

Introduction to Neglected Zoonotic Diseases One Health, One Medicne

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Learning Objectives



- Importance of animal disease to human health and wellbeing
- Emerging diseases and factors influencing transmission
- Collaboration between human and veterinary public health











Medical Alert Dogs

- How to Apply
- Personal stories
- Cancer Detection

Medical Alert Dogs

These dogs are trained to assist individuals who manage complex medical conditions on a day to day basis. The dogs are taught to identify the odour changes that are associated with certain medical events. For example for someone living with diabetes, hypoglycaemia (low blood sugar) or the avoidance of it can be a daily problem. This condition is frightening and very distressing, symptoms can vary from confusion, seizures to comas and be life threatening.

Our Medical Alert Dogs are trained to recognise low blood sugar levels, as these levels give off a different scent compared with blood sugars that are within the normal range. When outside the normal range our dogs, once trained, can warn and get help before the symptoms are felt. Depending on their 'owners' need the dogs will alert in a variety of ways eg. by barking, jumping up, licking or pawing. They will bring their owner any necessary medical supplies such as glucose and blood testing kits and get help if necessary. They can also be trained to push alarm buttons.







The same process applies to someone with Addisons

disease. Characteristics' during an Addisonian crisis include severe pain, vomiting, confusion, convulsions, loss of consciousness life threatening and serious rapid drop in blood pressure. Our Alert Dogs quickly bring vital medical supplies and get help.

We are now working with Cardiff and Vale NHS Trust & Bristol University to try and establish exactly what it is the dogs are detecting.



We continue to investigate other debilitating and life threatening conditions which our dogs may have the potential to detect. These include, severe pain seizures which lead to collapse and hospitalisation, severe allergic responses and narcolepsy, a malfunction of the sleep/wake regulating system which causes sleep attacks and paralysis.

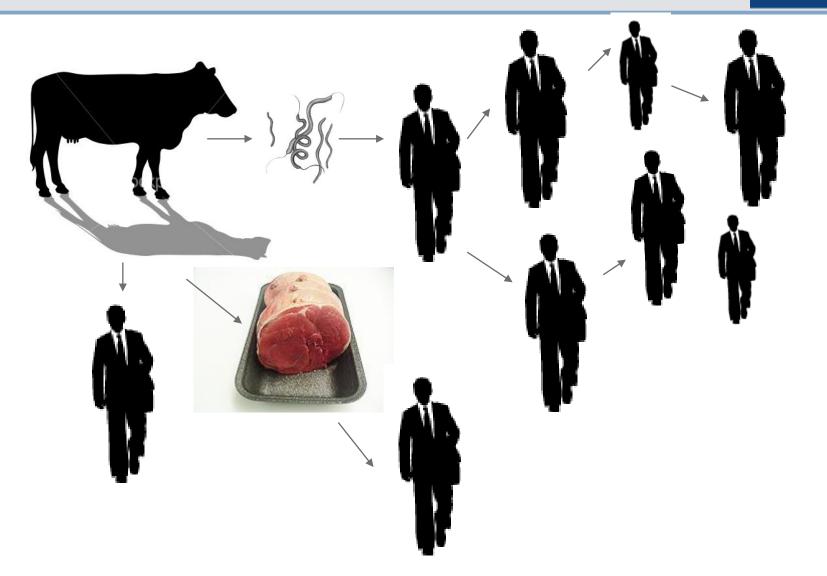




- 1. You are carrying out your BSc in Global Health summer project in Laikipia on disease surveillance
- 2. You hear that at a local dispensary a patients has had to be referred to the local hospital (3 hour drive away) with very severe abdominal pain
- 3. Conservation group from a UK university has reported a reduction of endangered wild hunting dogs in the area
- 4. 3 Maasai cattle two calves and a cow died in last week these were left in the bush
- 5. One sick animal with bloated abdomen possible blood in faeces

Imperial College There are multiple route of zoonotic disease transmission

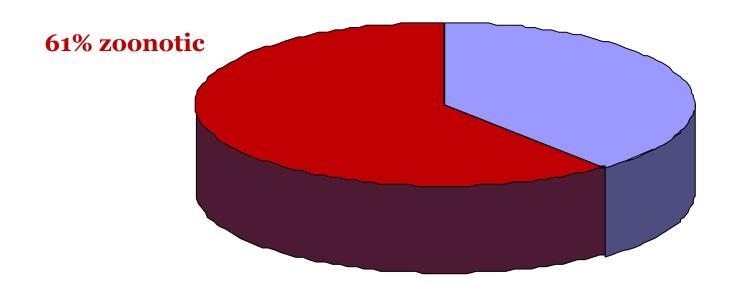




Imperial College London Majority of human pathogens are zoonotic



1415 species of infectious organism known to be pathogenic to humans



Taylor et al Phil. Trans. R. Soc. Lond. B (2001) 356, 983-989, Jones et al Nature (2008) 451 990-3

