

# Tuberculosis, Drug Resistance & Global Health

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# Overview of talk

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Outline of definitions

Global distribution of disease burden

Biomedical tools for control of TB

Tools to control MDR-TB

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Tuberculosis is heterogenous – there are very different epidemiological settings with different challenges

The HIV epidemic is a key driver to the problems of HIV and MDR-TB

Diagnostics are improving but still limited by costs and need for lab infrastructure

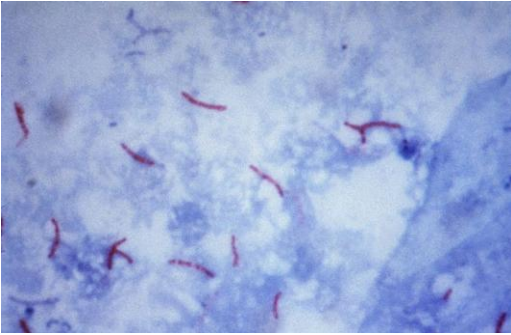
Treatment availability slowly expanding

XDR remains an increasing challenge

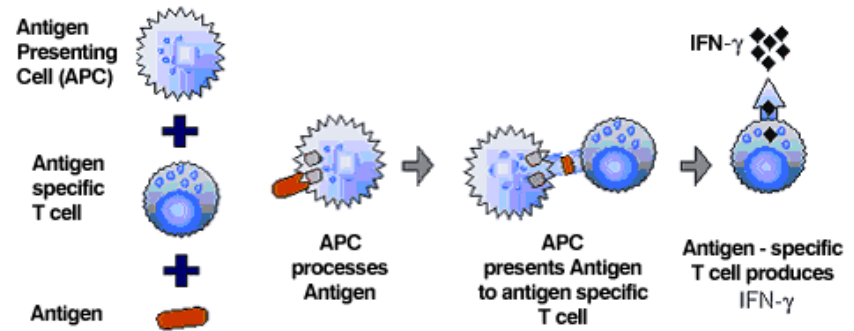
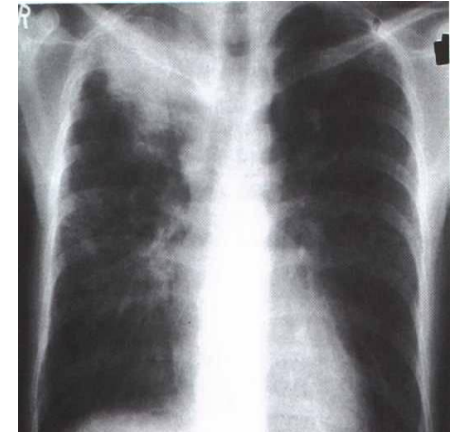
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# Tuberculosis

## The organism: MTB



## The disease



## Infection with MTB

## 2008 Best estimates

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9.4 million cases incident TB

11.1 million cases prevalent TB

1.8 million TB deaths

1.3 million without HIV

0.52 million with HIV

Approximately 61% cases notified and on treatment

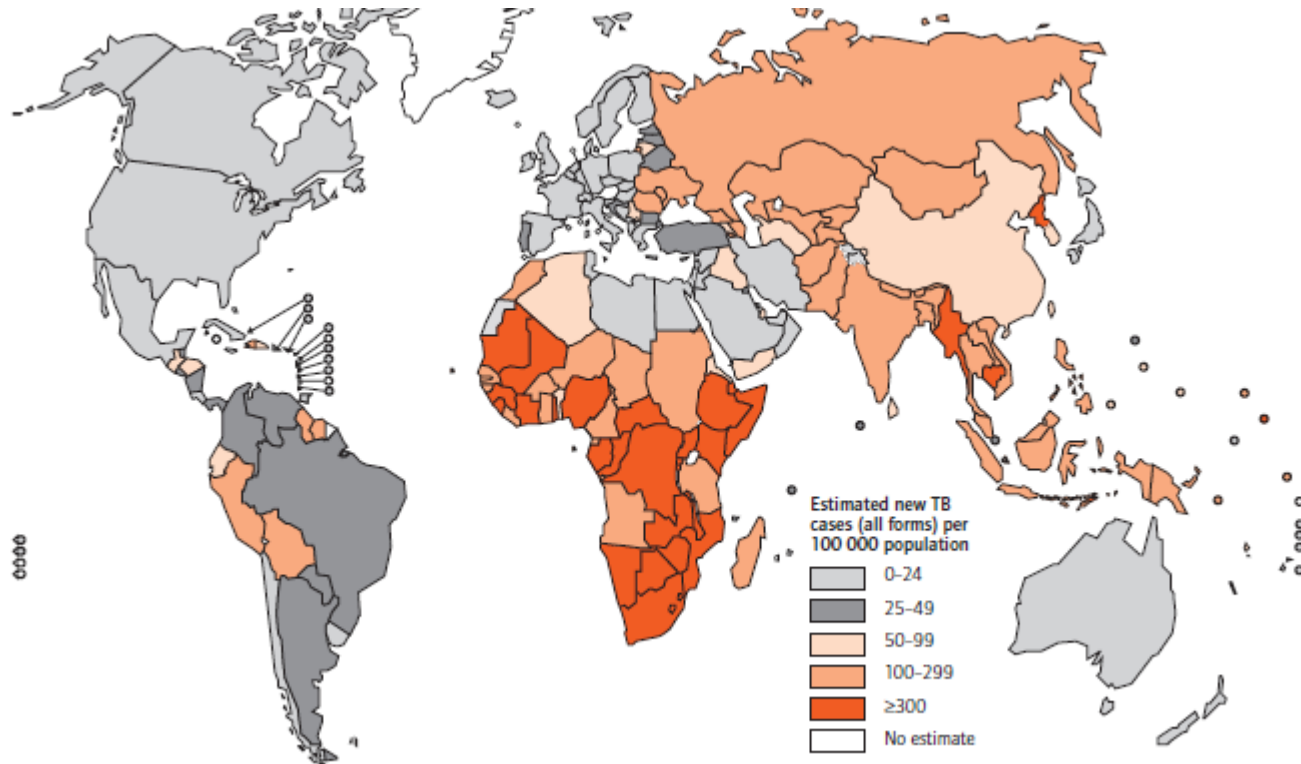
87% successfully completed treatment

Global budget for TB control \$4.1bn

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# Incidence of All New TB (WHO, 2008)

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TB incidence increasing 1.8% pa

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# Proportion of TB with drug resistance

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Median Prevalence MDR approx 5%

Median Prevalence of resistance to any drug 11.1%  
(IQR 7.0- 22.3)

# Some basics

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## First line medications

Rifampicin	(R)	} MDR-TB
Isoniazid	(H)	
Pyrazinamide	(Z)	
Ethambutol	(E)	

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# Some basics

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## First line medications

Rifampicin	(R)	} MDR-TB+
Isoniazid	(H)	
Pyrazinamide	(Z)	
Ethambutol	(E)	

## Second line medications

Quinolones	} XDR-TB
Injectables (kana, ami)	
Ethionamide/Prothionamide	
Cycloserine	
PAS	
Linezolid	
Clofazamine	

