

# **Tufts Clinical and Translational Science Institute**

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## **One Health Symposium**

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# Learning Objectives

- Explain the One Health mission and research approach
- List the four One Health Priority Areas
- Discuss how One Health can support, extend, and validate translational research
- Explain the components of a successful One Health research proposal
- List the services Tufts CTSI and its One Health signature program can offer; explain how to request a One Health consultation

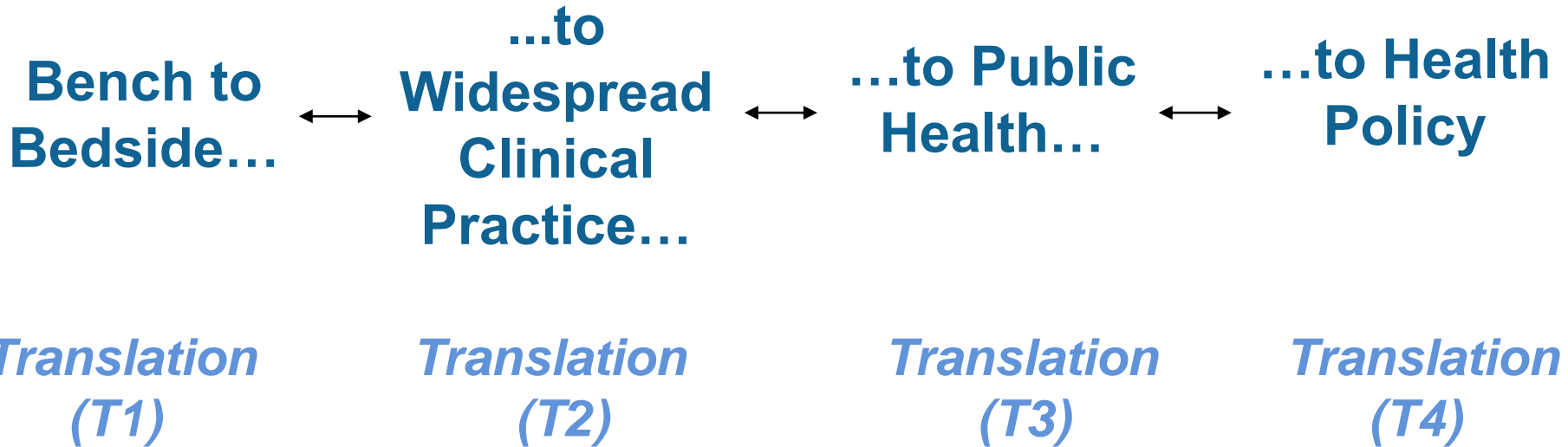
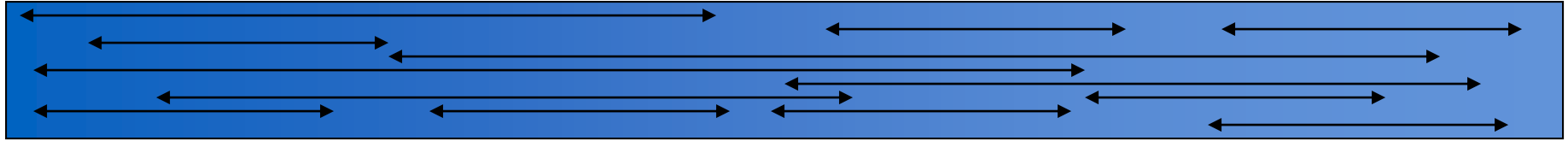
# Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSA) Program

- National Institutes of Health (NIH) program
- Launched in 2006
- A national consortium of 64 institutions
- **Mission:** to develop innovative solutions that will improve the efficiency, quality and impact of the process for turning observation in the laboratory, clinic and community into interventions that improve the health of individuals and the public



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# Spectrum of Clinical and Translational Research



# Tufts CTSI's Mission & Purpose

*Established in 2008 to translate research into better health*



- Stimulate and expedite innovative clinical and translational research, with the goal of improving the public's health
- *Entire spectrum* of clinical and translational research is critical to meeting the promise and the public's needs of biomedical science

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# 38 Tufts CTSI Partners

## 12 Tufts Schools & Centers

Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine  
Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy  
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Science & Policy  
Institute for Clinical Research & Health  
Policy Studies at Tufts Medical Center  
Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition  
Research Center on Aging  
Sackler School of  
Graduate Biomedical Sciences  
School of Arts & Sciences  
School of Dental Medicine  
School of Engineering  
School of Medicine  
Tisch College of Citizenship  
& Public Service  
Tufts Center for the Study  
of Drug Development

## 3 Academic Partners

Brandeis University  
Northeastern University  
RAND Corporation

## 7 Tufts-Affiliated Hospitals

Baystate Medical Center  
Lahey Clinic  
Maine Medical Center  
New England Baptist Hospital  
Newton-Wellesley Hospital  
St. Elizabeth's Medical Center  
Tufts Medical Center

## 6 Industry/Non-Profit Partners

Blue Cross Blue Shield of  
Massachusetts  
Eli Lilly and Company  
Institute for Systems Biology and  
P4 Medicine Institute  
Minuteman Health Network  
Pfizer, Inc.  
Tufts Health Plan

## 10 Community-Based Partners

Action for Boston Community  
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Development Corporation  
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Domestic Violence  
Asian Women for Health  
Boston Chinatown  
Neighborhood Center  
Center for Information and  
Study on Clinical Research  
Participation  
Greater Boston Chinese  
Golden Age Center  
Health Resources in Action  
Museum of Science, Boston  
New England Quality Care  
Alliance

# How Can CTSI Help?

- **Connections** with other researchers, industry, the community, and policy-makers across the Tufts CTSI network and national CTSA consortium via our **Navigators & Research Collaboration team**.
- **Consultations** on **comparative effectiveness, one health, research process improvement and stakeholder and community engagement** projects and grants, as well as **regulatory issues** and other areas of translation.
- **Study design and data analysis** (pre- and post-award) through the **Biostatistics, Epidemiology, and Research Design (BERD) Center**, including drop-in sessions.

# How Can CTSI Help?

- **24/7 clinical trial support** through our **Clinical and Translational Research Center (CTRC)**.
- **Informatics tools** for electronic data capture (**REDCap**), resource sharing, and collaboration.
- **Training & professional development** including MS and PhD degrees, certificate programs, seminars & workshops, and **paid career development awards and fellowships**.
- **Funding** through one-year interdisciplinary **pilot studies grants** that support the initial stages of research.



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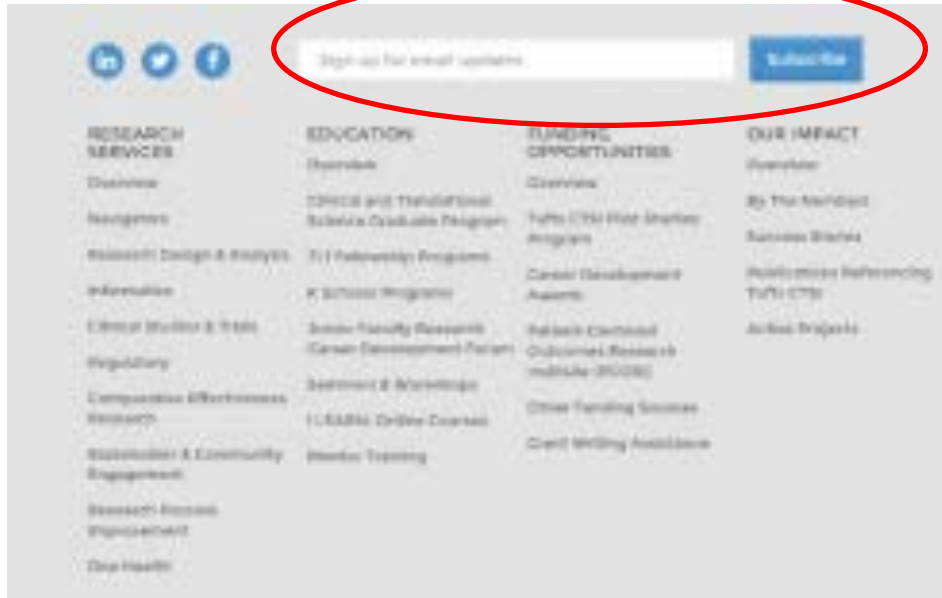


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Research Services

## Accelerating translation of research into clinical use, medical practice, and health impact

- Research Design & Analysis
- Research Collaboration
- Clinical Studies & Trials
- Informatics
- Professional Development
- Post-Studies Funding

### WANT HELP WITH YOUR RESEARCH?

Fill out a request and we will be in touch within two business days.

**James E. Stewart** MD, PhD  
**Lorraine Cohen** MD, PhD

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### EVENTS

RESEARCH ASSISTANT SEP 26 - 10:00AM	Research Help Drop-In Session
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### NEWSFEED

### SUCCESS STORY

**Spaulding Medical Center Identifies Juvenile Community-Engaged Research Study**

Dr. Carl McNamee, Senior Faculty Medical Center research assistant, and Dr. Lorraine Cohen, Research Assistant, received a Juvenile Community-Engaged Research Study (JCESRS) award for their study.

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# **Biostatistics, Epidemiology, and Research Design Center**

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**Norma Terrin, PhD**

Director, BERD Center

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# Study Planning & Grant Application

- Free services for investigator-initiated grants and protocols:
  - Grant critique/review
  - Development of aims and hypotheses
  - Study design
  - Power and sample size calculations
  - Analysis plans
  - Randomization plans
  - Pilot data analyses for inclusion in grants
- Submit a request at [www.tuftsctsi.org](http://www.tuftsctsi.org)

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- Free services:
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- Free weekly drop-in sessions:
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  - Statistical advice
  - Interpretation of results
  - Assistance with statistical software
  - Help with research process improvement
  - REDCap assistance



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    - Analysis file creation
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# Drop-in Sessions

- Tufts CTSI's Research Design Center/Biostatistics Research Center (RDC/BRC) offers **Drop-in Sessions** every Wednesday
  - 8:00 - 9:00am.
  - 35 Kneeland Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room
- Drop-in Sessions are free and are staffed by Tufts CTSI epidemiologists and biostatisticians.

# Integrating Human, Animal and Environmental Health: A One Health Symposium

Tufts Clinical Translational Science Institute (CTSI)



**Tuesday, October 4, 9:00AM - 1:45PM**  
**Boston, MA**

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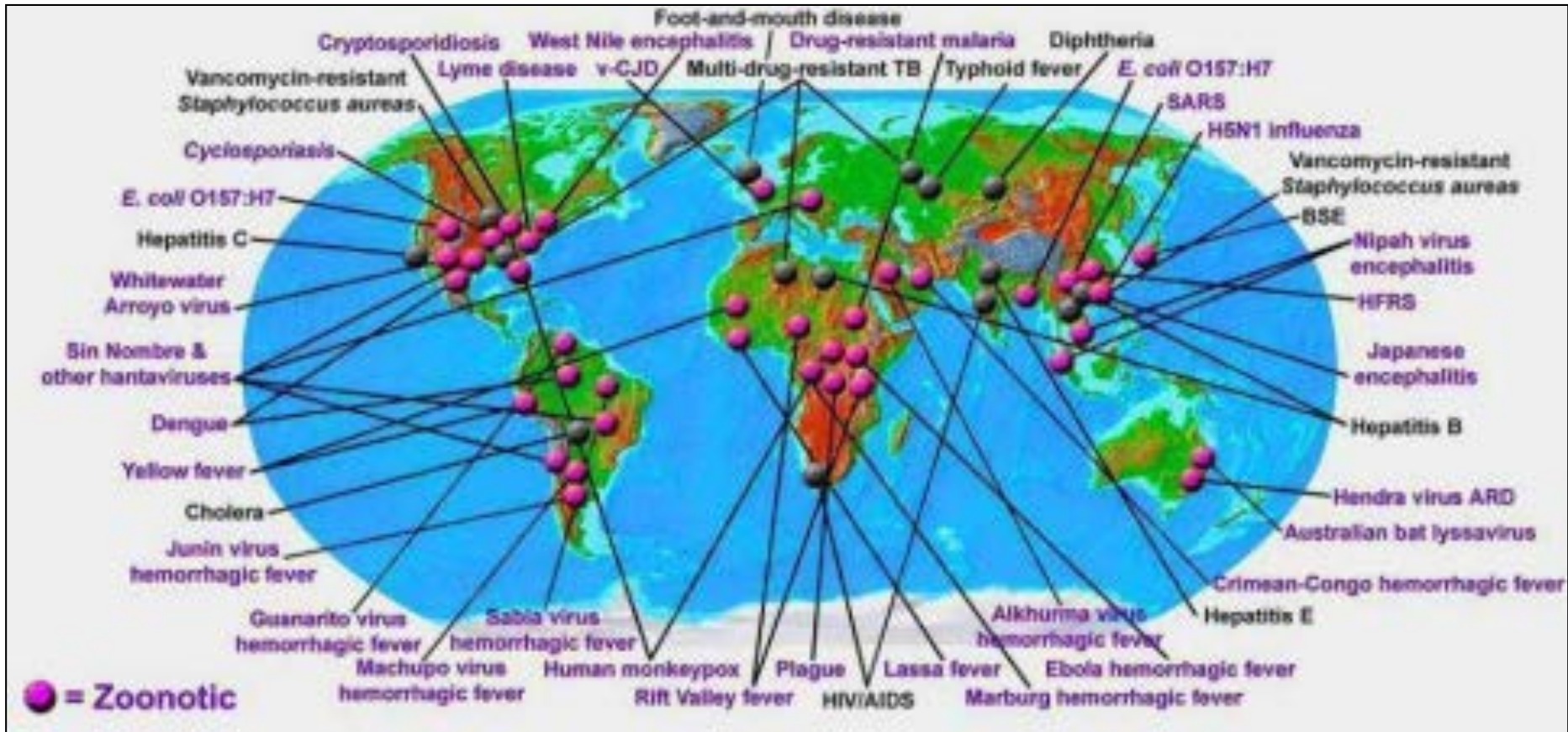
# One Health

