

# Welcome and introduction

Urs Widmer, Medical Officer, Swiss Re



# Antibiotic Resistance is now a global threat



*E. faecium*

*S. aureus* – Methicillin

*K. pneumoniae* – 3<sup>rd</sup> gen cephalosporins, carbapenems

*A. Baumann* – Multidrug resistant (MDR) (XDR)

*P. aeruginosa*

*Enterobacter species* - (MDR)

*S. pneumoniae* – Penicillin

*Salmonella* – Fluoroquinolones

*Shigella* – Fluoroquinolones

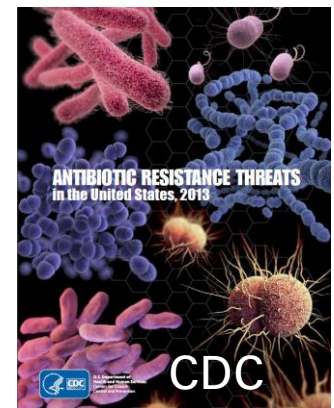
*N. gonorrhoea* – 3<sup>rd</sup> gen. cephalosporins

*E. coli* – 3<sup>rd</sup> gen. cephalosporins, fluoroquinolones

**ESKAPE** are the leading causes of hospital acquired infections throughout the world



XDR typhoid in Pakistan carries added resistance genes

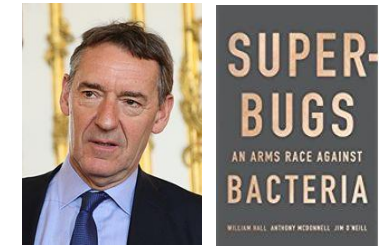


We need to develop novel antibiotics and alternatives to conventional antibiotics

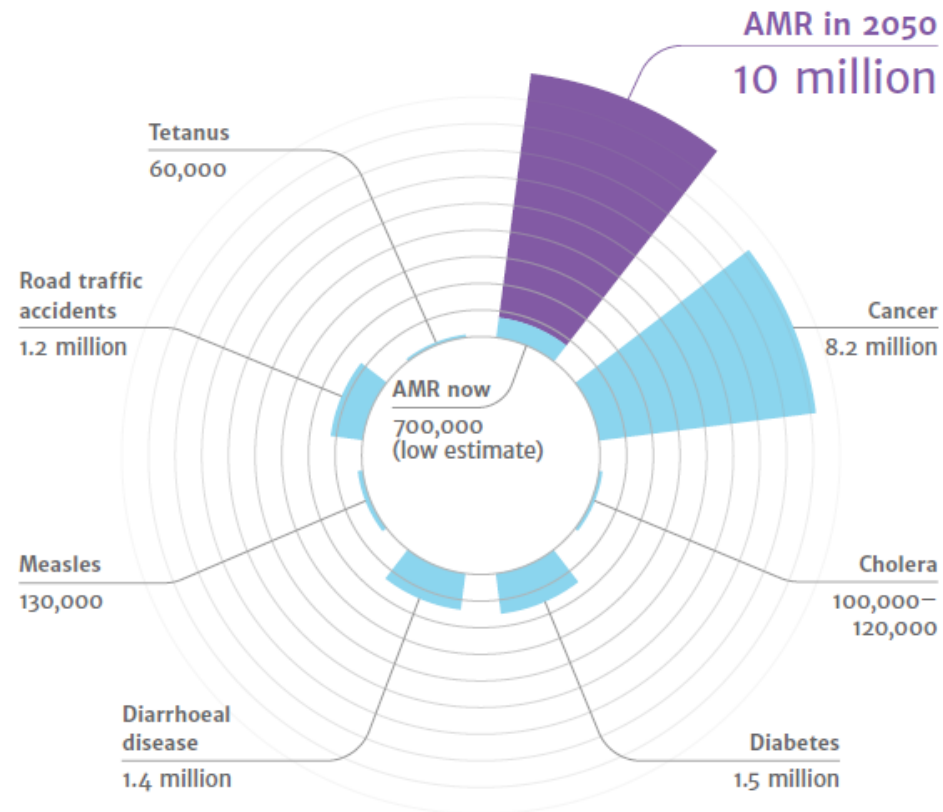
# Antimicrobial Resistance

## Tackling a crisis for the health and wealth of nations

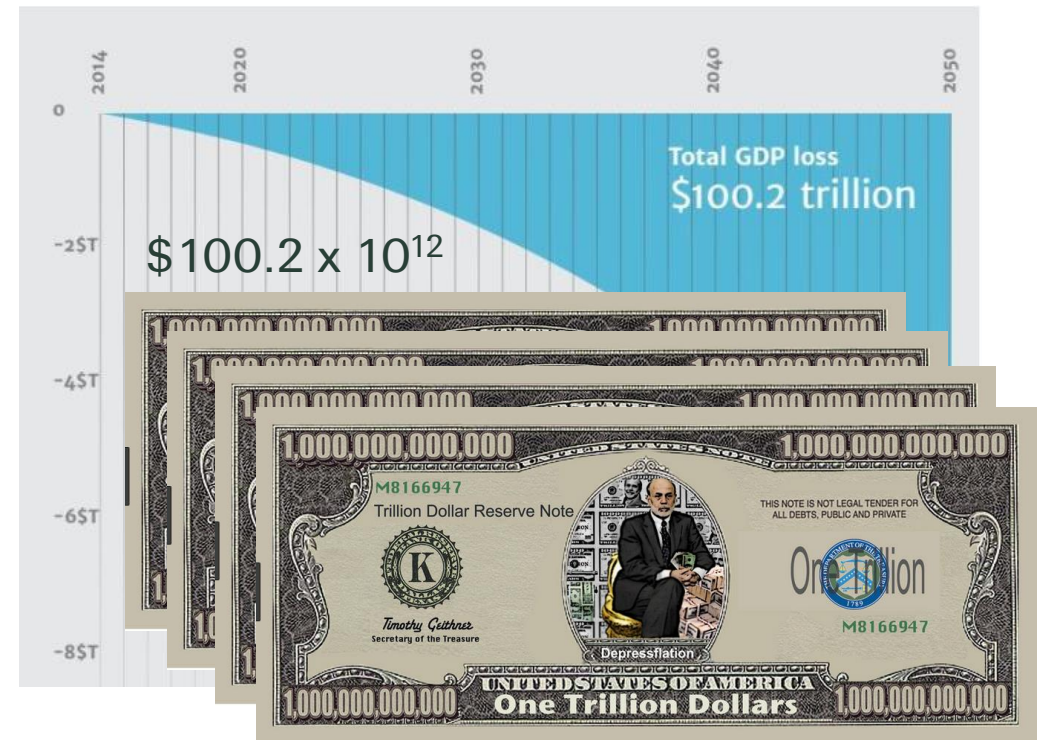
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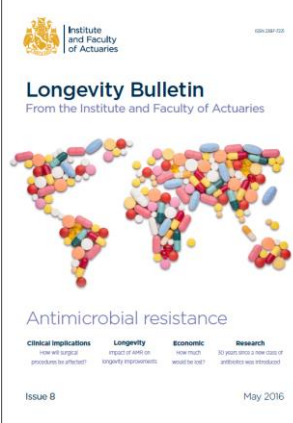


