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PANDEMIC COVID-19

*What have we learned 9 months into the
Pandemic of 2020? What are the
unanswered questions?*

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Goals: To Understand

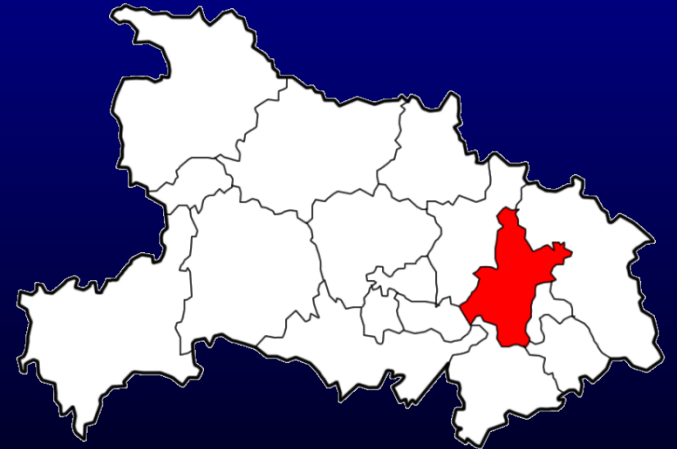
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- Clinical features of COVID-19 and its laboratory diagnosis
- The challenge of protecting healthcare providers
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- *What's going on in Wisconsin and the upper Midwest?*
- Air travel and protecting oneself from COVID-19
- What have we learned? What are the big unanswered questions?



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PANDEMIC NOMENCLATURE

- The novel pandemic coronavirus (nCoV) was formally named **SARS-CoV-2**

- **Infection** by **SARS-CoV-2** is now termed:

COVID-19

Corona

Virus

Infectious Disease

Virus identified in 2019

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Dr Fauci states "this is not a major threat to the United States and not something the citizens of the United States should be worried about"

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AN INTERNATIONAL HERO



Li Wenliang: the virus whistleblower

Chinese ophthalmologist
Age: 34



December 30, 2019

Sent **warning to colleagues** in Wuhan to wear protective masks and clothing, after seeing patients with SARS-like symptoms

January 3, 2020

Said in Weibo* post he was **summoned** along with eight others by police for "**rumour-mongering**"

Late-January

Claimed local police forced him to sign statement agreeing **not to commit** any more "**law-breaking actions**"

February 1

Diagnosed with the virus

February 6

Initially declared dead at 21:30 pm (local time) by state media outlets

Reports deleted after the news became top search item with 12 million hits on Weibo

February 7

Wuhan Central hospital said he was undergoing special treatment, before confirming he **died at 2:58 am**



Source: AFP/Chinese state media/*Weibo microblogging platform

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10,000 Chinese cases, 811 deaths

Feb 12-21 Major Outbreaks in Iran, Italy, U.S. **89 cases on Mar 1**

Mar 11 WHO declares **PANDEMIC**,
U.S has 1272 cases, Pres Trump decares BAN on travel from Europe, Chinese declare their outbreak over, MLB, NBA, NCAAAB CANCEL seasons, Cruise Lines SUSPEND activity

Mar 17 Italy 31,506 cases, 2,503 deaths

Mar 22 34,000 U.S. cases, 413 deaths,
NYC 11,000 cases, U.S. LOCKDOWN,

Mar 29 142,000 U.S. cases, 2500 deaths, 723,000 cases worldwide, 34,000 deaths. Large epidemics in Seattle, NYC, New Orleans, Milwaukee, Chicago, Florida

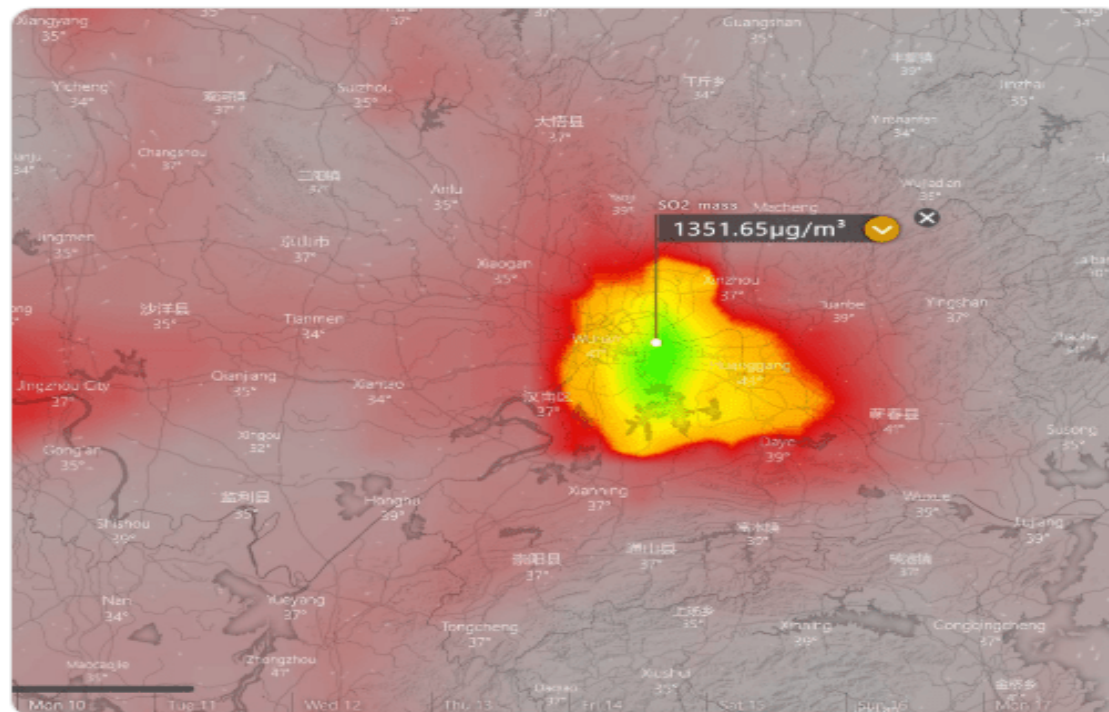


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Data from [windy.com](https://www.windy.com) shows a massive release of sulfur dioxide gas from the outskirts of Wuhan, commonly associated with the burning of organic matters. Levels are elevated, even compared with the rest of China.



2:12 PM - 8 Feb 2020

12,231 Retweets 15,971 Likes

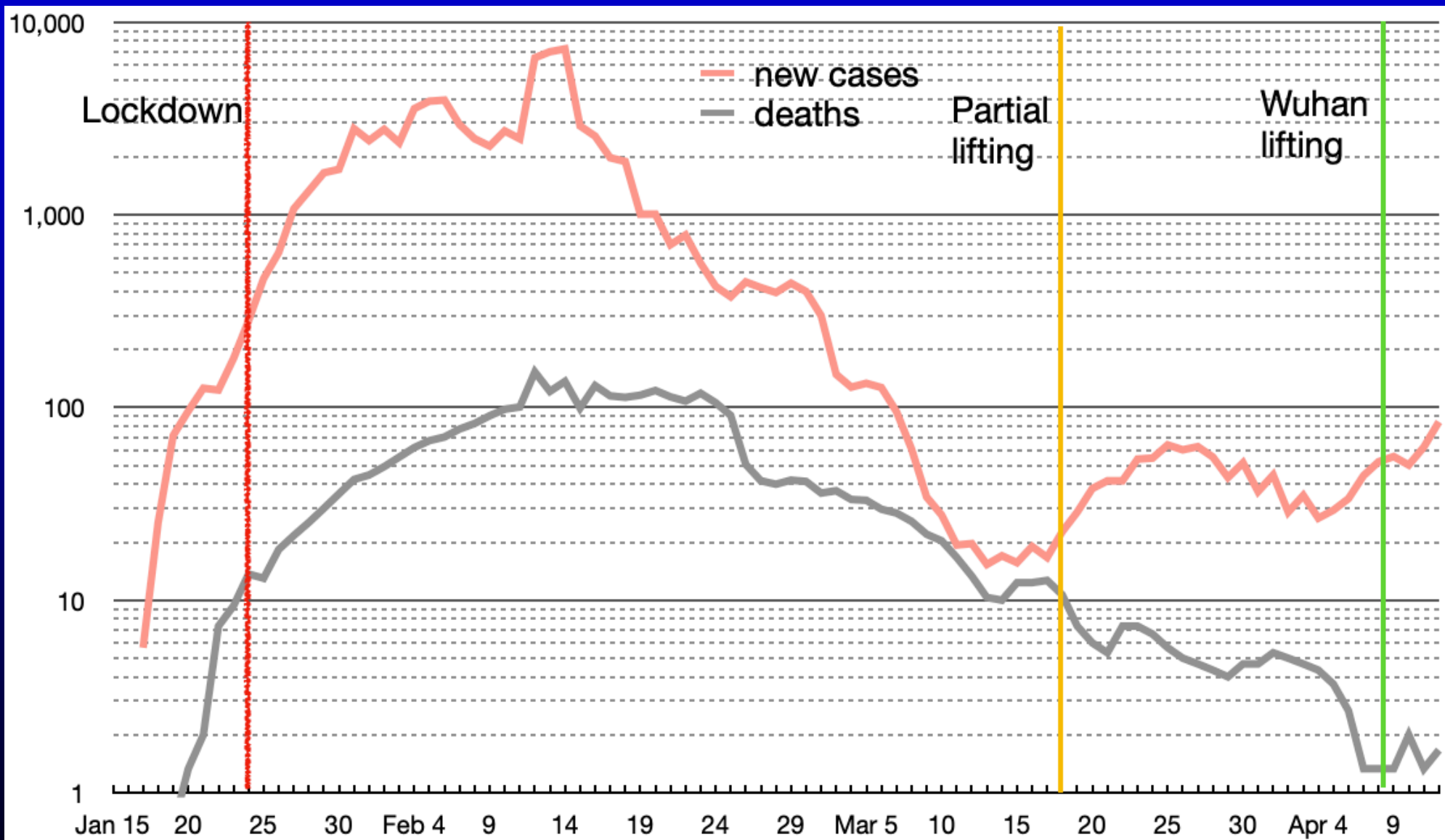


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CHINA'S EPIDEMIC OF COVID-19



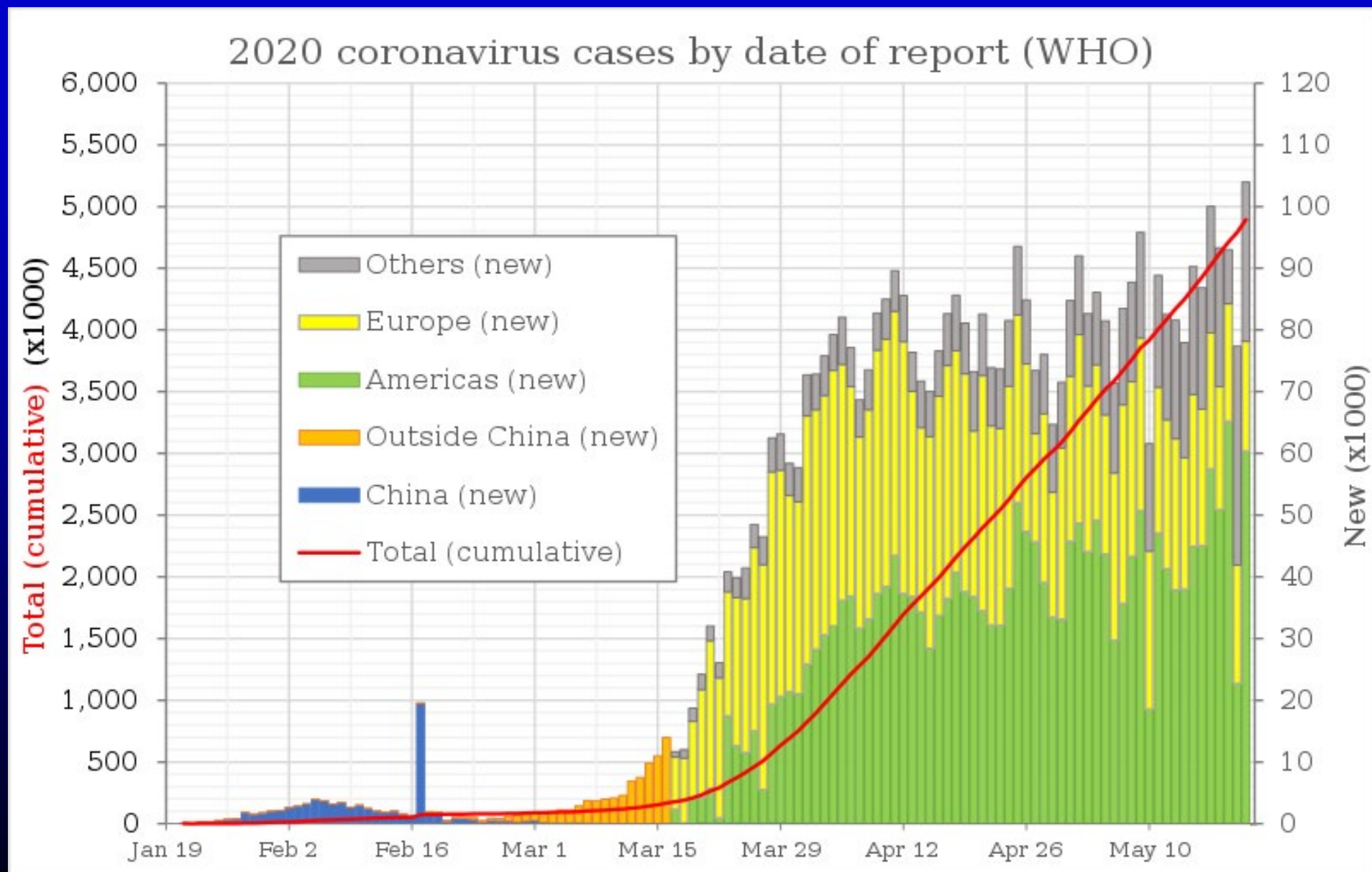


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COVID-19 GLOBAL PANDEMIC CURVE



COVID-19 IN THE U.S. AS OF Oct 5, 2020

Global Figures

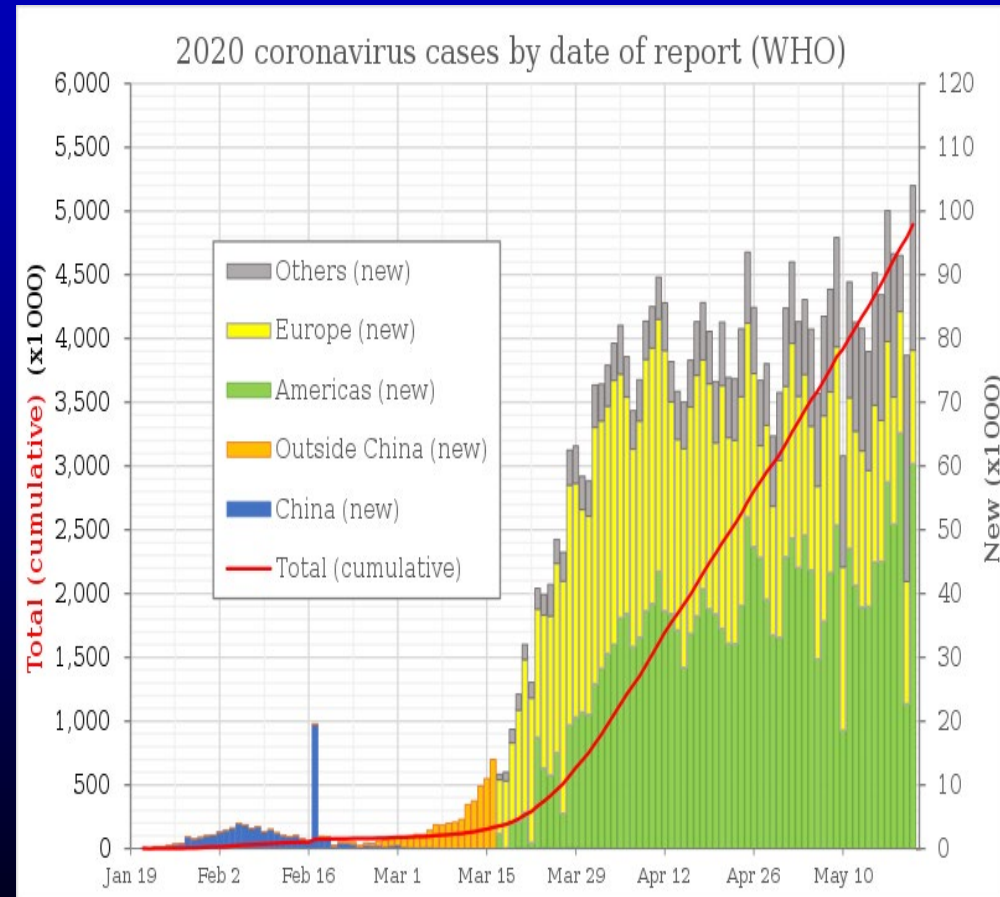
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New York City

246,885 cases

52% < 50 years-old

23,861 deaths (9.8%)

75% >65 yo, 2/3 male



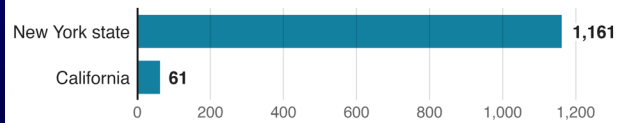




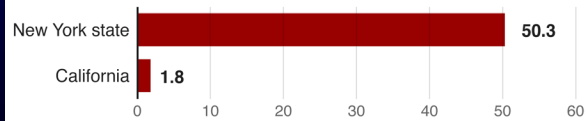


Coronavirus in New York and California

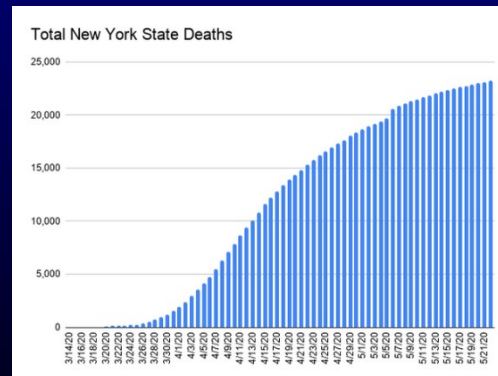
Cases per 100,000 people



Deaths per 100,000 people



Source: Johns Hopkins University



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Wisconsin

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1377 deaths (1.3%)

Dane County

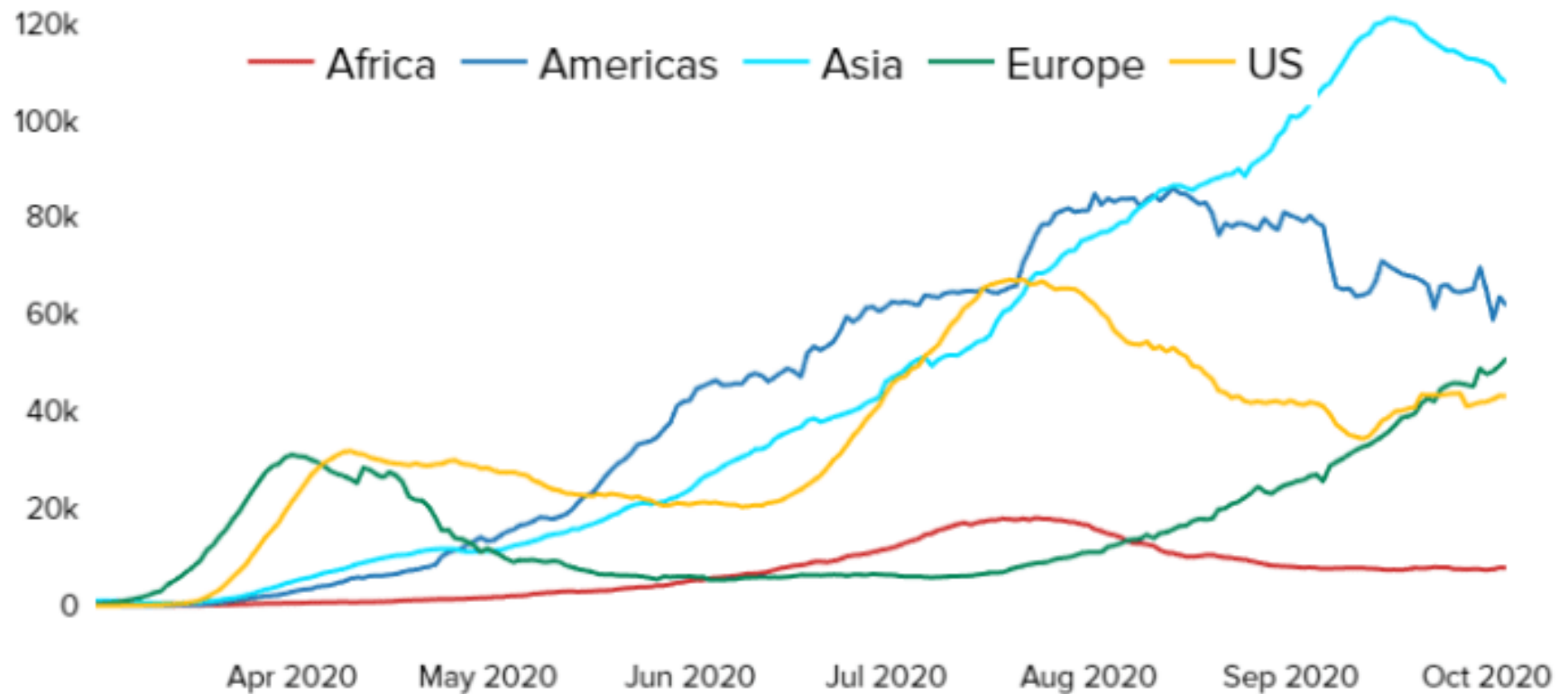
10,426 cases

83 deaths (0.8%)

