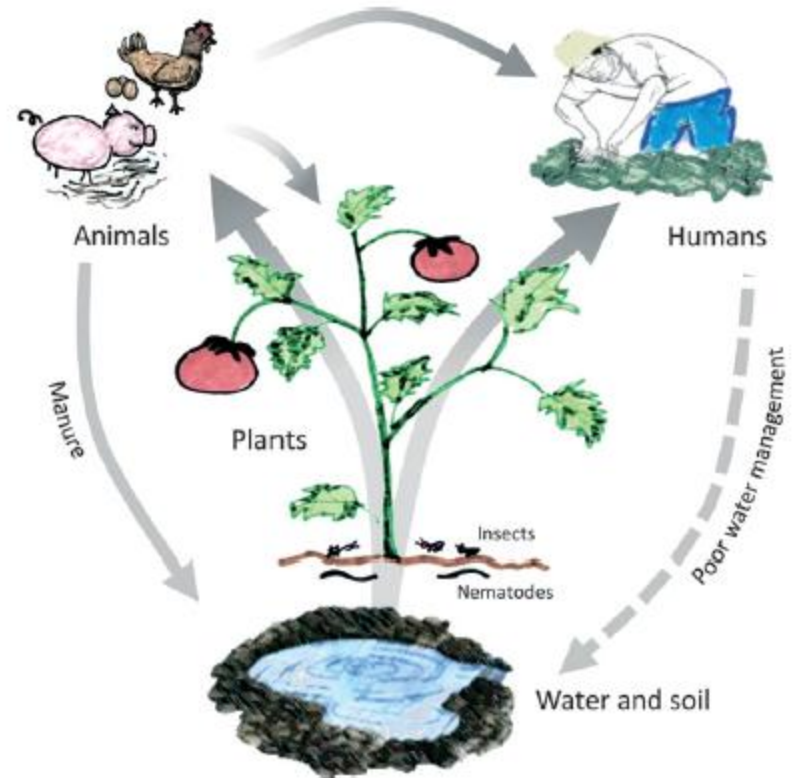


VIRAL DIARRHEAS

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**Everyone
Poops**



- Which are the viruses
- Epidemiology
- Treatment
- Vaccines
- Prevention
- Role of the infection in the immunocompromised

Outline

CMV colitis

TABLE 2. Diagnostics Available for CMV Testing and Relative Utility in IBD Clinical Practice

Test for CMV	Sample Required	Indicative of GI Infection	Sensitivity, %	Specificity, %	Applicability in Clinical Practice
Serology IgM, IgG	Blood	No	100	99	– (?)
Antigenemia assay	Blood	No	60–100	83–100	+
PCR on blood	Blood	No	65–100	40–92	++
PCR on tissue	Tissue	Yes	92–97	93–99	+++
PCR on stool	Stool	Yes	29–83	86–93	+
H&E	Tissue	Yes	10–87	92–100	+++
Immunohistochemistry	Tissue	Yes	78–93	92–100	+++

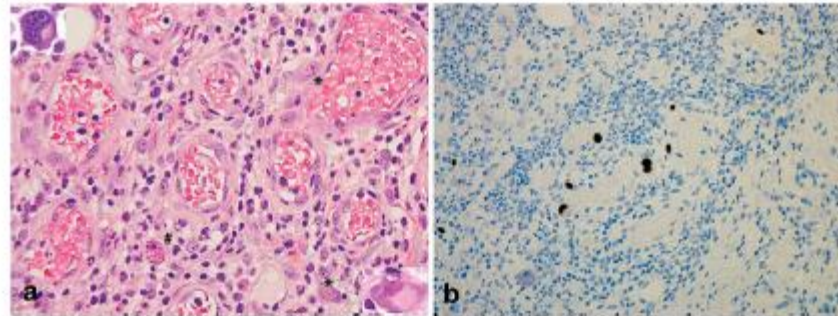
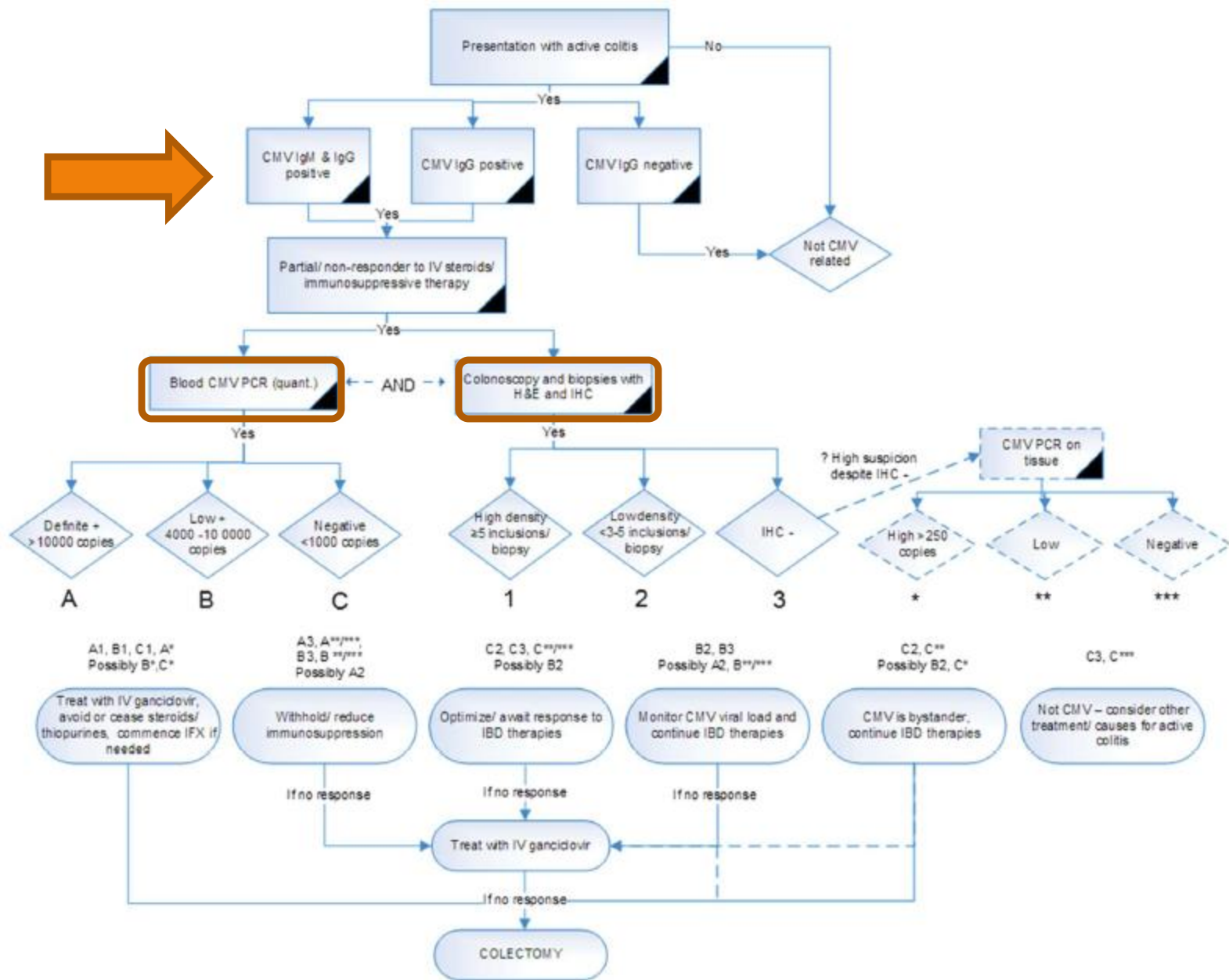


Fig. 1 a Hematoxylin eosin–stained slide at a high power showing cytomegalic cells containing basophilic intranuclear inclusion bodies (asterisk) and cells with a thickened nuclear membrane and smaller granular intracytoplasmic inclusions (number sign). **b** Immunohistochemical staining

cytomegalovirus (CMV) at a high power highlighting CMV-infected endothelial cells. (From Baniak N, et al. Arch Pathol Lab Med [35]; used with permission)



Enteric pathogens

Pathogen	Small bowel	Colon
Bacteria	<i>Salmonella</i> * <i>Escherichia coli</i> † <i>Clostridium perfringens</i> <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> <i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i> <i>Bacillus cereus</i> <i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	<i>Campylobacter</i> * <i>Shigella</i> <i>Clostridioides difficile</i> <i>Yersinia</i> <i>Vibrio parahaemolyticus</i> Enteroinvasive <i>E. coli</i> <i>Plesiomonas shigelloides</i> <i>Klebsiella oxytoca</i> (rare)
Virus	Rotavirus Norovirus Astrovirus	Cytomegalovirus* Adenovirus Herpes simplex virus
Protozoa	<i>Cryptosporidium</i> * <i>Microsporidium</i> * <i>Cystoisospora</i> <i>Cyclospora</i> <i>Giardia lamblia</i>	<i>Entamoeba histolytica</i>

* Can involve both the small and large bowel, but are most likely to occur as listed.

† EPEC, EAaggEC, EHEC, ETEC may all contribute; routine laboratories and cultures will not differentiate these from *E. coli* which are normal flora.

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Etiology of Symptomatic Acute Viral Gastroenteritis According to Clinical Pattern

Sporadic in Young Children

1. Rotavirus - 60%
2. Calicivirus - 20%
3. Astrovirus - 8%
4. Adenovirus - 4%
5. Torovirus

Epidemics

1. Calicivirus - 90%
2. Rotavirus
3. Astrovirus
4. Adenovirus

Sporadic in Adults

1. ?Calicivirus
2. ?Group B-C Rotavirus
3. ?Astrovirus

Table 1. General characteristics of the main viral agents responsible for gastroenteritis worldwide

Family	Genus	Biological characteristics
<i>Caliciviridae</i>	Norovirus (genogroups I–VI)	Small, round, non-enveloped, positive-sense, ss-RNA, 27–35 nm diameter; 7,400–7,700 nt
	Sapovirus (genogroups I–V; genogroups GVI to GXIV were recently proposed) [106]	ss-RNA, 41–46 nm diameter; 7.1–7.7 kilobases
<i>Adenoviridae</i>	Mastadenovirus Subgenera (A–G); at least 52 serotypes; 53 genotypes	Non-enveloped, linear ds-DNA; 70–100 nm in diameter; 26–45 kilobases
<i>Astroviridae</i>	Astrovirus (8 serotypes: HAstV1–HAstV8)	Non-enveloped, ss-RNA, 28–30 nm in diameter; 6.1–7.3 kilobases
<i>Reoviridae</i>	Rotavirus (groups A–G)	Non-enveloped, dsRNA, 71 nm in diameter; approximately 18.5 kilobases