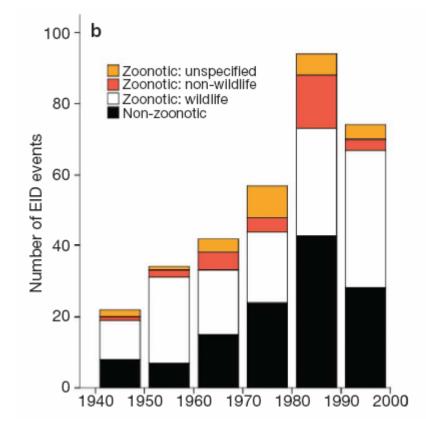
Is this a emerging disease ?



have been newly discovered **HIV and Ebola** have recently increased in incidence or prevalence Tuberculosis have recently expanded in geographic range SARS have jumped from animal populations into humans **Avian Influenza** newly evolved pathogens **Cholorquine-resistant malaria**

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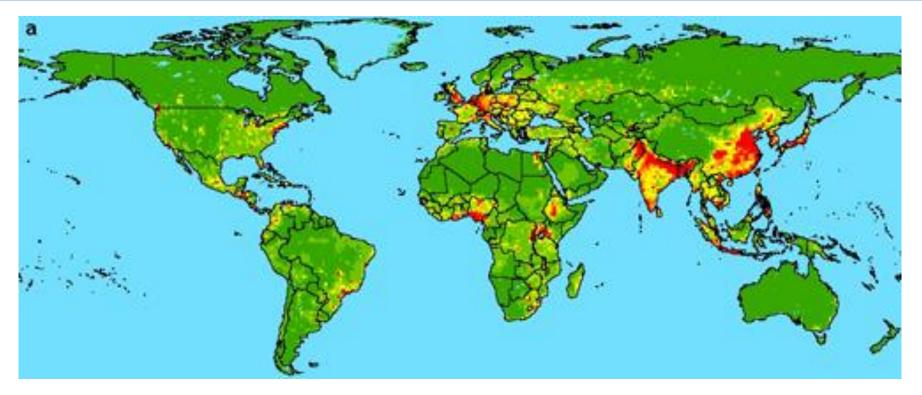
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60 % of the diseases that are said to be emerging are zoonotic 72% caused by pathogen from wildlife origin

Jones et al Nature 2008, 451 990-3

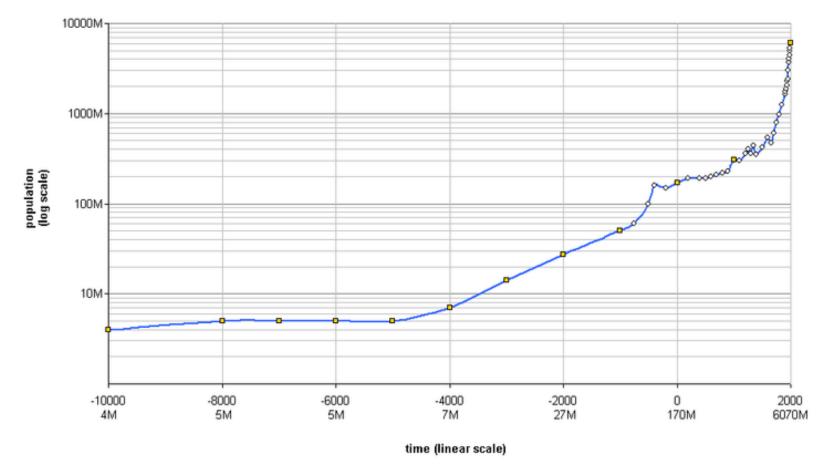
Imperial College London Global distribution of relative risk of an emerging disease event Schistosomiasis Control Initiative



- Relationship between spatial pattern of disease and socioeconomic, environmental and ecological variables
- Population density was a common and significant predictor

Jones et al Nature 2008, 451 990-3

Human population density was a common significant independent predictor of risk of emerging disease



