

#### **BSc Global Health Session**

The global challenge of HPV and scaling up vaccination

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## Learning Objectives

- Type-specific HPV prevalence and disease burden worldwide
- Efficacy of current vaccines against vaccine & non-vaccine types
- Vaccine implementation and predicted impact on disease burden
- Mechanisms and definitions of vaccine-induced protection
- Need for and composition of next generation HPV vaccines

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## Papillomavirus diversity



Humans, Apes/Monkeys Cows, Deer 🛛 🚒 🦡 Dogs/Cats, Pumas/Lions 😽 🦮 Horses, Bears 🕂 😓 Hedgehogs, squirrels Rabbits, bats, fowl **Turtles** Marine mammals

Bravo et al., 2010 Trends in Microbiology 18:432-8

## PV found in range of mammals, reptiles, avians

Lesion	Species	Reference
Cutaneous	Green sea turtle, Loggerhead sea turtle	Herbst 2009
	Francolin bird	Van Doorslaer 2009
	Diamond python	Lange 2011
Oral	Panther, Snow leopard, Bobcat, Asian Lion	Rector 2007
Genital	Short-beaked common dolphin, Killer whale, Harbour porpoise	Gottschling 2011

Rector et al., 2007 Genome Biology 8:R57 Herbst et al., 2009 Virology 383:131-35 Van Doorslaer et al., 2009 J. Virol. 83:8759-70 Lange et al., 2011 Virology Journal 8:436-40 Gottschling et al., 2011 Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution 59:34-42

## Papillomavirus diversity

Family: Papillomaviridae Genus: e.g. Alpha-papillomavirus Species: e.g. Alpha-papillomavirus 9 Type / Strain: e.g. HPV16



- 0.0% 45 50 55 60 65 70 75 80 85 90 L1 Nucleotide Sequence Percent Identity
  • Evolutionary rate ~2x10<sup>-8</sup> base substitutions / site / year
- Compared with HIV-1 ~2x10<sup>-3</sup>
- Co-divergence (speciation) and inter-species transmission



Bernard et al., 2010 Virology 401:70–79 Gottschling et al., 2011 Mol. Biol. Evol. 28:2101–2113

#### Alpha-Papillomavirus species and human disease



Convical and	Alpha-7:	HPV18, HPV39,	HPV45, HPV59, HPV68
other cancers	Alpha-9:	HPV16, HPV31,	HPV33, HPV35, HPV52, HPV58
( <b>HR</b> High Risk)	Alpha-5:	HPV51	
( <b>III</b> , I light (10)()	Alpha-6:	HPV56	
Genital warts ( <b>LR</b> , Low Risk)	Alpha-10:	HPV6, HPV11	de Villiers et al., 2004 Virology 324:17-27 Bouvard et al., 2009 Lancet Oncology 10:321-2

### Sexual transmission – ancient and modern



*"herb Parthenium parviflorum for removing warts from the glans penis"* Hippocrates, *ca.* 400 BCE

c.1<sup>st</sup> Romans attributed genital warts to promiscuity

c.19<sup>th</sup> Cervical cancer in prostitutes > nuns

c. 20th zur Hausen isolated HPV from warts and cervix cancer

c. 21st Vaccine introduced

Onon, 2011. Best Pract Res Clin Obstet Gynaecol 25:565–574 Johnson et al., 2012. Sex Transm Infect. 88:212-7.

### Association of HPV with other cancers



## Most cancers of the cervix in developing countries

- Cervical cancer 3<sup>rd</sup> most common cancer in women worldwide
- 530,000 cases and 275,000 death per annum
- Lower rates due to screening or lack of reporting infrastructure

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Cohen , 2005. Science 308: 618-21 Jemal et al., 2011 CA Cancer J Clin 61:69–90

## HPV infection through disease - stages

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Lowry & Schiller, 2006 J Clin Invest, 116:1167

## HPV infection through disease - timelines

- Infection through disease takes many decades
- Trial endpoints include persistent infection and pre-cancerous lesions

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## Worldwide type-specific cervical disease burden

- HPV16 and HPV18 associated with ca. 70% of cervical cancers
- ca. 98% associated with  $\alpha7$  (18-like) or  $\alpha9$  (16-like) HPV types

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Alpha-7: HPV18, HPV39, HPV45, HPV59, HPV68 Alpha-9: HPV16, HPV31, HPV33, HPV35, HPV52, HPV58

Li et al., 2011. Int J Cancer 128:927–935 Howell-Jones et al., 2010. Br J Cancer 103:209 – 216

## Worldwide type-specific disease prevalence

- Geographical differences in ranking but HPV16/18 most prevalent
- Differential sampling of regions means these can only be estimates