6/12 months minimum

Typically 18/12 or longer

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# The big challenges

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First line treatment

6/12 therapy

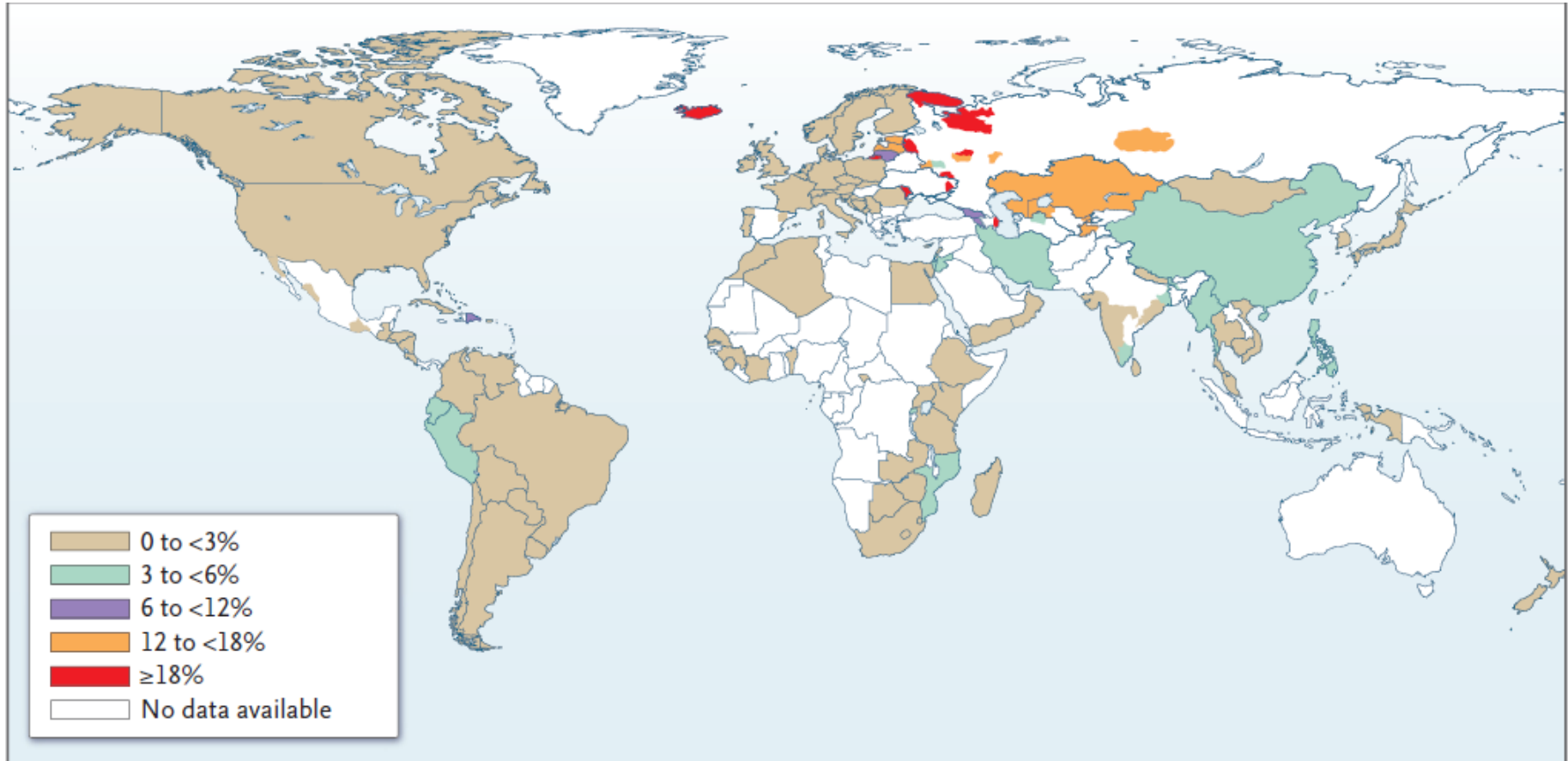
Second line treatment

18/12 therapy or more

Poor outcomes

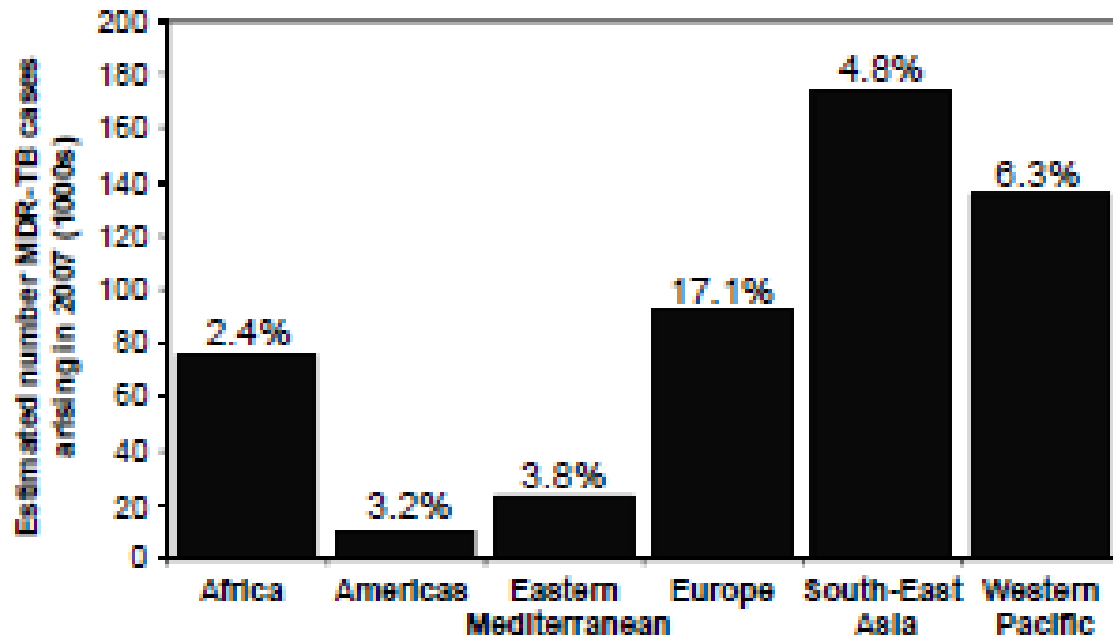
Toxicity – esp aminoglycosides

# Proportion of new TB cases with any MDR-TB 1994-2007 (WHO, 2008)

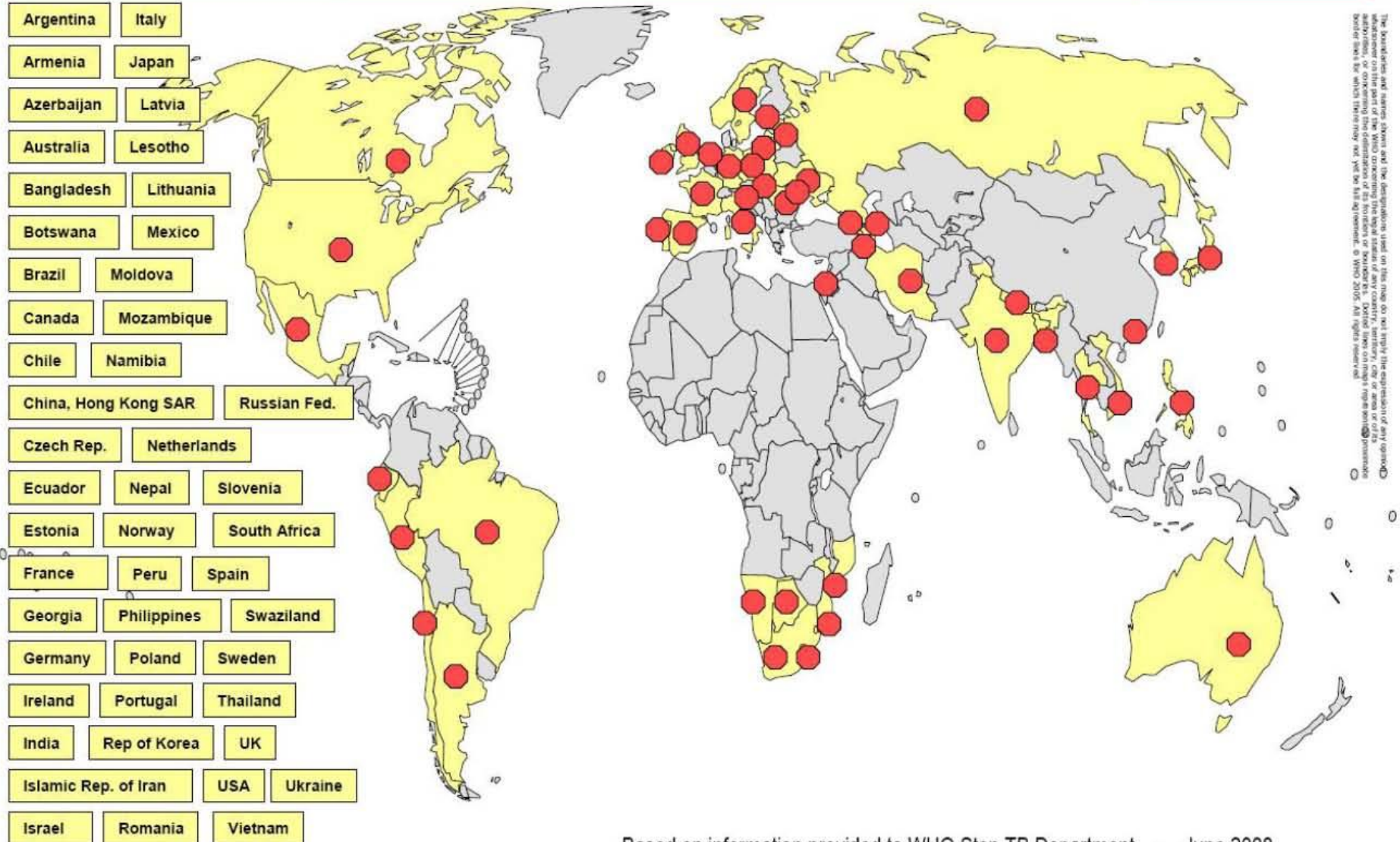


# Numbers of newly diagnosed MDR cases (2007)

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# Countries with confirmed cases of XDR-TB as of November 2008



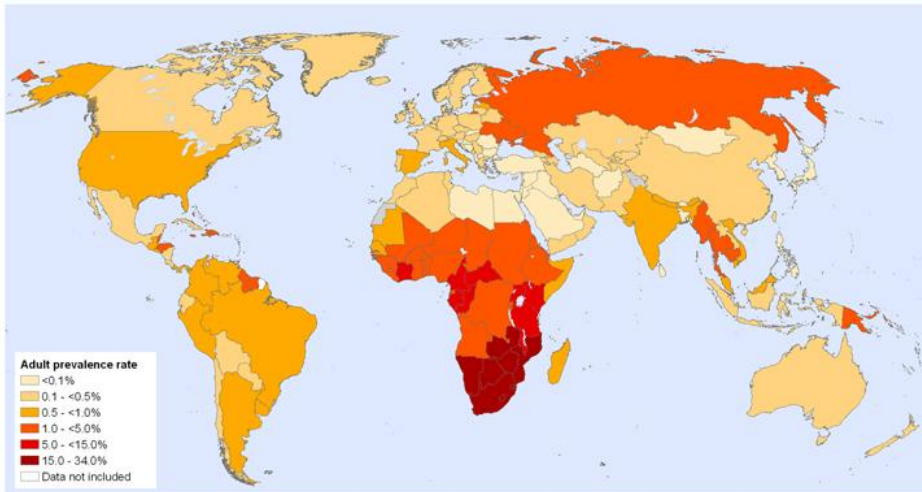
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# HIV and TB: A global perspective

# HIV and TB in the world

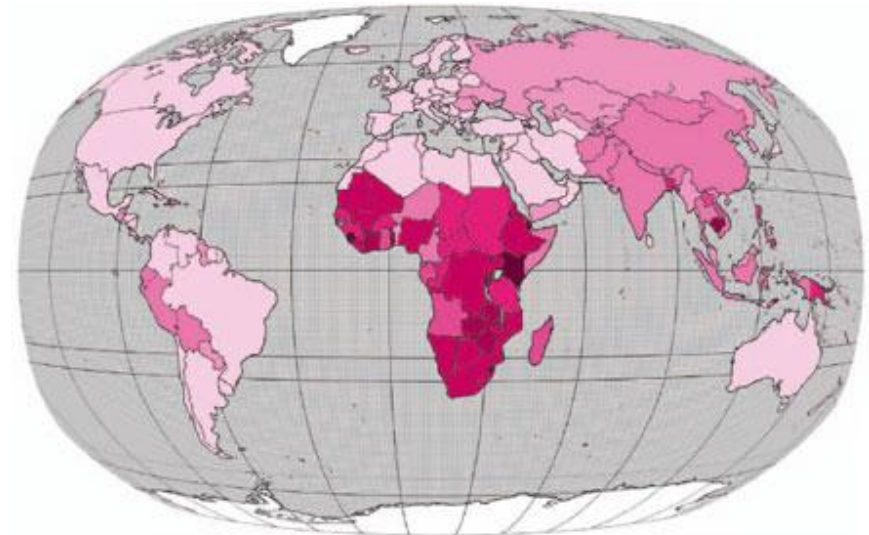
A global view of HIV infection  
39.5 million people [34.1-47.1] living with HIV in 2006