Population expected to reach 9.2 billion people by 2050

Waldir 2010

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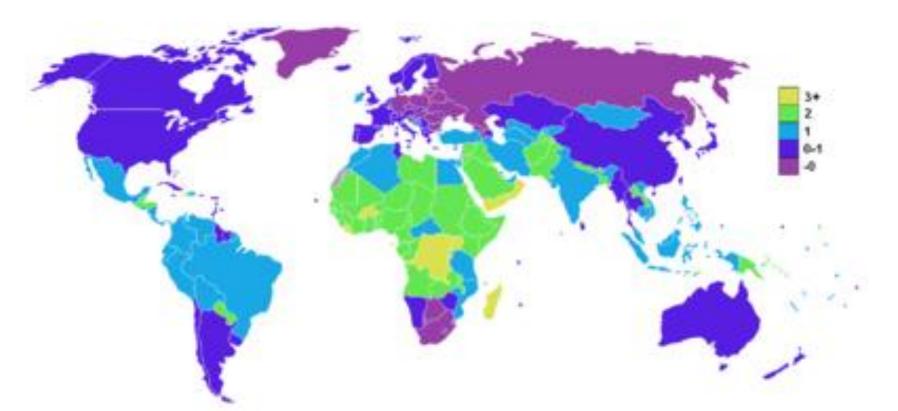
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Imperial College London Regional differences in the rates of population growth

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Annual rate 1.1 % about 75 million new people per year



Annual population growth rate in percent, as listed in the CIA World Factbook (2006 estimate)

Population growth has significant effect on zoonotic disease transmission

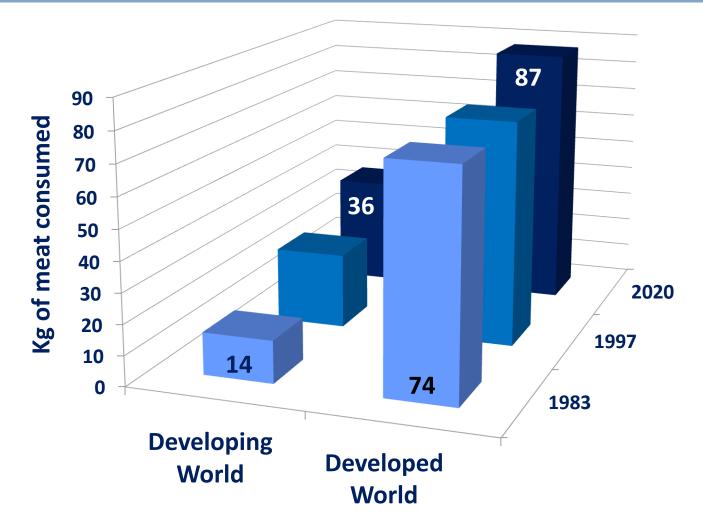
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1. Movement of people into animal habitats

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Delgado 2003 The Journal of Nutrition

Imperial College London 3. Intensification of livestock production especially in peri-urban areas





Kawangware slum in Nairboi – trend towards urbanisation

Displaced from political unrest or moved from urban area

Pigs particularly kept as a source of protein

Essential feral scavenging on human waste

Zinsstag, J., et al., Emerg Infect Dis, 2007. 13(4): p. 527-31.

3. Intensification of livestock production Schistosomiasis **Control Initiative**



Bovine spongiform encephalitis, recognised in 1986

Changes in the rendering process of meat and bone meal for economic reasons

180,000 cattle in the UK have developed the disease and 1–3 million are likely to have been infected



1,647 people died since 1990

Cost of epidemic in the UK estimated at £4 billion

Smith & Bradley 2003

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4. Livestock and meat markets unregulated



