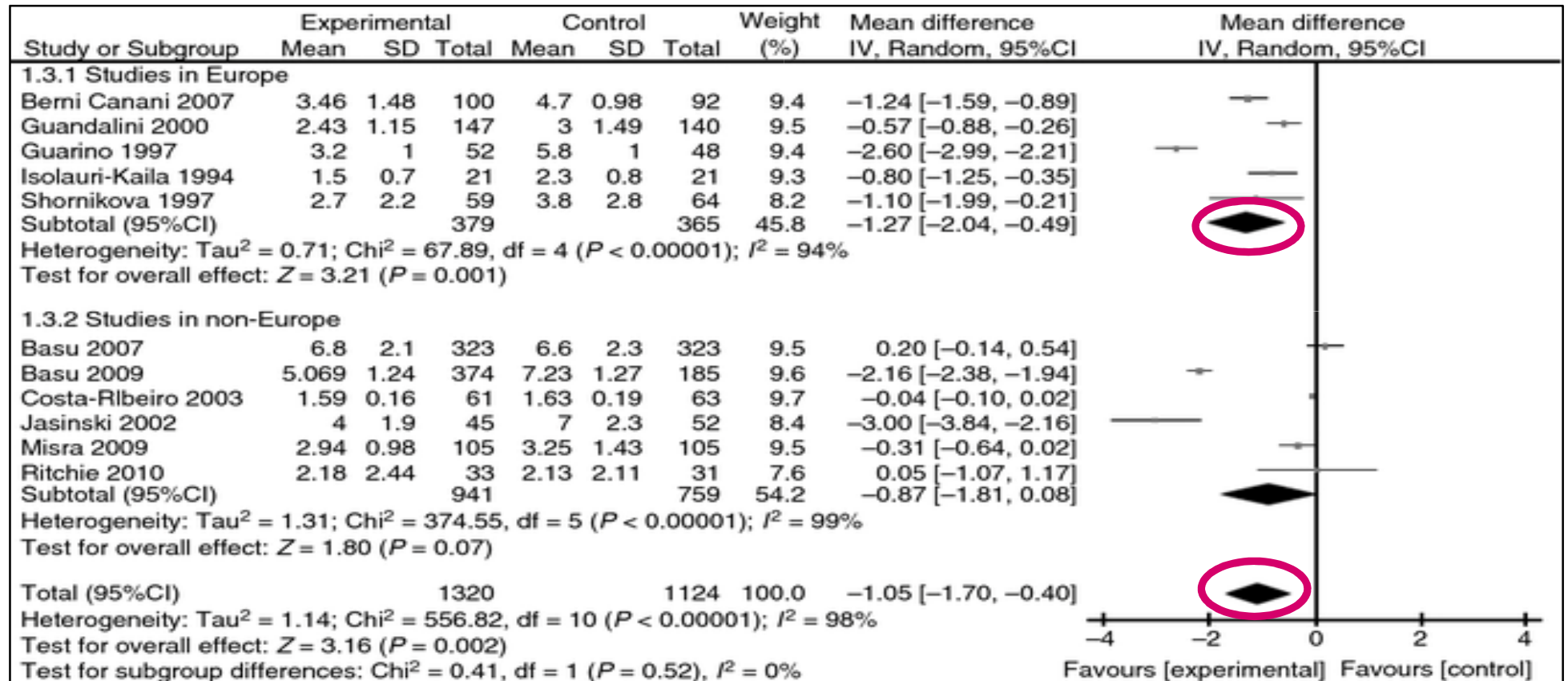
Most investigated probiotics:

LGG (*Lactobacillus rhamnosus* GG)

SB (*Saccharomyces boulardii* CNCM 1-745)

LR (*Lactobacillus reuteri* DSM 17938)

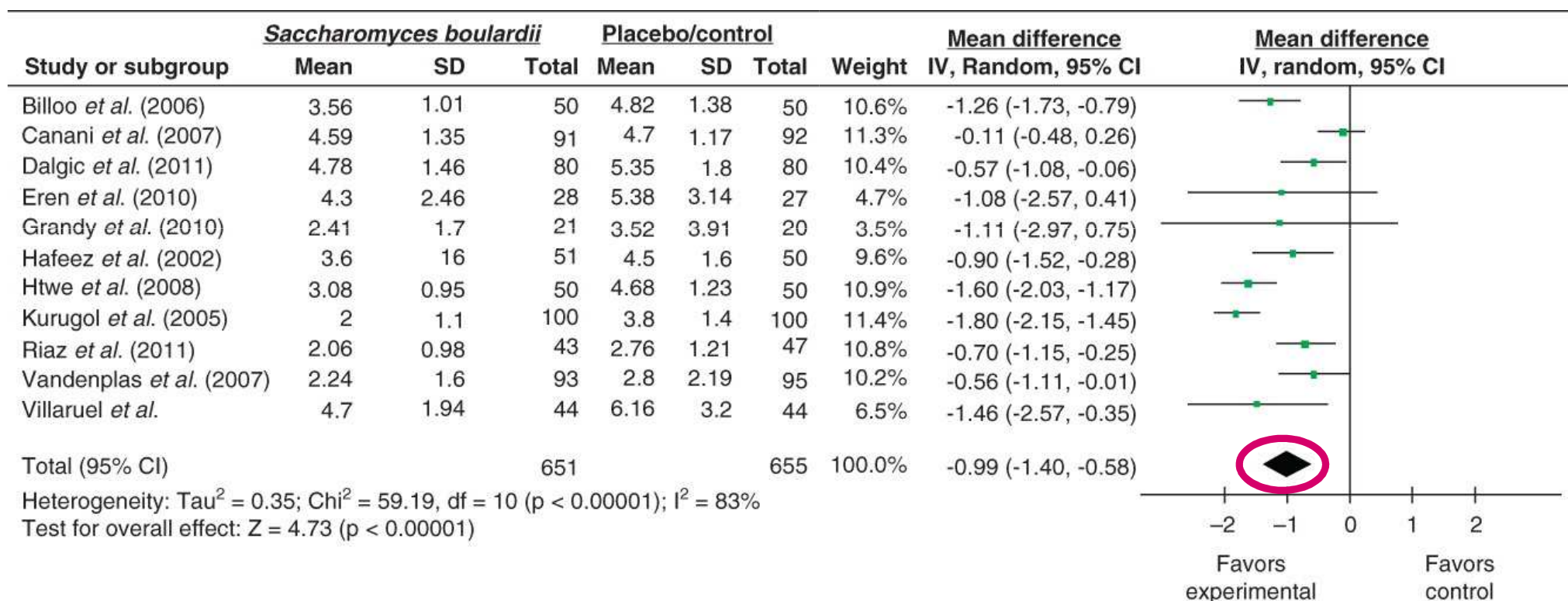
LGG in AGE: duration of diarrhea, EU/non-EU



12 RCTs, n=2444

**Mean Difference -1.05 day
(-1.7 to -0.4)**

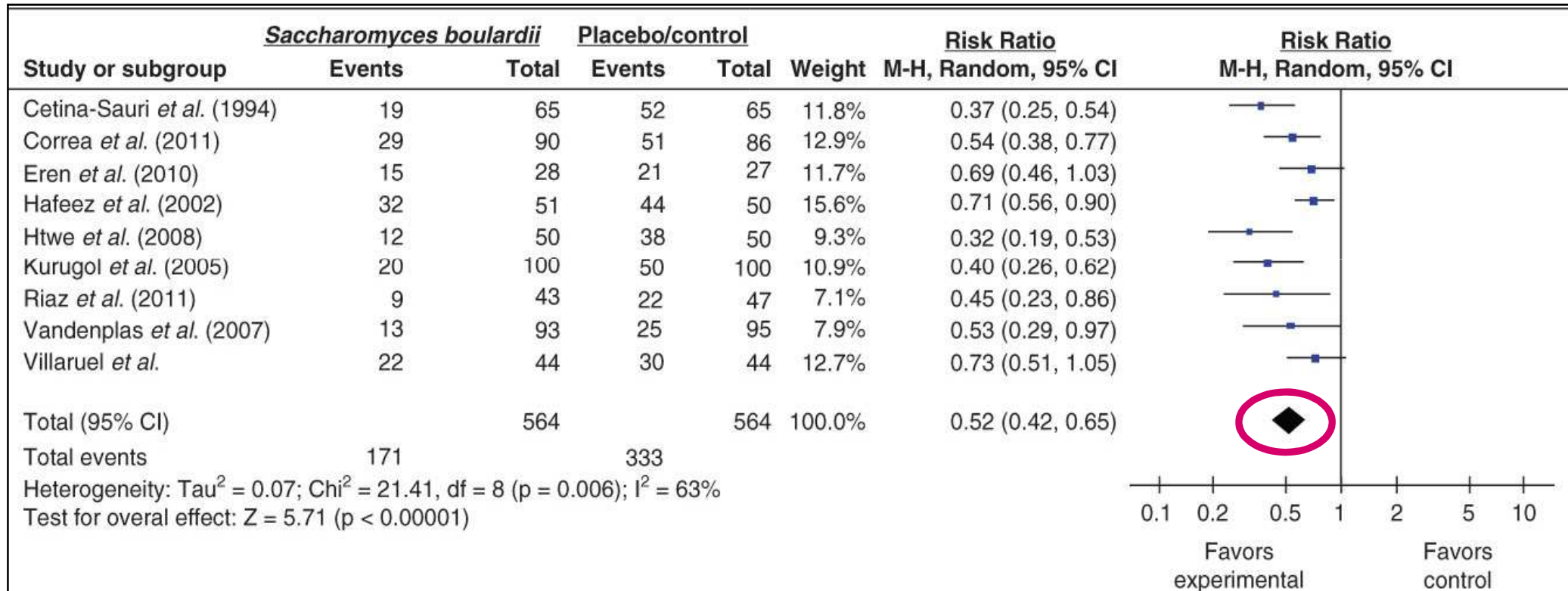
Saccharomyces boulardii CNCM I-745 in AGE: duration of diarrhea



ci, et al. Expert Opin Biol Ther 2012; 12:395-410

11 RCTs, n=1306
Mean difference 0.99 day (-1.4 to -0.0)

Saccharomyces boulardii CNCM I-745 in AGE: cure on day 3



9 RCTs; n=1128
Risk Ratio: 0.52 (0.42 to 0.65)

Lactobacillus reuteri DSM 17938 in AGE

Reduction of diarrhea
RCTs, n=196
Mean difference (hr)
(-41.1 to -23.7)

Study or subgroup	Experimental			Control			Weight	Mean difference IV, fixed, 95% CI	Mean difference fixed, 95% CI
	Mean	SD	Total	Mean	SD	Total			
<i>Lactobacillus reuteri</i> DSM 17938									
Dinleyici <i>et al.</i> , 2013	70.9	26.1	64	103.8	28.4	63	83.9%	-33.10 [-42.59, -23.61]	
Francavilla <i>et al.</i> , 2012	50.4	40.8	35	79.2	50.4	34	16.1%	-28.90 [-50.47, -7.13]	
Subtotal (95% CI)			99			97	100%	-32.41 [-41.10, -23.71]	
Heterogeneity: $\text{Chi}^2=0.13$, $\text{df}=1$ ($P=0.72$); $I^2=0\%$ Test for overall effect; $Z=7.31$ ($P<0.00001$)									

Incidence on day 3
RCTs; n=196
Risk Ratio: 3.85
(2.40 to 6.20)

Study or subgroup	Experimental		Control		Weight	Risk ratio M-H, fixed, 95% CI	Risk ratio M-H, fixed, 95% CI
	Events	Total	Events	Total			
<i>Lactobacillus reuteri</i> DSM 17938							
Dinleyici <i>et al.</i> , 2013	44	64	7	63	43.6%	6.19 [3.02, 12.68]	
Francavilla <i>et al.</i> , 2012	19	35	9	34	56.4%	2.05 [1.08, 3.88]	
Subtotal (95% CI)		99		97	100%	3.85 [2.40, 6.20]	
Total events	63		16				
Heterogeneity: $\text{Chi}^2=5.43$, $\text{df}=1$ ($P=0.02$); $I^2=82\%$ Test for overall effect; $Z=5.56$ ($P<0.00001$)							

Recommended strains by ESPGHAN Working Group for AGI

BIOTIC STRAIN	STUDIES IN SUPPORT	QUALITY OF EVIDENCE	GRADE OF RECOMMENDATION	RECOMMENDATION
	15 RCTs	Low	Strong	<u>Should be considered</u>
<i>lardii</i> CNCM I-	13 RCTs	Low	Strong	<u>Should be considered</u>
<i>teri</i> DSM 17938	2 RCTs	Very low	Weak	<u>May be considered +</u>



Other strains used in AGE



PROBIOTIC STRAIN	STUDIES IN SUPPORT	QUALITY OF EVIDENCE	GRADE OF RECOMMENDATION	RECOMMENDATION
<i>Lactobacillus</i> (573/L1-2-3)	1 RCT	Moderate	Weak	Insufficient data
<i>Lactophilus</i>	1 RCT	Very low	Weak	Insufficient data
<i>Casei</i> ST11	1 RCT	Moderate	Weak	Insufficient data
<i>Lactobacillus</i> 0052 <i>Lactobacillus</i> 0011	None	-	-	Insufficient data
<i>Lactobacillus</i> <i>Lactophilus</i> <i>Lactum</i> <i>Lactardii</i>	1 RCT	Moderate	Weak	Insufficient data
<i>Lactentericus</i> <i>Lactycum</i> <i>Lactalis</i>	1 RCT	Very low	Weak	Insufficient data
<i>Lactrueckii</i> <i>Lactophilus</i> <i>Lactomophilus</i> <i>Lactum</i>	1 RCT	Very low	Weak	Insufficient data
<i>Lactis</i> Bb12	None	-	-	Insufficient data
<i>Lactis</i> B12 <i>Lactomophilus</i>	1 RCT	Very low	Weak	Insufficient data
<i>Lactisii</i>	1 RCT	Very low	Weak	Insufficient data

Considerations with probiotic strains in AGE

Some issues:

Quality aspects, dosage

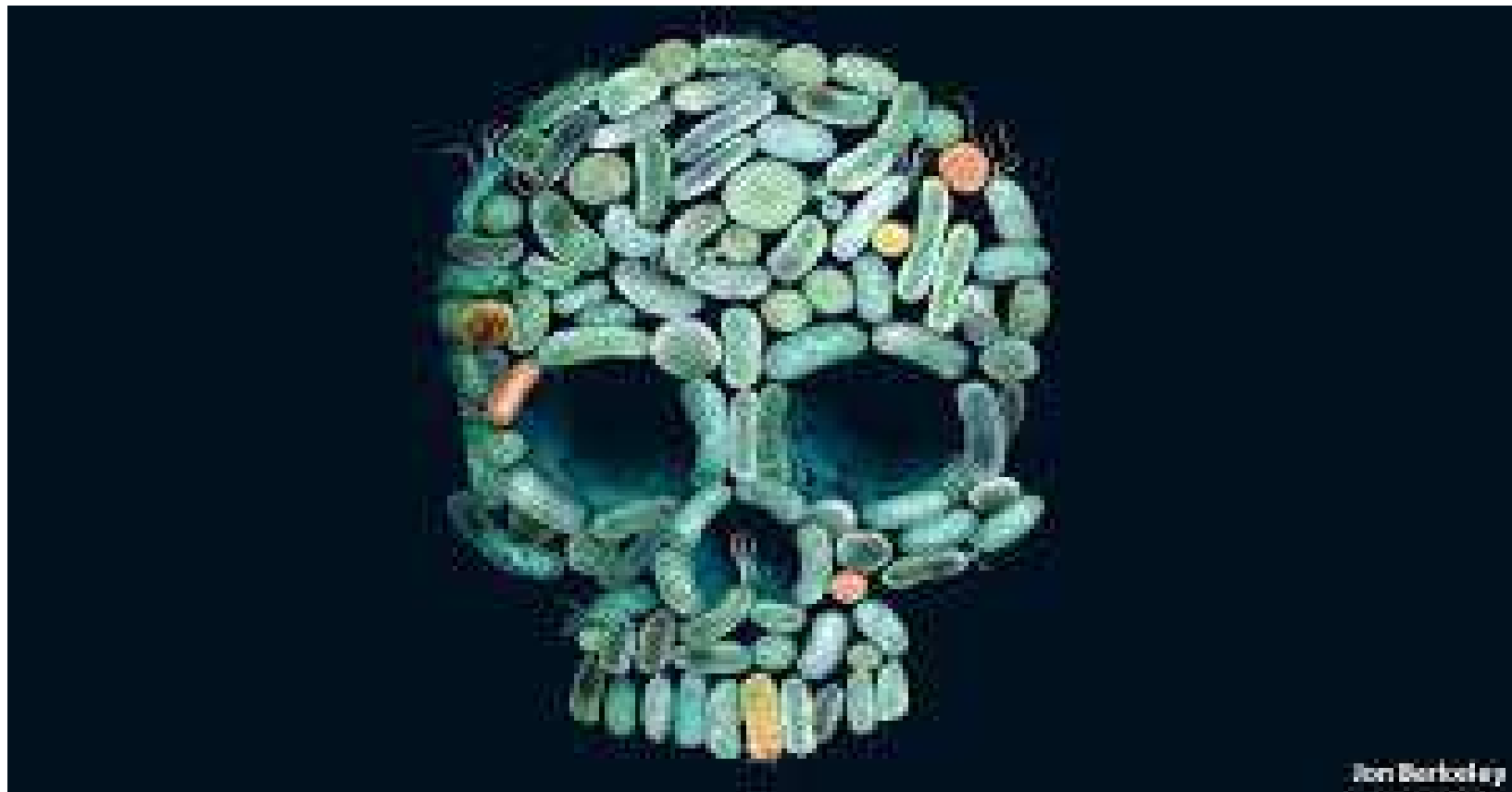
For all pathogens (norovirus?)