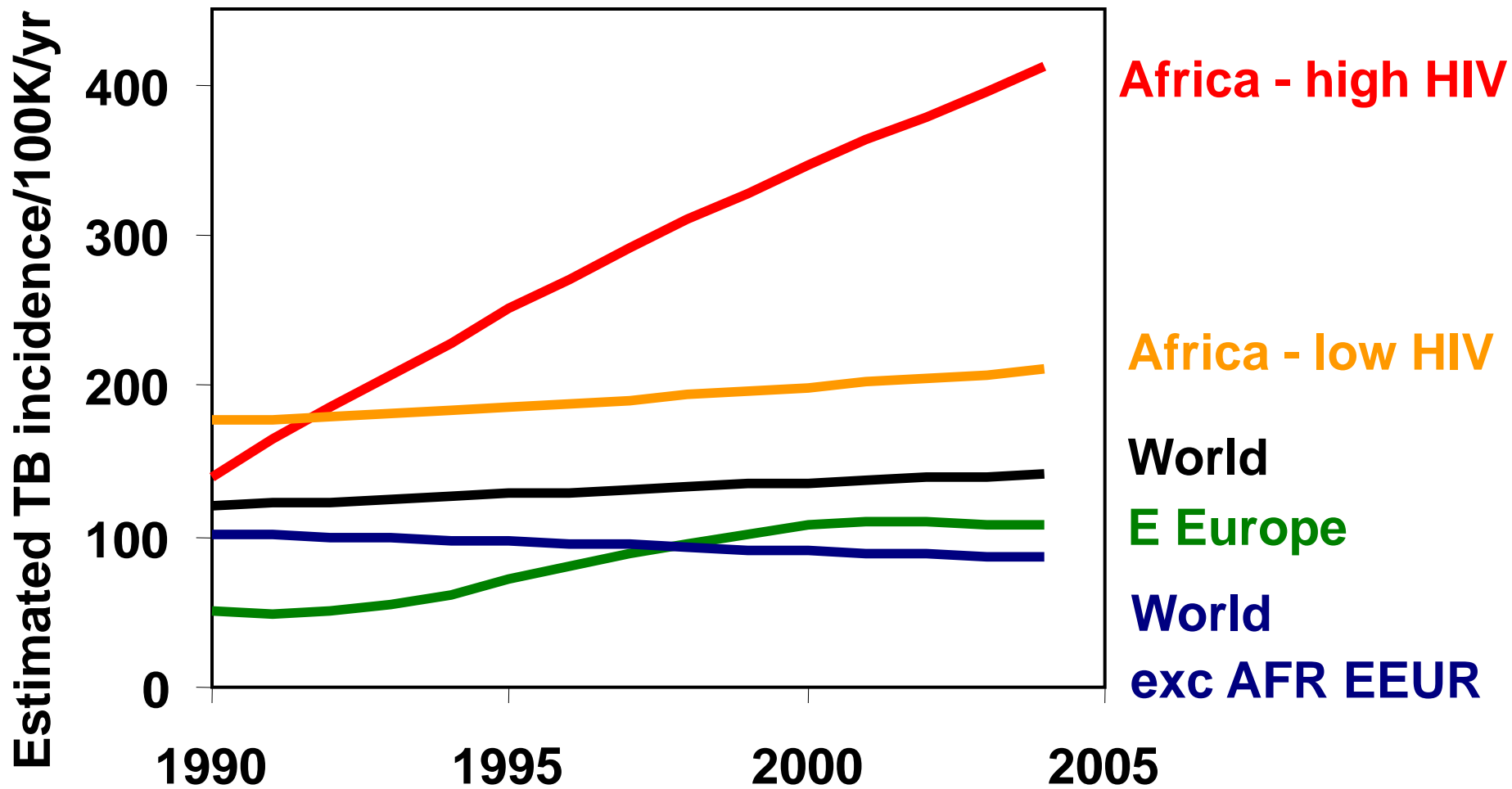


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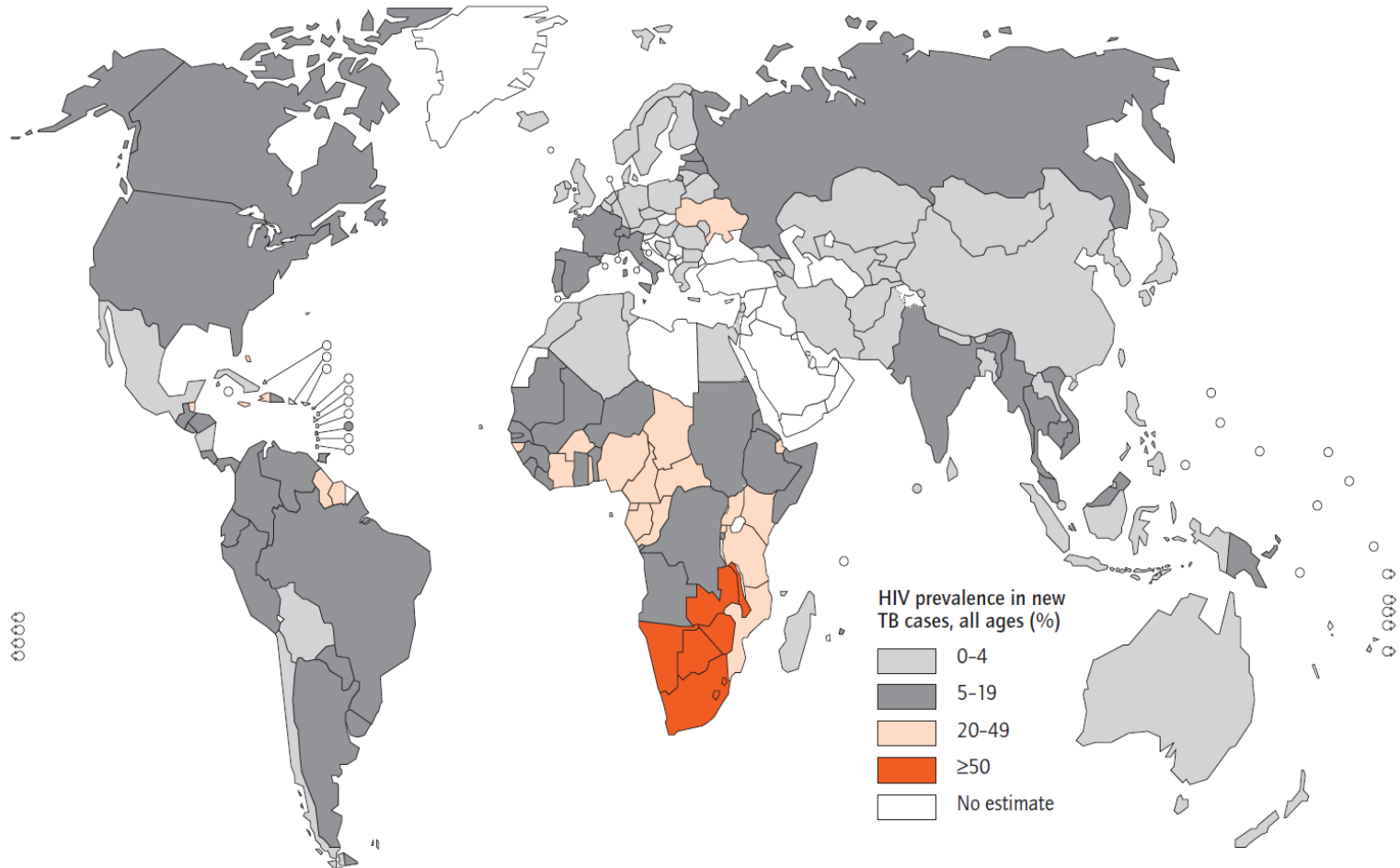




# How common is co-infection?

■ **FIGURE 1.3**

Estimated HIV prevalence in new TB cases, 2007



# Interventions required to control MDR/XDR TB

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Invest in R&D for new vaccines, drugs and diagnostics

Optimize MDR and XDR TB management

Engage all providers in MDR/XDR care

Address laboratory costs

Ensure access to high quality drugs

Improve surveillance

Prioritise infection control

Address global workforce crisis

Finance the response to MDR/XDR TB

Abolish financial barriers to care/treatment

Restrict availability of anti-TB drugs

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# Biomedical Interventions for TB diagnosis and treatment

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Vaccines

IPT

New diagnostics

New drugs

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You wait for ages for a bus.....

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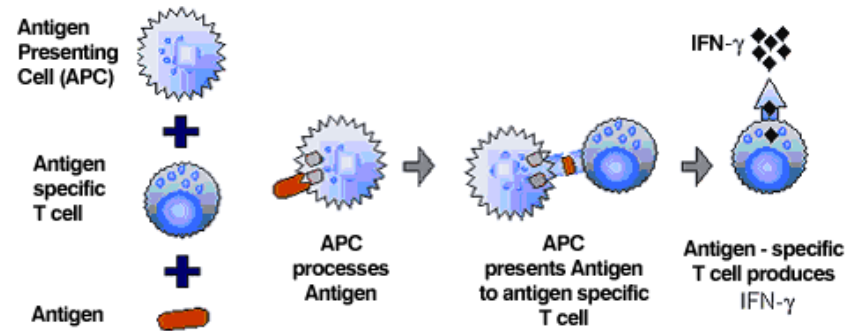


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# New Diagnostics

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# Tests of immune response to TB