The integrative effort of multiple disciplines working locally, nationally, and globally to attain optimal health for people, animals and the shared environment. (Modified from AVMA)

# One Health Priority Areas

- Zoonotic infectious disease
- Naturally-occurring animal diseases
- Human-animal interactions
- Ecosystem health

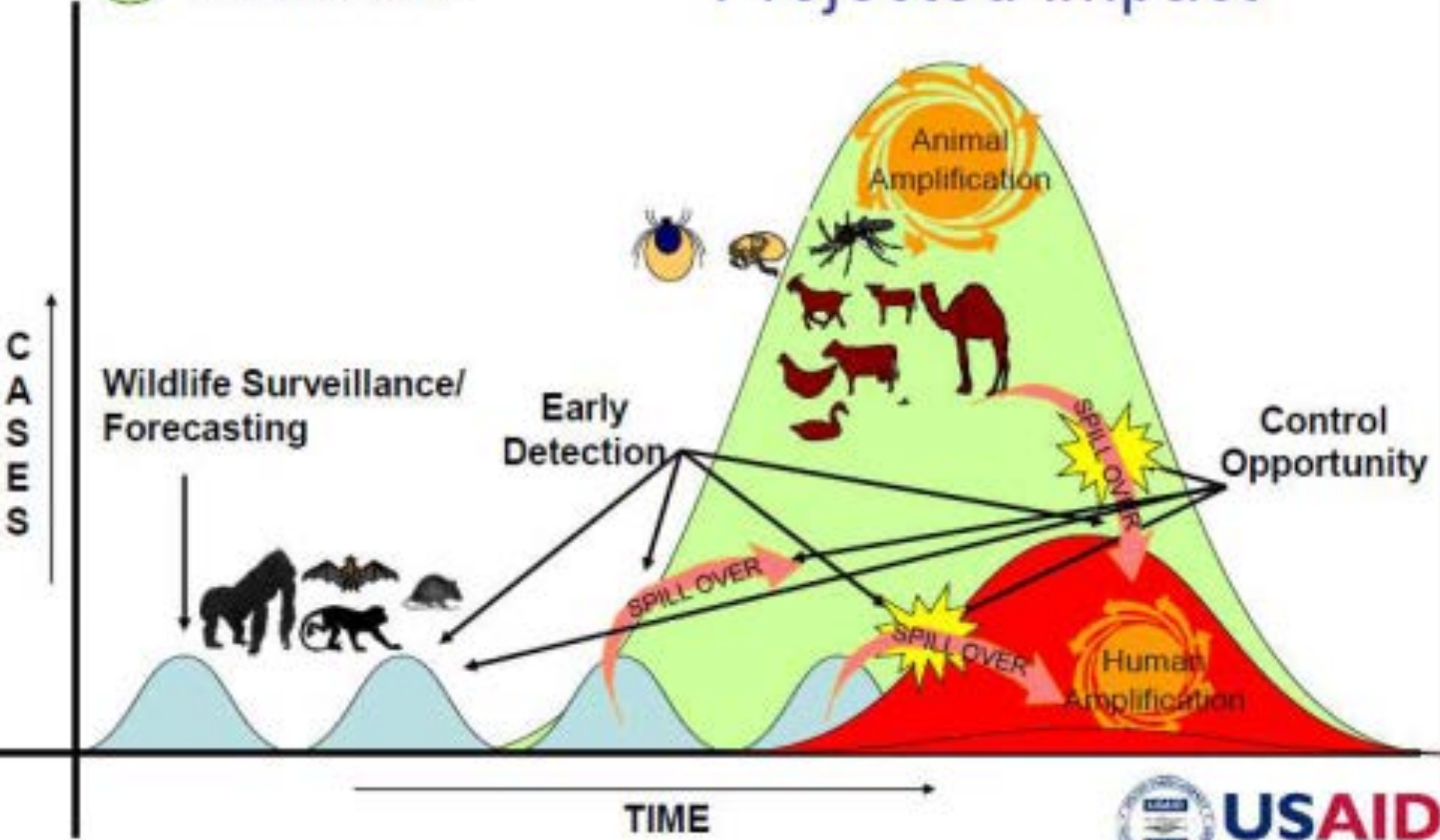
# Infectious and Zoonotic Disease





# One Health Model: Projected Impact

- Human Cases
- Wild Animal
- Domestic Animal



# Ecosystem Health





# Human-Animal Interactions







## Tufts Institute for Human-Animal Interaction

From seeing-eye dogs to therapeutic horseback riding to therapy dogs that help children struggling with reading, the healing power of animals enriches our lives in many ways. Human Animal Interaction (HAI) goes well beyond the strong emotional bonds that people have with our pets to include all aspects of these complex, complementary relationships. While there is a great deal of enthusiasm around HAI, such as the increasing popularity of animal-assisted therapy, the science of the field is still growing.

### Mission Statement

Our mission is to promote the health, strengths, and well-being of humans and animals through transdisciplinary partnerships that foster innovative research, education, and service programs in human-animal interaction.

### Vision Statement

To enhance the lives of humans and animals through mutually beneficial interactions.

### How to Get Involved



#### Sign Up for Updates

If you are either currently involved in HAI-related activities, or wish to become involved, please click here to sign up for updates about the Tufts Institute for Human-Animal Interaction. [» sign up now](#)



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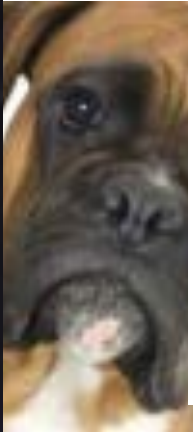
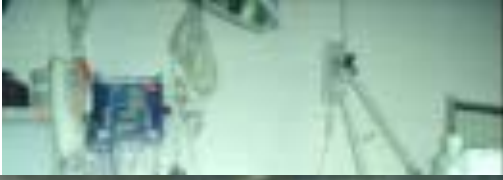
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# Natural animal models





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## Tufts Human-Animal Cancer Collaborative

Cancer does not discriminate—it is the number one cause of death in adult dogs and has become as common in cats as in humans. In fact, dogs and cats develop cancers that resemble the human disease and often experience a similar response to therapy. Cancer care for dogs and cats provides an opportunity for comparative oncology studies that may foster discovery and clinical translation that is relevant to humans as well as animals.

Human and veterinary oncologists are aligned in their pursuit of scientific discovery to find better outcomes and increase survival rates for their patients regardless of species—human, dog or cat.

Physicians, researchers and veterinarians who comprise Tufts Human-Animal Cancer Collaborative share a passion to revolutionize cancer care for humans and companion animals. They build collaborative bridges across Tufts health science campuses, share knowledge and partner on research to help uncover unique cancer biology, advance cancer treatments and improve patient care.

### Mission:

Tufts Human-Animal Cancer Collaborative strives to advance mechanistic understanding of cancers leading to improved outcomes in humans and animals.



### Partners in Healing

Veterinarians and physicians are poised to deliver a knockout blow to the cancers that patients share. [Read more...](#)

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Work being done at Tufts is helping to advance the field of comparative oncology, which looks at how cancer behaves and is best treated in people and other species. [Video: Steven Hacker - See more on Tufts Now](#)

### Member of the Tufts Human-Animal Cancer Collaborative

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- Tufts student One Health clubs
- CTSI One Health Alliance (COHA)

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# One Health Symposium

## Project Presentations



# **A Safe, Inexpensive, Easily Administered enterohemorrhagic *E. coli* Vaccine for Cattle**

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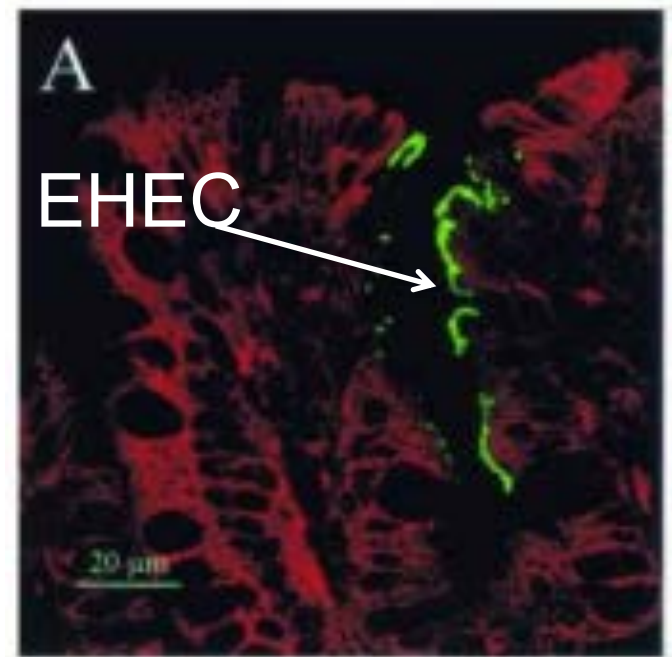
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# Economic cost of EHEC

- 2007: Topps Meat, a \$31 million company, out of business after it recalled 21.7 million pounds of frozen hamburgers.
- 2015: an EHEC outbreak associated with Chipotle Mexican Grill resulted in cases in 11 states.