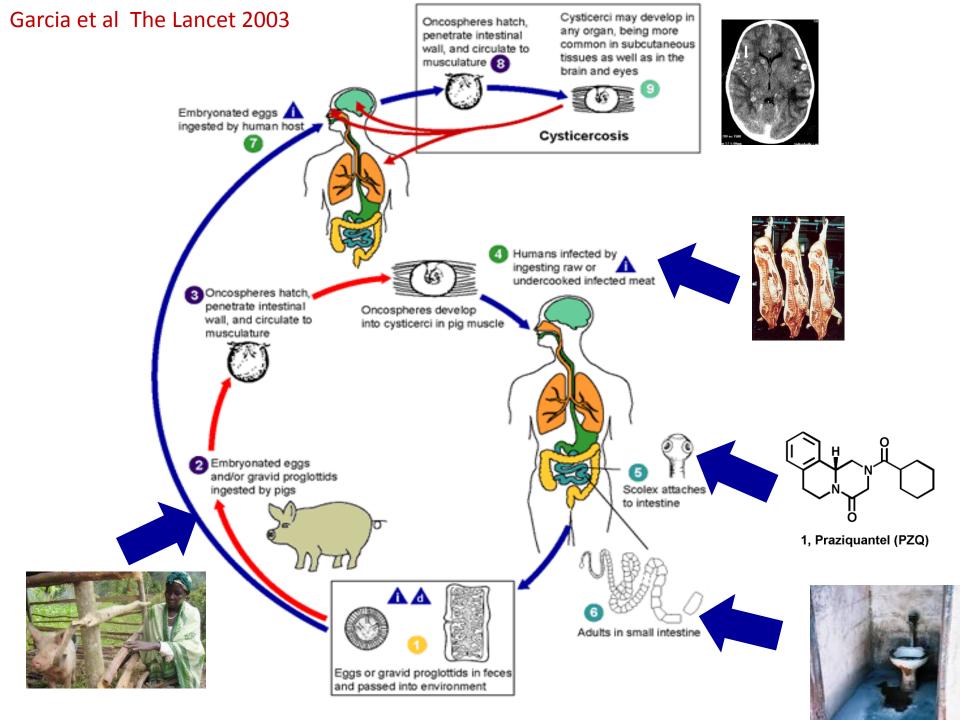


Meat seller in Lilongwe District, Malawi

Meat sold primarily through informal markets

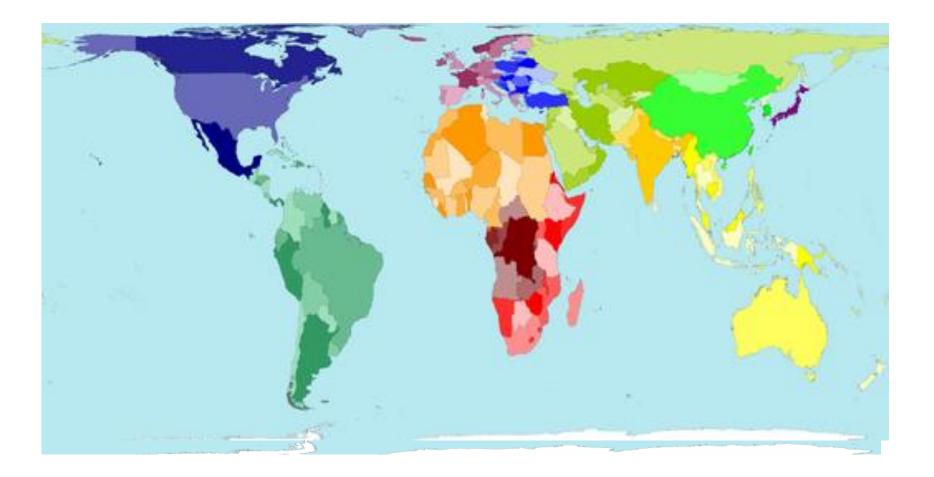
Poor channels for reporting findings at meat inspection

Lues, J.F., et al., Int J Environ Health Res, 2006. 16(5): p. 319-28.