Outcome measures: positive for duration of diarrhea, weaker for prevention of dehydration, need of hospital admission, duration of hospitalization, quality of life

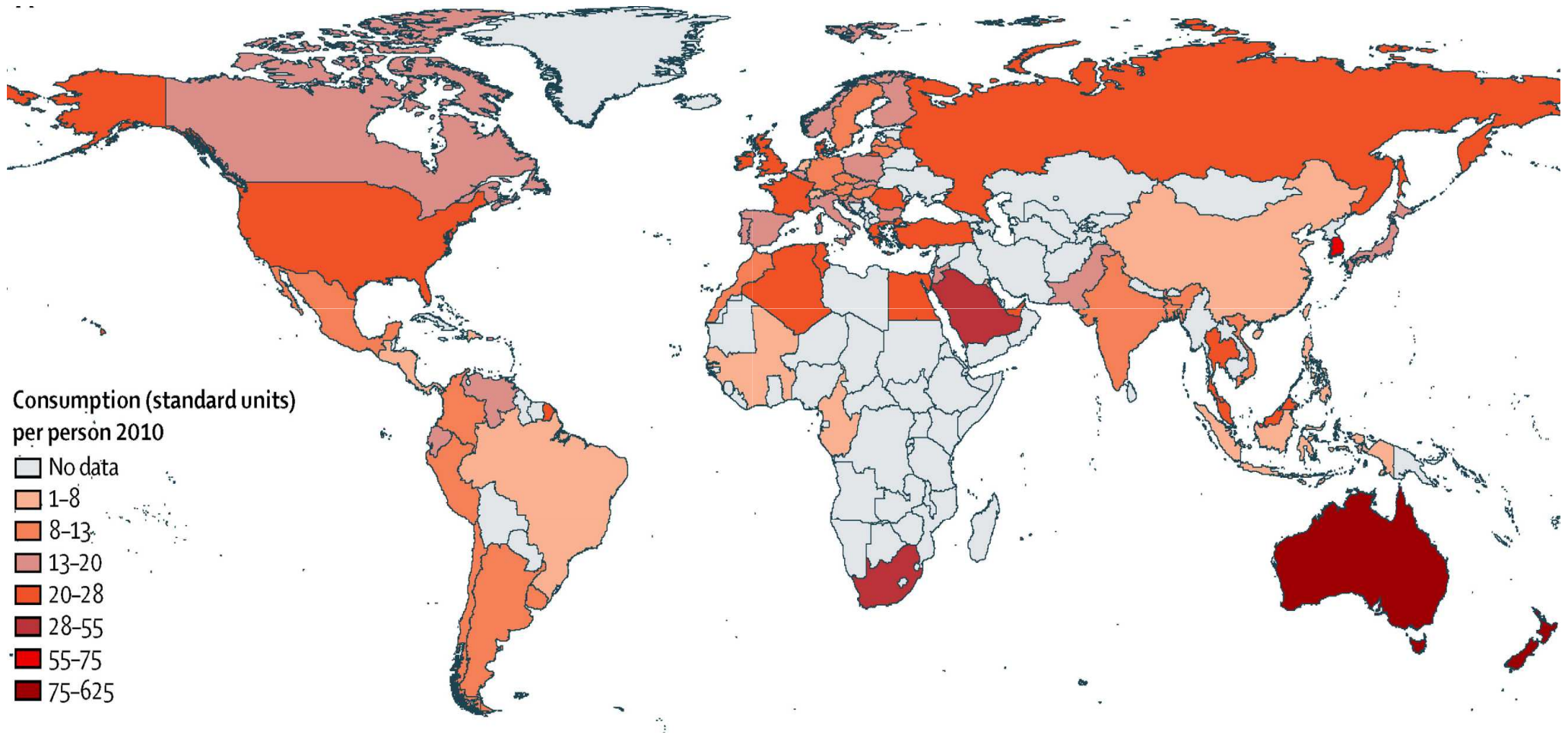
Restoration of microbiome: less subsequent new episodes and other advantages

Costs

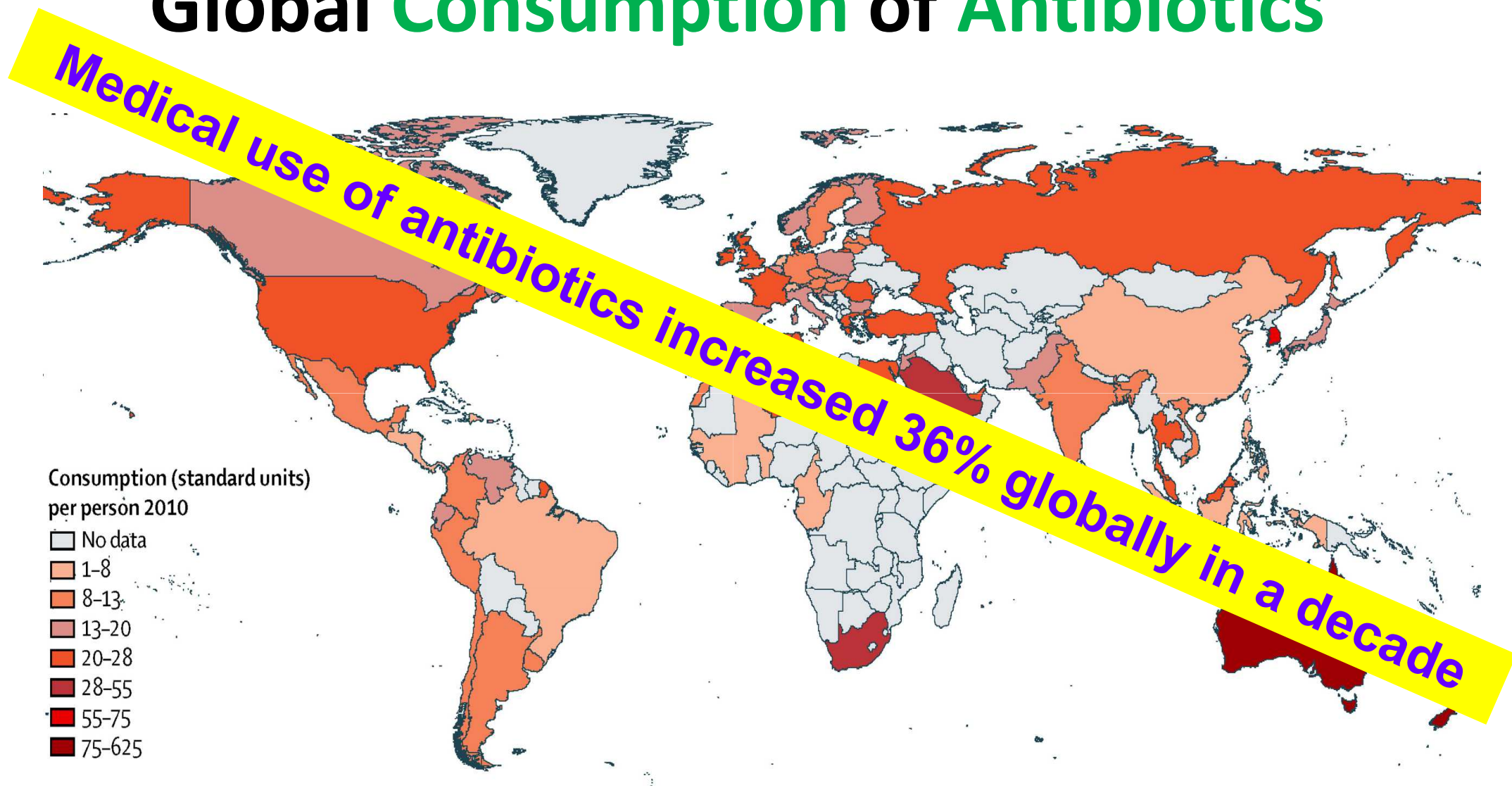
Antibiotics are the Most Commonly used Drugs in Western Countries



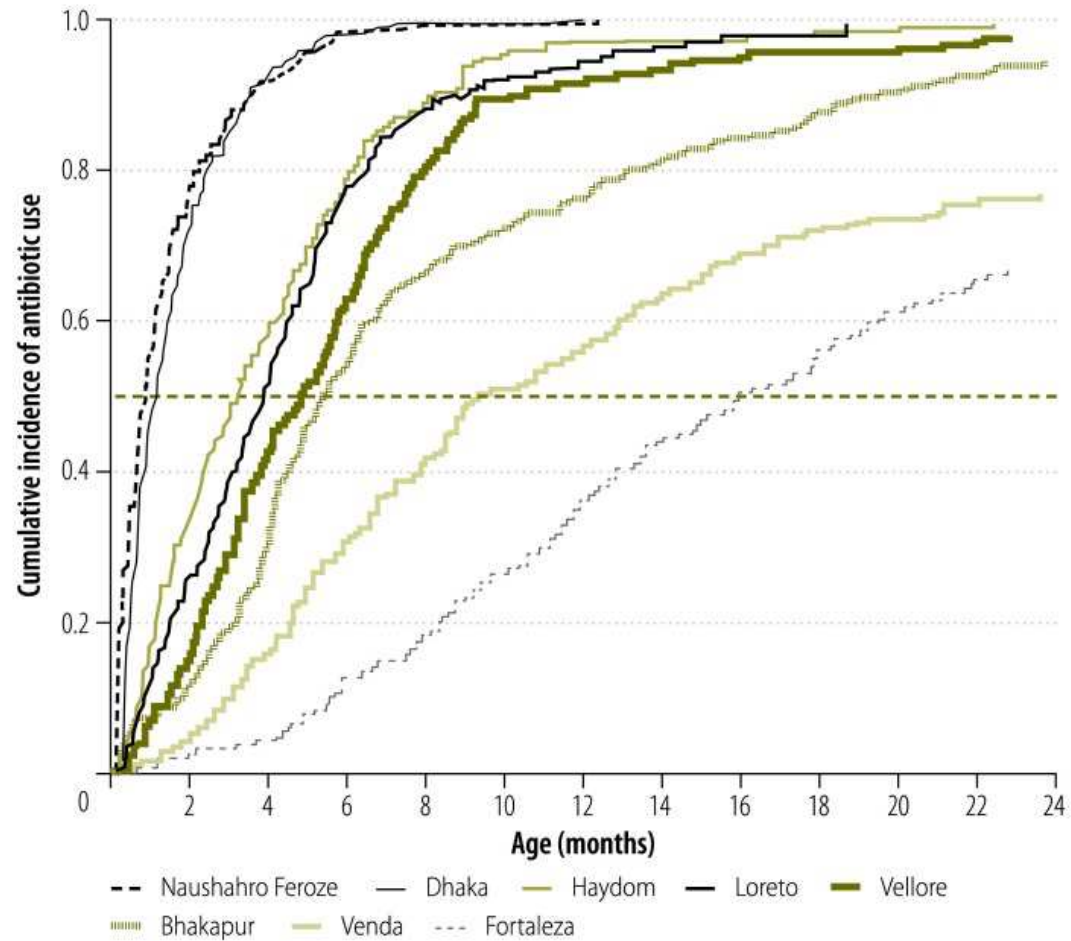
Global Consumption of Antibiotics



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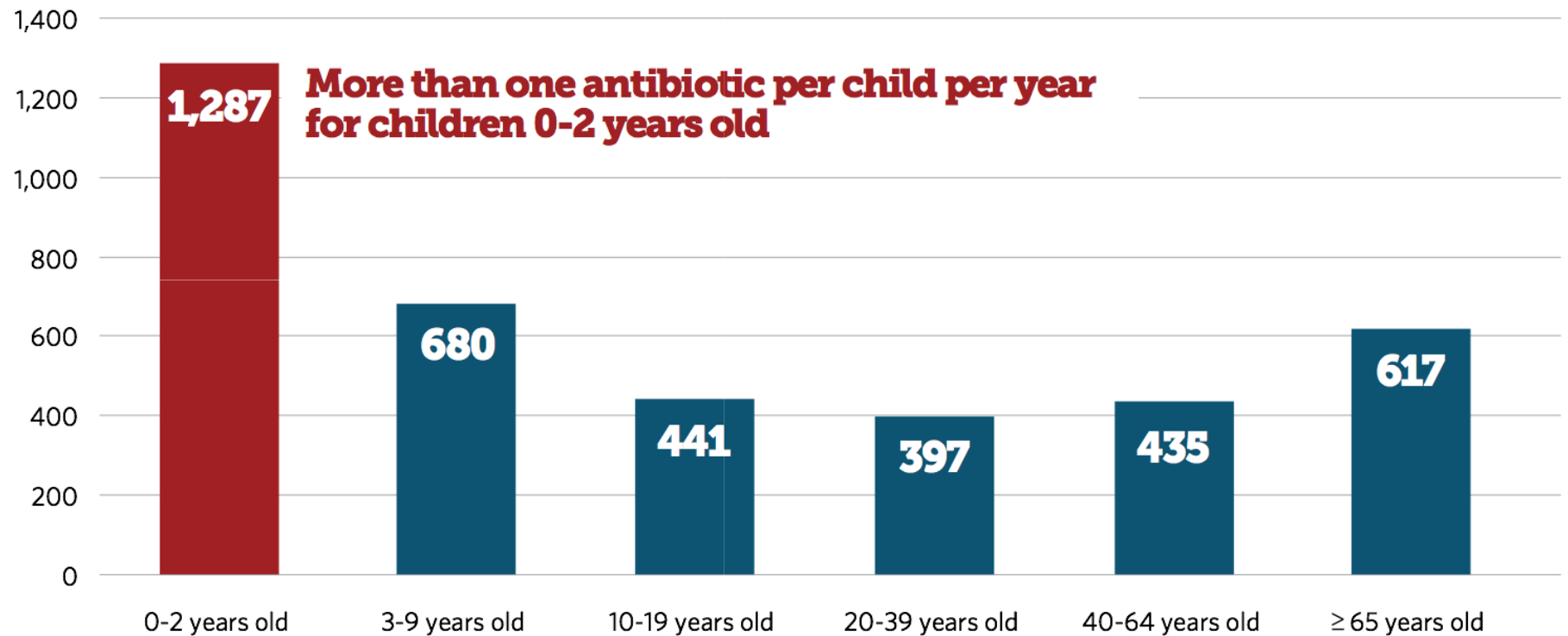


Use of antibiotics age in low resource settings



First antibiotic use
age <2 years

Antibiotic prescription (age groups; 1000 individuals)



Source: Analysis of NAMCS and NHAMCS data on U.S. antibiotic prescribing, 2010-2011

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Antibiotic consumption in livestock

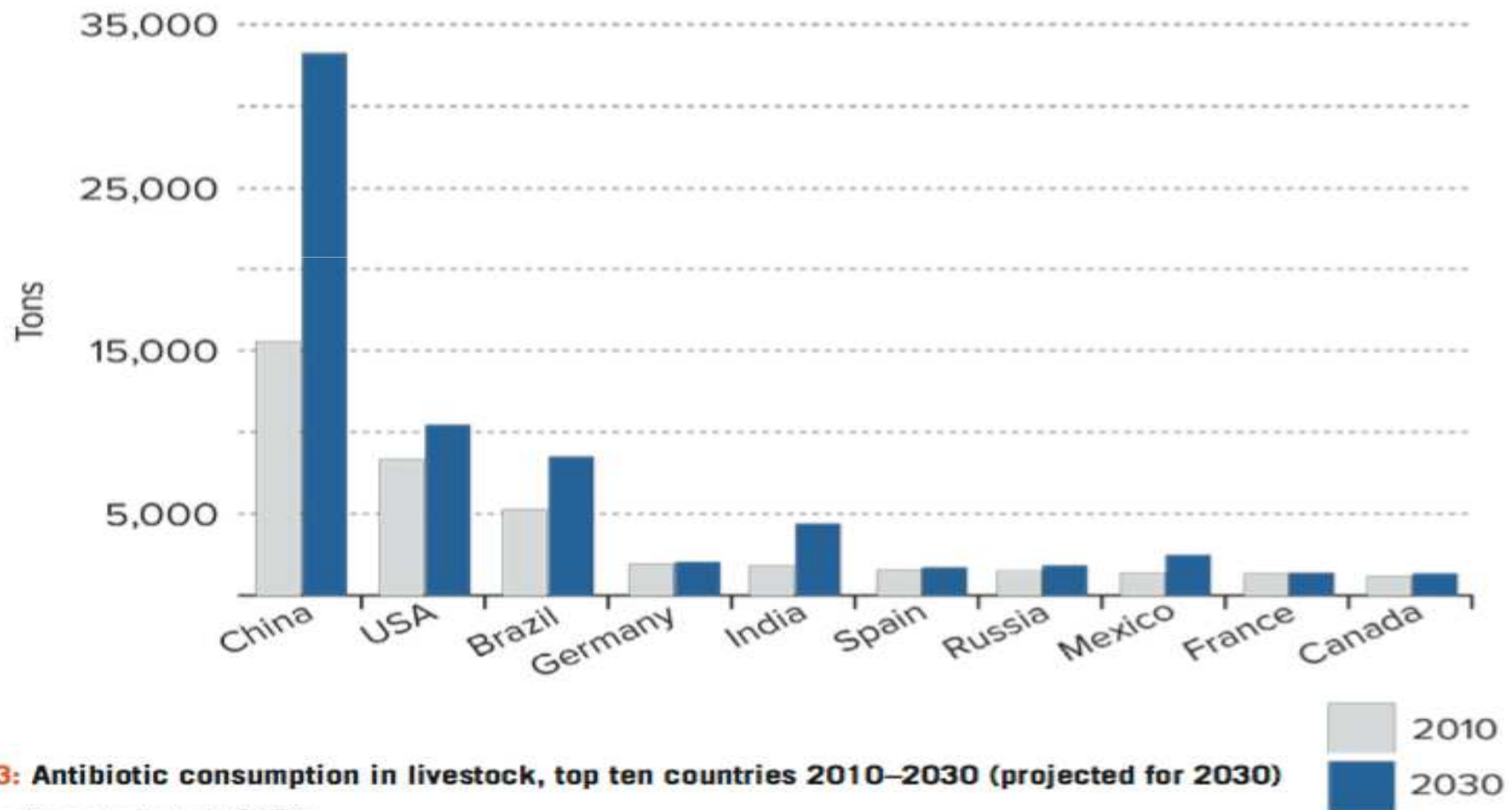


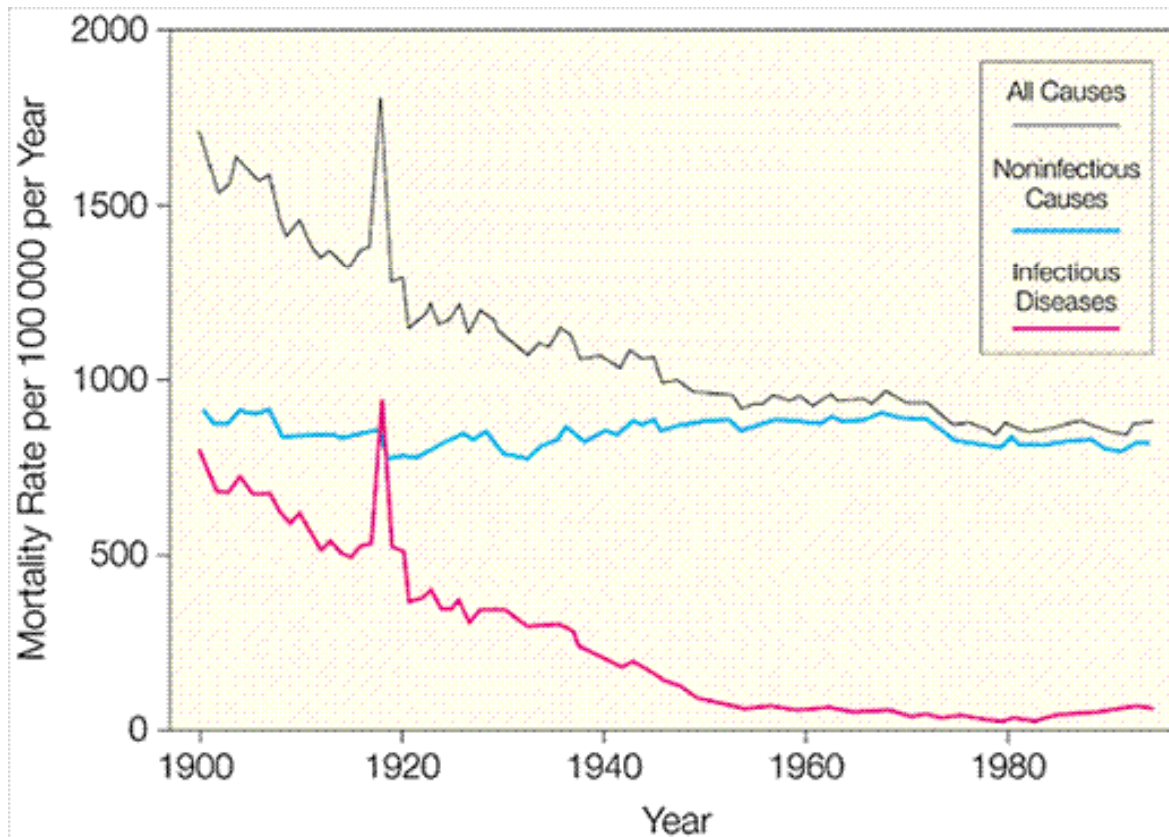
FIGURE ES-3: Antibiotic consumption in livestock, top ten countries 2010–2030 (projected for 2030)