Deaths attributed to AMR every year compared to other major causes of death

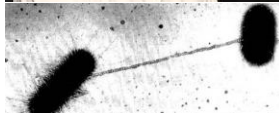
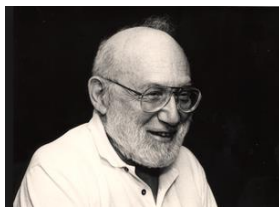
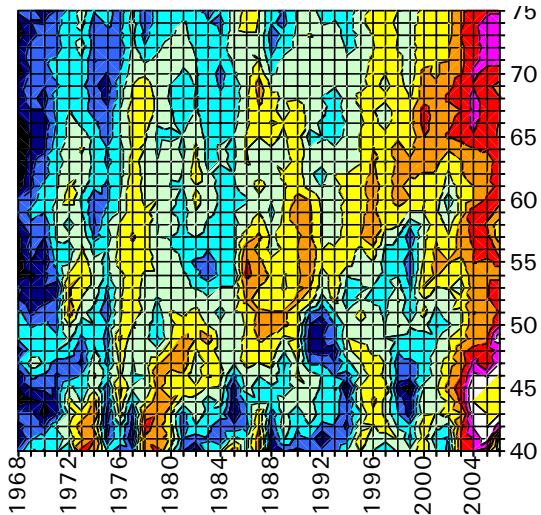


AMR's impact on World GDP in trillions of USD



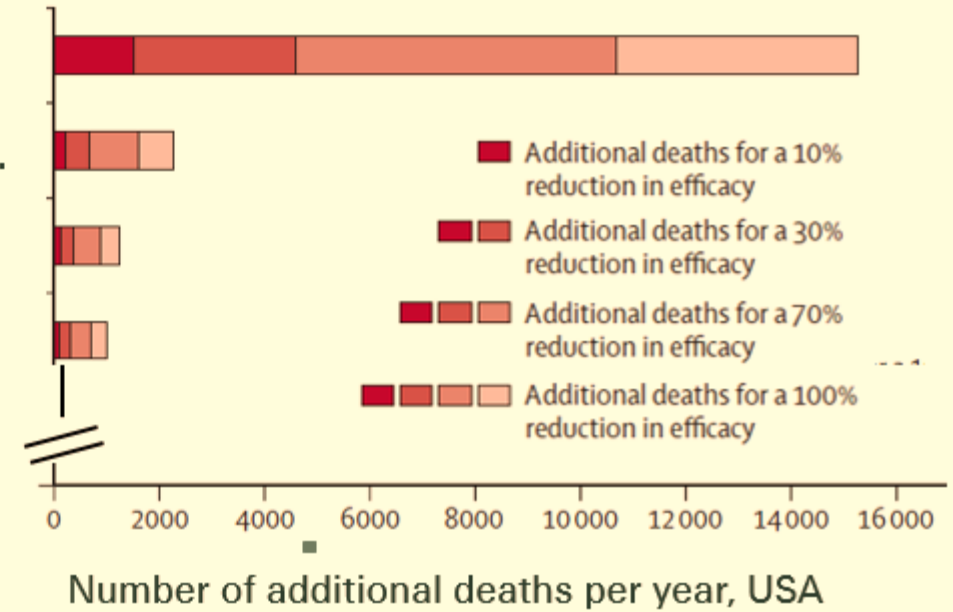


## Plausible mortality improvements vs. mortality deterioration from AMR



## Burden of AMR on antibiotic prophylaxis for surgery and cancer chemotherapy

- Colorectal surg.
- Cancer chemoth.
- Total hip repl.
- Prostate biopsy



# P&C Claims due to AMR –a costing topic, but not an accumulation issue

## Ballad of *Typhoid Mary* in the era of Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)

1. Health Technology Hazard - Endoscopy-associated deadly infections with resistant bacteria



3. Contamination of live-stock

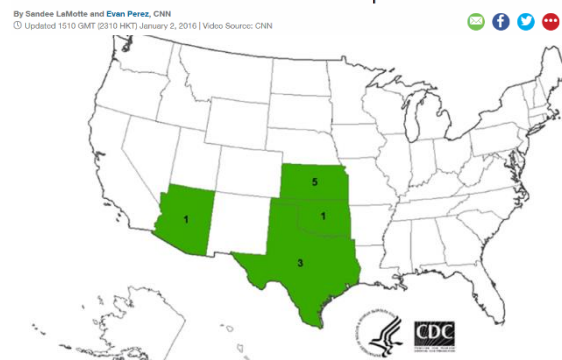
4. Medical Malpractice

5. Business Interruption ICU, Hospital Ward

2. Foodborne-disease outbreaks



Justice Department investigates Blue Bell Creameries over listeria response



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[www.cdc.gov/pulsenet](http://www.cdc.gov/pulsenet)