NEW CASES OF COVID-19 FROM 7 REGIONS OF THE WORLD

Coronavirus cases around the world

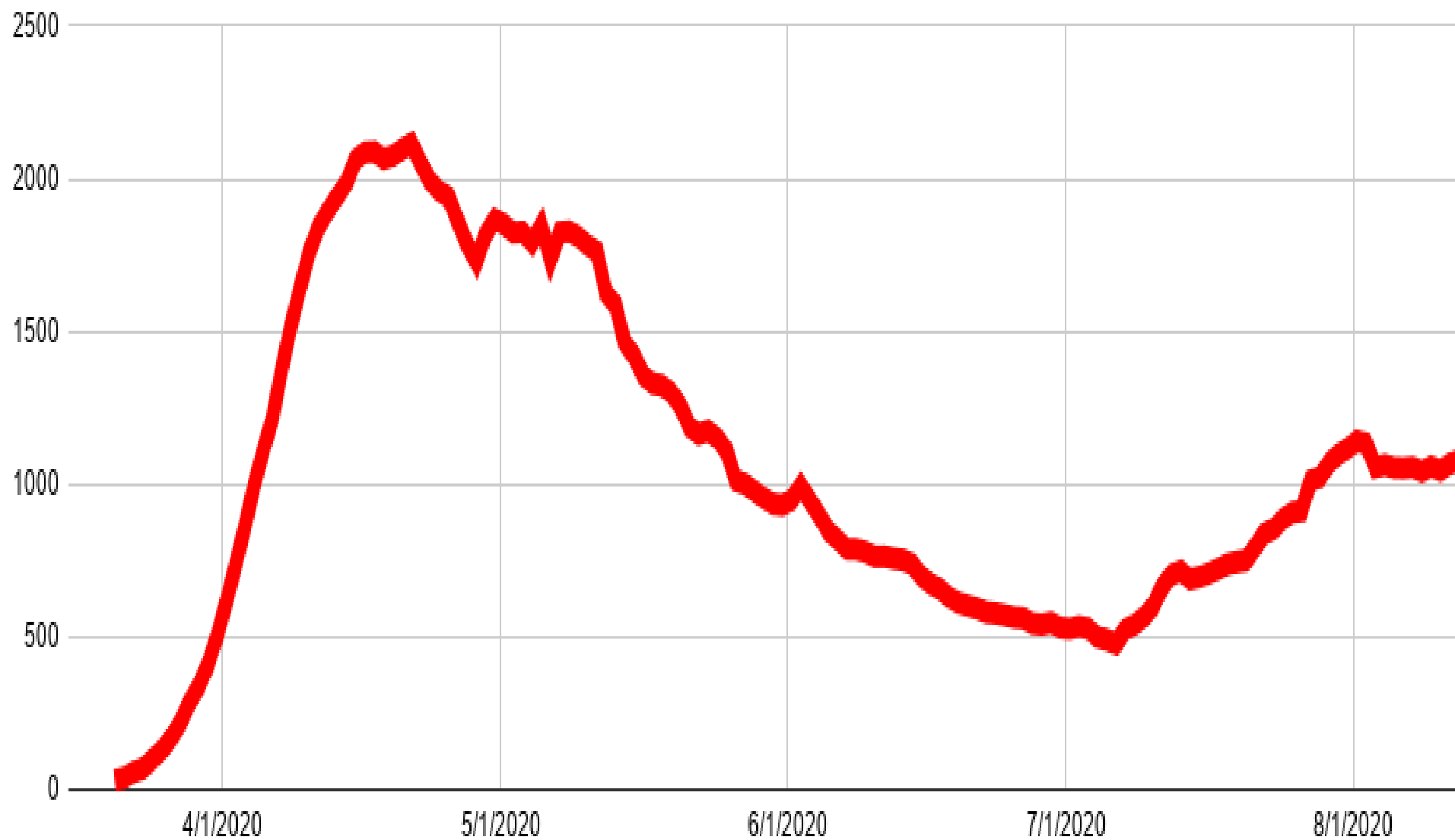
New reported cases daily, 7-day moving average, as of Oct. 05, 2020



SOURCE: Johns Hopkins University. NOTE: Latest data from India is not available.



USA - Daily COVID-19 deaths reported over time (7-day moving average)

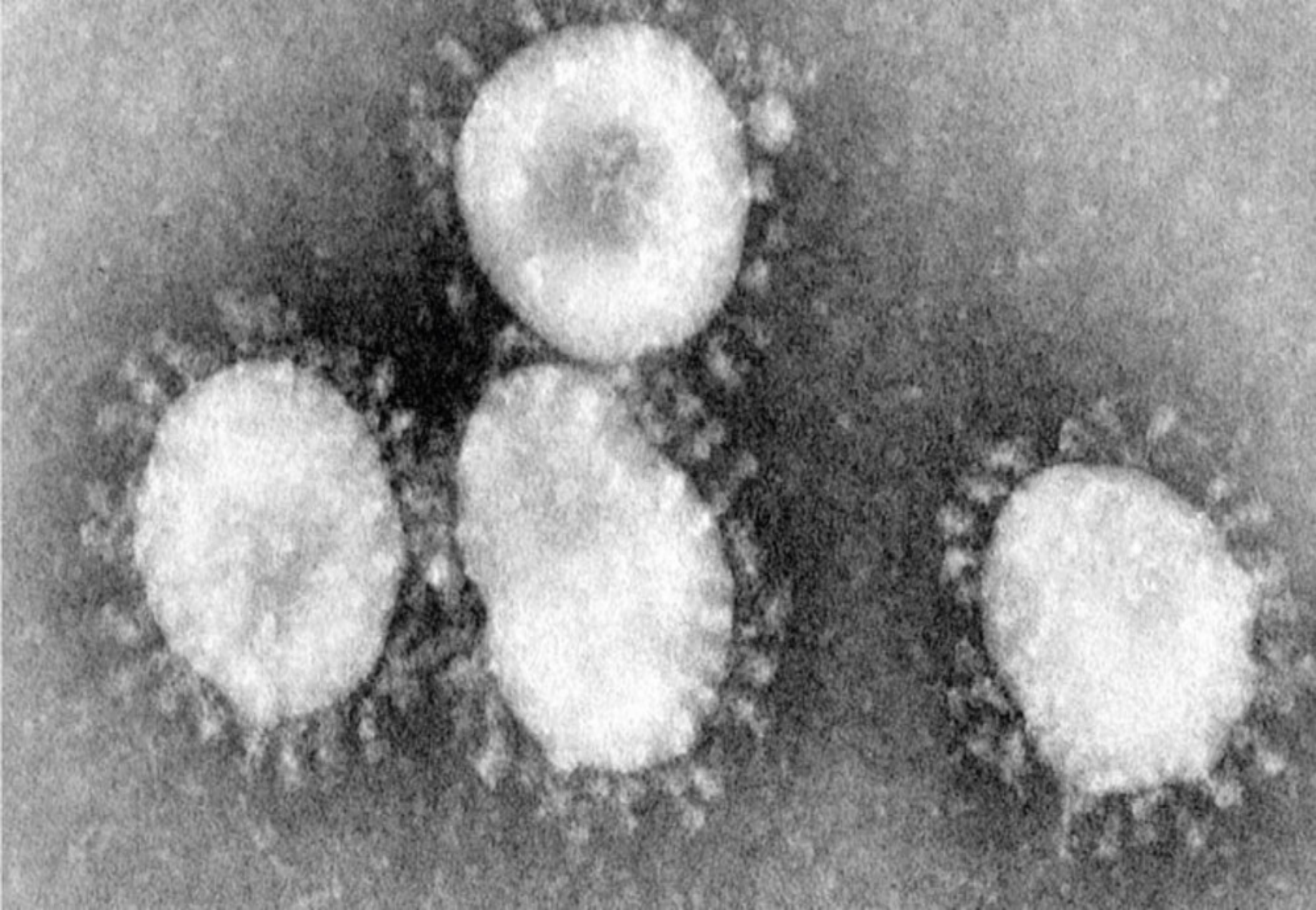


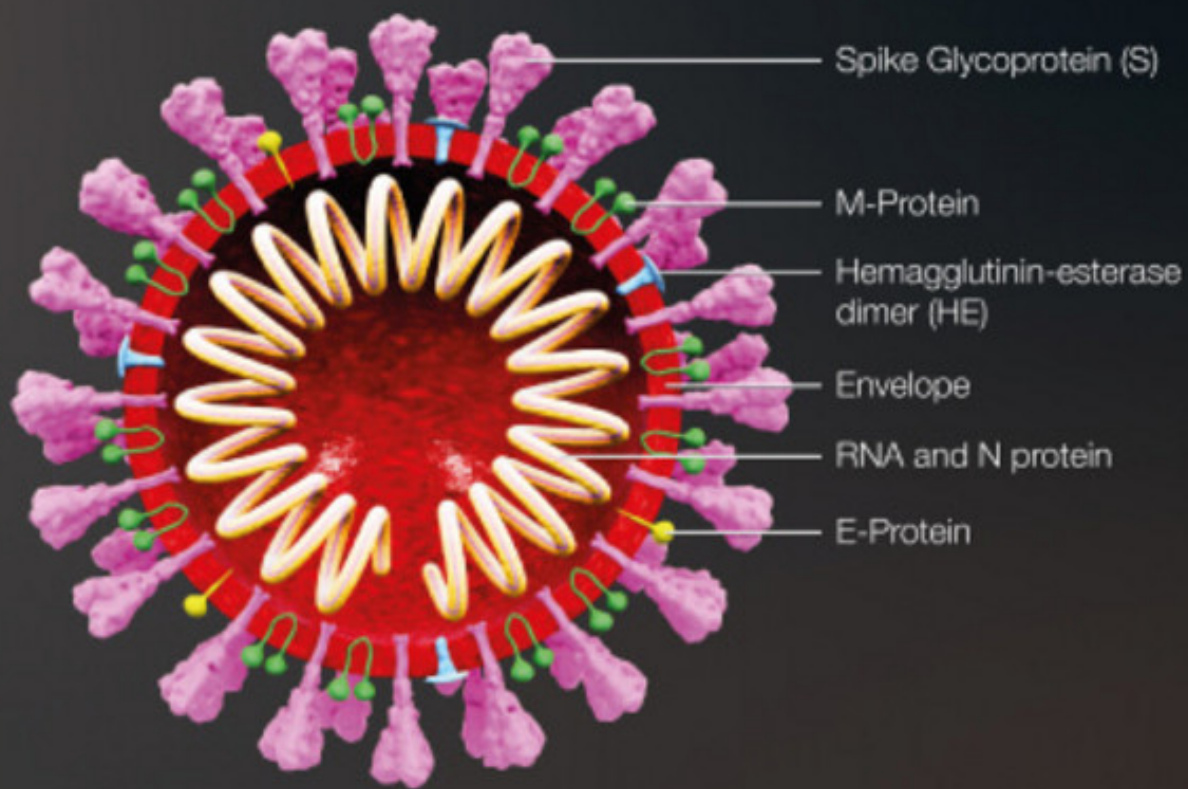
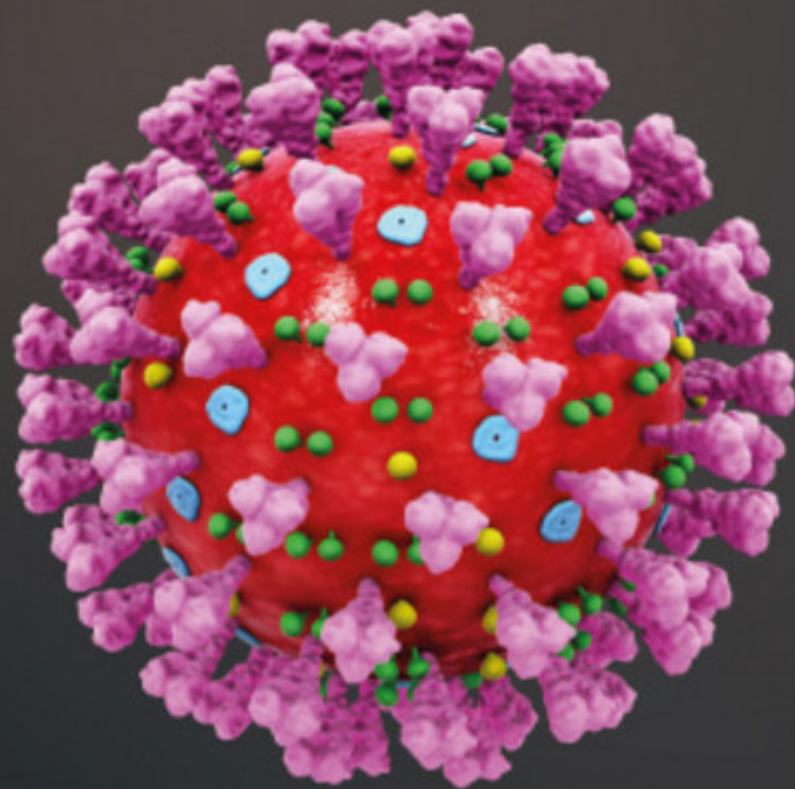


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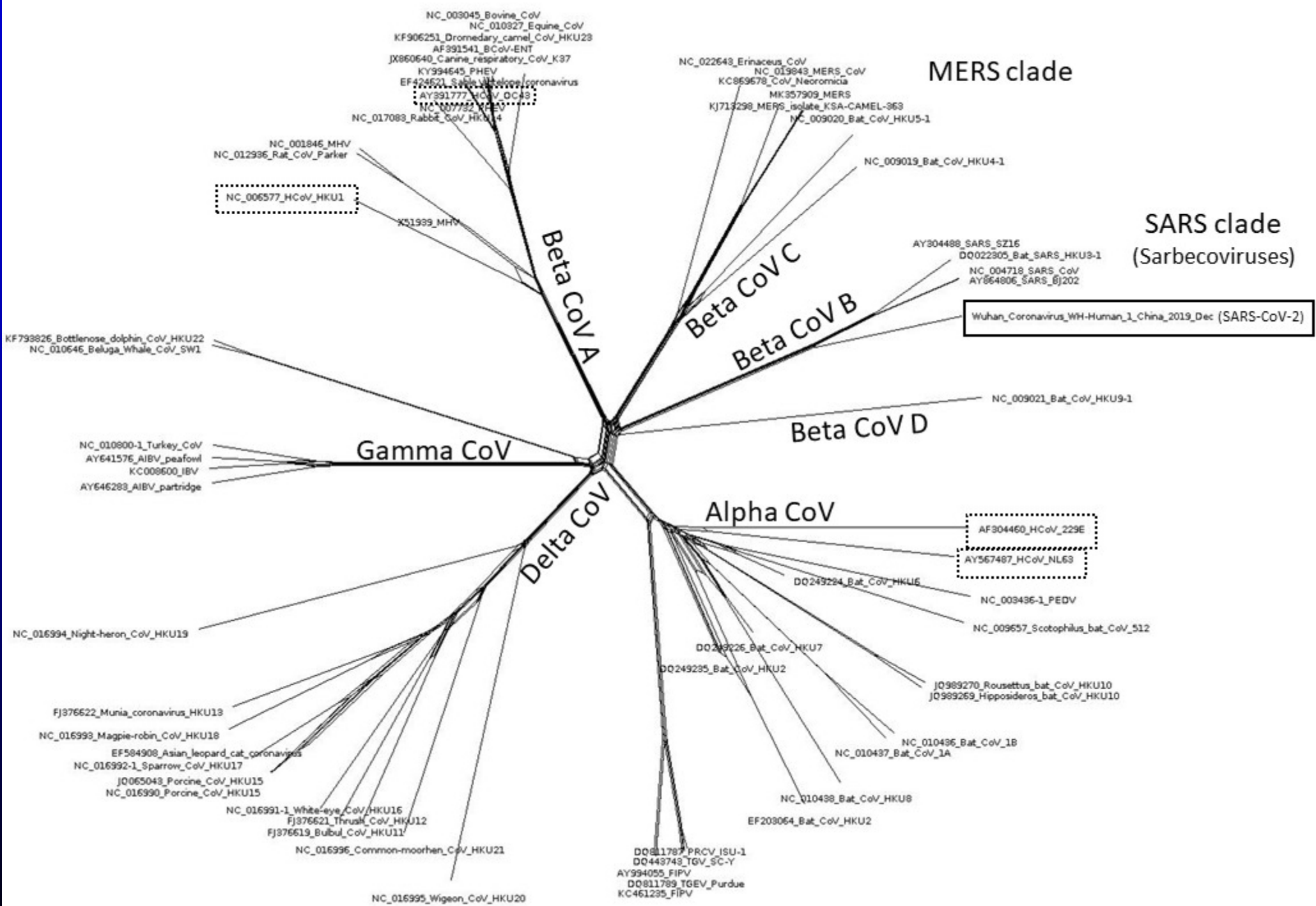
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- **Three virulent coronaviruses have emerged from bat coronaviruses to cause pandemic life-threatening disease since 2003,**
SARS-CoV, MERS-CoV and SARS-CoV-2



MERS clade

SARS clade
(Sarbecoviruses)

Wuhan_Coronavirus_WH-Human_1_China_2019_Dec (SARS-CoV-2)

Beta CoV A

Beta CoV C

Beta CoV B

Beta CoV D

Alpha CoV

Delta CoV

Gamma CoV

NC_003045_Bovine_CoV
NC_010327_Equine_CoV
KF906251_Dromedary_camel_CoV_HKU23
AF391541_BCoV-ENT
JX860640_Canine_respiratory_CoV_K37
KY994645_PHEV
EF424521_Sarbecovirus_coronavirus
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NC_007752_HCoV-229E