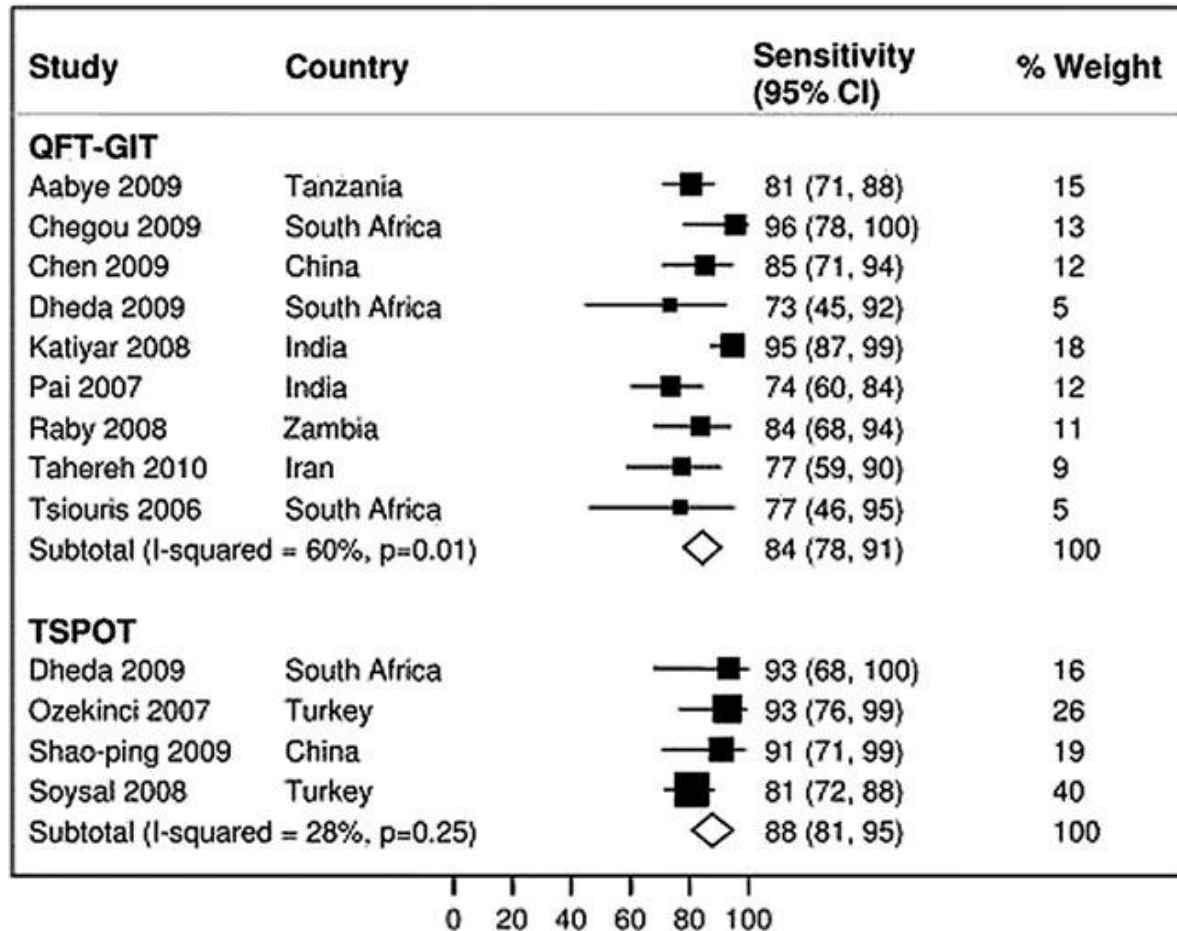


Quantiferon



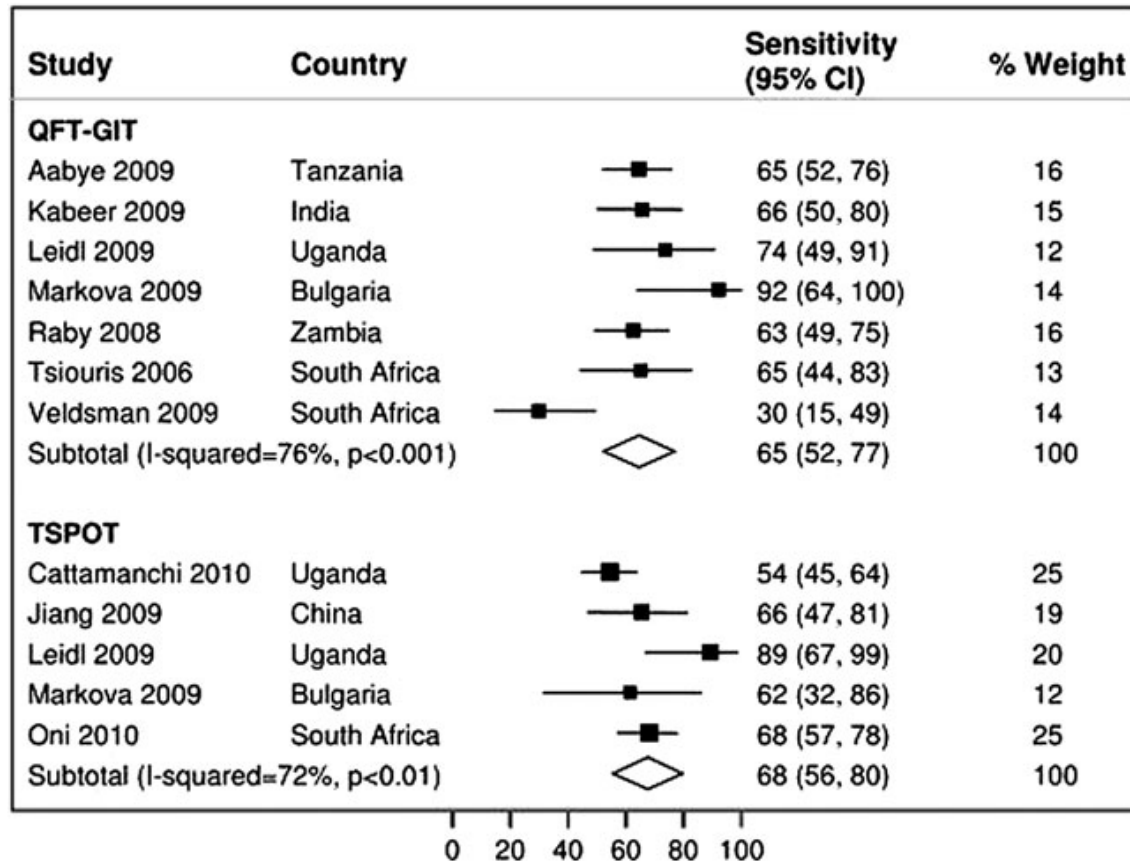
T-spot

# IGRAs have limited sensitivity for active TB





# And perform less well with HIV



# New molecular diagnostics

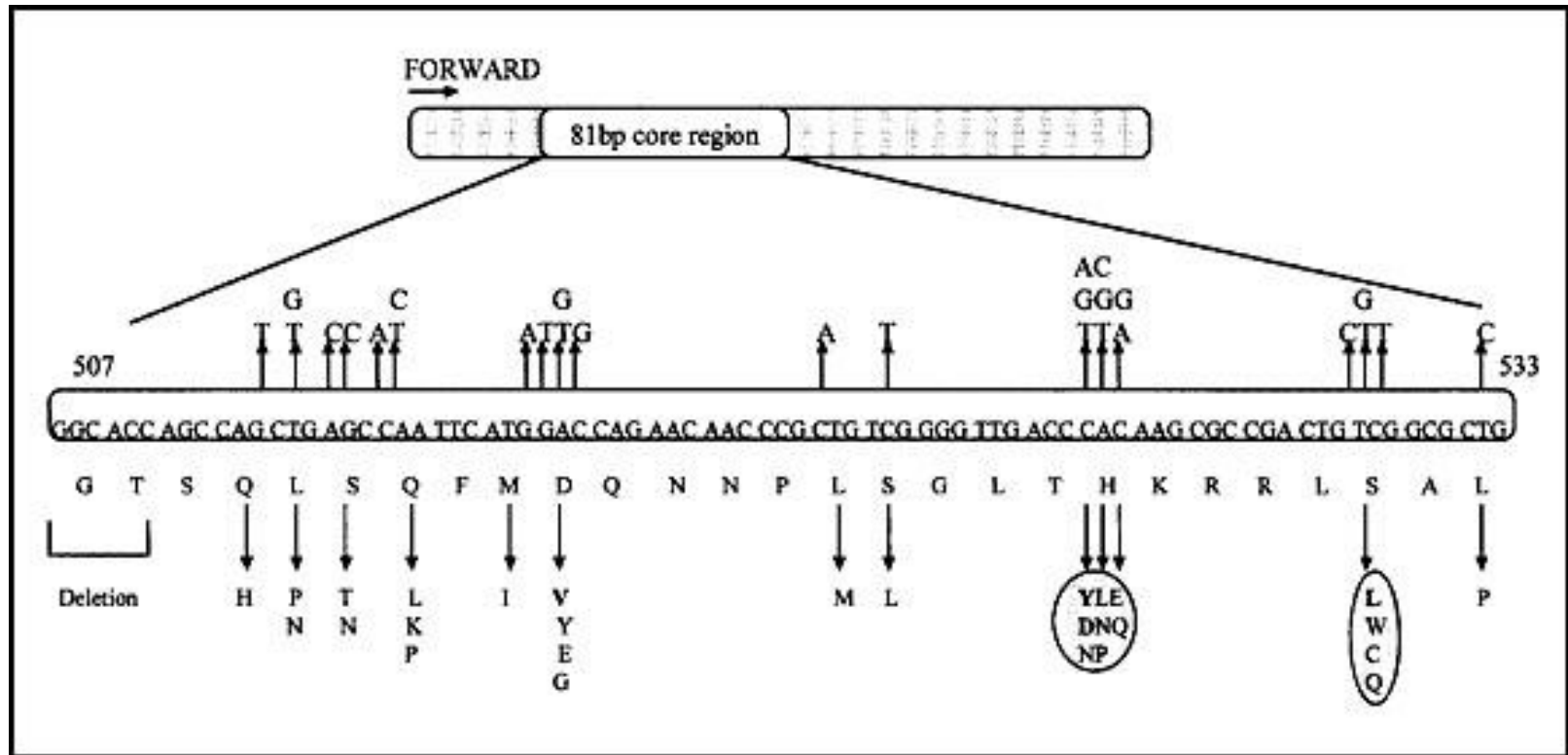
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Current interest in applicability of new molecular technologies to bring diagnosis closer to point of care

Substantial increase in sensitivity within smear negative (Boehme, NEJM 2010)



# New molecular diagnostics: rpoB target



# Xpert MTB/RIF

Diagnostic performance of single Xpert for detecting *M. tuberculosis* in sputum

Location	N	Reference	Sensitivity			Specificity
			Overall	Smear pos	Smear neg	
Vietnam	107	Liquid or solid culture	81.7% (67/82)	100% (29/29)	72% (38/53)	100% (25/25)
Multicentre	1462	4 x cultures	92.2% (675/732)	98.2% (551/561)	72.5%* (124/171)	99.2% (614/609)
Spain	105	Liquid or solid culture	78.2% (61/78)	-	-	100% (27/27)
France	18	Liquid or solid culture	100% (5/5)	100% (4/4)	100% (1/1)	100% (13/13)
US	216	Culture	89.2% (116/130)	97.7% (85/87)	72.1% (31/43)	95.3% (82/86)
Multicentre	6069	Culture	90.3% (933/1033)	98.3% (637/648)	76.9% (296/385)	99.0% (2846/2876)
South Africa	480	Liquid culture	78.7% (111/141)	94.7% (89/94)	46.8% (22/47)	94.4% (320/339)

\* Incremental yield in smear-negative TB of second and third Xpert MTB/RIF was 12.6% and 5.1% respectively



Source: Richard Lessells, Africa Centre

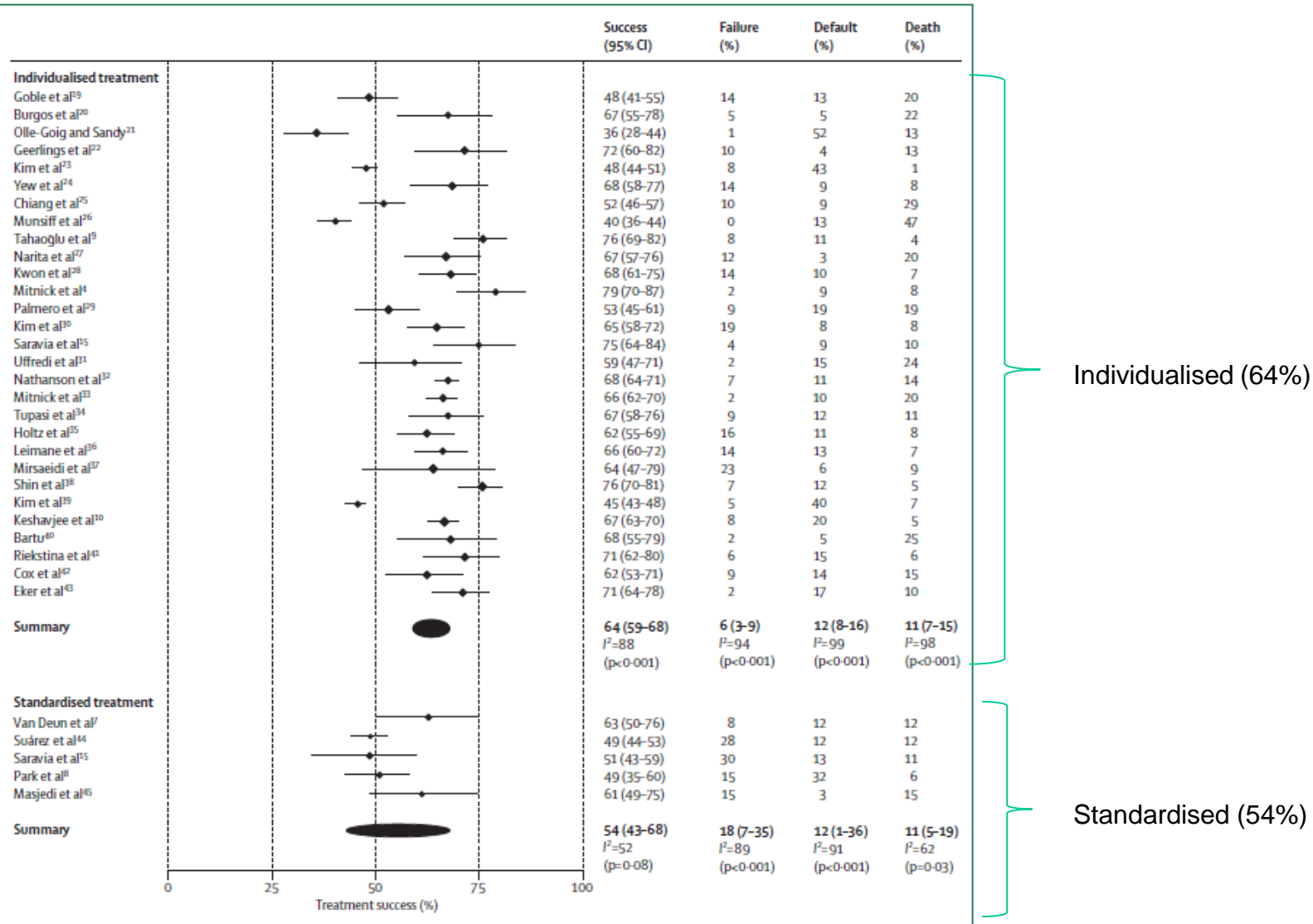
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# New Drugs