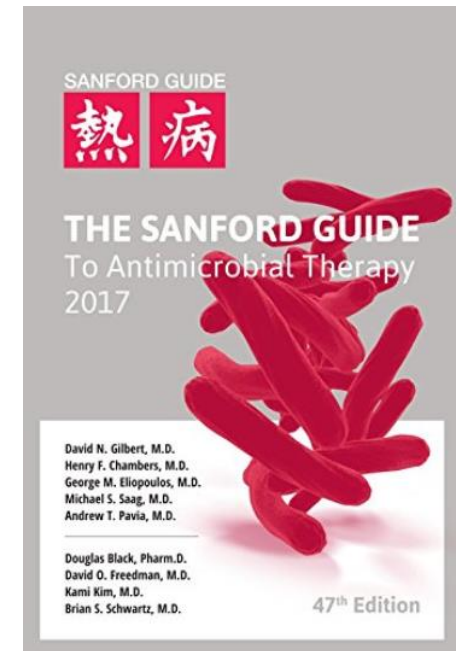
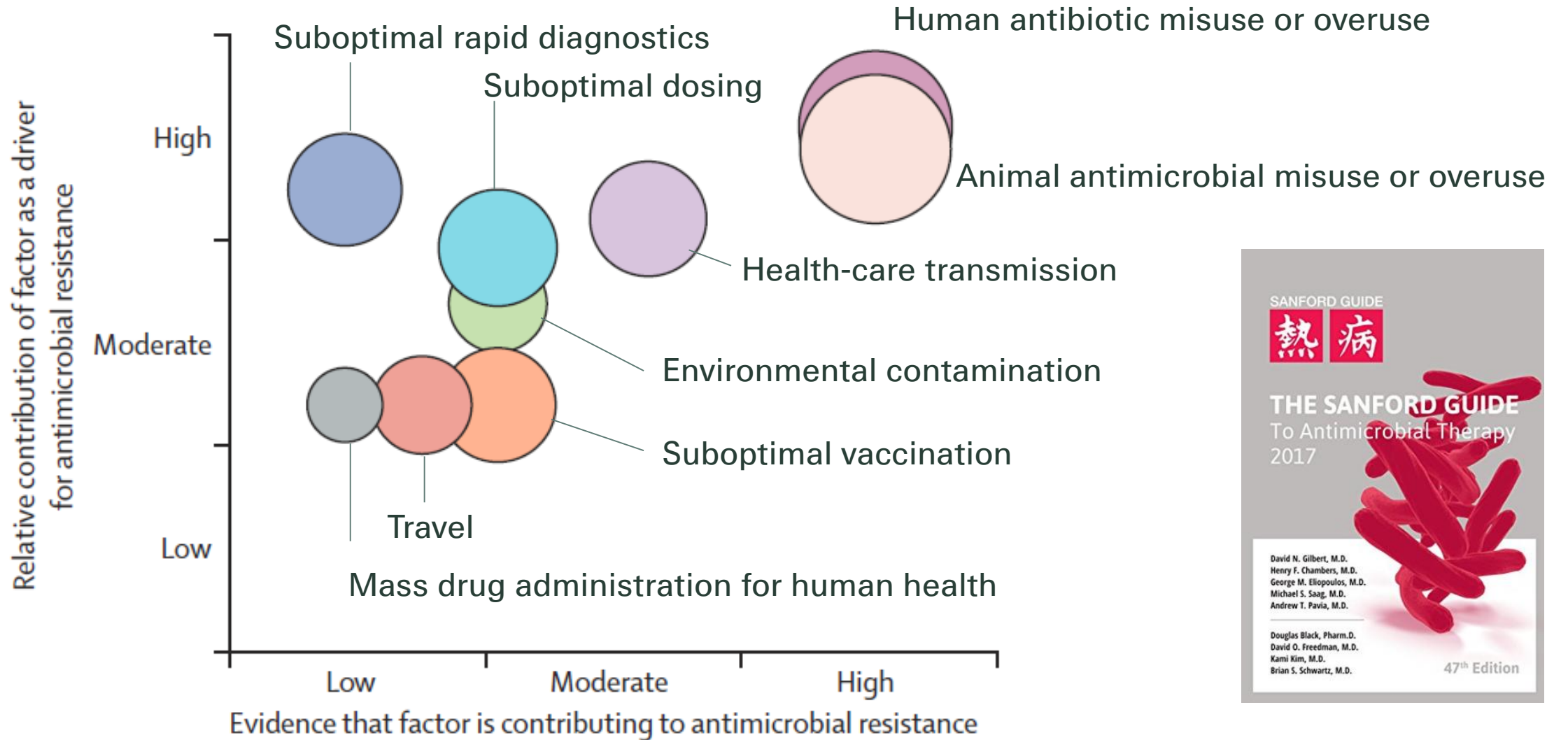
Food companies:

- WGS: More outbreaks discovered
- More recalls?
- Expect more lawsuits?
- Face more criminal charges?