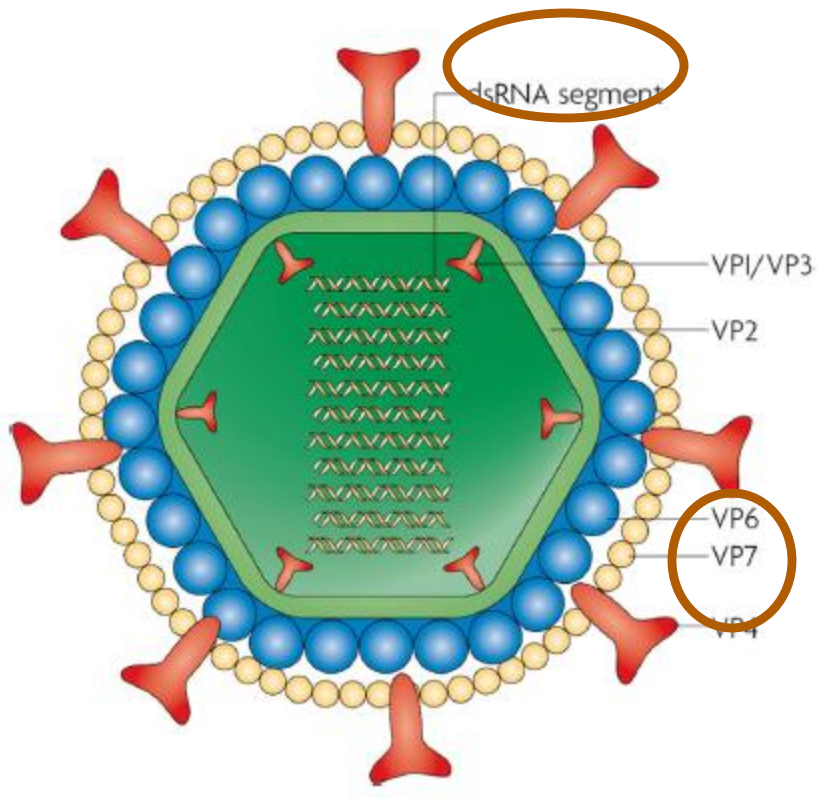
Table 1. Overview of the pathogenesis studies performed for new viruses identified in the gastrointestinal tract ^.

Viral Family	Virus Species	Antibody Response Observed?	Associated with Diarrhea in Case-Control Studies?
<i>Picornaviridae</i>	Aichi virus	Yes [29]	No [30,53] *
<i>Coronaviridae</i>	Torovirus	Yes [34]	Yes [35] **
<i>Astroviridae</i>	MLB astrovirus	Yes [54]	Yes [55]/No [56,57]
<i>Astroviridae</i>	VA/HMO astrovirus	Yes [58]/No [58] ***	No [55]
<i>Picornaviridae</i>	Saffold virus	Yes [59]	No [53,60,61]
<i>Picornaviridae</i>	Cosavirus	-	No [32,45,62,63]
<i>Picornaviridae</i>	Klassevirus/salivirus	Yes [64]	Yes [48,53]/No [65]
<i>Polyomaviridae</i>	MW polyomavirus	Yes [66]	No [67]
<i>Polyomaviridae</i>	MX polyomavirus	-	No [68]
<i>Polyomaviridae</i>	STL polyomavirus	Yes [69]	No [70,71] *
<i>Parvoviridae</i>	Bufavirus	-	No [72,73] *

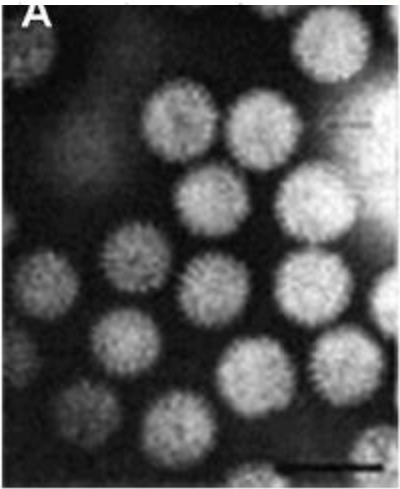
Viruses causing gastroenteritis: The Known, The New and Those Beyond

- Calicivirus
- Humans and animals
- All ages
- Outbreaks and sporadic cases
- Semiclosed settings
- Foodborne transmission occurs
- Indistinguishable clinical symptoms
- RT-PCR, EIA
- Lack of culture system

Human sapoviruses



- Reoviridae
- Humans susceptible to spp **A**, B, C and H
- Host specific barriers are permeable to some extent
- Underappreciated role in adults

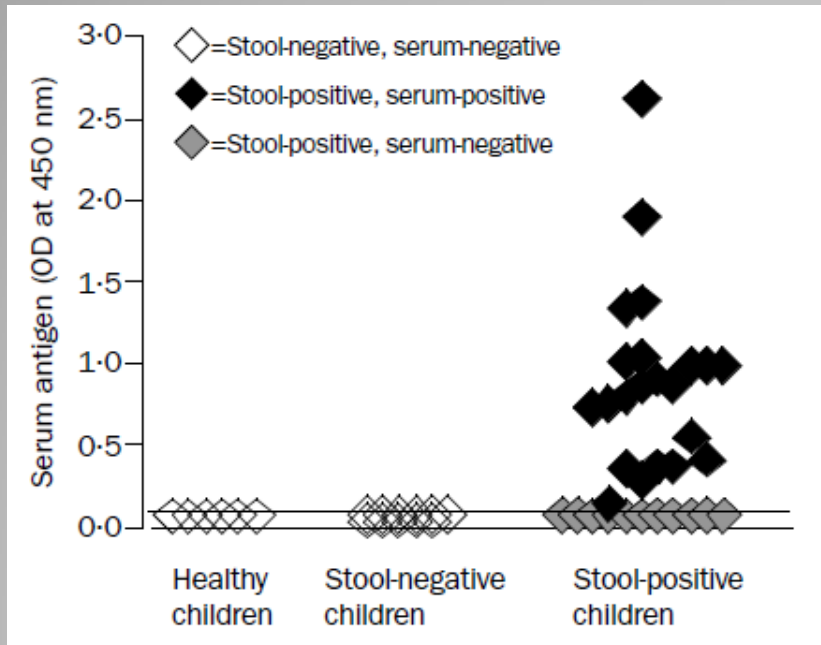


Rotavirus

Banyai Lancet 2018; 392: 175-86

Esona Clin Lab Med 2015; 35: 363-91

Farkas Expert Rev Anti Infect Ther 2015; 13: 1337-50



- Rotavirus antigen and RNA are present in serum
- RV escapes the GI tract resulting in antigenemia and possible viremia
- Animal data suggest that RV antigen detected in serum is infectious
- Widely distributed virus

Rotavirus: To the Gut and Beyond

Blutt Lancet 2003; 362: 1445-9

Blutt Curr Opin Gastroenterol 2007; 23: 39-43

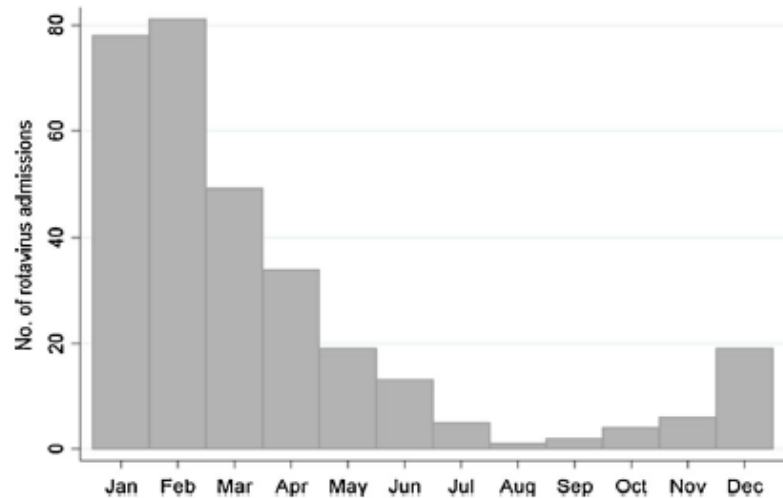


Fig. 1 Monthly distribution of rotavirus gastroenteritis admissions

- Hospitalizations-
strong association:
 1. Solar radiation
 2. Mean temperature
 3. Solar radiation
 4. Atmospheric pressure
 5. Wind speed
- This model predicted >80%

Meteorological factors and RV hospitalizations

Enteric viruses annual seasonality
NW Greece

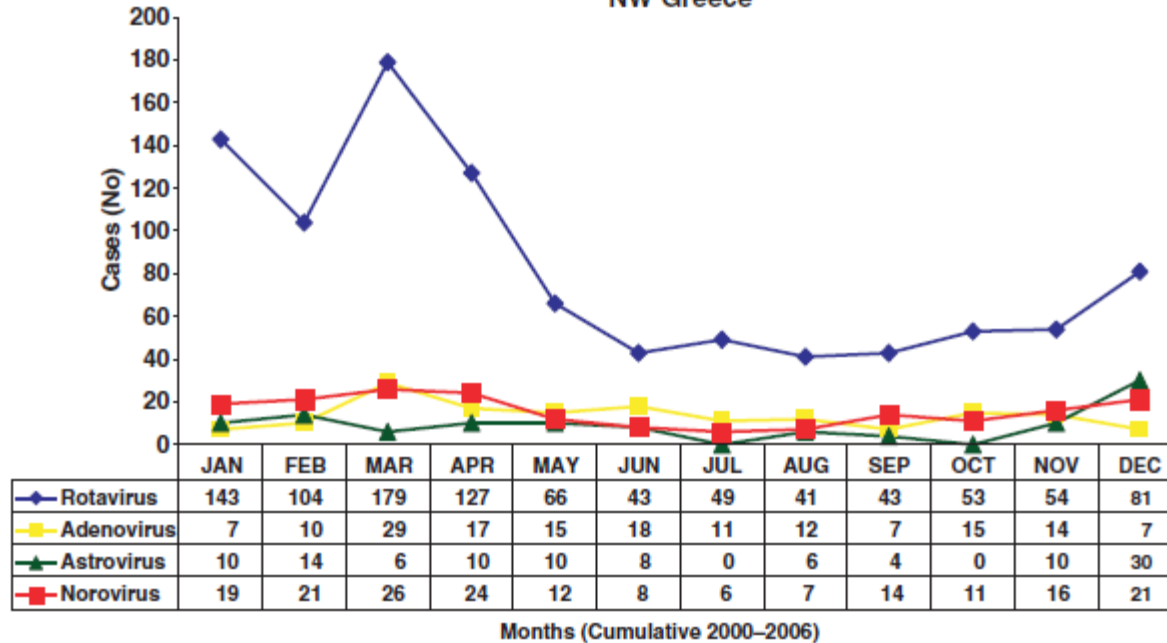


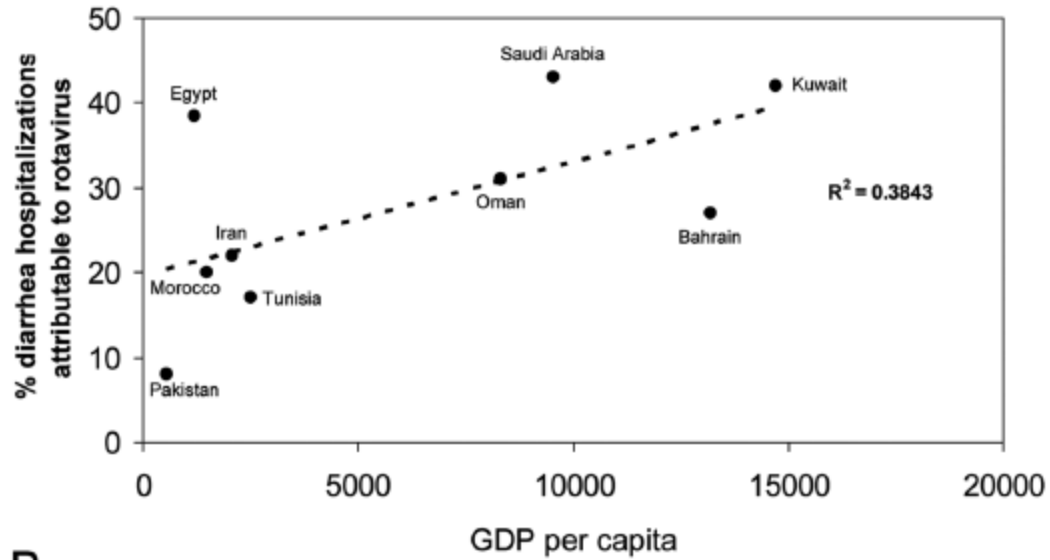
TABLE I. Viral enteropathogens detected by enzyme immunoassay

