

Sexually Transmitted Infections Epidemiology

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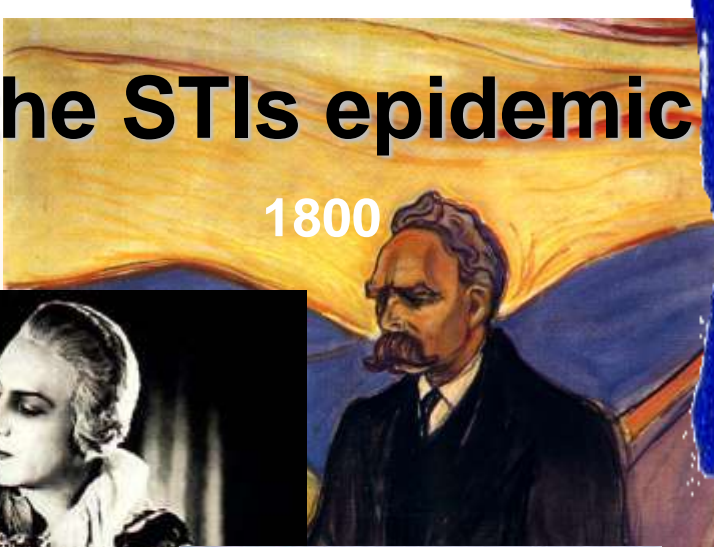
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... and, since BC, the STIs epidemic



1800



1700



1900

2003



1500



1968



2002



2003



Sexually Transmitted Infections, STIs

There are about **30 STIs** or disease syndromes that result from STIs

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STIs

Bacteria

- Gonorrhea (*Neisseria gonorrhoeae*)
- Chlamydia (*Chlamydia trachomatis*)
- Syphilis (*Treponema pallidum*)
- Chancroid (*Haemophilus ducreyi*)

Viruses

- Genital warts and cervical—mainly-cancer (human papillomavirus)
- Genital herpes (herpes simplex virus)
- Hepatitis B (hepatitis B virus)

Parasites

- Trichomoniasis (*Trichomonas vaginalis*)
- Pubic lice (*Phthirus pubis*)

Since the 80's: HIV, the new, devastating, STI



Rate of spread of STIs*

$$R_0 = \beta \times c \times D$$

β - mean probability of transmission per exposure

C - mean rate of sexual partner change within the population

D - mean duration of infectiousness of the newly infected persons

If $R_0 < 1$, the infection eventually disappears from the population!

* May RM, Anderson RM., Transmission dynamics of HIV infection, Nature. 1987 Mar 12-18;326(6109):137-42.

Average duration of infection for *Chlamydia* and *Neisseria gonorrhoeae**

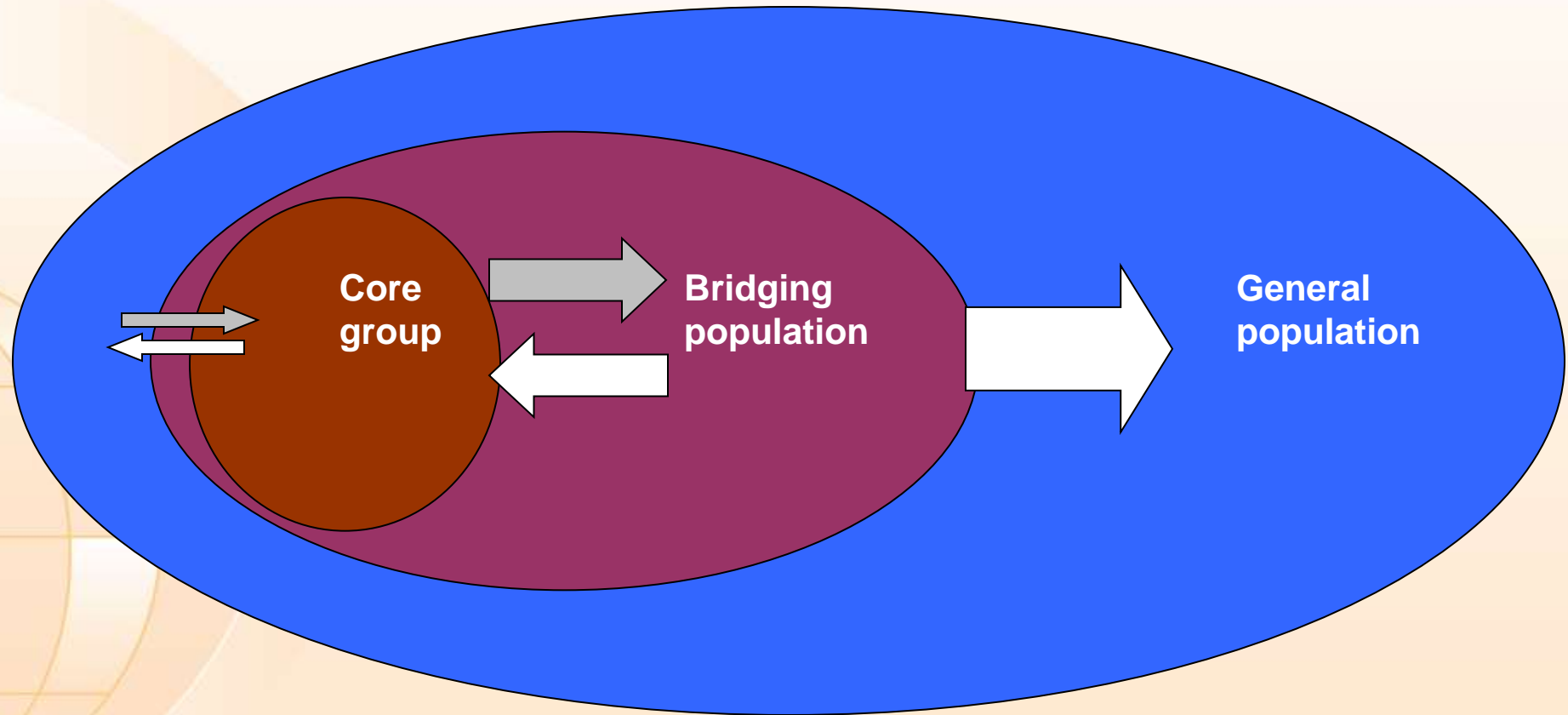
| <i>Infection</i> | <i>Asymptomatic and not treated</i> | | <i>Symptomatic and treated</i> | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| | <i>Male</i> | <i>Female</i> | <i>Male</i> | <i>Female</i> |
| <i>Chlamydia</i> | 1.25 years | 1.25 years | 4 weeks | 8 weeks |
| <i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> | 5 months | 6 months | 2 weeks | 4 weeks |

Average duration of infection for individuals with Syphilis depending on stage in which they are treated*

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|------------------|----------|
| Primary | 1 month |
| Secondary | 3 months |
| Latent | 3 years |
| Tertiary | 15 years |

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STI transmission dynamics at population level



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Determinants of STIs epidemic*

| <i>Microenvironment</i> | <i>Macroenvironment</i> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| •Biological | •Cultural, Social and Economic |
| - gender | - poverty |
| - age | - gender inequality |
| - coexistence of other STIs | - health seeking behaviours |
| | - silent on sex issues |
| - pregnancy | - stigma and discrimination |
| | |
| •Immunological | •Epidemiological |
| | - STIs prevalence |
| | |
| •Behavioural | |
| - age at coital debut | •Demographic |
| - multiple sexual partners | - population age structure |
| - sexual practices: | - sex ratio |
| - anal sex | |
| | |
| - sex during menstruation | •Political and structural |
| - male circumcision | |
| - drug or alcohol use | |




! Some STIs increase the risk of HIV transmission

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Studies on sexually transmitted infection as risk factor for HIV transmission*

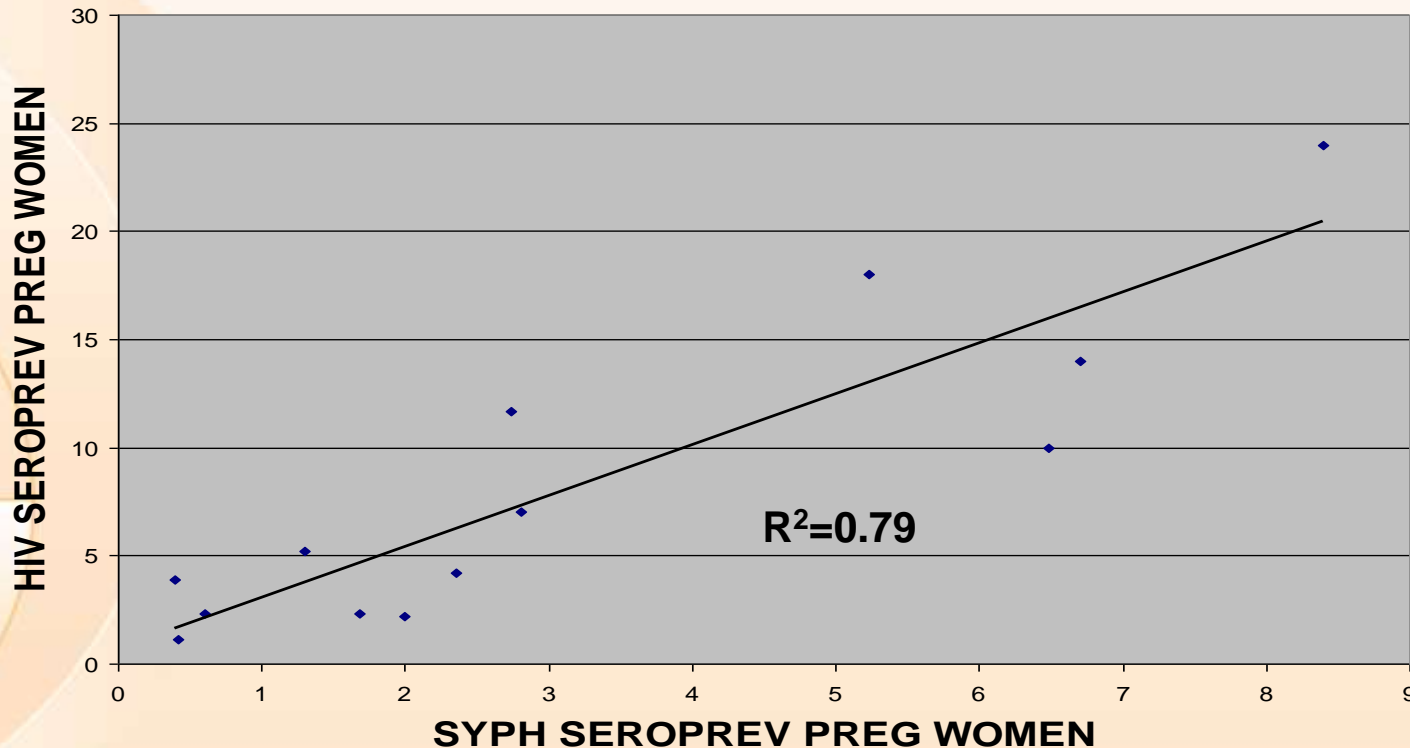
| Reference | Study population | Sexually transmitted infection studied | Relative risk | Odds ratio |
|-------------------------------|--|---|---------------|-------------------|
| <i>Plummer, 1991</i> | Female sex workers, Kenya | Chlamydia | | 3.6 |
| <i>Laga, 1993</i> | Female sex workers, Democratic Republic of the Congo | Chlamydia Gonorrhoea Trichomoniasis | | 3.6 4.8 1.9 |
| <i>Kassler, 1994</i> | Heterosexual cohort, United States of America | Gonorrhoea | | 2.5 |
| <i>Craib, 1995</i> | Cohort of MSM, Canada | Rectal gonorrhoea | | 3.18 |
| <i>Cameron, 1989</i> | Heterosexual men, Kenya | Mainly chancroid | 4.7 | |
| <i>Telzak, 1993</i> | Heterosexual men, United States of America | GUD, chancroid | 3.0 | |
| <i>Limpakarnjanarat, 1999</i> | Female sex workers, Thailand | Syphilis GUD and herpes | | 3.7 2.0 – 2.4 |
| <i>Mbizvo, 1996</i> | Antenatal care women, Zimbabwe | GUD + PID | | 5.8 |
| <i>Bollinger, 1997</i> | Sexually transmitted infection clinic attendees, India | GUD | | 4.2 |
| <i>Stamm, 1988</i> | MCM, United States of America | Herpes, syphilis | 3.3 – 8.5 | |
| <i>Holmberg, 1988</i> | MCM, United States of America | Herpes | 4.4 | |
| <i>Darrow, 1987</i> | MCM, United States of America | Syphilis | 1.5 – 2.2 | |

World Health Organization. Global Strategy for the prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections: 2006-2015. ISBN 9789241563475. Geneva 2007.

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- Syphilis infection may increase the HIV viral load of co-infected patients, and may increase the **risk of mother-to-child transmission of HIV***

* Victor Mwapasa et al, Maternal syphilis infection is associated with increased risk of mother-to-child transmission of HIV in Malawi, AIDS 2006, 20:1869-1877.

HIV–Syphilis seroconcordance in pregnant women* - African Region -



* Stoner BP, Schmid G, Guraiib M, Adam T, Broutet N, .Use of maternal syphilis seroprevalence data to estimate the global morbidity of congenital syphilis, oral presentation ISSTDR Congress 2005.

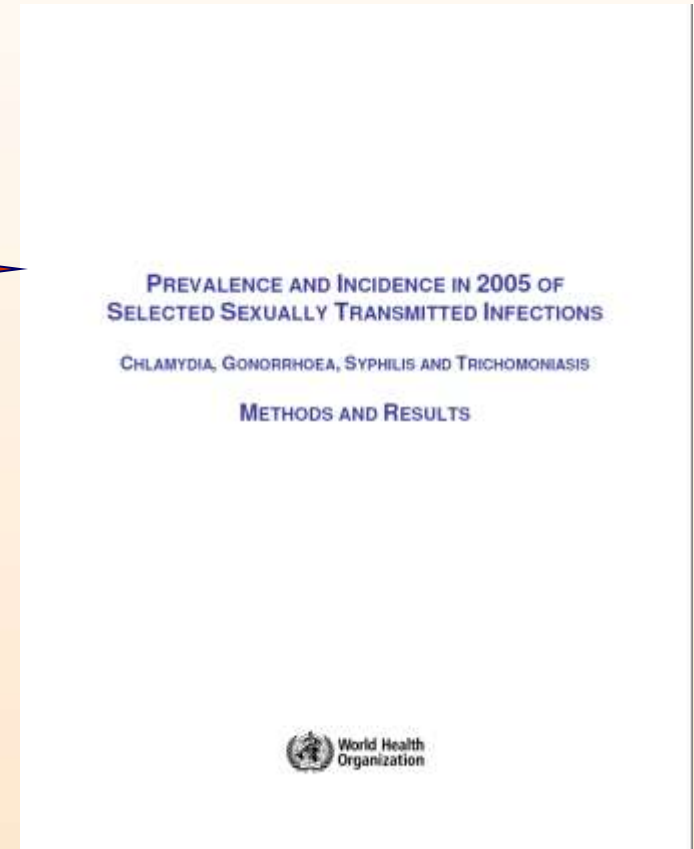
STI Global Burden

WHO approach to International STI "Surveillance"- **Estimations**

WHO did this in 1995, 1999 and **2005** →

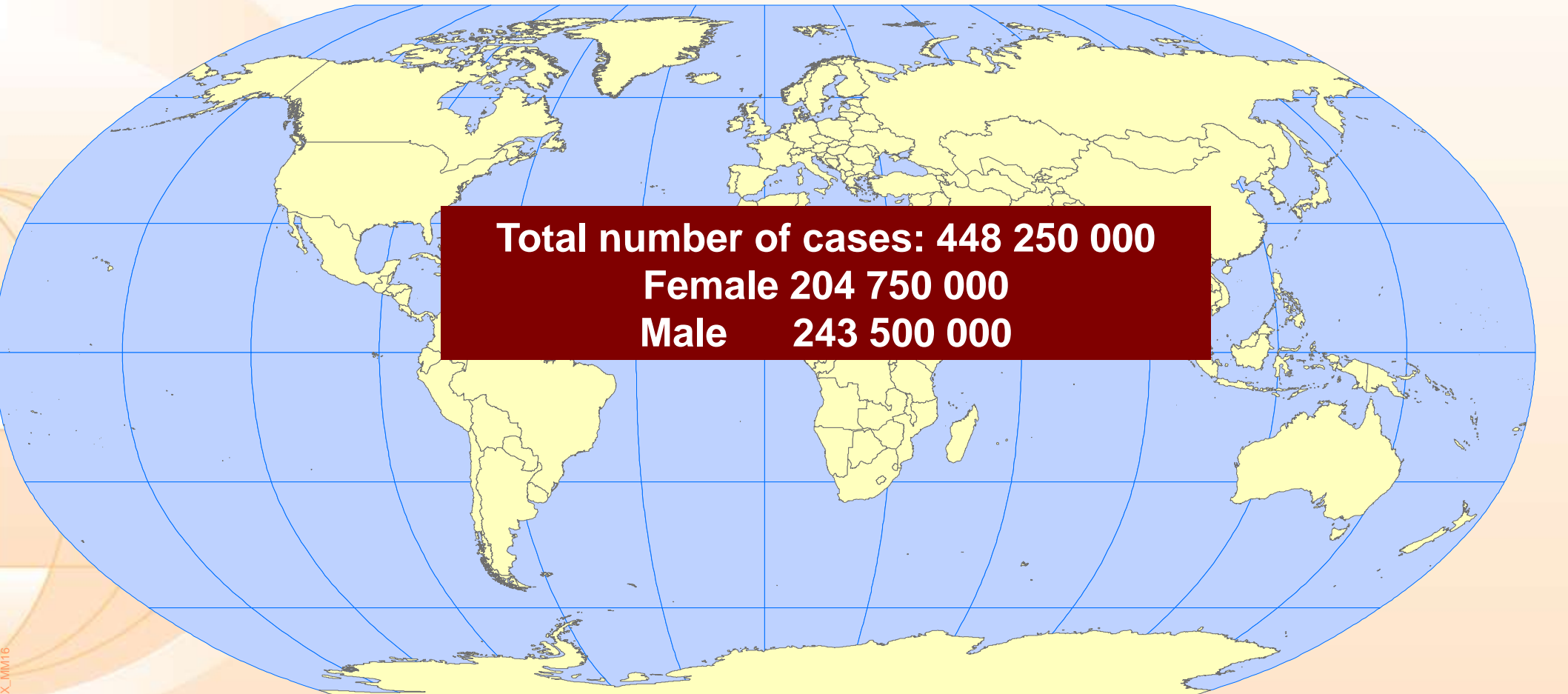
visit RHR at: <http://www.who.int/reproductive-health/>

visit WHO at: www.who.int



WHO is currently doing them for **2008!**

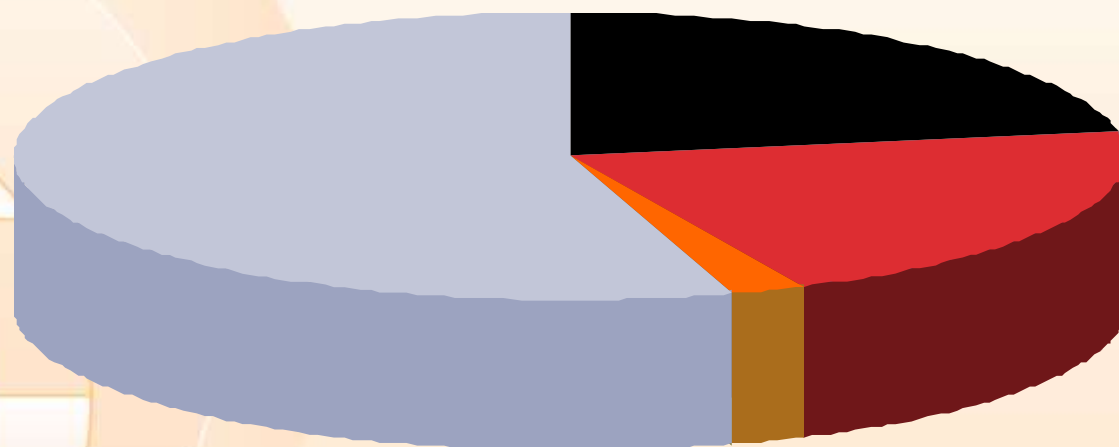
Estimated new cases of curable STIs (WHO, 2005)