Source: Van Boeckel et al. 2015

The 'miracle' of antibiotics

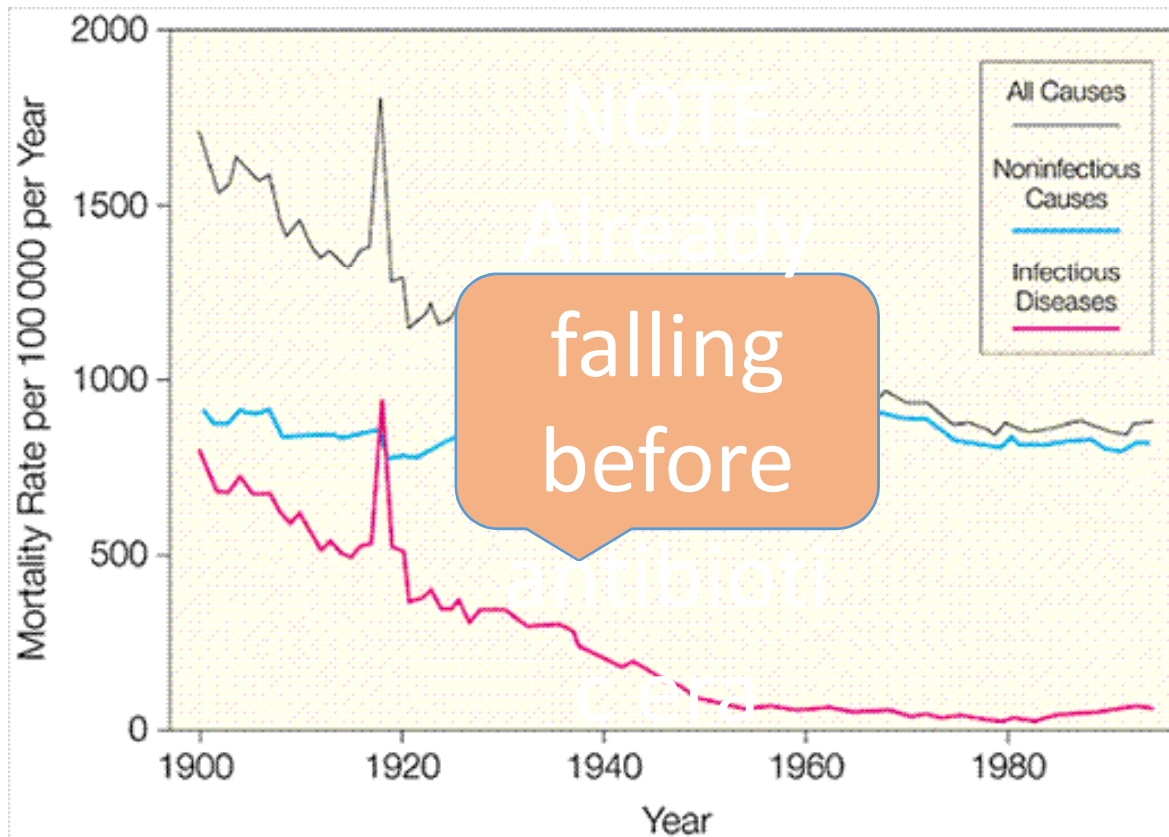
- Discovery of penicillin revolutionised treatment of infectious disease
- Increased life expectancy due to ability to prevent and treat infection

The 'miracle' of antibiotics



Crude mortality rates for all causes, **non infectious causes** and **infectious diseases** over the period 1900-1996.

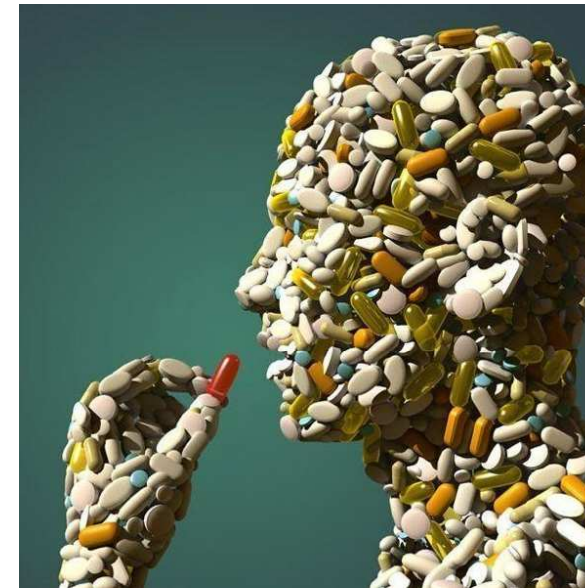
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Consequences of Antibiotic (Mis)use

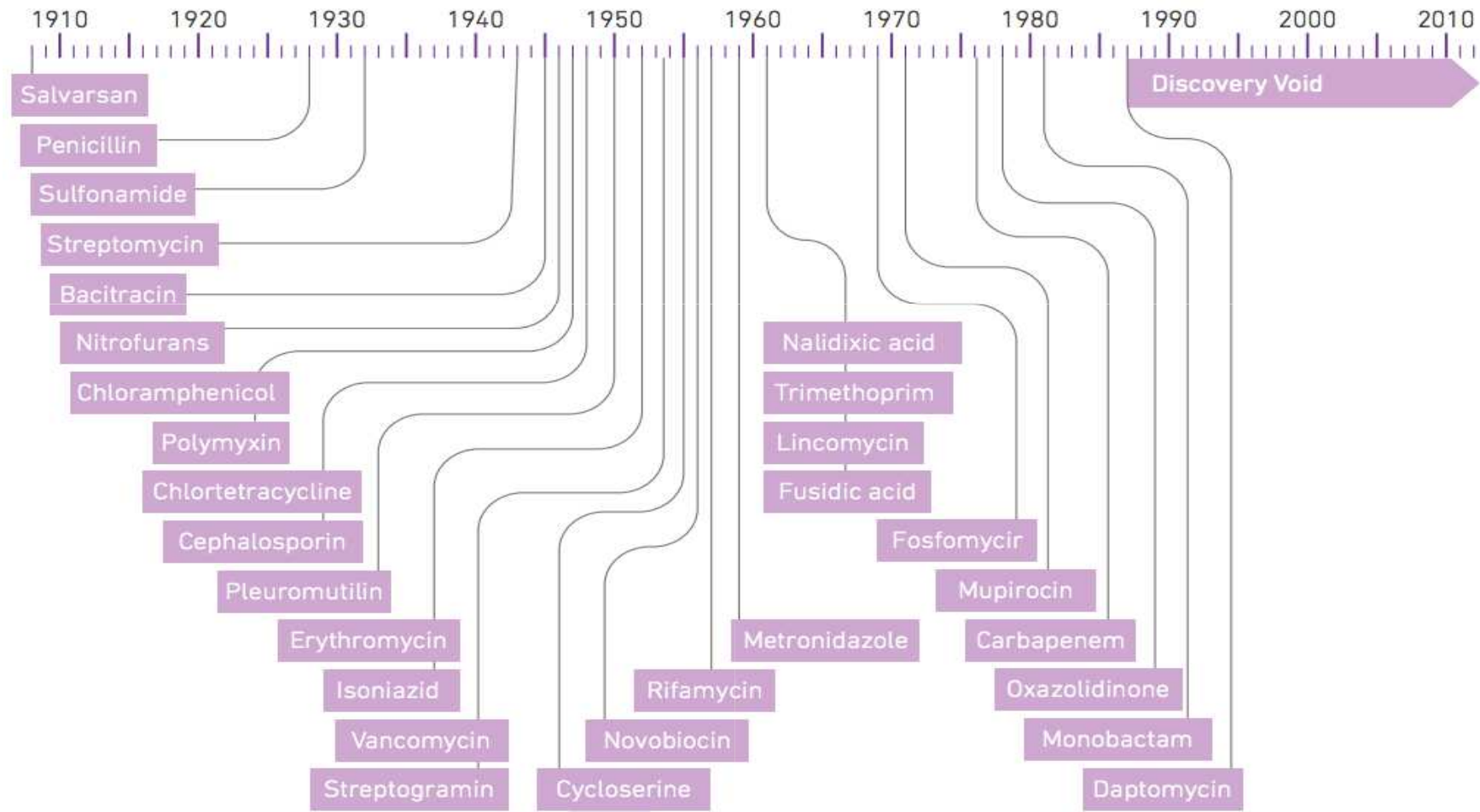
- Antibiotic resistance
- Disruption to microbiome
- Adverse drug events
 - Drug side effects
 - *Clostridium difficile* infection
 - Antibiotic associated diarrhea/colitis
 - Increased hospital readmissions
 - Increased health-care costs



No significant new antibiotic discoveries for 30 years!

Figure 1 Dates of discovery of distinct classes of antibacterial drugs

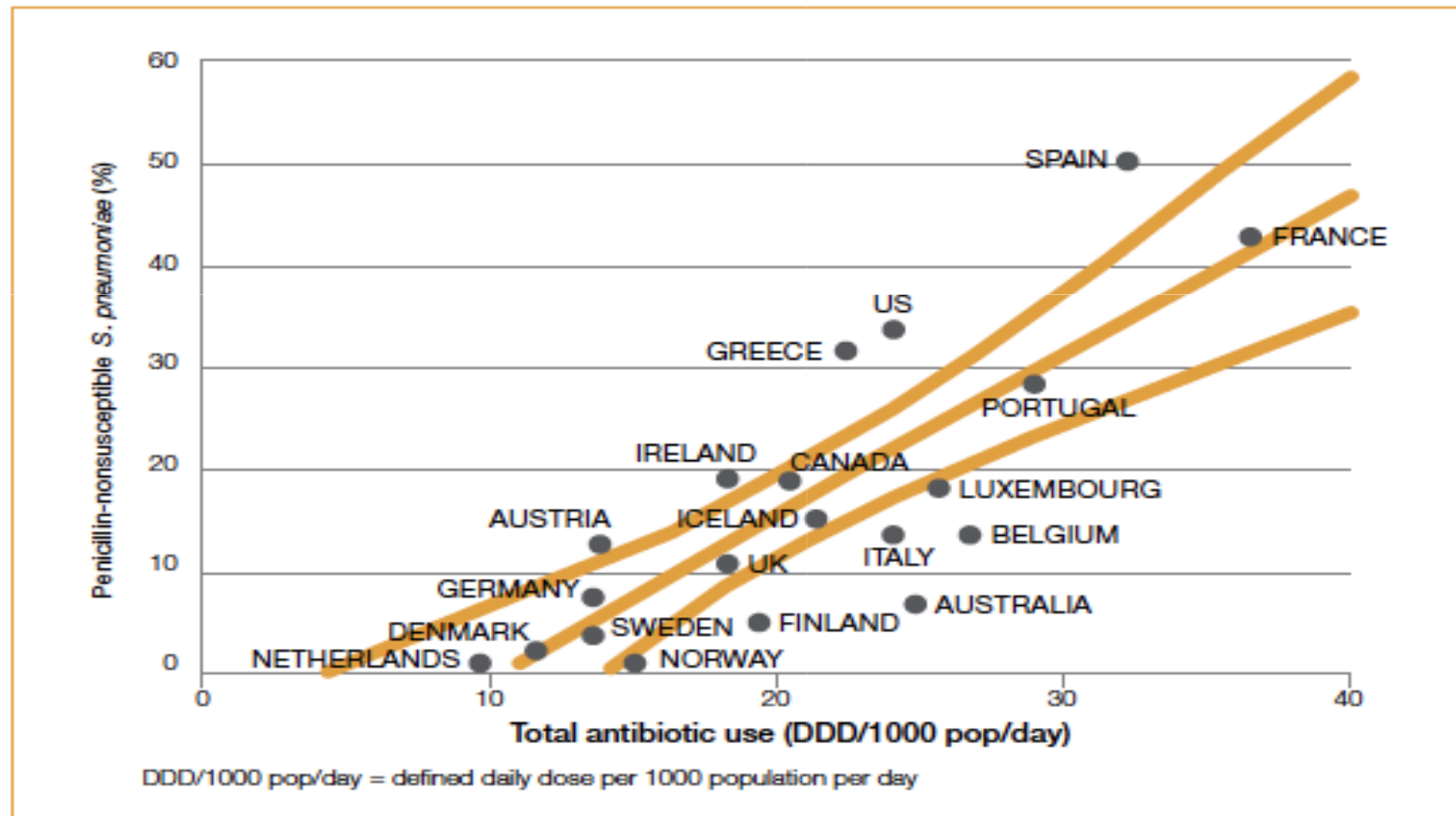
Illustration of the "discovery void." Dates indicated are those of reported initial discovery or patent.



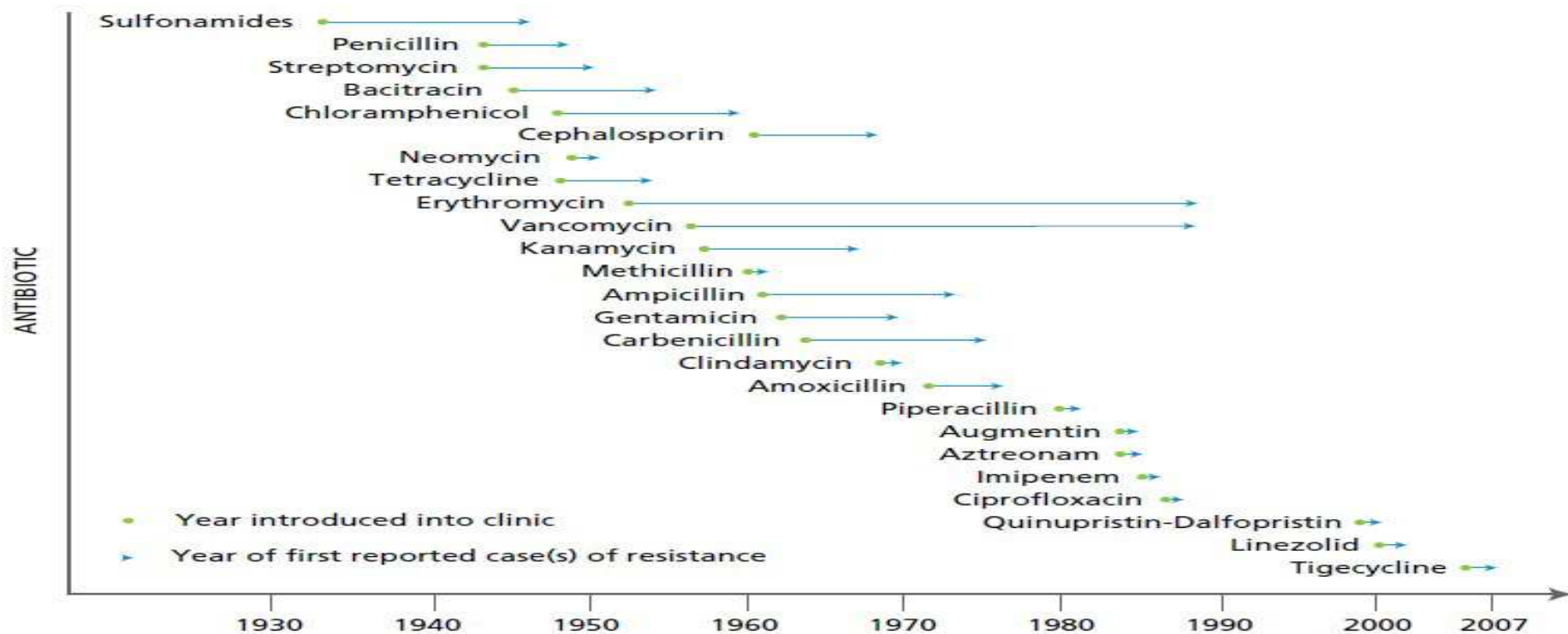
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Antibiotic use and antibiotic resistance

Relationship between total antibiotic consumption and *Streptococcus pneumoniae* resistance to penicillin in 20 industrialised countries



Emergence of antibiotic resistance



Note: Some of the dates are estimates only.

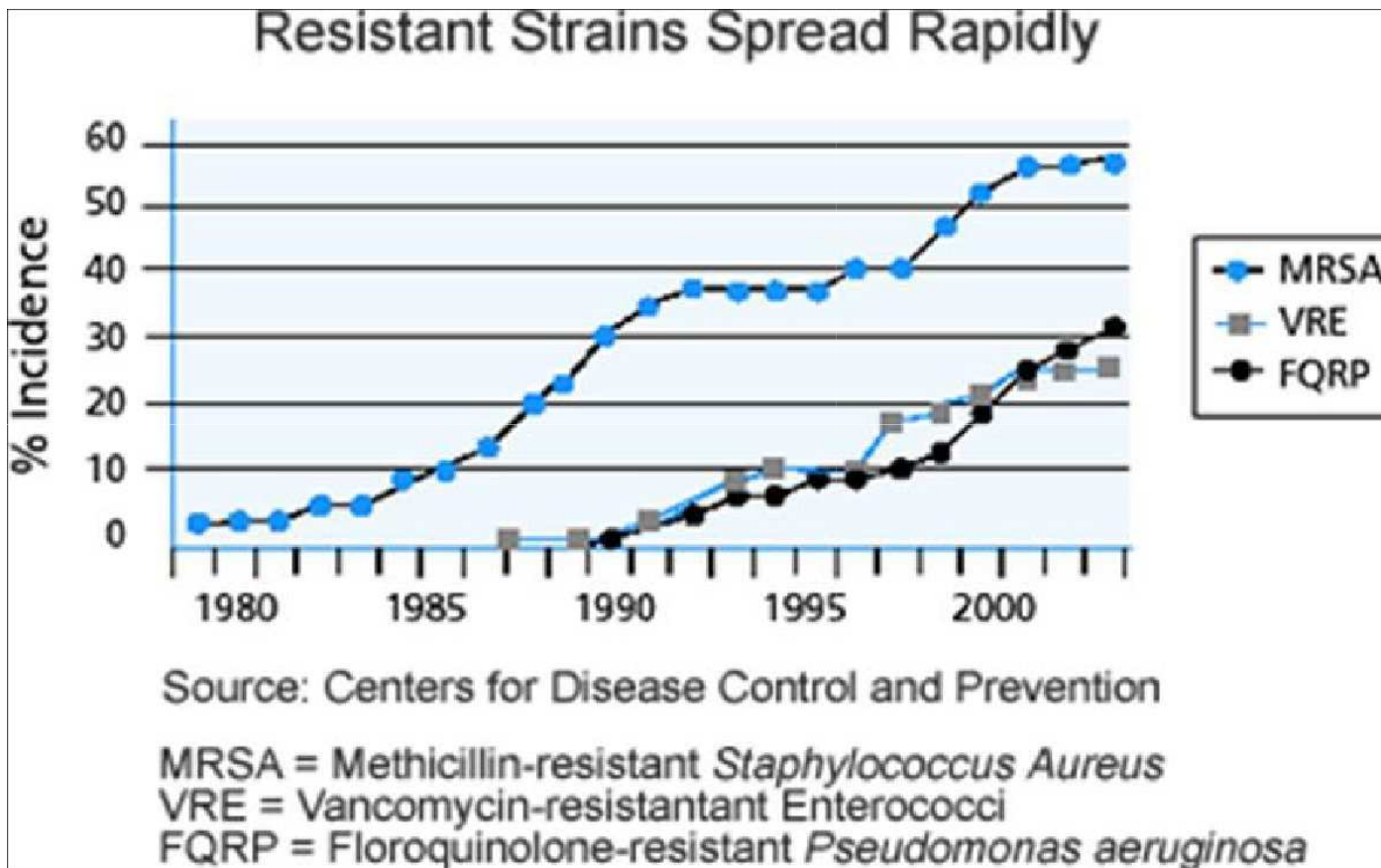
is not difficult to make microbes resistant to penicillin in the laboratory by exposing them to concentrations not sufficient to kill them, and the same thing has occasionally happened in the body.”