Pathogen	Mono-infection Cases (% of total)	Co-infection	
		Viral-viral co-infections	Viral-bacterial co-infections
Rotavirus	941 (20.4)	32 viral-viral (adenovirus, 10; astrovirus, 20; adeno-astrovirus, 2)	10 viral-bacterial (<i>Salmonella</i> spp., 3; <i>Yersinia enterocolitica</i> , 2; <i>Campylobacter jejuni</i> , 5)
Adenoviruses	142 (3.1)	16 viral-viral (rotavirus, 10; astrovirus, 4; rota-astrovirus, 2)	4 viral-bacterial (all <i>Salmonella</i> spp.)
Astroviruses	70 (1.5)	26 viral-viral (rotavirus, 20; adenovirus, 4; rota-adenovirus, 2)	12 viral-bacterial (all <i>Salmonella</i> spp.)
Noroviruses	185 (4)	None	None

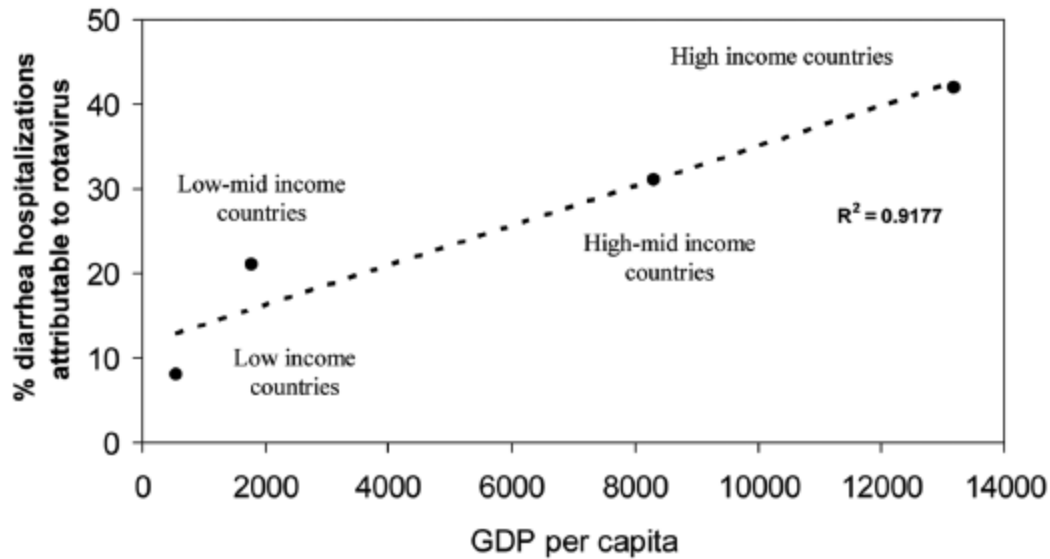
- Elderly are considered at high risk- lack of studies
- G2 seems to be the predominant genotype
- Winter and fall
- Studies from Morocco and Israel reported significant decline in hospitalizations caused by RV associated GI infection among children <5 years
- Otherwise - significant burden in the area

Rotavirus in the Middle East and North Africa

A.



B.



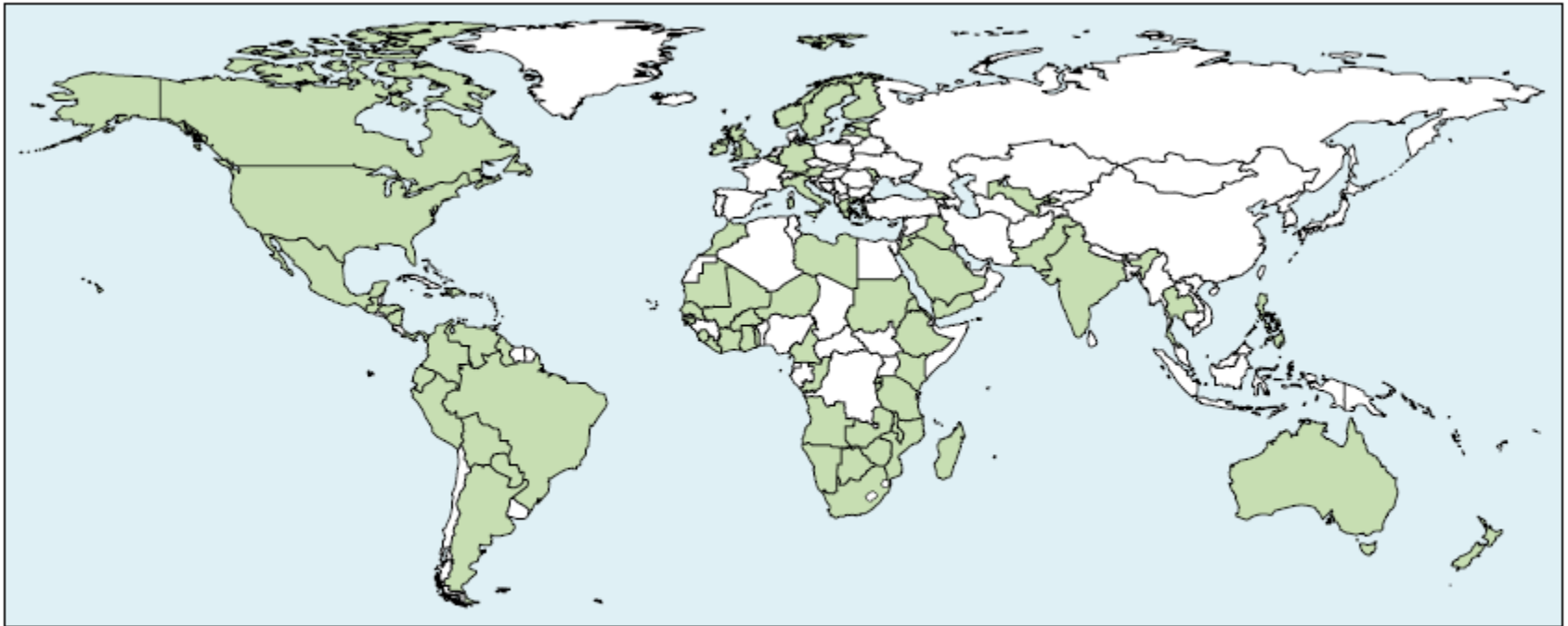


Figure 2: Current rotavirus vaccine introduction map

As of April, 2018, 95 countries have introduced rotavirus vaccines; this includes 88 national introductions, three ongoing phased introductions (Pakistan, India, and Philippines), and four pilot or sub-national introductions (Canada, Italy, Sweden, and Thailand). Data are from the ROTA council.²⁰⁹

Banyai Lancet 2018; 392: 175-86

Isanaka N Engl J Med 2017; 376: 1121-30

FIGURE 1. Rotavirus season duration and peak activity by reporting years (prevaccine 2000–2006 and postvaccine 2007–2011), NREVV data — United States, 2000–2014