Africa		S. Am		N. Am		Asia		EU	]
16 18	70.0%	16 18	65.4%	16 18	76.4%	16 18	66.9%	16 18	73.7%
33	1	31	6.0%	31	3.7%	58	5.6%	33	8
45		45		33	-	33		31	4.0%
35		33		45		52		45	_
31	2.7%	52	_	52		45	_	35	_
58	1.5%	58	2.9%	35	_	31	2.2%	58	1.2%
52	-	35		58	0.3%	35		56	-
56		59		56	-	59		52	
51		39		39		51		68	
59		51		68		56		51	
39		56		59		68		39	
68		68		51		39		59	

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## Type-specific infection through disease

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Howell-Jones et al., 2010 Br J Cancer 103, 209 - 216

## Multiple infections tend to be at independent sites

#### CIN1: HPV52, HPV56 and HPV59

#### Mixed CIN1 and CIN3: HPV16 and HPV51

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**CIN:** Cervical Intraepithelial Neoplasia

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p16<sup>INK4a</sup> (brown) upregulated by disruption of pRb-E2F complexes (which control cell cycling) by HPV E7

Quint et al., 2012 J Pathol 227:62-71

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#### HPV vaccines: structure

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#### Structural genes, Regulatory genes and Oncogenes expressed from 8kb genome

L1 self-assembles into a pentamer for which 72 pentamers make up L1 capsid Basis of virus-like particle vaccine

> Doorbar et al., 2006 Clinical Science 110:525 NCI (National Cancer Institute, US), 2008 HPV VLP EM, HPA

## HPV vaccines: pre-clinical evidence

- Canine Oral PV VLP protects against COPV lesions
- Passive transfer of purified IgG protects naïve dogs from COPV challenge
- Protection mediated by antibodies to conformational epitopes
- Similar results obtained using Cotton-tail rabbit PV
- Immunization with HPV VLP in humans and animals elicit high titer Ab

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Suzicj et al., 1995 PNAS 92:11553 Breitburd et al., 1995 J Virol 69:3959

## HPV vaccines: manufacturers

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	Cervarix	Gardasil
Manufacturer	GSK	Merck / Sanofi
VLP	16/18	6/11/16/18
Source	Insect cells	Yeast cells
Adjuvant	Alum, MPL	Alum
Dose (µg)	20/20	20/40/40/20
Schedule (months)	0, 1, 6	0, 2, 6
Route	IM	IM

MPL, monophospholipid

## HPV vaccines: immunogenicity to vaccine types

- Sustained antibody 10x level above natural infection to  $\geq$ 7 years
- Assumed antibodies are effectors of vaccine-type protection in humans
- Unclear what antibody level correlates with protection
- Unclear whether booster is required over longer term

![](_page_21_Figure_5.jpeg)

De Carvalho et al., Vaccine. 2010 28:6247-55.

## HPV vaccines: Cervarix® vs. Gardasil®

- Cervarix 3-5 fold higher antibody titers compared to Gardasil
- HPV16 response 3-5 fold higher antibody titers than for HPV18

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#### Einstein et al., 2011 Human Vaccines 7: 1343-58

#### HPV vaccine antibody detected at genital mucosa

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Einstein et al., 2011 Human Vaccines 7: 1343-58 Cohen, 2005. Science 308: 618-21

## High vaccine type (HPV16/18) efficacy

	Endpoint	Vaccine	Control	Efficacy
Cervarix	CIN1	5 / 5466	141 / 5452	97% (91.6 – 98.9)
	CIN2	1 / 5466	97 / 5452	99% (94.2 – 100)
	CIN3	0 / 5466	27 / 5452	100% (85.5 – 100)
	AIS	0 / 5466	6 / 5452	100% (15.5 – 100)
Gardasil	CIN2	0 / 7864	71 / 7865	98% (93.3 – 99.8)
	CIN3	2 / 7864	63 / 7865	97% (88.1 – 99.6)
	AIS	0 / 7864	7 / 7865	100% (30.9 – 100)
	VIN/VAIN2+	0 / 7900	23 / 7902	100% (82.6 – 100)

**CIN**: Cervical Intraepithelial Neoplasia; **AIS**: Adenocarcinoma in situ **VIN**: vulvar intraepithelial neoplasia; **VAIN**: vaginal intraepithelial neoplasia

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## Vaccine implementation: Worldwide licensure (2011)

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Source: Technical Network for Strengthening Immunization Services, 2011

## Vaccine implementation: Cost

- Cost is a major hurdle to HPV vaccine programme implementation
- Negotiation with major players over several years has brought costs down