— Alexander Fleming, 1945

4. Sir Alexander Fleming, Nobel Lecture, December 1945

5. Pray LA Insight Pharma Reports 2008, in Looke D 'The Real Threat of Antibiotic R

Resistance spreads rapidly



Natural selection
Horizontal transfer
International travel

“The magnitude of the problem is now accepted.

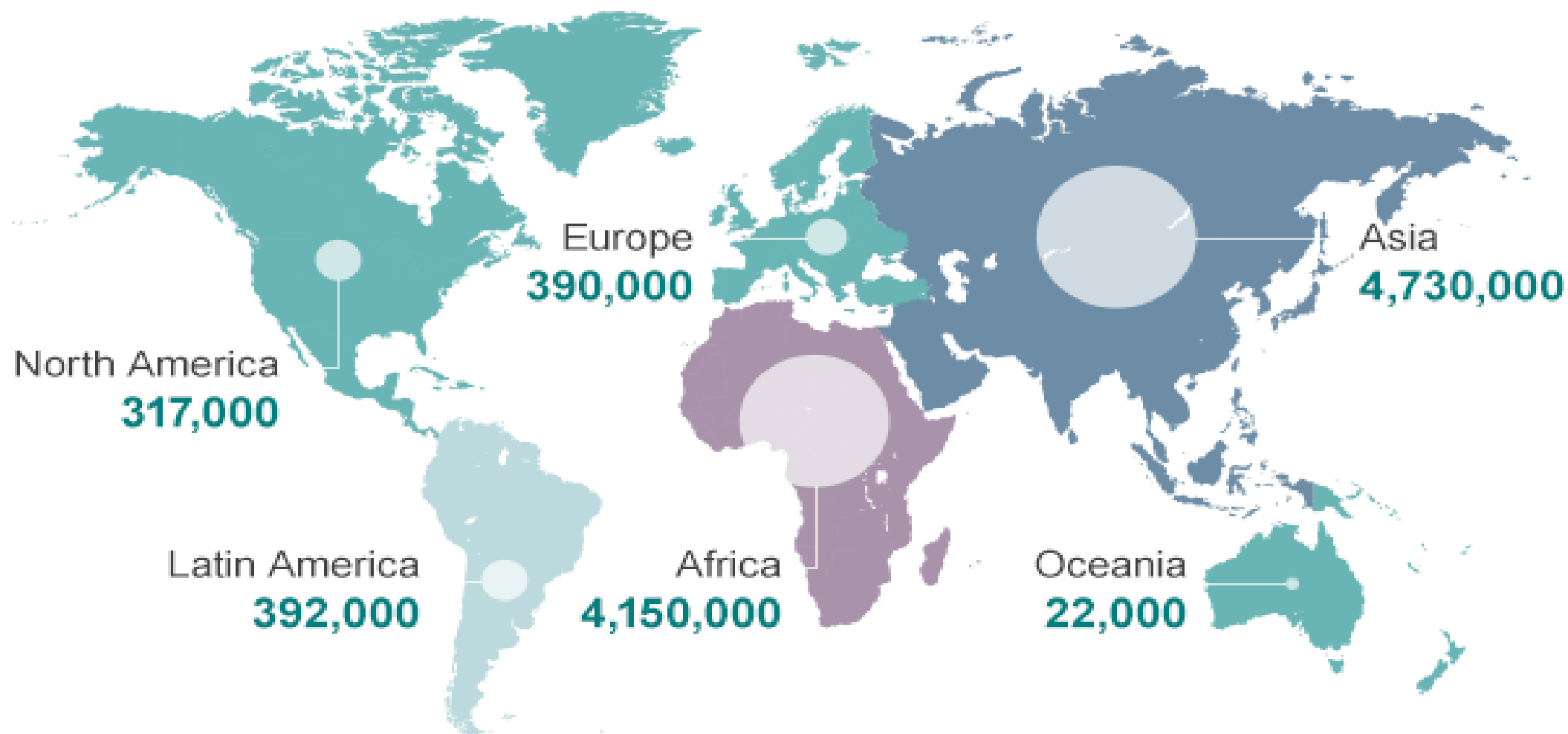
We estimate that by 2050, 10 million lives a year and a cumulative 100 trillion USD of economic output are at risk due to the rise of drug resistant infections if we do not find proactive solutions now to slow down the rise of drug resistance.

Even today, 700,000 people die of resistant infections every year.”

<https://amr-review.org/home.html>

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Deaths attributable to antimicrobial resistance every year by 2050



Source: Review on Antimicrobial Resistance 2014

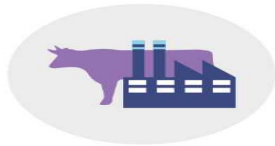
TACKLING ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE ON TEN FRONTS



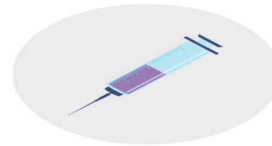
Public awareness



Sanitation and hygiene



Antibiotics in agriculture and the environment



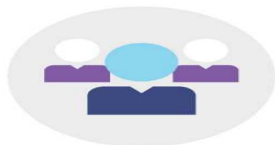
Vaccines and alternatives



Surveillance



Rapid diagnostics



Human capital



Drugs



Global Innovation Fund



International coalition for action



Review on
Antimicrobial
Resistance

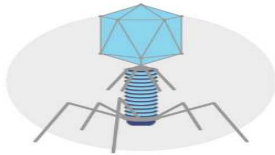
Antimicrobial stewardship

Antimicrobial stewardship refers to coordinated interventions designed to improve and measure the appropriate use of antimicrobials by promoting the selection of the optimal antimicrobial drug regimen, dose, duration of therapy, and route of administration.

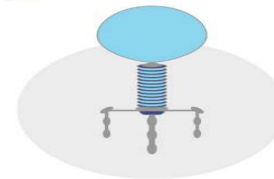
Antimicrobial stewards seek to achieve optimal clinical outcomes related to antimicrobial use, minimize toxicity and other adverse events, reduce the costs of health care for infections, and limit the selection for antimicrobial resistant strains.

ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS TO TACKLE INFECTIONS

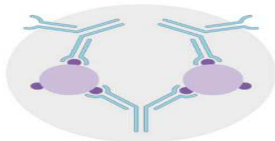
A selection of alternative products that are under development, which could be used for prevention or therapy.



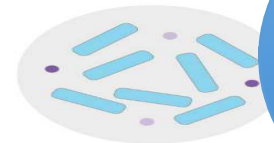
Phage therapy
Natural or engineered viruses that attack and kill bacteria



Lysins
Enzymes that directly and quickly act on bacteria



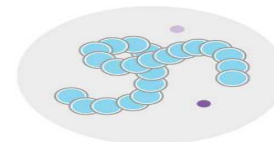
Antibodies
Bind to particular bacteria or their products, restricting their ability to cause disease



Probiotics
Prevent pathogenic bacteria colonising the gut



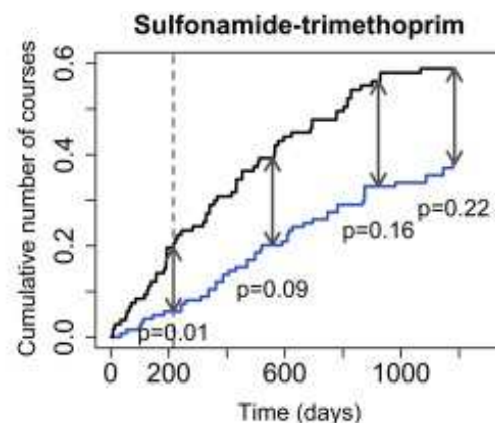
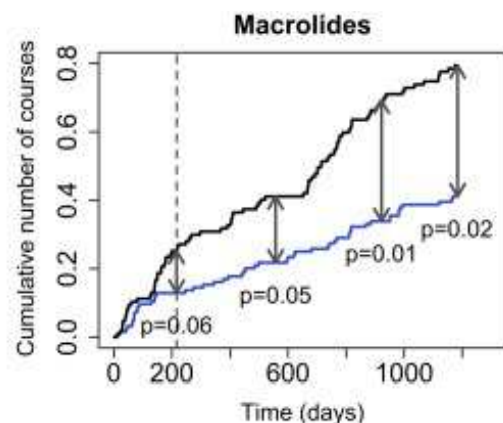
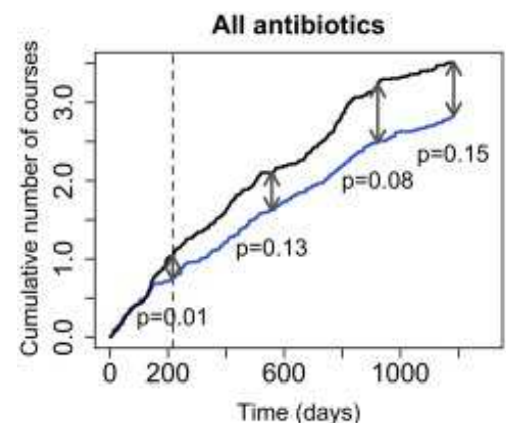
Immune stimulation
Boosts the patient's natural immune system



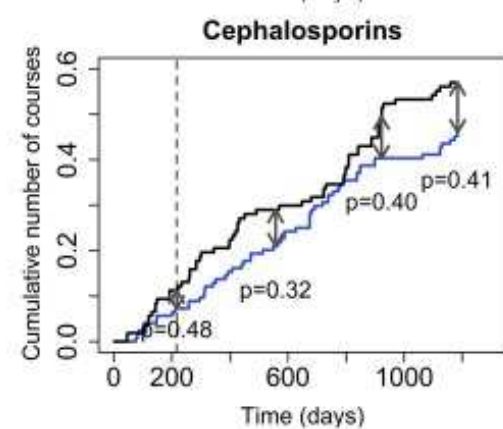
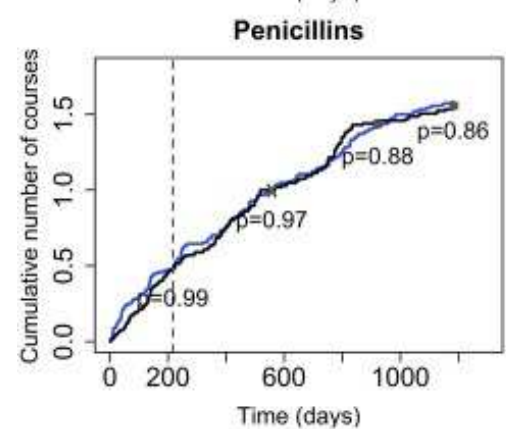
Peptides
Non-mammalian animals' natural defences against infection



Long-term probiotic (LGG) consumption reduces antibiotic u

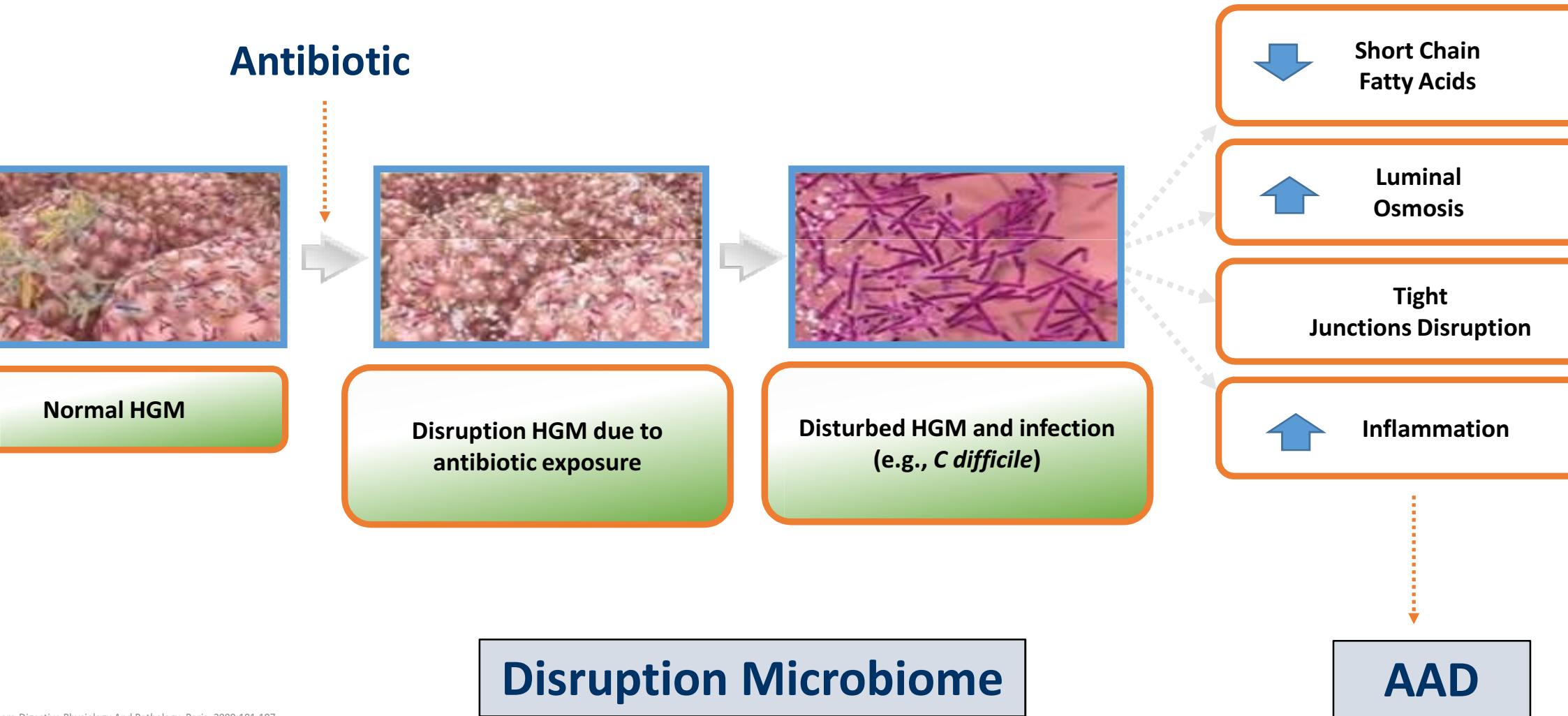


DB PC RCT
 (231 children, aged 2-7 yr)
 Duration: 210 days



L. rhamnosus GG : 400 ml milk with LGG 10^8 cfu/ml
 Placebo : 400 ml milk

After antibiotic exposure

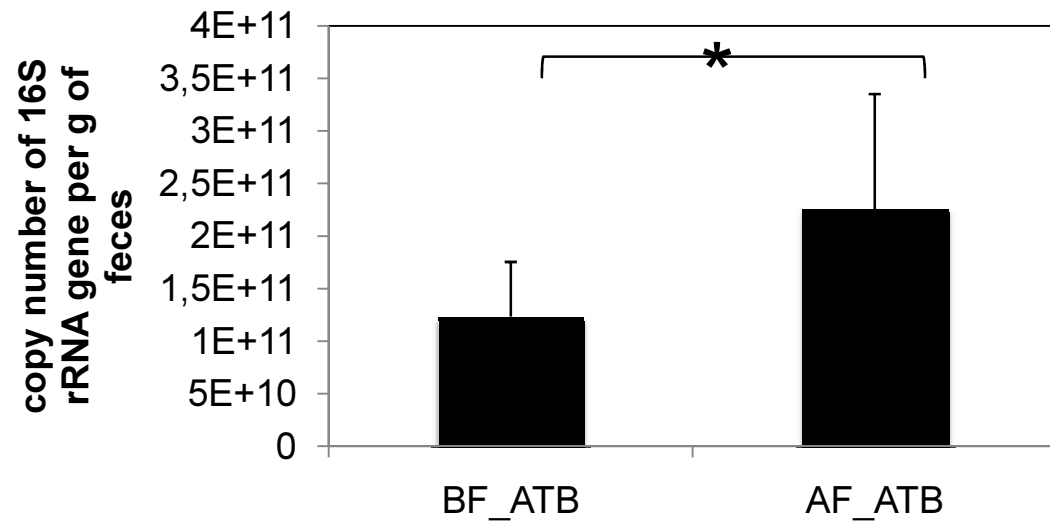


Disruption to microbiome (dysbiosis)