NC_022648_Erinaceus_CoV
NC_019643_MERS_CoV
KC869678_CoV_Neotomicia
MK357909_MERS
KJ713298_MERS_isolate_KSA-CAMEL-363
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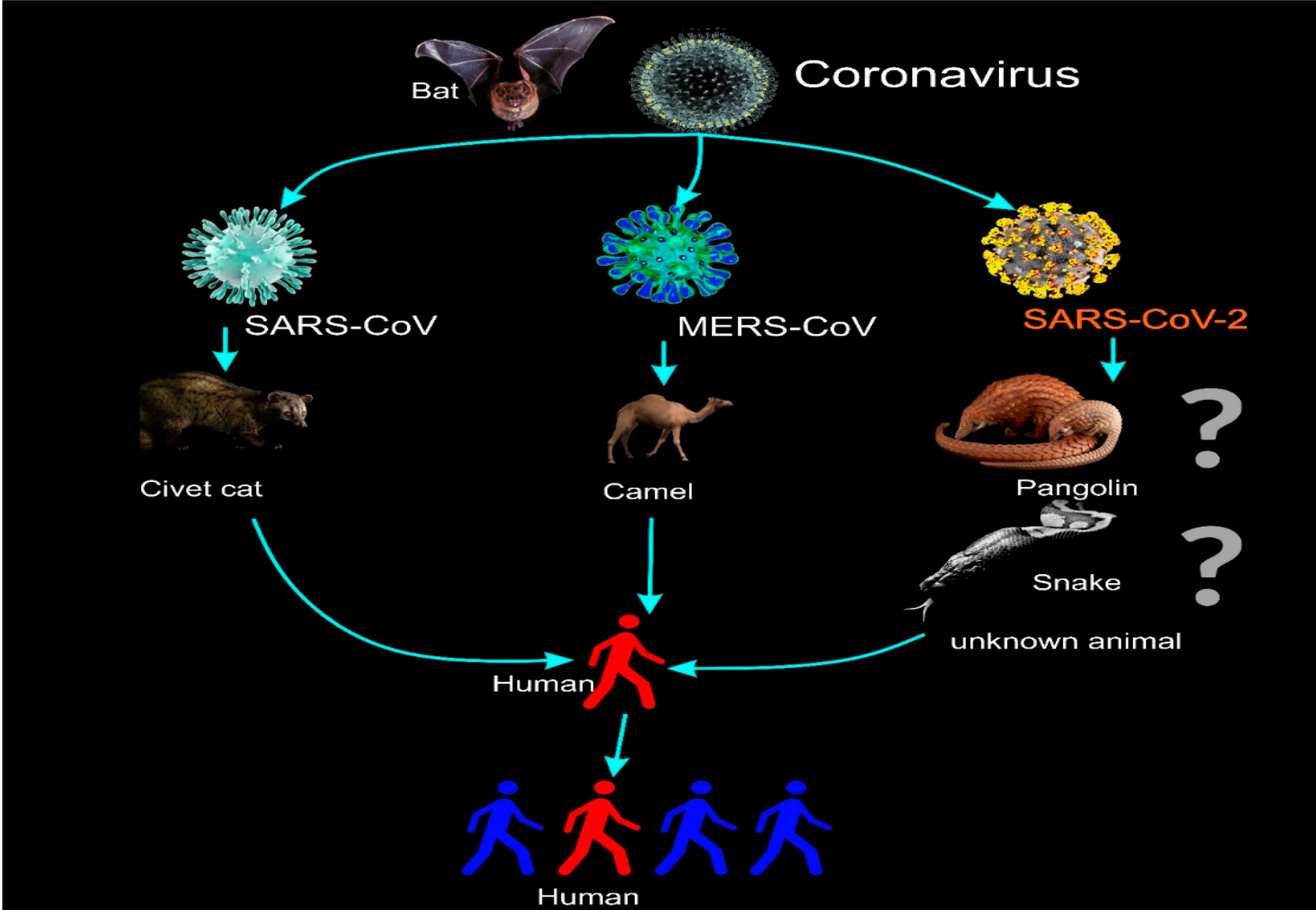
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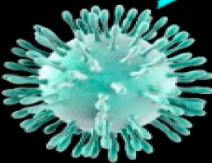
PANDEMIC CORONAVIRUSES OF THE 20TH CENTURY

	SARS	MERS	COVID-19
Virus	SARS-CoV	MERS-CoV	SARS-CoV-2
Host	Bat-Civet	Bat-Camel	Bat-Snake or Pangolin
Year, Origin (no. countries)	2002-3 China	2012...China	2019...China
Incub Period	5.2d (2-14)	7d (2-10)	5.5d (2-10)
Ro	2-5	0.3-0.8	2-4
Clinical	Pneumonia	Pneumonia	Pneumonia
Case Fatality	11%	34%	2-10%
No. cases (No. countries)	8,442 (29)	2518 (24) through April 2020	775,000 (200+) as of Mar 2020

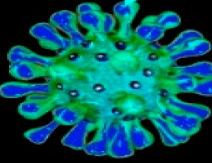


Bat

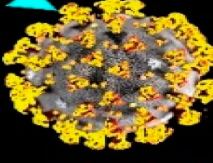
Coronavirus



SARS-CoV



MERS-CoV



SARS-CoV-2



Civet cat



Camel



Pangolin



Snake

unknown animal



Human



Human

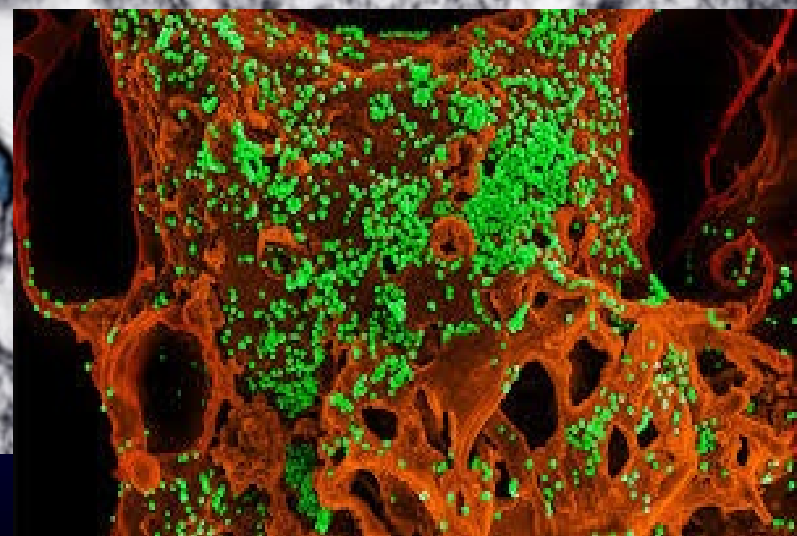
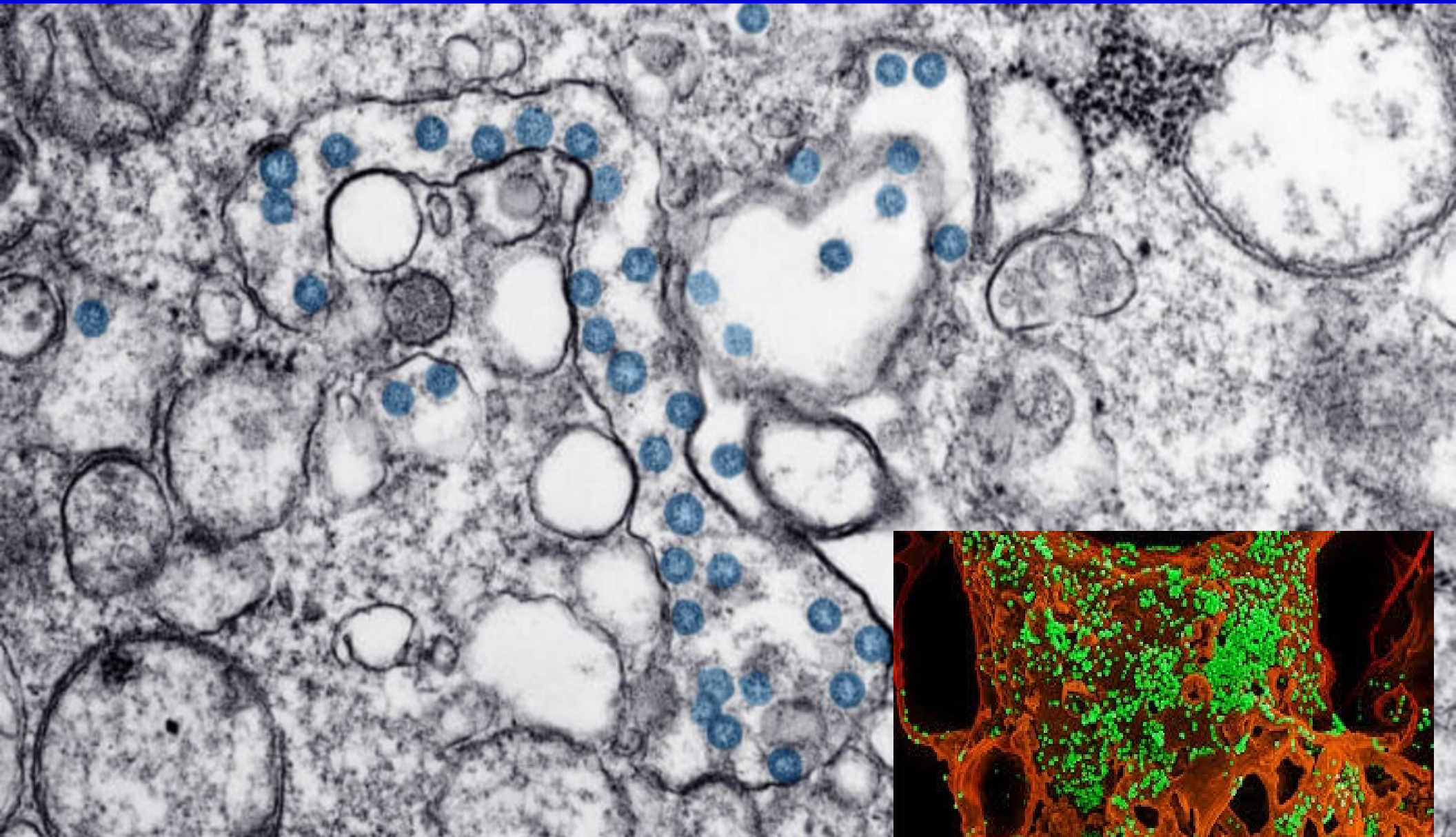




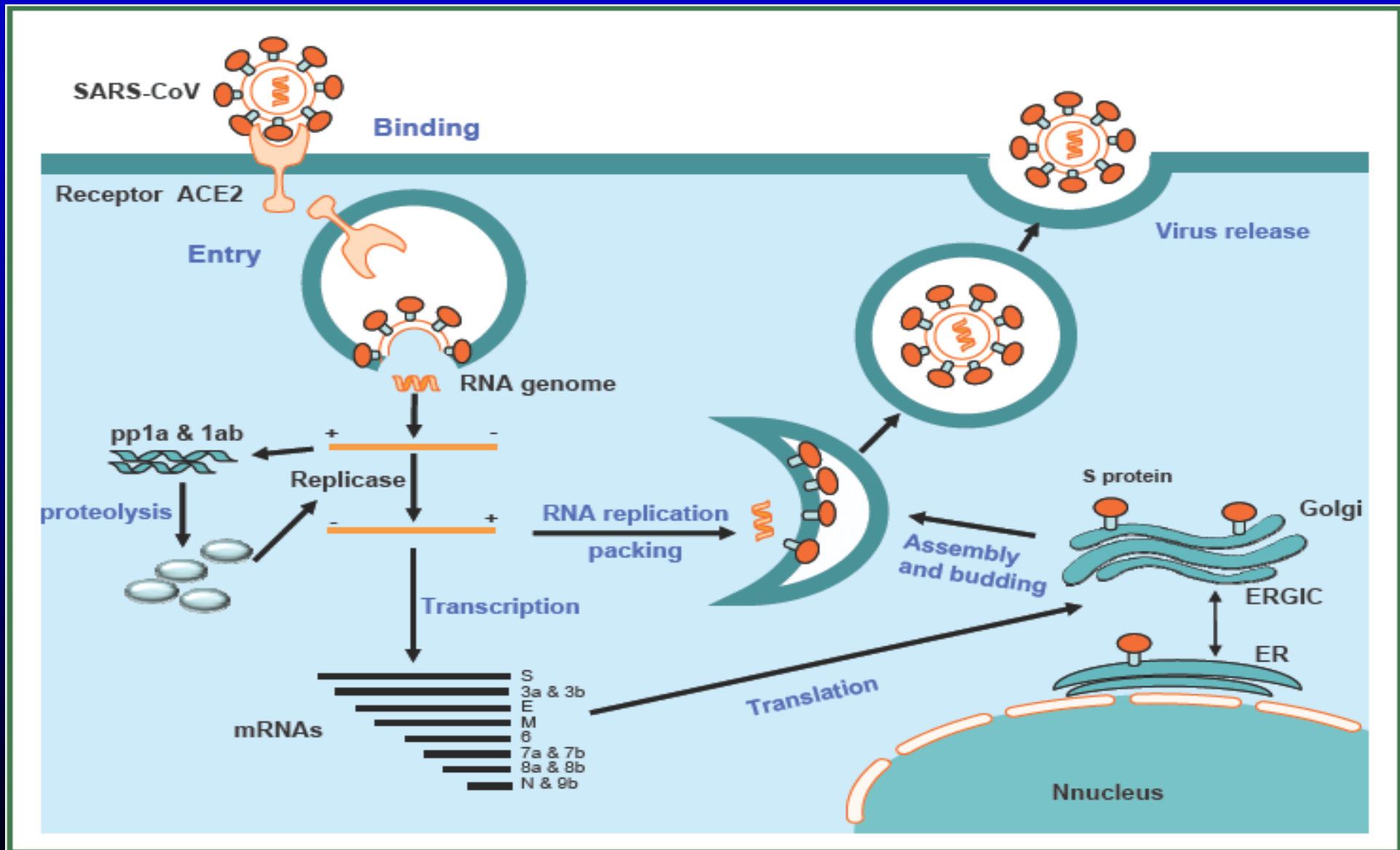
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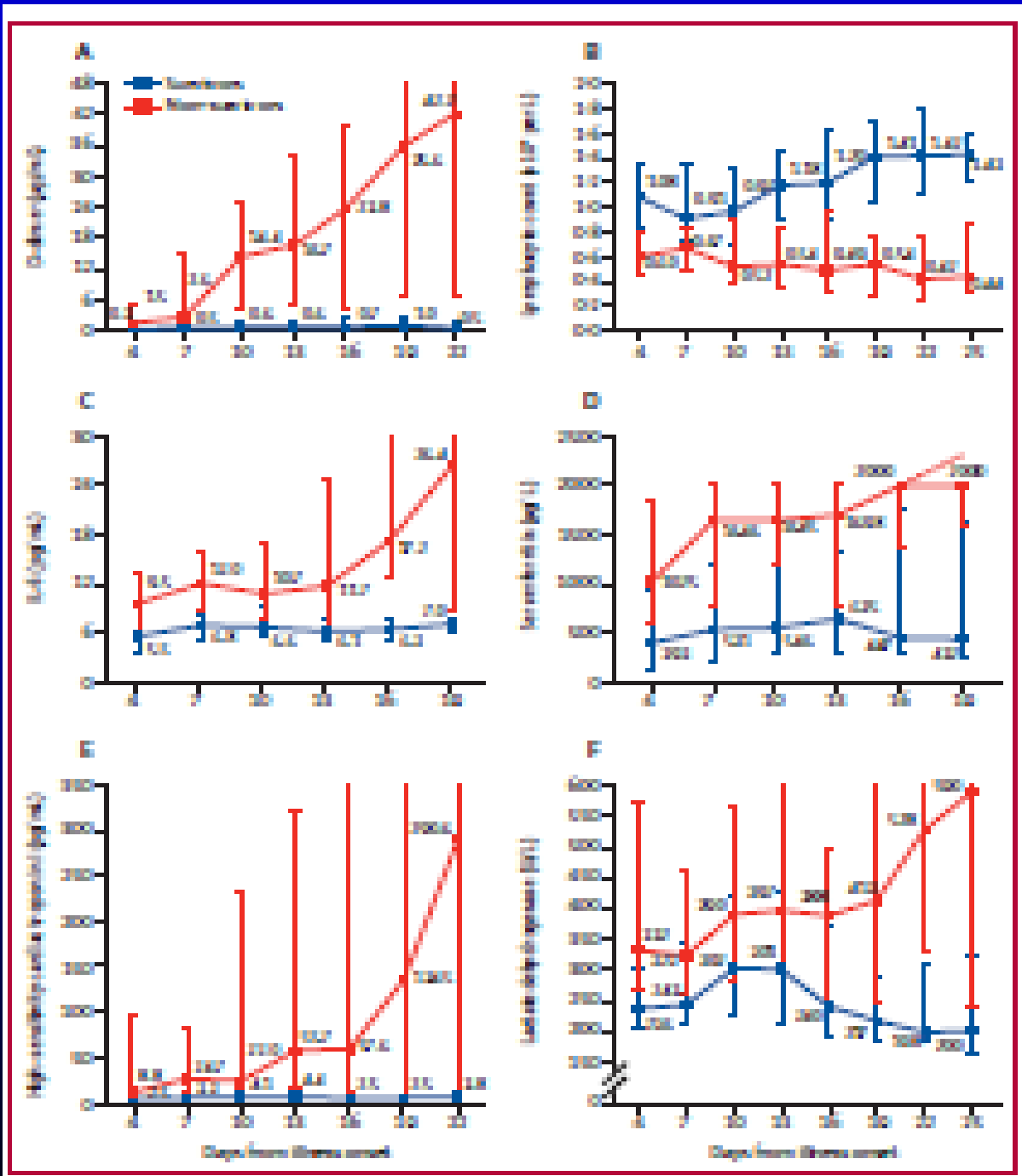
MOLECULAR PATHOGENESIS OF SARS-CoV-2 INFECTION



PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF COVID-19

(Why does it make us sick, why does it kill?)

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COVID-19 (Why does it kill?)

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Zhou et al. Lancet 2020

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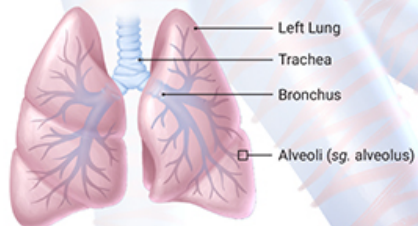
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- Often severe ***inflammation of lungs, with hypoxemic respiratory failure***

COVID-19

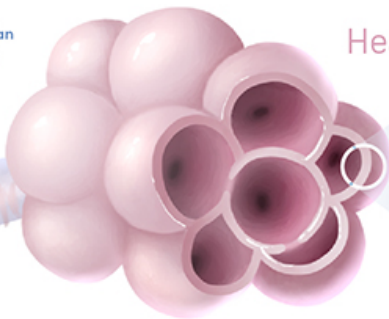
HOW DOES IT AFFECT YOU?

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a pandemic caused by Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2, also called SARS-CoV-2. Despite the widespread awareness regarding COVID-19, many are still unaware about how it affects the human body.

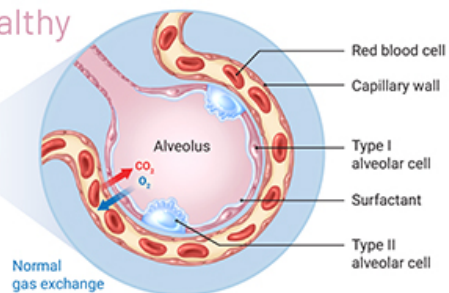


SARS-CoV-2 starts its journey in the nose, mouth, or eyes and travels down to the alveoli in the lungs. Alveoli are tiny sacs of air where gas exchange occurs.

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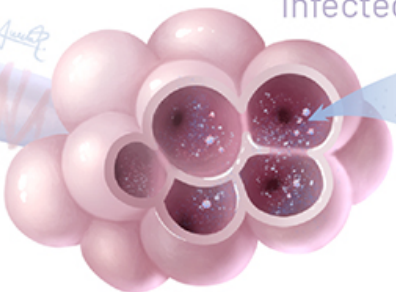
Healthy



Normal gas exchange

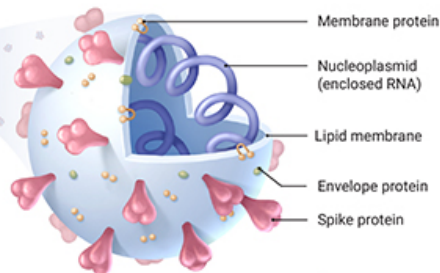
Gas Exchange

Each sac of air, or alveolus, is wrapped with capillaries where red blood cells release **carbon dioxide** (CO₂) and pick up **oxygen** (O₂). Two alveolar cells facilitate gas exchange; **Type I** cells are thin enough that the oxygen passes right through, and **Type II** cells secrete **surfactant** – a substance that lines the alveolus and prevents it from collapsing.



Infected

SARS-CoV-2 Structure

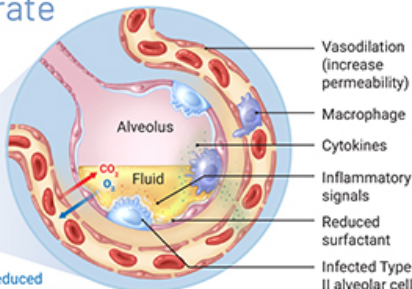


Viral Infection

The spike proteins covering the coronavirus bind ACE2 receptors primarily on type II alveolar cells, allowing the virus to inject its RNA. The RNA "hijacks" the cell, telling it to assemble many more copies of the virus and release them into the alveolus. The host cell is destroyed in this process and the new coronaviruses infect neighbouring cells.



Moderate



Reduced gas exchange

Stay Home

Symptoms may start to show (e.g. dry cough, fever, etc.)