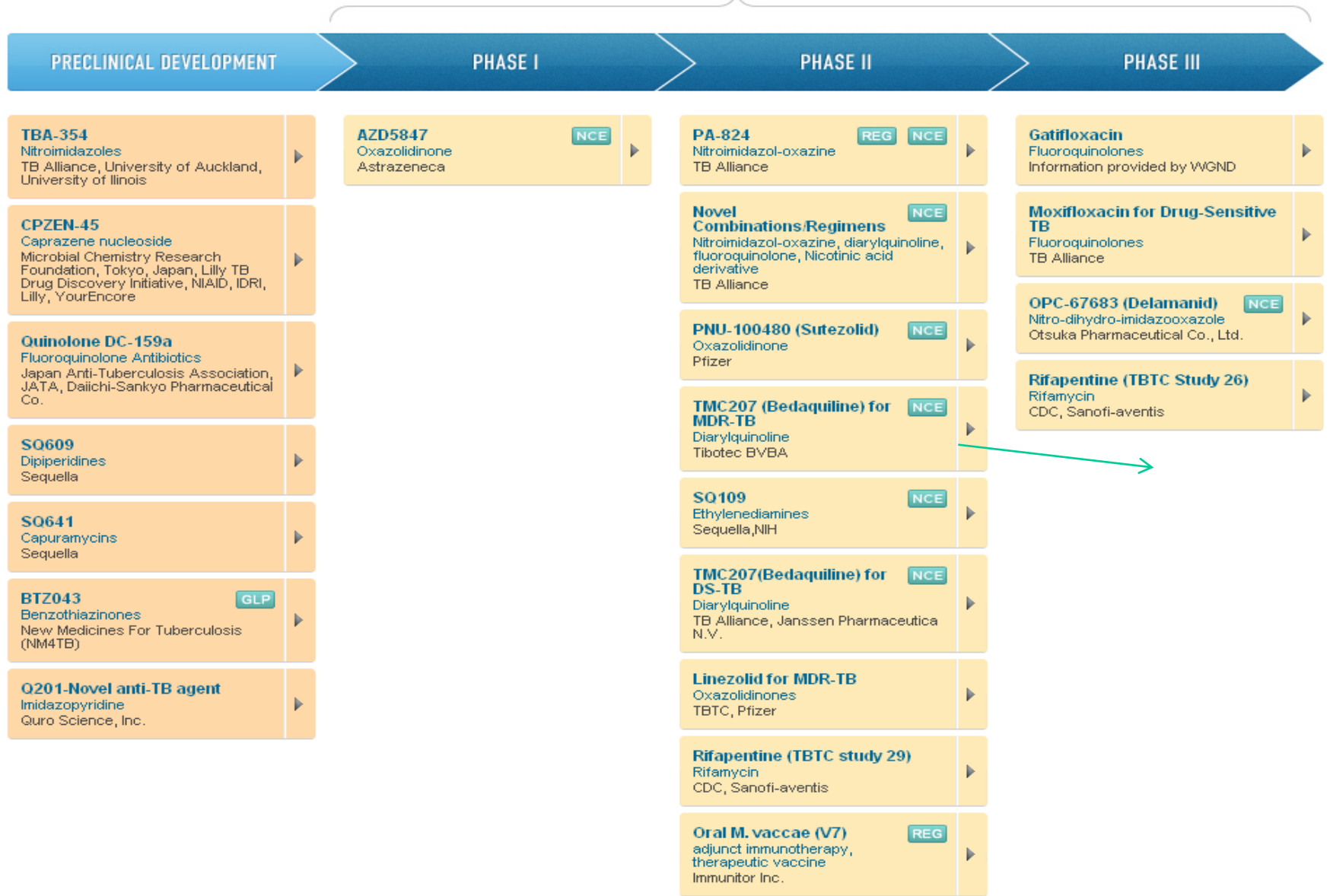
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# Outcomes for MDR Treatment in adults





CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT



TB  
HCV

1	8	4
14	19	4



# Phase 2 Trial of TMC207 C208 Pt1 (Bedaquiline)

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Multi-centre, placebo controlled trial

1 week lead in (TB treatment stopped)

Stratified by centre and extent of lung disease

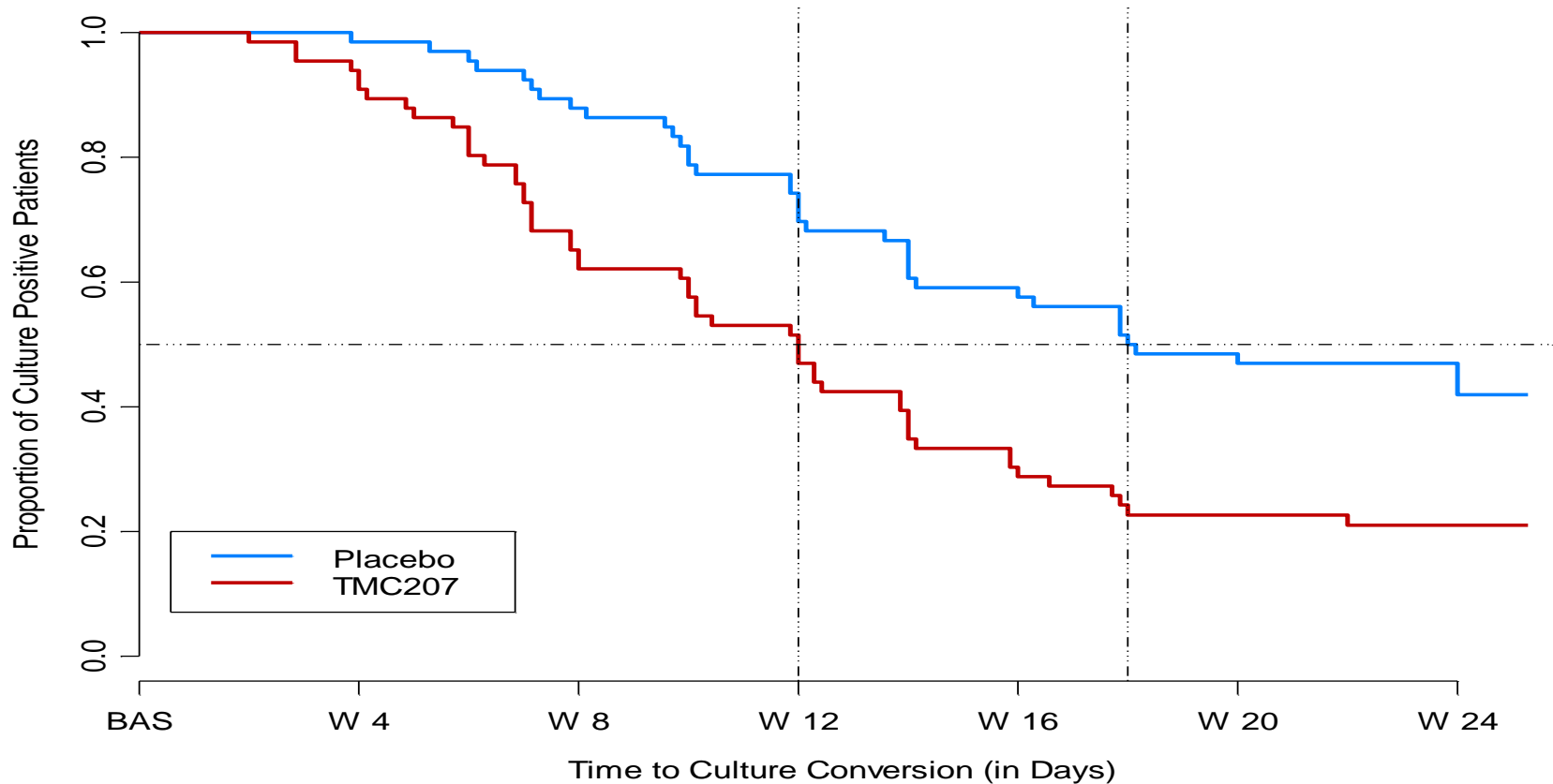
Arm 1: TMC207 400mg od for 14/7, then 200mg 3/week

Arm 2: Placebo

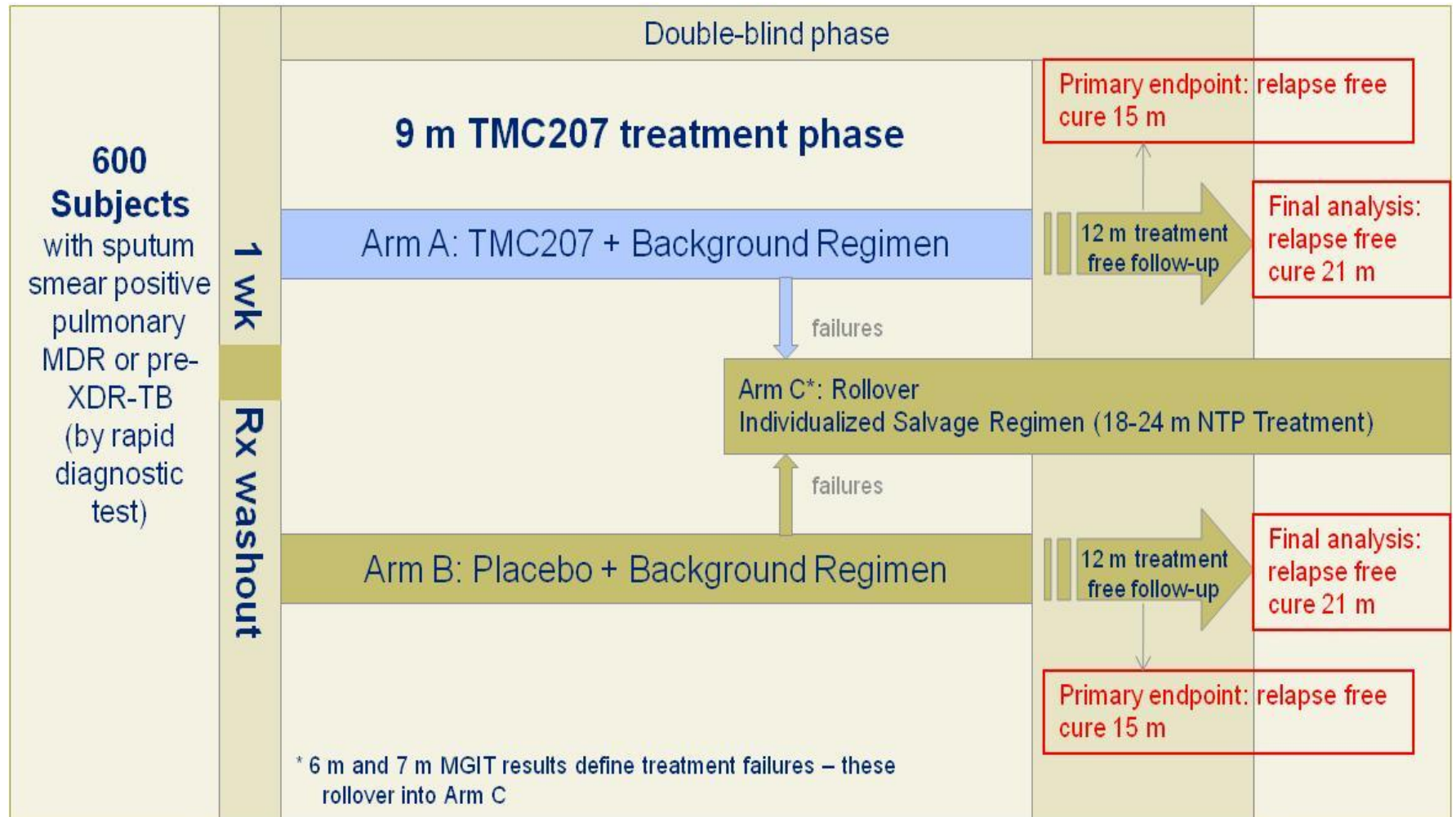
Preferred background: kanamycin, ofloxacin, ethionamide, pyrazinamide and cycloserine or terizidone modified by DST