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|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Total number of cases: | 448 250 000 |
| Female | 204 750 000 |
| Male | 243 500 000 |

STI Global Burden, 2005

- Incidence per STI -



- Chlamydia 101 500 000
- Gonorrhoea 87 700 000
- Syphilis 10 700 000
- Trichomoniasis 250 500 000

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Estimated incidence of curable STIs by region, in million (WHO 2005)*

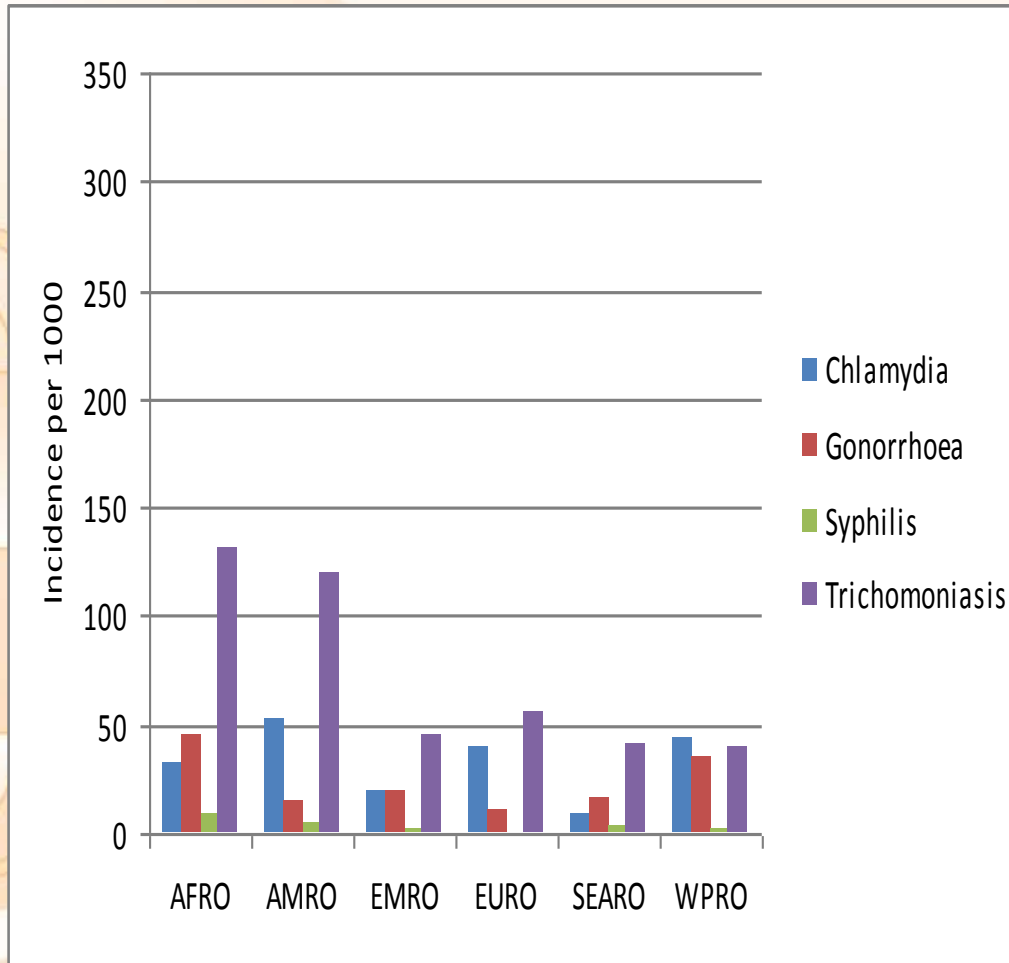
| <i>WHO Region</i> | <i>Chlamydia</i> | <i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> | <i>Syphilis</i> | <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| African Region | 10.0 | 17.5 | 3.4 | 78.8 | 109.70 |
| Region of the Americas | 22.4 | 9.5 | 2.4 | 54.9 | 89.20 |
| Eastern Mediterranean Region | 5.7 | 6.5 | 0.6 | 12.60 | 25.40 |
| European Region | 15.2 | 4.6 | 0.3 | 24.50 | 44.60 |
| South-East Asia Region | 6.6 | 22.7 | 2.9 | 38.60 | 70.80 |
| Western Pacific Region | 41.6 | 26.9 | 1.1 | 39.10 | 108.70 |
| TOTAL | 101.5 | 87.7 | 10.7 | 248.5 | 448.40 |

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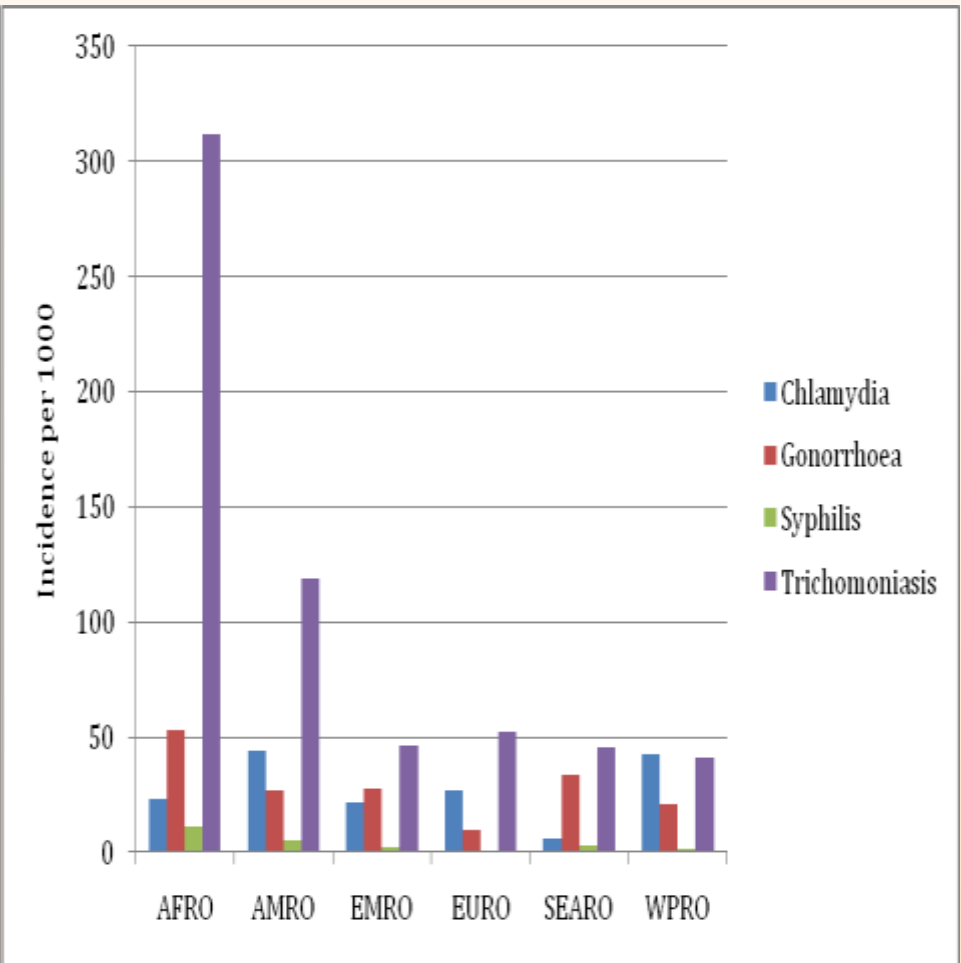
STI Global Burden, 2005

-Incidence per STI and region-

Females

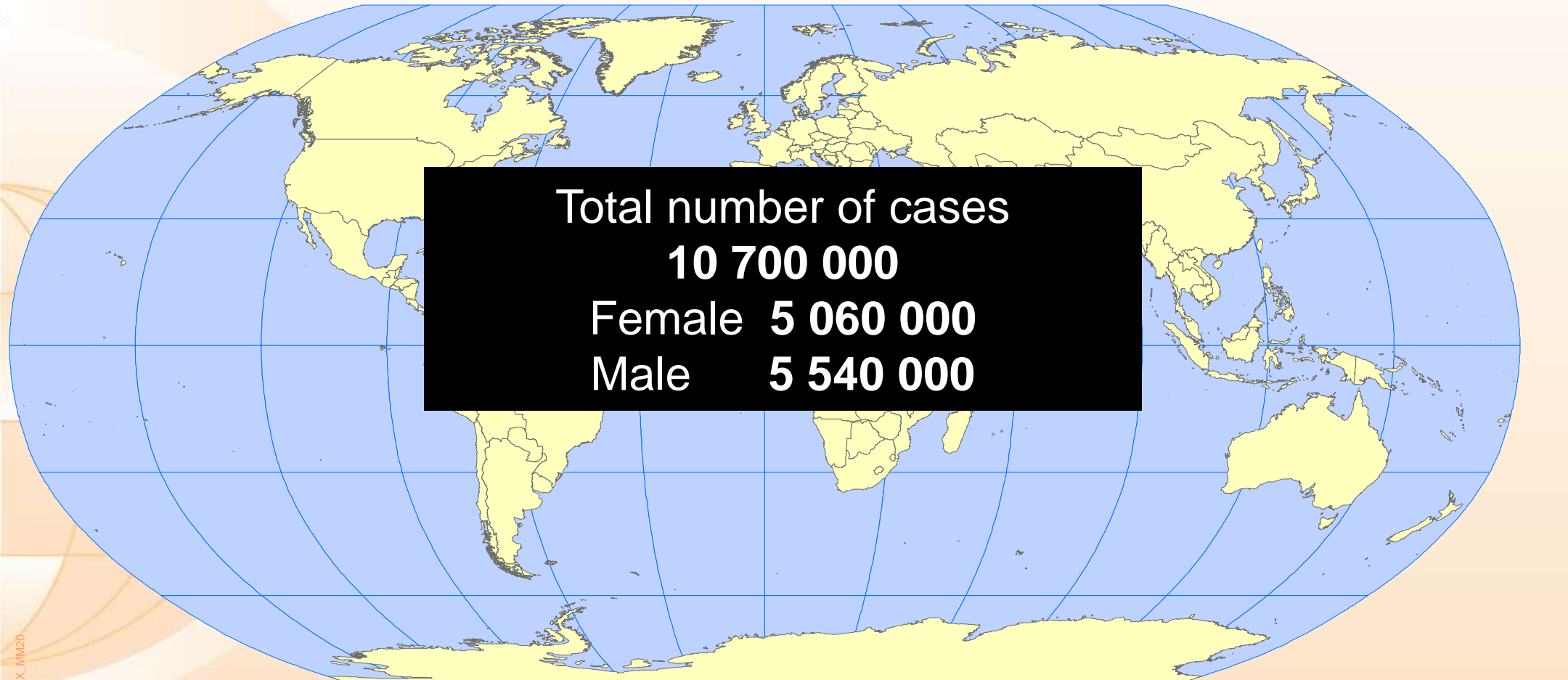


Males



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Estimated new cases of syphilis (WHO, 2005)




Total number of cases
10 700 000
Female **5 060 000**
Male **5 540 000**

Estimated new cases of syphilis amongst adults

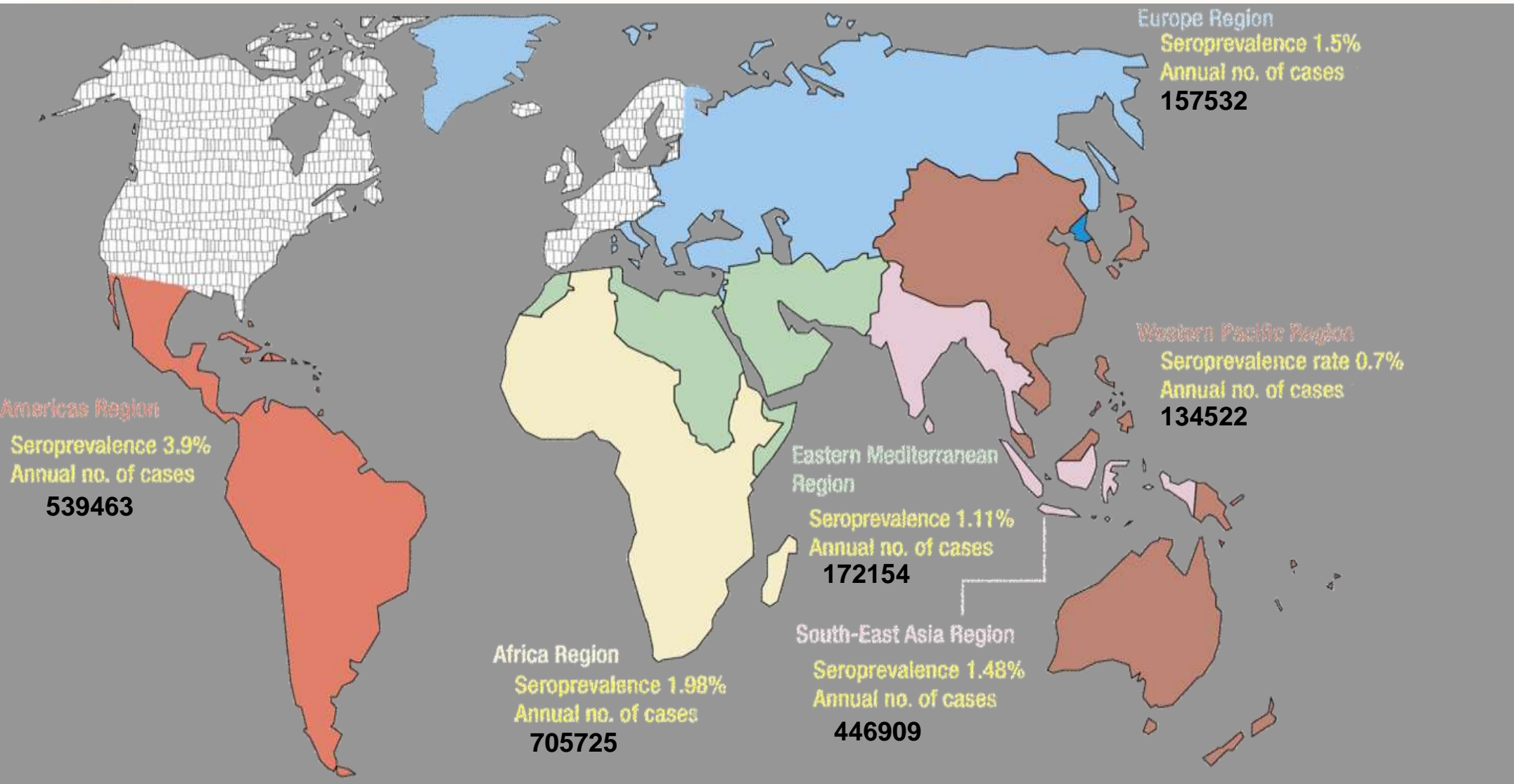
| <i>WHO Region</i> | <i>Incidence per 1000</i> | | <i>New cases (in millions)</i> | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | <i>Females</i> | <i>Males</i> | <i>Females</i> | <i>Males</i> | <i>Total</i> |
| African Region | 8.34 | 10.82 | 1.49 | 1.92 | 3.41 |
| Region of the Americas | 5.06 | 5.33 | 1.16 | 1.23 | 2.39 |
| Eastern Mediterranean Region | 2.14 | 2.09 | 0.29 | 0.30 | 0.59 |
| European Region | 0.68 | 0.68 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.30 |
| South-East Asia Region | 3.33 | 3.02 | 1.45 | 1.40 | 2.85 |
| Western Pacific Region | 1.1 | 1.07 | 0.52 | 0.53 | 1.05 |
| Global Total | 3.02 | 3.19 | 5.06 | 5.54 | 10.7 |

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- In pregnancy, untreated early syphilis will result in a **stillbirth rate of 25%** and be responsible for **14% of neonatal deaths** – an overall **perinatal mortality of about 40%**.

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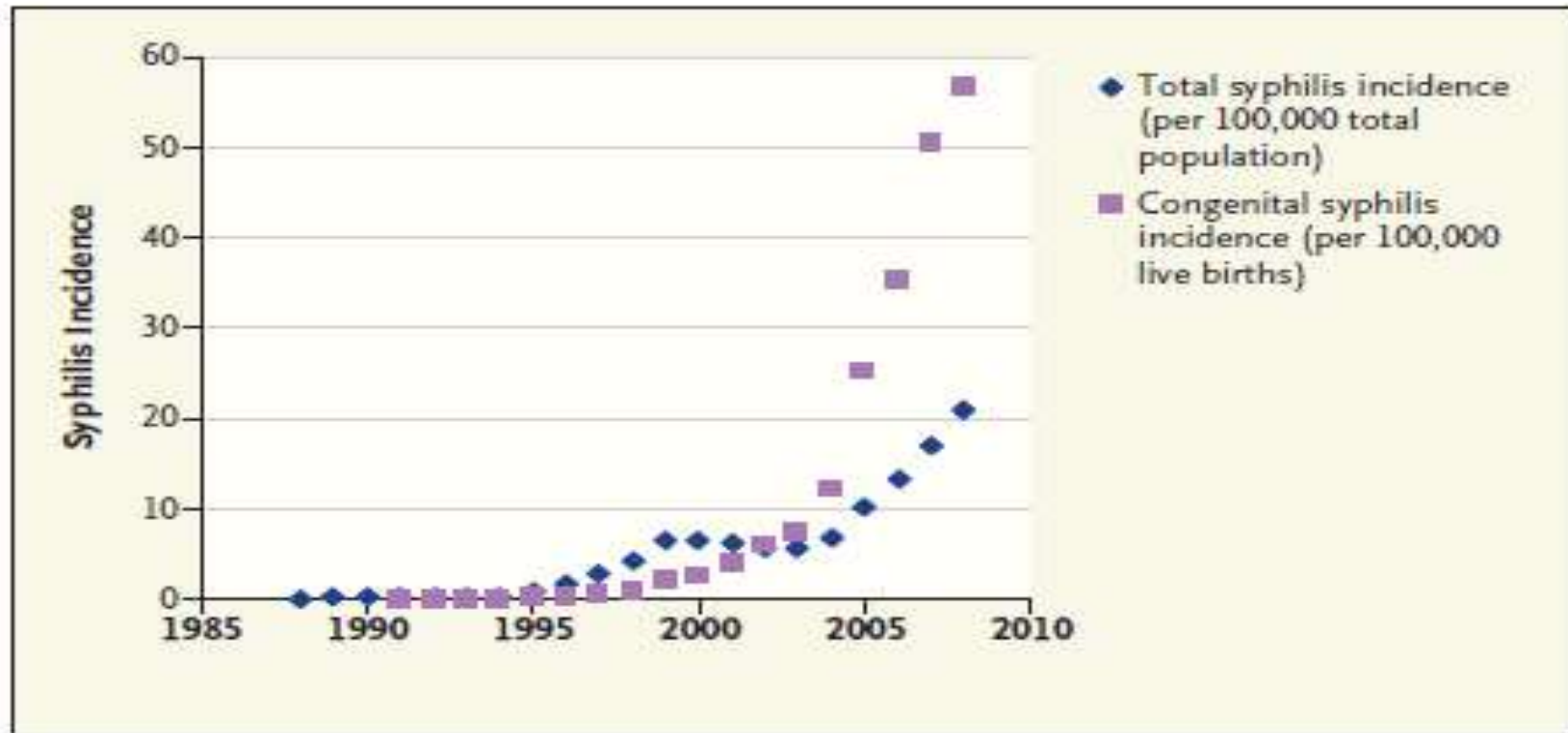
Regional Estimates of Maternal Syphilis Seroprevalence