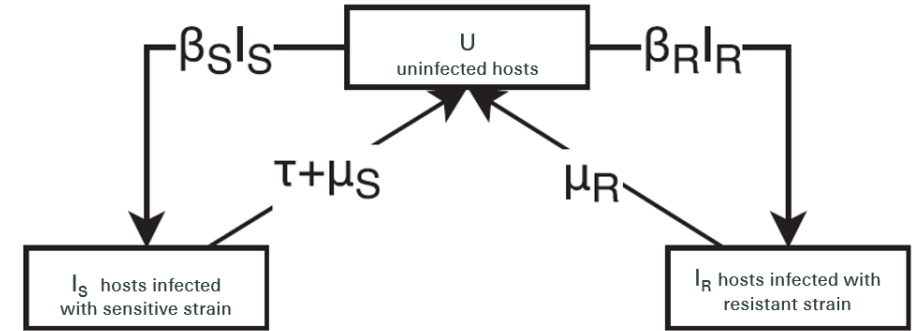
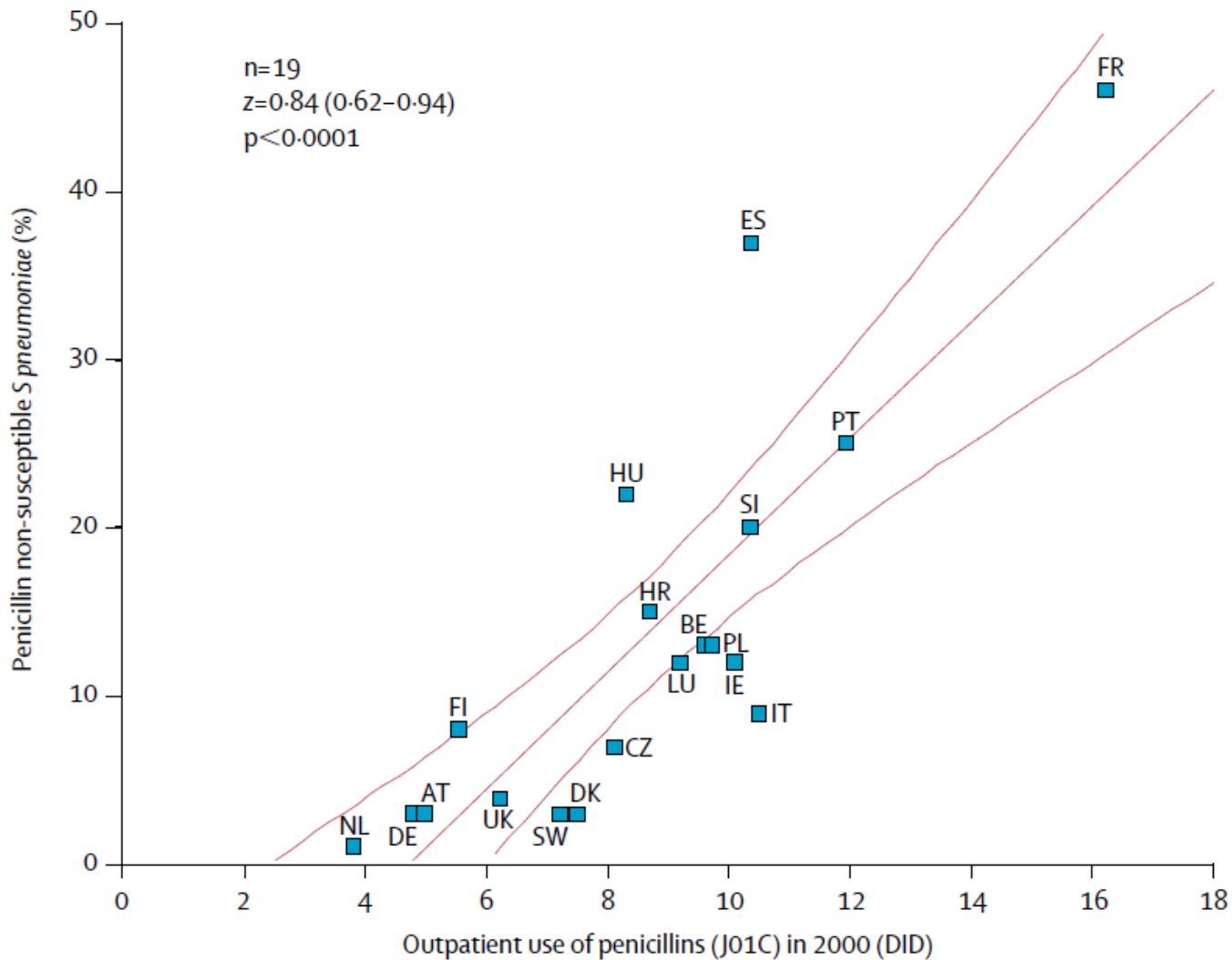
Insurers:

Claims series clause, Claims trigger  
Retroactive date, Status of limitation

# Discussed Drivers of AMR



# More Abx use = more resistance



Antibiotic **resistant** and **sensitive** strains compete for available hosts—we would therefore expect the fitter strain to dominate. Instead, we observe **stable coexistence** of both strains.