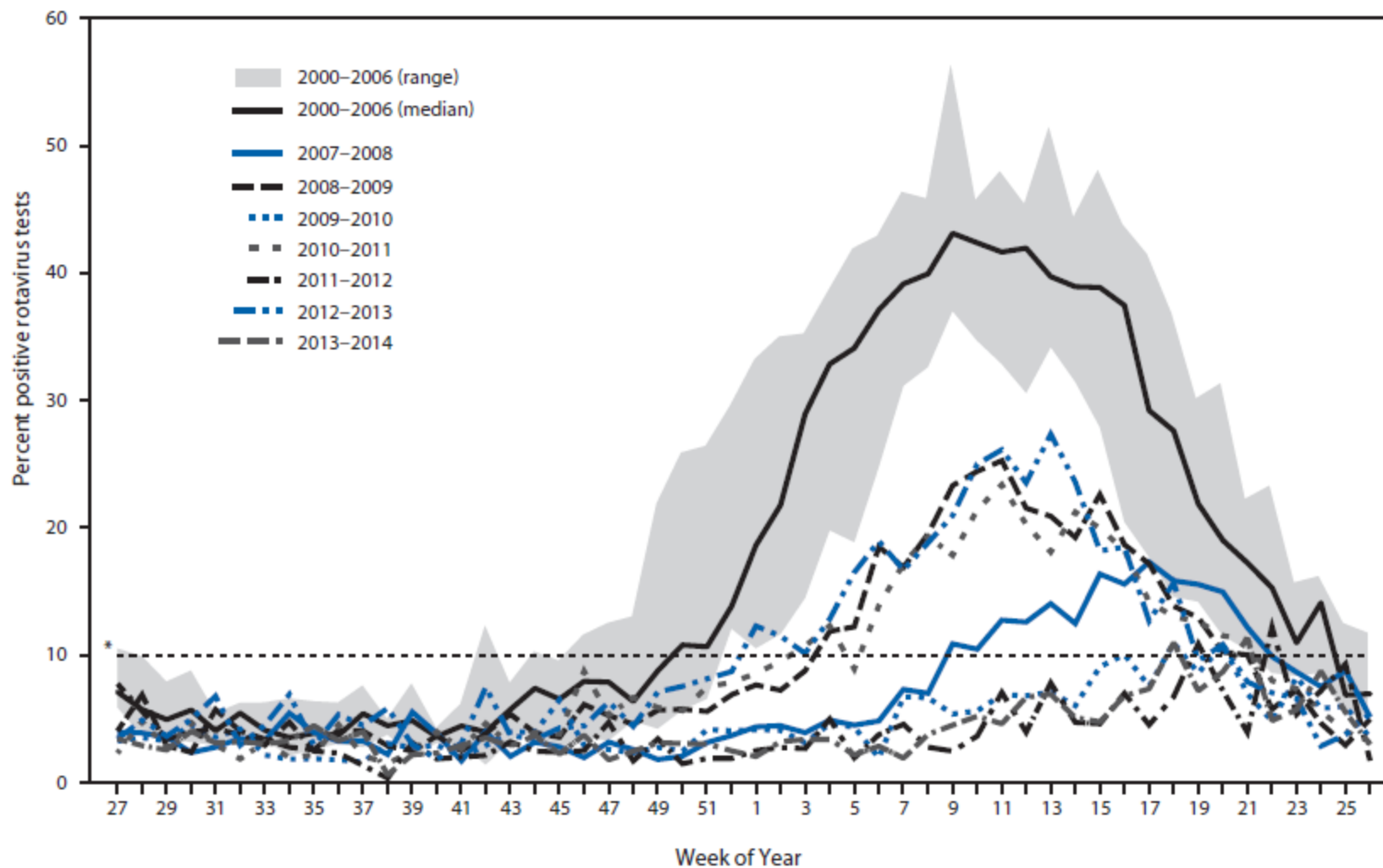
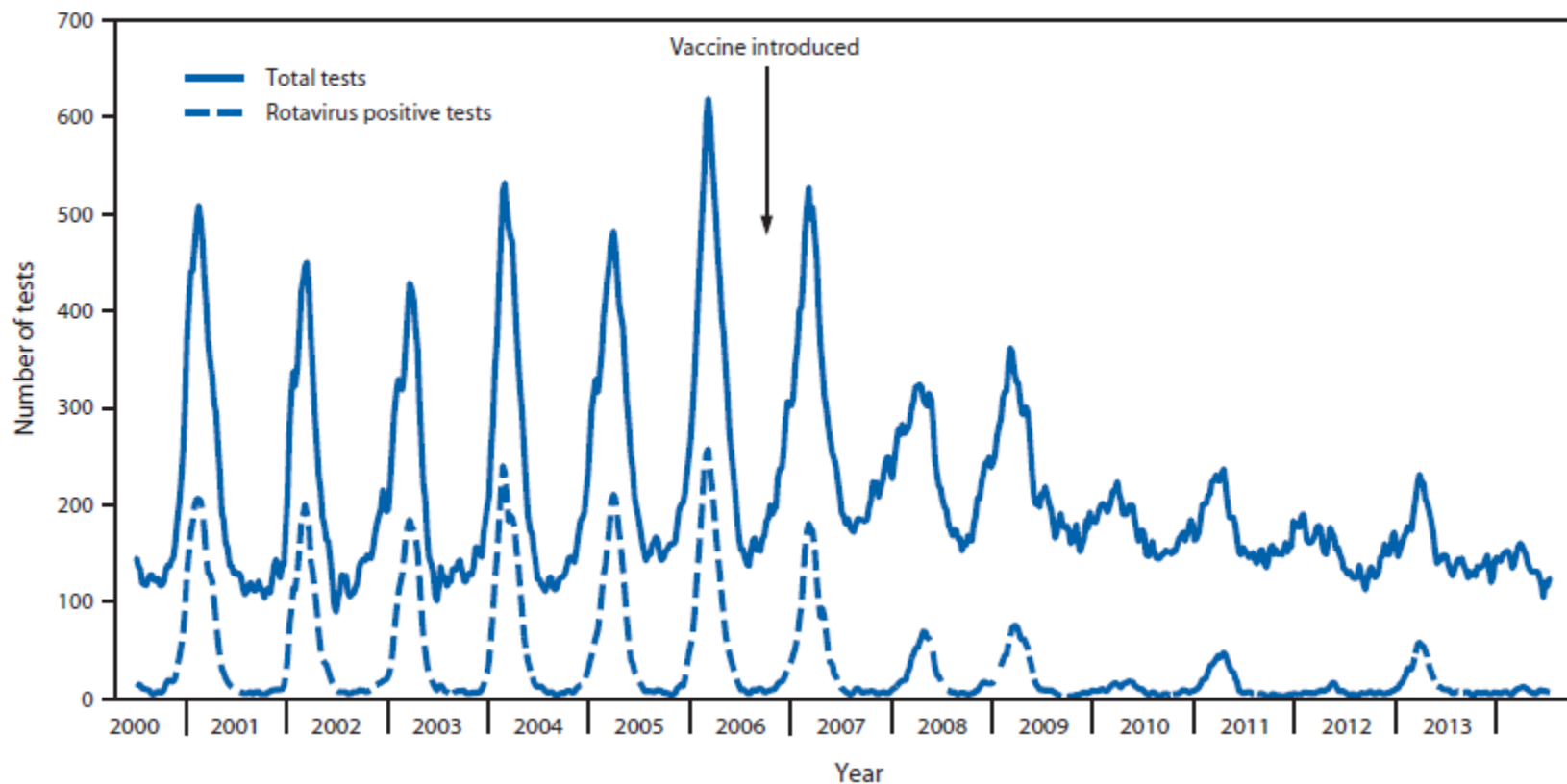
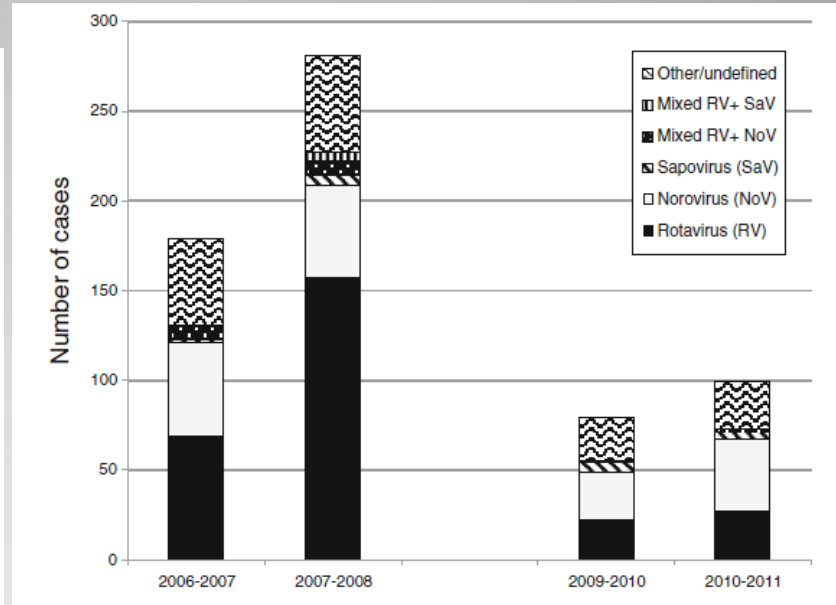
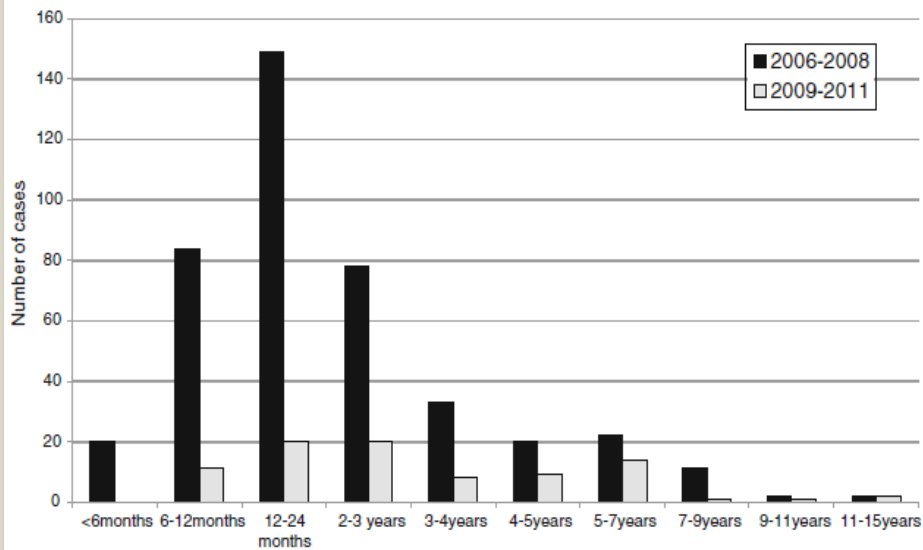
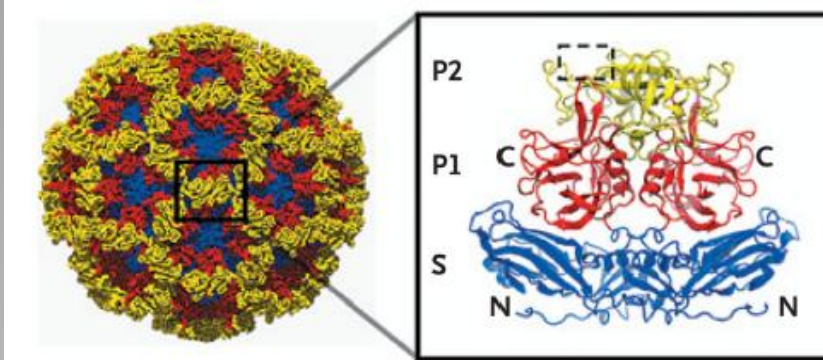


FIGURE 2. Total and positive rotavirus tests, NREVSS data — United States, 2000–2014

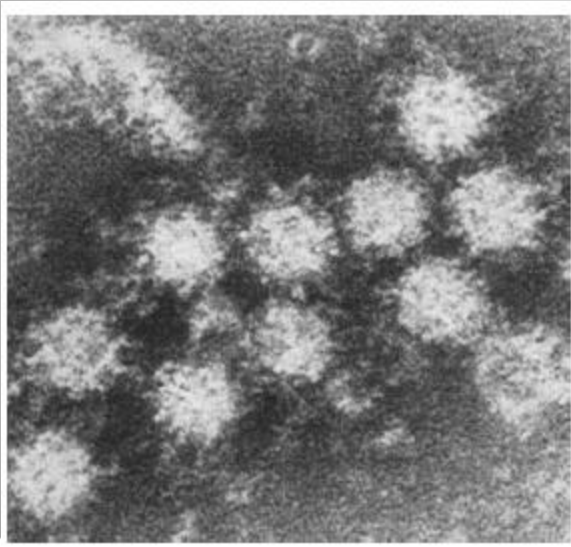




Reduction in RV but not NoV hospitalizations



- Caliciviridae
- Nine GI, 22 GII, one GIV
- Recombinant genomes may have increased fitness and transmissibility
- Zoonotic transmission has not shown to occur