Syphilis prevalence rates amongst pregnant women in Africa

| <i>Country</i> | <i>Prevalence</i> | <i>Studied population</i> | <i>Reference</i> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Botswana | 4,8 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic | Romoren M, et al., 2007 |
| Democratic Republic of Congo | 0 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic | Kinoshita-Moleka R, et al., 2008 |
| Mozambique | 4,7 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic | Lujan et al, 2008 |
| Nigeria | 1,87 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic for first visit | Federal Ministry of Health, Nigeria: 2005 National HIV/Syphilis seroprvalence sentinel survey among pregnant women attending ANC clinics. April 2006 |
| Tanzania | 1,6 | women attending one of 6 ANC clinics, 15-49 y.o. | Yahya-Malima et al, 2008 |
| Uganda | 1,6 | pregnant women attending booking visit at Entebbe district hospital, 15-40 y.o. | Tann CJ et al, 2006 |
| Zambia | 6,8 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic, 14-44 y.o. | Zambia antenatal clinic sentinel surveillance report: 1994-2004. (2005) |

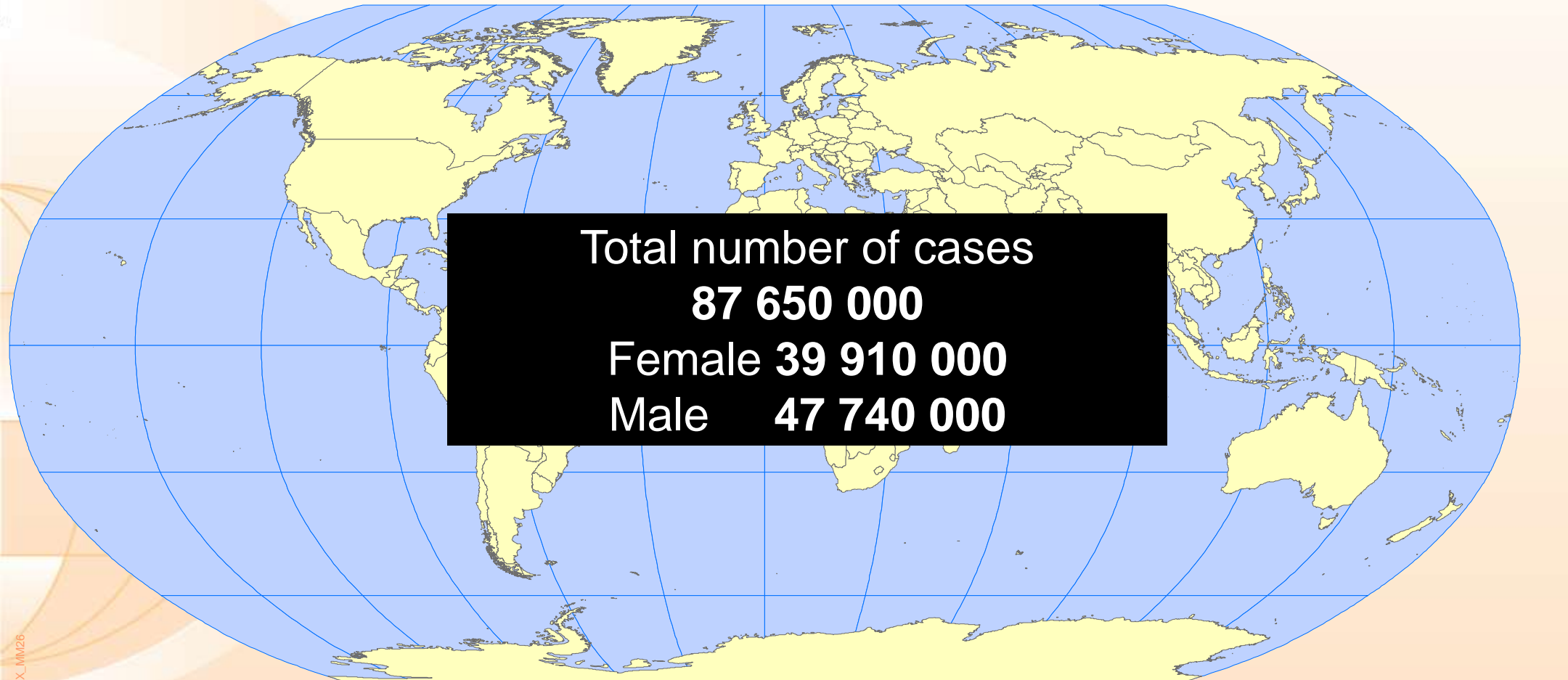
Reported Overall Incidence of Syphilis per 100,000 Population and Incidence of Congenital Syphilis per 100,000 Live Births in China*



Data are from the National Center for STD Control in Nanjing, China.

*Joseph D., et al, Syphilis and Social Upheaval in China, N Engl J Med 2010; 362:1658-1661

Estimated new cases of genital gonorrhoea (WHO, 2005)



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|-----------------------|------------|
| Total number of cases | 87 650 000 |
| Female | 39 910 000 |
| Male | 47 740 000 |

Estimated new cases of gonorrhoea infections in adults, 2005*

| <i>WHO Region</i> | <i>Incidence per 1000</i> | | <i>New cases (in millions)</i> | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | <i>Females</i> | <i>Males</i> | <i>Females</i> | <i>Males</i> | <i>Total</i> |
| African Region | 45.61 | 52.68 | 8.16 | 9.36 | 17.52 |
| Region of the Americas | 13.89 | 27.17 | 3.18 | 6.29 | 9.47 |
| Eastern Mediterranean Region | 19.14 | 27.32 | 2.57 | 3.91 | 6.48 |
| European Region | 10.71 | 9.72 | 2.42 | 2.22 | 4.64 |
| South-East Asia Region | 16.32 | 33.61 | 7.11 | 15.55 | 22.66 |
| Western Pacific Region | 35 | 20.94 | 16.47 | 10.41 | 26.88 |
| Global Total | 23.8 | 27.47 | 39.91 | 47.74 | 87.65 |

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! Worldwide, **up to 4 000 newborn babies** become blind every year because of eye infections attributable to untreated maternal gonococcal and chlamydial infections.

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Neisseria gonorrhoeae prevalence studies among pregnant women

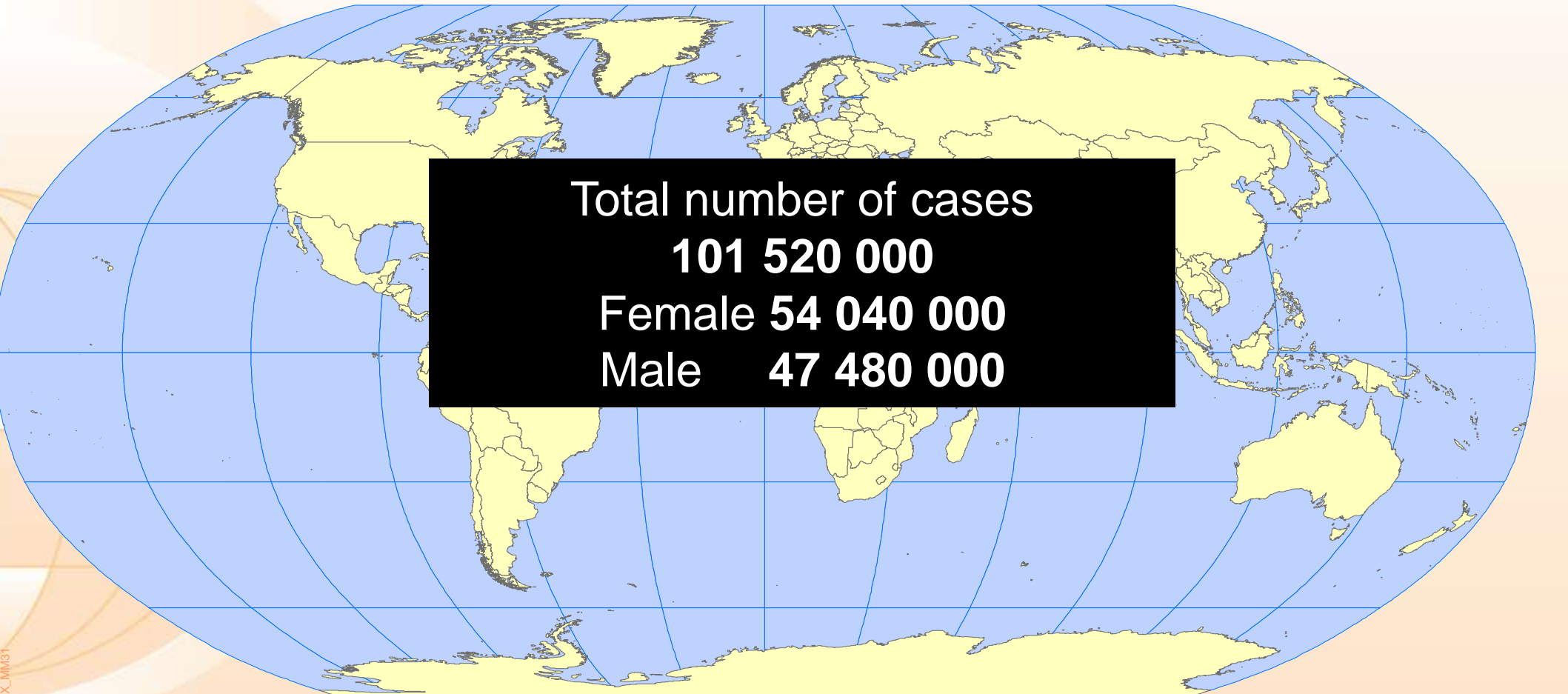
| <i>Country</i> | <i>Prevalence</i> | <i>Studied population</i> | <i>Reference</i> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Botswana | 3 | pregnant women attending one of 13 ANC clinics | Romoren M, et al., 2007 |
| China | 0,8 | pregnant women; 1st ANC visit | Chen XS et al, 2006 |
| Democratic Republic of Congo | 0,4 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic | Kinoshita-Moleka R, et al., 2008 |
| Fiji | 1,7 | ANC clinic attendees in Suva | Cliffe SJ et al, 2008 |
| Ghana | 0,6 | pregnant women attending ANC at Korle Bu teaching hospital | Apea-Kubi et al, 2004 |
| Kenya | 1,2 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic | Moses S et al, 2003 |
| Lao | 0,8 | pregnant women (<20 weeks) at first visit to Sethiathirath or MCH hospital | Thammalangsy S et al, 2006 |
| Mongolia | 6,1 | 10 randomly selected ANC clinicals | Report from MOH Mongolia, 2007 |
| Mozambique | 2,5 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic | Lujan et al, 2008 |
| Nepal | 2,3 | Women who are 6 week postpartum with live birth residing in rural southeastern Nepal | Christian P et al, 2005 |
| South Africa | 8 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic | Sturm PDJ et al, 2004 |
| Tonga | 2,5 | ANC clinic attendees attending central hospital | Cliffe SJ et al, 2008 |
| Zimbabwe | 1,1 | pregnant women attending ANC clinic | Mbizvo EM et al, 2001 |

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Chlamydia prevalence studies among pregnant women

| <i>Country</i> | <i>Prevalence</i> | <i>Population</i> | <i>Reference</i> |
|-------------------|-------------------|--|---|
| Botswana | 8 | 13 ANC clinics | Romoren M, et al., 2007 |
| Brazil | 9,4 | ANC clinic - diverse emo and socio economic backgrounds, 11-47 y.o. | Brasil. Ministério da Saúde. Secretaria de Vigilância em Saúde. Programa Nacional de DST e Aids. 2008 |
| China | 10,1 | pregnant women; 1st ANC visit | Chen XS et al, 2006 |
| Fiji | 29 | ANC clinic attendees in Suva | Cliffe SJ et al, 2008 |
| Ghana | 3 | pregnant women attending ANC at Korle Bu teaching hospital | Apea-Kubi et al, 2004 |
| Ireland | 3,7 | pregnant women - asymptomatic, 15 – 50 y.o. | McMillan et al, 2006 |
| Japan | 3,7 | pregnant women, 14-46 y.o. | Shimano S et al, 2004 |
| Lao | 9,6 | pregnant women (<20 weeks) at first visit to Sethiathirath or MCH hospital | Thammalangsy S et al, 2006 |
| Mozambique | 4,1 | Pregnant women attending antenatal clinic | Lujan et al, 2008 |

Estimated new cases of genital *Chlamydia* infections (WHO, 2005)



Total number of cases
101 520 000
Female **54 040 000**
Male **47 480 000**

Estimated new cases of genital *Chlamydia* infections (in million) among adults, 2005*

| <i>WHO Region</i> | <i>Incidence per 1000</i> | | <i>New cases (in millions)</i> | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| | <i>Females</i> | <i>Males</i> | <i>Females</i> | <i>Males</i> | <i>Total</i> |
| African Region | 32.79 | 23.39 | 5.86 | 4.16 | 10.02 |
| Region of the Americas | 53.04 | 44.32 | 12.15 | 10.26 | 22.41 |
| Eastern Mediterranean Region | 19.35 | 21.4 | 2.6 | 3.06 | 5.66 |
| European Region | 39.89 | 27.06 | 9.03 | 6.17 | 15.20 |
| South-East Asia Region | 9.2 | 5.63 | 4.01 | 2.6 | 6.61 |
| Western Pacific Region | 43.31 | 42.7 | 20.38 | 21.22 | 41.60 |
| Global Total | 32.22 | 27.32 | 54.04 | 47.48 | 101.52 |

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! Untreated gonococcal and chlamydial infections in women will result in **pelvic inflammatory disease in up to 40%** of cases. **One** in four of these will result in infertility.

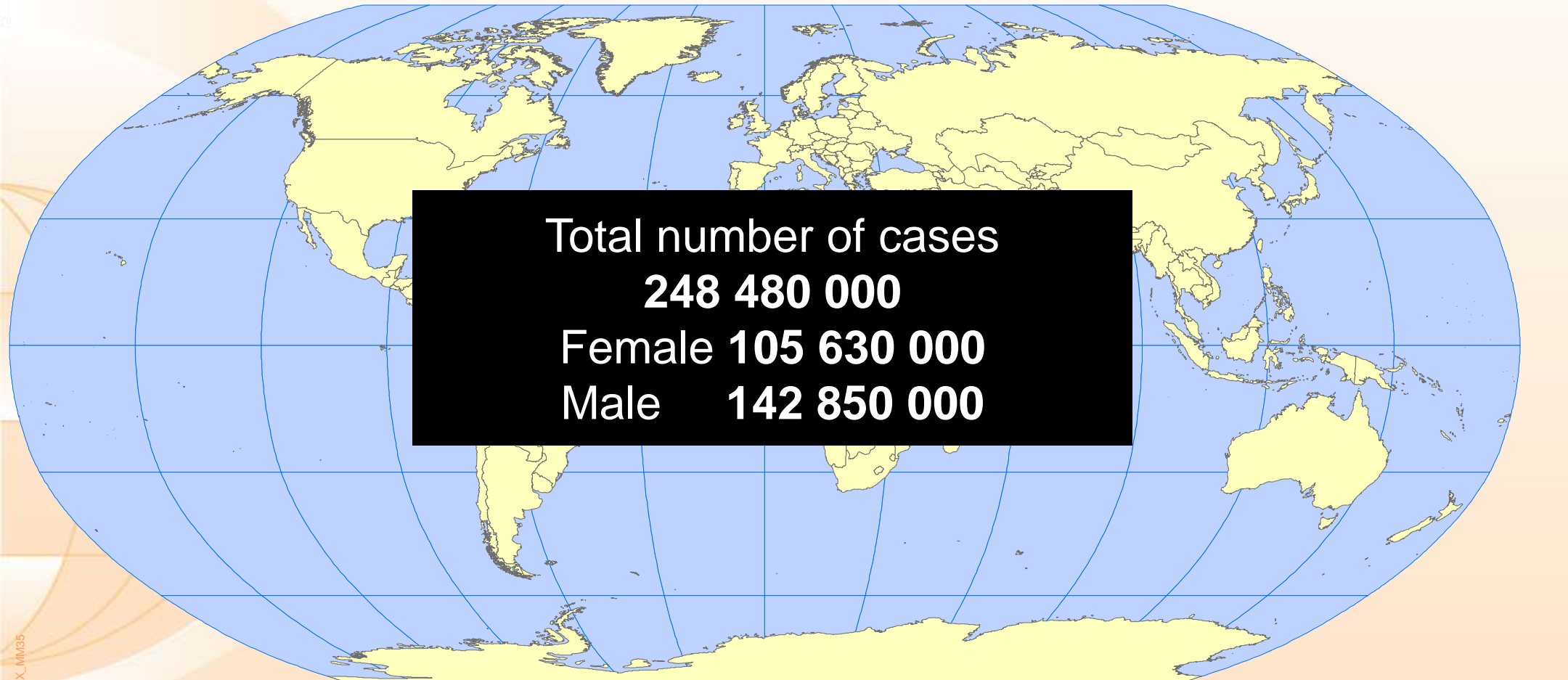
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Chlamydia prevalence studies in different populations

| Country | Prevalence | Studied population | Reference |
|-------------|------------|--|---|
| France | 1,6 female | General population, 18 – 44 y.o. | ANRS. INED. INSERM. Quoted in ECDC Technical Report: Review of Chlamydia Control Activities in EU Countries. May 2008 |
| | 1,4 male | | |
| Japan | 6,8 female | students from nine schools (5 universities and 4 professional schools) located in the suburbs of Miyazaki City included students sexually active and not, 18-35 y.o. | Imai H et al, 2004 |
| Korea | 5 male | sexually and not sexually active university students, 18-25 y.o. | Lee SJ et al. 2005 |
| Luxembourg | 2,3 female | High school students, under 25 y.o. | ECDC. 2008. Technical Review of Chlamydia Activities in EU Countries |
| | 0,9 male | | |
| Netherlands | 2,5 female | General population, 15 – 29 y.o. | Van Bergen J et al, 2005 |
| | 1,5 male | | |
| New Zealand | 2,7 female | university students, 18-25 y.o. | Baker M et al, 2005 |
| Norway | 6,7 female | General population, 18 – 25 y.o. | Steen et al, 2008 Referenced in ECDC |
| | 5,8 male | | |
| Sweden | 4,6 female | General population, 15 - 35 + y.o. | Novak DP & Karlsson RB, 2006 |
| | 6 male | | |
| Thailand | 7,5 female | students at 2 vocational colleges, 15- 21 y.o. | Whitehead et al, 2008 |
| | 6 male | | |

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Estimated new cases of trichomoniasis (WHO, 2005)



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|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Total number of cases | 248 480 000 |
| Female | 105 630 000 |
| Male | 142 850 000 |

Estimated new cases of trichomoniasis among adults in 2005*

| <i>WHO Region</i> | <i>Incidence per 1000</i> | | <i>New cases (in millions)</i> | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | <i>Females</i> | <i>Males</i> | <i>Females</i> | <i>Males</i> | <i>Total</i> |
| African Region | 130.74 | 311.83 | 23.38 | 55.43 | 78.81 |
| Region of the Americas | 119.55 | 118.83 | 27.4 | 27.51 | 54.91 |
| Eastern Mediterranean Region | 44.76 | 46.23 | 6.01 | 6.62 | 12.63 |
| European Region | 55.6 | 52.01 | 12.59 | 11.87 | 24.46 |
| South-East Asia Region | 40.3 | 45.53 | 17.56 | 21.06 | 38.62 |
| Western Pacific Region | 39.73 | 41 | 18.7 | 20.37 | 39.07 |
| Global Total | 62.98 | 82.21 | 105.63 | 142.85 | 248.48 |

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! Trichomoniasis in the era of new generation diagnostics (**LCR** and **PCR**).