Pneumonia develops

Shortness of breath

Hospitalization

Dangerous for high-risk individuals; secondary infections may occur

Intensive Care (ICU)

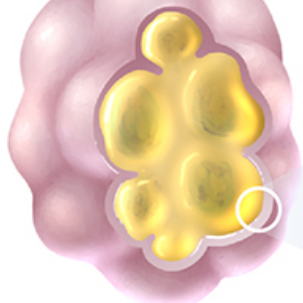
Patients may require ventilators and life-support

Complications unrelated to COVID-19 may occur

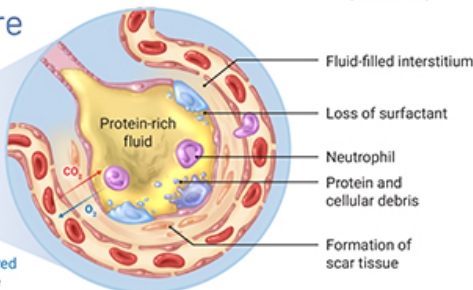
With proper care, patients may recover at any point during this process

Immune Response

- 1 After infection, Type II cells release **inflammatory signals** that recruit **macrophages** (immune cells).
- 2 Macrophages release **cytokines** that cause vasodilation, which allows more immune cells to come to the site of injury and exit the capillary.
- 3 Fluid accumulates inside the alveolus.
- 4 The fluid dilutes the surfactant which triggers the onset of alveolar collapse, decreasing gas exchange and increasing the work of breathing.
- 5 **Neutrophils** are recruited to the site of infection and release Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS) to destroy infected cells.
- 6 Type I and II cells are destroyed, leading to the collapse of the alveolus and causing **Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS)**.
- 7 If inflammation becomes severe, the protein-rich fluid can enter the bloodstream and travel elsewhere in the body, causing **Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS)**.
- 8 SIRS may lead to **septic shock** and **multi-organ failure**, which can have fatal consequences.



Severe



Greatly hindered gas exchange

Impaired Gas Exchange

When the immune system attacks the area of infection it also kills healthy alveolar cells. This results in three things that hinder gas exchange:

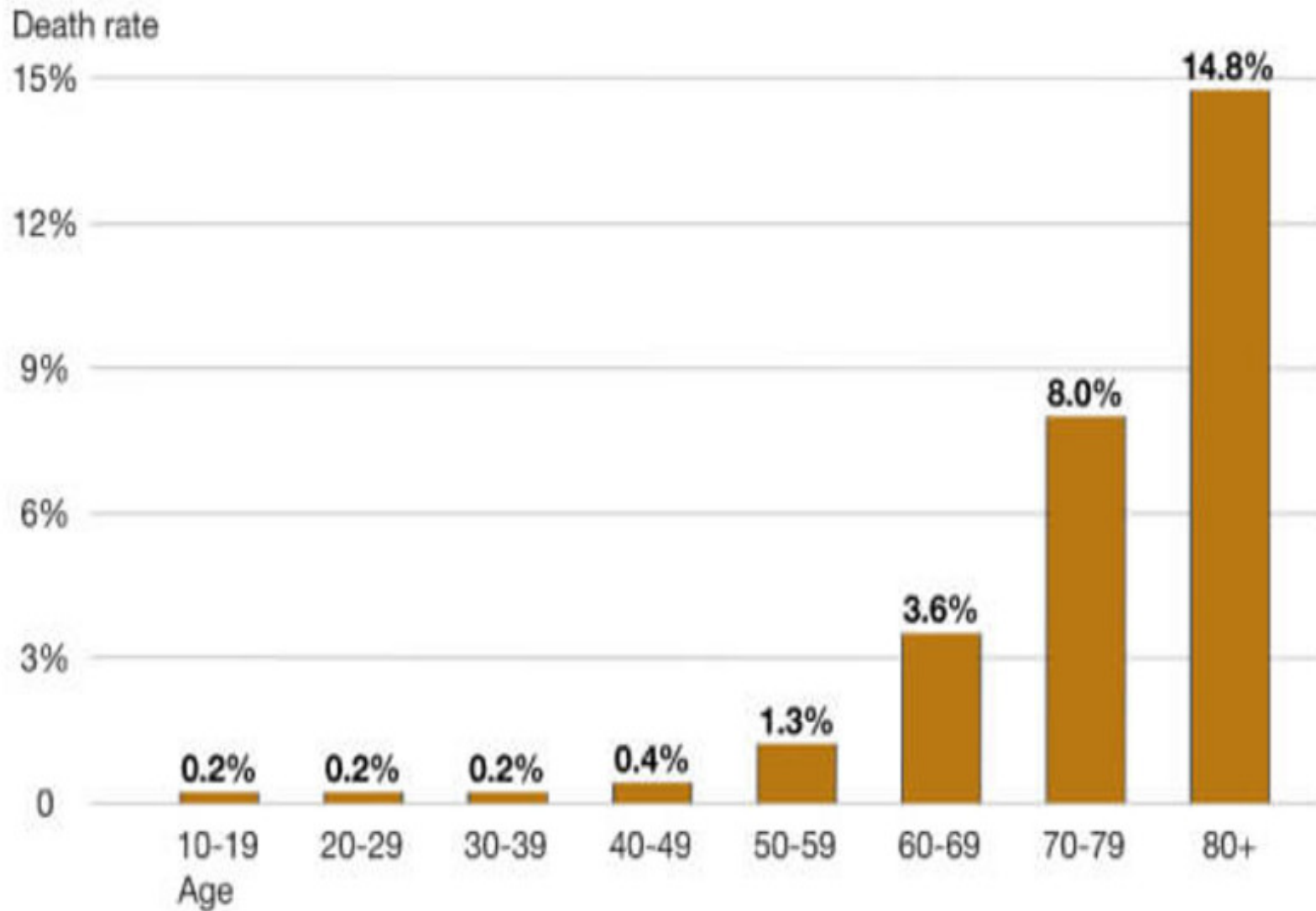
- 1) Alveolar collapse due to loss of surfactant from Type II cells
- 2) Less oxygen enters the bloodstream due to lack of Type I cells
- 3) More fluid enters the alveolus

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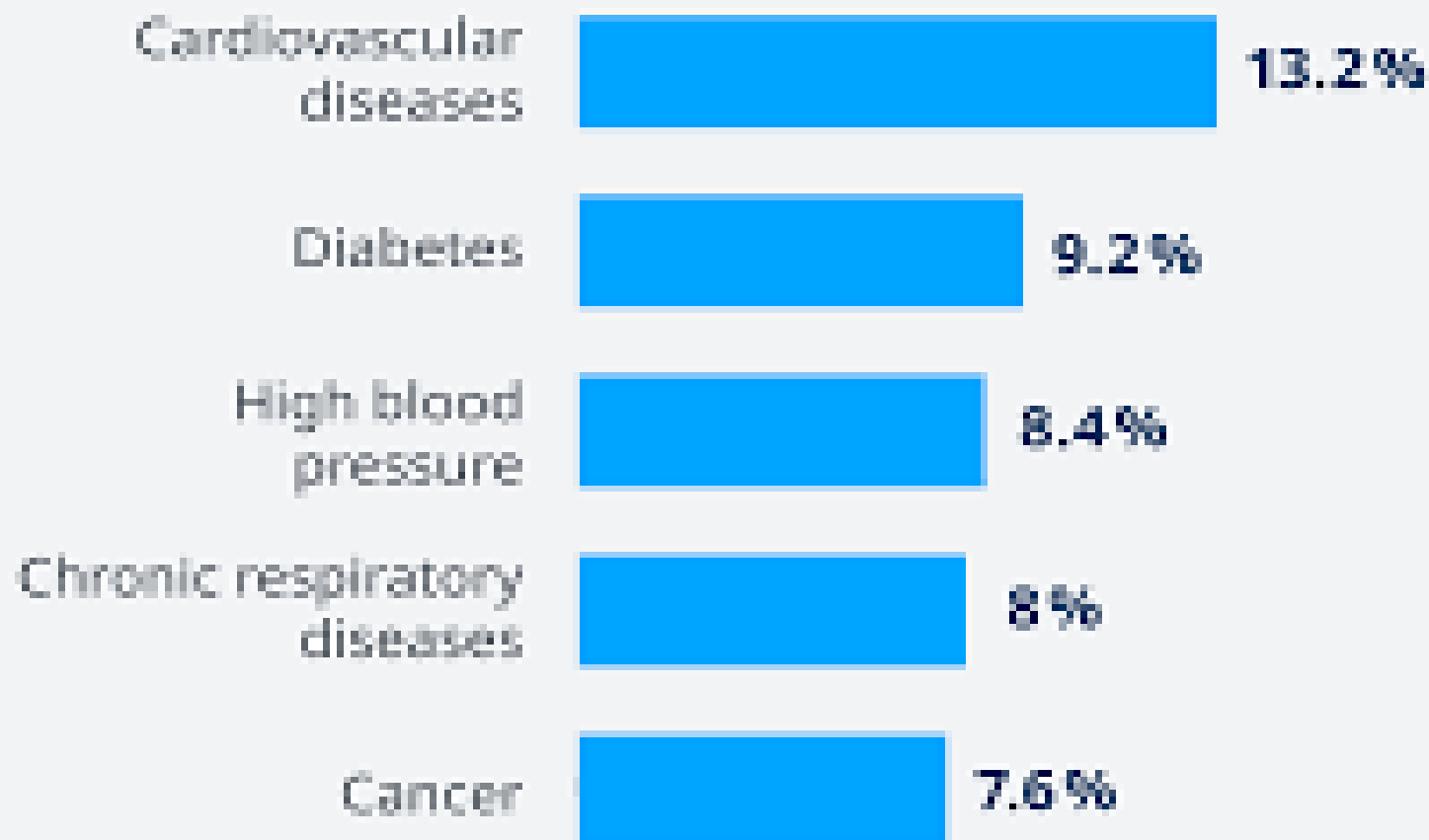
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- Ubiquitous *inflammation of lungs*, with *hypoxemic respiratory failure*
- High risk of secondary ***multi-organ injury***, especially kidneys, heart, GI tract and brain, beyond the lungs

COVID-19 Fatality Rate by AGE



SARS-CoV-2 mortality rate after previous illness



Source: WHO | China, February 2020

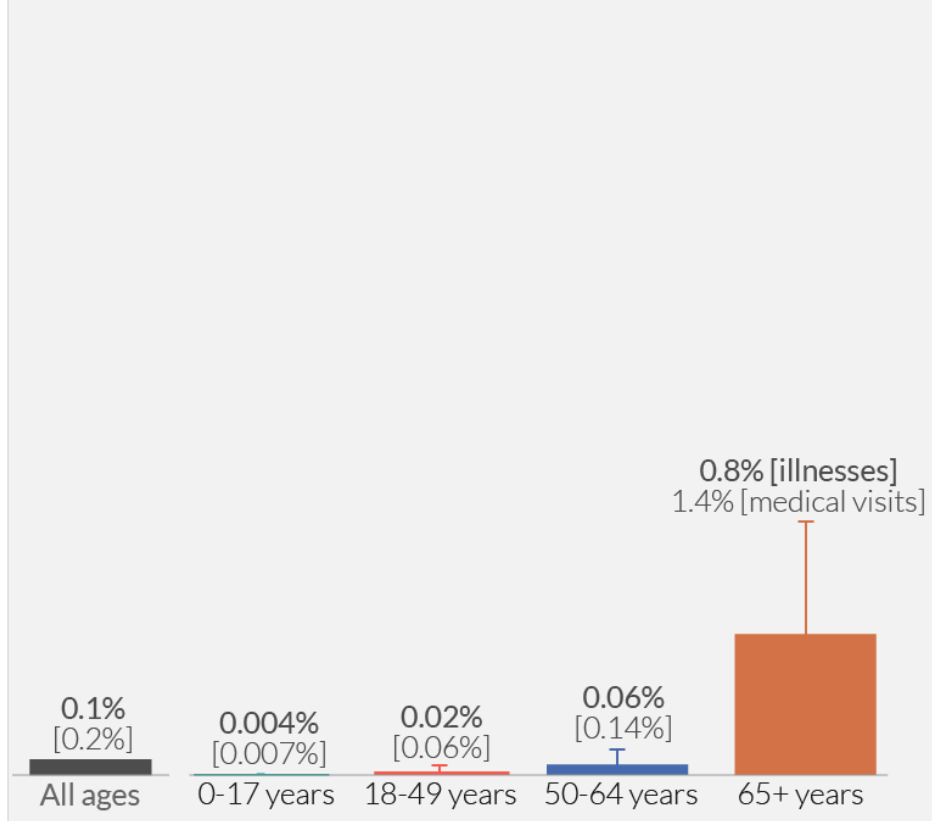
Case fatality rates: COVID-19 vs. US Seasonal Flu

Case fatality rate (CFR) is specific to a location and time. It is calculated by dividing the total number of deaths from a disease by the number of confirmed cases.

Seasonal Flu

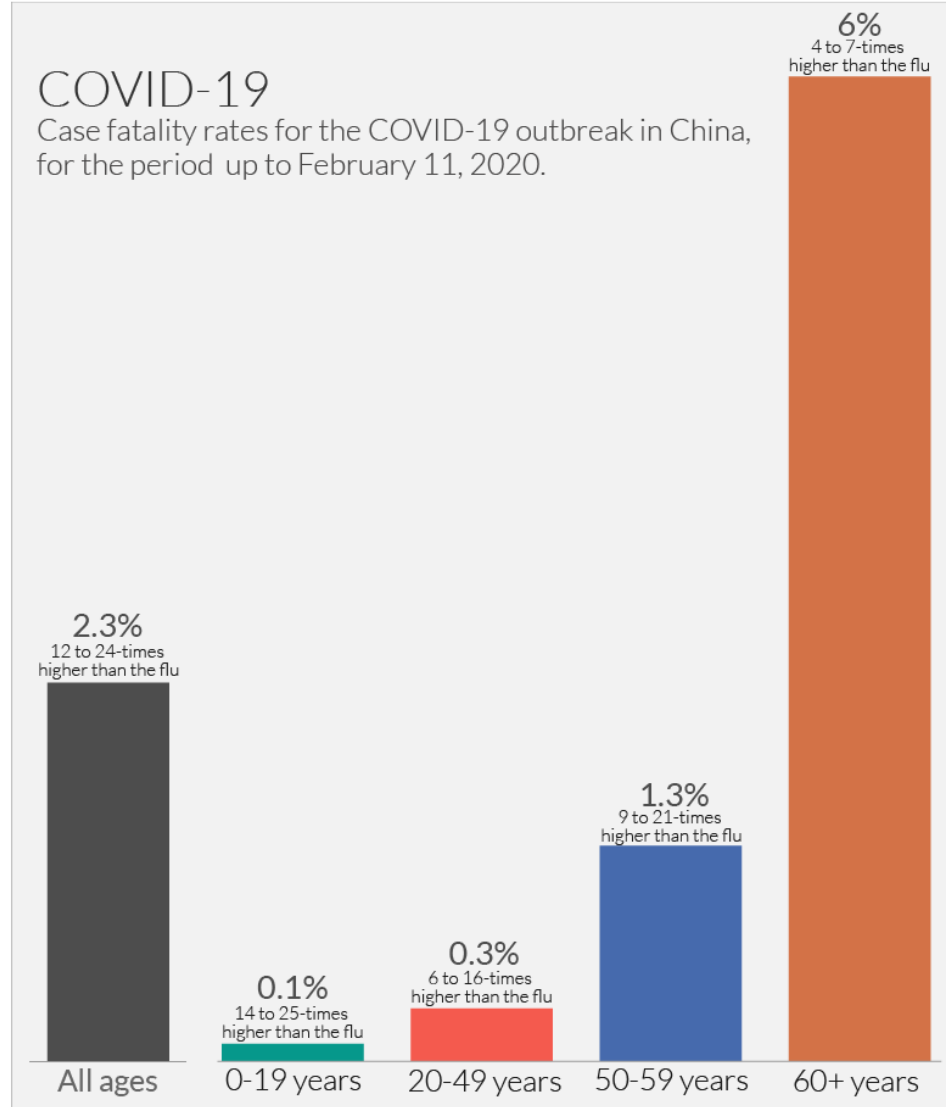
Case fatality rates for the influenza season 2018-19 in the USA.

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COVID-19

Case fatality rates for the COVID-19 outbreak in China, for the period up to February 11, 2020.



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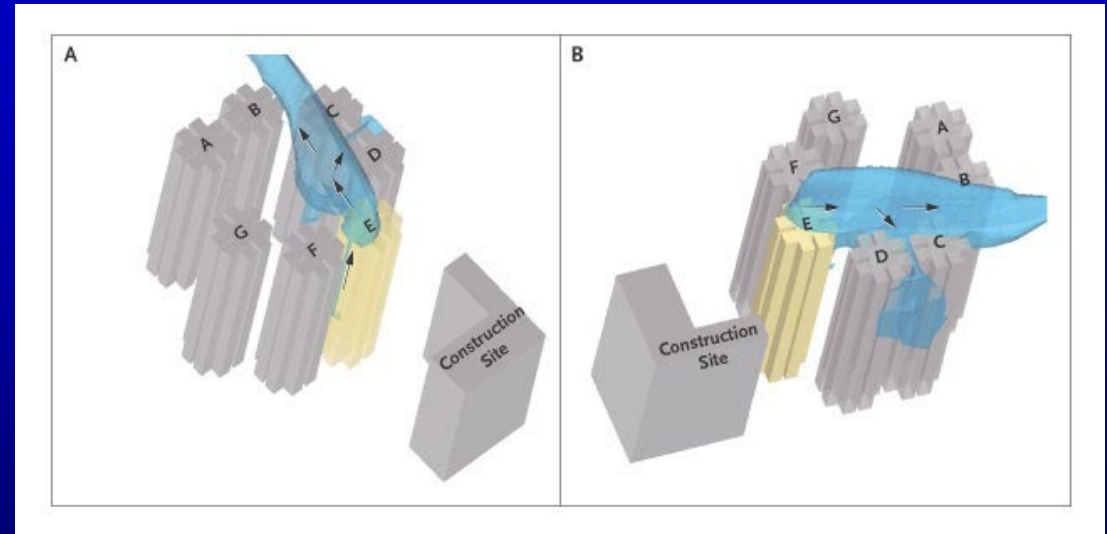
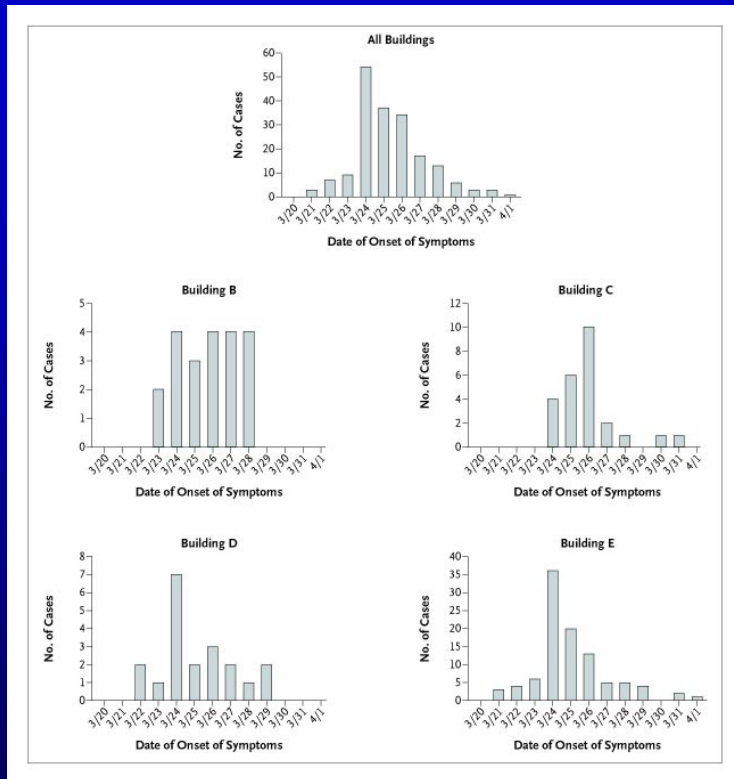
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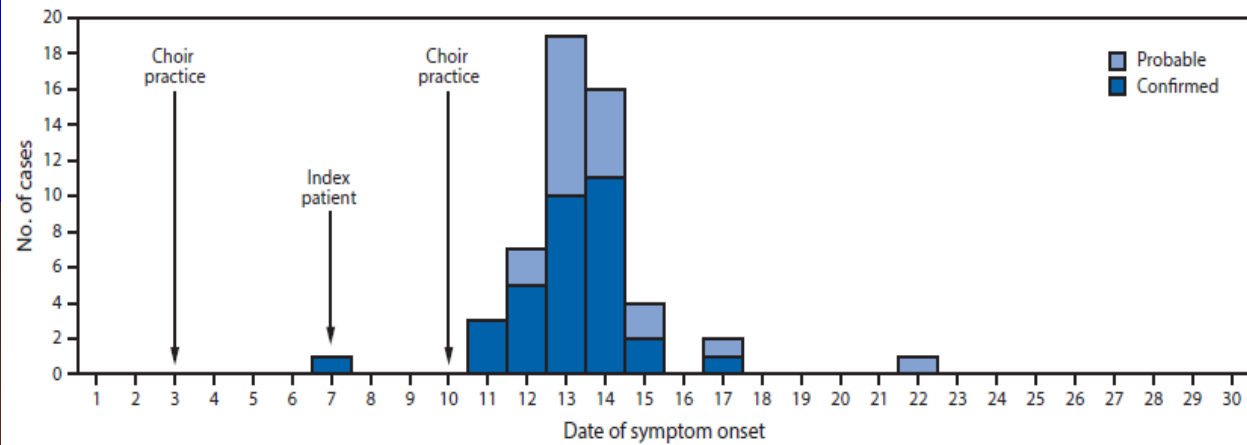
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FIGURE. Confirmed* and probable† cases of COVID-19 associated with two choir practices, by date of symptom onset (N=53) — Skagit County, Washington, March 2020