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**However, too expensive to be deemed practical.**

# **Bacillus subtilis as a Heat-Stable, Needle-Free Vaccine Delivery System**

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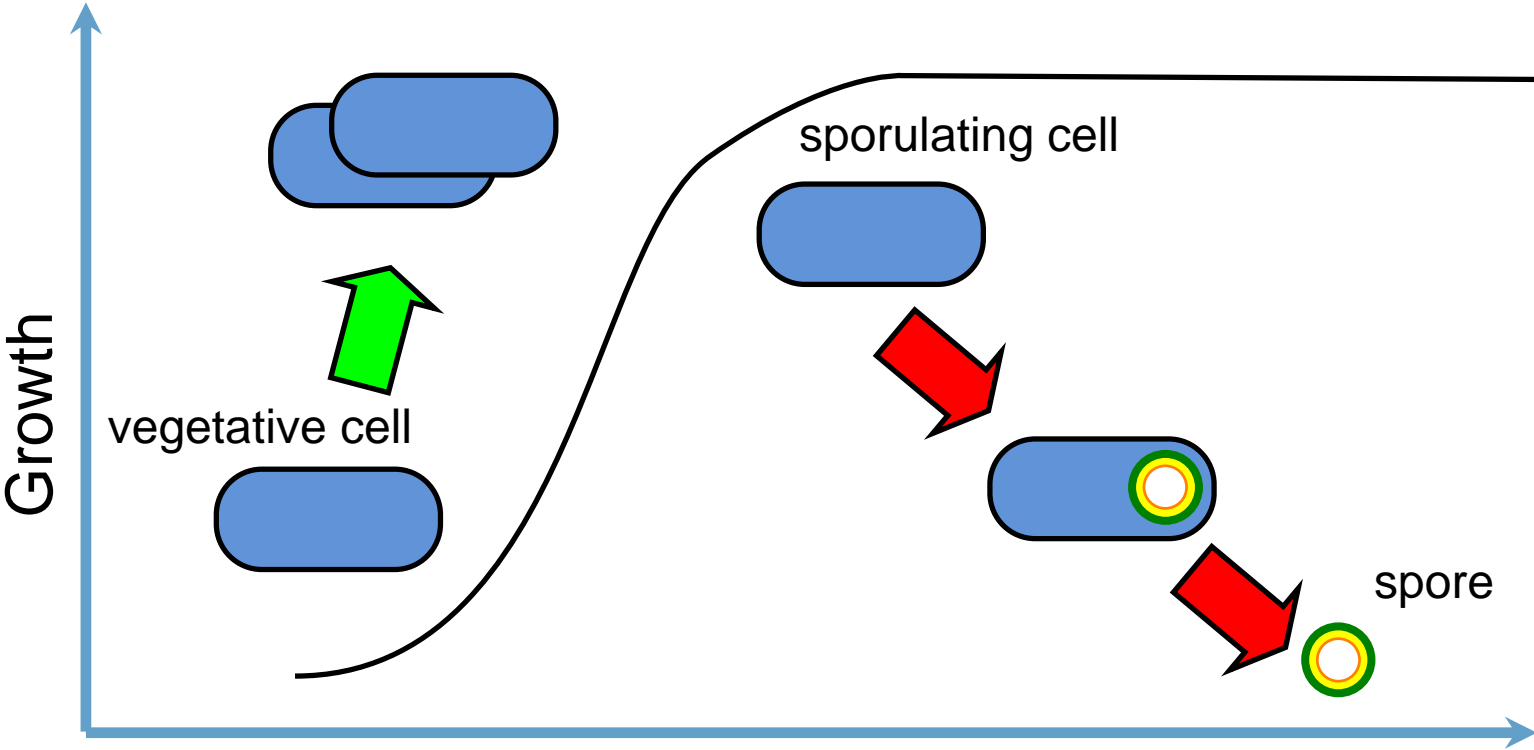
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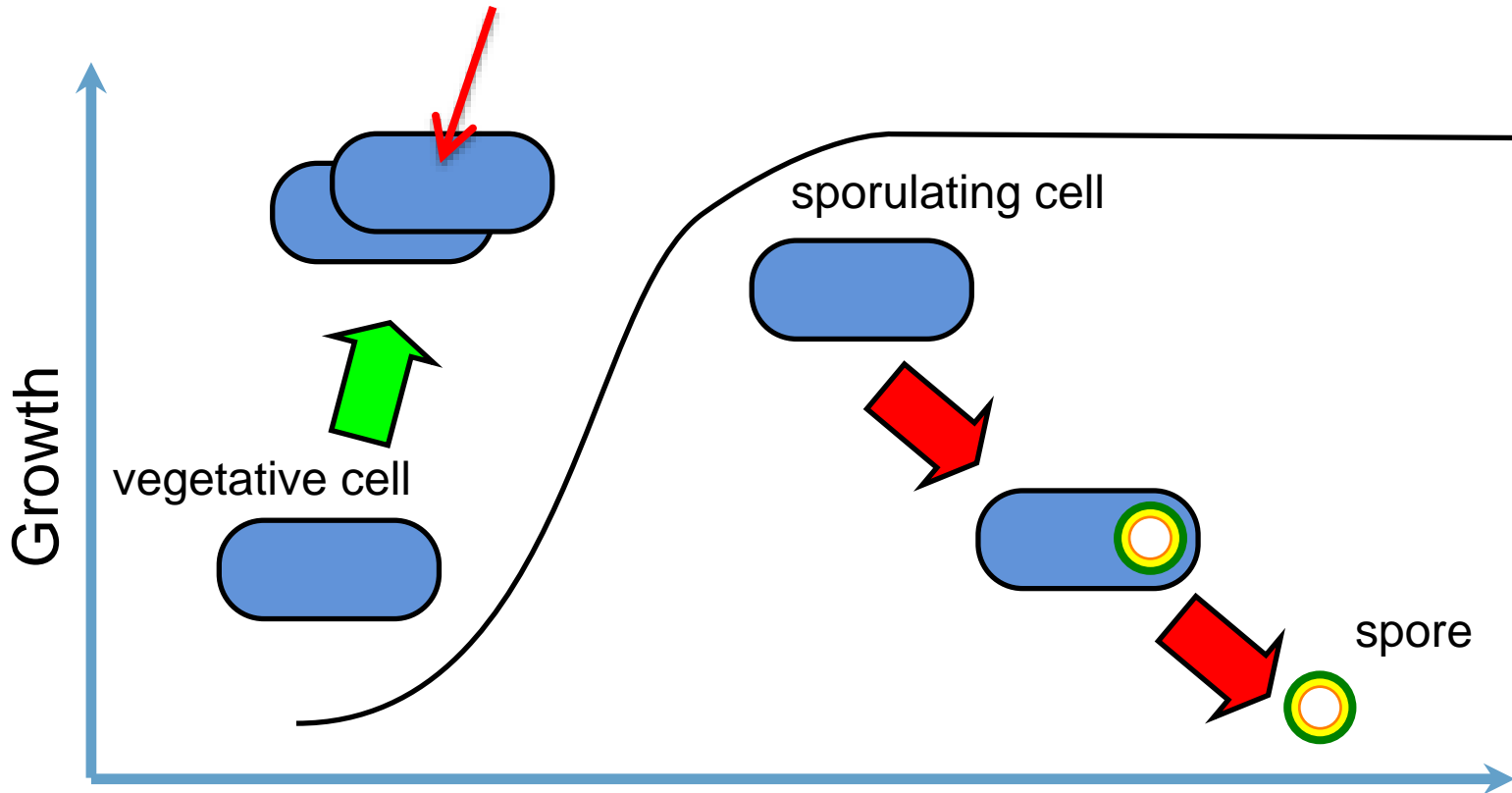
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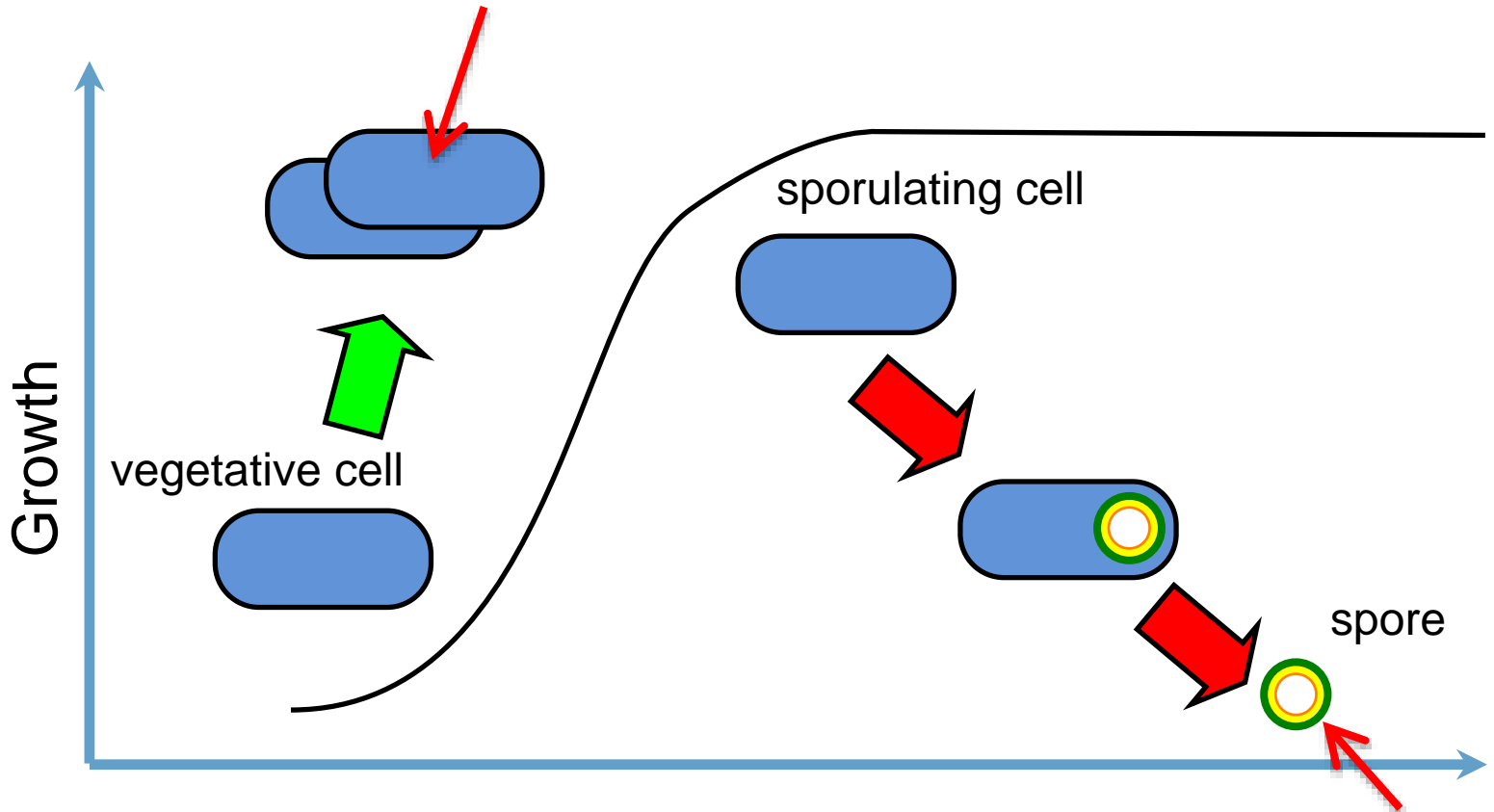
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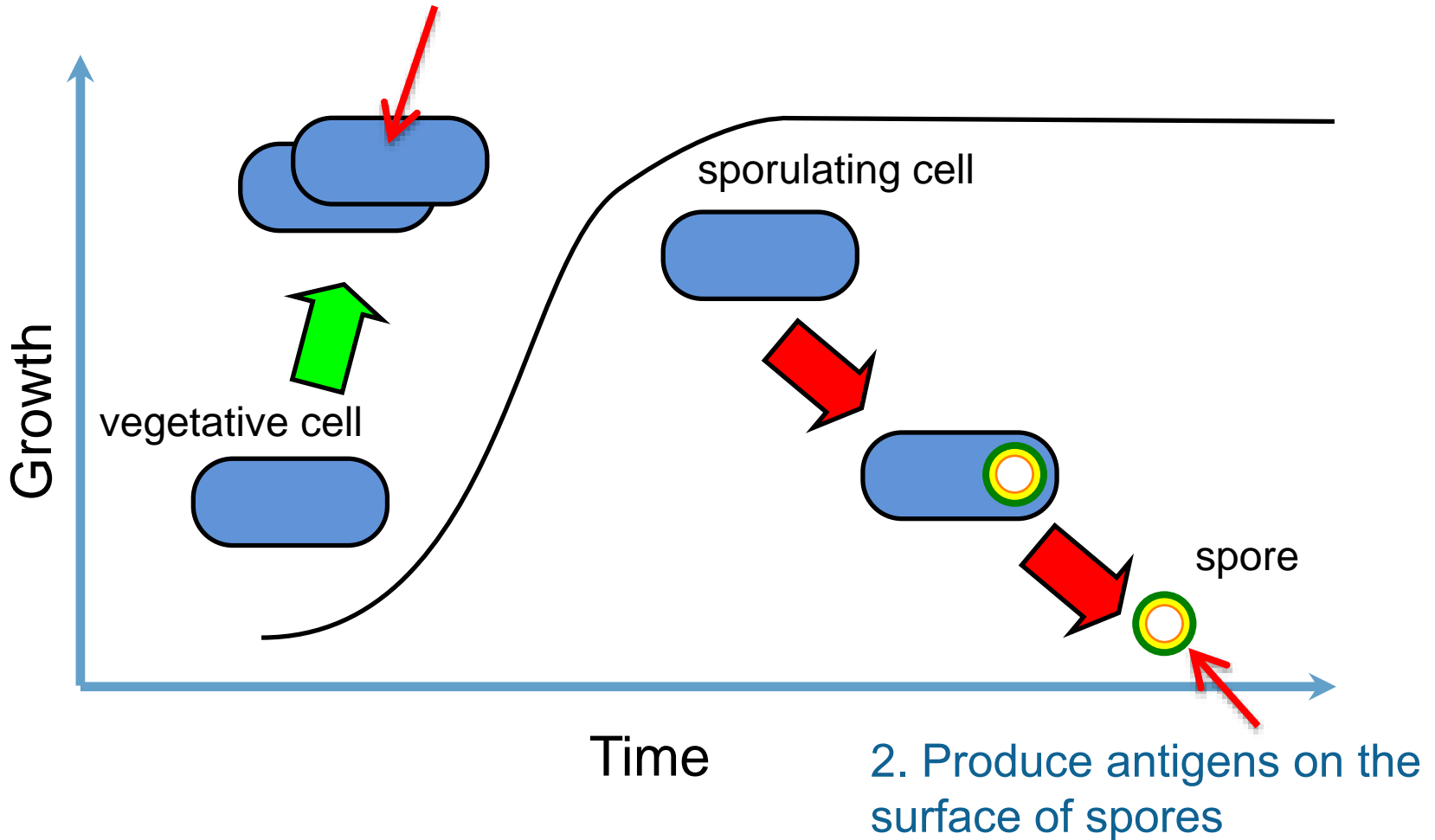
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# *Bacillus subtilis and sporulation*