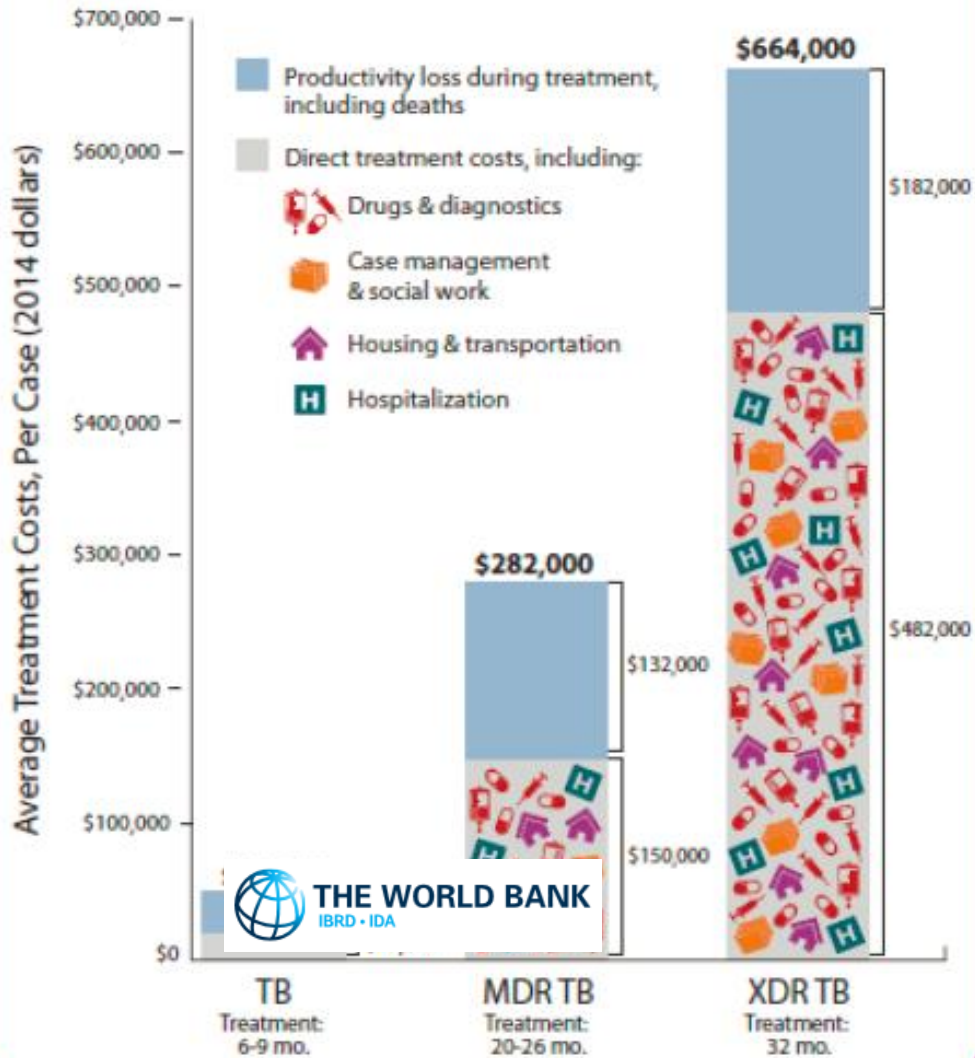
Marc Lipsitch

Professor of Epidemiology

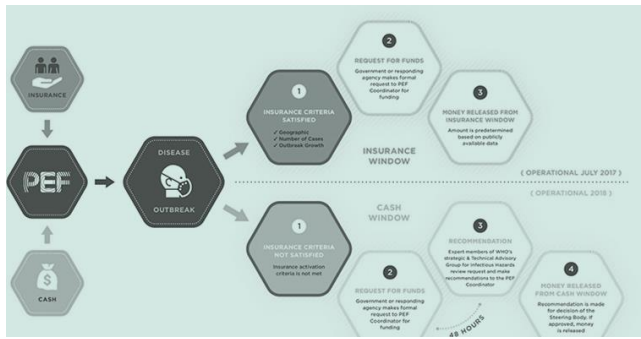
Lehtinen et al. Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 2017 Jan 31;114(5):1075-1080

# The Outsized Financial Toll of MDR and XDR TB

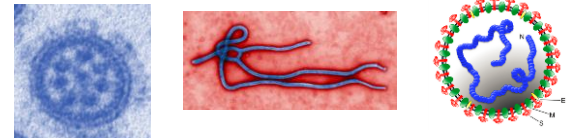
Cost increases with greater resistance:



US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, **Dartmouth College President Jim Yong Kim**, and US Secretary of the Treasury Timothy F. Geithner listen while US President Barack Obama speaks in the Rose Garden of the White House on March 23, 2012 in Washington, DC. President Obama announced his nomination of Kim to succeed Robert Zoellick as President of the World Bank.



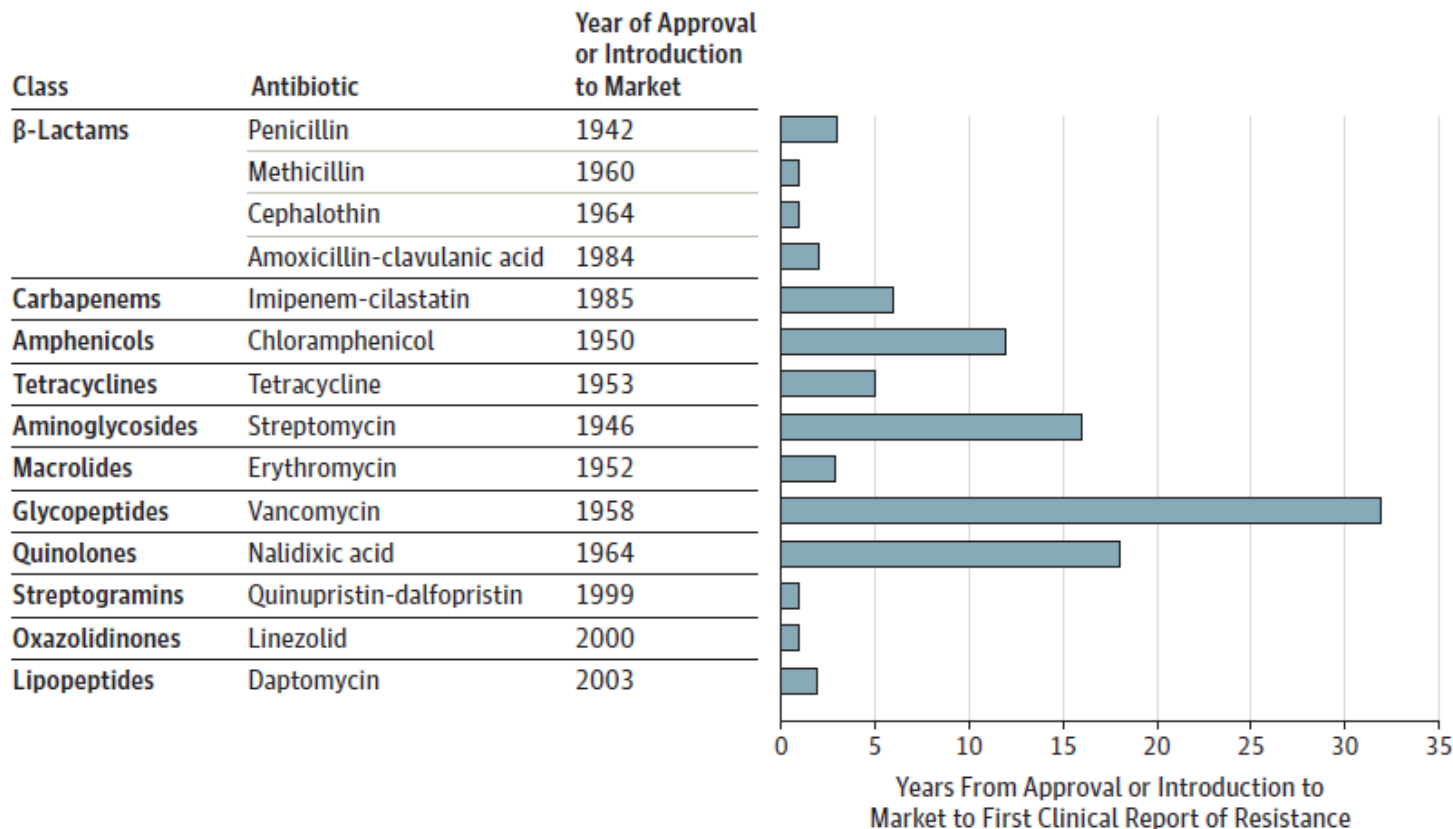
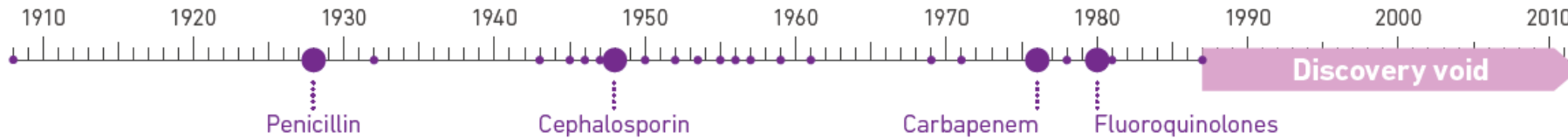
Influenza      Filovirus      Coronavirus