Norovirus

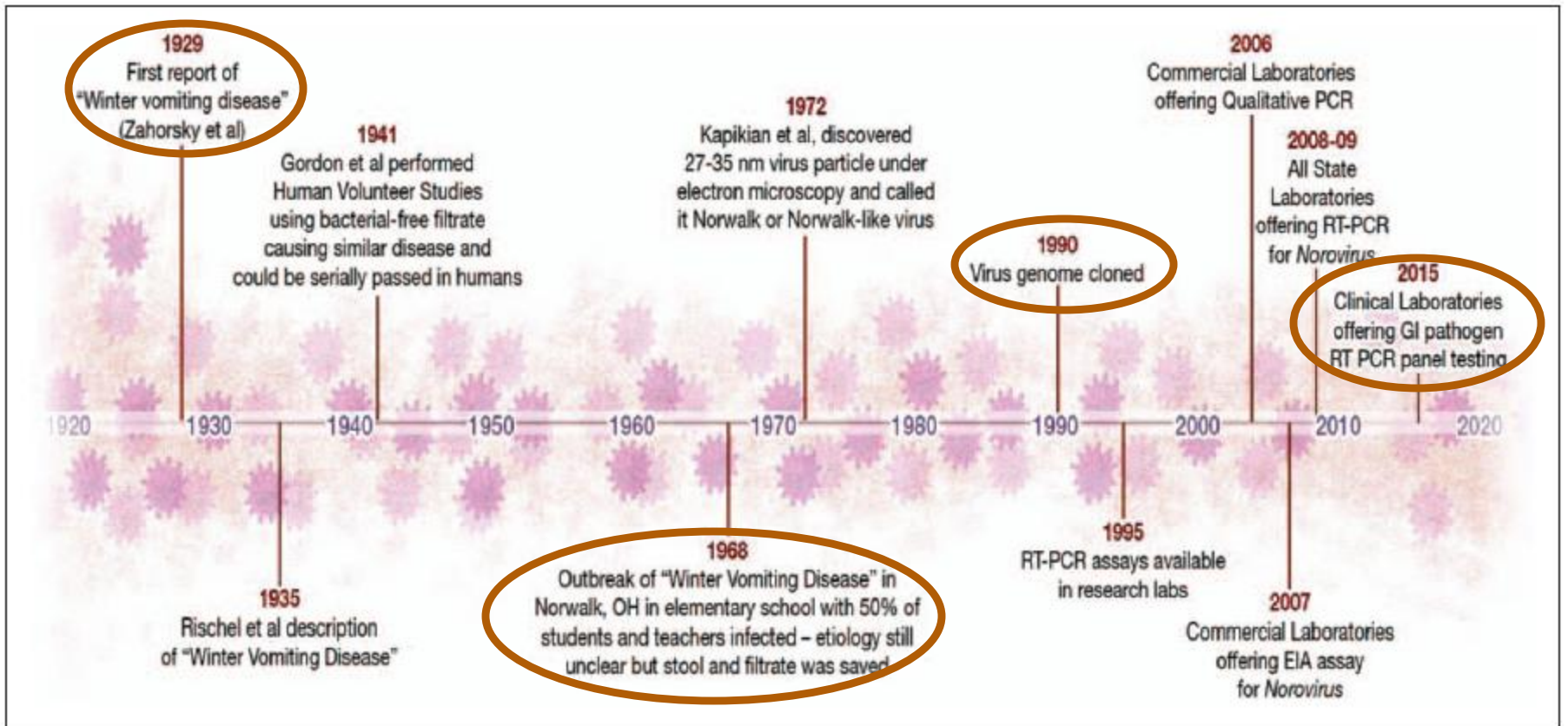


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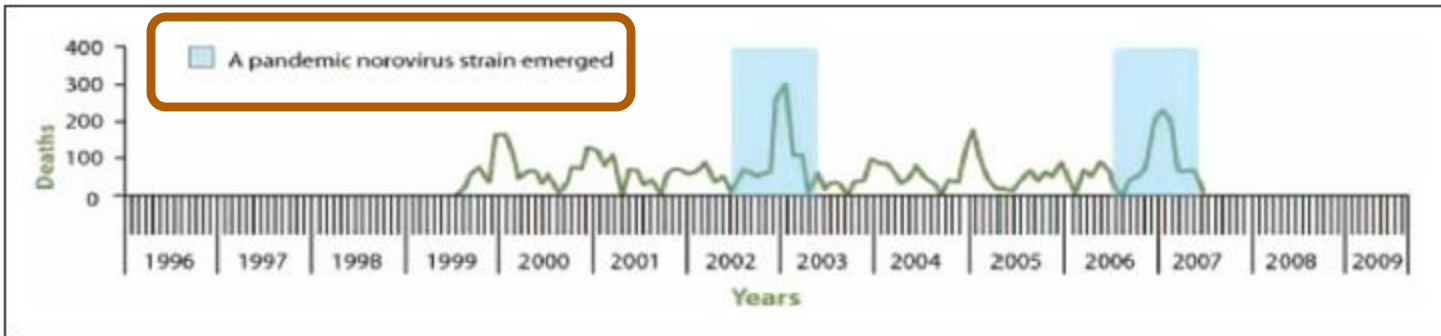
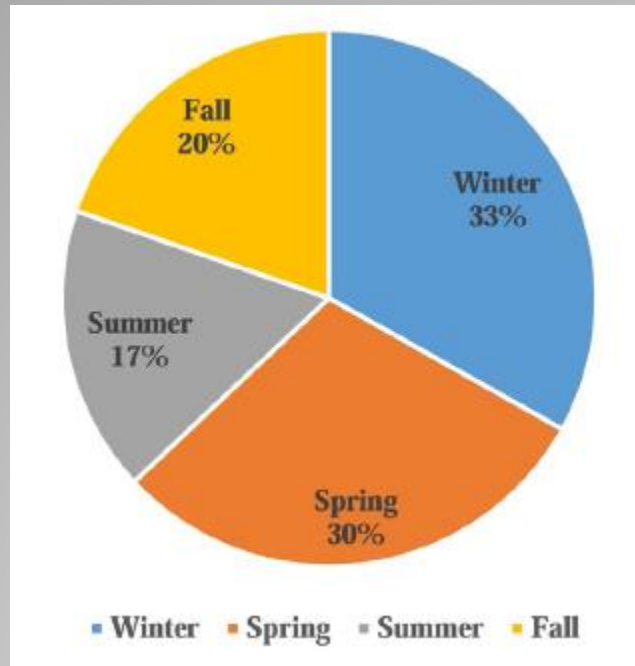
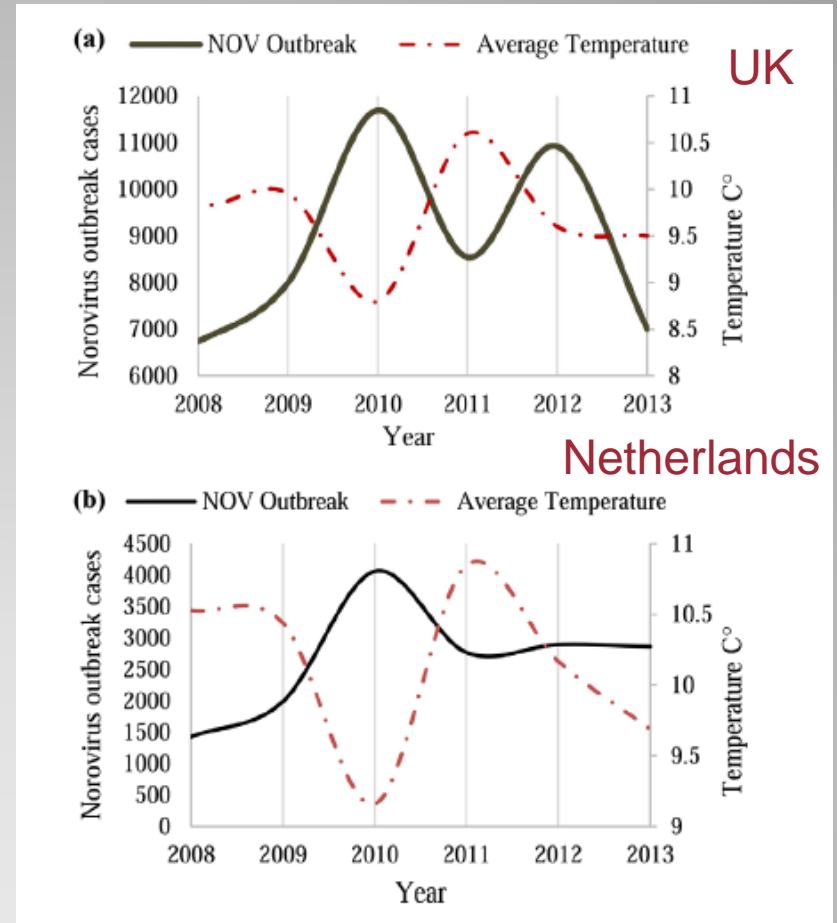


FIGURE 2. Norovirus associated deaths in US: 1996–2008 (from [9]).

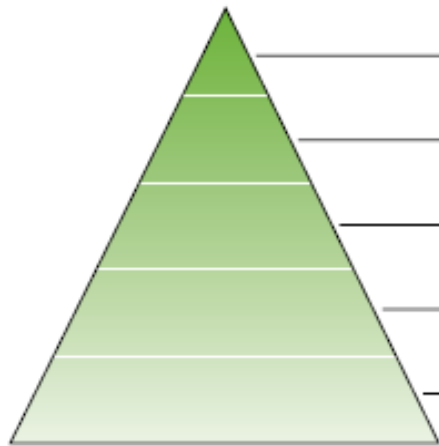


Foodborne NoV outbreaks, USA



Environmental indicators for norovirus outbreaks

Adults >65 years



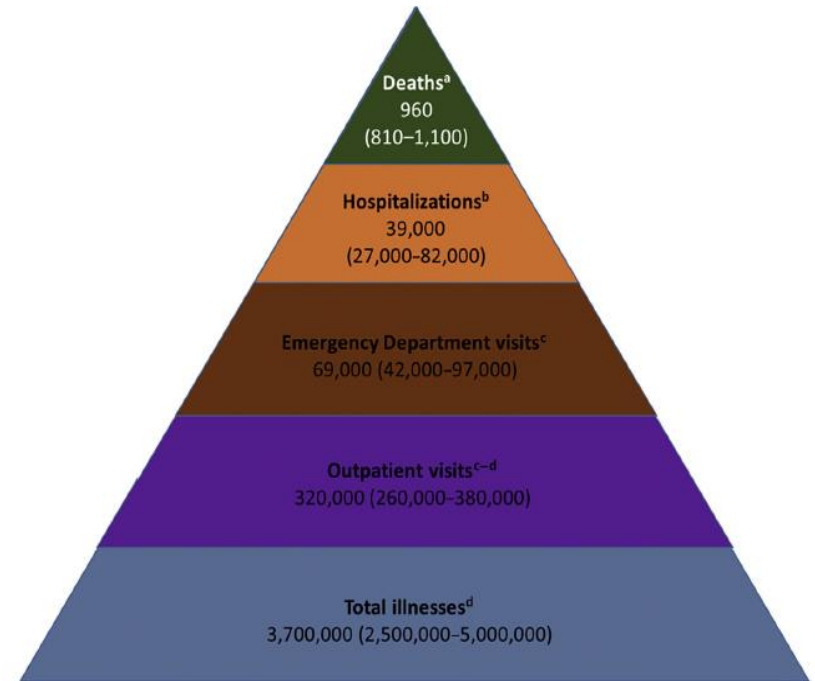
570-800 deaths
(1:5000-7000 individuals)