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**Cost: approximately \$0.09 to \$0.22 per dose**



# Test case

- Two prototype tetanus vaccine strains expressing the TetC antigen as
  - A fusion protein on the spore surface
  - In the vegetative cell cytoplasm

# Mucosal delivery of *B. subtilis* vaccines

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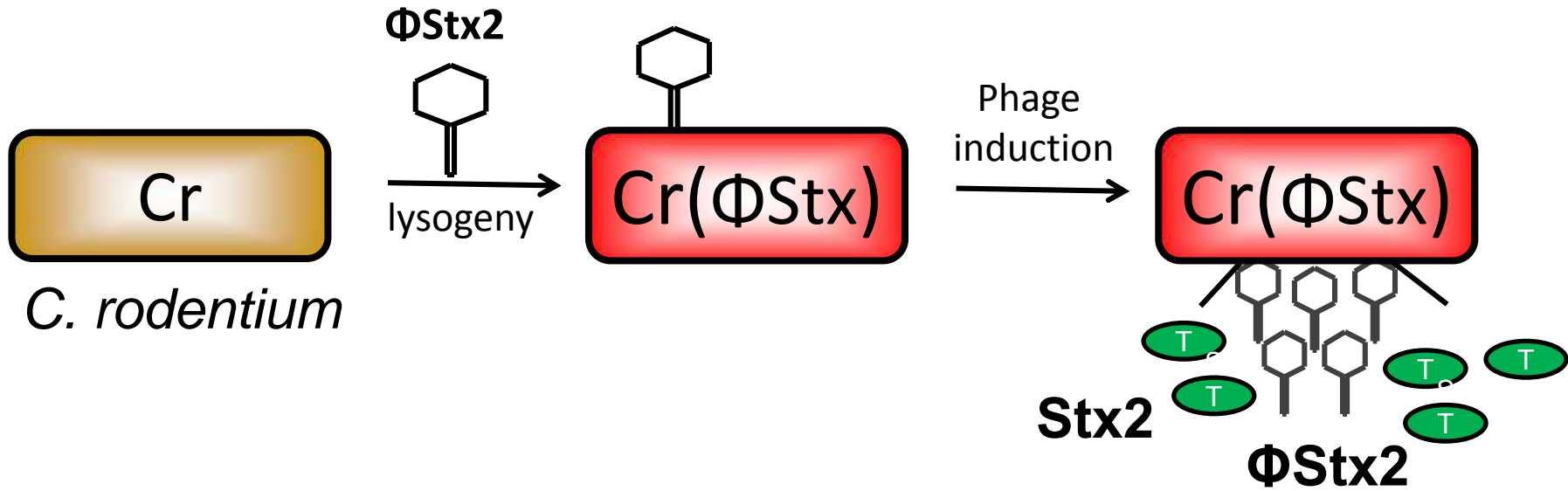
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- *B. subtilis* Rota virus vaccine also efficacious in animal model.

# Challenge: EHEC does not efficiently colonize conventional mice

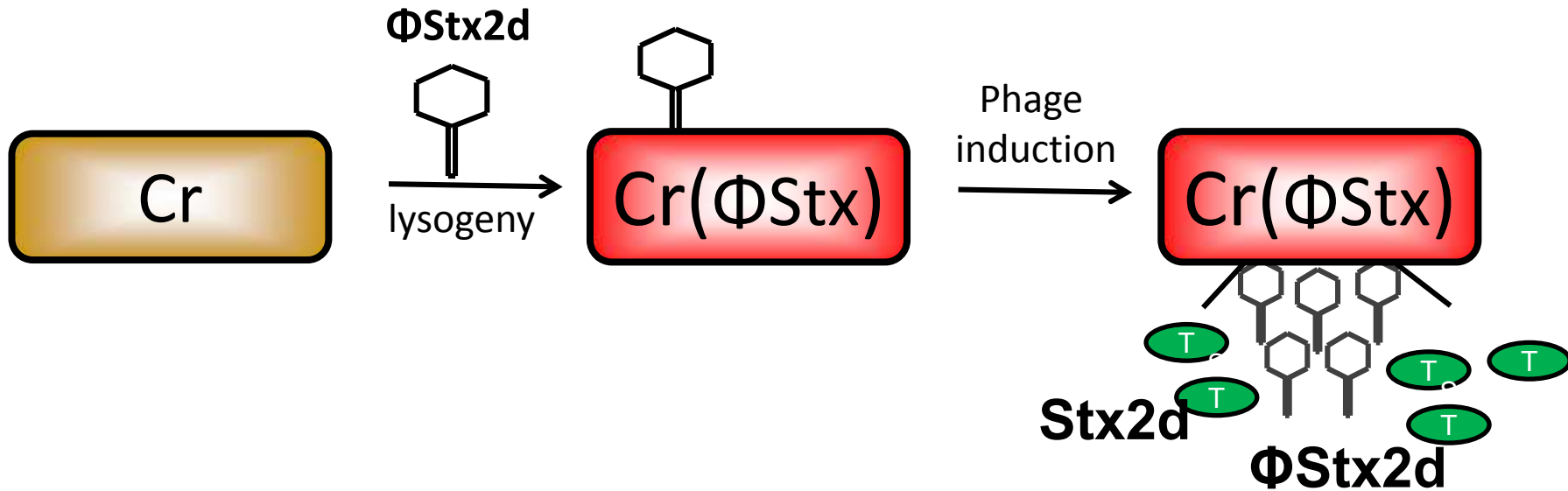
- Germ-free or streptomycin-treated mice have been used for EHEC infection, but well documented colonization factors are not required in these models.

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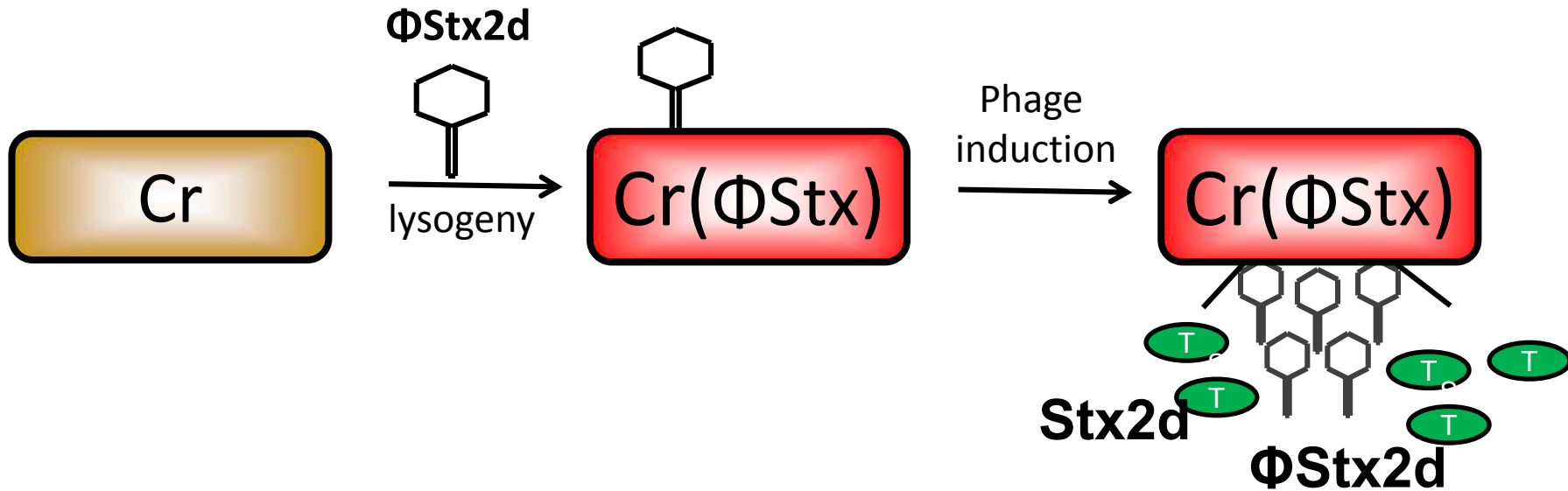
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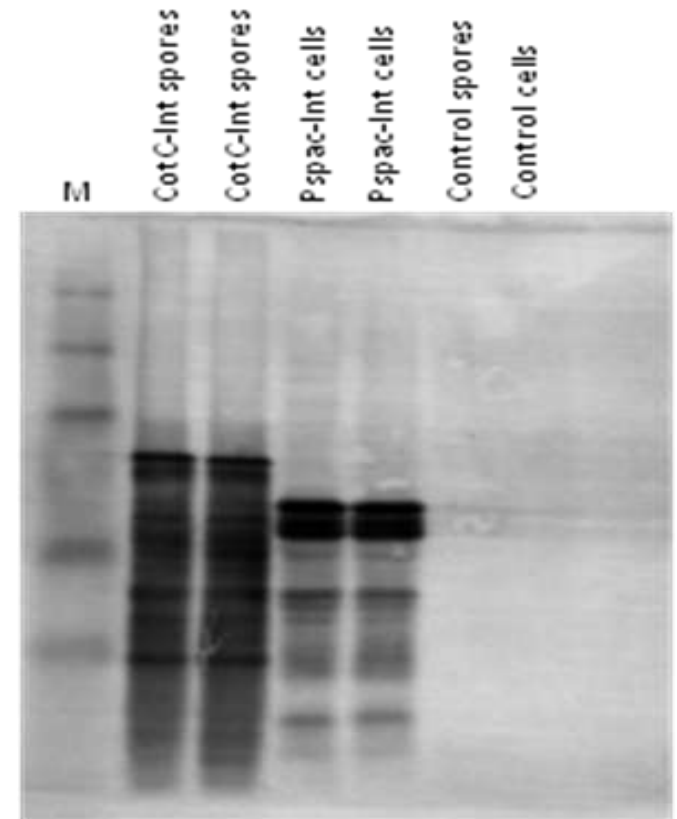
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Immunoblot of *B. subtilis* spore or cell extracts expressing EHEC intimin-531 on the spore surface or in the cell cytoplasm.

# **Aim 1: Generate *B. subtilis* vaccine strains that produce Tir, intimin or EspA.**

- Several promoters and fusion partners will be tested and compared
  - Utilize alleles from the four EHEC serotypes that comprise the major outbreaks, as well as from *C. rodentium* for proof-of-principle test in mice (see below).

## **Aim 2: Test *B. subtilis* Tir, intimin, and EspA vaccine strains for protection in mice.**

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- Test also for decolonization of mice pre-inoculated with *C. rodentium*.

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- Test efficacy following EHEC challenge (i.e., decolonization).

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# Thank You

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# Questions?