At 8 weeks, 48% v 9% culture conversion

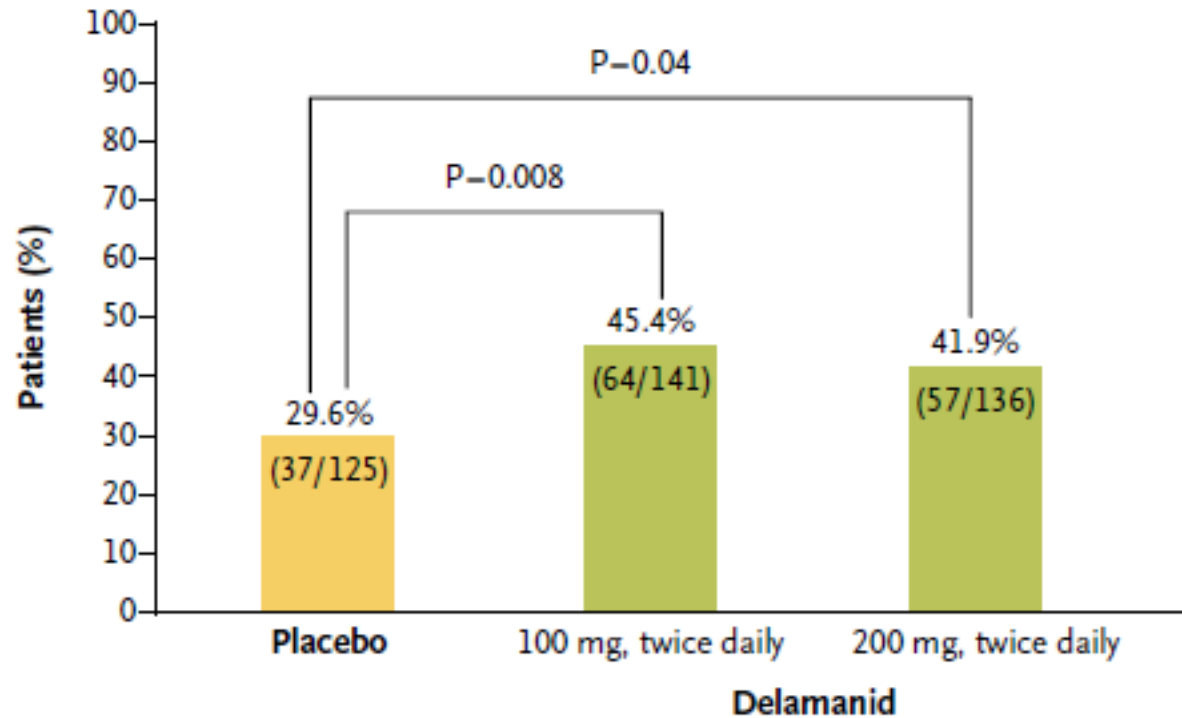
# Phase 2 Trial of TMC207 Pt 2 (Bedaquiline, C208)



# TMC207 (bedaquiline) Phase III underway



# Even newer drugs



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## **New challenges in combinations**

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# Repurposing Existing drugs

# Repurposing Old drugs

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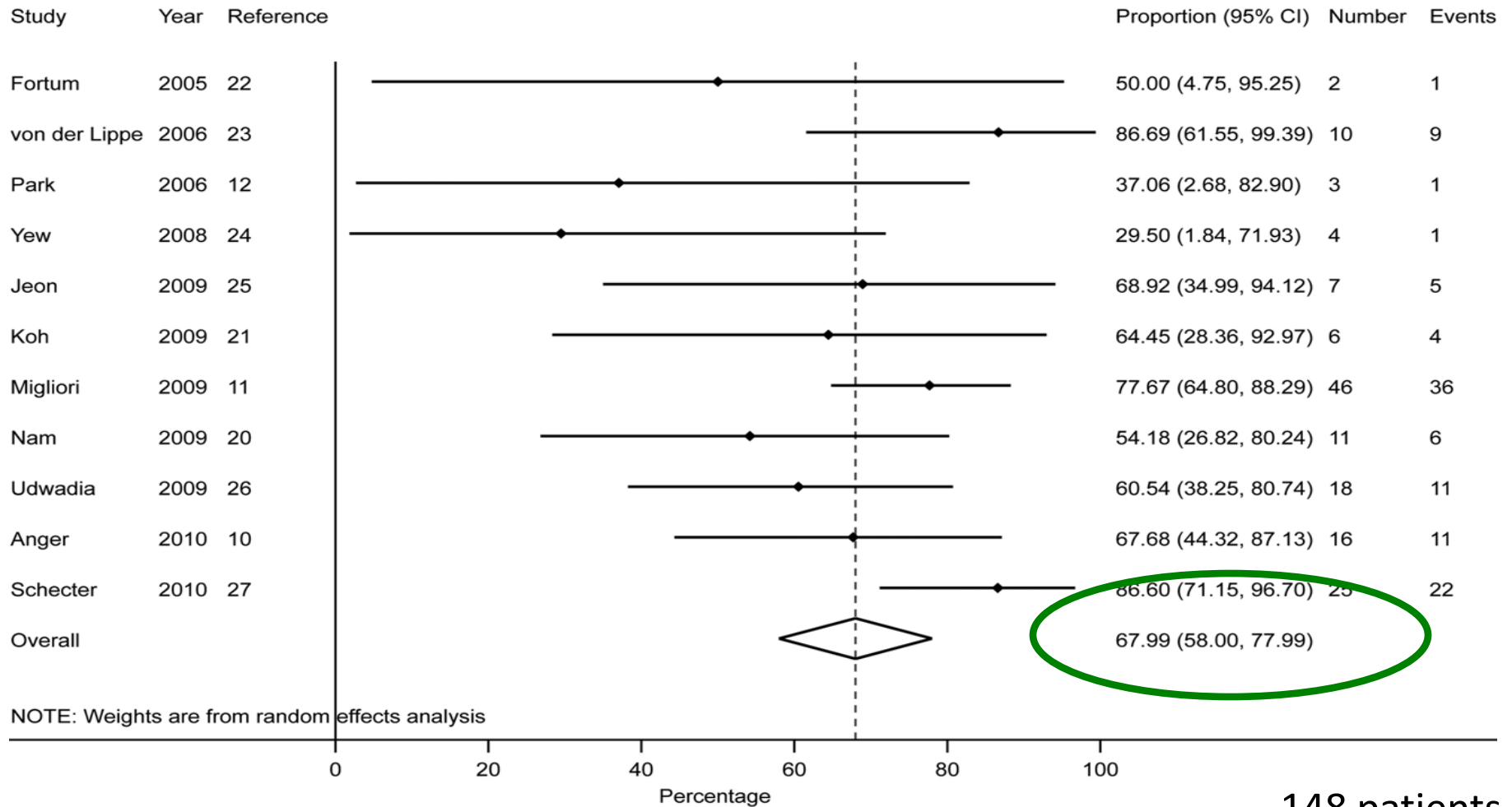
Carbapenems - Imipenem and Meropenem (Hugonnet 09, Veziris 11)

Oxazolidinones - Linezolid (Alcala 03, Fortun 05)

Tetracyclines – Doxycycline (Walker, 12)

Non anti-infectives

# Linezolid – treatment success





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# Preventative therapy

# Isoniazid Preventative therapy (IPT)

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Debate over best way to implement IPT in both  
resource rich and resource poor settings

Effort to prevent a single case of TB quite  
substantial

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Needs exclusion of subclinical/active TB to prevent delivery of isoniazid to patients with disease..... that's a problem where the problem is worst

Two most popular regimens

Isoniazid for 6/12

Rifampicin and Isoniazid for 3/12

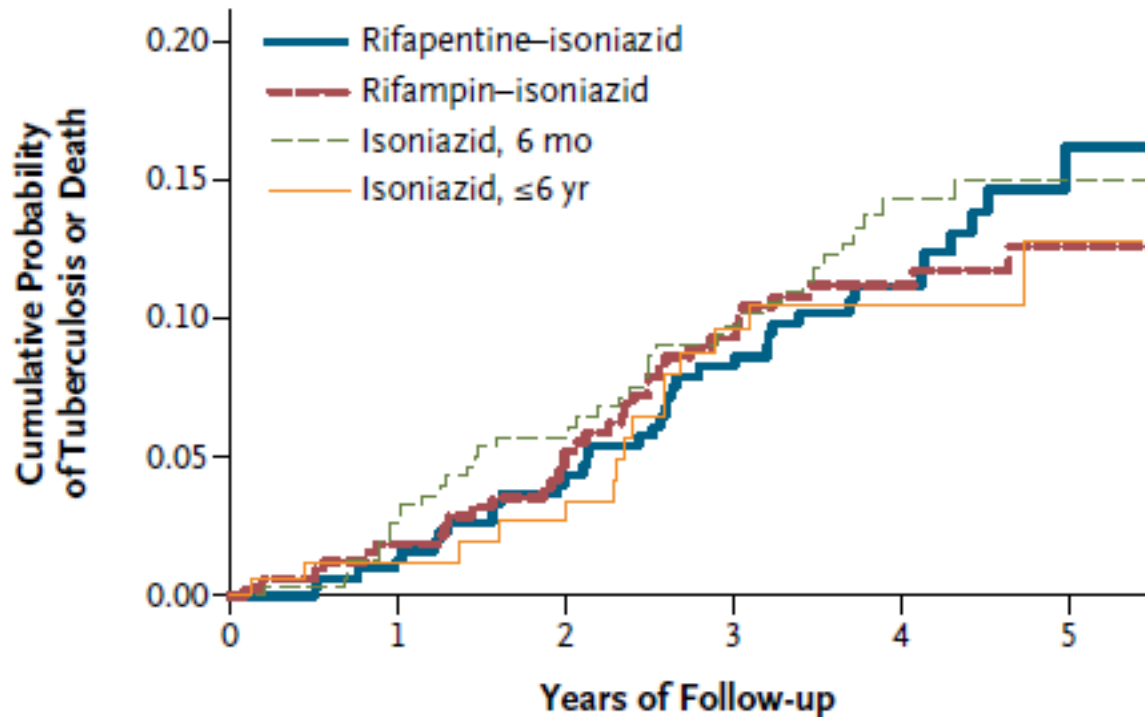
PPD +ve

Study or subgroup	Treatment (INH) n/N	Control n/N	Risk Ratio M-H,Fixed,95% CI	Weight	Risk Ratio M-H,Fixed,95% CI
<b>1 PPD+</b>					
Hawken 1997	5/67	8/69		6.3 %	0.64 [ 0.22, 1.87 ]
Mwinga 1998	4/52	11/60		8.2 %	0.42 [ 0.14, 1.24 ]
Pape 1993	2/38	6/25		5.8 %	0.22 [ 0.05, 1.00 ]
Whalen 1997	7/536	21/464		18.0 %	0.29 [ 0.12, 0.67 ]
<b>Subtotal (95% CI)</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>618</b>		<b>38.3 %</b>	<b>0.36 [ 0.22, 0.61 ]</b>
Total events: 18 (Treatment (INH)), 46 (Control)					
Heterogeneity: Chi <sup>2</sup> = 1.88, df = 3 (P = 0.60); I <sup>2</sup> = 0.0%					
Test for overall effect: Z = 3.78 (P = 0.00015)					