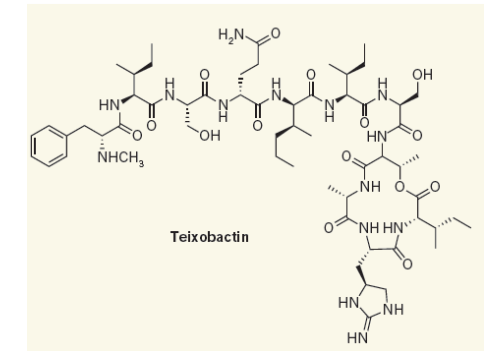
Various

- Crimean-Congo Fever
- Rift Valley
- Lassa Fever

## Over the last 30 years, no major new types of antibiotics have been developed



## The Void



### Teixobactin

Τείχος (engl. «the wall»)

nature  
microbiology

LETTERS

<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41564-018-0110-1>

OPEN

**Culture-independent discovery of the malacidins as calcium-dependent antibiotics with activity against multidrug-resistant Gram-positive pathogens**

LETTER

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**A new class of synthetic retinoid antibiotics effective against bacterial persisters**

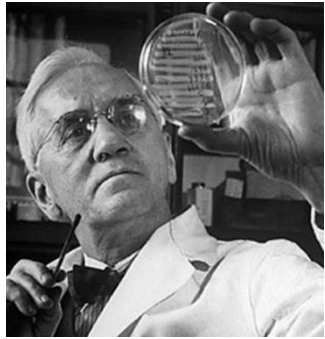
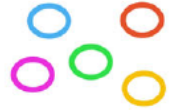
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# Strategies to find natural products with antimicrobial properties

Culture-dependent discovery



Metagenomics  
Culture-independent discovery



Alexander Fleming

Selman A. Waksman

Next generation soil people

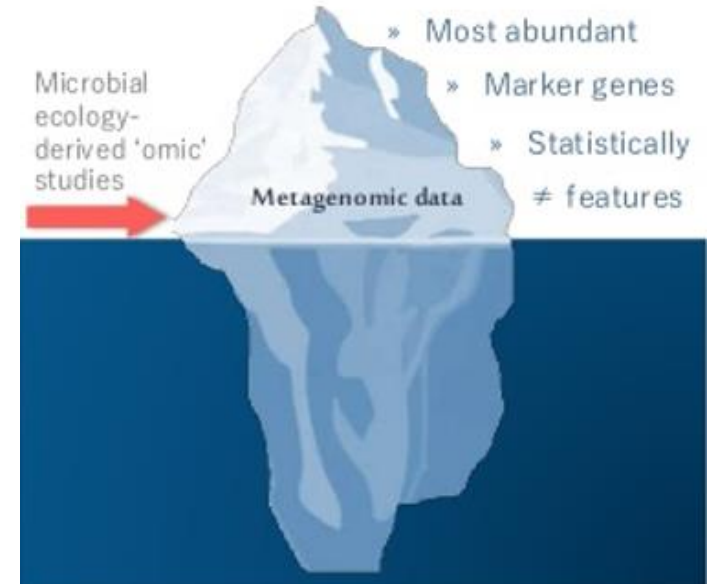
iChip (i=isolation) is a new trick for culture



Kim Lewis & [s.epstein@northeastern.edu](mailto:s.epstein@northeastern.edu) with iChip

## Enrichment and eDNA extraction

- Microorganisms largest proportion of biomass on Earth,
- inhabiting variety of ecosystems, including hot springs, salt brines, acid mine waters at pH near zero, Antarctic ices
- Environmental DNA (eDNA) analysis of microbial communities estimates that only 0.1% to 1% of these prokaryotes are culturable



# Valuation

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*iChip*

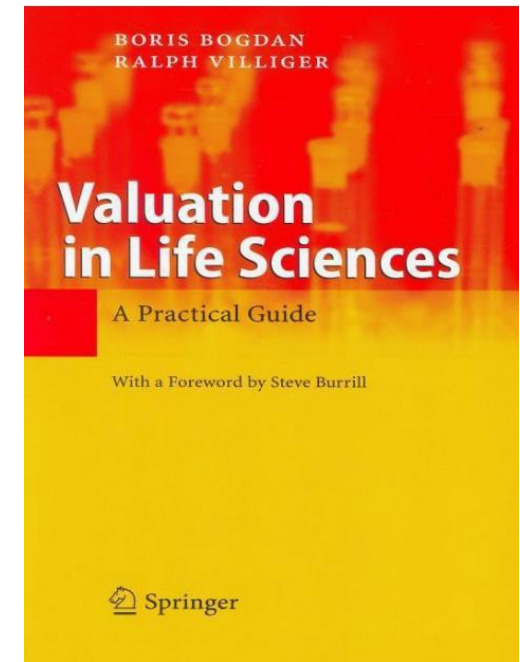
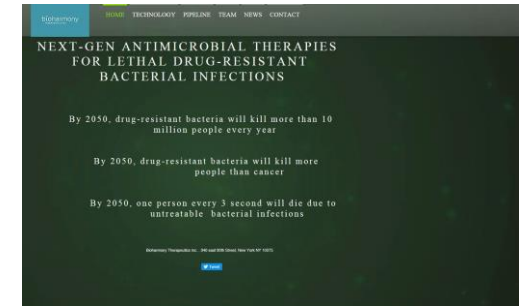
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*Lysins  
Gram+*