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# **A One-Health Approach to Asthma Therapy: Decreasing Airway Smooth Muscle Mass Using Naturally Occurring Models of Disease in the Horse and Cat**

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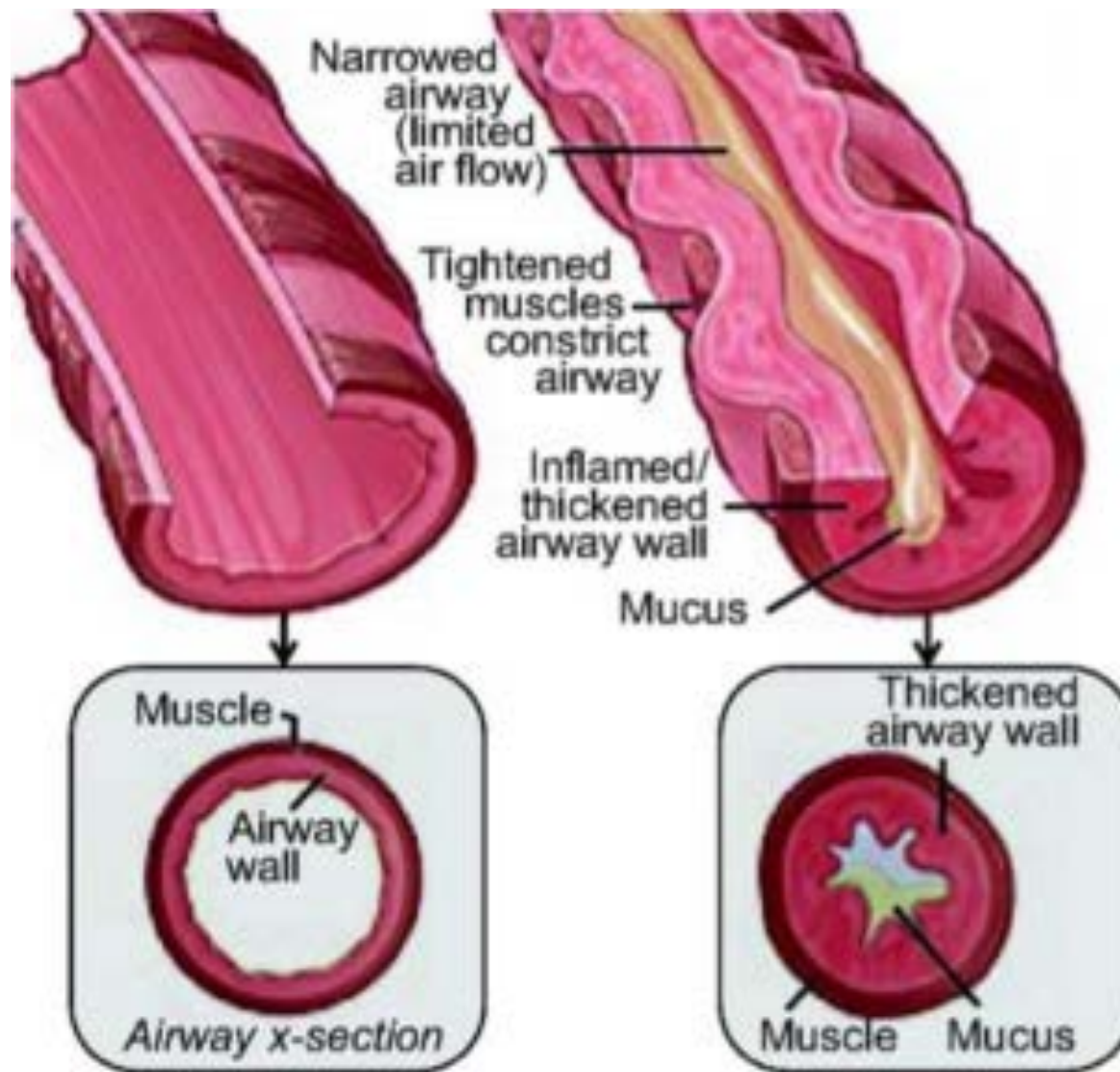
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# Asthma

- Afflicts 25 million in U.S., including 10 million children
- Leading cause of missed school days, ER visits, and hospitalizations
- 5,000 deaths per year in U.S., mostly children
- Current treatments only target inflammation
- 5-10% of asthma is poorly controlled with current therapies
- Severe asthmatics who are well-controlled still have significant loss of respiratory function due to smooth muscle cell proliferation

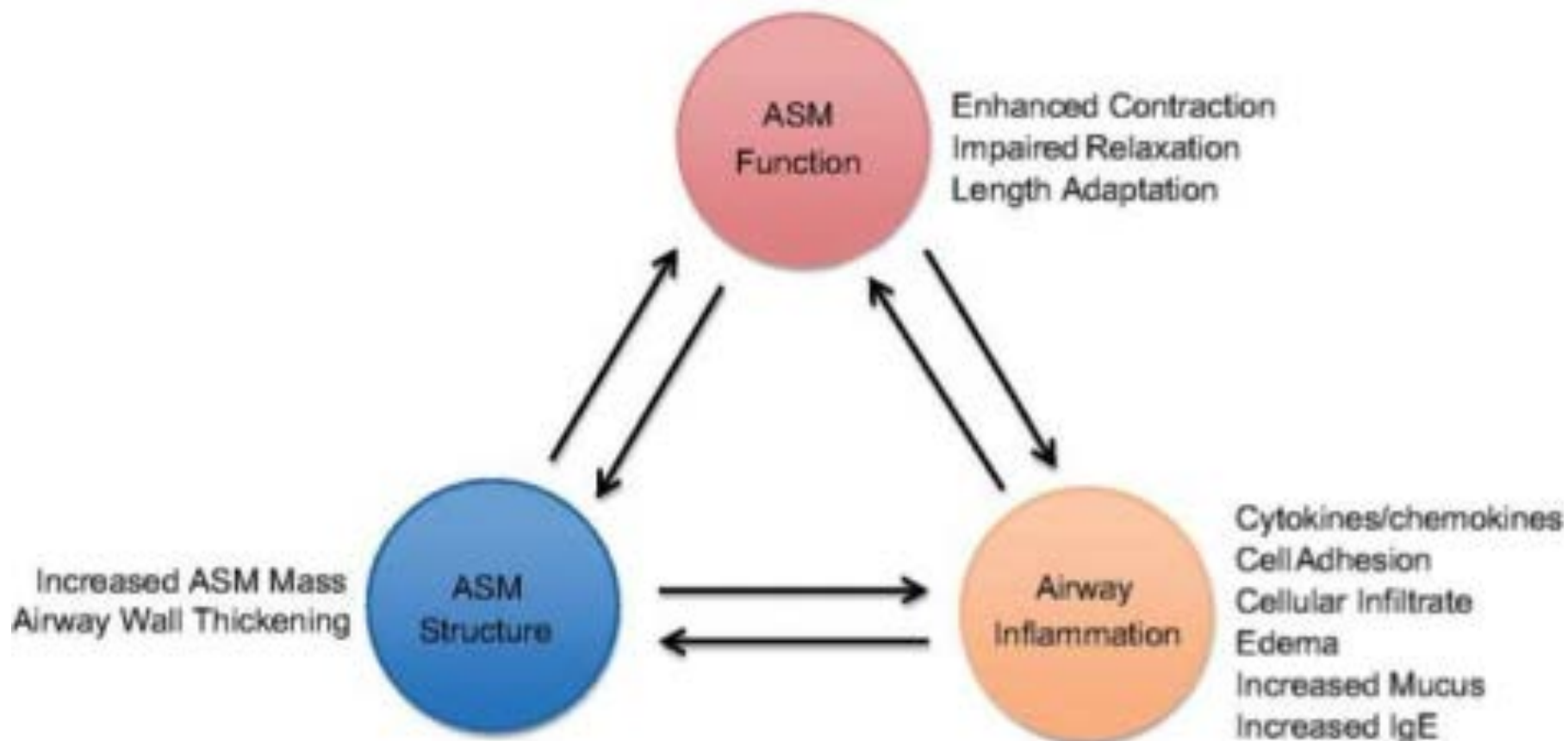
# Pathophysiology of Asthma in Humans

- Allergic v. non-allergic
- Chronic airway inflammation
- Smooth muscle proliferation
- Heightened response to environmental triggers
- Episodes of bronchoconstriction with reversible airflow obstruction



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# Airway Smooth Muscle and Asthma



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# Asthma Treatment

- Reverse acute bronchoconstriction – bronchodilators
- Decrease inflammation – corticosteroids
- Modulate environment – decrease exposure to triggers

# Asthma is not just a human problem!

- Horses
  - Inflammatory airway disease
  - Heaves
- Cats
  - Feline asthma

Excess accumulation of airway smooth muscle cells is a prominent feature of airway wall remodeling in both animals and people



# Clinical Manifestations of Disease in Human, Horse and Cat

- Reversible airway obstruction
- Airway hyper-responsiveness
- Cough
- Wheeze
- Exercise impairment

# Horse with Equine Asthma



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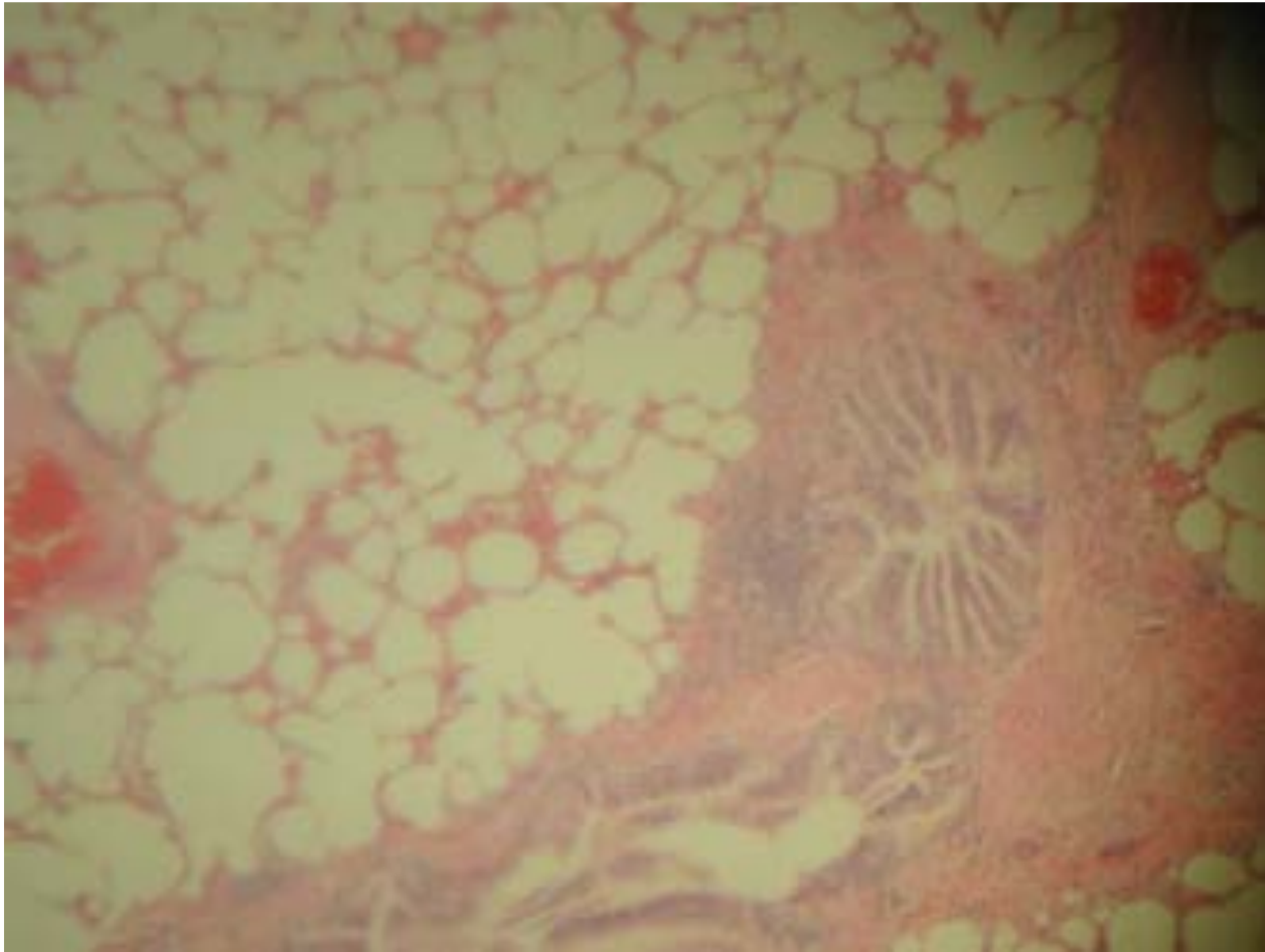
# Cat With Feline Asthma



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# Smooth Muscle Hyperplasia - Horse



# Treatment – B2AR and corticosteroids- does not address ASM hypertrophy



# What makes horses and cats good models?

## Horse

- LARGE – easy to sample airways tissues and secretions over time
- Direct visualization of airways with bronchoscopy
- Pulmonary function testing commonly performed