56 000-71 000 hospital admissions
(1:50-70 individuals)

400 000 emergency department visits
(1:9 individuals)

1.7-1.9 million outpatient visits
(1:2 individuals)

19-21 million total illnesses
(about 5 illnesses per individual)

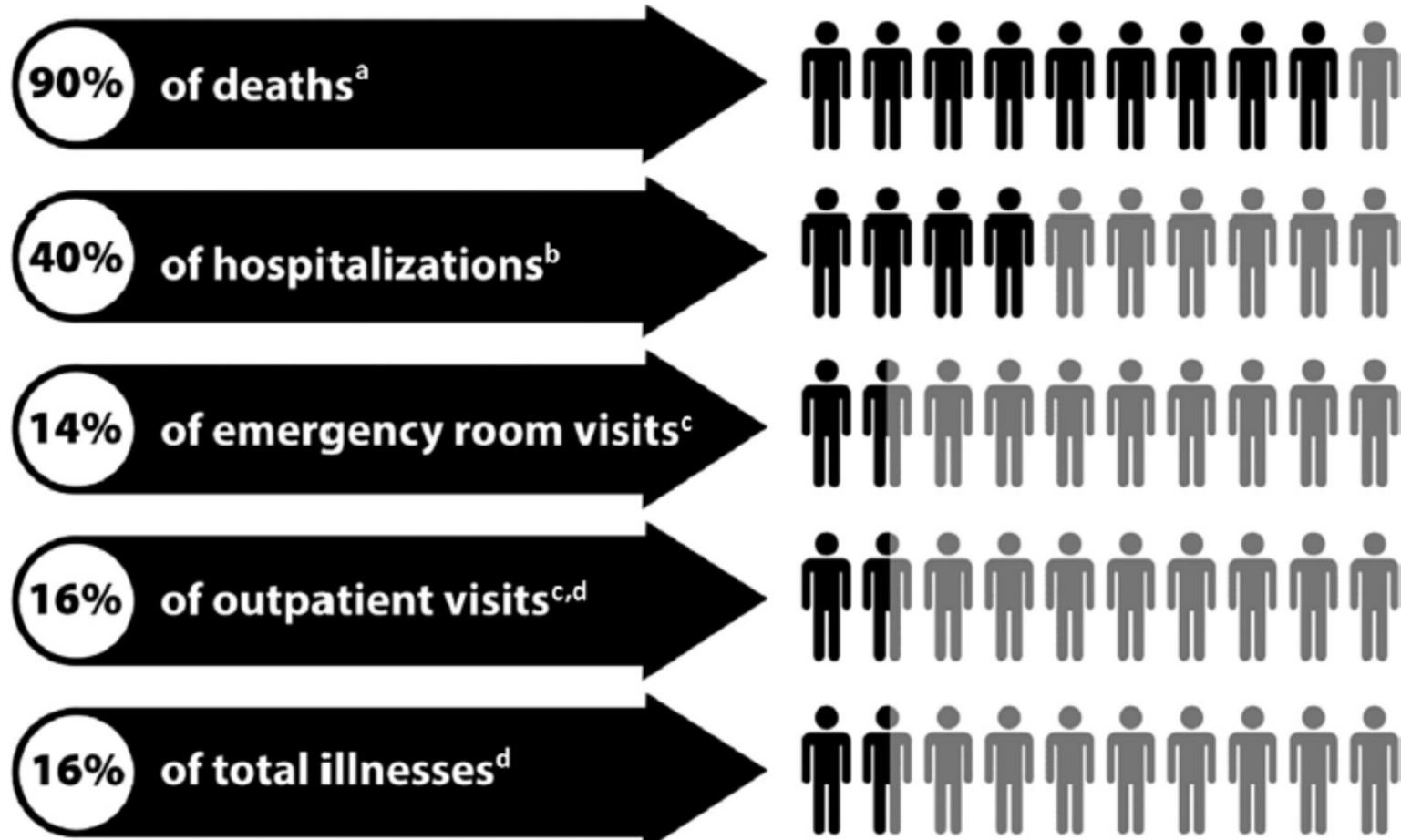


Norovirus is 2nd only to Cdiff as a cause of death in adults >65 years old

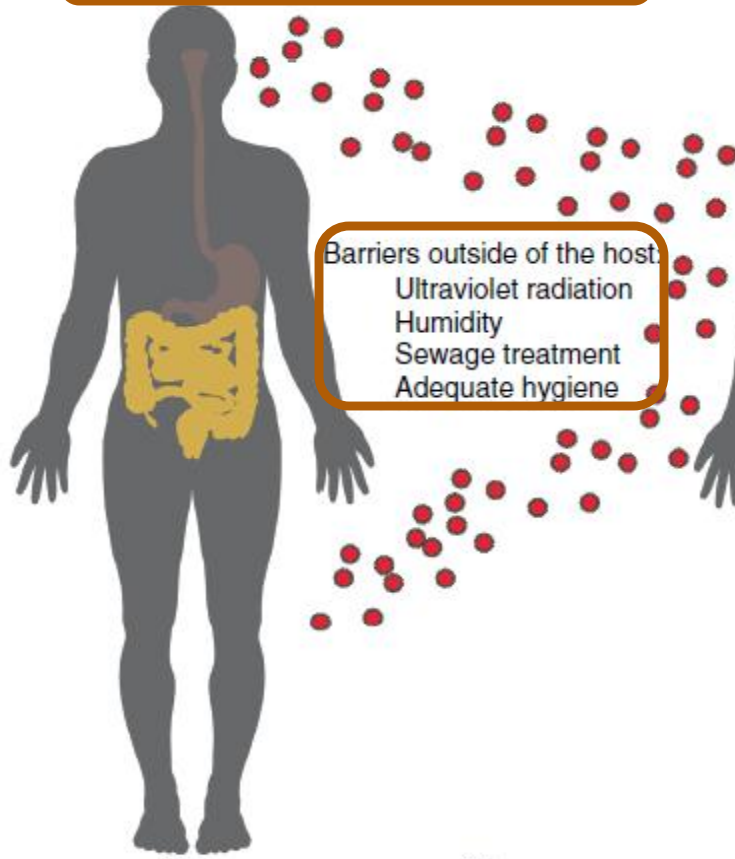
Norovirus burden

Cardemil Infect Dis Clin N Am 2017; 839-70
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Hall Clin Infect Dis 2012; 55: 216-23
Fisher Curr Opin Infect Dis 2017; 30

Proportions of annual norovirus burden in US in adults >65 years

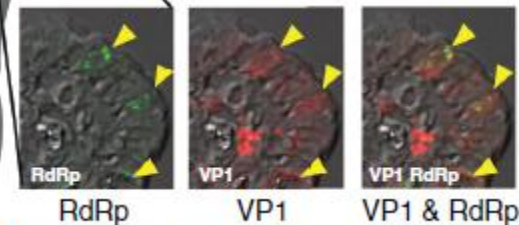


Shedding of high viral titers via vomit or feces, possibility of aerosolization

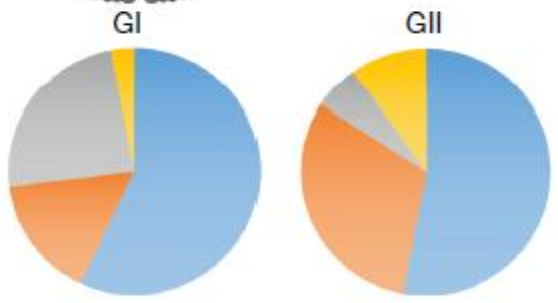


Barriers outside of the host:
 Ultraviolet radiation
 Humidity
 Sewage treatment
 Adequate hygiene

Within host barriers:
 Digestive juices
 Hydrochloric acid in the stomach
 Availability of (co)-receptors
 Immune system



Replication in the intestine of the new host



Legend:
 Foodborne
 Person-to-Person
 Waterborne
 Environmental

- Fecal-oral route
- Low inoculum (18-1000)
- Viral shedding
- Stability
- Persistence

Introduction of new ORF1 and/or ORF2 sequences

Genetic and antigenic evolution owing to immune pressure

Transmission

Reduced immune pressure enables prolonged shedding and more time for viral evolution

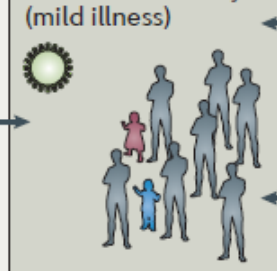
Increased risk of recombination

Zoonotic events

Animal kingdom



Global community (mild illness)



Foodborne or waterborne transmission



Contact transmission



Hospitals (severe illness)



Long-term care facility (severe illness)



Day care centre (mild illness)