Are we underestimating the risk?

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Trichomoniasis prevalence studies amongst pregnant women

| <i>Country</i> | <i>Prevalence</i> | <i>Studied population</i> | <i>Reference</i> |
|------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Australia | 7,2 | cohort of women attending aboriginal and islander health services in Townsville (provincial urban centre) | Panaretto KS et al, 2006 |
| China | 3,2 | pregnant women; 1st ANC visit | Chen XS et al, 2006 |
| Lao | 1,8 | pregnant women (<20 weeks) at first visit to Sethiathirath or MCH hospital, Population | Thammalangsy S et al, 2006 |
| Mongolia | 6,7 | 10 randomly selected ANC clinics | Report from MOH Mongolia, 2007 |
| Samoa | 20,8 | pregnant women; out of the women living in villages outside of Apia on the main island of Upolu (28, 68.2%), with the remainder living in Apia (132, 31.4%). | Sullivan EA et al, 2004 |

! Herpes Simplex Virus Type II is responsible for over **two-thirds** of all episodes of genital herpes and more than **5%** of recurrent cases.

Corey L, et al. Genital herpes simplex virus infections: current concepts in diagnosis, therapy, and prevention. *Ann Intern Med* 1983; 98: 958-972.

Regional estimates of the prevalence of the herpes simplex virus type 2 infection among males and females, in 2003*

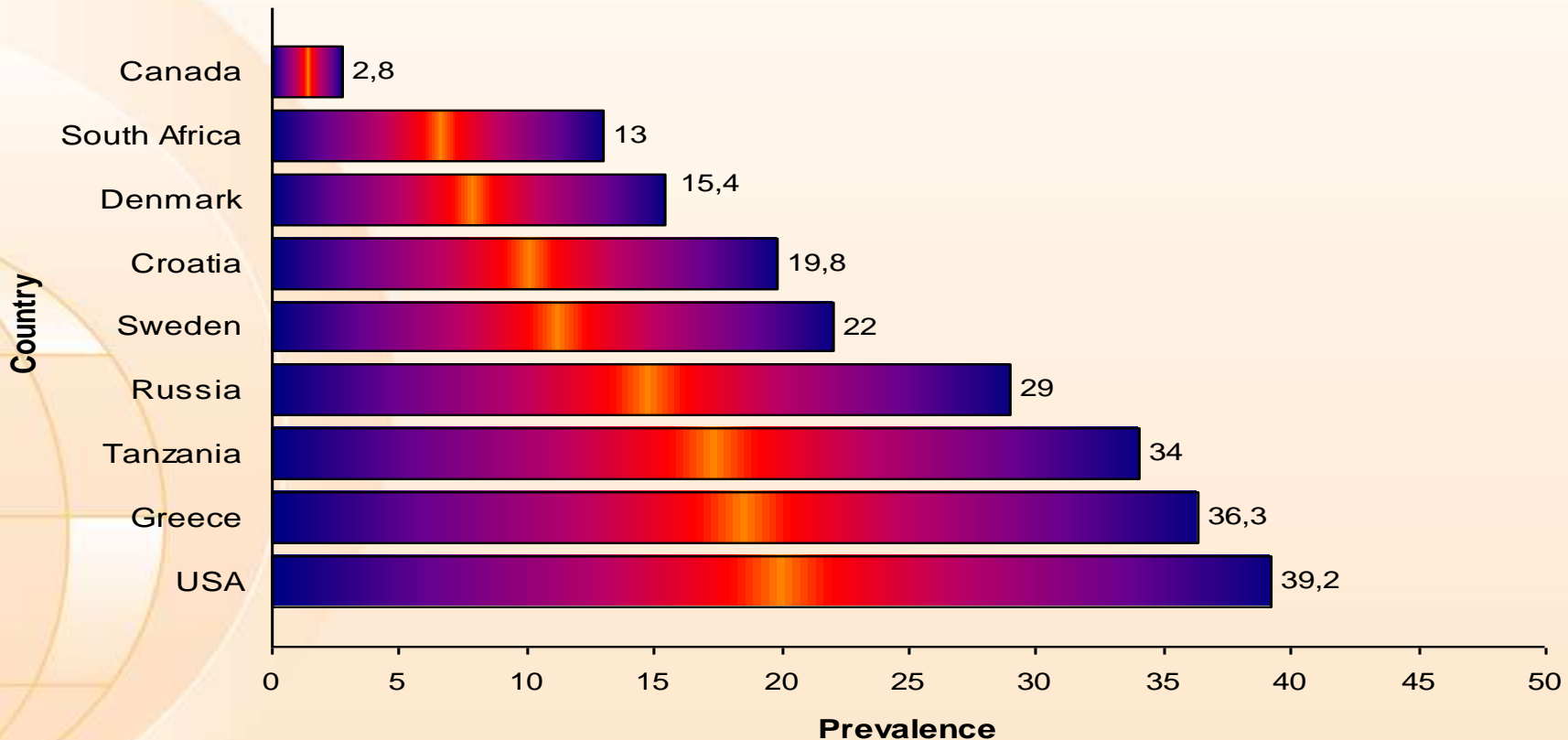
| Region | Regional prevalence in millions, by age | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | Female | | | | | | | | Male | | | | | | | |
| | 15-19 y.o | 20-24 y.o | 25-29 y.o | 30-34 y.o | 35-39 y.o | 40-44 y.o | 45-49 y.o | Total | 15-19 y.o | 20-24 y.o | 25-29 y.o | 30-34 y.o | 35-39 y.o | 40-44 y.o | 45-49 y.o | Total |
| North America | 0.9 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 17.9 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 11.9 |
| Latin America and the Caribbean | 2.6 | 4.5 | 5.8 | 6.4 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.0 | 38.6 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 15.1 |
| North Africa and the Middle East | 1.0 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 9.6 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 8.6 |
| Sub-Saharan Africa | 9.0 | 13.1 | 13.6 | 12.5 | 11.2 | 10.0 | 8.8 | 78.2 | 4.1 | 6.5 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.1 | 6.7 | 6.2 | 45.5 |
| Western Europe | 0.7 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 13.7 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 7.2 |
| Eastern Europe and central Asia | 2.7 | 3.9 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 28.9 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 12.3 |
| Eastern Asia | 2.6 | 4.4 | 7.1 | 11.1 | 12.8 | 11.9 | 12.0 | 61.8 | 2.0 | 3.4 | 5.4 | 8.4 | 9.8 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 47.8 |
| Japan | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 4.1 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.7 |
| Pacific | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.3 | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 0.5 |
| South Asia | 4.1 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 4.3 | 3.7 | 33.2 | 1.8 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 29.4 |
| South-east Asia | 1.7 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 27.6 | 3.1 | 5.2 | 6.3 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 6.6 | 6.0 | 41.2 |
| Australia and New Zealand | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.08 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| Total | 25.8 | 39.4 | 46.5 | 51.5 | 52.9 | 50.8 | 47.9 | 314.8 | 14.6 | 24.1 | 30.5 | 36.1 | 38.8 | 38.8 | 37.8 | 220.7 |

*Looker KJ, et al. An estimate of the global prevalence and incidence of herpes simplex virus type 2 infection. Bull World Health Organ. 2008 Oct;86(10):805-12, A.

! ■ New vaccines against human papilloma virus infection could stop the **untimely death of approximately 240 000 women** from cervical cancer every year in resource-poor settings.

World Health Organization. Global Strategy for the prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections: 2006-2015. ISBN 9789241563475. Geneva 2007.

Human papilloma virus, prevalence studies among female population, 1995-2001*



* Sexually Transmitted Infections. Ivonne Camaroni, Antonio Gerbase. Chapter 4 « Global Epidemiology of Sexually Transmitted Infections », PP 27-43.

! Risk of contracting gonorrhoea, syphilis and **HPV** is higher among **uncircumcised men** than among **circumcised** ones.

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Circumcision reduces the prevalence and incidence of Multiple High-Risk Papillomavirus infections in HIV-positive Men (Uganda, 2007)

Incidence of Single and Multiple HR-HPV infections over 24 Months, by Study Arm*

| New HR-HPV Infections | No.(%) of samples with infection, by study arm | | IRR, intervention vs control (95% CI) |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| | Intervention (n=81) | Control (n=93) | |
| ≥1 HR-HPV genotype infection | 34 (42.0) | 53 (57.0) | 0.74 (0.54 – 1.01) |
| Single HR-HPV genotype infection | 26 (32.1) | 30 (32.2) | 1.00 (0.65 – 1.53) |
| Multiple HR-HPV genotype infections | 8 (9.9) | 23 (24.7) | 0.40 (0.19 - 0.84) |

Note. – Samples are those that had amplifiable cellular or viral DNA at both enrolment and follow-up CI, confidence interval; IRR incidence risk ratio.

*David Serwadda et al. Circumcision of HIV-Infected Men: Effects on High-Risk Human Papillomavirus Infections in Randomized Trial in Rakai, Uganda. The Journal of Infectious Diseases 2010; 201(10):000-000.

Antimicrobial Resistance

Status quo or **new challenges!**?

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The clinical implications of persistent gonococcal infections

In adults

- Pelvic inflammatory disease (PID)
- Chronic pelvic pain
- Ectopic pregnancy
- Spontaneous abortions
- Post-partum infections
- Infertility (male & female)
- Increased HIV transmission
- Epididymitis
- Orchitis
- Urethral strictures

In children

- Stillbirths
- Prematurity
- Low birth weight
- Conjunctivitis
- Blindness



Antimicrobial resistance in *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*

- **Sulphonamides**
- **Penicillins**
- **Tetracyclines**
- **Aminoglycosides (gentamicin, kanamycin)**
- **Quinolones (norfloxacin, ciprofloxacin)**
- **Macrolides (azithromycin)**
- **Cephalosporins (ceftriaxone, cefixime)**

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Penicillin resistance in 9048 strains of *N. gonorrhoeae* in 22 Asian countries in 2008

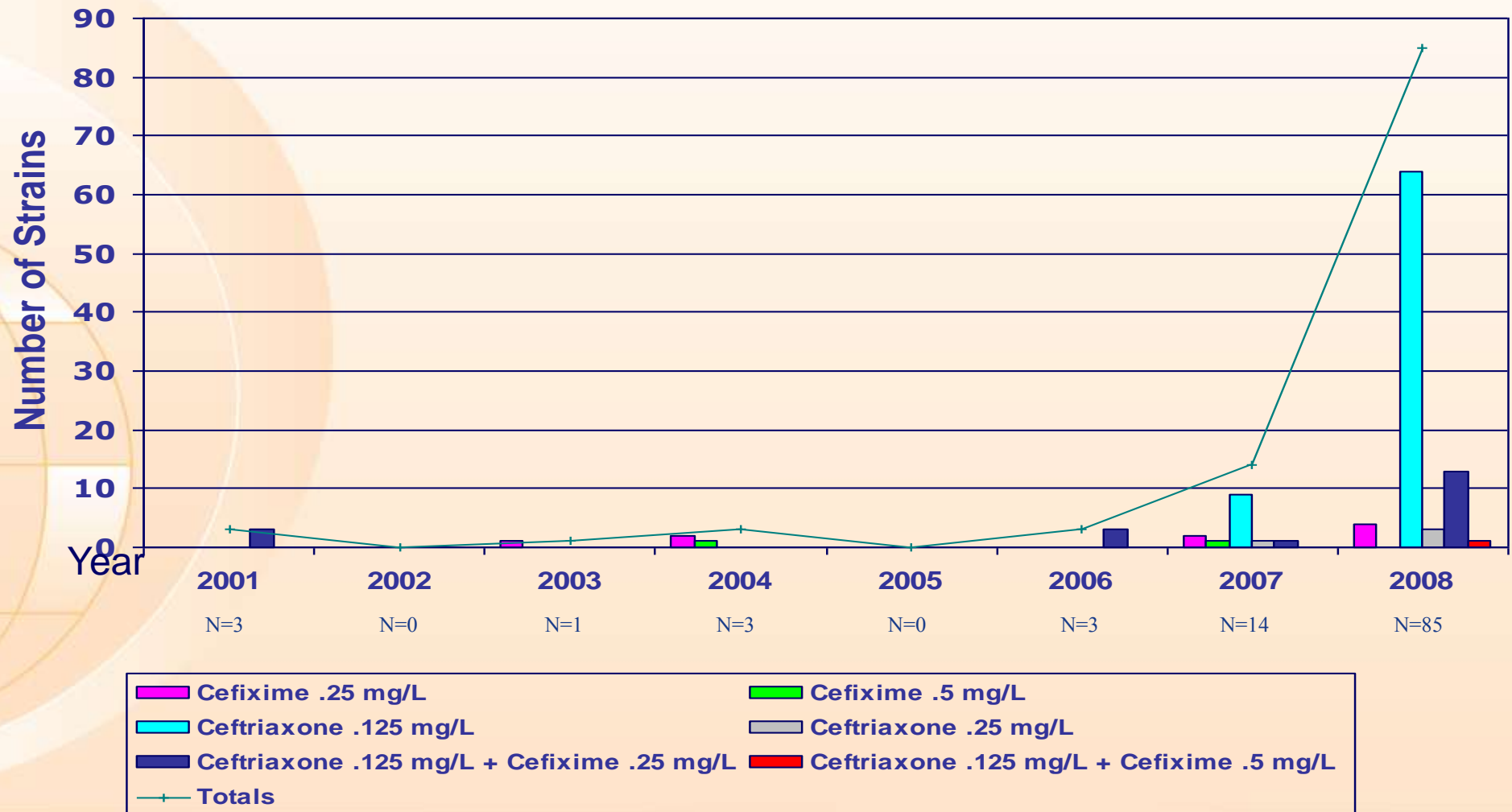
| Country | n | PPNG | | CMRP | | All Pen R | |
|------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % |
| Australia | 3110 | 373 | 12% | 994 | 32 | 1367 | 44% |
| *#Bhutan | 161 | | | | | 161 | 100% |
| Brunei | 351 | 201 | 70.5% | 44 | 12.5% | 245 | 69.8% |
| China | 1403 | 543 | 38.7% | ND^ | | | |
| Fiji | 320 | 20 | 6.3% | 11 | 3.4% | 31 | 9.7% |
| Hong Kong SAR | 1393 | 434 | 31.2% | 169 | 12.1% | 603 | 43.3% |
| *India | 60 | 20 | 33.3% | 5 | 8.3% | 25 | 41.7% |
| Japan | 328 | 2 | 0.6% | 88 | 26.8% | 90 | 27.4% |
| Korea | 141 | 18 | 12.8% | 77 | 54.6% | 95 | 67.4% |
| #Lao PDR | 9 | | | | | 7# | 78% |
| Malaysia | 43 | 23 | 53.5% | 0 | 0.0% | 23 | 53.5% |
| Mongolia | 91 | | | 3 | 3.3% | 3 | 3.3% |
| *Myanmar | 12 | 2 | 16.7% | 8 | 66.7% | 10 | 83.3% |
| New Caledonia | 152 | 0 | 0.0% | 2 | 1.3% | 2 | 1.3% |
| New Zealand | 258 | 6 | 2.3% | 57 | 22.1% | 63 | 24.4% |
| Papua New Guinea | 32 | 20 | 62.5% | 2 | 6.3% | 22 | 68.8% |
| Philippines | 84 | 76 | 90.5% | 0 | 0.0% | 76 | 90.5% |
| *Sri Lanka | 34 | 18 | 52.9% | 1 | 2.9% | 19 | 55.9% |
| Singapore | 160 | 90 | 56.3% | 12 | 7.5% | 102 | 63.8% |
| *@Thailand | 733 | 592 | 80.8% | 45/53 | 84.9% | | |
| Tonga | 14 | 1 | 7.1% | 0 | 0.0% | 1 | 7.1% |
| Vietnam | 153 | 40 | 26.1% | 9 | 5.9% | 49 | 32% |

Quinolone resistance in 8731 strains of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* in 20 Asian countries in 2008

| Country | n | Less susceptible | | Resistant | | All QRNG | |
|------------------|------|------------------|-------|-----------|--------|----------|--------|
| | | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % |
| Australia | 3110 | 34 | 1.1% | 1651 | 53.1% | 1685 | 54.2% |
| *Bhutan | 161 | | | | | 153 | 95% |
| Brunei | 353 | 92 | 26.1% | 168 | 47.6% | 260 | 73.7% |
| China | 1403 | 53 | 3.8% | 1348 | 96.1% | 1401 | 99.9% |
| Hong Kong SAR | 1393 | 12 | 0.9% | 1362 | 97.80% | 1374 | 98.6% |
| *India | 60 | 10 | 16.7% | 50 | 83.3% | 60 | 100.0% |
| Japan | 328 | 14 | 4.3% | 240 | 73.2% | 254 | 77.4% |
| Korea | 141 | 29 | 20.6% | 106 | 75.2% | 135 | 95.7% |
| Lao PDR | 9 | | | 1 | 11% | 1 | 11% |
| Malaysia | 43 | 6 | 14% | 29 | 67.4% | 35 | 81.4% |
| Mongolia | 91 | 35 | 38.5% | 34 | 37.4% | 69 | 75.8% |
| *Myanmar | 12 | 4 | 33.3% | 6 | 50.0% | 10 | 83.3% |
| New Caledonia | 152 | 2 | 1.3% | 3 | 2.0% | 5 | 3.3% |
| New Zealand | 258 | 2 | 0.8% | 53 | 20.5% | 55 | 21.3% |
| Papua New Guinea | 32 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Philippines | 84 | 4 | 4.8% | 68 | 81.0% | 72 | 85.7% |
| *Sri Lanka | 34 | 0 | 0.0% | 26 | 76.5% | 26 | 76.5% |
| Singapore | 160 | 10 | 6.3% | 119 | 74.4% | 129 | 80.6% |
| *Thailand | 754 | 162 | 21.5% | 570 | 75.6% | 732 | 97.1% |
| Vietnam | 153 | 5 | 3.3% | 147 | 96.0% | 152 | 99.3% |

N. gonorrhoeae strains with decreased susceptibility to Cephalosporins*

Cefixime (0.25 mg/l and 0.5 mg/L) and Ceftriaxone (0.125 mg/L and 0.25 mg/L) MICs



*Source: Public Health Agency of Canada

Modal ceftriaxone MICs – Europe data

| | 2004 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | Fold increase (1 st to last year) |
|---------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|---|
| Austria | 0.004 | <0.002 | 0.016 | 0.016 | 4 |
| Belgium | <0.002 | <0.002 | <0.002 | 0.008 | 4 |
| Denmark | <0.002 | 0.016 | 0.016 | 0.016 | 8 |
| England/Wales | <0.002 | <0.002 | <0.002 | 0.004 | 2 |
| Netherlands | <0.002 | 0.016 | 0.008 | 0.004 | 2 |
| Portugal | <0.002 | 0.004 | 0.004 | 0.004 | 2 |
| Scotland | 0.004 | 0.004 | 0.004 | 0.008 | 2 |
| Slovenia | | 0.004 | 0.004 | 0.016 | 4 |
| Spain | <0.002 | 0.008 | 0.004 | 0.004 | 2 |
| Sweden | 0.004 | 0.008 | 0.008 | 0.008 | 2 |
| France | <0.002 | | 0.016 | 0.004 | 2 |
| Germany | | | 0.016 | 0.008 | Decrease |
| Greece | <0.002 | | 0.004 | 0.004 | 2 |
| Italy | <0.002 | | 0.008 | | 4 |
| Malta | | | 0.016 | 0.032 | 2 |

MICs rounded up to full dilution
<0.002 = 0.002 for fold calculation

Courtesy: Cathy Ison

Ceftriaxone reduced-susceptibility strains of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* – WHO/WPR/SEAR, 2006



The World Health Organization recommends that once a level of 5% resistance to an antibiotic is recognized, then that antibiotic should be removed from recommended treatment schedules for gonorrhoea.