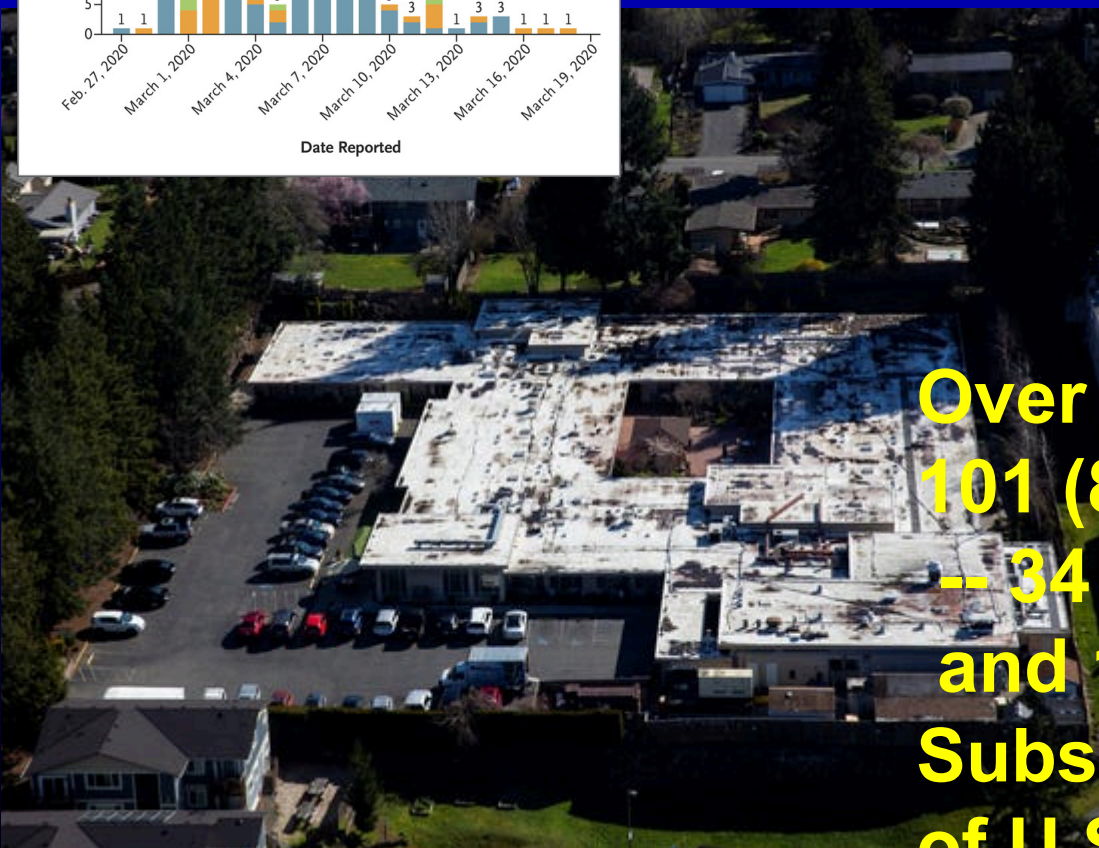
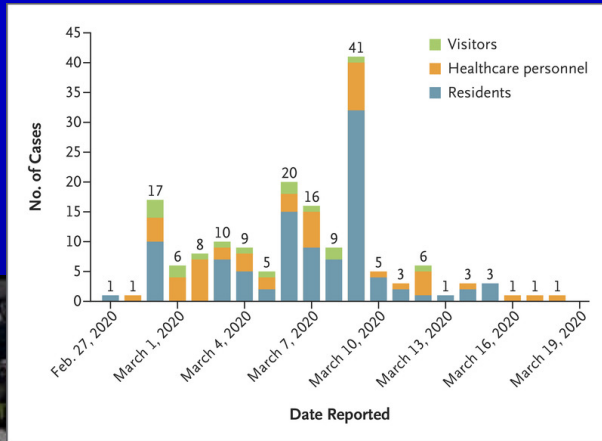


**Within 1 week,
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Over 10 days, COVID-19 in 101 (89%) of 117 residents -- 34 dying -- 50 HCWs and 16 visitors infected. Subsequently, thousands of U.S. nursing home outbreaks

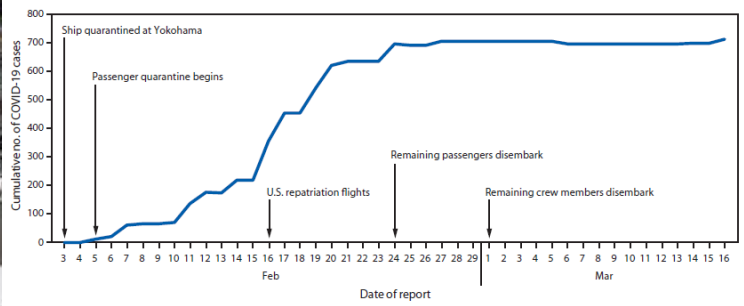
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Overall 700 passengers became infected, 300 passengers quarantined in their cabins developed COVID-19 without any contact with the crew or other passengers



FIGURE 1. Cumulative number of confirmed coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases* by date of detection — Diamond Princess cruise ship, Yokohama, Japan, February 3—March 16, 2020



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AN EXTRAORDINARY CHURCH OUTBREAK OF COVID-19



Of 92 attendees at an Arkansas church service, 35 (38%) acquired COVID-19 from two minimally symptomatic members, 3 died, 26 additional citizens in the community became secondarily infected

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Coronavirus [COVID-19]: the severity of diagnosed cases in China

Descriptions of 44,415 confirmed cases of COVID-19 nationwide in China.

Included are confirmed cases in the early period of the outbreak of the disease up to February 11, 2020.

2.3% of all cases died

1,023 of the 44,415 infected people, for which the breakdown is shown on the right, died. The case fatality rate is therefore 2.3%.

5% Critical cases

Critical cases include patients who suffered respiratory failure, septic shock, and/or multiple organ dysfunction/failure.

14% Severe cases

Severe cases include patients suffer from shortness of breath, respiratory frequency ≥ 30 /minute, blood oxygen saturation $\leq 93\%$, PaO₂/FiO₂ ratio < 300 , and/or lung infiltrates $> 50\%$ within 24–48 hours.

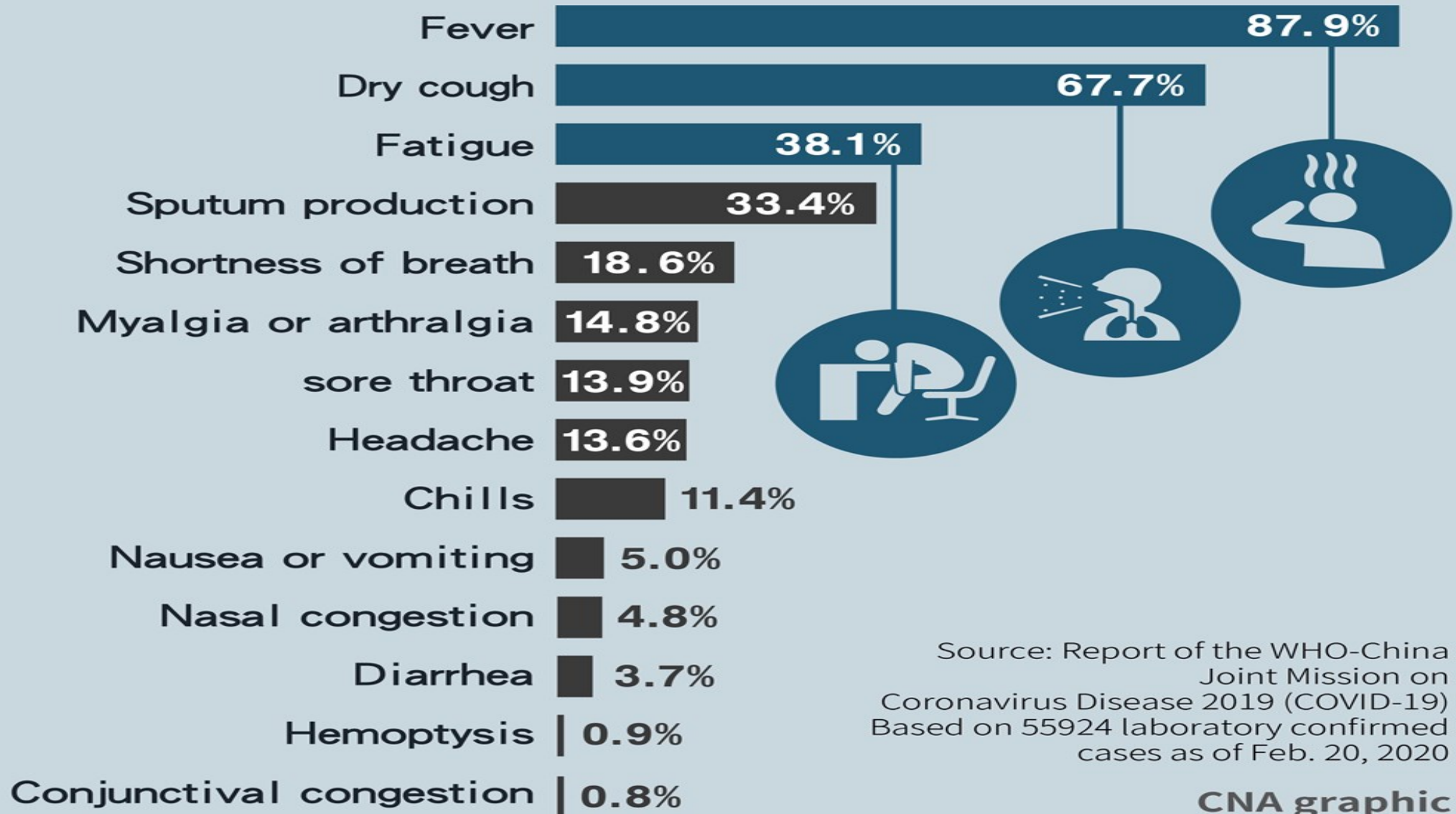
81% Mild cases

Mild cases include all patients without pneumonia or cases of mild pneumonia.

Cases that were not identified and not diagnosed

Data source: Novel Coronavirus Pneumonia Emergency Response Epidemiology Team. *Vital surveillances: the epidemiological characteristics of an outbreak of 2019 novel coronavirus diseases (COVID-19)—China, 2020.* China CDC Weekly. Case counts: 36,160 mild cases; 6,168 severe cases; 2,087 critical cases.

Typical symptoms of COVID-19



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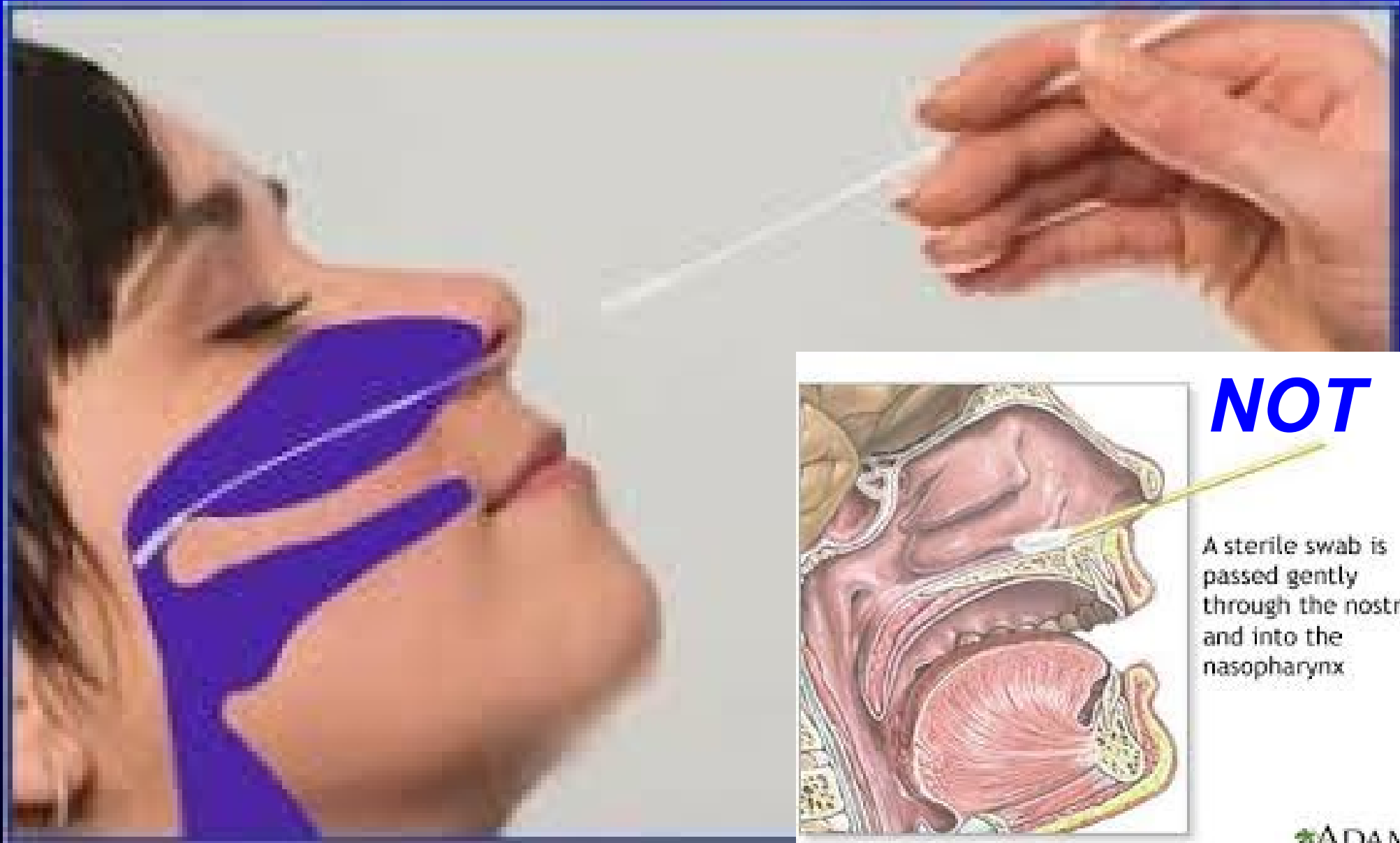
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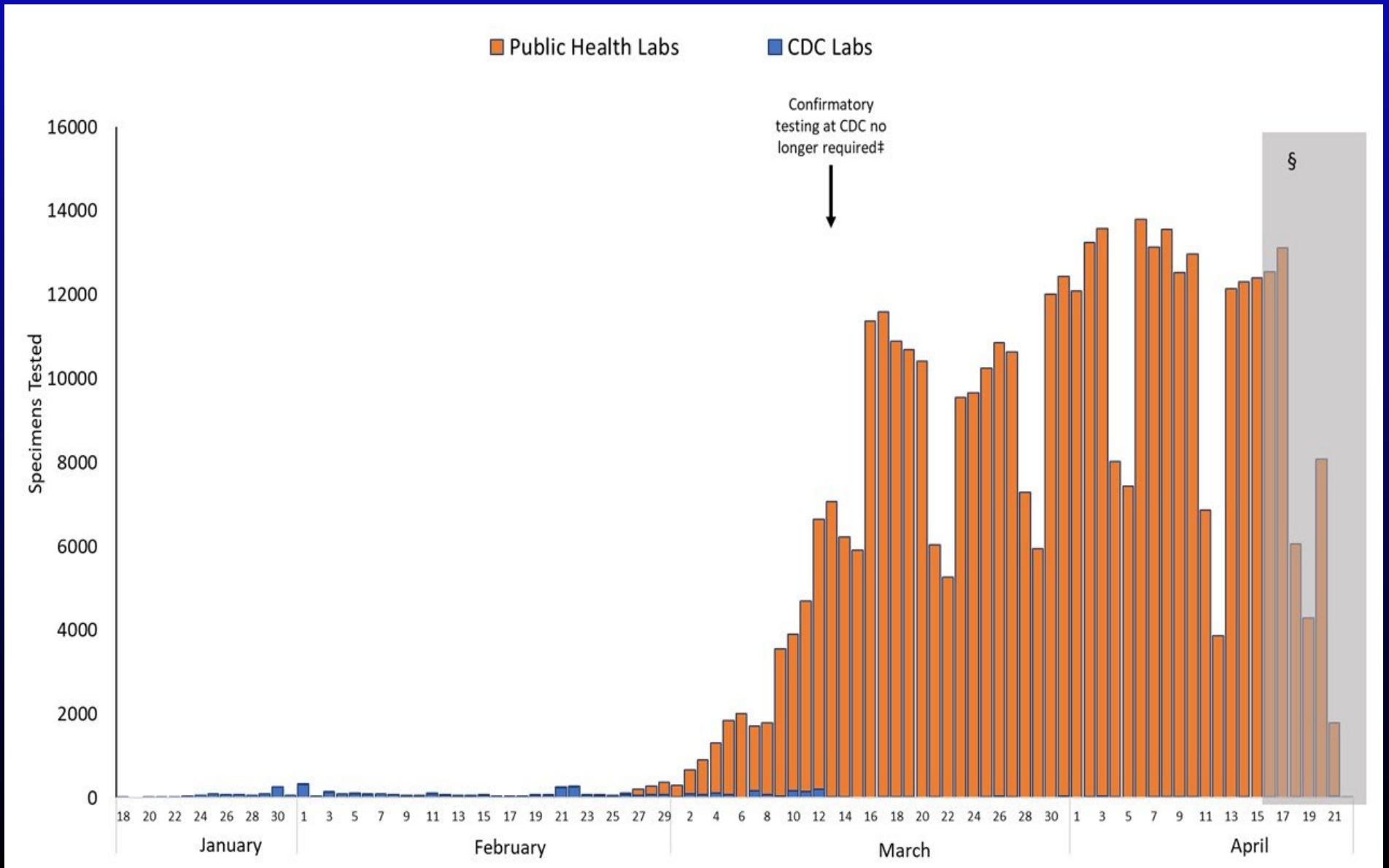
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A Proper Nasopharyngeal Swabbing for PCR



COVID-19 PCR TESTING IN THE U.S.