- Numbers
- Balance
- Diversity

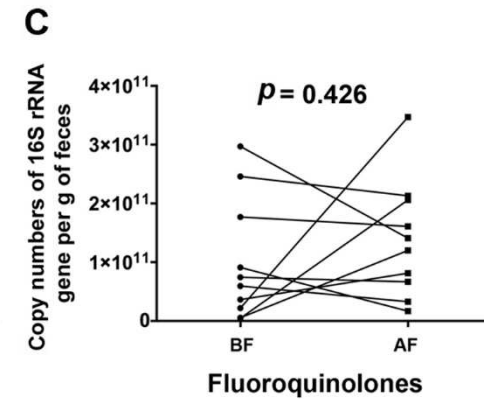
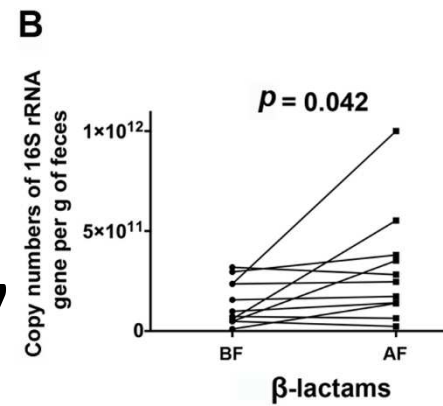
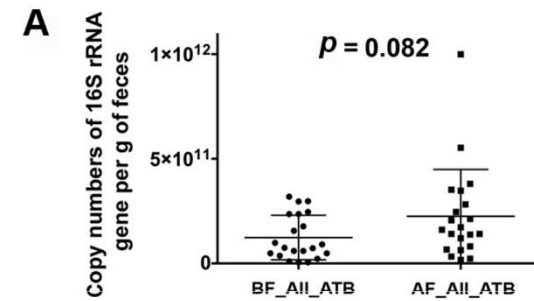
Counterintuitive results

increase of bacterial load after ATB intake in fecal sample



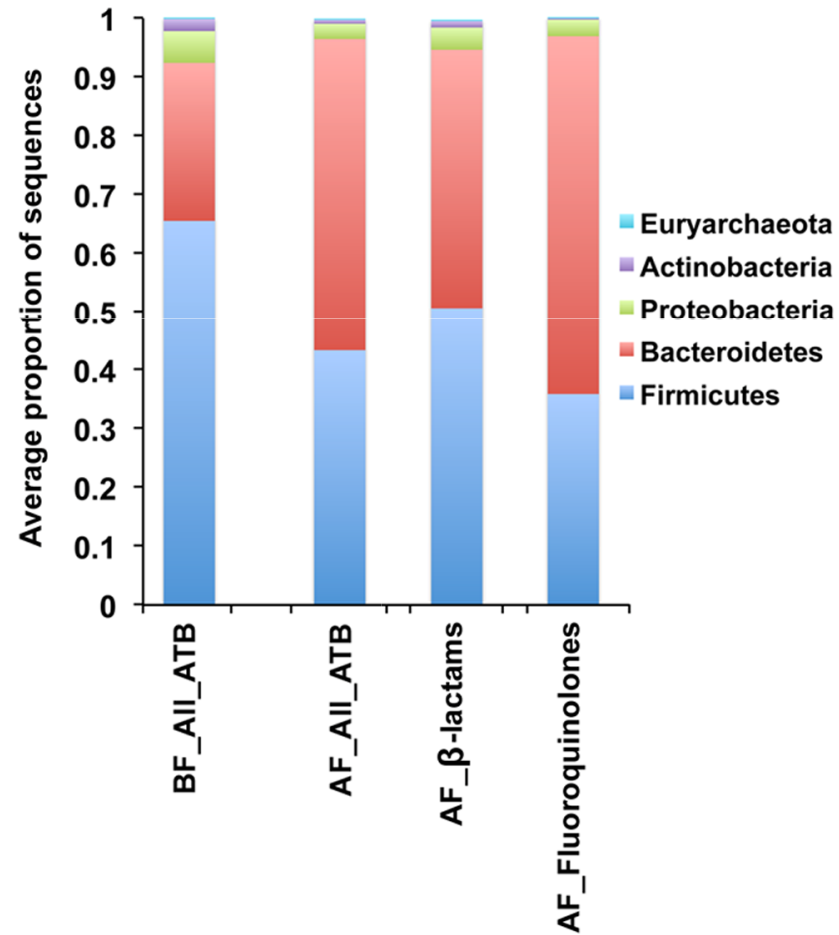
Day 0

Day 7

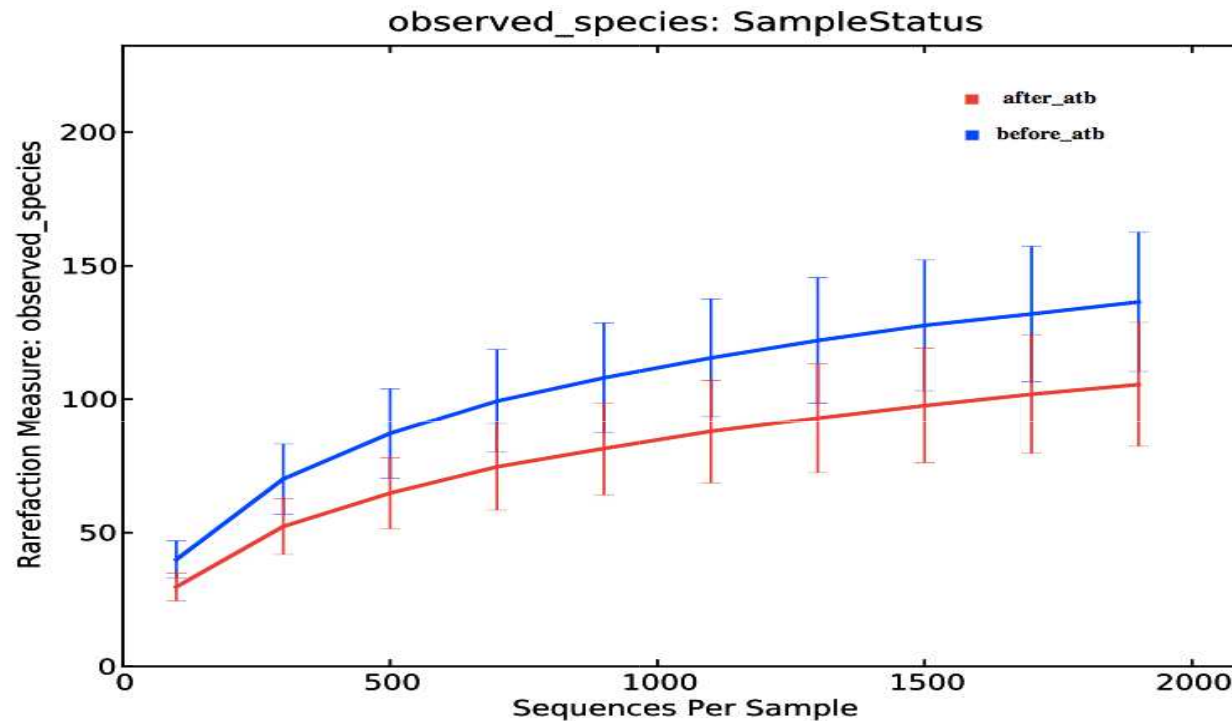


P = 0.08 (Wilcoxon matched-pairs signed rank test)

... and a shift in balance at phylum level



....., but a decrease on bacterial richness (taxa)



average number of observed taxa before antibiotic intake: 140 (SD = 22)

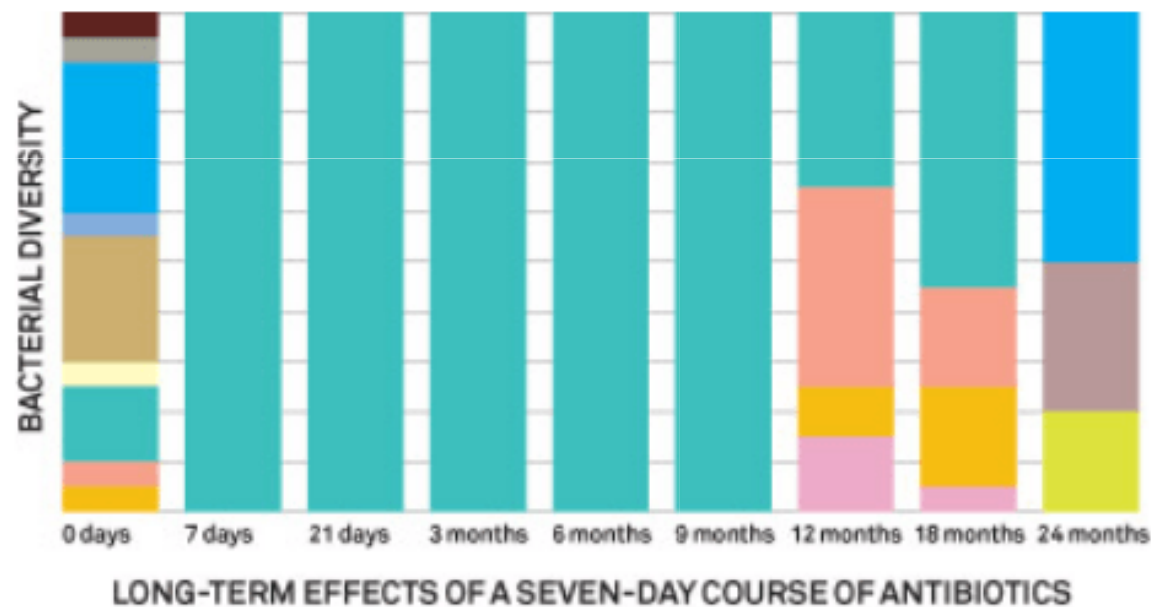
average number of observed taxa after antibiotic intake: 105 (SD = 23)

$p < 0.0001$ (Wilcoxon matched-pairs signed rank test) for observed species and chao1

$p < 0.0001$ (Paired t test)

Antibiotics = Microbiome Killer

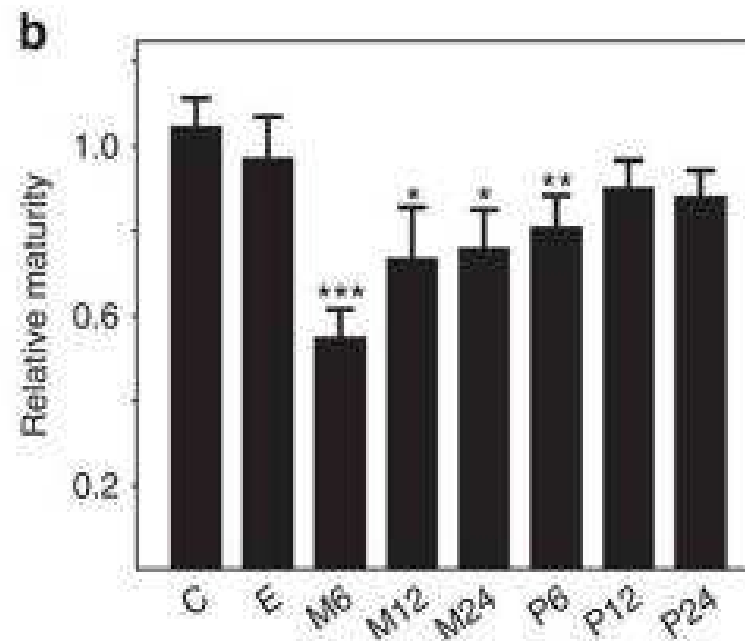
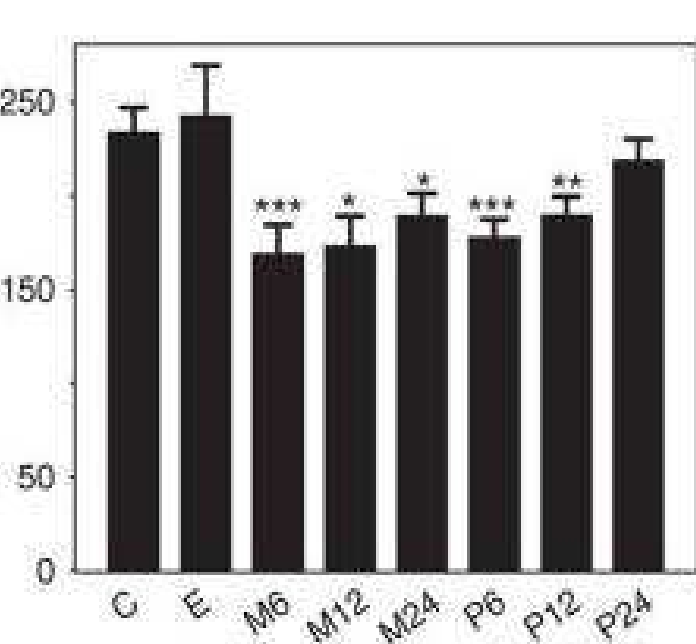
Studies have revealed some alarming costs of taking antibiotics, which don't discriminate between disease-causing bacteria and our natural microbiome. Graphed below is the diversity of gut bacteria from one important genus (*Bacteroides*) in a patient who took a weeklong course of clindamycin; different colors represent the different species. For nine months after exposure, the subject's gut was left with nothing but one type, a clindamycin-resistant strain of *Bacteroides thetaiotaomicron*. Even two years out, the flora had not regained their former diversity.



JANSSON 2010. http://www.wired.com/magazine/2011/09/mf_microbiome

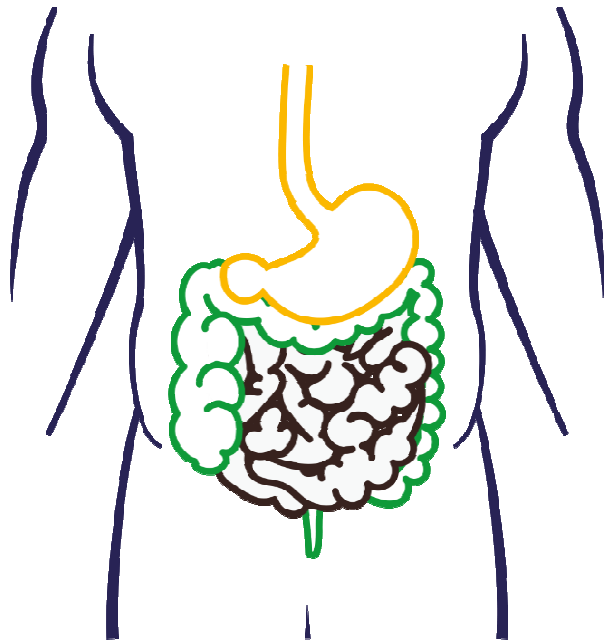
Intestinal microbiome is related to lifetime antibiotic use in Finnish pre-school children

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& Willem M. de Vos^{1,5,6}



C: no AB past 2 yrs and in total <1 course
E: AB in early life + C
M6: macrolide course within last 6 mo
M12: macrolide course within 6-12 mo
M24: macrolide course within 12-24 mo
P6, P12, P24: penicillin courses

Disturbances of the gut microbiota & dysbiosis

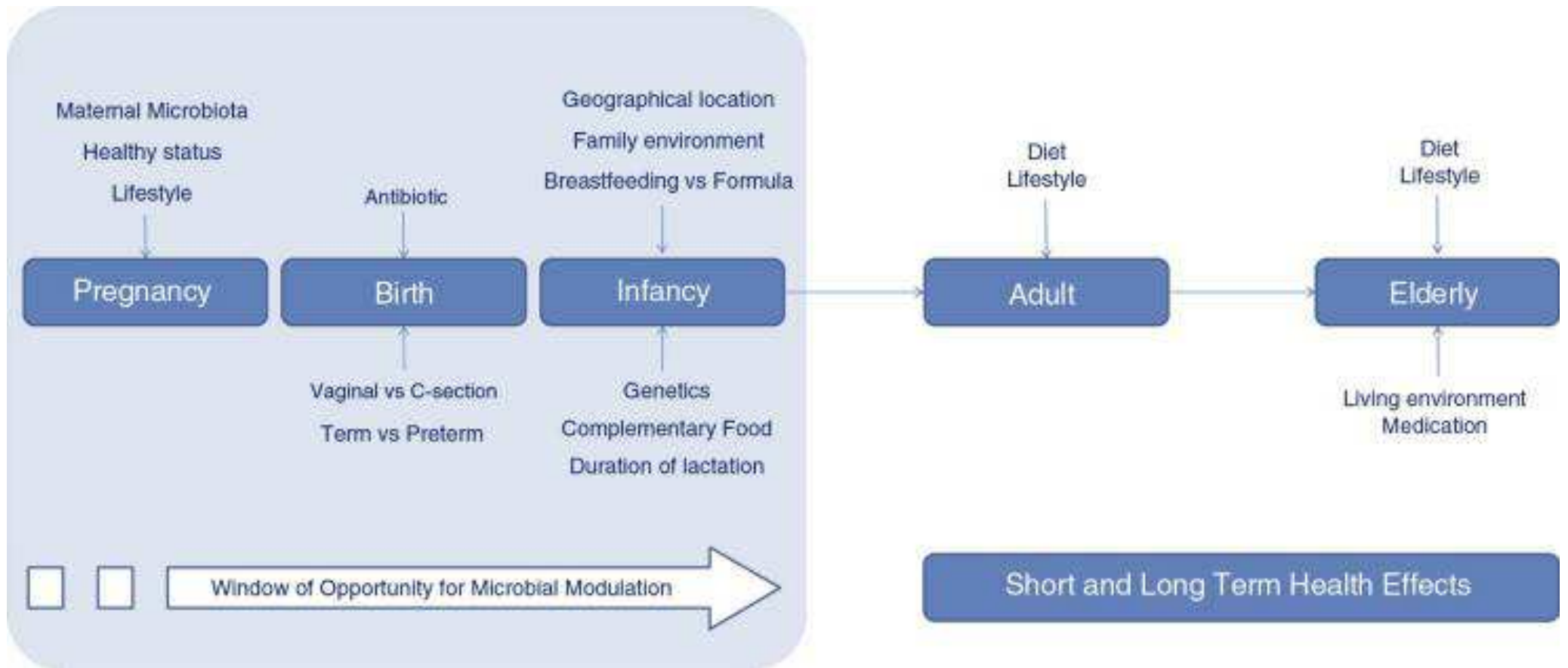


EUBIOSIS => "Normal" and "balanced" intestinal microbiota fulfills all the conditions for us to benefit from its health effects (metabolism, immunity, trophicity, barrier effect)

VS

DYSBIOSIS => Intestinal dysbiosis can be defined as an **unfavorable dysbalance of the intestinal microbiota.**

The course of life of a microbiota



Antibiotics and the microbiome throughout development

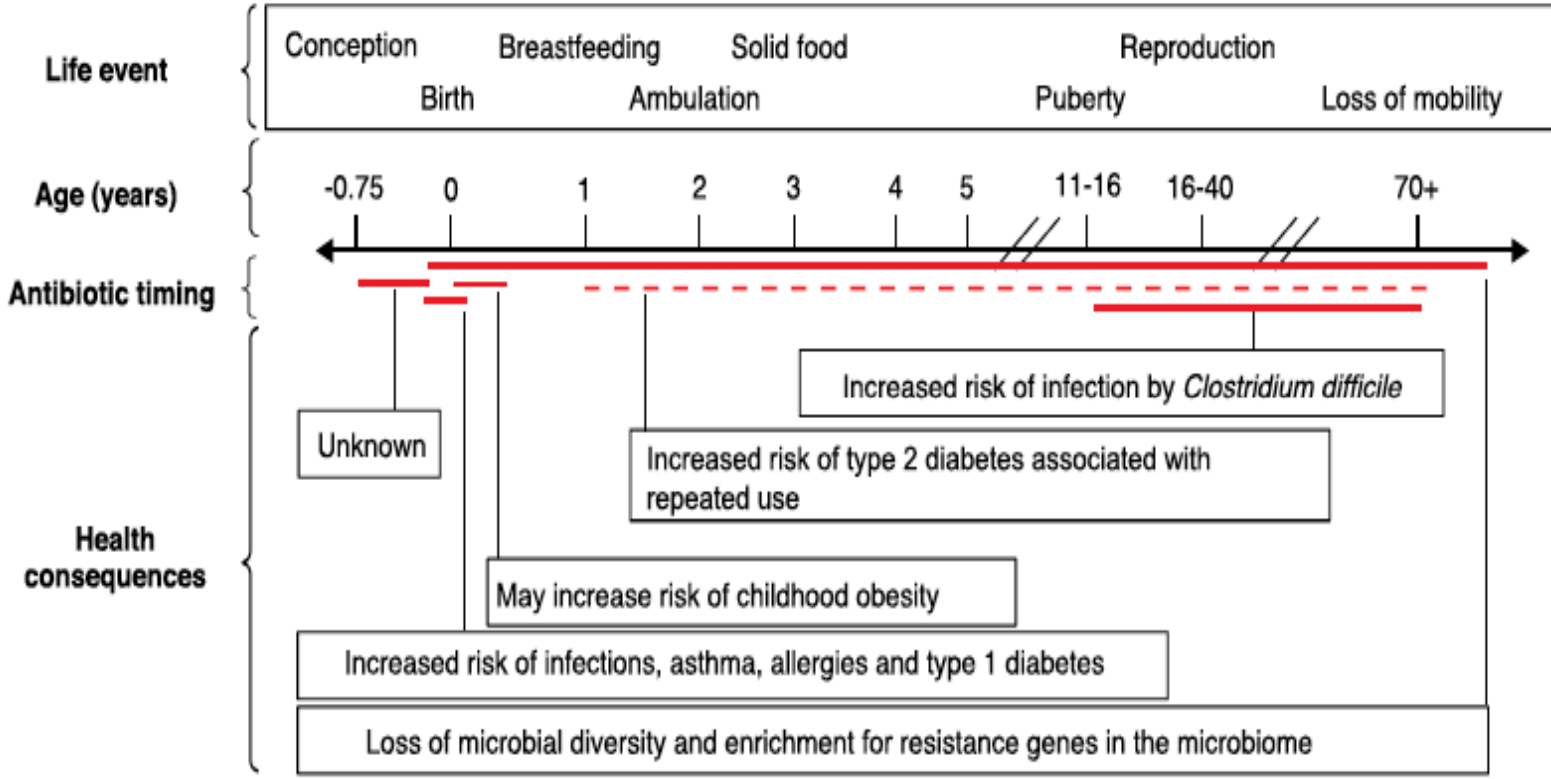


Fig. 1 Health consequences linked to the disruption of human-associated microbiota involving antibiotic use during development and adulthood. *Red lines* indicate that a single dose of antibiotics within the time period has been linked to a health consequence, whereas a *dotted red line* indicates that multiple doses of antibiotics within the time period are required to observe a link