## Cat

- SMALL – can readily assess with CT

**Both have clinical signs similar to humans.  
Rodents do not.**

# Pharmacological Targeting of ASM

- No effective strategies to decrease ASM proliferation
- CCN5 protein inhibits proliferation of cultured human ASM, as well as human vascular and fibroid smooth muscle cell proliferation
- CCN5 expression is high in healthy airways and virtually absent in asthmatic airways in mice
- Human ASM treated with CCN5 or calcium channel blockers (CCBs) display similar gene expression profiles, based on Connectivity analysis
- CCBs are cheap and have a favorable toxicity profile

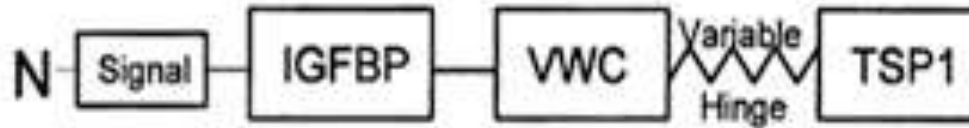


# CCN5

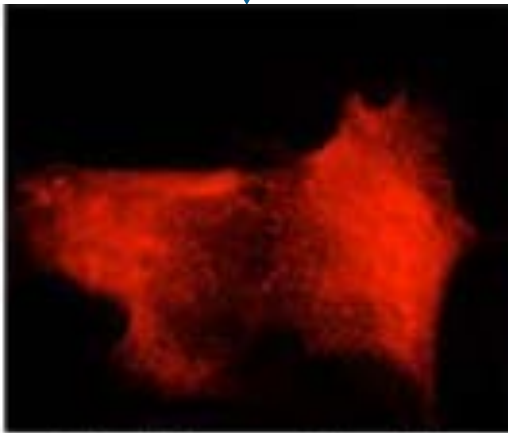
CCN1 (CYR61)  
CCN2 (CTGF)  
CCN3 (NOV)  
CCN4 (Wisp-1)  
CCN6 (Wisp-3)



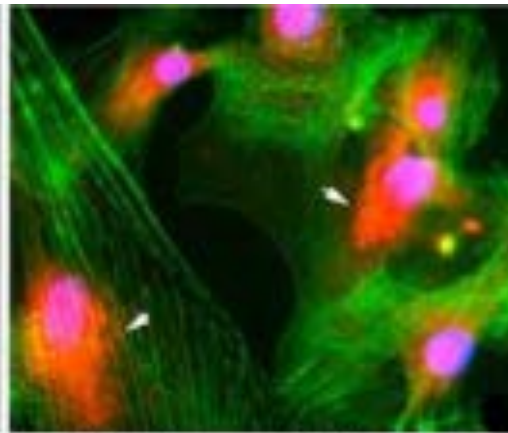
CCN5 (COP-1)



- 28kD, cystein-rich protein found in many cells and tissues
- Matricellular and nuclear protein



Non-Permeabilized



Membrane Extracted



Confocal/DIC merge

# Hypothesis

The use of clinically relevant animal models of human asthma will allow us to detect the clinical efficacy of CCN5 and CCN5-mimetic CCBs in limiting airway remodeling and damage by reducing ASM hyperplasia, acute bronchospasm, and inflammation, thus protecting pulmonary function.

# Aim 1

Determine the differential expression of CCN5 in horses and cats with clinically documented naturally occurring asthma vs. non-asthma

- PFTs
- BAL
- Endobronchial biopsy
- Brush biopsy

# Aim 2

Determine the effect of CCN5 and CCBs on cultured ASM from horses and cats with well-characterized asthma.

- Infect cultured ASM cells from horses and cats with:
  - Adenoviral vector expressing CCN5
  - Verapamil, diltiazem and nifedipine representing 3 classes of CCBs
- Measure cell proliferation and cell death

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**Break!**

# The Effects of Antimicrobial Therapy in Dogs on Owner Microbiota

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# Transmission of MRSA between Companion Animals and Infected Human Patients Presenting to Outpatient

## Phylogenetic and Pathotypic Similarities between *Escherichia coli* Isolates from Urinary Tract Infections in Dogs and Extraintestinal Infections in Humans

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## Characterization of Tn 1546 in Vancomycin-Resistant *Enterococcus faecium* Isolated from Canine Urinary Tract Infections: Evidence of Gene Exchange between Human and Animal Enterococci

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# Commonly Prescribed Antibiotics

## In dogs and cats:

- Amoxicillin and amoxicillin-clavulanic acid
- Cephalexin
- Doxycycline
- Enrofloxacin (fluoroquinolone)
- Clindamycin
- Metronidazole

## In humans:

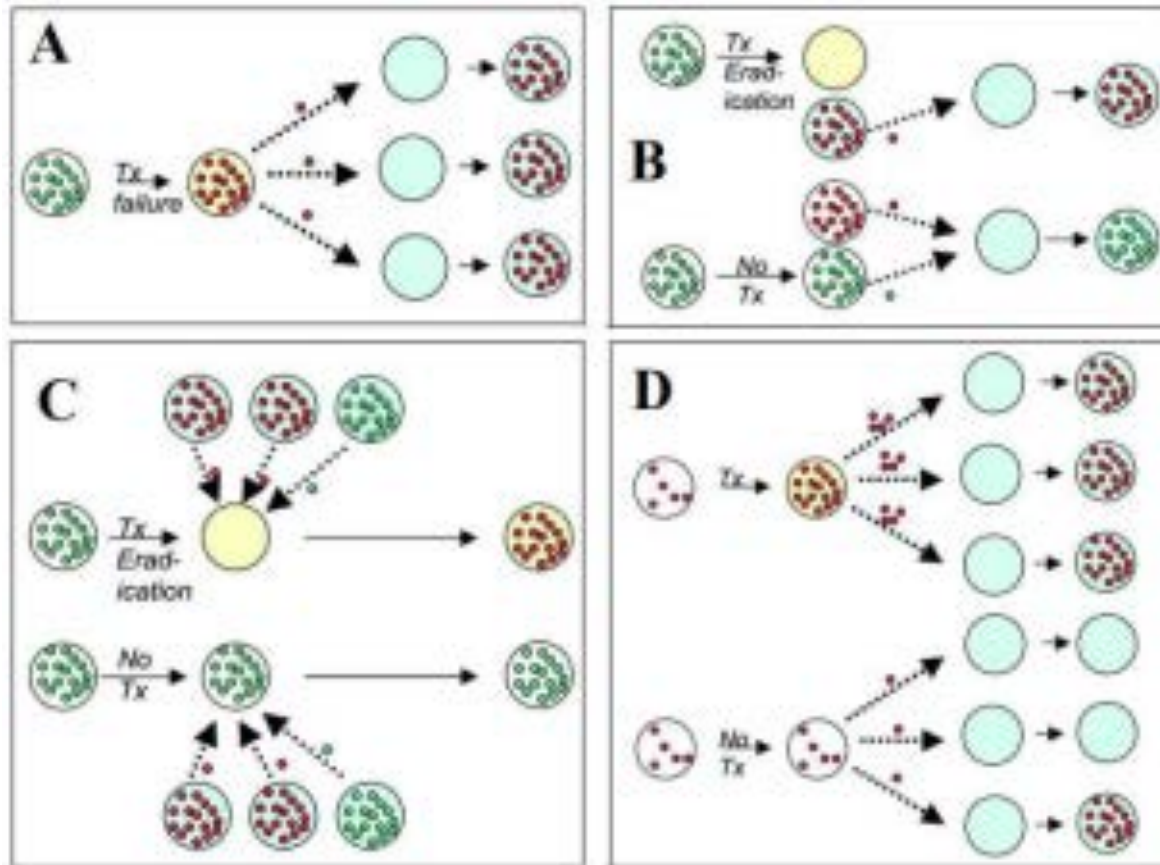
- Amoxicillin and amoxicillin-clavulanic acid
- Cephalexin
- Doxycycline, minocycline
- Ciprofloxacin (fluoroquinolone)
- Clindamycin
- Metronidazole

“It 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**



# Antibiotic Use Causes Resistance



Lipsitch M, Samore MH. *Emerg Inf Dis.* 2002; 8(4):347-354.

# Collateral Damage

## Cephalosporins

- Vancomycin-resistant *Enterococci*
- Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*
- Extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae*
- Multidrug-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii*

## Fluoroquinolones

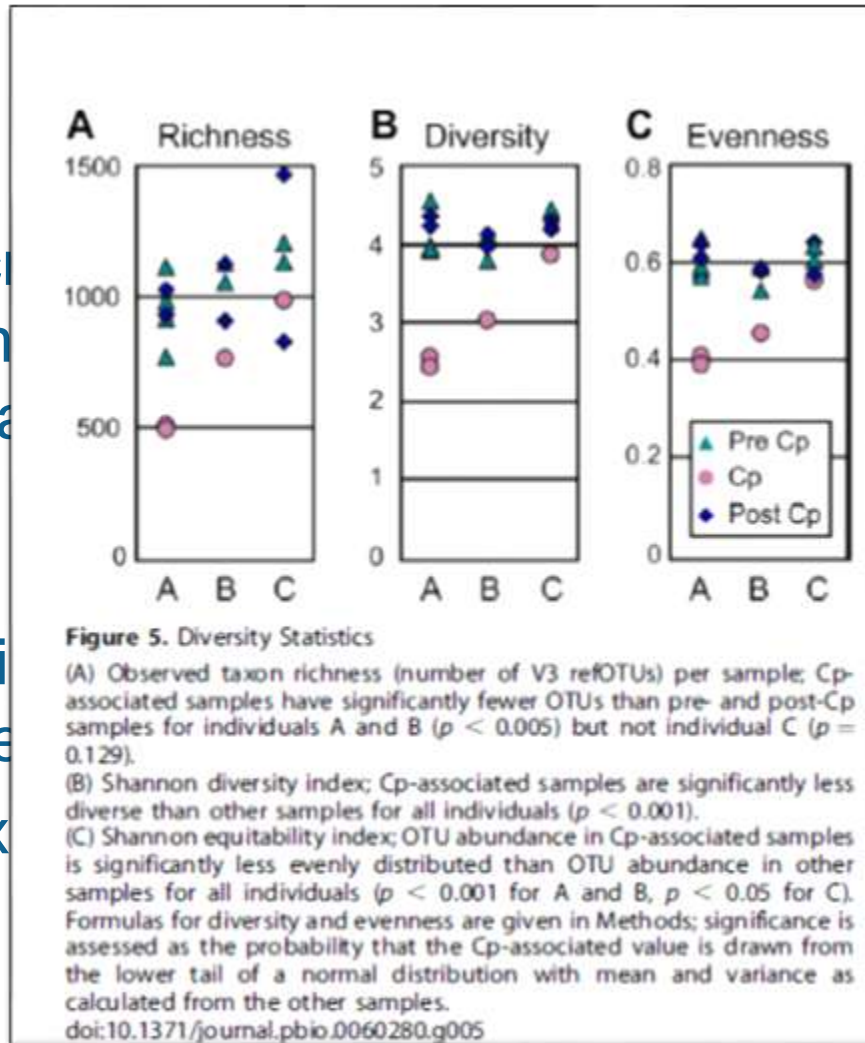
- Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*
- Fluoroquinolone-resistant gram-negative bacilli
  - *E. coli* resistance in the community
  - *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* resistance in hospitals
- Extended-spectrum  $\beta$ -lactamase producing organisms



# The Microbiome

- The GI microbiota serves many important functions including maintenance of nutrition, innate immunity, intestinal barrier function and preventing colonization by pathogens.
- Dethlefsen *et al* showed that administration of ciprofloxacin decreased the taxonomic richness, diversity and evenness of the microbial community.
- Several taxa failed to normalize even six months later.