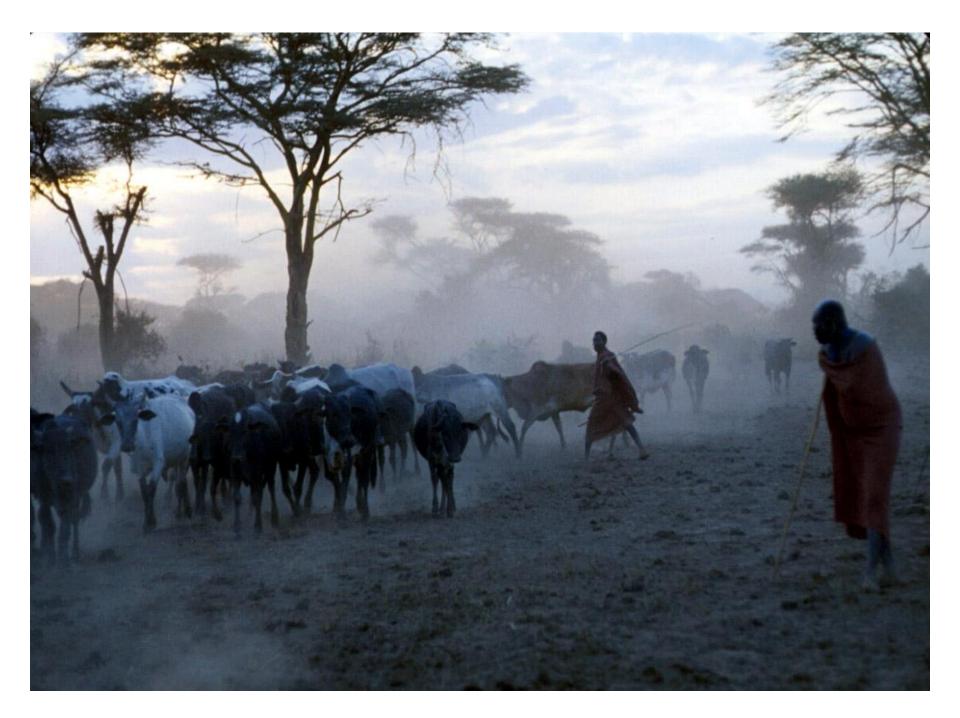


Imperial College London 40% of the world population do not have access to basic sanitation





"... none of us should tolerate a world in which over 1 million children are, in a perversely literal sense, dying for a glass of water and a toilet." Kevin Watkins, 2006



Imperial College London Zoonotic disease has a significant economic impact







• 75% of African women are involved in agriculture

 Livestock accounts for approximately 30% of GDP in developing country economies

• Animal represent major asset to many families

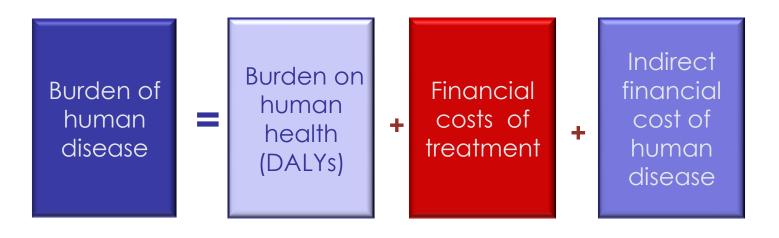
World Bank : World Development Report 2008

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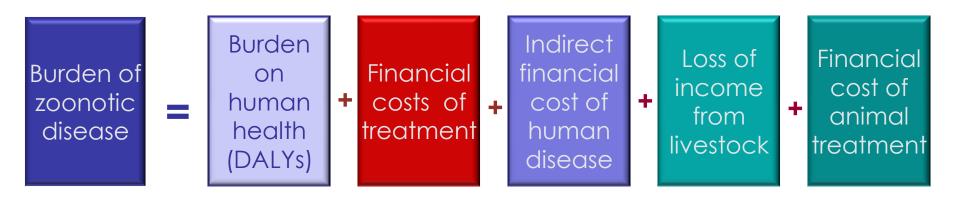
Measuring the impact of Diseases





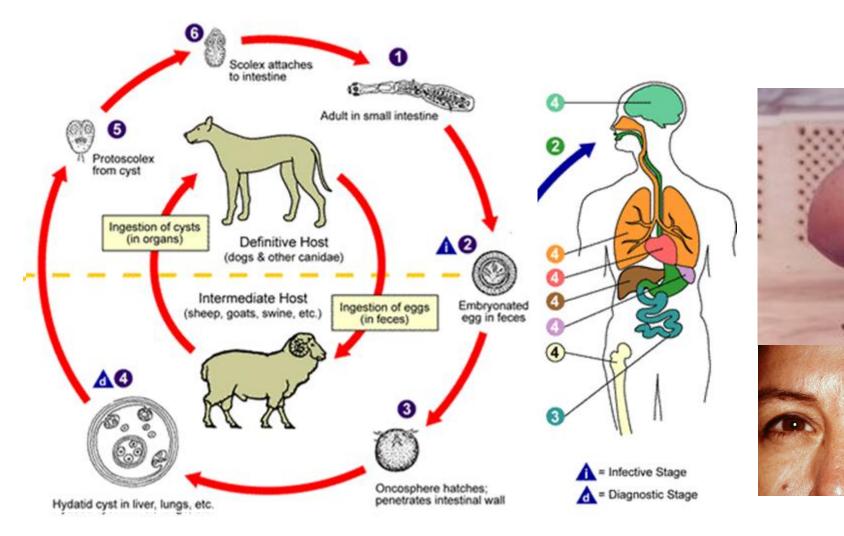


Imperial College London Zoonotic diseases impose an additional burden on communities