Gut microbiota dysbiosis and disease

Disorders linked to altered composition of the gut microbiota:

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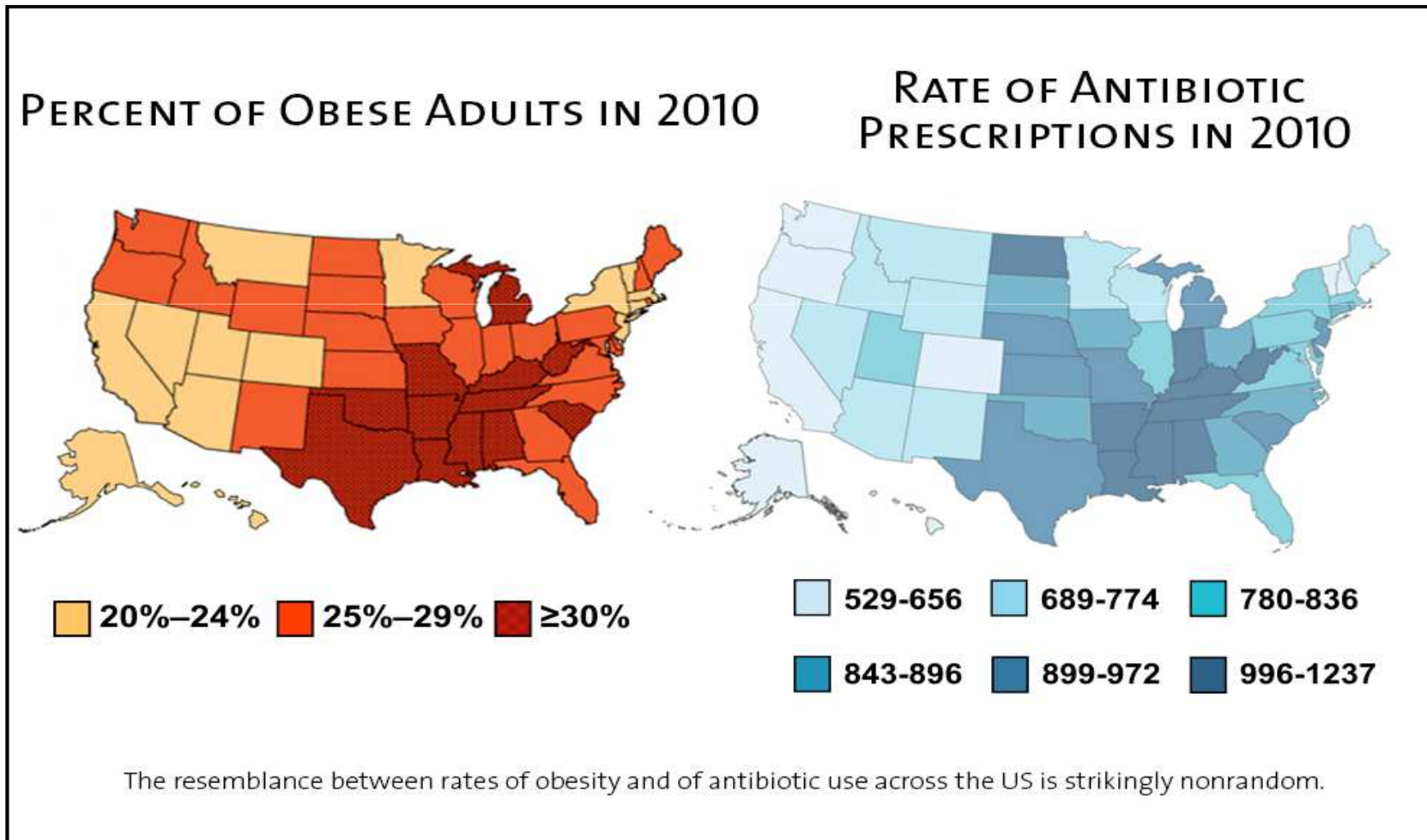
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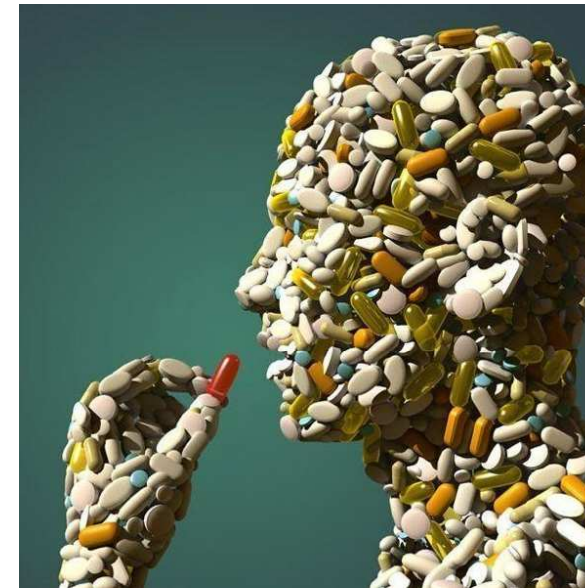
Could this be correlation, without causation?
Do these differences matter?
Can anything else explain the results?

Associations, but no proven causality



Consequences of Antibiotic (Mis)use

- Antibiotic resistance
- Disruption to microbiome
- Adverse drug events
 - Drug side effects
 - Antibiotic associated diarrhea/colitis
 - *Clostridium difficile* infection
 - Increased hospital readmissions
 - Increased health-care costs



Definition of antibiotic-associated diarrhea (AAD)

Diarrhea associated with antibiotic exposure either while on antibiotics and up to 8 weeks after the end of therapy

Definition of CDAD: AAD + presence of *Clostridium difficile* in the stools

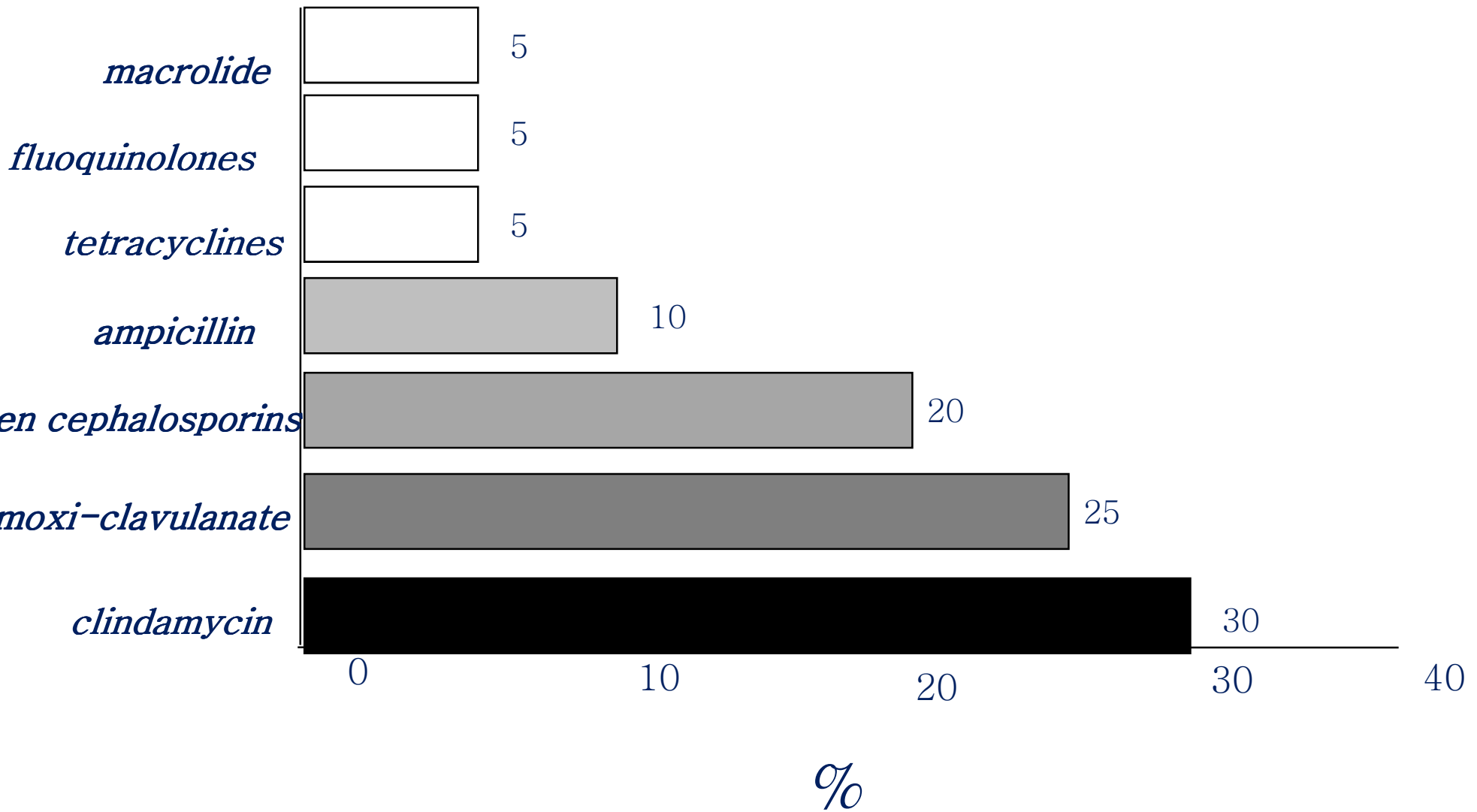
Antibiotic-associated diarrhea in children

- Incidence in children: ~ 20-25% (ranges 6-80%)
- Peak age 18-48 months
- *Clostridium difficile* is the major agent of AAD (25-30% of cases)
- Mostly mild-moderate severity, abdominal pain (35%)
- Is more severe in chronic diseases: GI pathology, immunosuppression and previous episode of AAD
- Prevention: antibiotic stewardship, enhanced infection control, probiotics

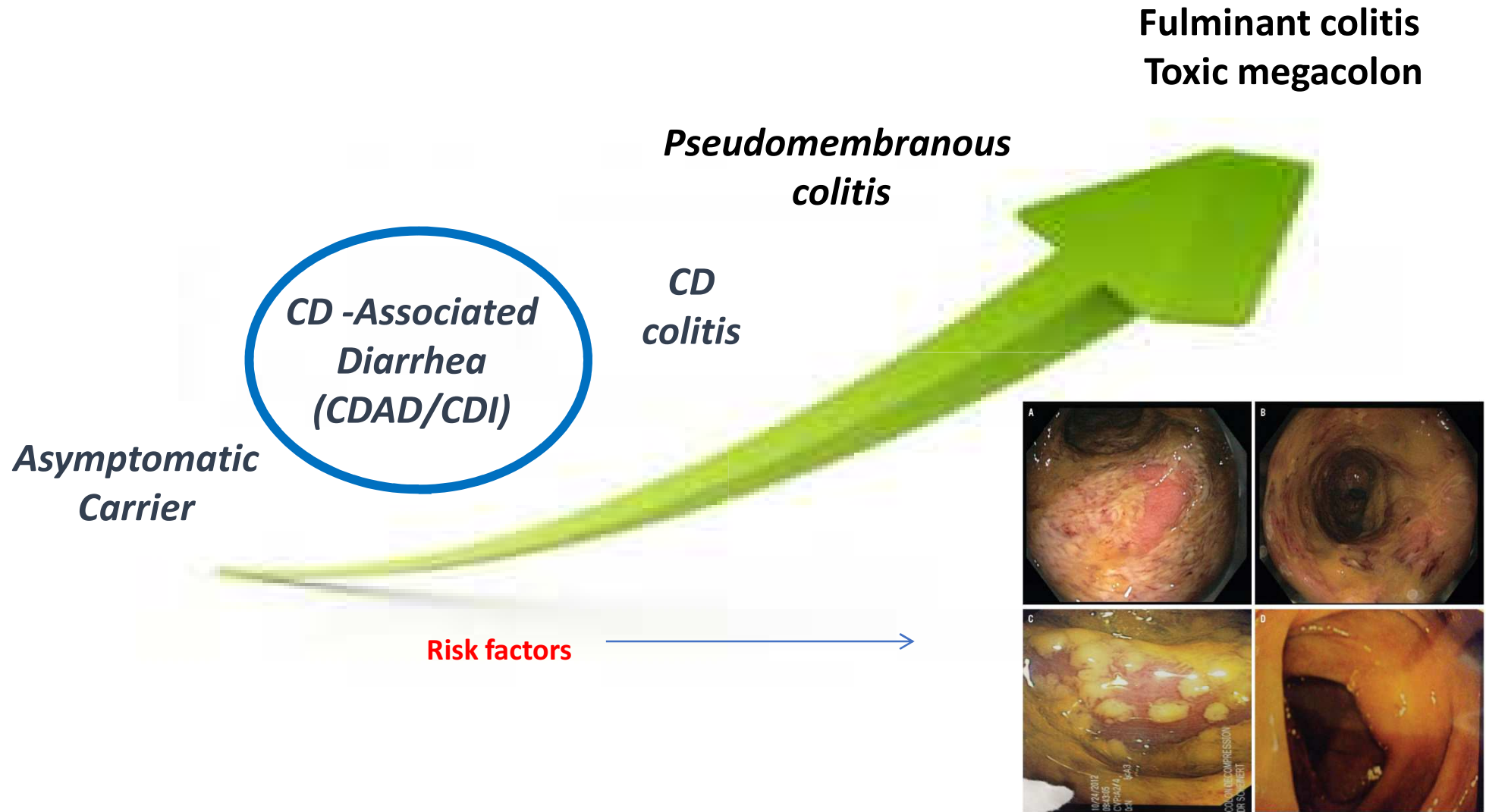
Antibiotic therapy with increased risks

- Large spectrum antibiotics
- Antibiotics with high biliary excretion
- Prolonged antibiotic therapy
- Repeated antibiotics cycles
- Antibiotic combination therapies

Classes of antibiotics responsible for diarrhea



Spectrum of *Clostridium difficile* infections



Therapy for AAD and CDAD

- Essential: Discontinuation or changing the type of the inciting antibiotic and giving oral rehydration therapy
- Probiotics?

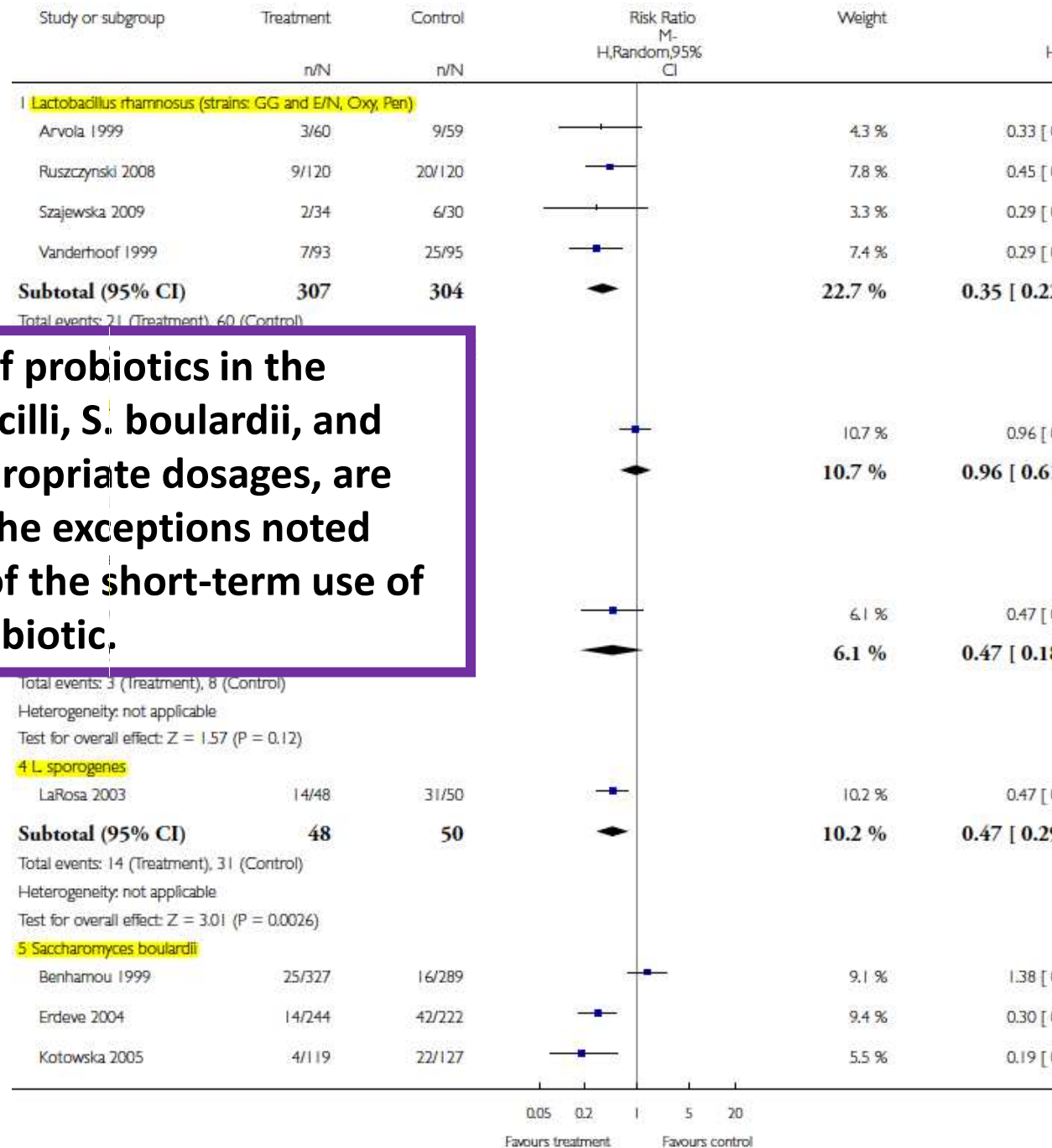
Probiotics for the prevention of pediatric antibiotic-associated diarrhea (Review)

Goldenberg JZ, Lytvyn L, Steurich J, Parkin P, Mahant S, Johnston BC

LGG



Clearly, current evidence favors the use of probiotics in the prevention of symptoms of AAD. Lactobacilli, *S. boulardii*, and selected multistrain combinations, in appropriate dosages, are clinically useful. The safety profile, with the exceptions noted earlier, is acceptable particularly in view of the short-term use of an antibiotic when accompanied by a probiotic.