- The GI microbiome including many intestinal bacterial pathogens.
- Dethlefsen and colleagues found that ciprofloxacin treatment and evenness
- Several taxa



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# Antibiotic Effects

- Jernberg et al demonstrated highly significant disturbances in bacterial communities that persisted over a two-year period after a seven-day course of clindamycin
- In particular, they found a sharp decline in the clonal diversity of *Bacteroides* and persistence of highly resistant clones

- Jernberg et al. found that bacterial diversity was significantly reduced by antibiotic disturbance over a two-year period.
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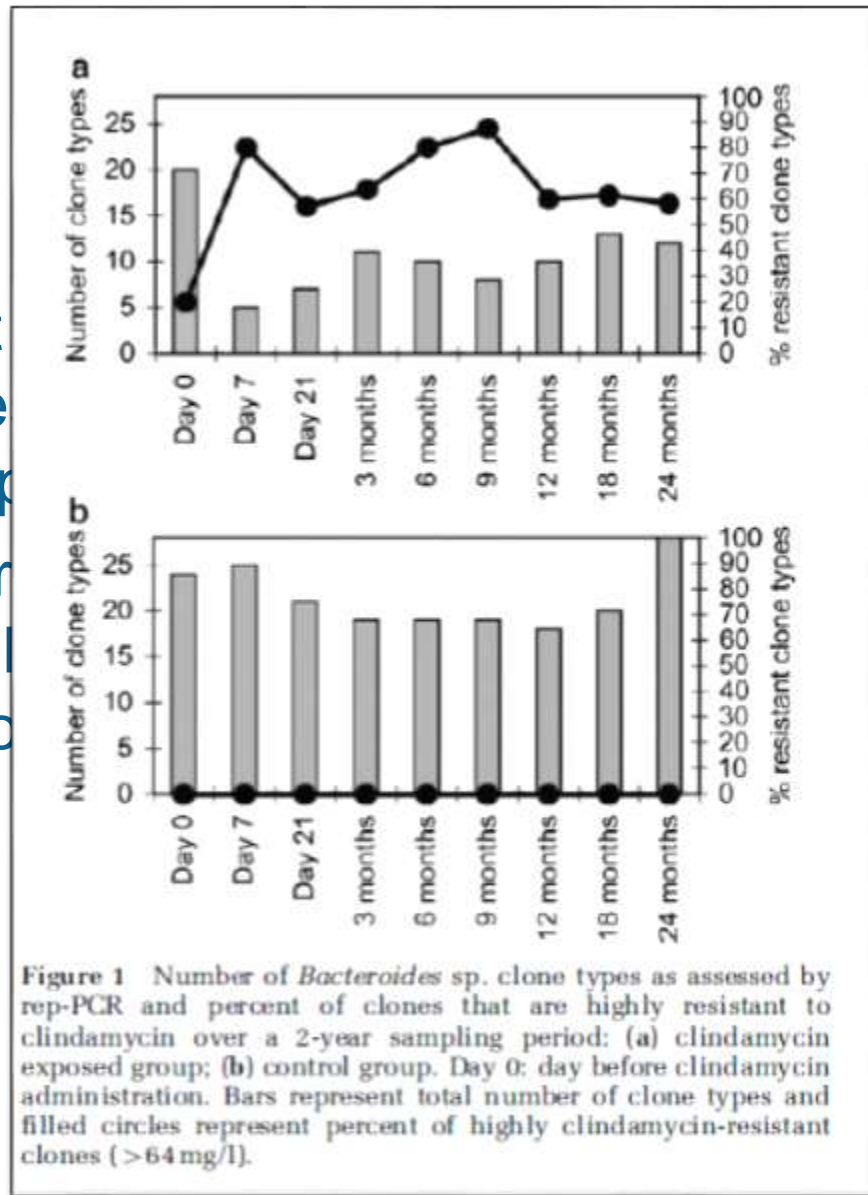


Figure 1 Number of *Bacteroides* sp. clone types as assessed by rep-PCR and percent of clones that are highly resistant to clindamycin over a 2-year sampling period: (a) clindamycin exposed group; (b) control group. Day 0: day before clindamycin administration. Bars represent total number of clone types and filled circles represent percent of highly clindamycin-resistant clones (>64 mg/l).

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# Transfer of the Microbiome Between Pets and Humans

- Oh *et al* used 16S rDNA pyrosequencing to compare the oral microbiomes of pets with their owners
- Results were mixed. Owner-pet pairs with high “closeness scores” indicating oral contact were more likely to have similarities

# Methods

- Enroll 20 pet-owner pairs in which the pet is treated with an outpatient course of antibiotics for any indication
- Enroll 20 pet-owner pairs as controls (no antibiotics)
- Baseline oral/fecal samples, repeat after antibiotics
- Assess changes in microbial composition in the animal and the human

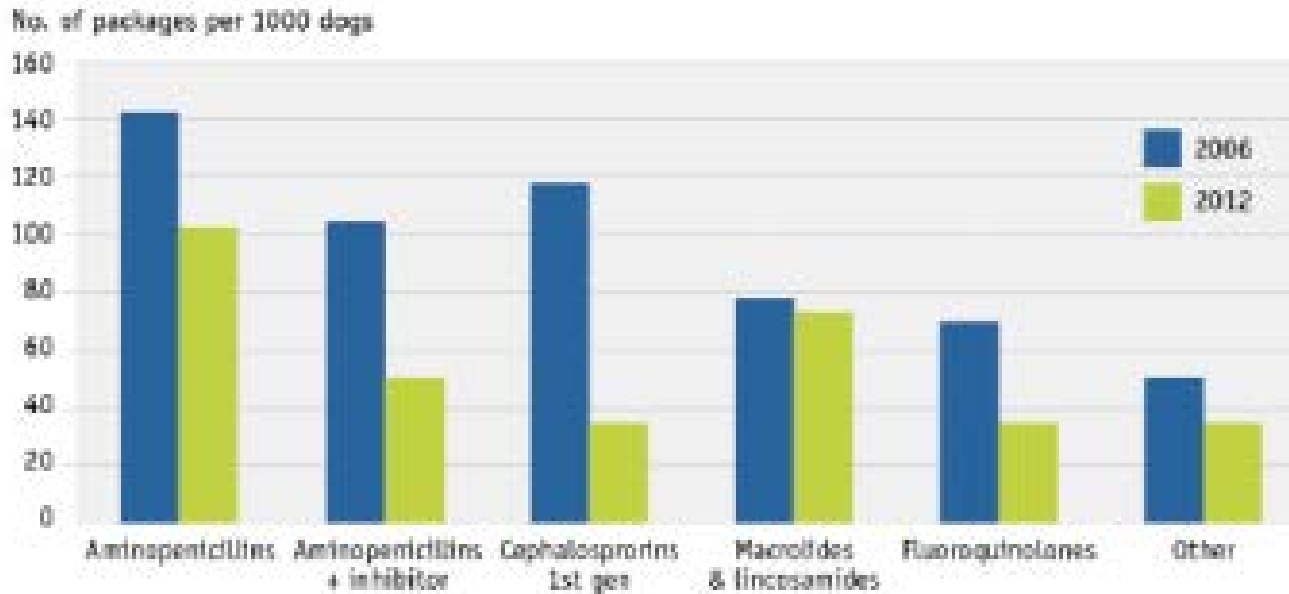
# Hypotheses

- The bacterial composition of the mouth/stool will change in the pet as a result of antibiotic administration
- The bacterial composition of the mouth/stool will change in the owner as a result of antibiotic administration to the pet

# Significance

- Pets consume 150,000 kg of antibiotics annually in the United States

Figure 1. Sales of antimicrobials for oral use in dogs in Sweden in 2006 and 2012.





# Questions for the group

- Species: limit to dogs only?
- Human cohort: adults versus babies (microbiome not yet established)?
- Pyrosequencing versus culture-based versus repetitive sequence based PCR versus T-RFLP as outcomes?
- Limit to high “closeness score”
- Oral versus fecal microbial composition?

# Questions for the group

- Antibiotic: limit to beta-lactams (most commonly used)?  
Include a fluoroquinolone arm?
- Duration of antibiotic therapy?
- Timing of follow-up specimen?
- Incentives for participation?

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# Cohabitation with Production Animals, Gut Microbiota, and Stunting in Guatemalan Children



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# What Is Stunting?

**MALNUTRITION** COMES IN MANY FORMS



**stunting**

(people are too short for their age)



**wasting**

(people are too thin for their height)

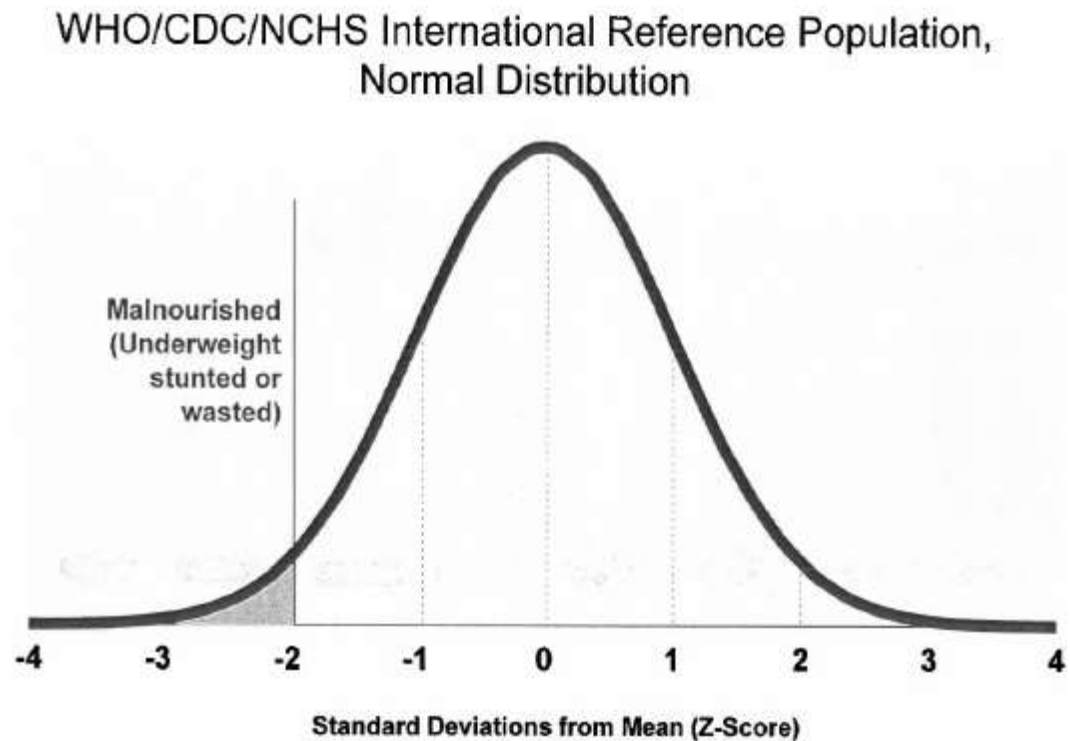


**obesity**

(people are overweight)