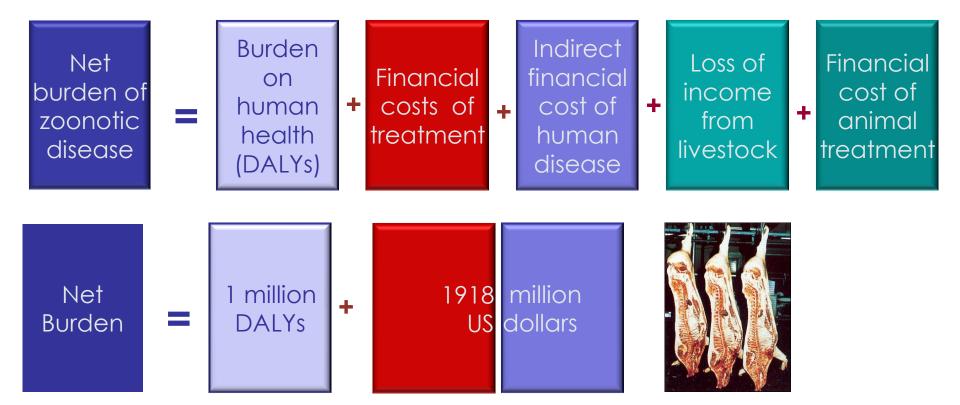




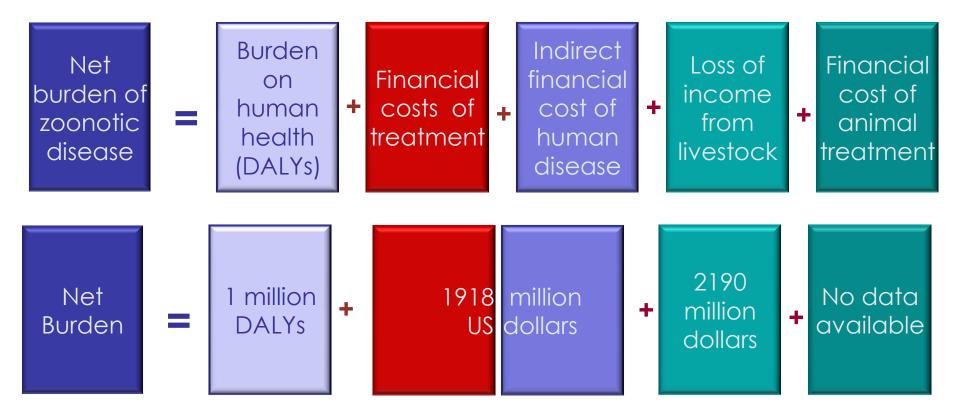
Imperial College London *Echinococcus granulosa* causes significant morbidity



Imperial College London Echinococcus granulosa causes significant morbidity and human costs

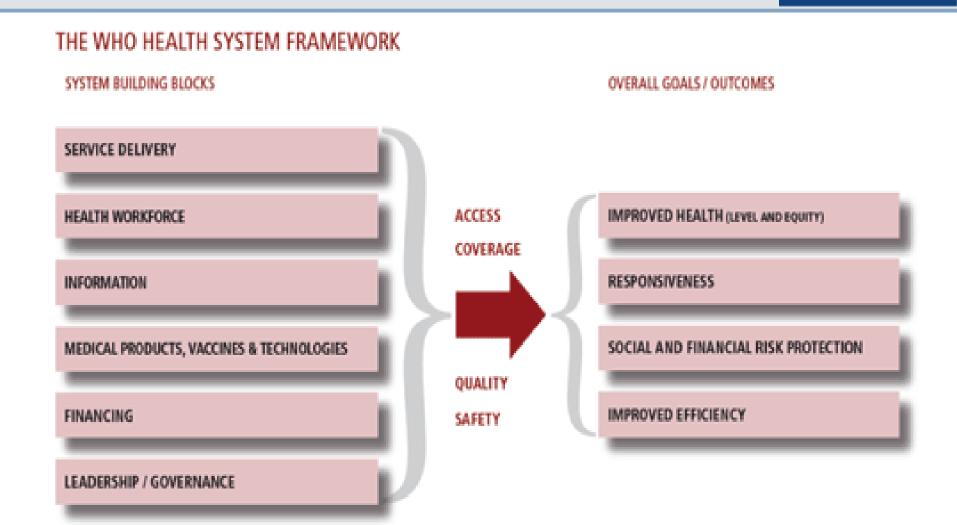


Echinococcus granulosa causes significant morbidity, human and animal costs





Health system strengthening HSS



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Imperial College London Animal health sector have a significant role in the delivery of medical services





Simultaneous vaccination program targeting both livestock and children

Approximately 10% of nomadic children were fully immunized for the first time

More children and women were vaccinated per day during joint vaccination rounds.