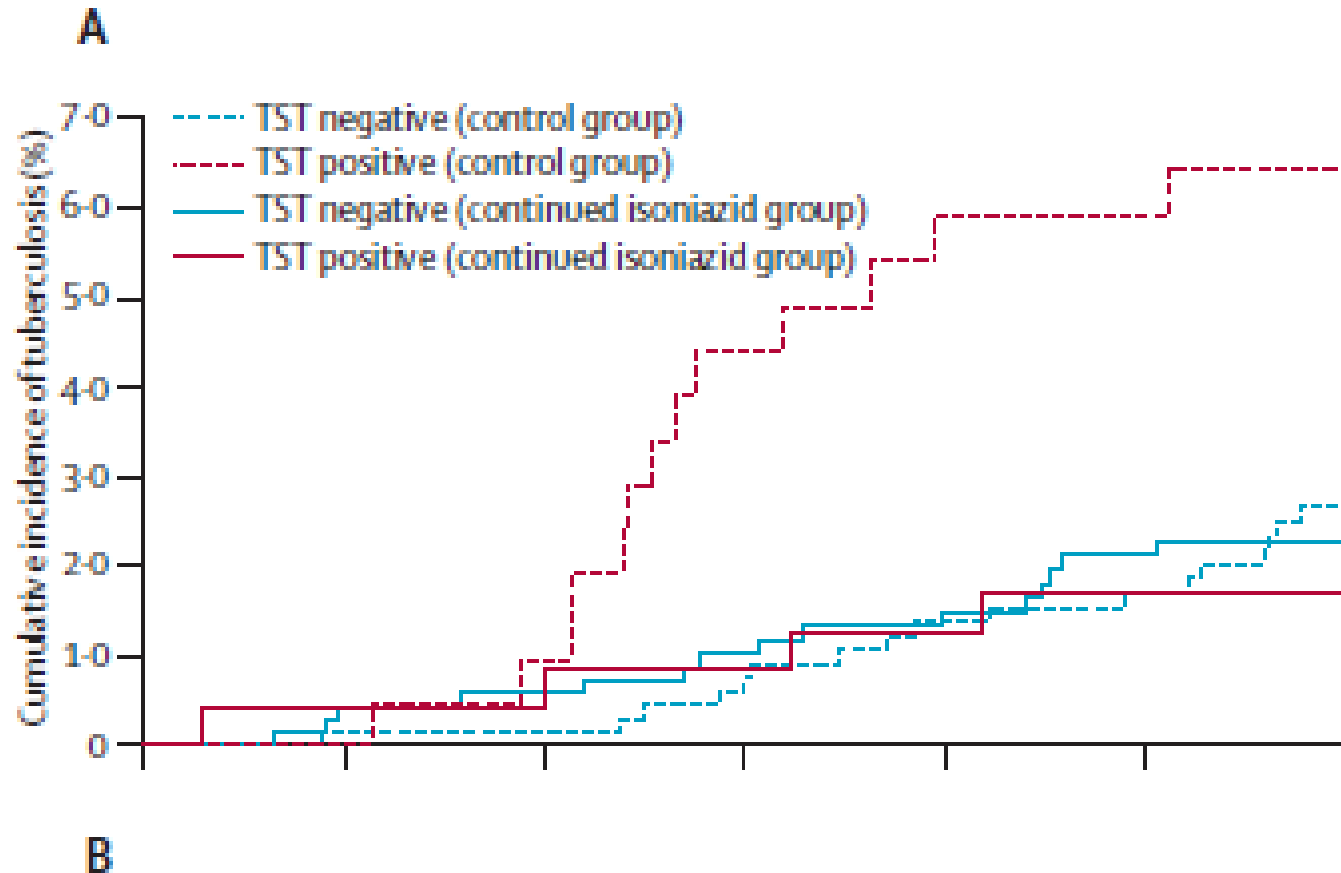
PPD -ve

<b>2 PPD-</b>					
Fitzgerald 2001	6/126	4/111		3.4 %	1.32 [ 0.38, 4.56 ]
Gordin 1997	4/260	6/257		4.8 %	0.66 [ 0.19, 2.31 ]
Hawken 1997	11/235	8/224		6.6 %	1.31 [ 0.54, 3.20 ]
Mwinga 1998	14/178	17/166		14.1 %	0.77 [ 0.39, 1.51 ]
Pape 1993	2/20	5/35		2.9 %	0.70 [ 0.15, 3.28 ]
Rivero 2003	3/83	4/77		3.3 %	0.70 [ 0.16, 3.01 ]
Whalen 1997-anergy	9/395	10/323		8.8 %	0.74 [ 0.30, 1.79 ]
<b>Subtotal (95% CI)</b>	<b>1297</b>	<b>1193</b>		<b>43.9 %</b>	<b>0.86 [ 0.59, 1.26 ]</b>

# Isoniazid Preventative therapy (IPT) – what?

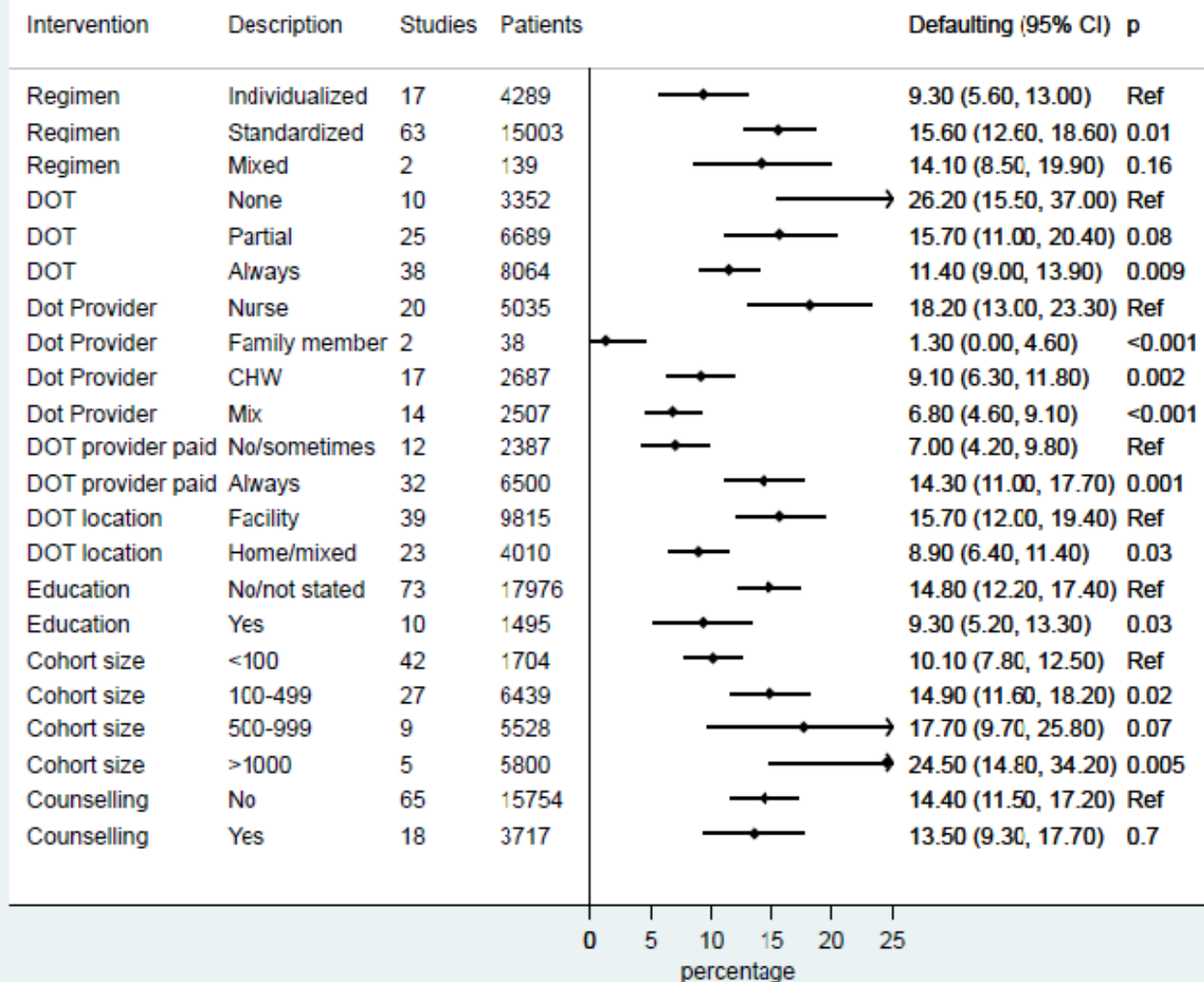


# Isoniazid Preventative therapy (IPT) – who?



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# Adherence to Treatments





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# Infection control, isolation and HCW

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## Routine case detection and identification

In low prevalence settings emphasis on ventilation, masks and Isolation

In high prevalence settings, such interventions not always Possible or affordable

e.g. in hyperendemic areas many hospitals with have high rates Of undiagnosed TB on wards

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Natural ventilation of proven benefit

UV lights can be helpful in terms of local infection control

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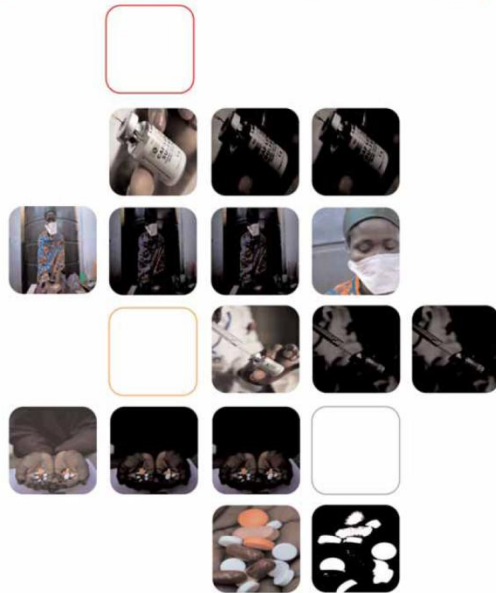
	<b>HCWs</b>	<b>General Population</b>	<b>Incidence Rate Ratio (95% C.I.)*</b>
<b>Annual MDR or XDR-TB Incidence</b>	<b>66.8/100,000</b>	<b>11.7/100,000</b>	<b>5.71 (4.96-6.69)</b>
<b>Annual MDR-TB Incidence</b>	<b>62.3/100,000</b>	<b>10.7/100,000</b>	<b>5.82 (5.03-6.87)</b>
<b>Annual XDR-TB Incidence</b>	<b>4.5/100,000</b>	<b>1.04/100,000</b>	<b>4.33 (2.69-8.18)</b>