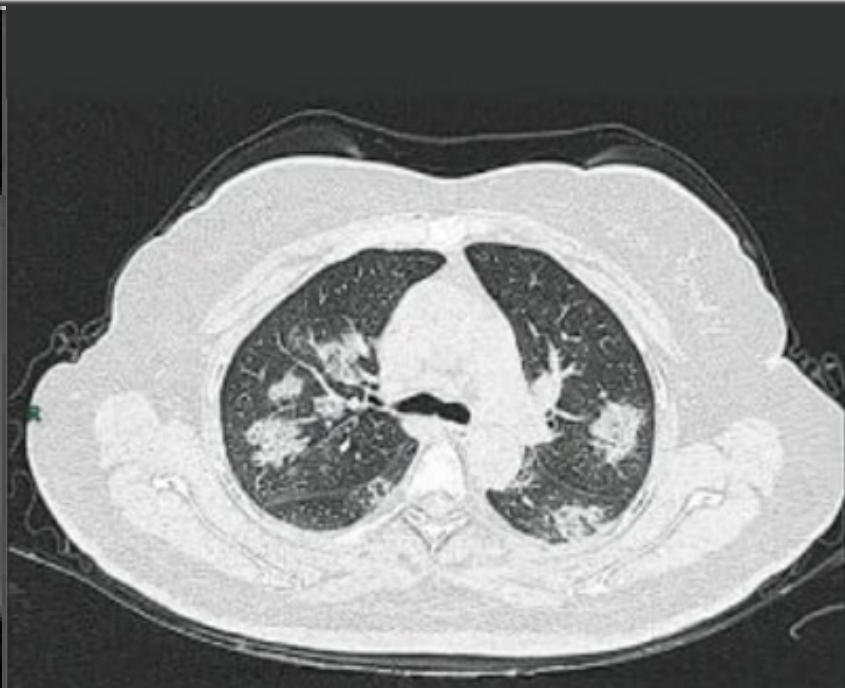
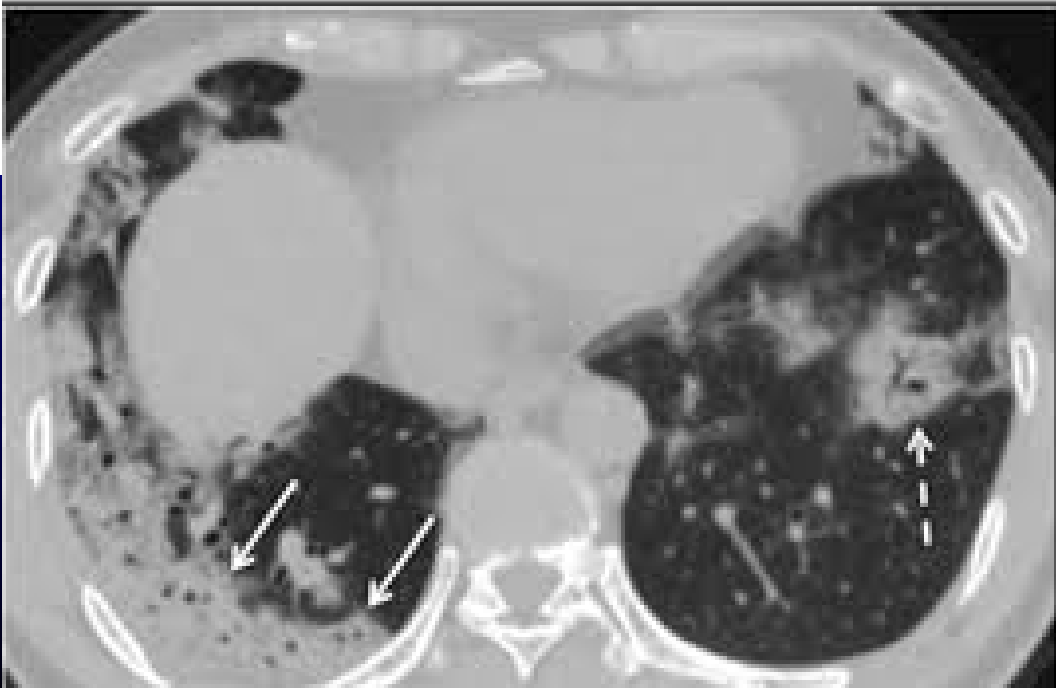




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Positive ~5 d (IgM) and ~14 d (IgG) illness.

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POTENTIAL CANDIDATES FOR ANTIVIRAL THERAPY FOR COVID-19

A number of drugs have *in vitro* activity against SARS-CoV and SARS-CoV-2 or may prove effective in modulating the severe SIRS:

Lopinavir-ritonavir

Hydroxychloroquine
with/without Azithro

Ramdesivir

Favipiravir, Umifenivir

Brilacidin

Kevzara

Camestat mesylate

Biologics

Corticosteroids

Colchicine

Convalescent plasma

Monoclonal Ab

G-CSF

Interferon alpha/beta

Tocilizumab

JAK 2 inhibitors

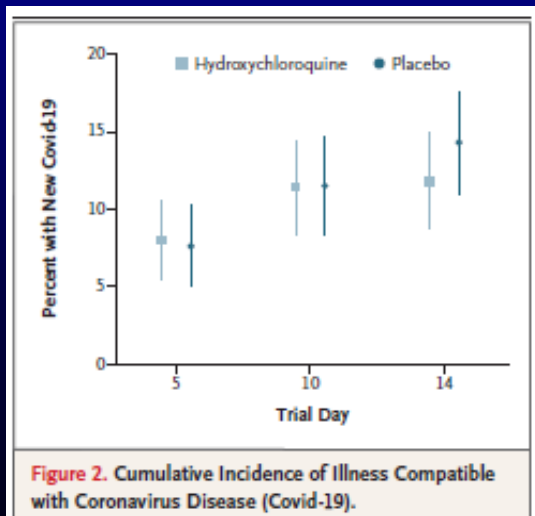
TWO (OF 4) NEGATIVE RCTs OF HYDROXYCHLOROQUINE FOR PREVENTION OR TREATMENT OF COVID-19

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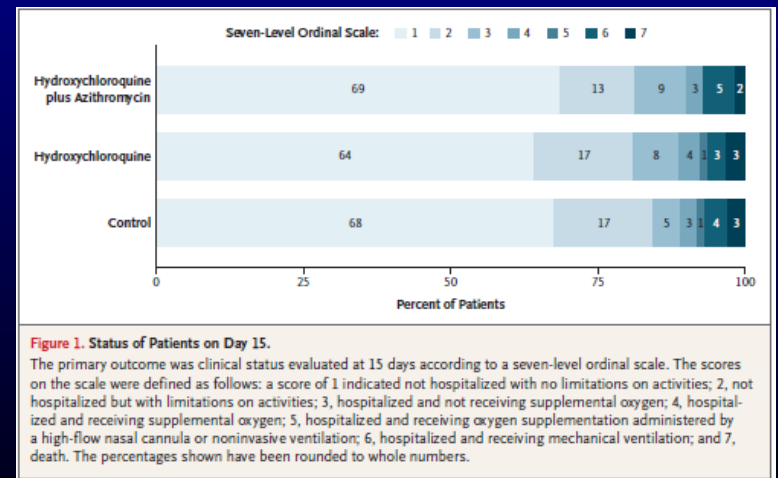


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RANDOMIZED MULTICENTER CLINICAL TRIALS OF RAMDESIVIR FOR TREATMENT OF COVID-19

Wang et al. *Lancet* 2020

- No. patients 237**
- Mean time to clinical improvement
21 d vs 23 d
P = NS**
- Mortality (%) at 28 days
14% vs 13%
P = NS**

Beigel et al. *NEJM* 2020

- No. patients 1059**
- Mean time to clinical improvement
11 d vs 15 d
P < 0.001**
- Mortality at 28 days
7.1% vs 11.9%
P = 0.06**

Effectiveness of convalescent plasma therapy in severe COVID-19 patients

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Currently, there are no approved specific antiviral agents for novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). In this study, 10 severe patients confirmed by real-time viral RNA test were enrolled prospectively. One dose of 200 mL of convalescent plasma (CP) derived from recently recovered donors with the neutralizing antibody titers above 1:640 was transfused to the patients as an addition to maximal supportive care and antiviral agents. The primary endpoint was the safety of CP transfusion. The second endpoints were the improvement of clinical symptoms and laboratory parameters within 3 d after CP transfusion. The median time from onset of illness to CP transfusion was 16.5 d. After CP transfusion, the level of neutralizing antibody increased rapidly up to 1:640 in five cases, while that of the other four cases maintained at a high level (1:640). The clinical symptoms were significantly improved along with increase of oxyhemoglobin saturation within 3 d. Several parameters tended to improve as compared to pretransfusion, including increased lymphocyte counts ($0.65 \times 10^9/L$ vs. $0.76 \times 10^9/L$) and decreased C-reactive protein (55.98 mg/L vs. 18.13 mg/L). Radiological examinations showed varying degrees of absorption of lung lesions within 7 d. The viral load was undetectable after transfusion in seven patients who had previous viremia. No severe adverse effects were observed. This study showed CP therapy was well tolerated and could potentially improve the clinical outcomes through neutralizing viremia in severe COVID-19 cases. The anti-

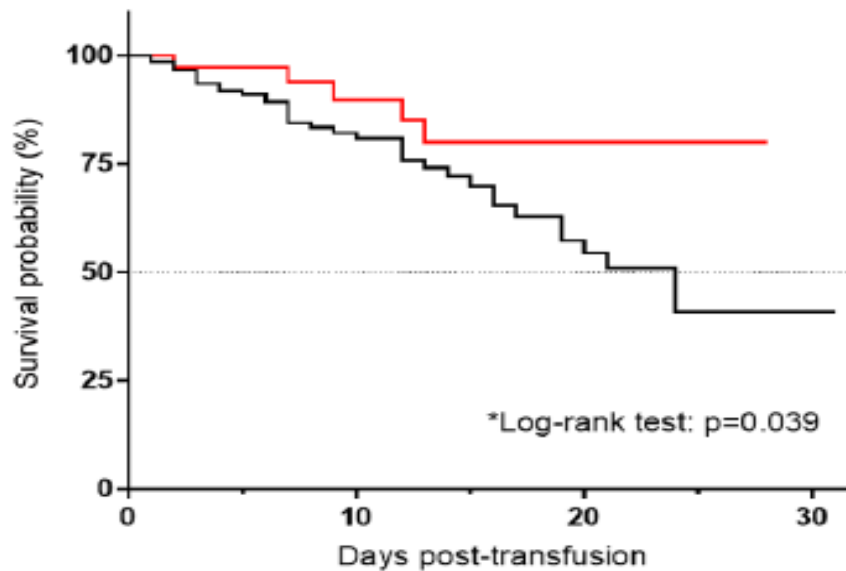
ritonavir (4, 5). Although remdesivir was reported to possess potential antiviral effect in one COVID-19 patient from the United States, randomized controlled trials of this drug are ongoing to determine its safety and efficacy (6). Moreover, the corticosteroid treatment for COVID-19 lung injury remains controversial, due to delayed clearance of viral infection and complications (7, 8). Since the effective vaccine and specific antiviral medicines are unavailable, it is an urgent need to look

Significance

COVID-19 is currently a big threat to global health. However, no specific antiviral agents are available for its treatment. In this work, we explore the feasibility of convalescent plasma (CP) transfusion to rescue severe patients. The results from 10 severe adult cases showed that one dose (200 mL) of CP was well tolerated and could significantly increase or maintain the neutralizing antibodies at a high level, leading to disappearance of viremia in 7 d. Meanwhile, clinical symptoms and paraclinical criteria rapidly improved within 3 d. Radiological examination showed varying degrees of absorption of lung lesions within 7 d. These results indicate that CP can serve as a promising rescue option for severe COVID-19, while the re-

Case-Control Study of Convalescent Plasma in Severe COVID-19

Figure 2. Survival Probability



— 1:4 Matched Controls	156	65	20	1
— Convalescent Plasma Recipients	39	22	9	0
	Numbers at Risk			

TWO *NEGATIVE* RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIALS OF CONVALESCENT PLASMA FOR COVID-19

- **Li L, Zhang W, Hu Y, et al.
Effect of Convalescent Plasma Therapy on Time to Clinical Improvement in Patients With Severe and Life-threatening COVID-19: A Randomized Clinical Trial.
JAMA. 2020;324(5):460-470.**
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RANDOMIZED MULTI-CENTER CLINICAL TRIAL OF DEXAMETHASONE FOR COVID-19

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Dexamethasone in Hospitalized Patients with Covid-19 — Preliminary Report

The RECOVERY Collaborative Group*

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Association Between Administration of Systemic Corticosteroids and Mortality Among Critically Ill Patients With COVID-19: A Meta-analysis

The WHO Rapid Evidence Appraisal for COVID-19 Therapies (RE-ACT) Working Group

Respiratory Support at Randomization

Respiratory Support at Randomization	Dexamethasone no. of events/total no. (%)	Usual Care no. of events/total no. (%)	Rate Ratio (95% CI)
Invasive mechanical ventilation	95/324 (29.3)	283/683 (41.4)	0.64 (0.51–0.81)
Oxygen only	298/1279 (23.3)	682/2604 (26.2)	0.82 (0.72–0.94)
No oxygen received	89/501 (17.8)	145/1034 (14.0)	1.19 (0.91–1.55)
All Patients	482/2104 (22.9)	1110/4321 (25.7)	0.83 (0.75–0.93)

Chi-square trend across three categories: 11.5

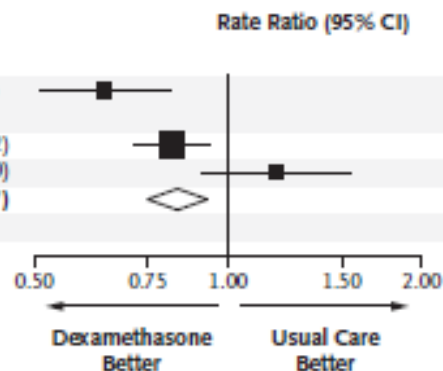
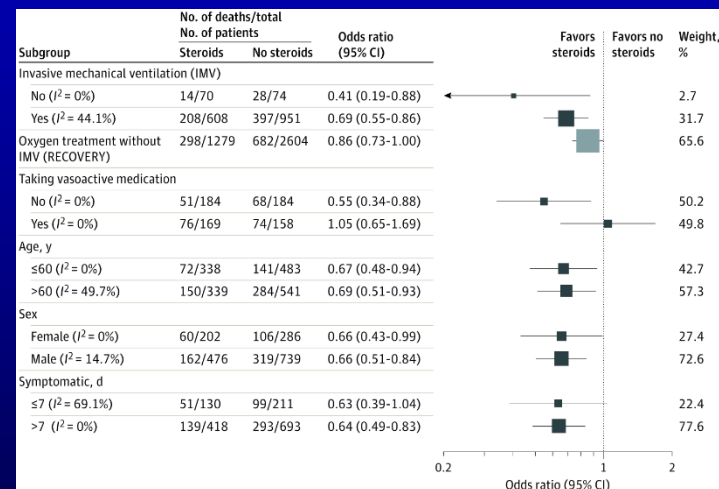


Figure 3. Effect of Dexamethasone on 28-Day Mortality, According to Respiratory Support at Randomization.

Shown are subgroup-specific rate ratios for all the patients and for those who were receiving no oxygen, receiving oxygen only, or undergoing invasive mechanical ventilation at the time of randomization. Rate ratios are plotted as squares, with the size of each square proportional to the amount of statistical information that was available; the horizontal lines represent 95% confidence intervals.



MY APPROACH TO THE MANAGEMENT OF COVID-19 IN THE TLC AND THE eICU

If hospitalized and require O₂:

- **ANTICOAGULATE** (LMWH, unfractionated Heparin drip or Apixaban)
- **RAMDESIVIR, DEXAMETHASONE, CONVALESCENT PLASMA (?)**,
- **Strive to avert intubation/ mechanical ventilation with HFnc O₂ → BiPAP**
- But if rising FIO₂ requirements and/or ↑WOB, **INTUBATE, COMMENCE CMV WITH OPTIMAL TITRATED PEEP**
- For severe hypoxemia, **VOLITIONAL PRONE MV → SEDATE → NEUROMUSCULAR BLOCKADE** (cisatracurium) **WITH PRONE CMV → NO** (or inhaled prostacycline)
- **PATIENCE**, give the patient time to improve, continue to look for alternative causes hypoxemia, PE, VAP, CHF

UWHC eICU COVID-19 ventilated ICU patient survival is ~80%



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 - Understaffing and exhaustion, get careless
 - Inadequate policies that fail to cover all routes of infection
 - Community-acquired infection

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MEDICAL MASKS FOR COVID-19



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Surgical Mask



N95 Respirator Mask



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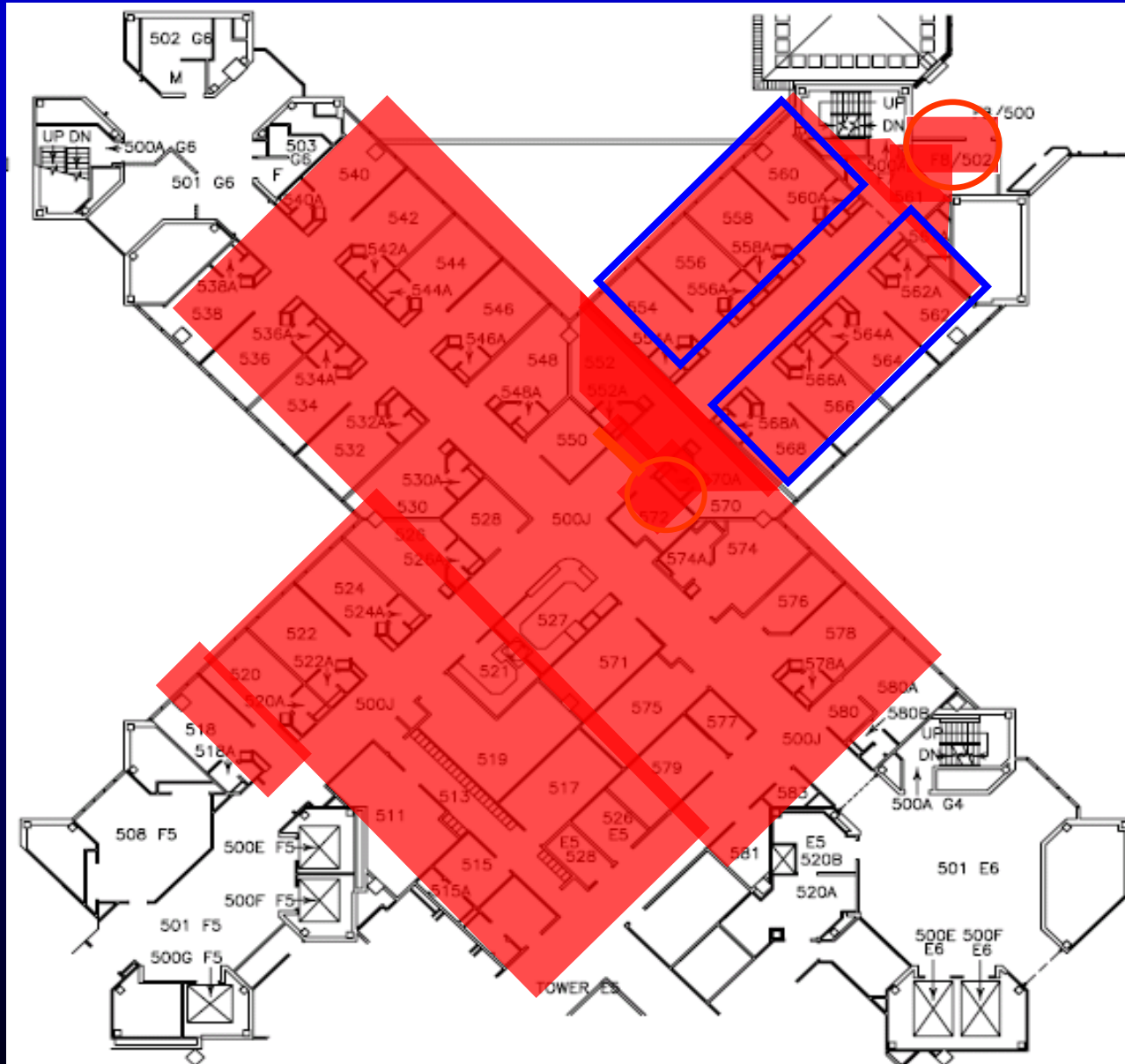
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University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics

- **We have undertaken major renovation of an inpatient medical units (F6/5) as an Emerging Pathogens surge capacity unit for emergent use.**

A 36-bed Emerging Pathogens Unit University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics



Rapid installation of hallway doors creates 10-bed cohort unit.

Nurses Station, IT and Pharmacy self-contained.

Eight rooms fitted for self-contained ICU, with capacity for monitoring and mechanical ventilation.