Schelling, E., et al., *Synergy between public health and veterinary services to deliver human and animal health interventions in rural low income settings*. BMJ, 2005. **331**(7527): p. 1264-7

Imperial College London Vets contribute to the health work force



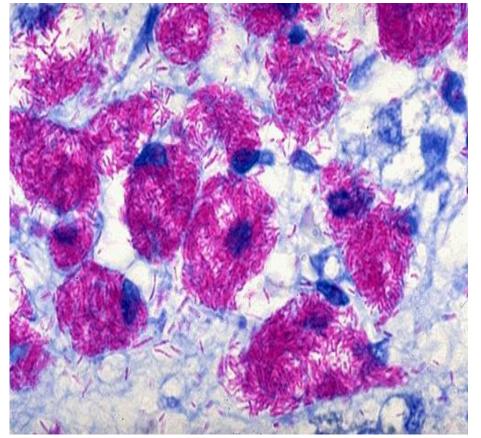
Photo: International Livestock Research Institute

With minimal training veterinarians can be incorporated in public health initiatives and may help to alleviate staff shortages seen in many remote rural areas that often hamper service provision

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Imperial College London Example misdiagnosis of Human Tuberculosis





- 23 million DALYs ¹
- Casual agent in Africa *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*²
- Contribution of *M. bovis* unknown²
- *M.bovis* indistinguishable symptoms from *M.tuberculosis*³

1 World Health Report 2004,, 2 Ayele et al 2004 3 Daborn et al 1997

Human Tuberculosis





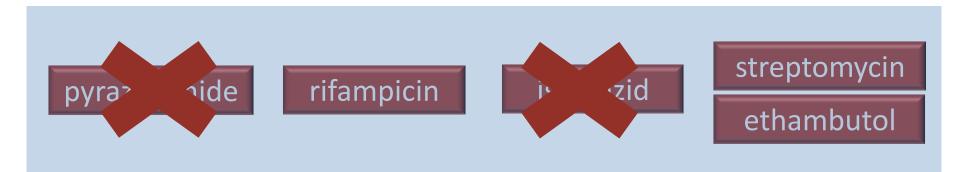
- Rural communities inhalation
 Urban communities ingestion
- 36 % of tuberculosis in Tanzania due to *M.bovis*¹
- 30- 40% of farm workers infected with *M.bovis* in Egypt ²

1 Daborn et al 1997 2 Hassanain et al 2009

Imperial College London Implications for treatment of Tuberculosis

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WHO recommended :



- Drug Resistance ¹
- HIV/AIDS alters susceptibility

1 Dupon et al 1992

Imperial College London Control strategies for bovine TB

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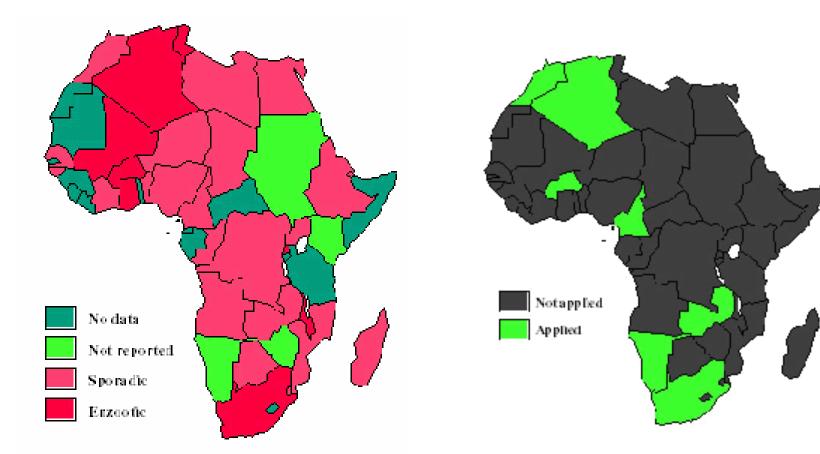
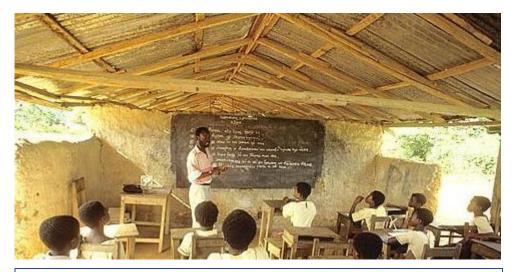


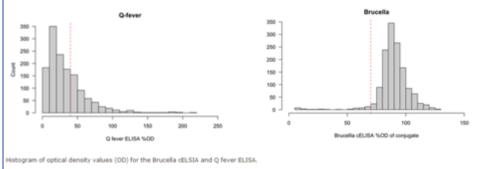
Figure 1 : Occurrence of *M.Bovis*

Figure 2 : *M.Bovis* control measures

Information and Data Collection







Raise awareness of disease control and hygiene measures, in "Information-Education-Communication" (IEC) campaigns

Timely and reliable collection of data on determinants of health as and performance of the health system.