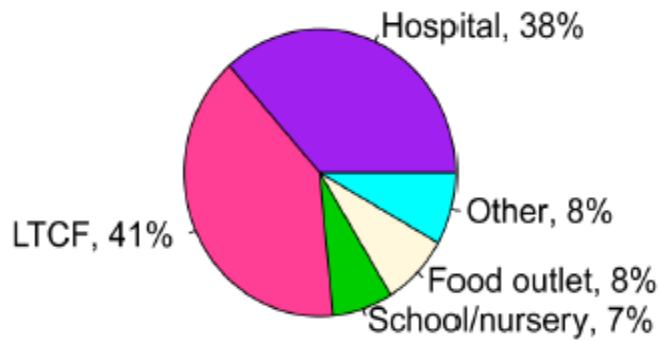
Higher association with GII.4 strains



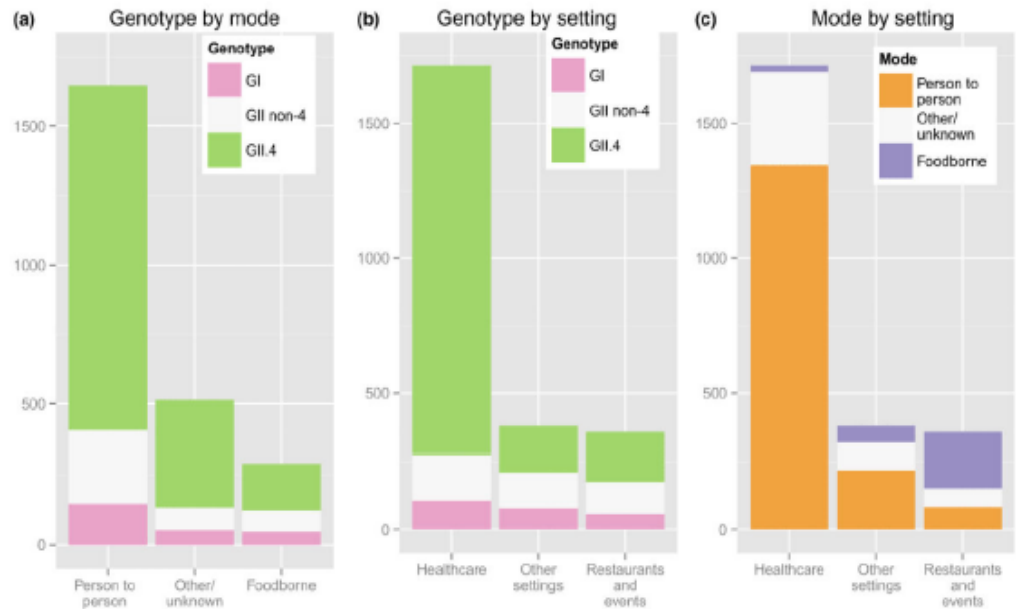
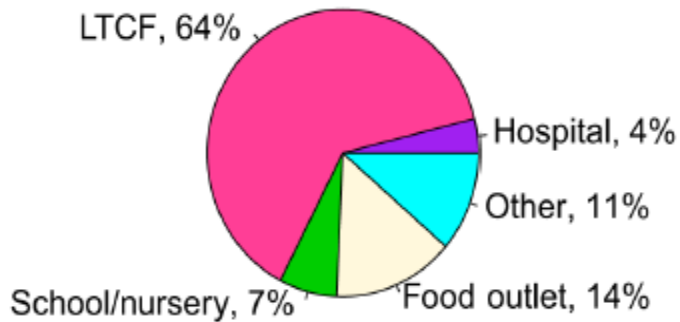
Higher association with non-GII.4 strains

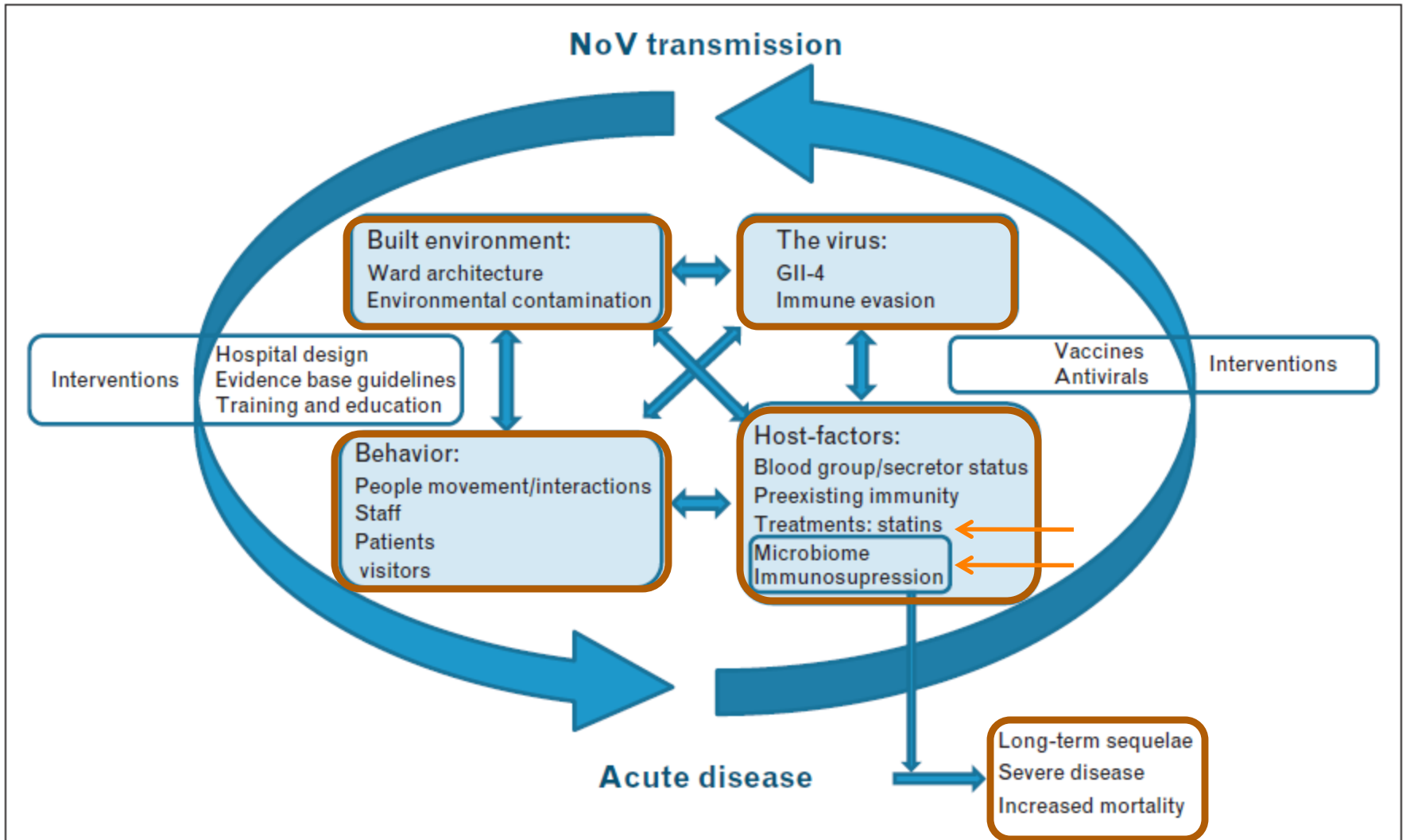
Norovirus epidemiology in the community

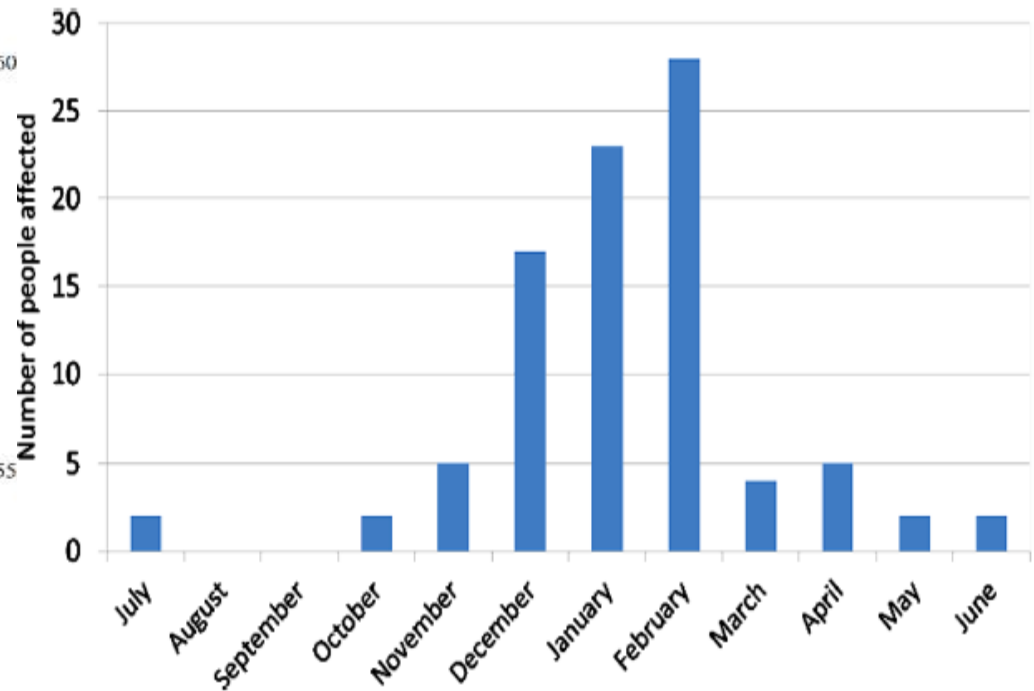
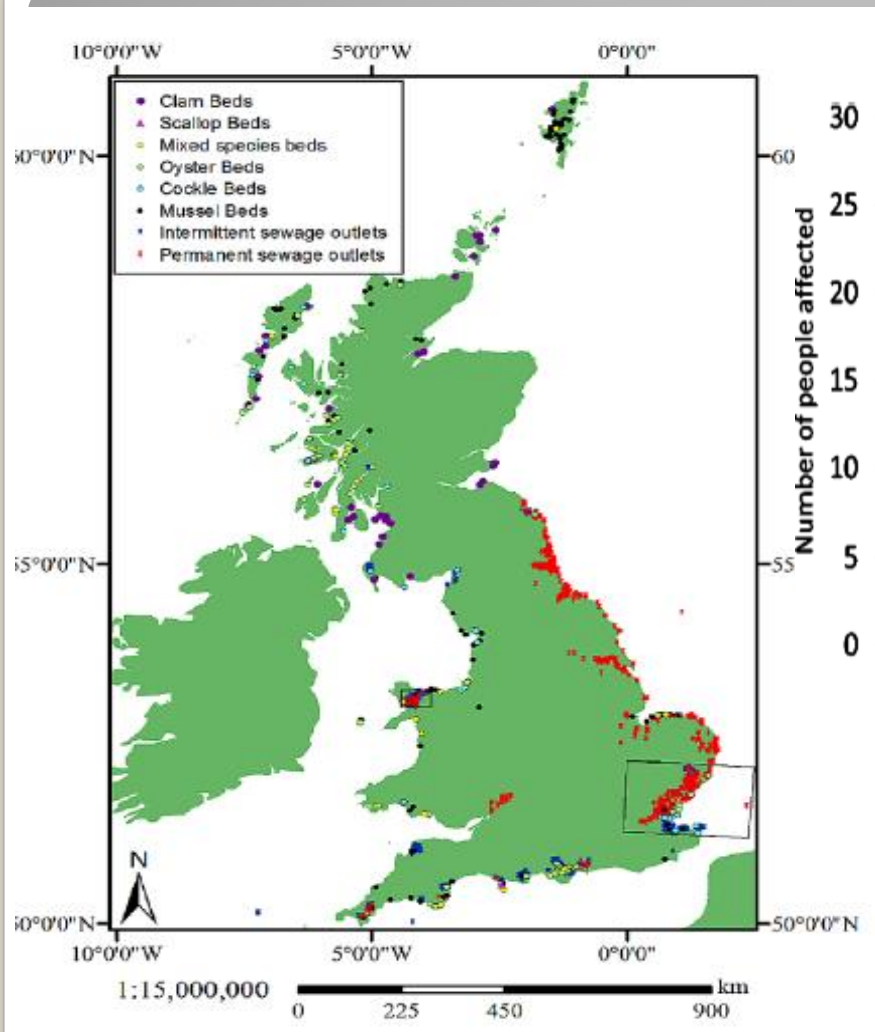
(a) 5 European countries, 2002, $n = 1115$