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# Access to Treatments

# Evolution of DR-TB drug prices

## DR-TB drugs under the microscope



SOURCES AND PRICES for drug-resistant tuberculosis medicines

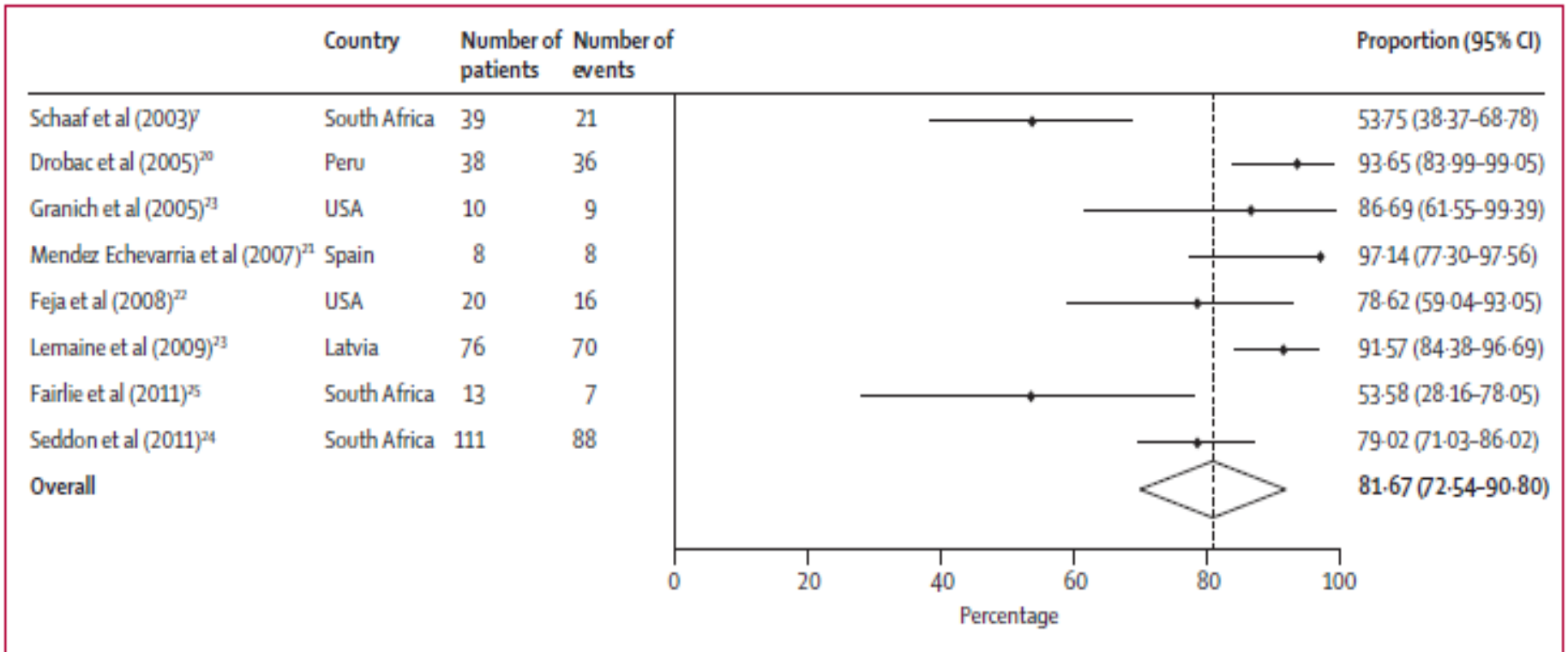


## Prices available for GLC - approved programmes, in US\$

Products	July 2001	March 2011 (lowest price)	% Difference 2001/2011
Amikacin 500mg	0.11	1.20	+991%
Kanamycin 1g	0.36	2.58	+617%
Cycloserine 250mg	0.14	0.59	+321%
Capreomycin 1gr	1.02	4.00	+292%
Ethionamide 250mg	0.10	0.09	Stable
Prothionamide 250mg	0.10	0.10	Stable
PAS 4g sachet	1.51	1.57	Stable



# Access to New Drugs- children



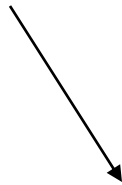
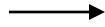
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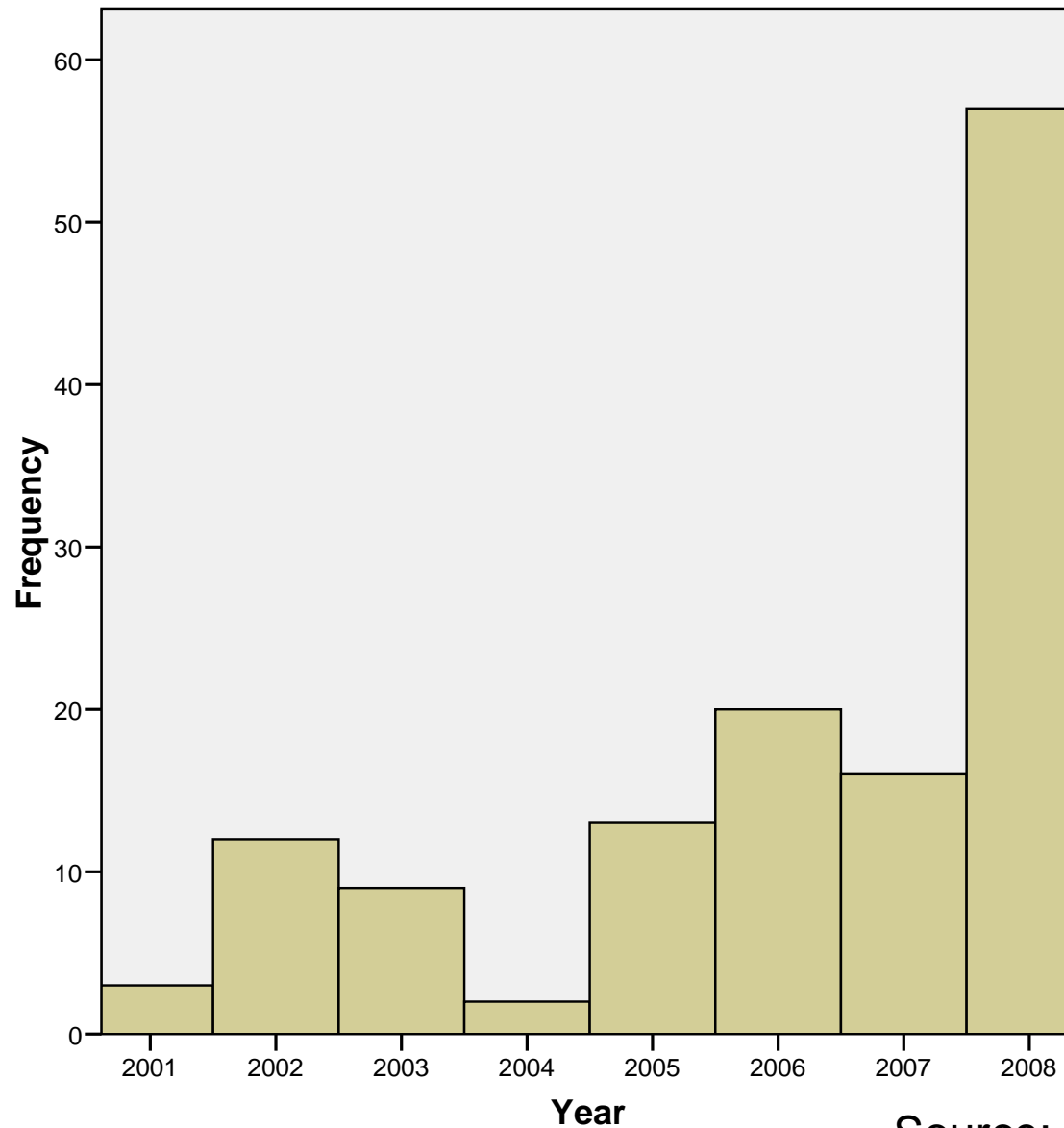


Renovated multi-story building



# MDR Treatment Initiations Hlabisa 2001-8

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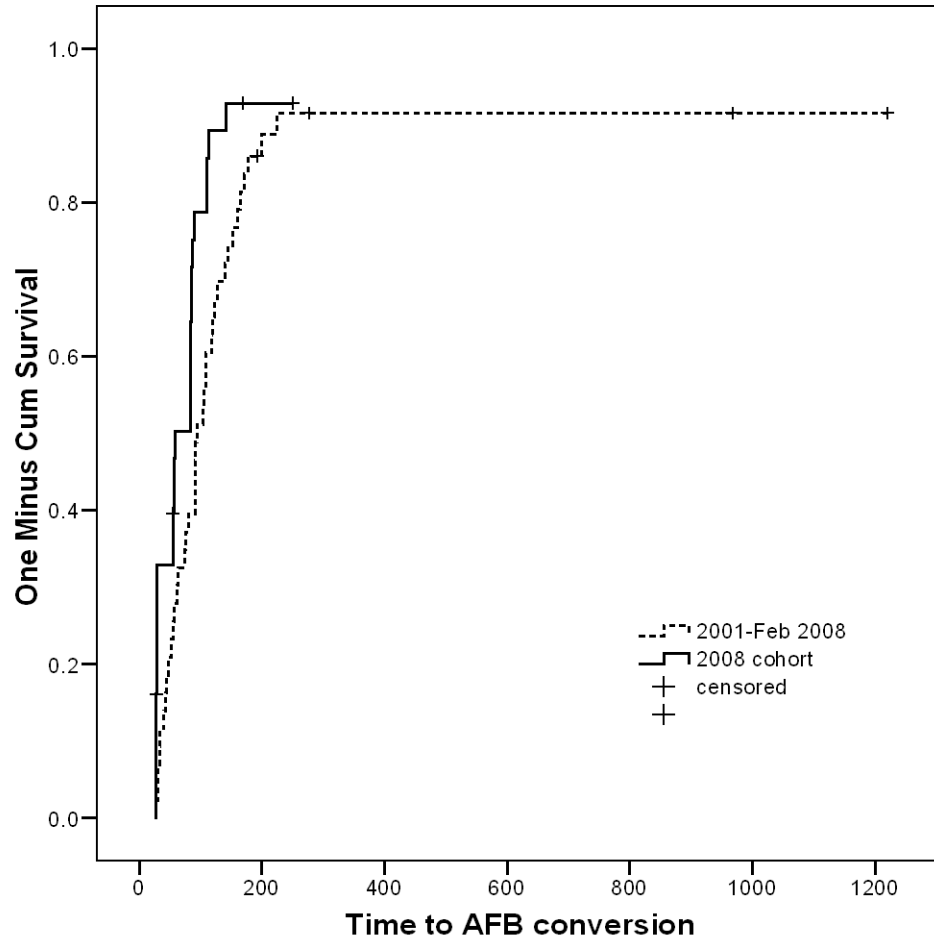


Source: Heller et al (2010)

# Decentralised MDR programme

Patient characteristic		Jan 2001 – Mar 2008 (n=77)	Mar 2008 – Dec 2008 (n=57)
Age (mean, yrs)		-	36.7
Female (%)		56%	53%
Weight (mean, kg)		51kg	51kg
BMI (mean, kg/m <sup>2</sup> )		19.4	19.0
HIV status	Positive	41.7%	81.8%
	Negative	23.6%	16.4%
	Unknown	34.7%	1.8%
CD4 count	<50 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	-	11.1%
	<200 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	-	55.6%
	<350 cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	-	83.3%
Resistance pattern	RH	15 (19.5%)	21 (36.8%)
	RHE	6 (7.8%)	1 (1.8%)
	RHS	26 (33.8%)	31 (54.4%)
	RHES	10 (13.0%)	-
	XDR	-	1 (1.8%)
	Other	4 (5.2%)*	3 (5.3%)*
	Missing	16 (20.8%)	-

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Thank you

Questions?