3

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Gram-*

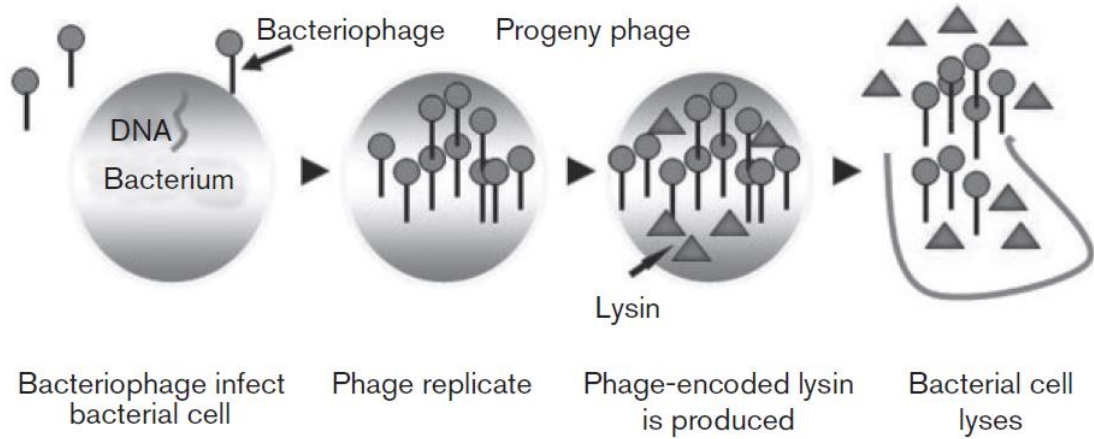
Company	Novobiotic	ContraFect NASDAQ: CFRX	Bioharmony Therapeutics Inc
Pipeline	Teixobactin	CF-301 (exebacase) Gram-negative lysins	Gram-negative lysins For Burns
Source & Strategy	Eleftheria terrae (Gram-neg) iCHIP	Recombinant bacteriophage-derived lysin	
Mechanism of action	Inhibits cell wall growth	lysis	
Bacteria Class	Tuberculosis MRSA Vancomycin-res. Enterococci VRE	Methocillin resistant strains Biofilm Gram pos	Pseudomonas aeruginosa Gram neg
Development Stage	Praeclinic	Clinical Phase II, multi-center study	
Financing	Private Company, Grants (NIH) & Foundation (Gates)	Stock Company	Private Company
Chief scientific advisory	<b>Kim Lewis</b> , Ph.D., Co-founder <b>Slava Epstein</b> , Ph.D., Co-founder	<b>Vincent A. Fischetti</b> , Ph.D. Scientific Advisory Board	<b>Vincent A. Fischetti</b> , Ph.D. Scientific Advisory Board



Boris Bogdan and Ralph Villiger  
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# New Arrival

## Lysins: Pathogen-directed anti-infectives



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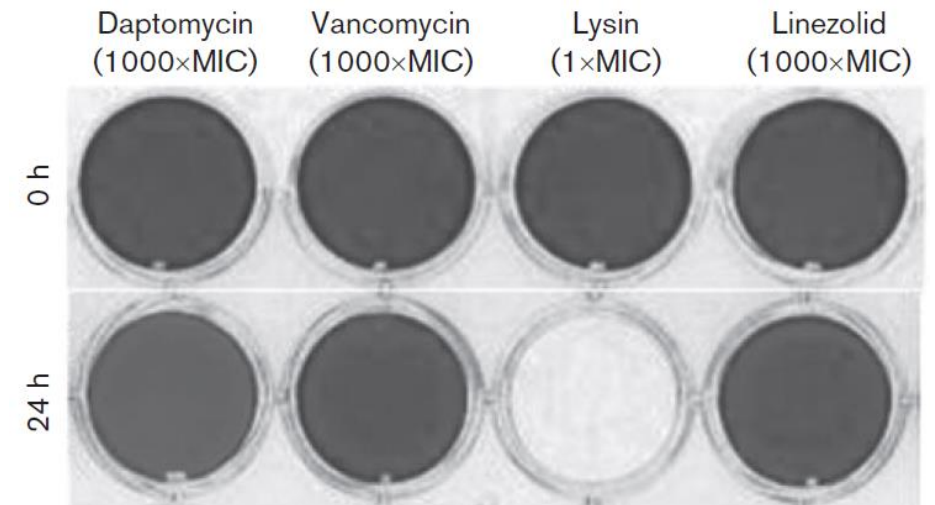
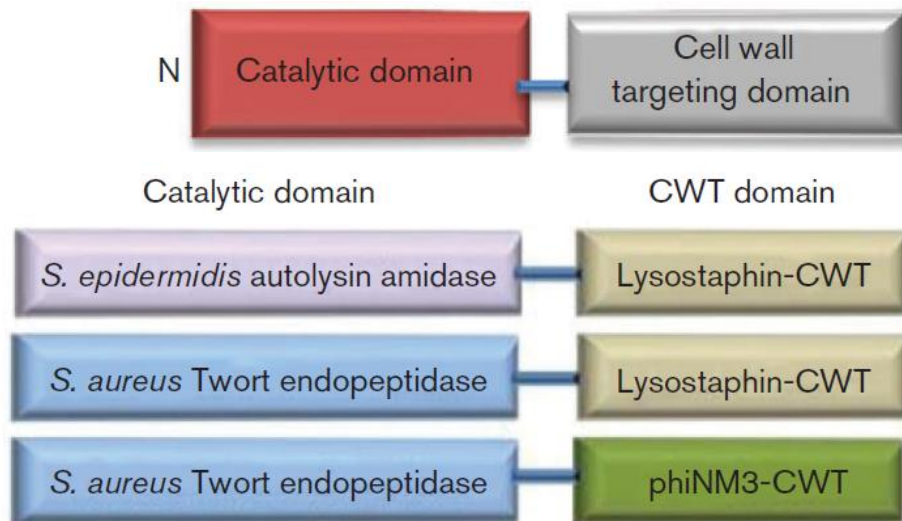
### Vincent A. Fischetti, Ph.D.

PROFESSOR  
GENETICS AND GENOMICS | IMMUNOLOGY, VIROLOGY, AND MICROBIOLOGY | MECHANISMS OF HUMAN DISEASE

Investigates bacterial infectious disease and the use of phage enzymes and their derivatives to block infection.