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Data Source: National Ministry of Health/WHO
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The STI Epidemic, Eastern Europe and Central Asia

Late 1990s

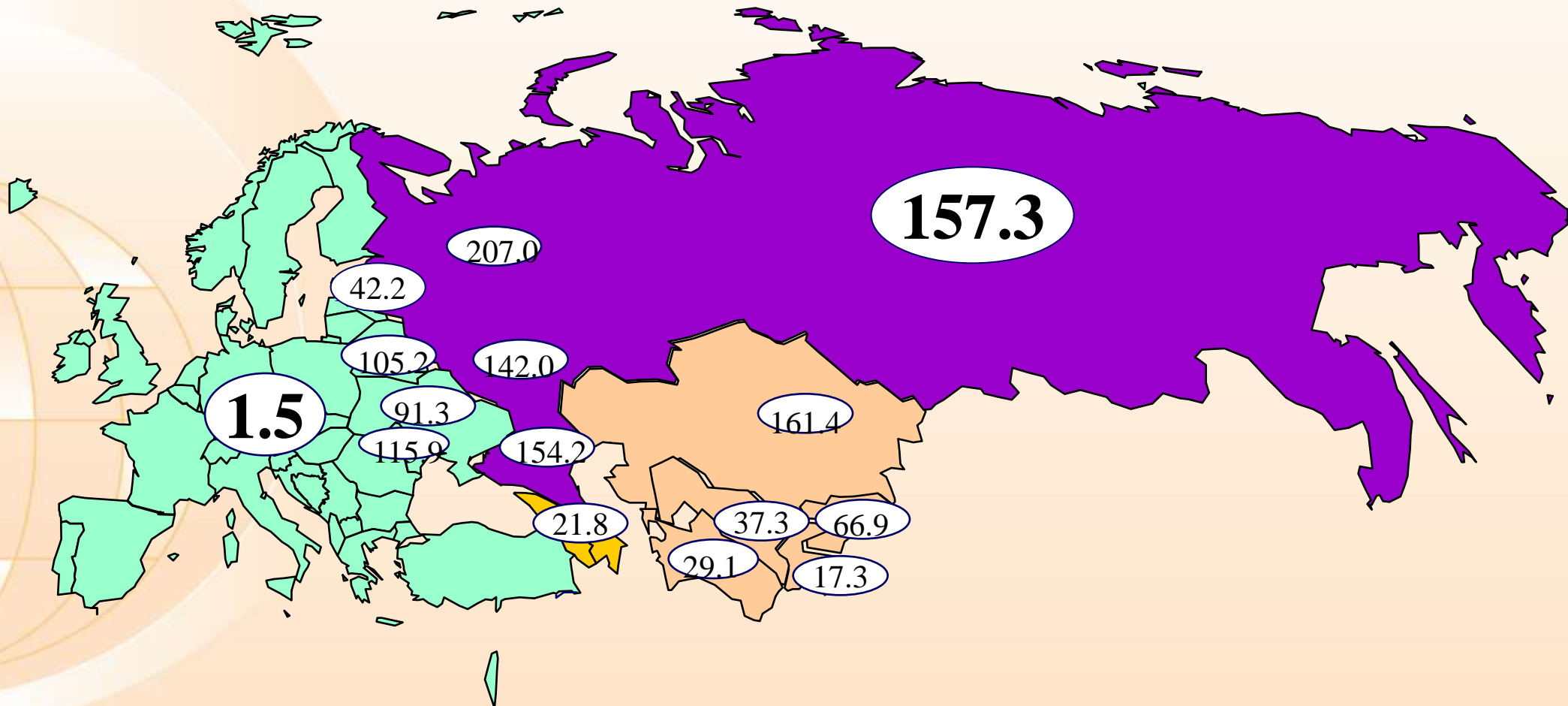
Things are not the same anymore!

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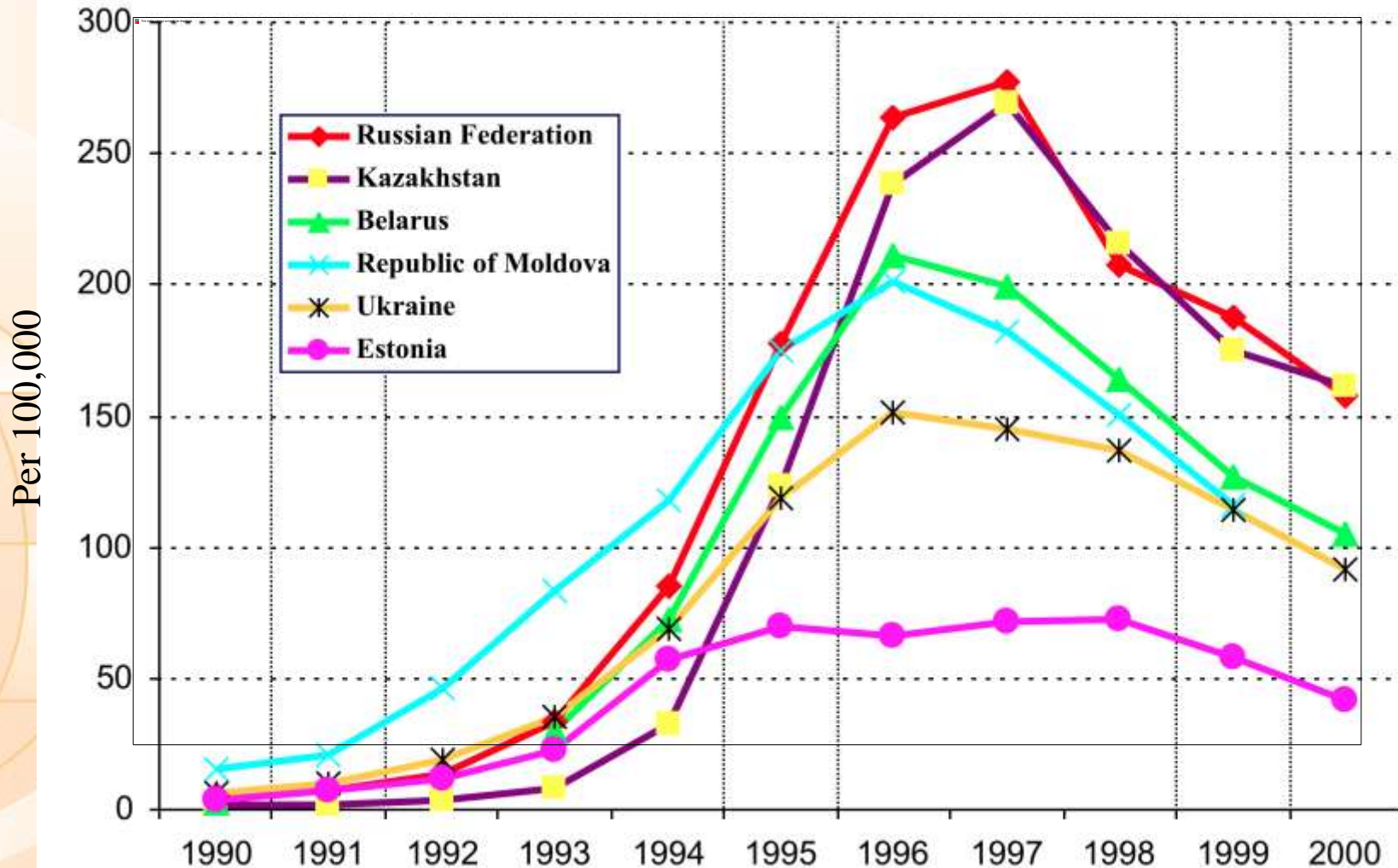
Incidence of syphilis in the WHO EURO Region 1999/2000

- rate per 100,000 population -

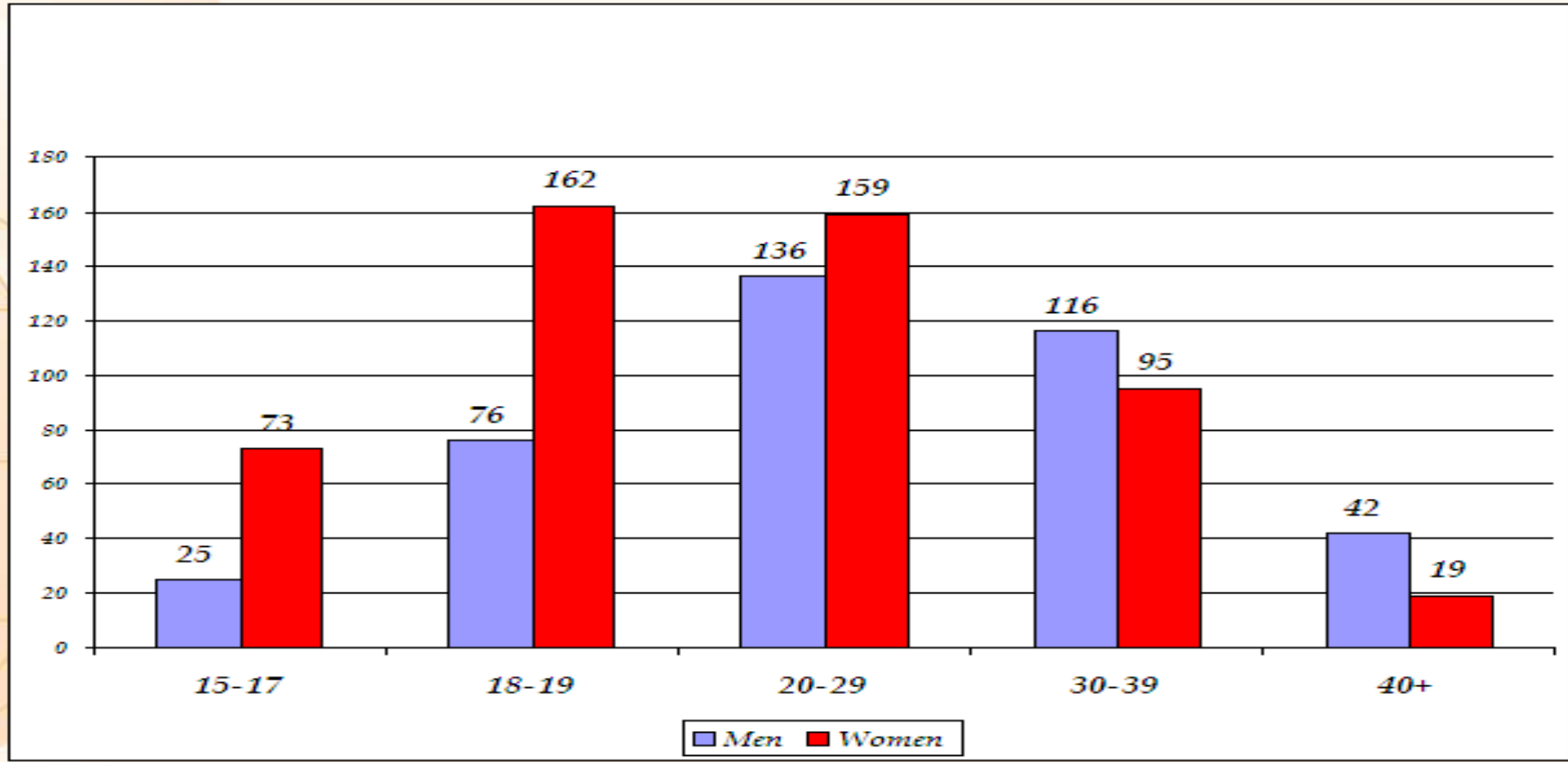


Incidence of syphilis in Belarus, Estonia, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine, 1990-2000

- rate per 100 000 -

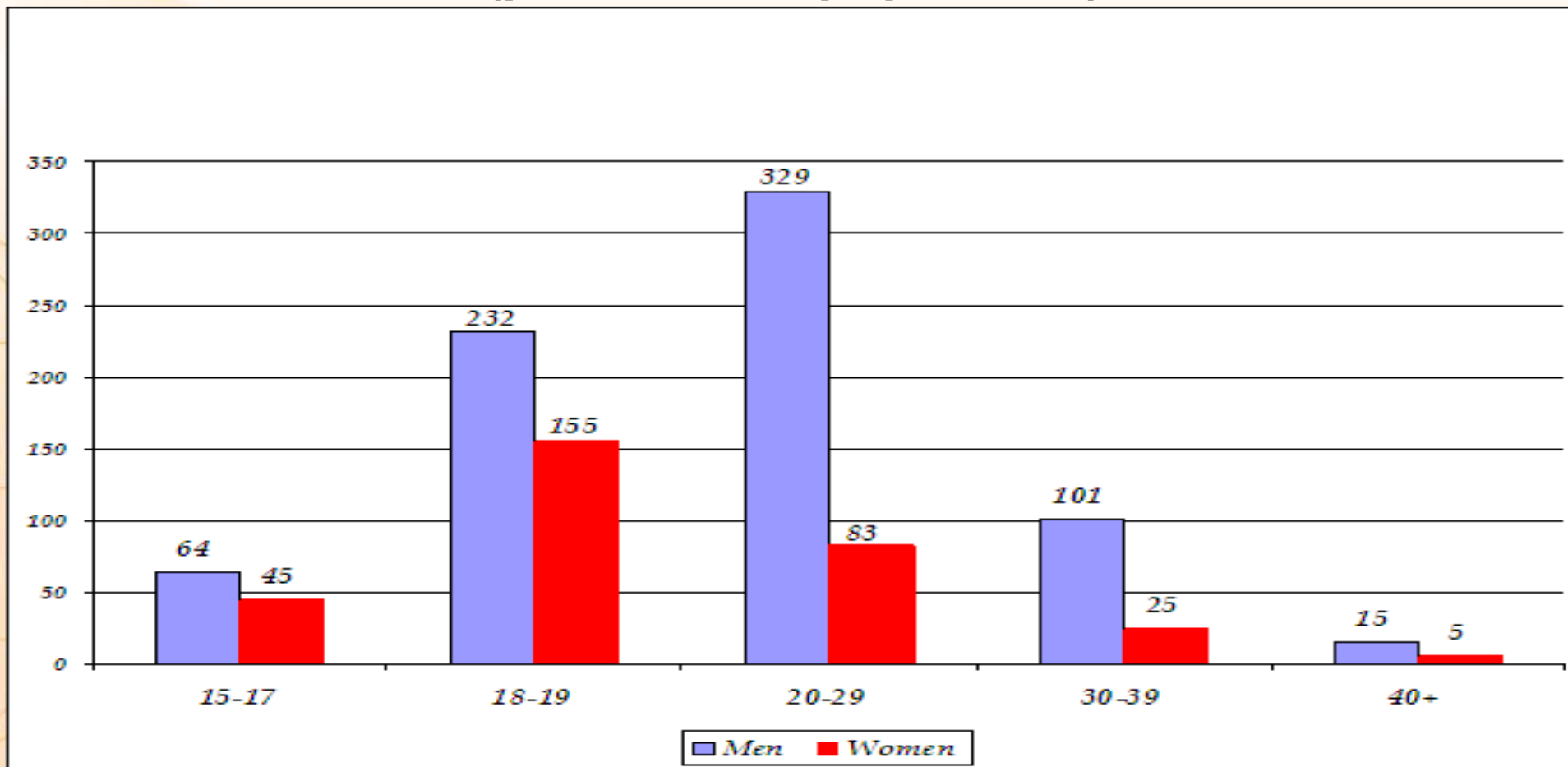


Incidence rate of syphilis by age groups and sex in the Russian Federation (2009)* (per. 100 000 population)



* Source: Здравоохранение в России. 2009: Стат.сб./Росстат. - М., 2009. - 365 с.

Incidence rate of gonorrhoea by age groups and sex in the Russian Federation (2009)* (per. 100 000 population)



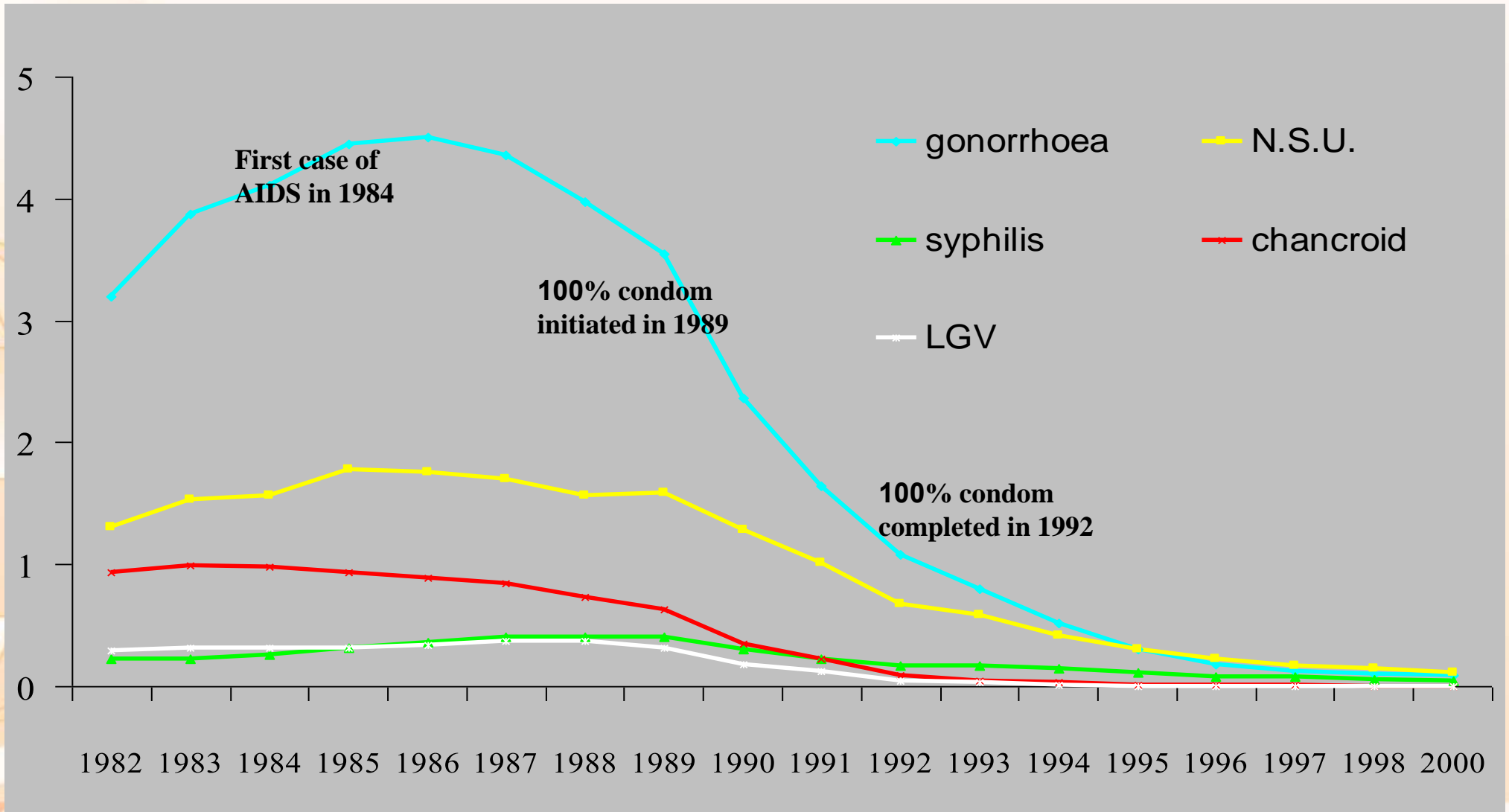
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Thailand 100% Condom Use Programme