*Saccharomyces
boulardii*



Recommendations for Antibiotic-Associated Diarrhea

CLINICAL GUIDELINE

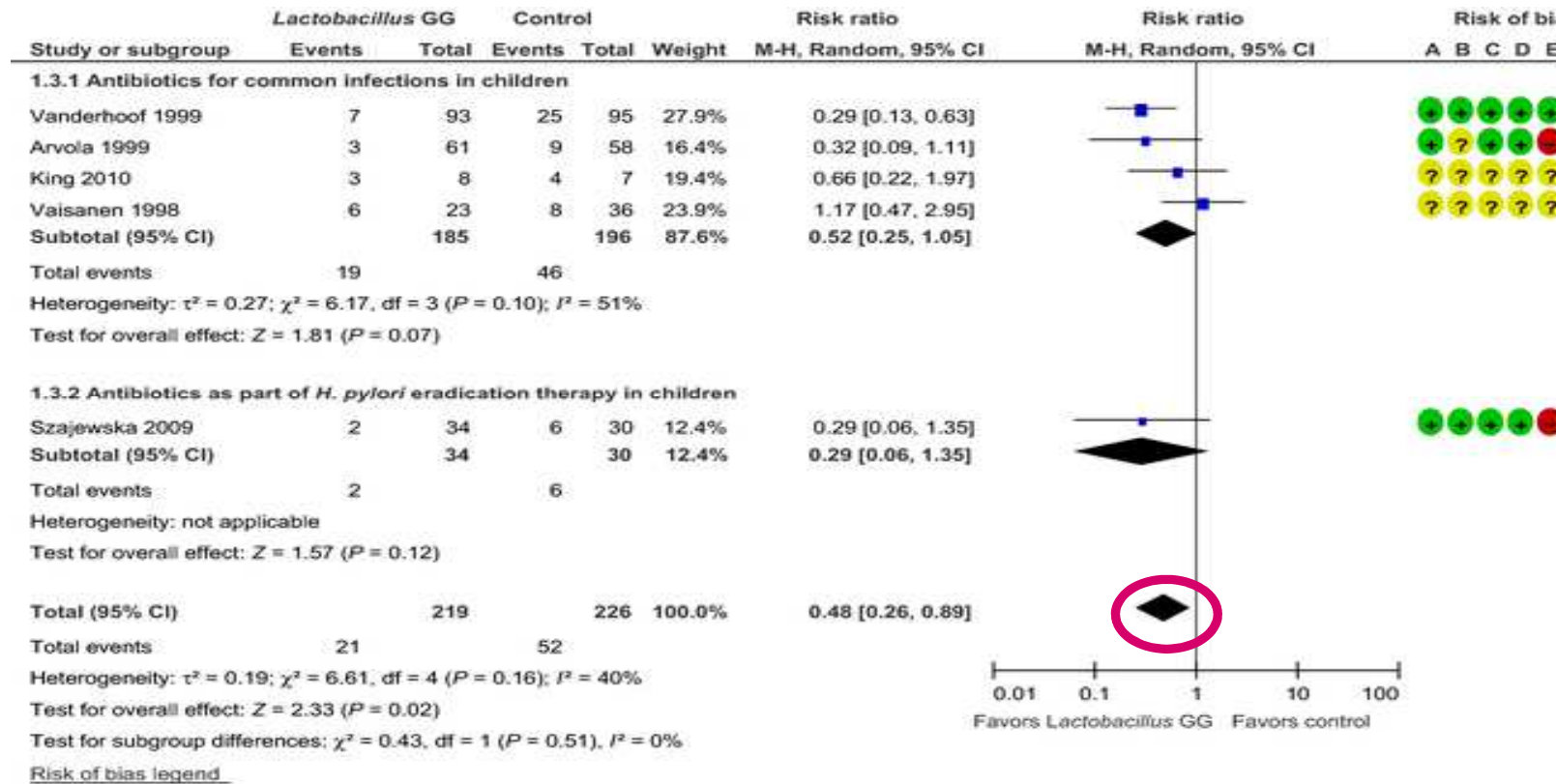
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Methodological limits in RCTs on prevention of AAD with probiotics

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Arvola 1999	+	+	+	+	-	+
Bin 2015	+	+	+	+	+	-
Casem 2013	+	-	-	+	+	+
Contardi 1991	+	+	-	+	+	+
Carrea 2005	+	+	+	+	+	+
Deebura (unpublished)	+	+	-	+	+	+
Endewe 2004	+	+	+	+	+	-
Fox 2015	+	+	+	+	+	+
Jiangjinyo 2002	+	+	+	+	+	+
Khodadad 2013	-	-	+	+	+	+
Kung 2010	+	+	+	+	+	+
Kotowska 2005	+	+	+	+	+	+
Marwiesin 2009	+	+	+	+	+	+
Fluszczyński 2008	+	+	+	+	+	+
Shan 2013	+	+	-	+	+	+
Szajewska 2009	+	+	+	+	-	+
Szymanski 2008	+	+	+	+	+	+
Tankonow 1990	+	+	-	+	+	-
Waisanen 1998	+	+	+	+	+	+
Vanderhoof 1999	+	+	+	+	+	+
Zhao 2014	+	+	-	+	+	-

LGG for prevention pediatric AAD

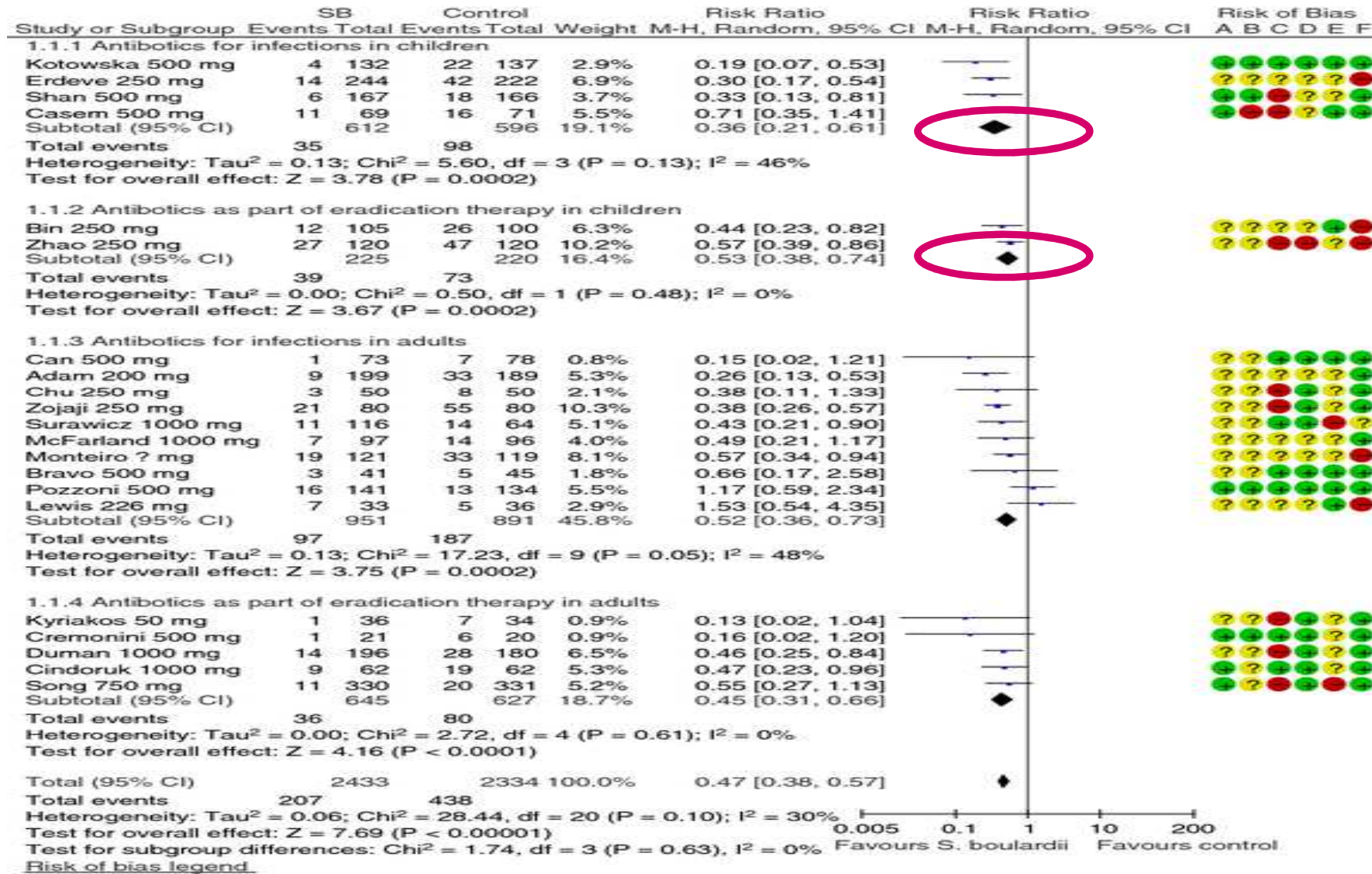


5 RCTs, n=445
Risk Ratio: 0.48
(0.26 to 0.89)
NNT=8

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SB for prevention pediatric AAD

RCTs, n=1653
 Risk Ratio: 0.43
 (0.60 to 0.30)
 NNT=9



Recommended strains by ESPGHAN Working Group for AAD

BIOTIC STRAIN	STUDIES IN SUPPORT	QUALITY OF EVIDENCE	GRADE OF RECOMMENDATION	RECOMMENDATION
	5 RCTs	Moderate	Strong	<u>May be considered</u>
<i>ulardii</i> CNCM I-	6 RCTs	Moderate	Strong	<u>May be considered</u>



Other strains used in AAD



PROBIOTIC STRAIN	STUDIES IN SUPPORT	RECOMMENDATION
B. clausii	1 RCT	Insufficient data
L. acidophilus L. bulgaricus	1 RCT	Insufficient data
L. acidophilus B. infantis	1 RCT	Insufficient data
L. acidophilus B. breve	1 RCT	Insufficient data
L. Acidophilus, L. rhamnosus L. bulgaricus, L. casei Str. thermophilus B. infantis, B. breve	1 RCT	Insufficient data
L. rhamnosus E/N, Oxy, Pen	1 RCT	Insufficient data
L. Rhamnosus GG Bb-12 L. Acidophilus La-5	1 RCT	Insufficient data
B. longum PL03 L. rhamnosus KL53A L. plantarum PL02	1 RCT	Insufficient data
B. lactis B12 Str. termophilus	1 RCT	Insufficient data
Kefir	1 RCT	Insufficient data

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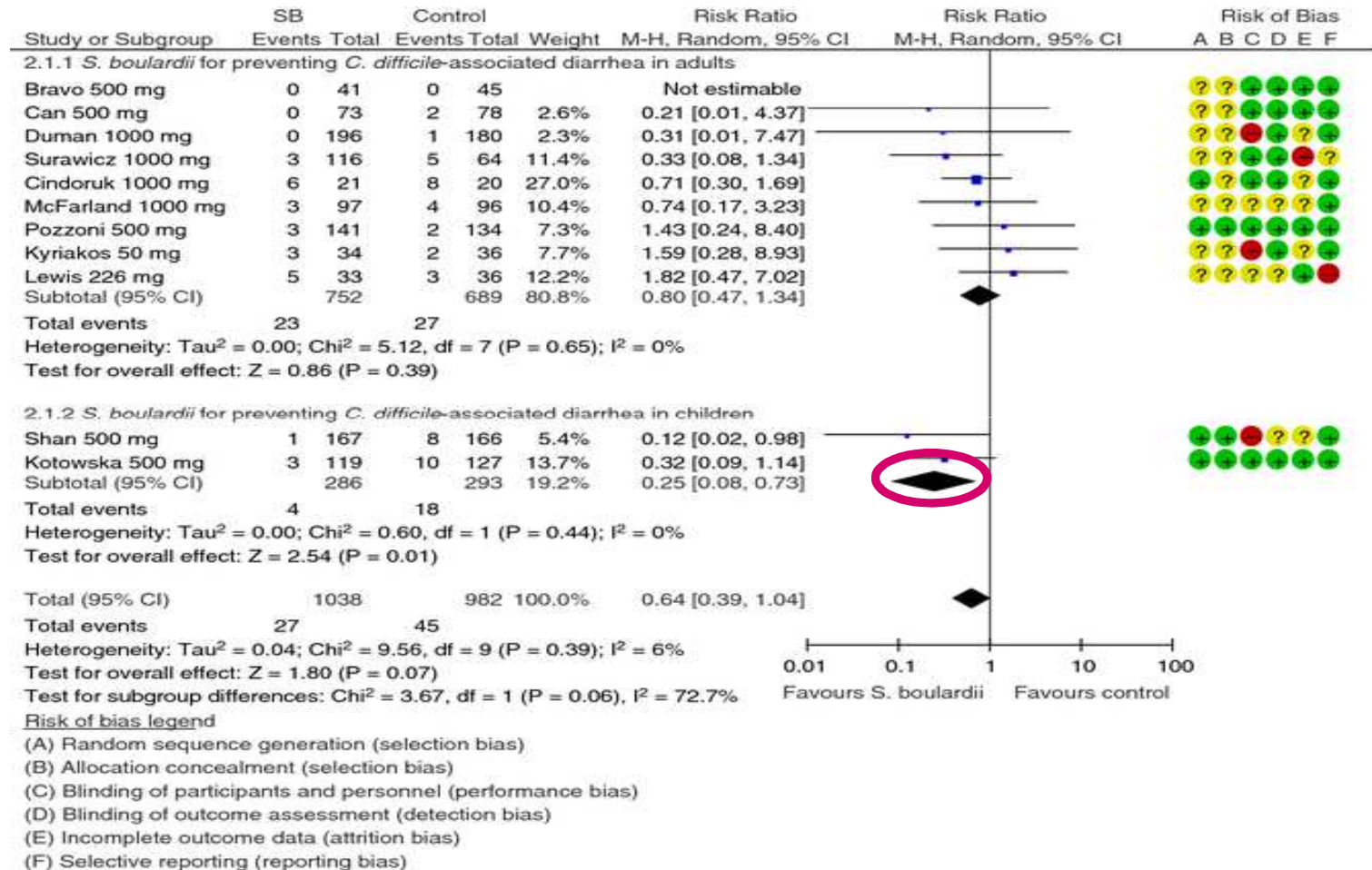
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Recommendations:

the use of probiotics for preventing AAD is considered because of the existence of risk factors such as class of antibiotic(s), duration of antibiotic treatment, age, hospitalization, comorbidities, or previous episodes of AAD, the WG recommends using *Lactobacillus rhamnosus* G and *Sacharomyces boulardii* (both: Strong Recommendation)

SB for prevention pediatric CDAD



2 RCTs, n=579
 Risk Ratio: 0.25
 (0.08 to 0.73)

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Recommendations:

When the use of probiotics for preventing CDAD is considered, the WG recommends using *Sacharomyces boulardii* ([Weak Recommendation](#))

What could probiotic use mean in practice

- 50-60% risk reduction of AAD

= ↓ risk of interruption of antibiotic

= ↓ change of antibiotic treatment

= ↓ risk of resistance to antibiotics

= ↓ side effects

= ↓ cost (e.g., duration of hospitalization)

= ↑ compliance to antibiotics

= ↑ recovery

↓ Cost

↑ Recovery

Recommendations in other continents

Recommendations for use of probiotics in childhood intestinal diseases by geographic region

		Europe	USA	Latin America	World	APAC <i>(Cameron et al. 2017)^c</i>
Acute gastroenteritis	<i>T</i>	<i>L. rhamnosus GG, S. boulardii, L reuteri</i>	<i>L. rhamnosus GG, S. boulardii</i>	<i>L. rhamnosus GG, S. boulardii, L. reuteri</i>	<i>S. boulardii, L. rhamnosus GG, Indian Dahi</i>	<i>S. boulardii, L. rhamnosus GG, L reuteri</i>
AD	<i>P</i>	<i>L. rhamnosus GG, S. boulardii</i>	<i>L. rhamnosus GG, S. boulardii</i>	<i>L. rhamnosus GG, S. boulardii</i>	<i>S. boulardii; L. rhamnosus GG, B. lactis Bb12 + S. thermophilus, L. rhamnosus strains E/N, Oxy and Pen</i>	<i>L rhamnosus GG S.boulardii,</i>
CDAD	<i>P</i>	<i>S. boulardii</i>				<i>S. boulardii</i>

Probiotic products: A call for improved quality control

Studies organized worldwide show:

Frequent misidentification and misclassification of strains

Contamination, sometimes with pathogens

No viable strains, false labelling of number of colonies

Deminishment of functional properties, shelf life

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**Quality only guaranteed with registration
not as food supplement
as a drug,**

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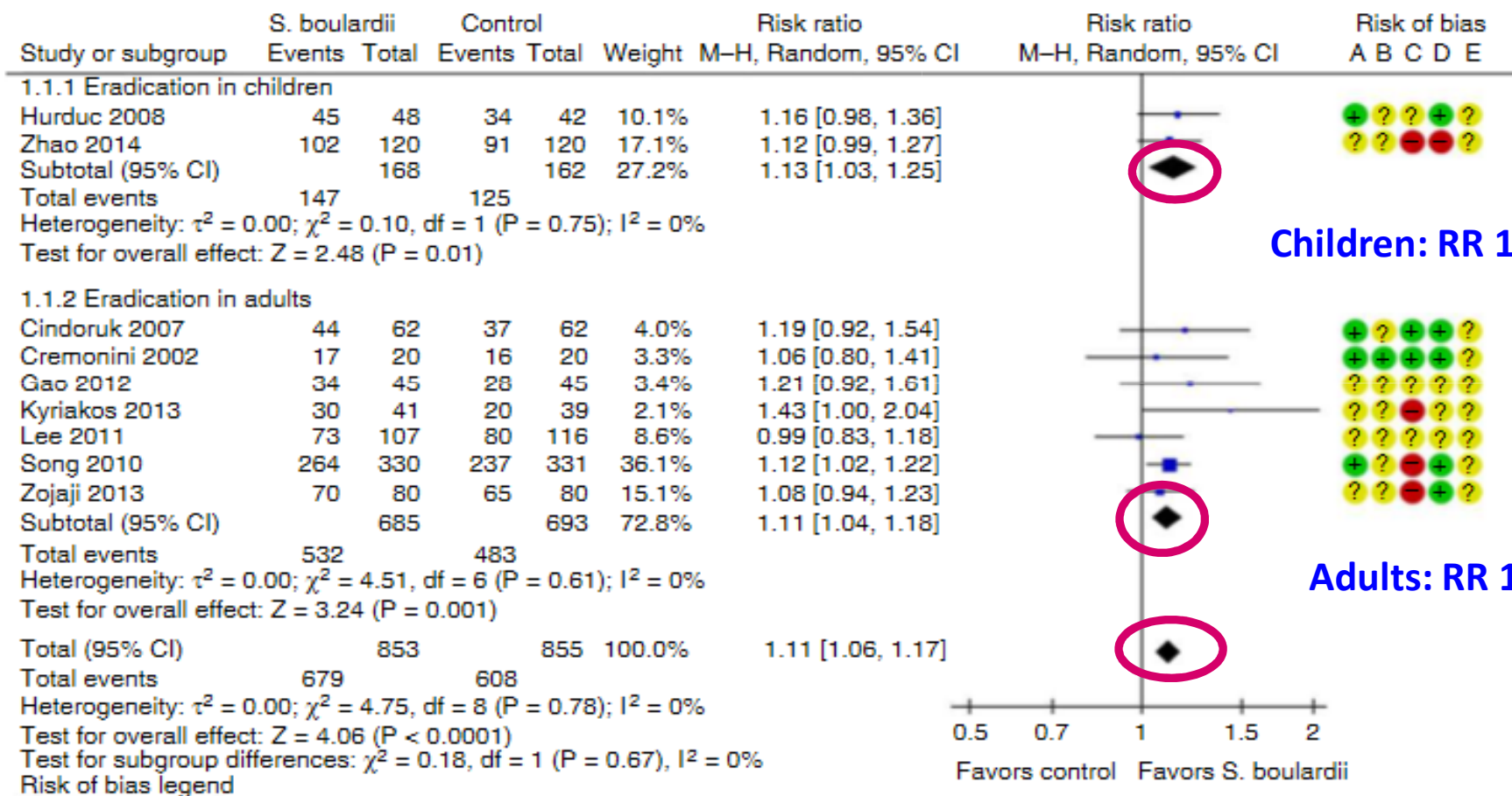
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→ Health authorities should play their control role, in particular for the use in vulnerable populations, and for evidence in defined clinical conditions as other pharmaceutical products

Helicobacter pylori
eradication

Sb in eradication therapy for *H. pylori* treatment



Children: RR 1.13, 95% CI 1.03 to 1.2

Adults: RR 1.11, 95% CI 1.04 to 1.1

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Recommendation

Probiotics administration may be considered for the prevention of side effects and improving eradication rates in children undergoing therapy for *H. pylori*.