Entire unit has separate roofline exhaust, can be set at negative pressure,

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- In anticipation of the need to provide ICU care to these patients but still derive the benefit of cohorting and respiratory containment, **8 rooms have been equipped for ICU use: ventilator-capable, monitor-capable, with extra power outlets for additional equipment.**

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- **The availability of this unit will enable us to cohort up to 36 potentially contagious patients in a single controlled location.**
- **Cohorting of dedicated staff in this unit will minimize exposures of HCWs and other hospital patients to a potentially virulent, contagious pathogen.**

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- These rooms are *not* currently used for ICU care and will only be activated in an emergency where **containment of a dangerous, virulent pathogen is an essential priority.**
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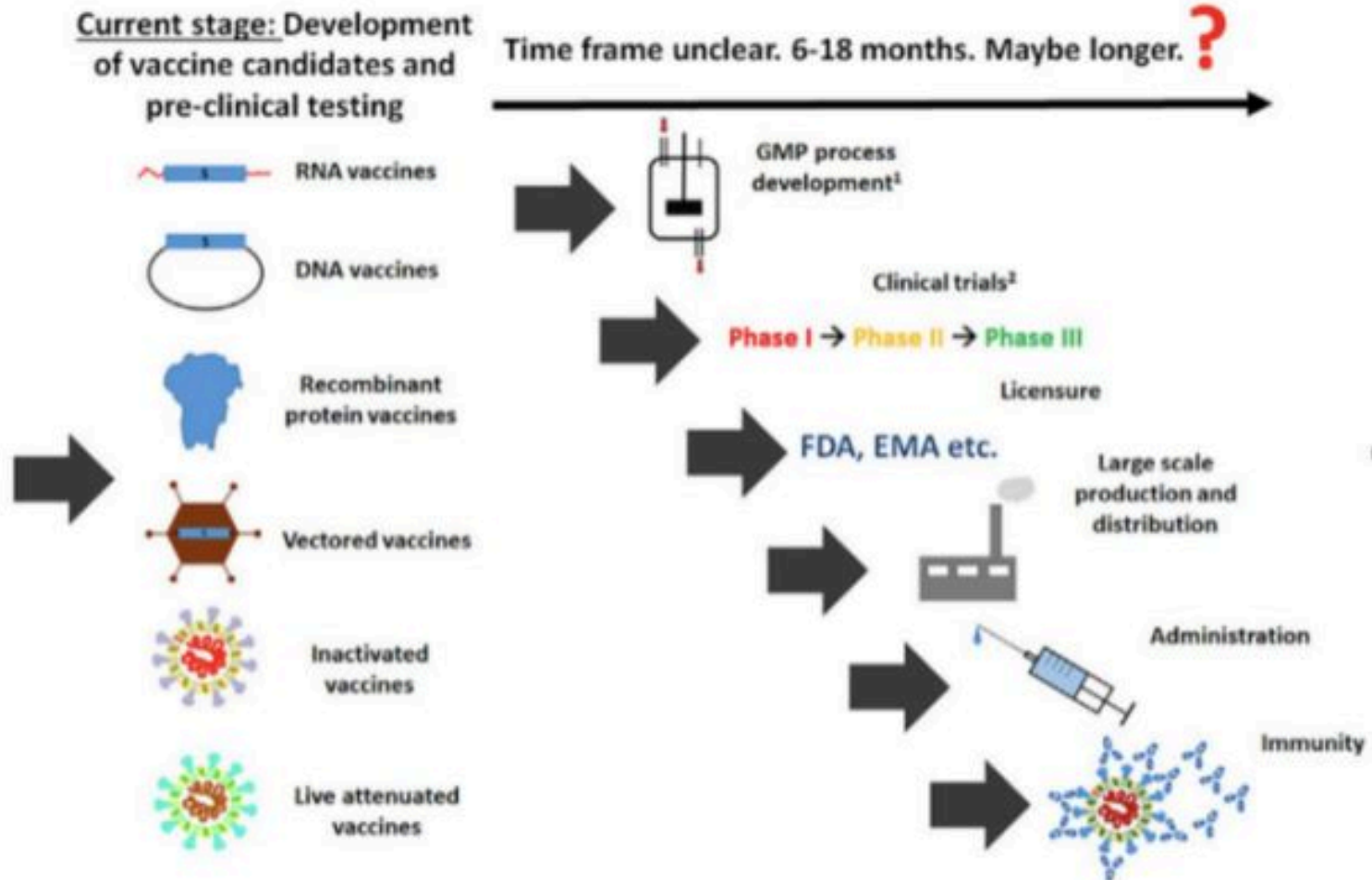


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- **mRNA-1273**: The NIH-NIAID has collaborated with Moderna to develop an RNA vaccine which encodes a spike protein of the coronavirus and on 16 March 2020, the human study in Seattle began.
 - **Ad5-nCoV**: A recombinant adenovirus vaccine manufactured by CanSino Biologics Inc. in China began recruiting subjects in Wuhan in March 2020.¹
 - **ChAdOx1 nCoV-19**: The Jenner Institute at Oxford has also developed an adenovirus vaccine and begun recruitment in March 2020.
- >100 other groups, companies actively developing a vaccine, at least 6 in Phase 3 clinical trials.**

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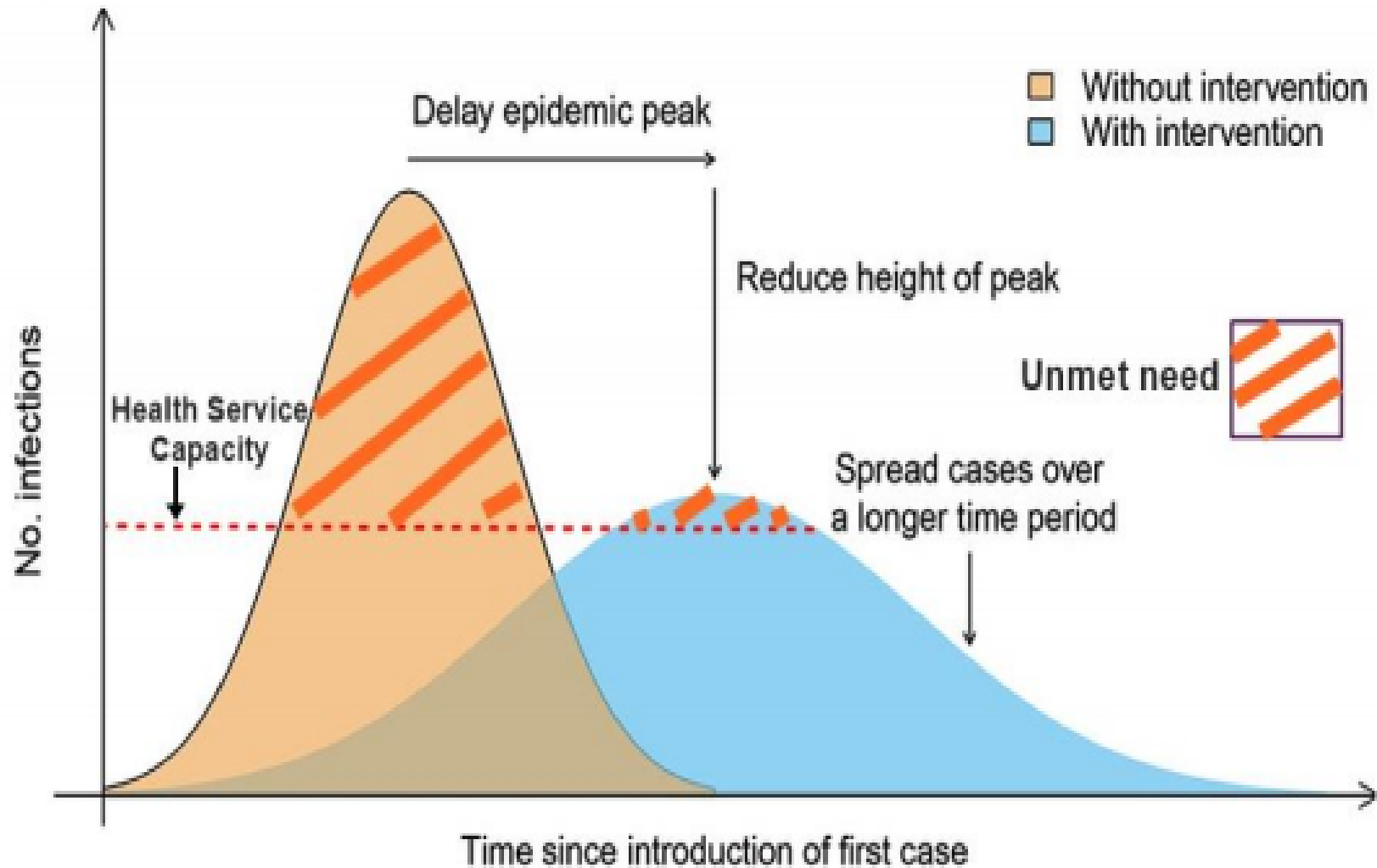


Figure 1: Intended impact of enhanced hygiene and social distancing measures on the COVID-19 pandemic adapted from Fong.⁸

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Scientists measure the Intensity of an Infectious disease by its reproduction number (R_0).

R_0 : the average number of people a sick person will infect



For **COVID-19**, this has been estimated at **2.5**

Source

To illustrate the potential of social distancing, **the following assumptions are made:**



There is a direct linear correlation between **social exposure** and R_0



The median incubation period of **COVID-19** is approximately five days—after this period, a person will experience symptoms and self quarantine

With these in mind, here's how distancing measures can control the spread of the disease:

REDUCING SOCIAL EXPOSURE BY 75%

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1 Person

INFECTS

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DAY 30



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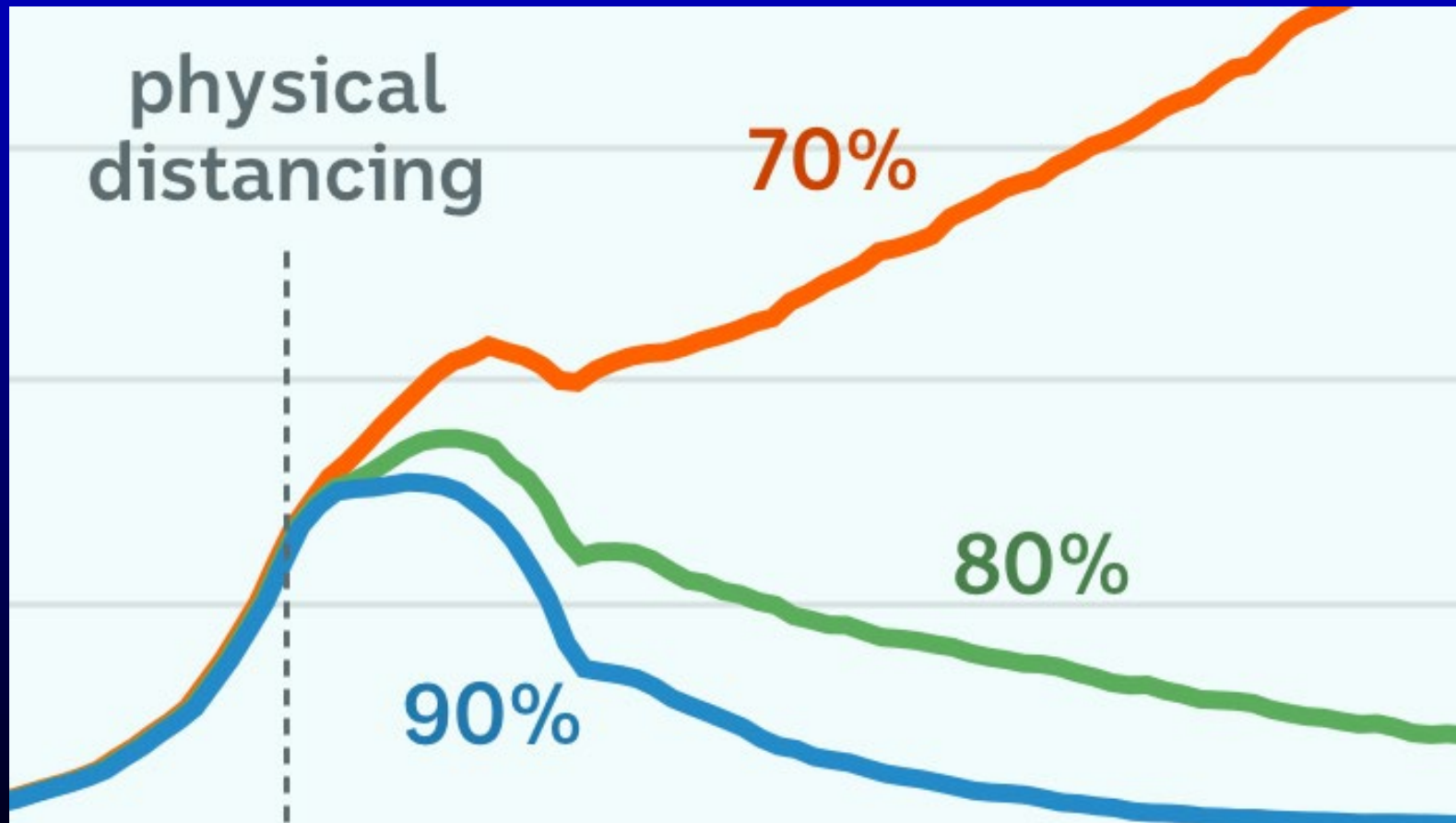


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406 People
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IN 30 DAYS



THE EFFECTIVENESS OF MITIGATION STRATEGIES IS TOTALLY DEPENDENT ON THE DEGREE OF ITS ACCEPTANCE AND PRACTICE BY THE PUBLIC



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UNIVERSAL MASKING IN PUBLIC



- Masking in public clearly reduces spread:

Not masking a lot

Growth of covid-19, by country or region
First 60 days after reaching 30 confirmed cases

Region/country	Total cases	Avg. daily growth rate, %	Measures taken
Beijing	558	4.7	Lockdown, masks
Hong Kong	989	5.6	Masks
Japan	4,618	6.9	Masks
S. Korea	10,635	10.3	Masks
Germany	158,758	14.5	Lockdown
France	164,589	15.0	Lockdown
Britain	171,253	15.2	Lockdown
America	903,882	17.7	Lockdown

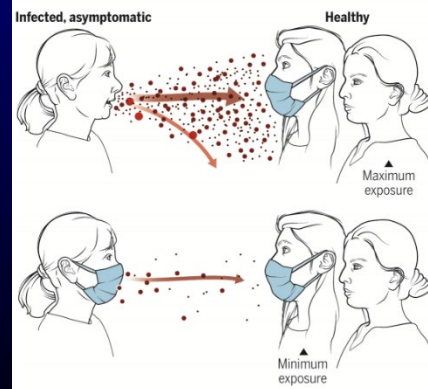
Sources: De Kai et al.; Johns Hopkins University CSSE; The Economist

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Masks reduce airborne transmission

Infectious aerosol particles can be released during breathing and speaking by asymptomatic infected individuals. No masking maximizes exposure, whereas universal masking results in the least exposure.

Particle size (μm)



- The question, **might medical masking, even N95 masking, reduce spread much more effectively?**

Masking may be the Most Effective Community Measure for Preventing Spread of COVID-19

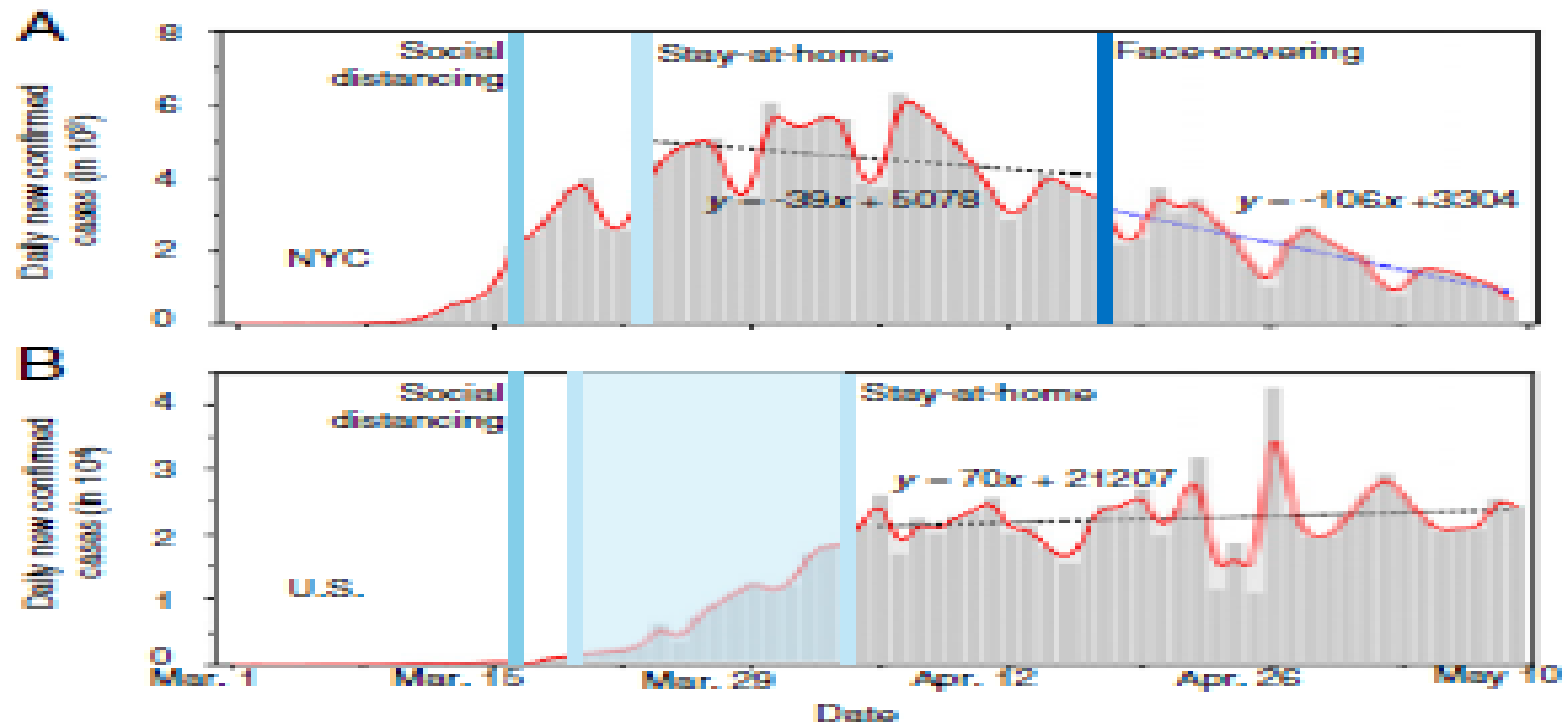


Fig. 3. Contrasting the trends of new infections between NYC and the United States. Daily new confirmed infections in (A) NYC and (B) the United States. The dotted lines represent linear fitting to the data between April 17 and May 9 in NYC and between April 4 and May 9 in the United States. In B, the number in NYC was subtracted from that in the United States. The vertical lines label the dates for social distancing, stay-at-home orders, and mandated face-covering.