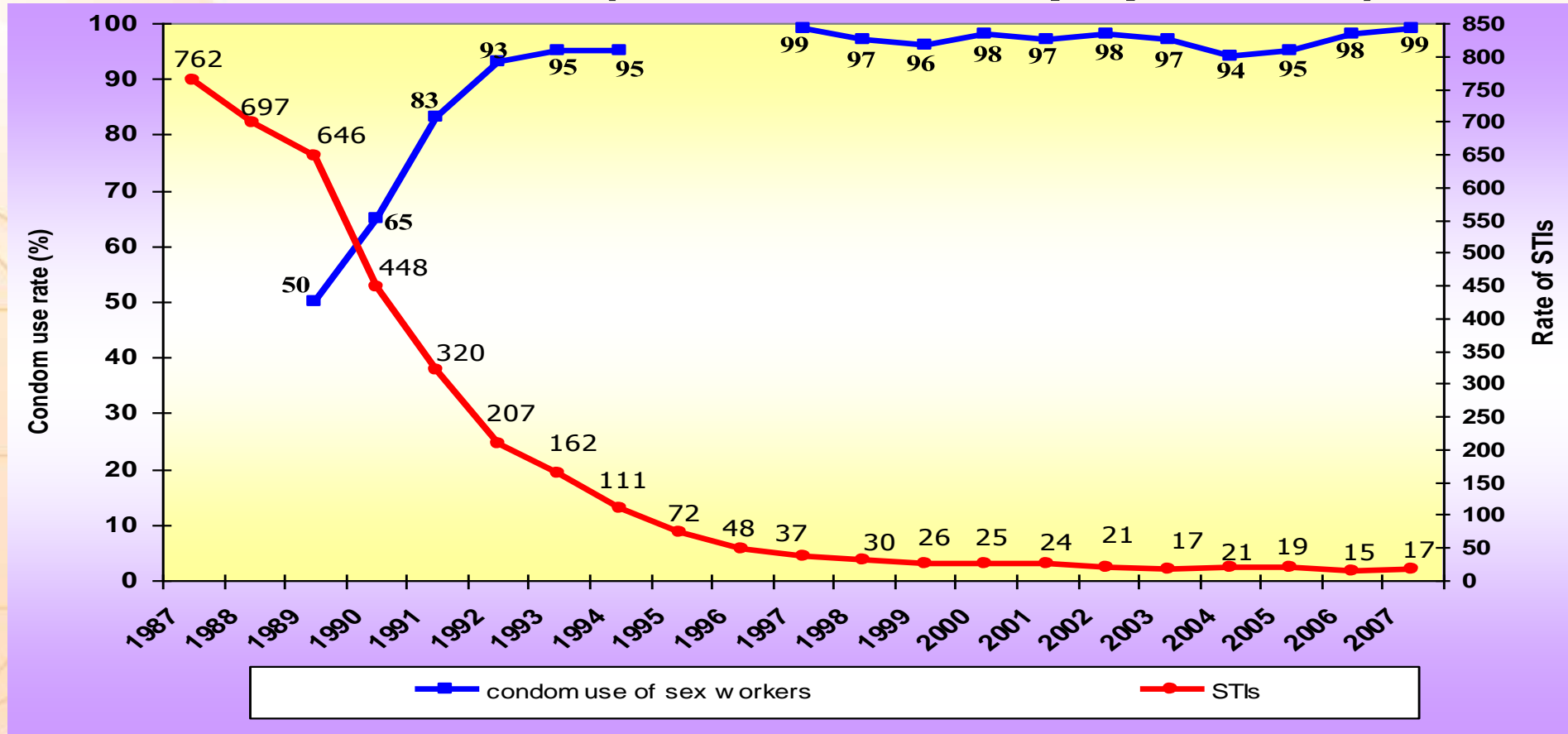
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Incidence of STIs in Thailand (1982-2000)



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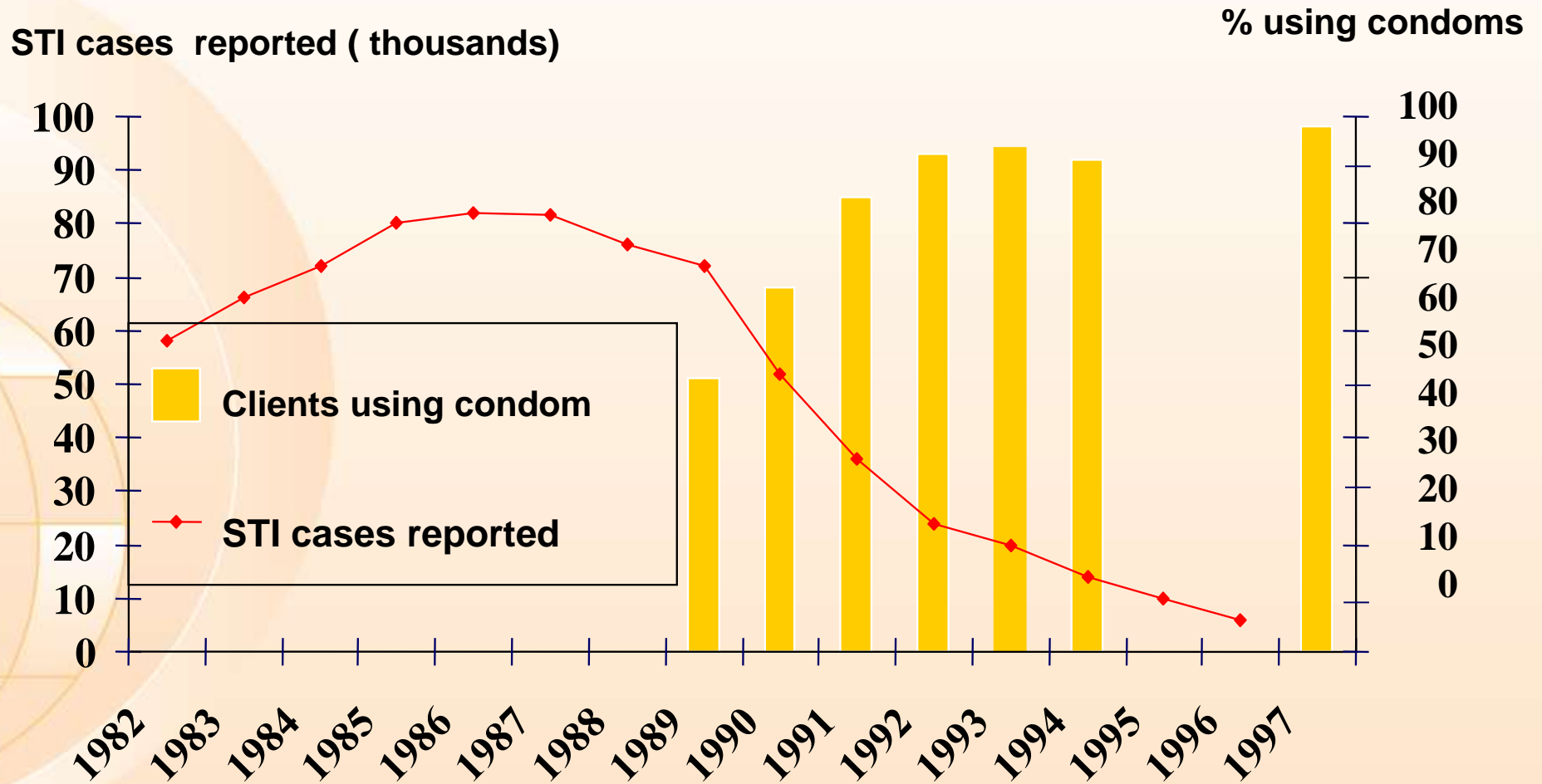
Number of reported STIs cases and Condom use Rate Among sex workers in Thailand : 1987- 2007(Rate : 100 000 population)



Source : National Surveillance and Bureau of AIDS, TB & STIs
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Clients Using Condoms and STI Cases Reported - Thailand

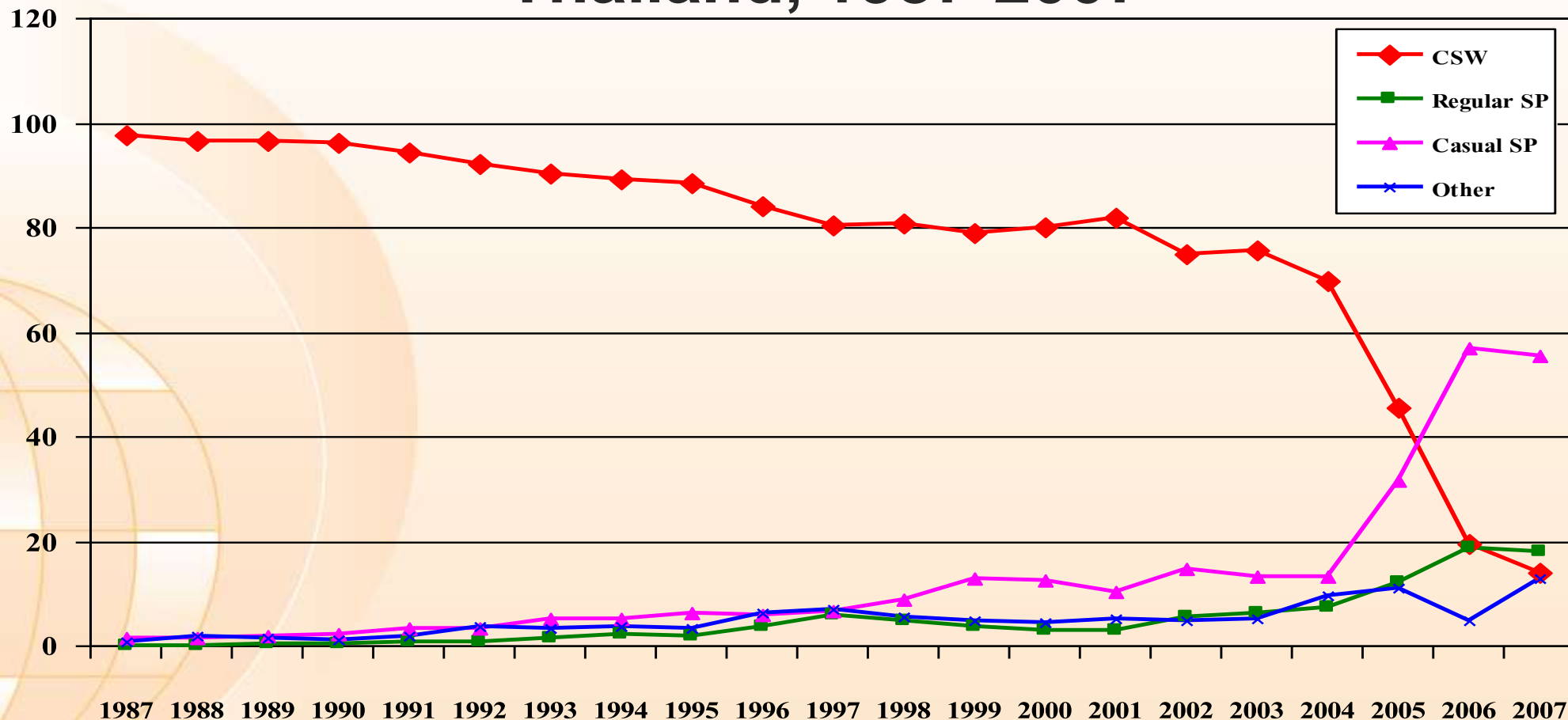


Source: Sentinel Serosurveillance, Division of Epidemiology, Ministry of Public Health.



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Sources of infection in Male STIs patients Thailand, 1987-2007*



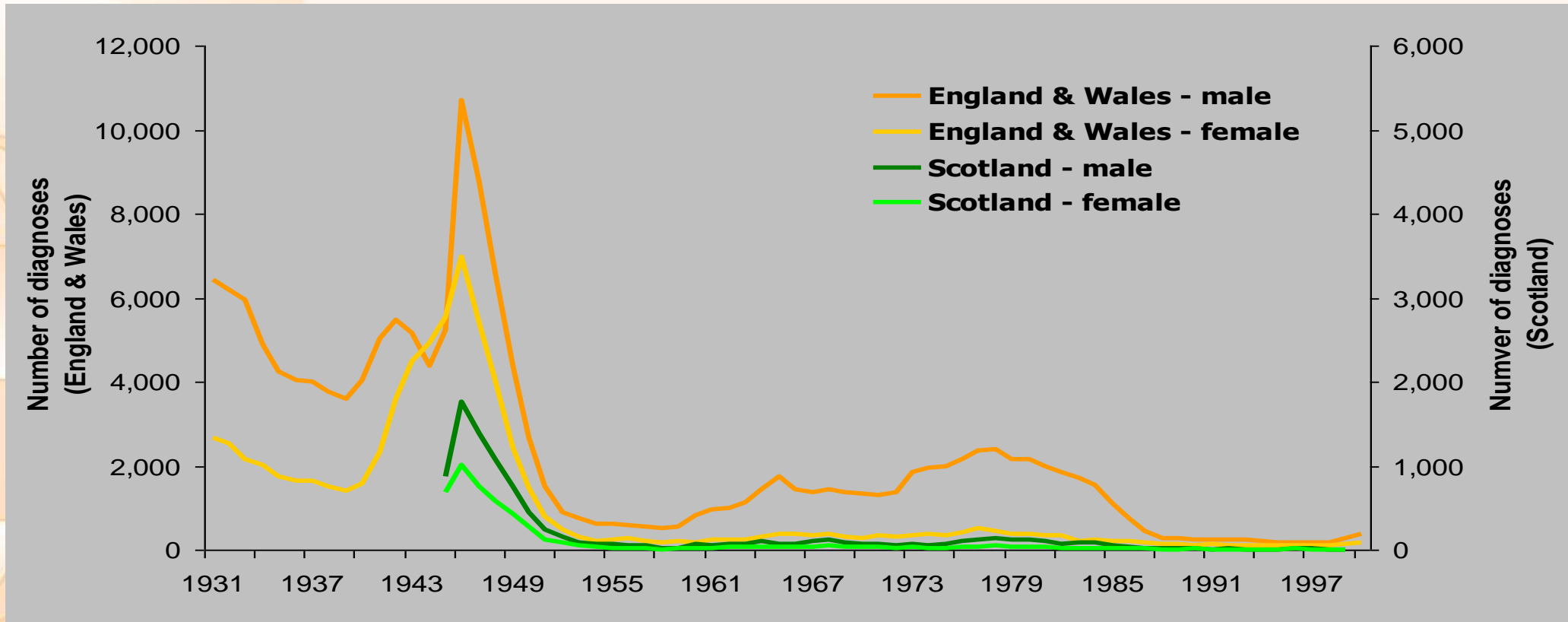
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The STI Epidemic, Western Europe, North America and Australia

Are we **missing something!**?

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Diagnoses of syphilis (primary, secondary and latent in the first 2 years of infection) seen in GUM clinics, England, Scotland and Wales, 1931 to 2000*



Source: PHLS, UK

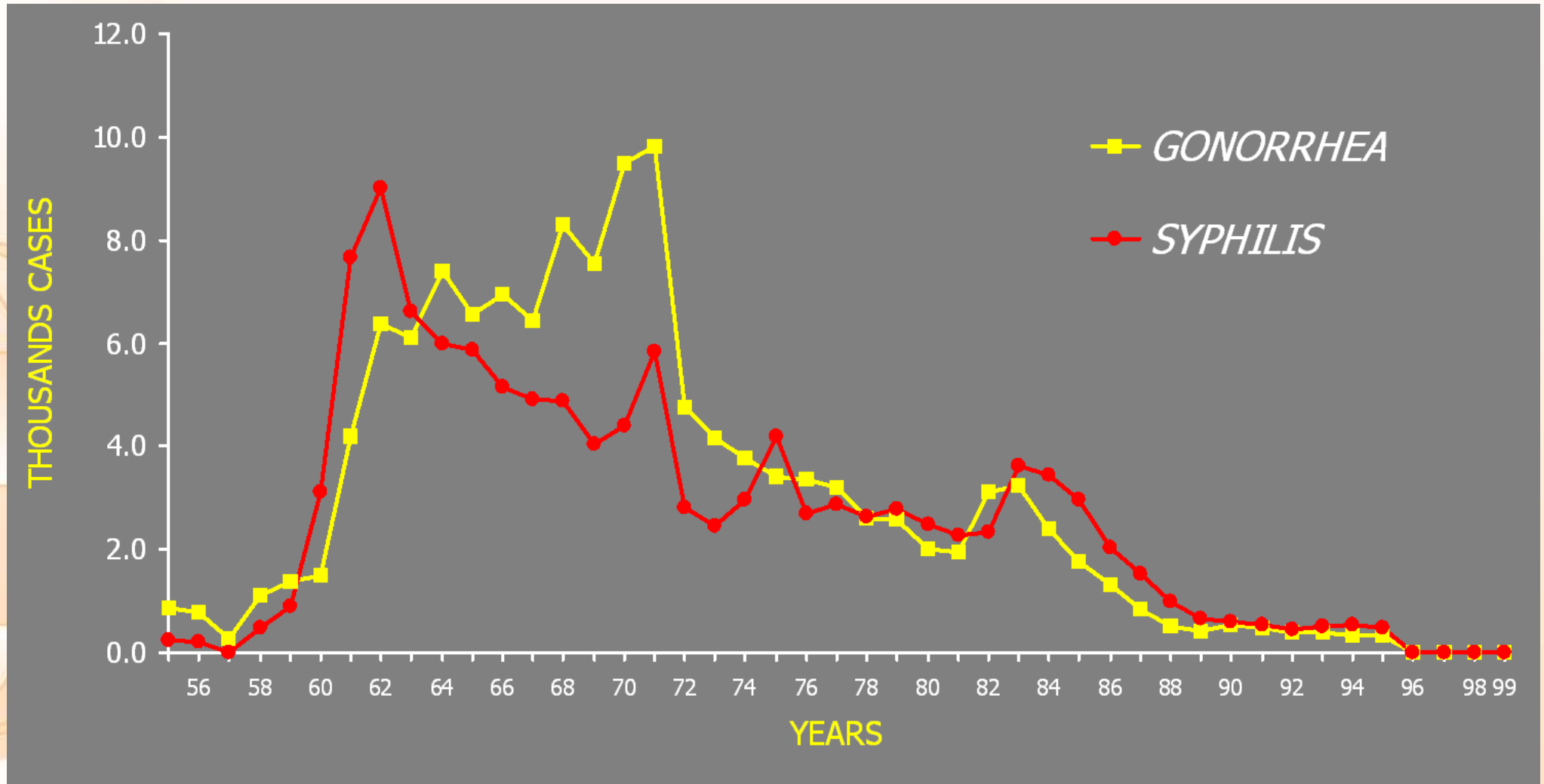
Equivalent Scottish data are not available prior to 1945 and for 2000