The recommended strains include *S. boulardii* CNCM I-745 and others for which the quality of evidence is weak.

Strength of recommendation: weak for SB

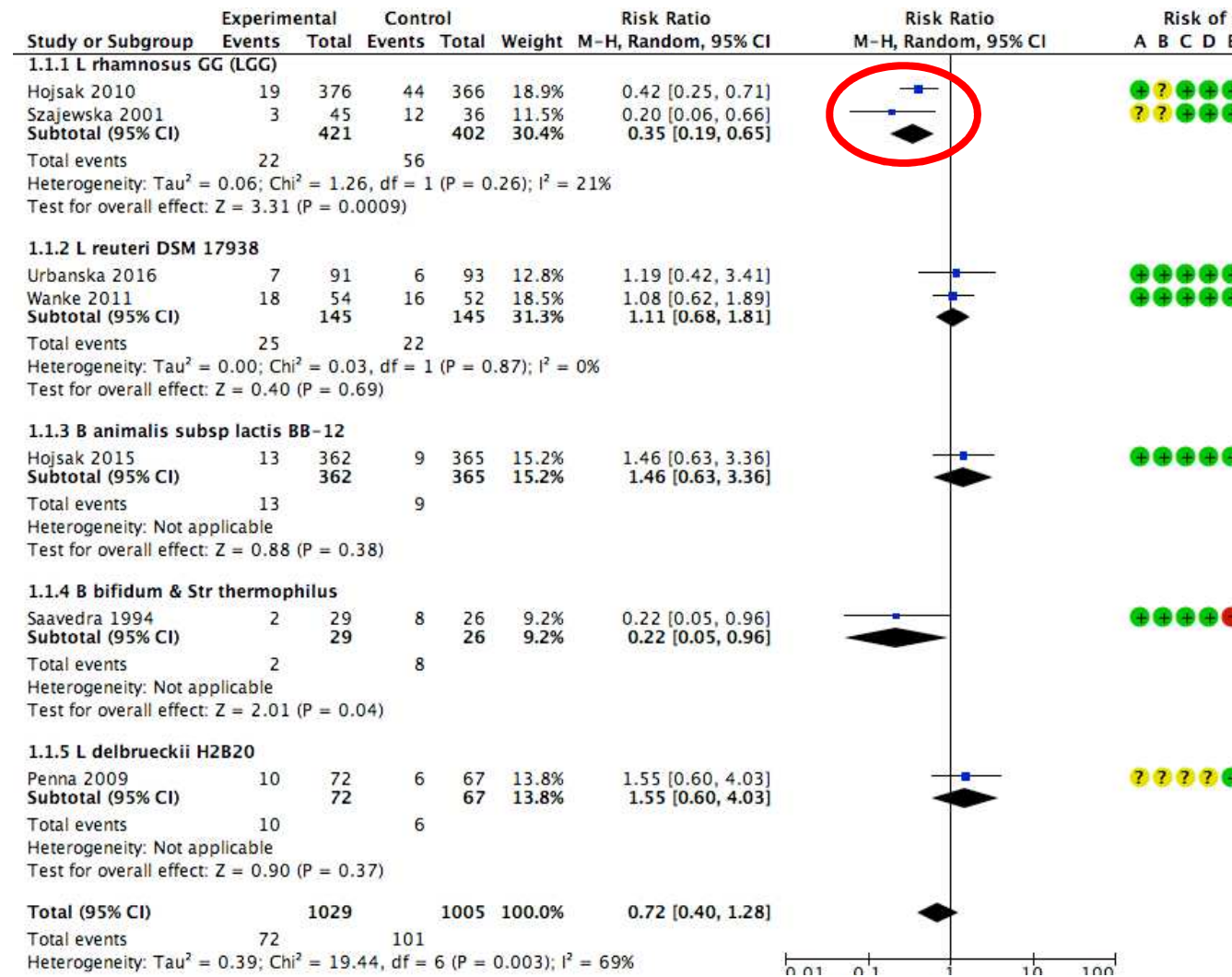
Nosocomial diarrhea

Probiotics for the prevention of nosocomial diarrhea

LGG administration reduced the risk from 13.9% to 5.2%; NNT 12

If probiotics are considered the WG recommends using LGG (at least 10⁹ CFU/day, for the duration of hospital stay)

Hojsak I et al. JPGN 2017 (in press)



Other strains used in nosocomial diarrhea prevention

PROBIOTIC STRAIN	STUDIES IN SUPPORT	RECOMMENDATION
L. reuterii DSM 17938	2 RCTs	Not recommended
B. Animalis Subsp Lactis (BB-12)	1 RCT	Insufficient data
L. delbrueckii	1 RCT	Insufficient data
B. bifidum ans Str. Thermophilus	1 RCT	Insufficient data

Recommendation

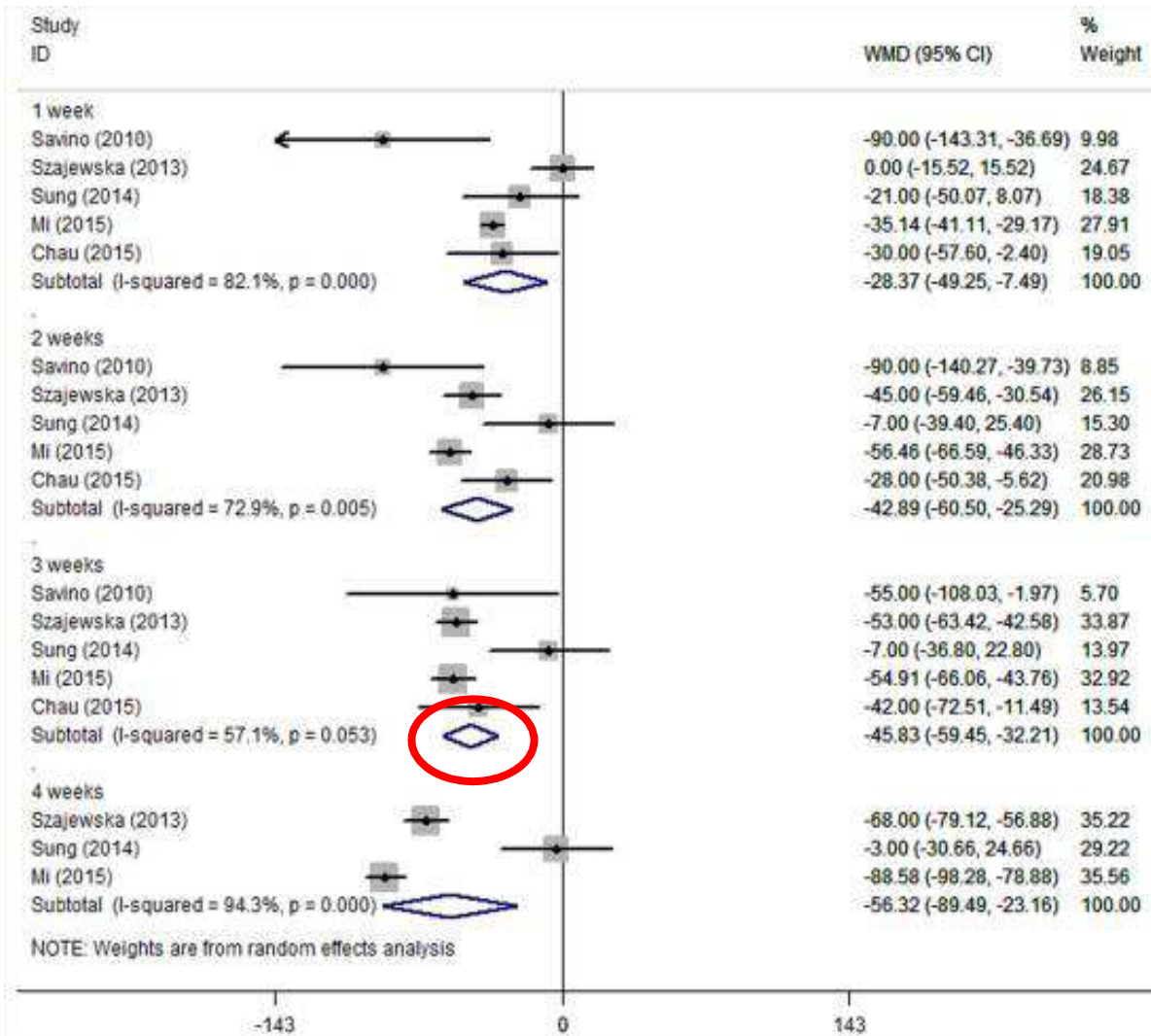
Upon evaluation of local conditions and risk factors, probiotics may be considered to prevent hospital-acquired intestinal infections and diarrhea on a case by case basis in children admitted to hospital.

Although the evidence remains weak, *L. rhamnosus GG* is the strain recommended for this indication.

Strength of recommendation: weak for LGG

Infantile colics

Infant colic: Systematic review of *L. reuteri* DSM 17938 in breast-fed infants



At 3 weeks LR administration (at least 1×10^8 CFU/day) reduced daily crying time (pooled MD) with -55.1 (-64.4 to -47.2) min/day

Recommendation

Probiotic administration may be considered for the treatment of infantile colic.

At present, the recommended strain is *L. reuteri* DSM 17938, for which the quality of evidence is weak.

Strength of recommendation: weak for LR

Functional intestinal disorders

Recommendation

Based on available data, there is insufficient evidence to recommend probiotics in the treatment of functional intestinal disorders.

Strength of recommendation: weak

Inflammatory bowel diseases (IBD)

Recommendation

There is no strong evidence supporting the treatment of IBD with probiotics.

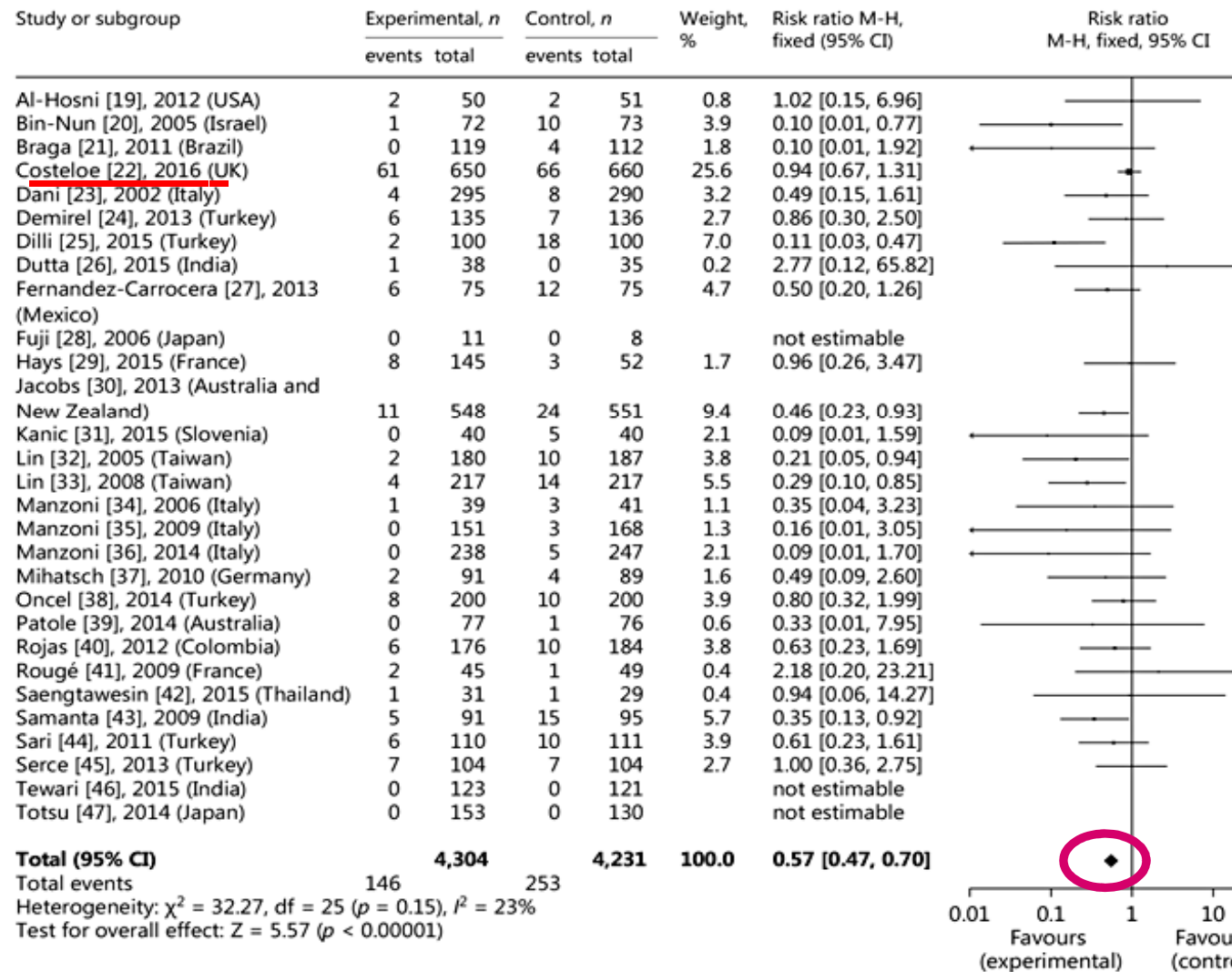
Only in pouchitis, probiotic therapy may be considered based on evaluation of individual cases. At present, the recommended probiotic preparation is VSL#3 for which the quality of evidence is weak.

Strength of recommendation: weak

Necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC)

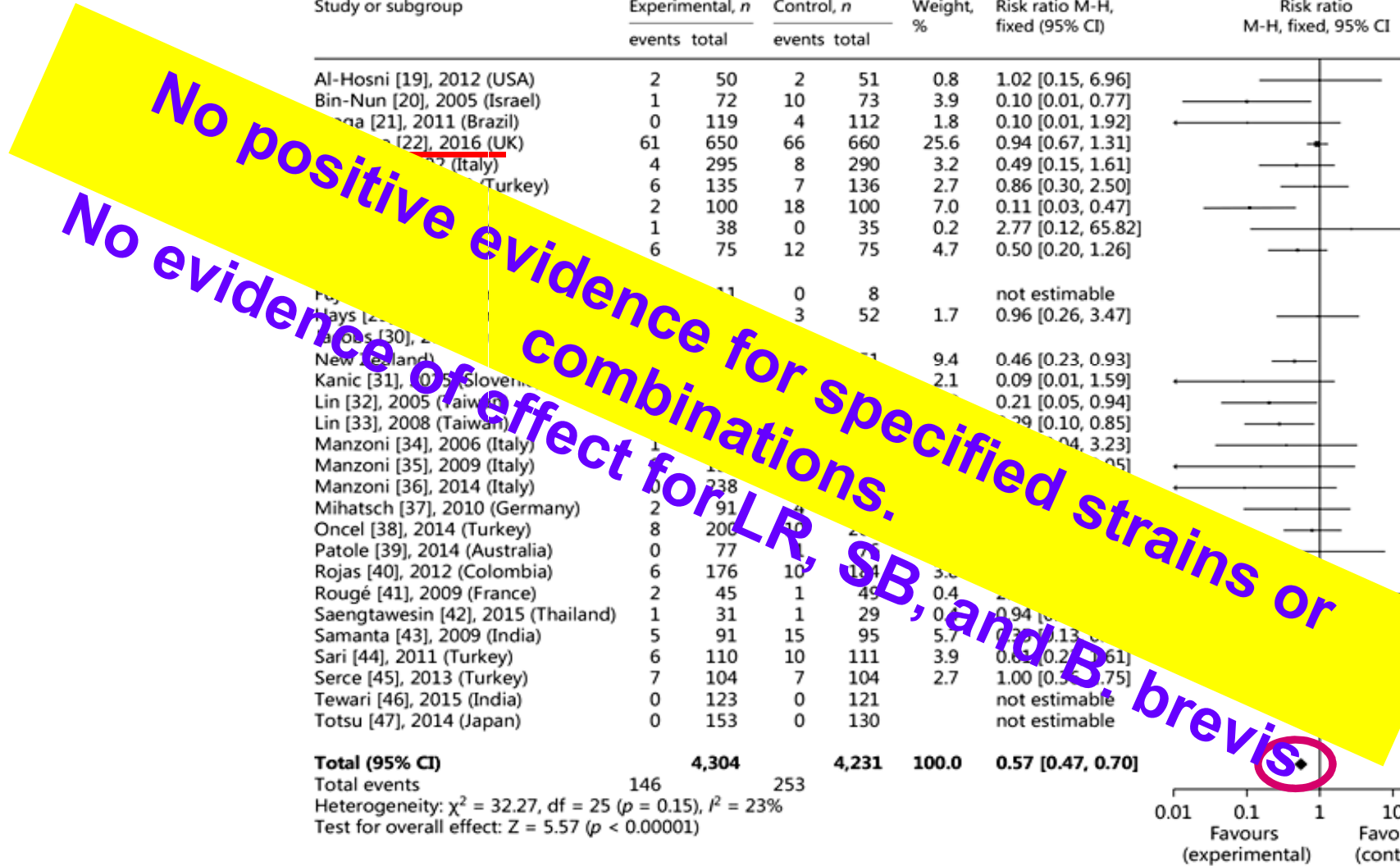
Severe NEC: Systematic review and meta-analysis

27 RCTs, n=8535
Risk Ratio: 0.57
(0.47 to 0.70)
NNT=51



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27 RCTs, n=1653
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 (0.47 to 0.70)
 NNT=51



Recommendation

Probiotics may be considered for prevention of NEC in high-risk populations as there is evidence that the risk of NEC and the associated mortality may be reduced.

However, since there is no agreement on strains, indications and scheme, the decision should be left to the physician and discussed with parents, in the light of current evidence.

Strength of recommendation: weak

One size may not fit all

- Countries, climate, culture, politics
- Conditions, diseases, indications
- Socioeconomic status
- Nutrition, diet
- Microbiomes, pathogens
- Antibiotic exposure
- Vaccination

Take home messages

Safe medical therapies (probiotics) are available for AGE and AAD/CDAD

Positive evidence with probiotic drugs in these conditions mainly comes from *L. rhamnosus* GG and *S. boulardii* CNCM I-745 strains

Many other probiotics strains cannot be recommended because of insufficient data or insufficient data on quality

We need more good RCTs

And now all this is open for discussion, ...