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ABSTRACT State policies mandating public or community use of face masks or covers in mitigating novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) spread are hotly contested. This study provides evidence from a natural experiment on effects of state government mandates in the US for face mask use in public issued by 15 states plus DC between April 8 and May 15. The research design is an event study examining changes in the daily county-level COVID-19 growth rates between March 31, 2020 and May 22, 2020. Mandating face mask use in public is associated with a decline in the daily COVID-19 growth rate by 0.9, 1.1, 1.4, 1.7, and 2.0 percentage-points in 1–5, 6–10, 11–15, 16–20, and 21+ days after signing, respectively. Estimates suggest as many as 230,000–450,000 COVID-19 cases possibly averted By May 22, 2020 by these mandates. The findings suggest that requiring face mask use in public might help in mitigating COVID-19 spread. [*Editor’s Note: This Fast Track Ahead Of Print article is the accepted version of the peer-reviewed manuscript. The final edited version will appear in an upcoming issue of Health Affairs.*]

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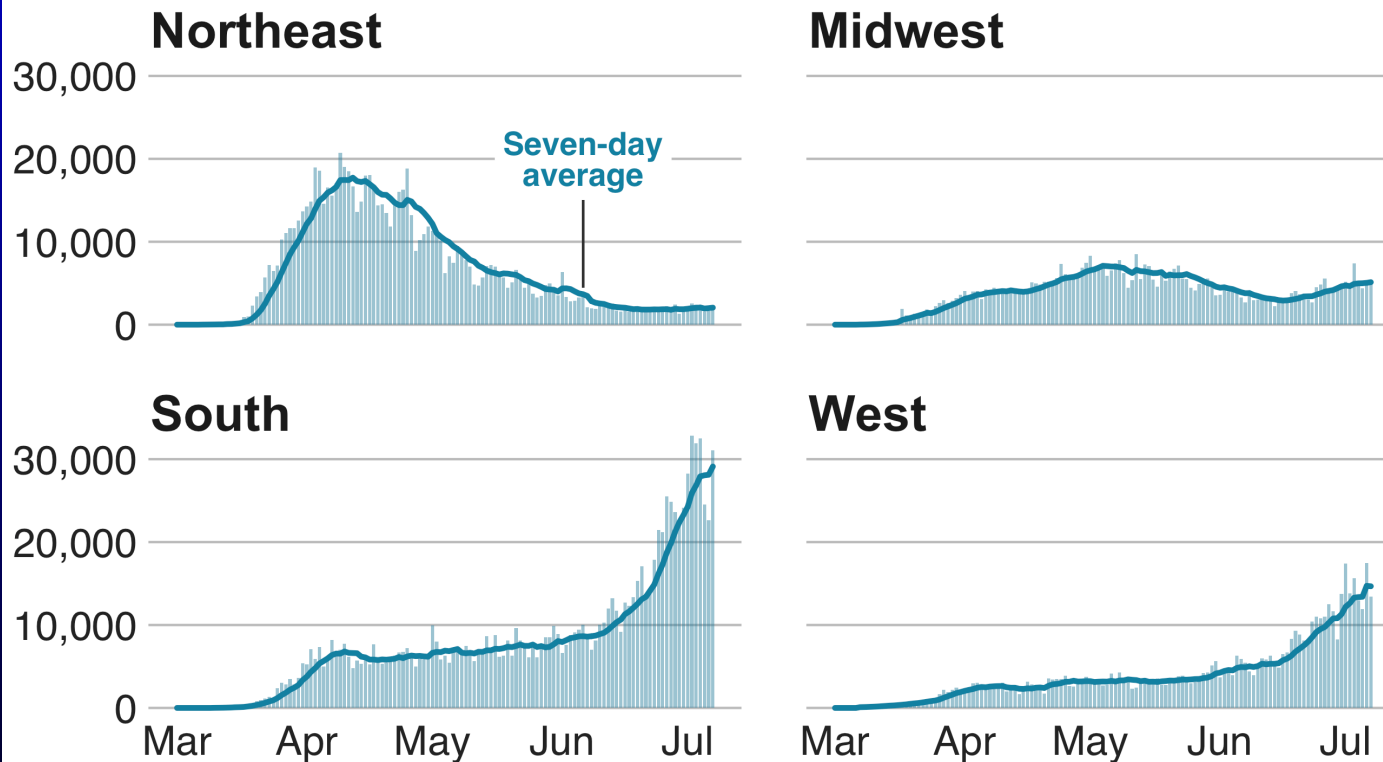
Medical masks, N95s or PAPRs for HCWs, meat/poultry processors

Possibly, **PCR screening** prior to return to the workplace and weekly

VARYING SUCCESS OF U.S. REGIONS IN CONTROL OF COVID-19

Stark regional differences in US

Number of daily coronavirus cases by region



Source: COVID Tracking Project data, using Census Bureau regions



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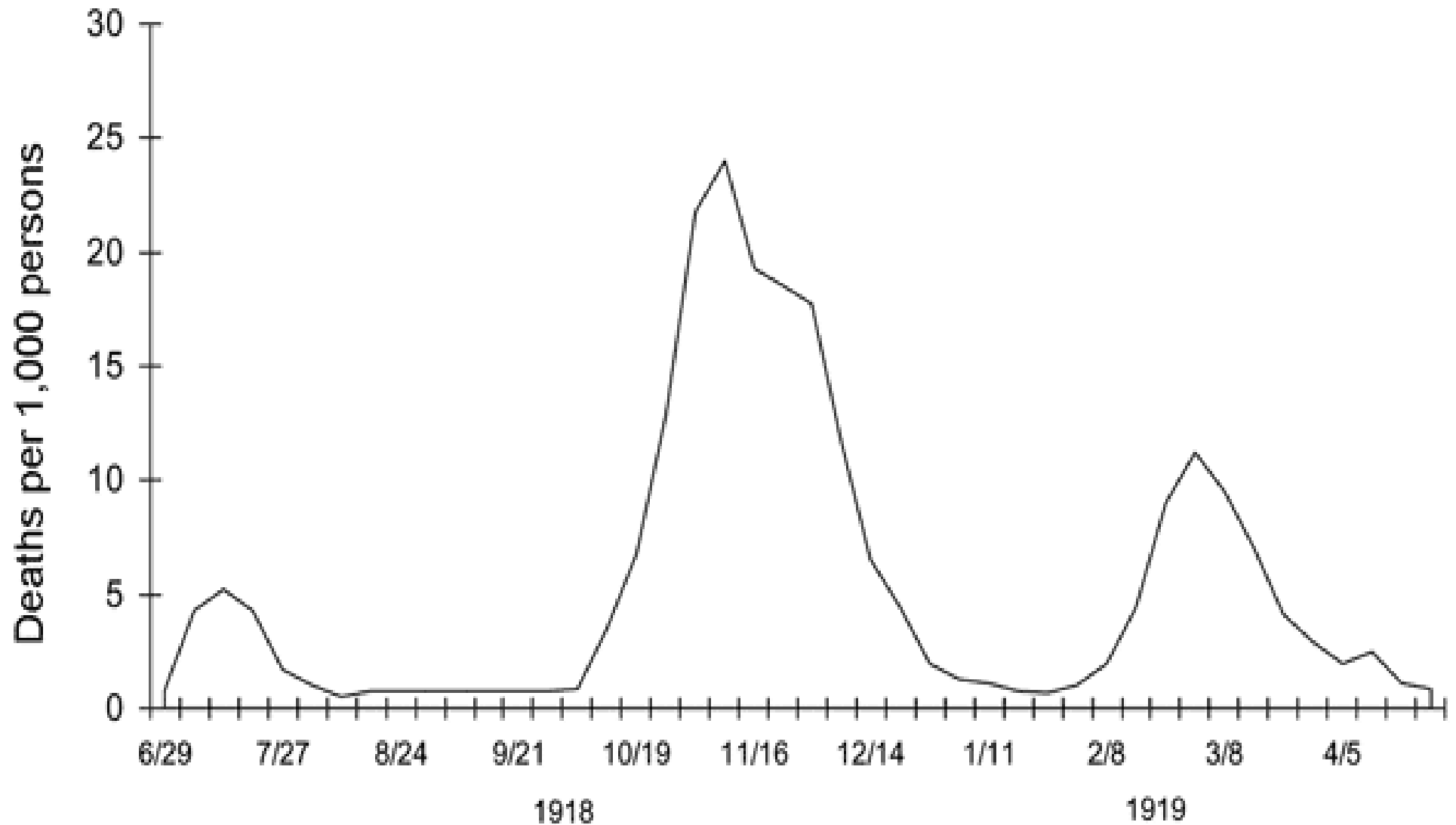
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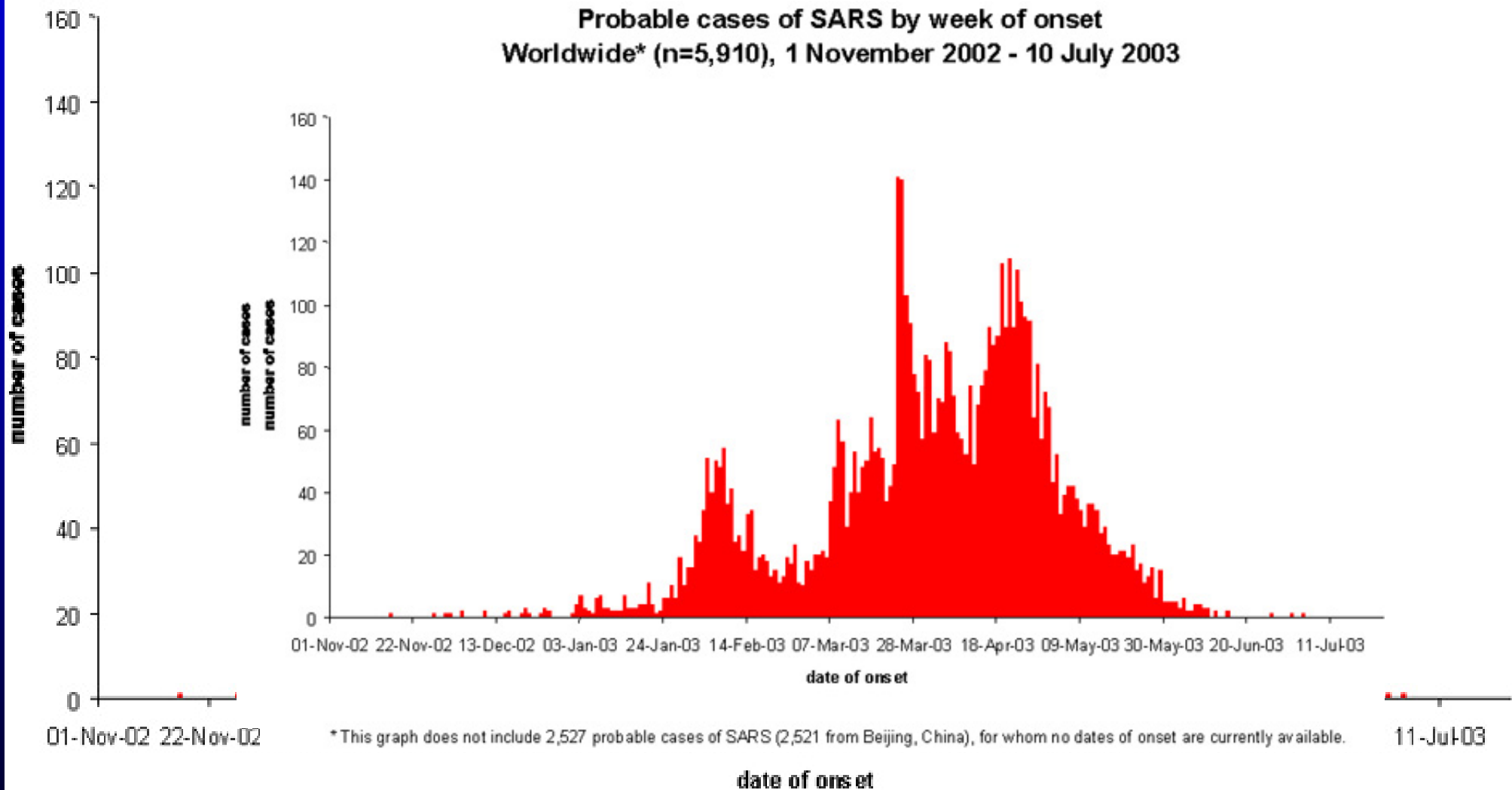
Goals: To Understand

- An outbreak of SARS-like Coronavirus Infection in Wuhan, China
- The extraordinary global spread of COVID-19 since January 2020
- The biology of coronaviruses
- Endemic human coronavirus infection
- What's new? *The 3rd Coronavirus pandemic of the 20th Century!*
- Pathophysiology and epidemiology of COVID-19
- Clinical features of COVID-19 and its laboratory diagnosis
- Management of COVID-19. Is there any role for antiviral therapy?
- The challenge of protecting healthcare providers
- Prevention of COVID-19 and prospects for a vaccine
- **What does the future hold? What have we learned?**

The 3 Waves of the Great Influenza Epidemic of 1918



Probable cases of SARS by week of onset Worldwide* (n=5,910), 1 November 2002 - 10 July 2003

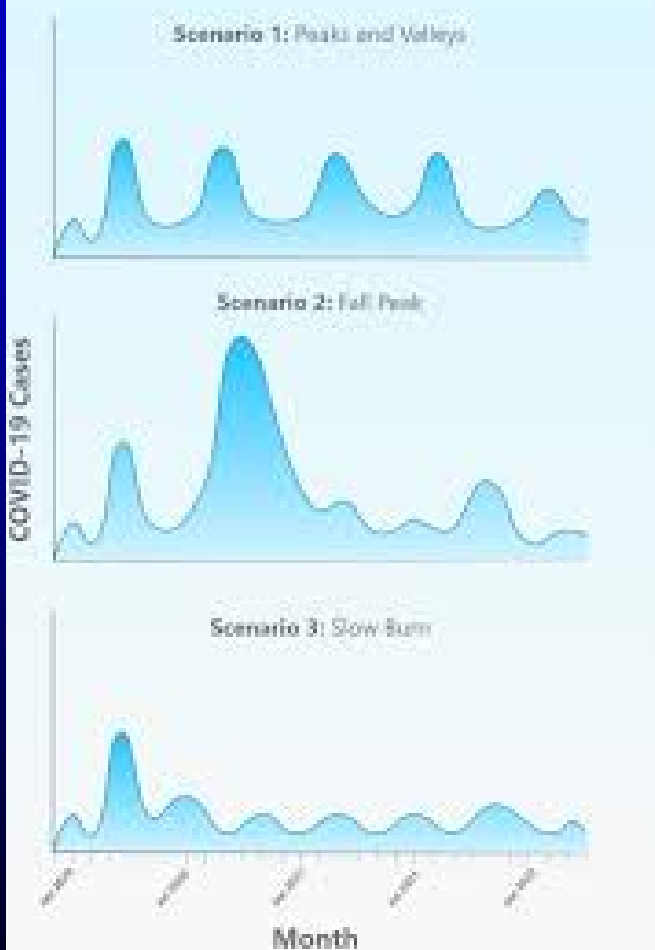


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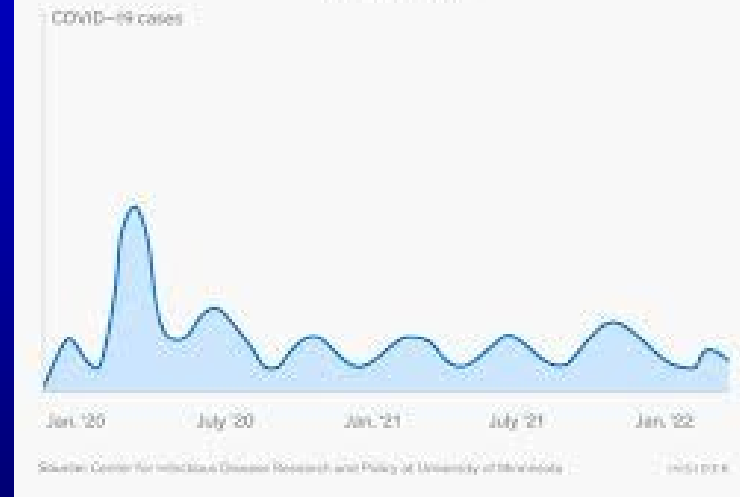
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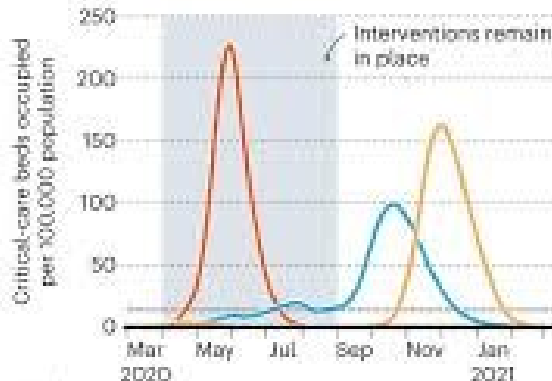
Possible coronavirus waves scenario 3: Slow burn



A SECOND WAVE

In the United States, implementing measures to contain the virus could stop people with COVID-19 from immediately overwhelming the country's critical-care hospital-bed capacity, a simulation from Imperial College London suggests. But a second wave of the pandemic might be expected later in the year.

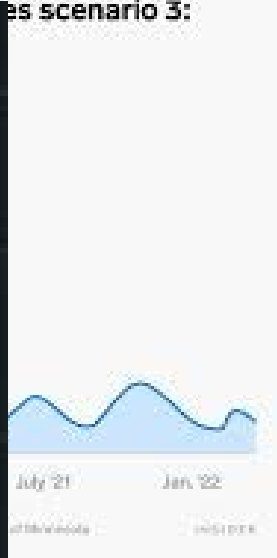
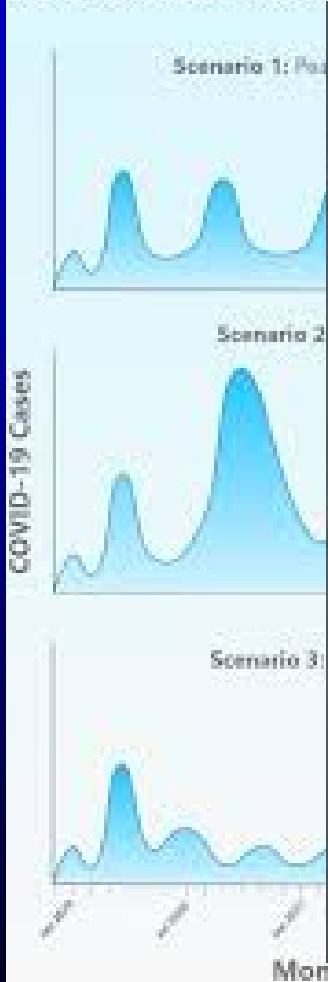
- Estimated critical-care-bed capacity
- Do nothing
- Case isolation, household quarantine and general social distancing
- School and university closure, case isolation and general social distancing



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Mar 2020 May Jul Sep Nov Jan 2021
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IMPACT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON THE U.S. ECONOMY

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused the biggest blow to the US economy since the Great Depression:

- The GDP fell at a 32.9% annualized rate, the deepest decline since records began back in 1947.**
- 30.2 million Americans were receiving unemployment checks in the week ending July 11.**
- The initial bipartisan fiscal stimulus package added 3+ trillion dollars to the National Debt.**

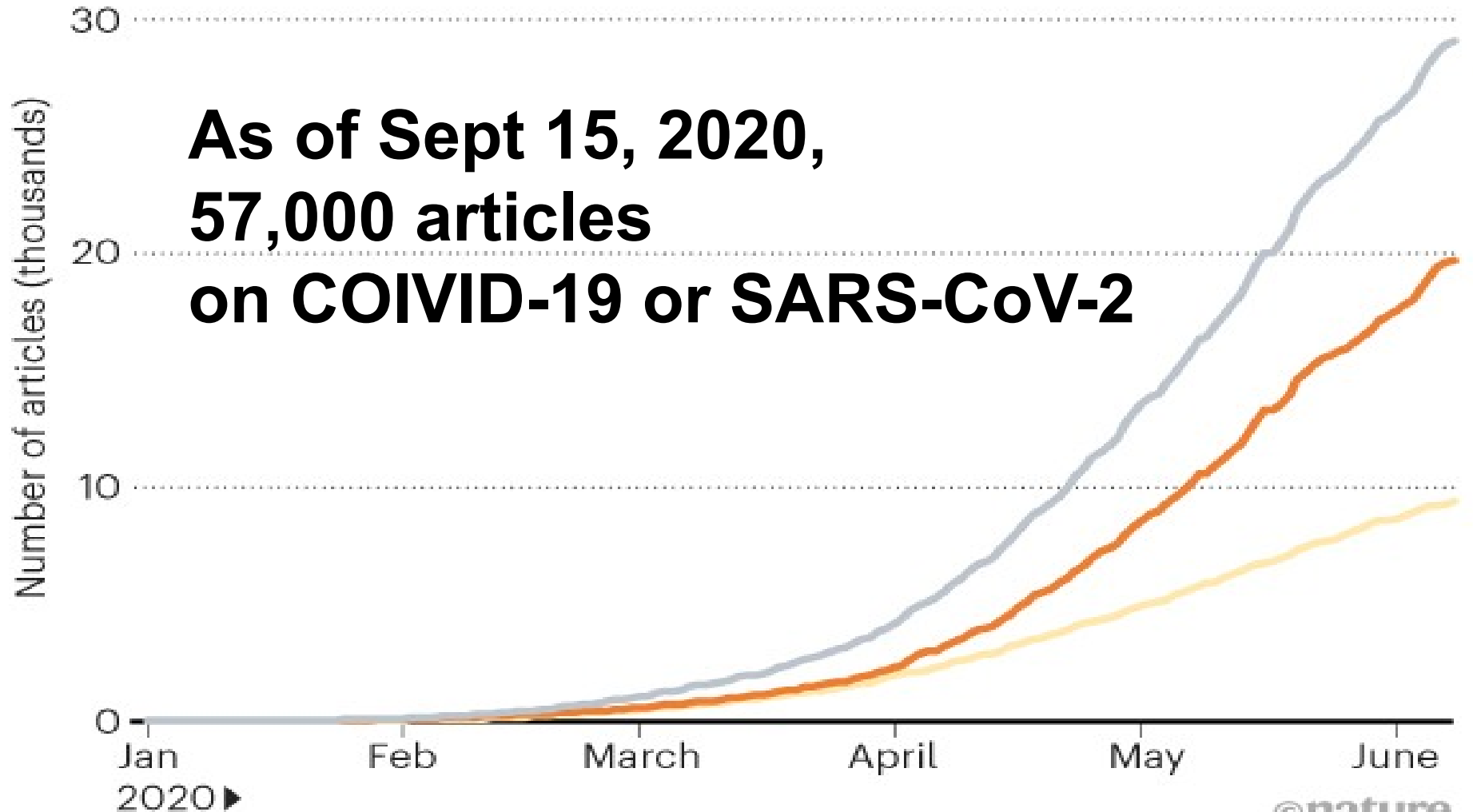
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EXPLOSIVE GROWTH

Since 1 January, nearly 30,000 articles on COVID-19 have been published, according to the the NIH's COVID-19 Portfolio.

— Total COVID-19 — Peer reviewed — Preprints



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