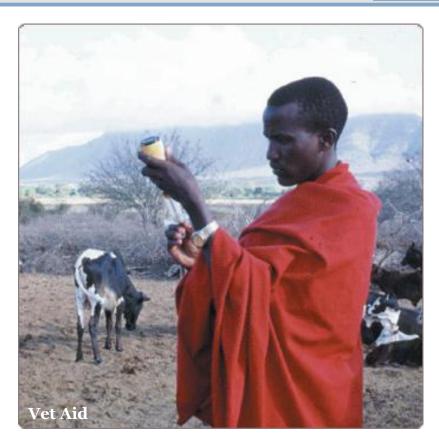


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Medical Products

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In addition joint teams were able to develop a market for drugs of assured quality and efficacy

Bechir, M., et al., Med Trop (Mars), 2004. 64(5): p. 497-502

Health system Financing





Sharing of logistics costs (i.e., personnel, transportation and cold chain costs)

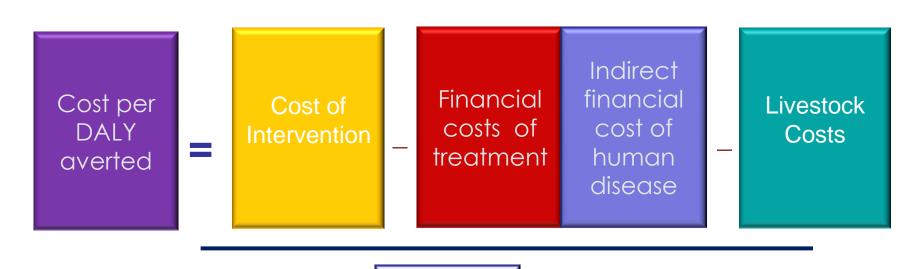
15% cost reduction in some regions in Chad

Cost effectiveness studies for brucellosis and rabies

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Imperial College London Cost effectiveness of animal interventions

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Burden on human health (DALYs)

Rabies vaccination of dogs as human health intervention

Vaccination of cattle for brucellosis as a human health control program



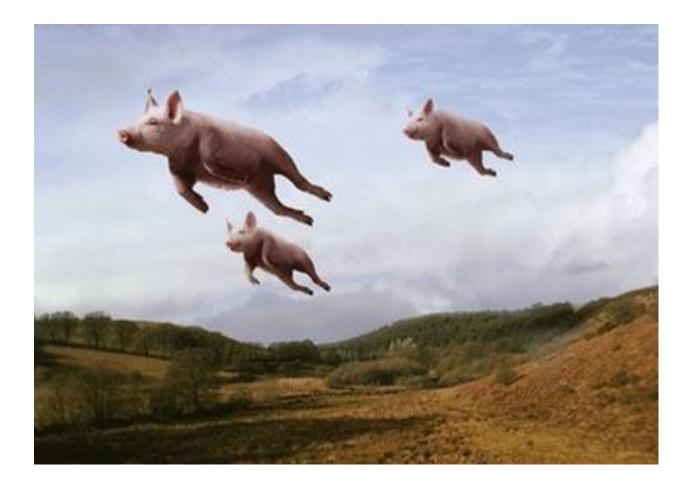
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US\$ 10	US\$ 10- 12	US\$ 19-85	US\$ 32-58	US\$ 19	Schistosomiasis Control Initiative

Disease	Intervention	Cost per DALY averted
Rabies	Dog vaccination	
Brucellosis	Cattle vaccination	
Echinococcosis	De-worming domestic and stray dogs	
Malaria	Provision of nets &insecticide treatment	
Malaria	Residual spraying (two rounds per year)	

Comparison of cost per DALY averted for interventions for brucellosis in Mongolia, rabies in two districts in Tanzania, Echinococcosis globally and malaria in very low income settings.





Thank you for your attention



- Verb. to vet, vett·ed, vett·ing to investigate carefully and pass as satisfactory
- Verb . to doctor , doc·tored, doc·tor·ing,
 To falsify or change in such a way as to make favourable to oneself: doctored the evidence.