LABORATORY OF BACTERIAL PATHOGENESIS AND IMMUNOLOGY →

## Biofilm assay (*S aureus*)



**Kathy Kroll**  
ZHAW



**Michael Altorfer**  
Swiss Biotech Association



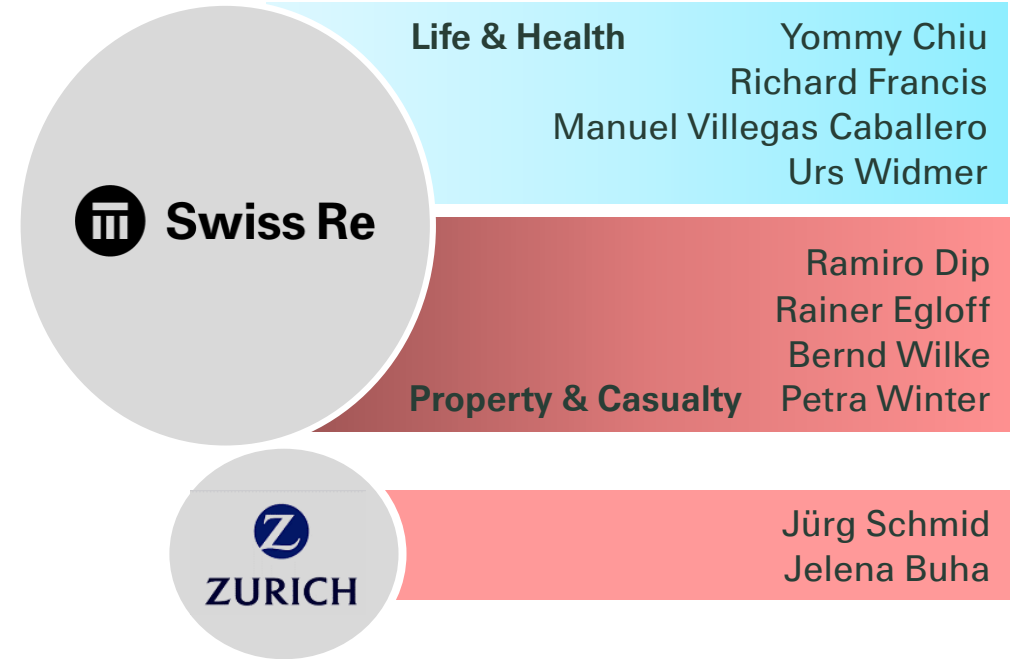
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Biotech companies in EU combating AMR



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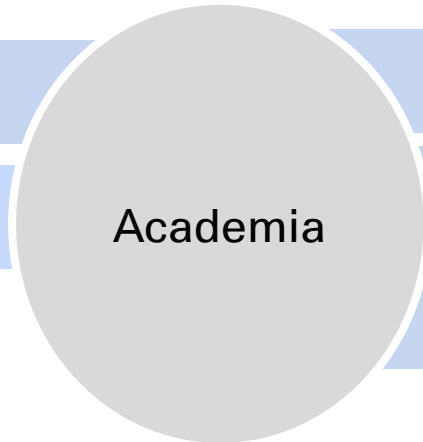
**Christoph Spennemann**  
UN Conference on Trade and Development



**Jennifer Rohn**  
University College London



**Stephan Harbarth**  
HUG



**Thomas von Boeckel**  
ETH



**Cedric Müntener**  
Zurich University



**Roger Kouyos**  
USZ, Zurich University





## Drivers of antimicrobial resistance

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| 1. Global trends in antimicrobial use in food animals        | Thomas van Boeckel |
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| 3. Identifying the drivers of antimicrobial resistance       | Roger Kouyos       |

WS 1a - AMR surveillance strategies –  
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WS 3a - Modelling AMR, what is a  
reinsurer's mortality exposure?  
*(Repeat 1x)*

## Preventing the "Post-Antibiotic Apocalypse"

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| 1. Strategies to battle AMR - New funding mechanisms and paradigm shifts | Marie Petit          |
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Panel Discussion



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- 13.20 **Welcome and introduction**  
Urs Widmer, Medical Officer, Swiss Re
- 13.30 **Global trends in antimicrobial use in food animal**  
Thomas van Boeckel, Theoretical Biology, ETH Zurich
- 13.45 **Use of Antibiotics in Livestock and Human Health Concerns**  
Cedric Müntener, Institute of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology,  
University of Zurich
- 14.00 **Identifying the drivers of antimicrobial resistance**  
Roger Kouyos, Department of Infectious Diseases, University of Zurich

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14.15 **Workshop Series I**

***Session 1:***

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Experts: Stephan Harbarth, Jennifer Rohn  
Moderators: Jürg A. Schmid, Urs Widmer

*Forum B*

***Session 2:***

**Using antibiotics wisely in a One Health world – how can insurance incentivize?**

Experts: Thomas van Boeckel, Cedric Müntener  
Moderators: Ramiro Dip

*Library*

***Session 3:***

**Modelling AMR, what is a reinsurer's mortality exposure?**

Experts: Roger Kouyos  
Moderators: Yommy Chiu, Manuel Villegas Caballero

*Seminar Room 4*

15.15 **Coffe break**

15.30 **Strategies to battle AMR - New funding mechanisms and paradigm shifts**

Marie Petit, BEAM Alliance

15.40 **Case study: Murepavadin is a new antibiotic class in the pipeline to treat resistant Pseudomonas infections**

Michael Altorfer, CEO Swiss Biotech Association

15.50 **How to reinvigorate the current R&D pipeline**

Peter Beyer, Senior Advisor, World Health Organization (WHO)

16.00 **Fostering investment in AMR innovation**

Christoph Spennemann, Intellectual Property Unit, Division on Investment & Enterprise, UNCTAD, Geneva

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Experts: Michael Altorfer, Peter Beyer  
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***Session 5:***

**Alternative business model options for antibiotics development – ideas from insurers?**

Expert: Christoph Spennemann, Marie Petit  
Moderators: Bernd Wilke

*Seminar Room 4*

***Session 6:***

**Scientific innovation in antibiotic drug discovery – Examples of new platforms and novel compounds**

Expert: Jennifer Rohn, Stephan Harbarth  
Moderators: Ramiro Dip, Urs Widmer

*Forum B*

16.40 **Panel Discussion and Closing remarks**  
Ramiro Dip and Urs Widmer

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17.15 **End of Workshop**

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*See you soon for the "Risk Talks" at 17:45, same place!*





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