Vaccine	Source	Price (per dose)
HPV	Industrialized countries	\$100 - 233
	Developing countries	\$30 – 110
	PAHO	\$14
	GAVI	\$5
MMR	UNICEF	\$1
DTP		20¢
BCG		10¢

PAHO: Pan American Health Organization

GAVI: Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunisation - WHO, World Bank, UNICEF, Gates Foundation, industry

MMR: Measles, Mumps, Rubella vaccine

**DTP**: Diphtheria, Pertussis (whooping cough) and Tetanus vaccine

BCG: Bacillus Calmette–Guérin (Bovine TB) vaccine

Source: GAVI Alliance, 2012 UNICEF, 2012

## Pre-vaccine HPV prevalence (England)

- Baseline to confirm appropriate ages & compare with post-vaccine data
- Cervarix® vaccine introduced Sept 2008; Gardasil® used from Sept 2012

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Howell-Jones et al., 2012. Vaccine 30:3867–3875 Desai et al., 2011. Sex Trans Dis 38:622

## Vaccine implementation: Europe

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Catch-up

## Vaccine implementation: Worldwide

- Mixed delivery effectiveness
- Developing countries limited to sites rather than national programmes

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## Vaccine implementation: Feasibility studies

- 7,269 girls aged ca. 10 -14 years old participated in feasibility studies
- Mixed delivery mechanisms but generally good coverage

	Schools (n)	Health centres (n)	Coverage (%)
Peru	264	161	83%
Uganda	417	69	53 - 91%
Viet Nam	38	72	83%
India	537	672	77-88%

## Vaccine implementation: e.g. Uganda

- 2 rural districts trialled during 2009-10 ( $\bigstar$ )
- Uganda announces initiation of vaccine programme Q3 2012
- Gardasil targeting 140,000 9-13 years in 12 of 111 districts over 2 years
- 2002 census est. 187,500 girls 10-14 years old in Uganda

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Odida et al. 2010 Infectious Agents and Cancer 5:15 Gullard 2012 BMJ 345:e6055 2002 Uganda Population and Housing Census

#### HPV vaccine coverage

#### **United Kingdom**

#### **United States**

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----- 80% Threshold

#### Implementation issues: Worldwide

- Adolescent girls (school-based programmes), attendance issues
- Knowledge base low, acceptance issues, health education
- Infrastructure to maintain cold chain
- Improve and maintain coverage rates
- Post-vaccine surveillance, impact monitoring
- > 2 dose schedule will reduce costs and thus may extend coverage

## Post vaccine surveillance (Australia)

Gardasil vaccine from 2007 (12-27 yr women) vs CIN2+

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HGA: High Grade Cervical Abnormalities

Brotherton et al., 2011 Lancet 377: 2085-92

## Post vaccine surveillance (Australia)

• Gardasil vaccine from 2007 (12-27 yr women) vs genital warts (GW)

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## Efficacy to related non-vaccine types

- Some degree of efficacy against related non-vaccine types
- Possible vaccine differences in efficacy against some non-vaccine types
- HPV31, 33, 45: associated with a further *ca*. 10% of cervical cancers

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Brown et al., 2009 J Infect Dis. 199:926-35 Wheeler et al., 2012 Lancet Oncol. 13:100-10

## L1 structural impact on antibody recognition

- Antibody response highly type-specific, no cross-neutralizing MAbs exist
- Anecdotal cross-reactivity data following VLP immunization of animals

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L1 major capsid protein contains variable loops BC, DE, EF, FG, HI

Surface exposed variable loops are target for **type-specific** antibodies

Differences between HPV types reflected in loop structure

## Cervarix immunogenicity to non-vaccine types

- Antibodies generated to non-vaccine types ≤1% of vaccine-type titer
- Another study (Kemp 2011, NCI) similar data using HPV31/45/52/58
- At least coincident with vaccine efficacy data

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**NS** p>0.05; \* p<0.05; \*\* p<0.01; \*\*\* p<0.001

L M H: Low, Middle, High vaccine type tertiles NCI: National Cancer Institute, US (originators of VLP, PsV)

Draper et al., 2011 Vaccine 29:8585-8590 Kemp et al., 2011 Vaccine 29:2011-14 Wheeler et al., 2012 Lancet Oncology 13:100-110

## Cervarix > Gardasil cross-recognition

- For both HPV31 and HPV45 but at or below LOD; age dependent
- Are cross-neutralizing antibodies sufficient and track efficacy differences?