# What Is Stunting?

**Low Height  
for Age  
(HAZ) <2  
SD Below  
WHO  
Median for  
Optimal  
Growth.**





# Why Does Stunting Matter?



**Intellectual Development**



**Educational Attainment**



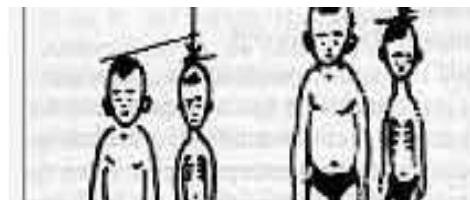
**Economic Development**



**Longevity**



**Immune Response**



**Stunted Offspring**



**Work Productivity**

# What Causes Stunting?

**Maternal Health**

**Parasitic Infections**

**Gut Microbial Composition**

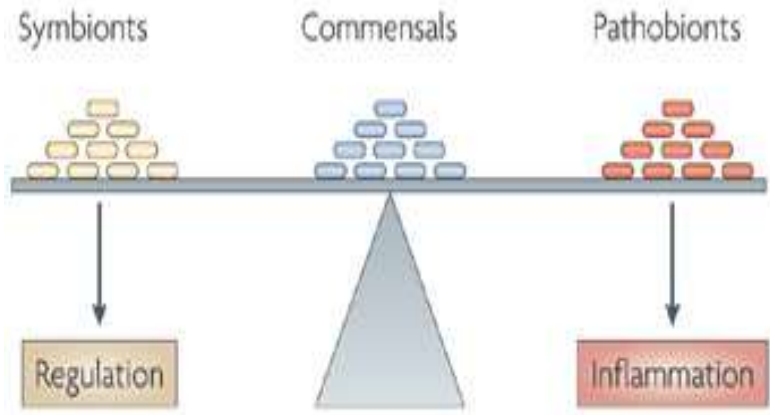
**Poor Sanitation**

**Impaired Intestinal Integrity**

**Nutrition**

**Associations  
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**a Immunological equilibrium**



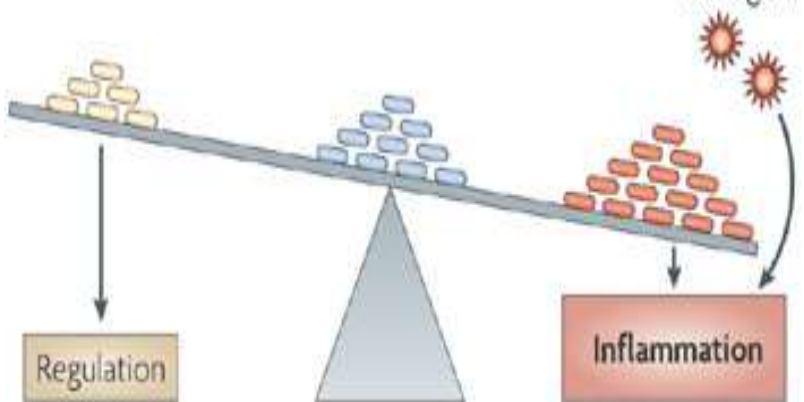
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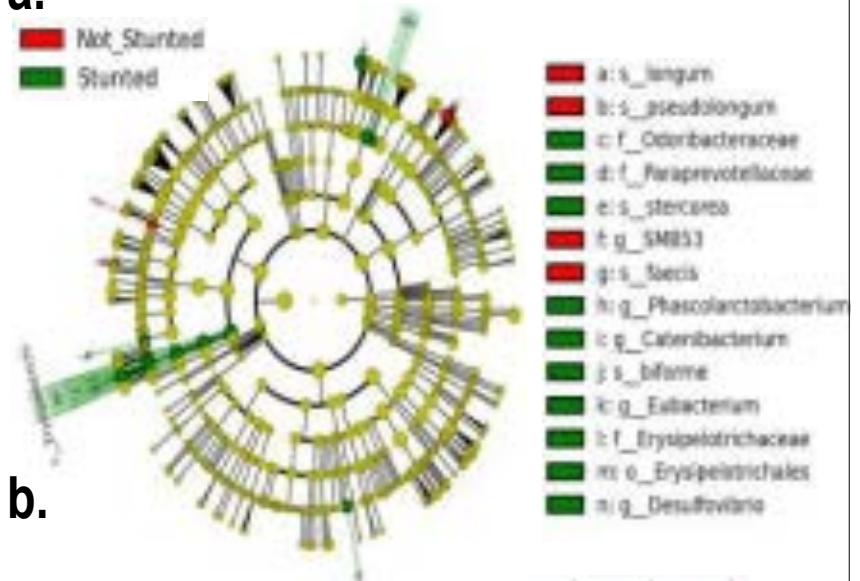
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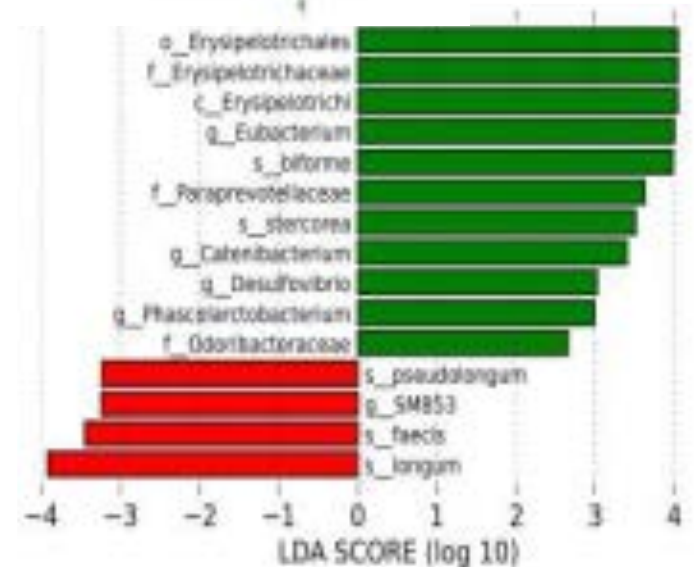
★ Malnutrition

# Preliminary Data by Dr. Ward and Dr. Kang from Vellore, India

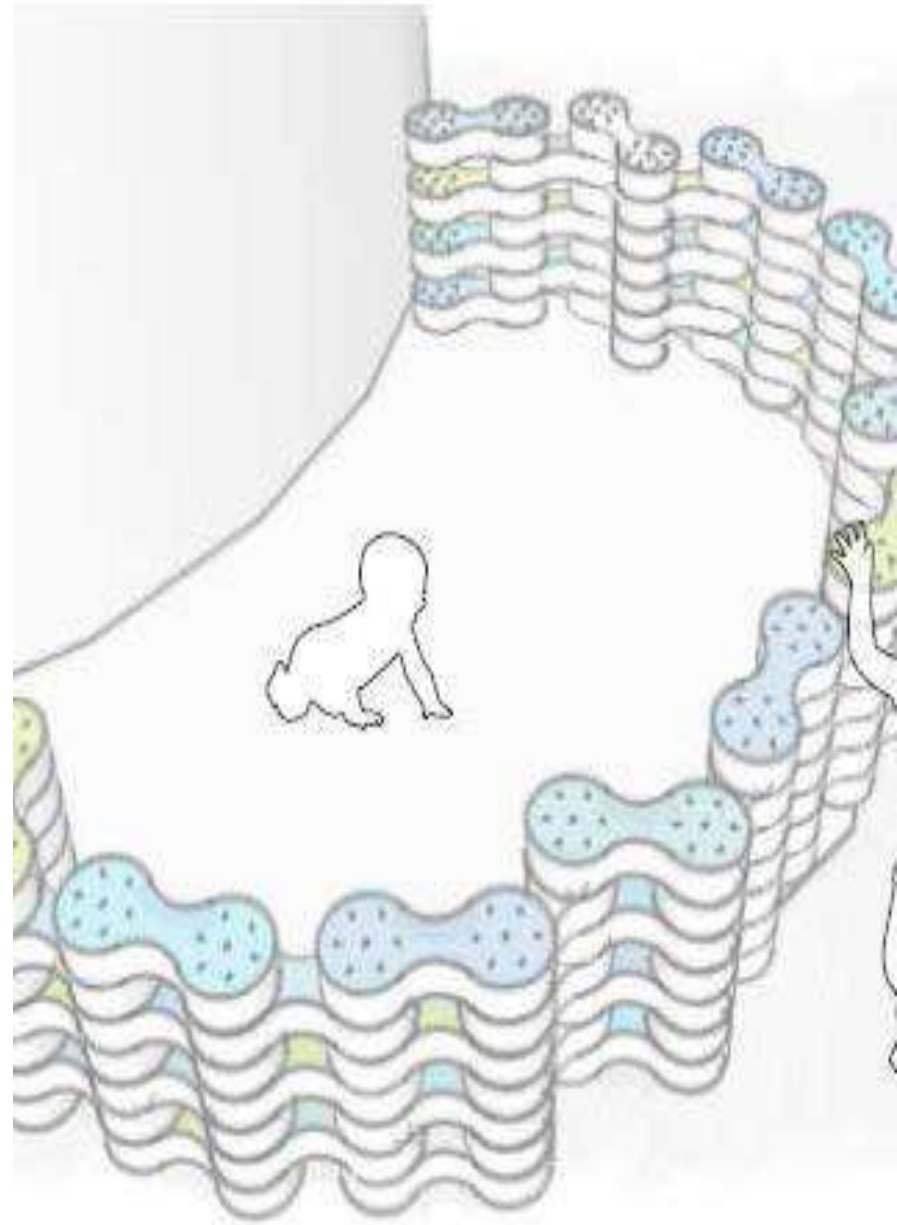
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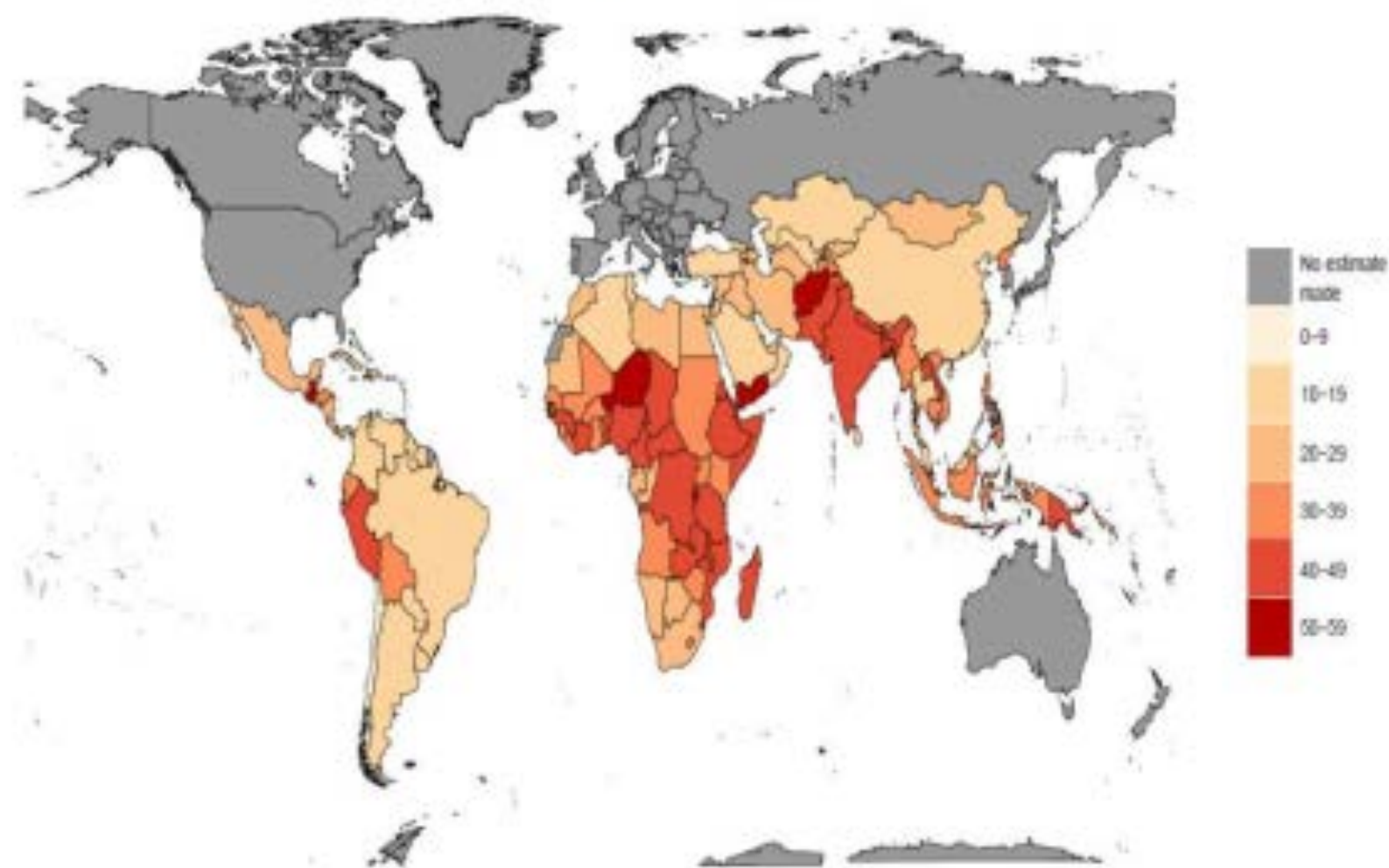
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**Does exposure to  
animal feces,  
through  
alterations in the  
gut microbiota,  
promote stunting  
in children?**



Map \_\_.1 Prevalence of Stunting by Country, 2011



Source: Stevens et al, 2012.

# Recent Data on Stunting in Guatemala by Dr. Solomons and Colleagues, 2013

**Table 1: Average HAZ scores and proportion of stunted children by subgroups in children attending public health clinics in urban Quetzaltenango & suburban La Esperanza (n=299)**

<b>Age</b>	<b>HAZ score</b>	<b>Proportion stunted (%)</b>
	(mean, SD)	
<b>6-11 months</b> <b>(n=114)</b>	-1.70 (1.13)	41/114 (36%)
<b>12-17 months</b> <b>(n=98)</b>	-2.07 (1.16)	53/98 (54%)
<del><b>18-23 months</b></del> <del><b>(n=87)</b></del>	<del>-1.93 (0.98)</del>	<del>41/87 (47%)</del>



+ Production  
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Workgroup	Room
<b>Development of a Safe, Inexpensive, Easily Administered EHEC Vaccine for Cattle</b> John Leong, MD, PhD	<b>Room 1414</b>
<b>A Novel Approach to Asthma Therapy: Decreasing Airway Smooth Muscle Mass</b> Melissa Mazan, DVM, DACVIM	<b>Room 1503</b>
<b>Antibiotic Stewardship and Infection Control</b> Shira Doron, MD	<b>Room 1533</b>
<b>Cohabitation with Production Animals, Gut Microbiota, and Stunting in Children</b> Marieke Rosenbaum, DVM, MPH	<b>Room 1521</b>

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**Thank you very much!**



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