*As Northern Ireland data from the time period 1931 to 2000 are incomplete they have been excluded from this figure



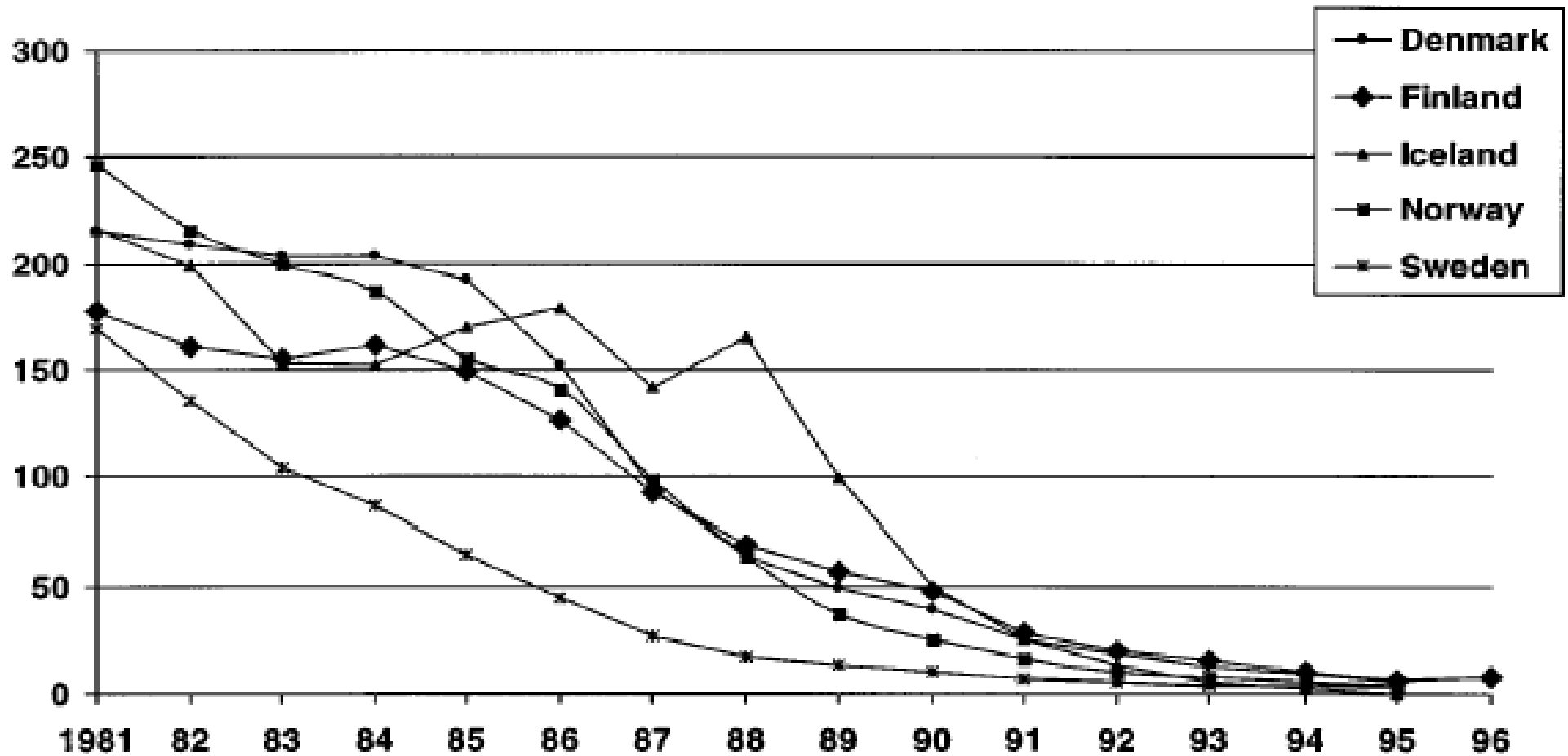
Gonorrhoea and syphilis in Italy

Mandatory notifications, 1955-1999



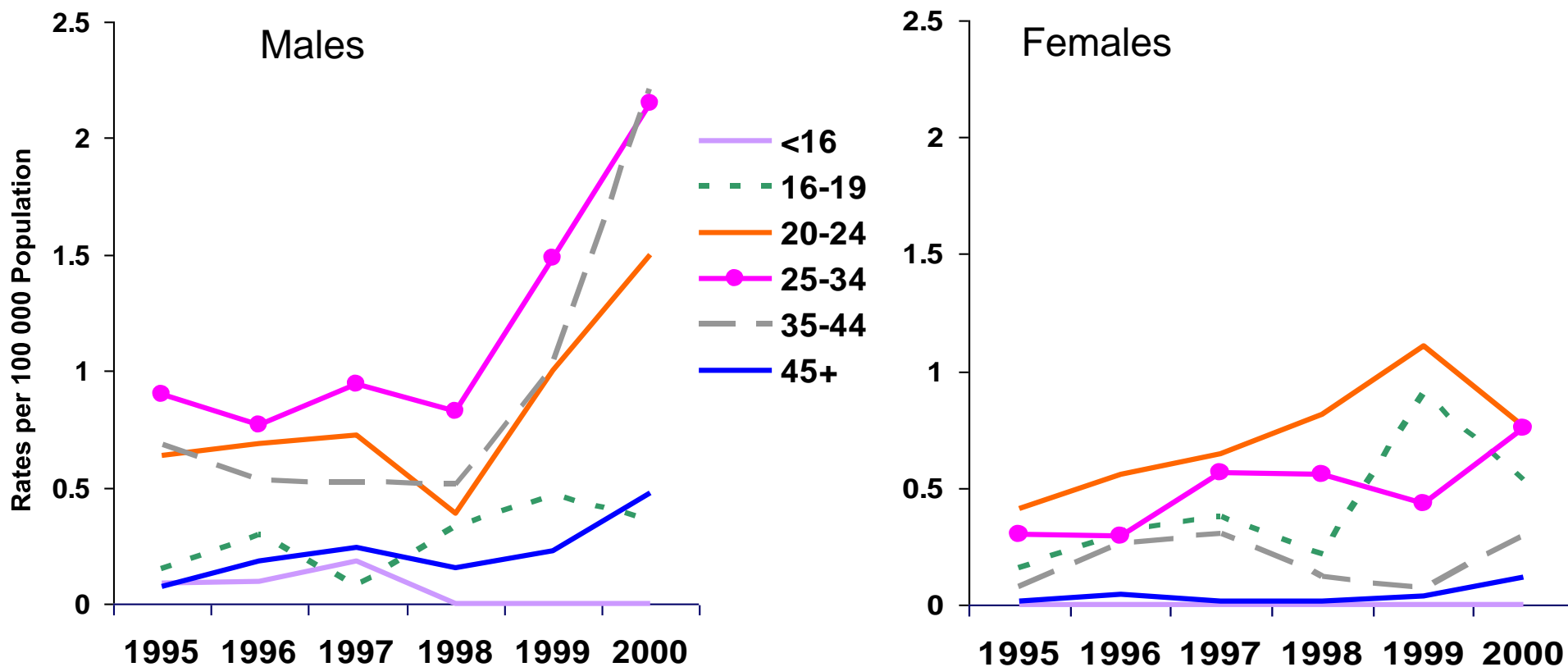
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Annual incidence of gonorrhoea per 100 000 population in Nordic countries (1981 – 1996)



Source: Adler, Meheus, *JEADV* 2000;14:370 - 377

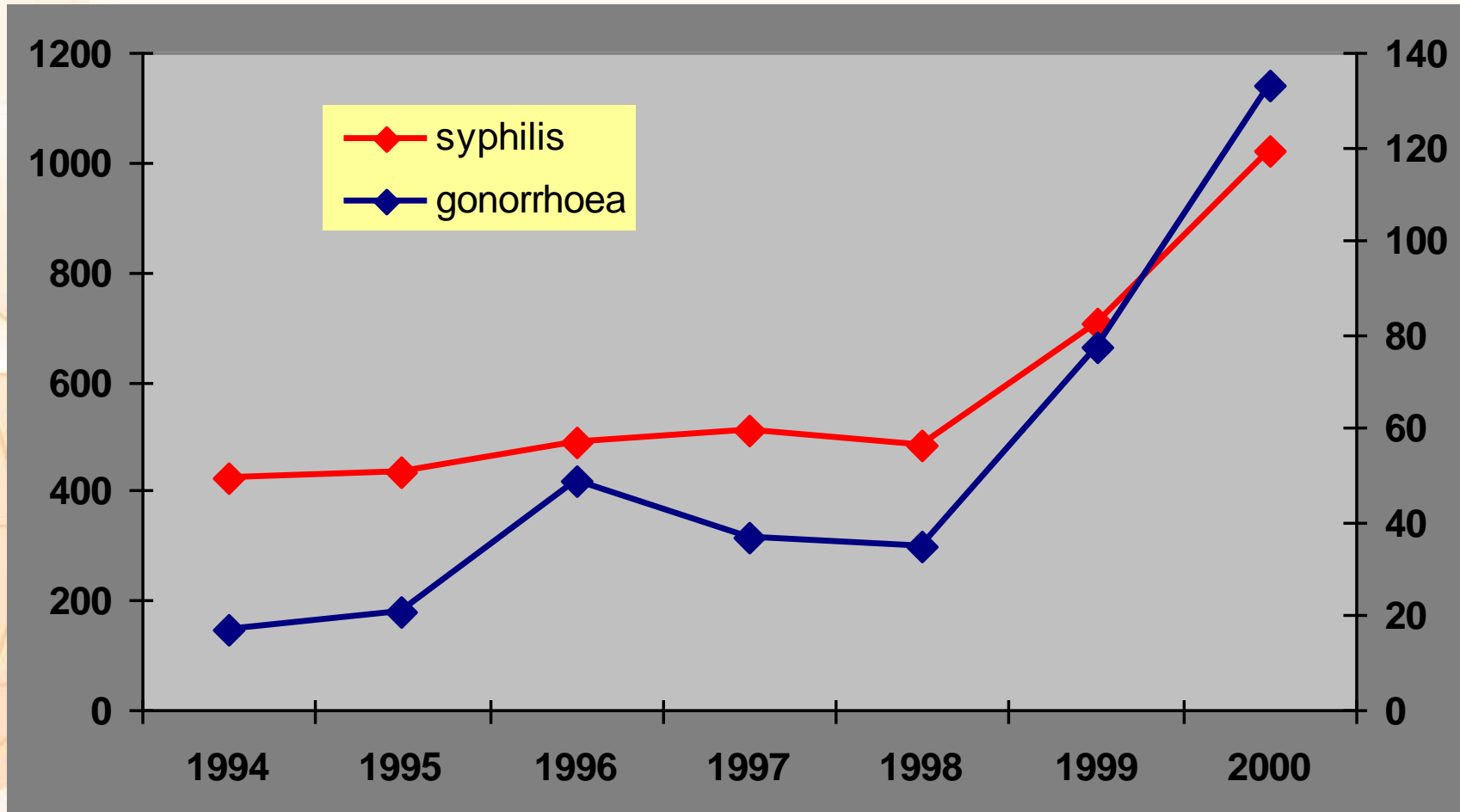
Diagnoses of infectious syphilis (primary and secondary) in GUM clinics by sex and age group, UK: 1995-2000*



*Data are unavailable from Scotland for 2000 and from N.Ireland for 1996 & 1997

Source: ESSTI/PHLS, UK

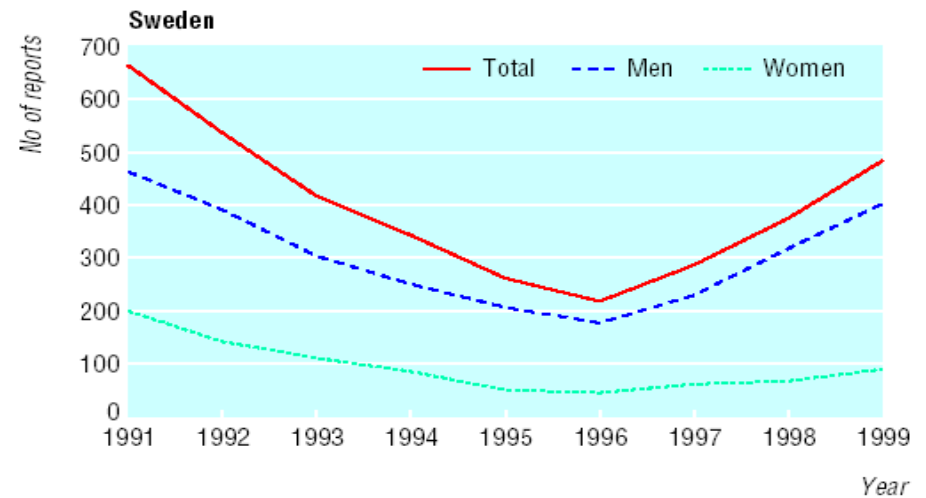
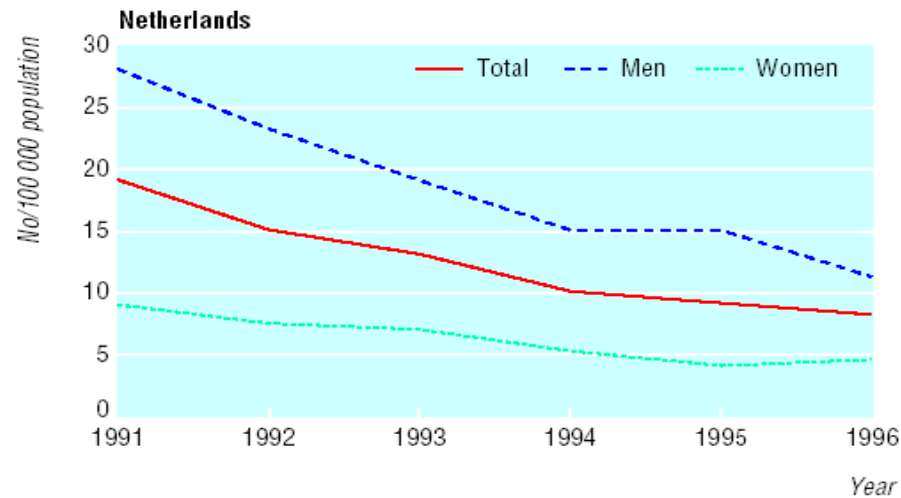
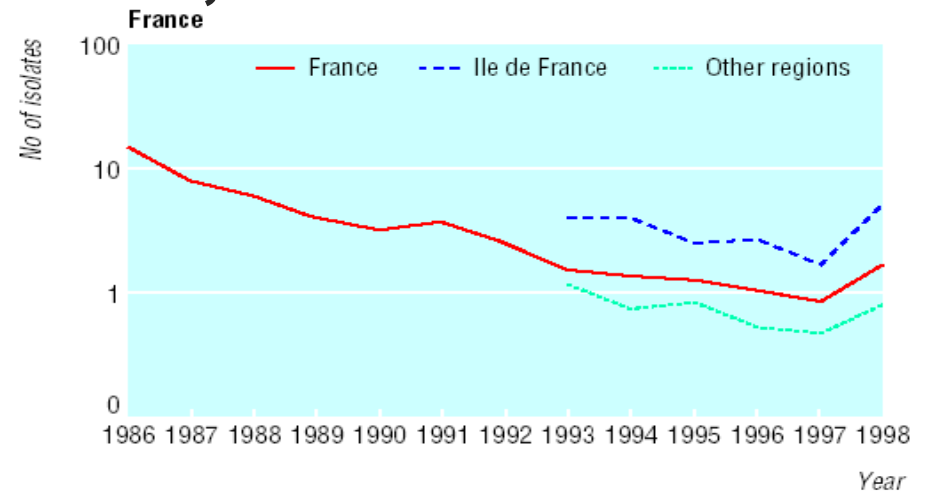
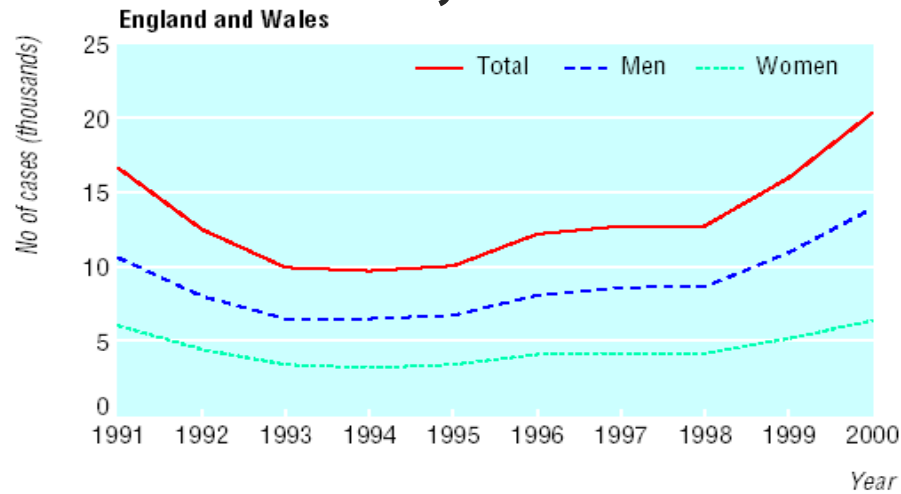
Netherlands: Gonorrhoea and syphilis, STD clinic (annual reports, GG&GD, Amsterdam).