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Einstein et al., 2011 Human Vaccines 7: 1359-73

## Murine model suggests low Ab levels protect

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Schiller and Lowy 2012 Nat Rev Micro 10:681-692

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• Non-vaccine types HPV31, 33, 45 comprise 10 – 17% additional cancers

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Bosch et al., 2008 Vaccine 26S:K1-K16

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## **Multivalent VLP vaccines**

- Multivalent L1 VLP-based vaccines in the pipeline
- Merck study (NCT00851643), n=150 Phase I trial

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## L2-based vaccines: pre-clinical development

- L2 protein embedded within each capsomer
- Highly conserved among HPV types

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HPV1 L2	D	I	Y	Ρ	S	С	ĸ	I	S	N	т	С	P	P	D	I	Q	N	K	I
HPV2 L2	D	L	Y	R	т	С	ĸ	Q	A	G	т	С	Ρ	Ρ	D	I	I	Ρ	R	۷
HPV5 L2	H	Ι	Y	Q	Т	С	K	Q	A	G	т	С	Ρ	Ρ	D	۷	I	N	K	۷
HPV8 L2	H	Ι	Y	Q	т	с	ĸ	Q	A	G	т	С	Ρ	Ρ	D	۷	I	N	K	۷
HPV6 L2	Q	L	Y	Q	т	С	K	L	т	G	т	С	Ρ	Ρ	D	۷	I	Ρ	K	۷
HPV11 L2	Q	L	Y	Q	Т	С	K	A	Т	G	т	С	P	Ρ	D	۷	I	P	K	۷
HPV16 L2	Q	L	Y	K	Т	С	K	Q	A	G	Т	С	P	Ρ	D	I	I	Ρ	K	۷
HPV18 L2	D	L	Y	K	т	С	K	Q	S	G	т	С	Ρ	Ρ	D	۷	۷	Ρ	K	۷
HPV45 L2	D	L	Y	R	т	С	K	Q	S	G	т	С	Ρ	Ρ	D	۷	I	N	K	۷
HPV31 L2	Q	L	Y	Q	Т	С	K	A	A	G	Т	С	Ρ	S	D	۷	I	Ρ	K	I
HPV33 L2	Q	L	Y	Q	Т	С	K	A	т	G	Т	С	Ρ	P	D	۷	I	Ρ	K	۷
HPV52 L2	Q	L	Y	Q	Т	С	K	A	S	G	Т	С	P	Ρ	D	۷	I	Ρ	K	۷
HPV58 L2	Q	L	Y	Q	Т	С	K	A	S	G	Т	C	P	Ρ	D	۷	I	Ρ	K	۷
HPV35 L2	Q	L	Y	R	Т	С	K	A	A	G	т	С	Ρ	Ρ	D	۷	I	Ρ	K	۷
HPV59 L2	D	L	Y	K	т	С	K	Q	A	G	т	С	Ρ	S	D	۷	I	N	K	۷
HPV56 L2	Q	L	Y	K	т	С	ĸ	L	S	G	т	С	P	E	D	۷	۷	N	K	I
HPV39 L2	D	L	Y	R	Т	С	K	Q	S	G	Ţ	С	P	P	D	۷	۷	D	K	۷
HPV51 L2	Q	L	Y	S	Т	С	K	A	A	G	Т	С	Ρ	Ρ	D	۷	۷	N	K	۷
CRPV L2	D	I	Y	Ρ	Т	С	K	Ι	A	G	N	С	P	A	D	I	Q	N	K	F
BPV L2	D	L	Y	R	т	С	K	Q	A	G	т	С	Ρ	P	D	۷	I	Ρ	K	۷
ROPV L2	D	I	Y	Ρ	A	С	K	Ι	S	N	Т	С	Ρ	Ρ	D	I	I	N	K	Y
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Buck et al., 2008 J Virol 82:5190 Gambhira et al., 2007 J Virol 81:11585

## L2-based vaccines: pre-clinical development

- NZW rabbits immunized with chimeric HPV16 VLP elicits broad response
- Other strategies include using multi-type concatenated peptides
- L2 antibodies shown to be protective in CVC model
- Expected to be simpler and cheaper to produce

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Schellenbacher et al., 2009 J Virol 83:10085

## Known unknowns

- What will be the impact on vaccine-type disease in real world settings?
- What will be extent of herd immunity?
- Should boys and MSM be targeted by vaccine programmes?
- Will type-replacement occur where other HR-HPV types fill niche?
- What will be extent of cross-protection?
- What is longevity of vaccine and non-vaccine type protection?
- What will be long term worldwide impact on cervical cancer rates?
- What are the correlates of vaccine-induced protection?
- What are consequences of switching to a 2-dose schedule?
- Are there natural variants that will escape vaccine pressure?
- What form will the next generation vaccine(s) take?