GO: 1999: + 46%; MSM 59% heter 16% fem 66%; 2000: + 45%; 33% 56% 72%
 Lues: 1999: + 120%; MSM 333% heter 54% fem 40%; 2000: + 63% (MSM 136%)

Source: ESSTI/PHLS, UK

Trends in gonorrhoea in England and Wales, France, the Netherlands, and Sweden

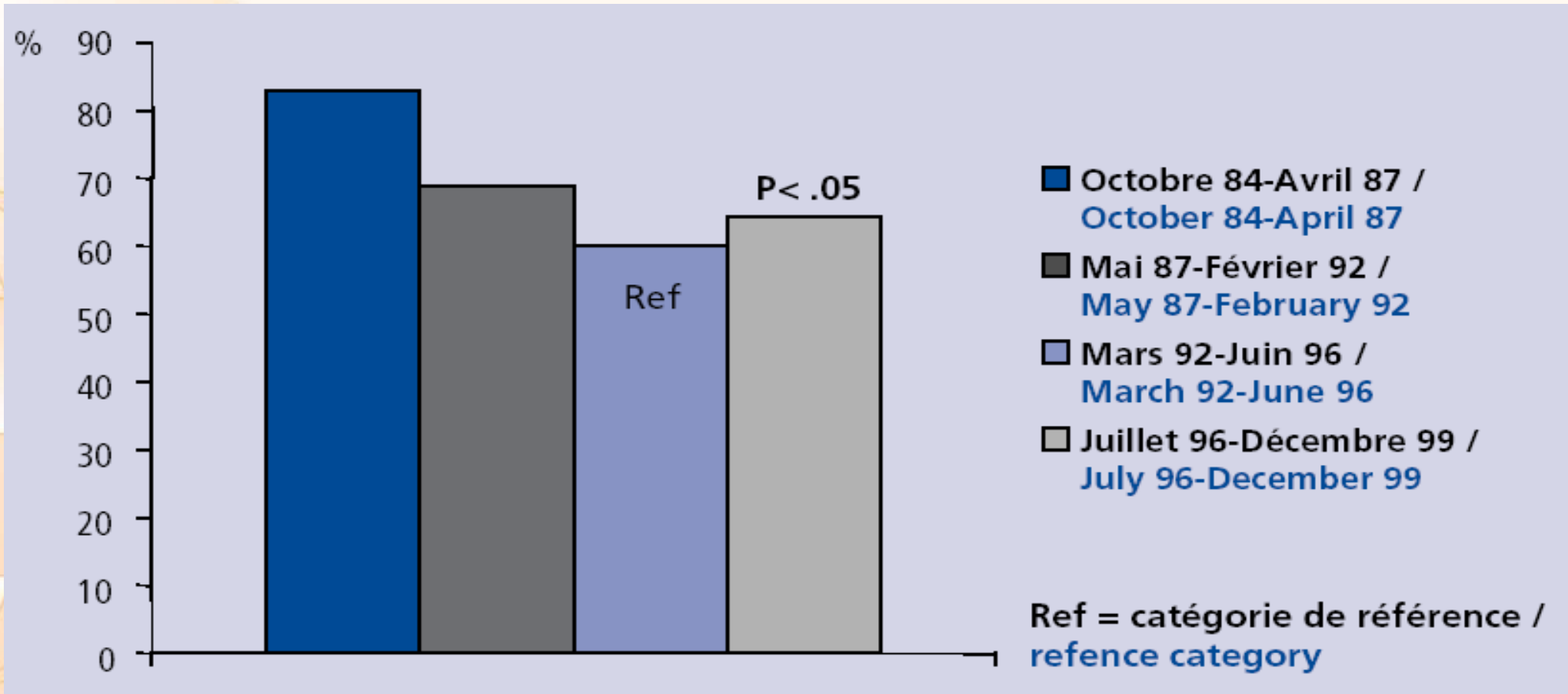


SOURCES:

England and Wales: cases of gonorrhoea seen in GUM clinics, 1991-2000; France: trends in gonococcal infections in RENAGO laboratories, 1991-1999; Netherlands: notified cases of gonorrhoea per 100 000 inhabitants, 1976-1996; Sweden: number of clinically reported *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* cases, 1991-1999 (adapted from Smittskyddsinstitutet (Swedish Institute for Infectious Disease Control), *Smittsamma Sjukdomar 1999*. Stockholm: Smittskyddsinstitutet, 2000)

Source: Nicoll & Hamers, *BMJ* 2002;324:1324-7

Percentage of unprotected anal intercourse among HIV-negative young (< 35 years) homosexual men (n=877), Amsterdam, 1984-1999

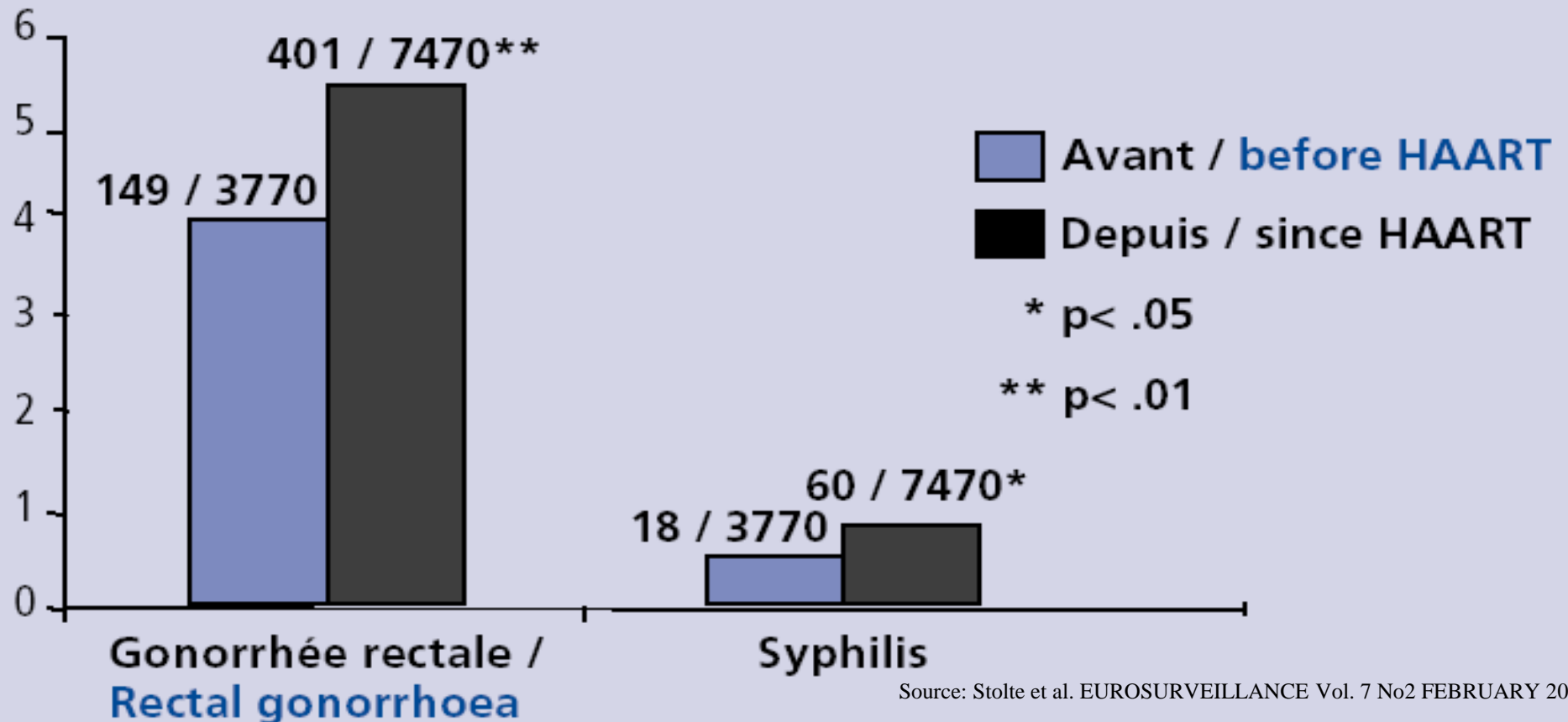


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Relative numbers (infection rate) of rectal gonorrhoea and early syphilis diagnosed among homo- and bisexual men before and after the introduction of anti HIV therapies, Amsterdam STD outpatients clinic, 1994-1999

Taux d'infection / Infection rate (%)

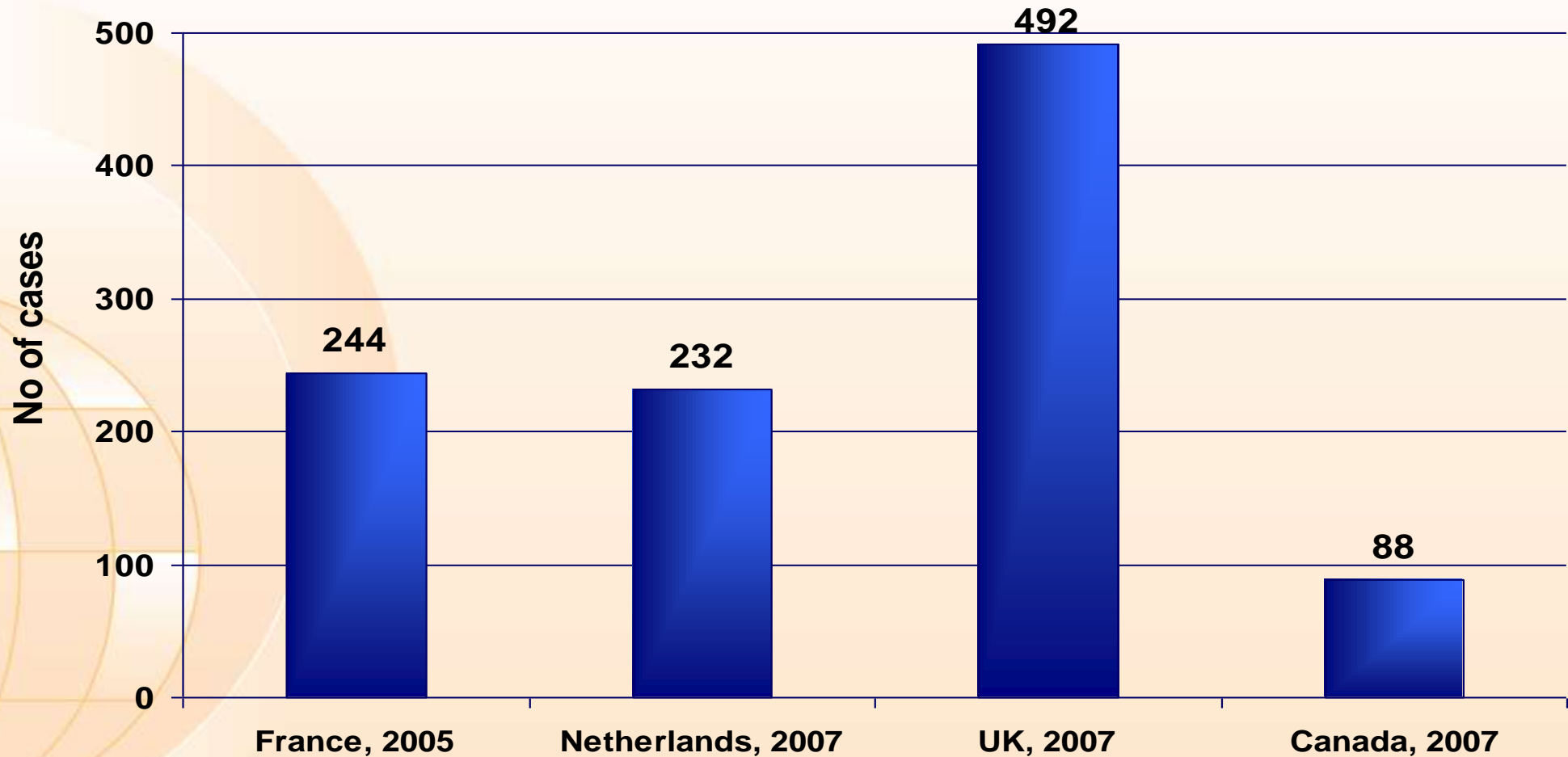


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! Recent outbreaks of proctitis due to **Lymphogranuloma Venereum among men who have sex with men** in Western Europe, North America and Australia.

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Number of LGV proctitis reported in Europe, North America, 2005-2007*



Martin-Iguacel R, et al. Lymphogranuloma venereum proctocolitis: a silent endemic disease in men who have sex with men in industrialised countries. *Eur J Clin Microbiol Infect Dis*. 2010 Aug;29(8):917-25

Never ending story?

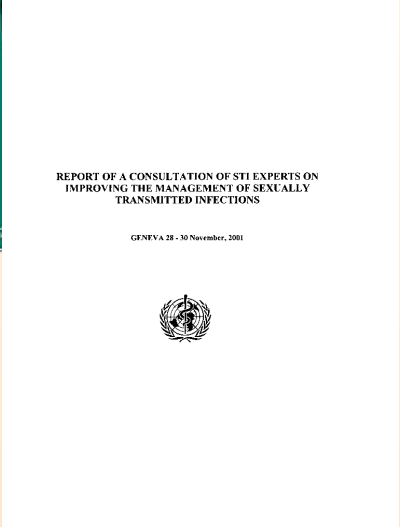
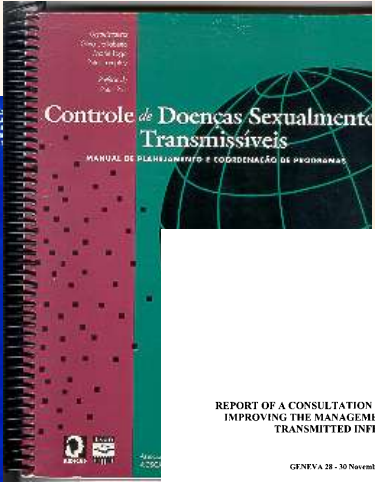
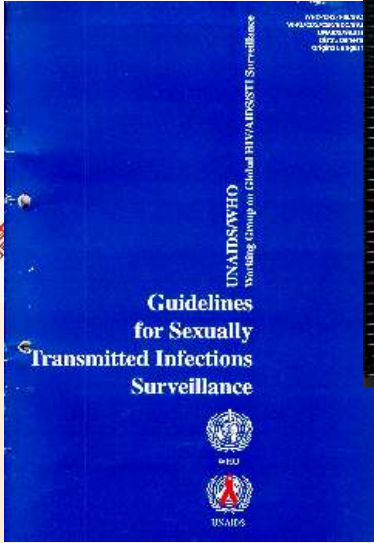
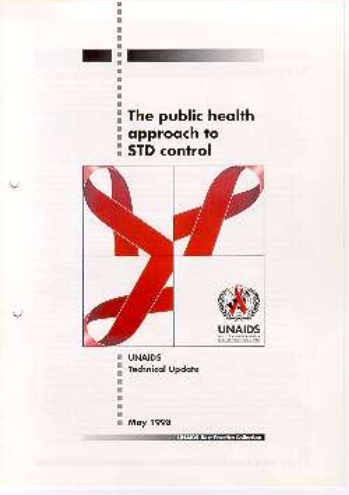
The past started



The present is working

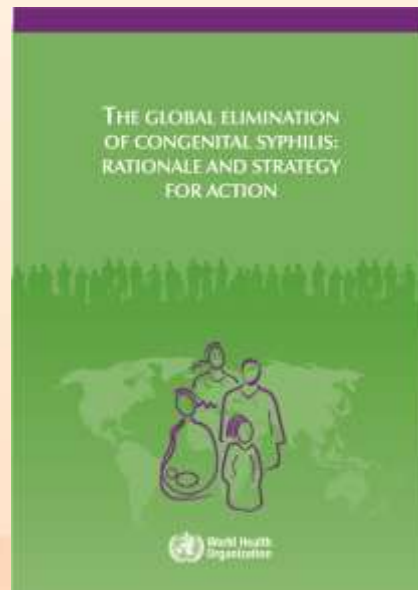
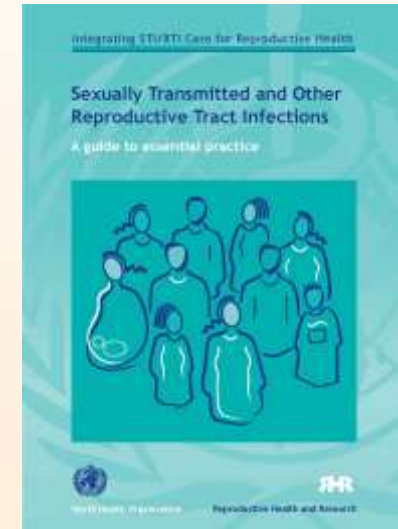
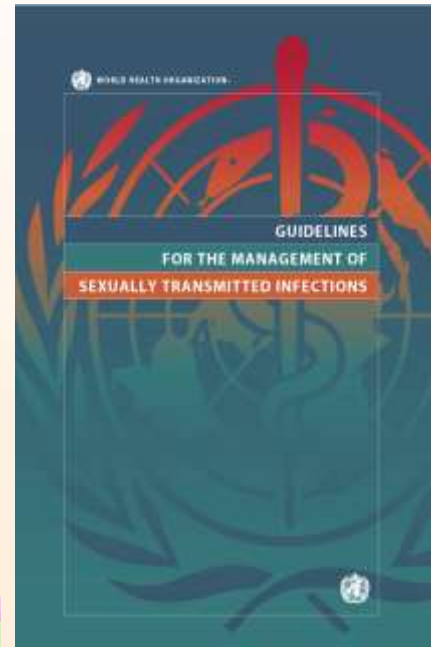
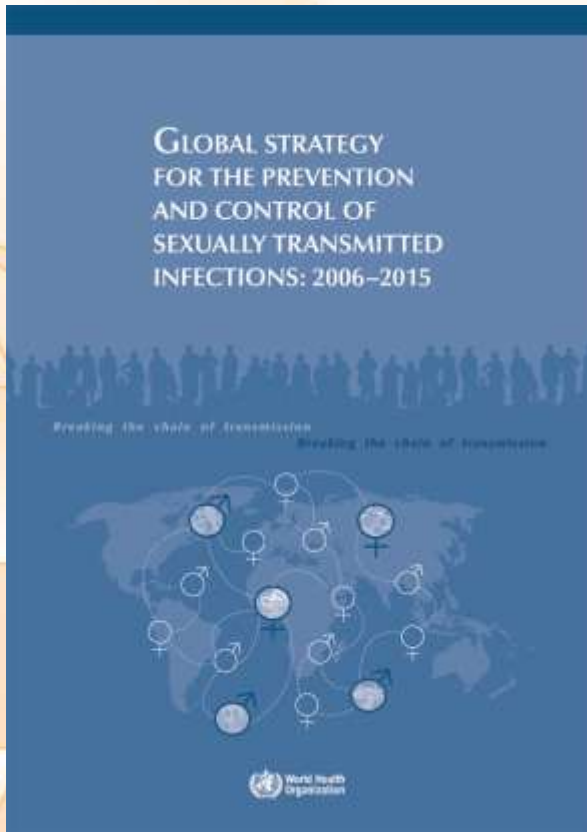


Tradition exits



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Progress is made



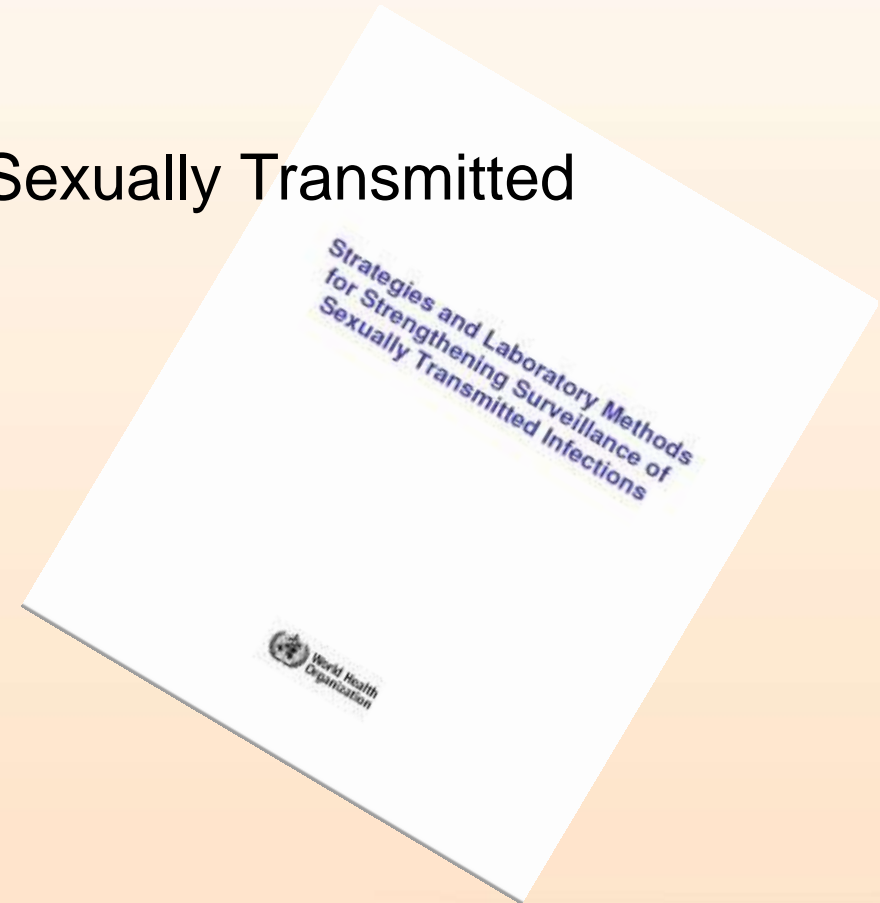
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Coming...

- Updated version of the Guidelines for the management of Sexually Transmitted Infections
- Updated version of the Guidelines for Sexually Transmitted Infections Surveillance

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