(b) United States 2009–13, $n = 2895$

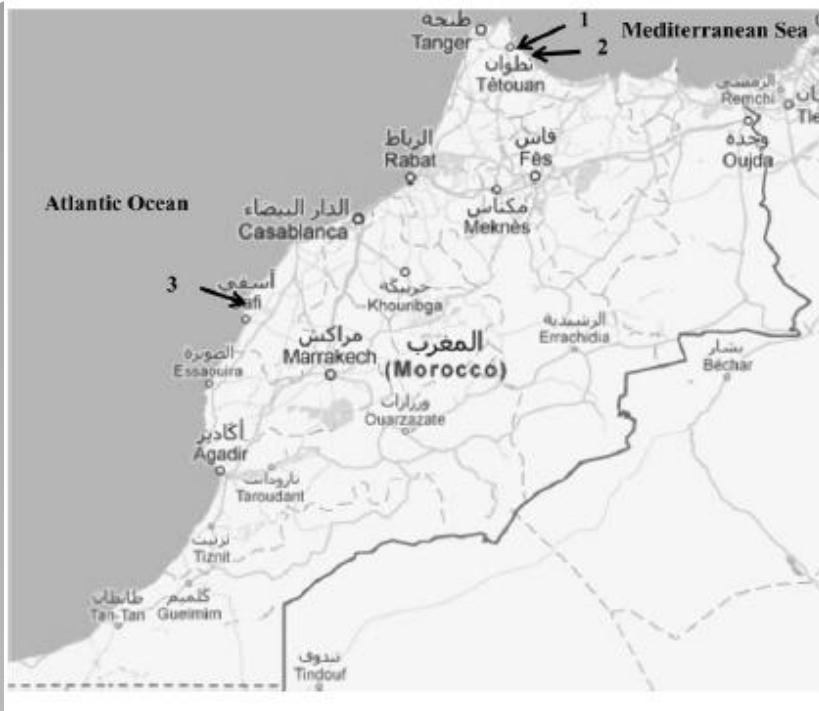






Oyster consumption and NoV infections

Norovirus contamination in shellfish and the environment



- AdV in 20% of mussels samples in Casablanca
- Tunisia: NoV in in 35% of mussels
- Italy- clams (mussels of concern)
- Galicia- all clams
- Tunisia: clams

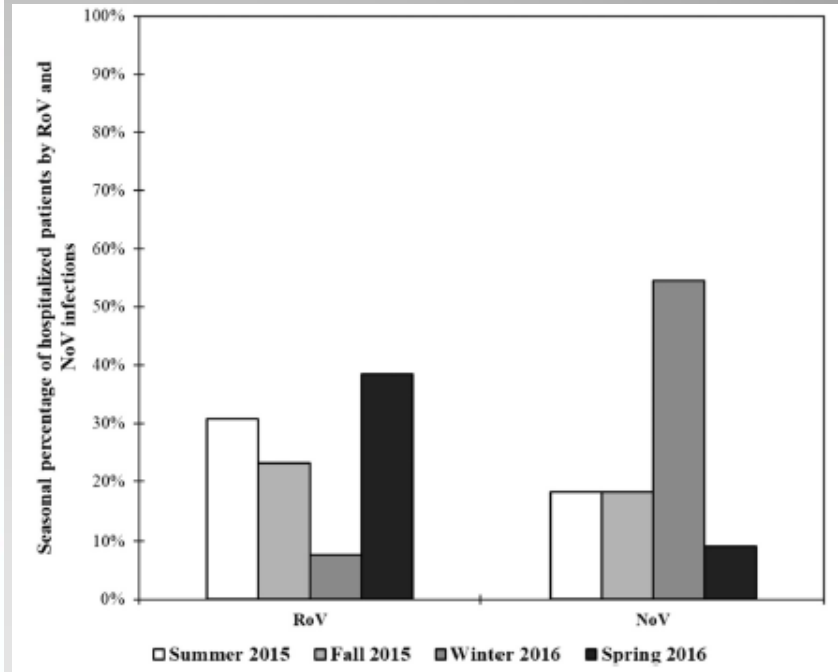
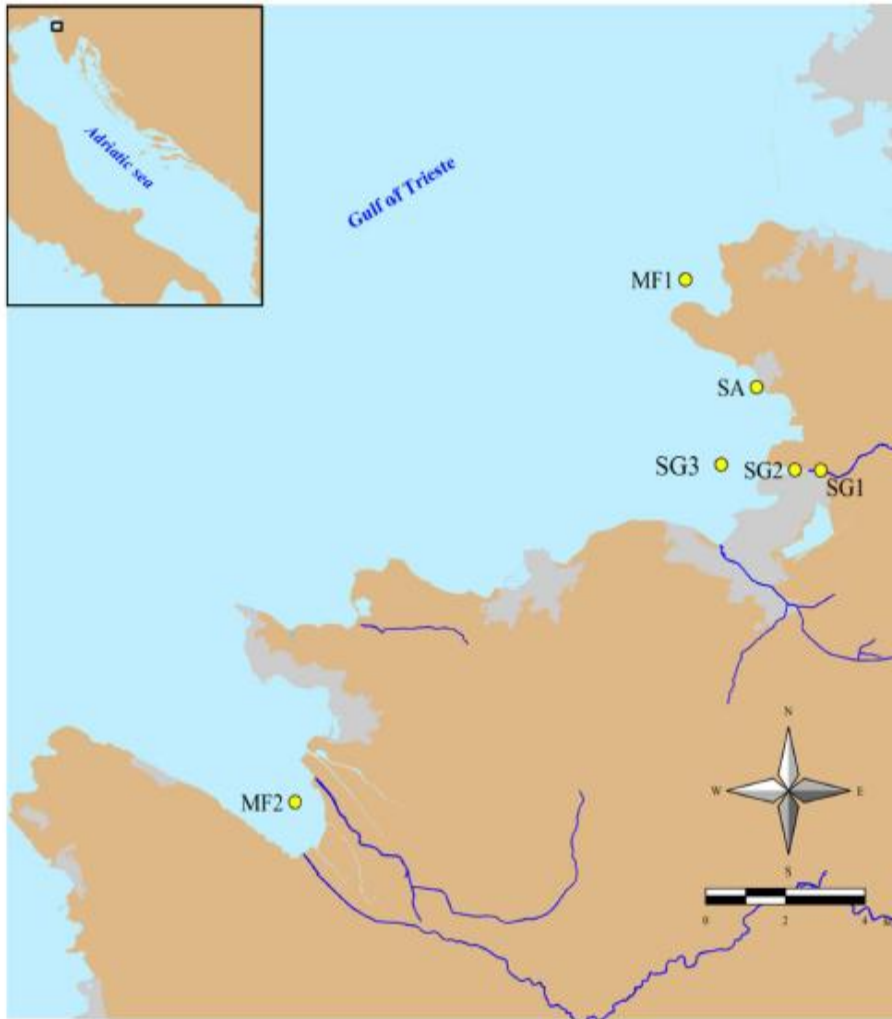
- NoV detected in 30% of samples (Clams>oysters)
- SaV detected in 13% (oysters and clams)

Norovirus and other enteric viruses in shellfish

Benabbes Food Environ Virol 2013; 5: 35-40

Fusco Food Environ Virol 2017; 9: 187-94

Pavoni Foodborne Pathog Dis 2013; 10: 533-9



Contamination in Slovenia

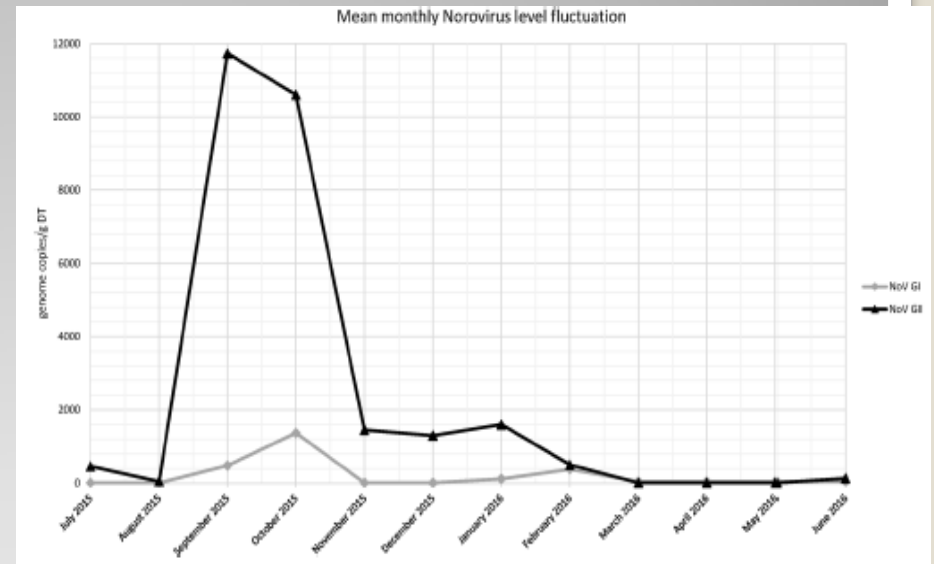
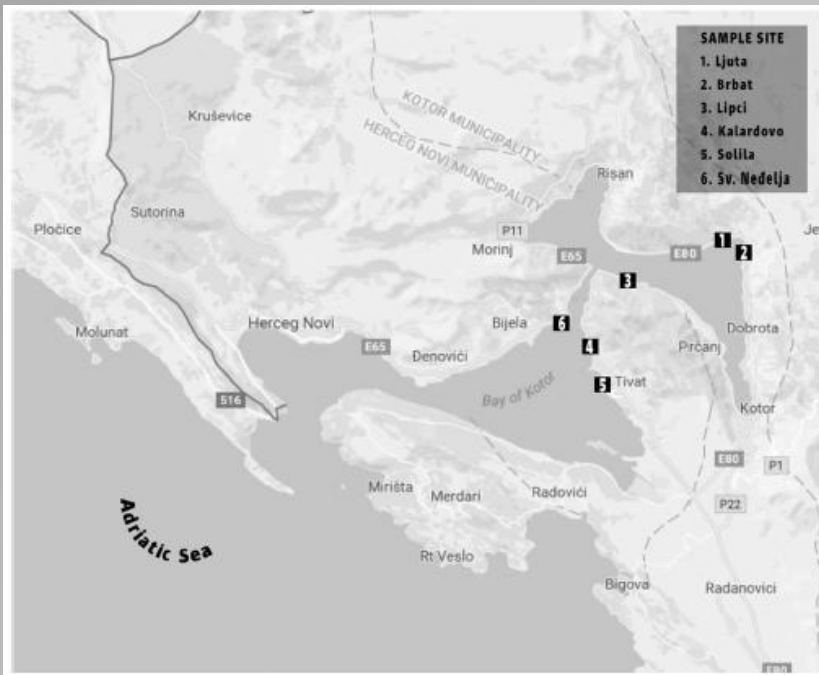
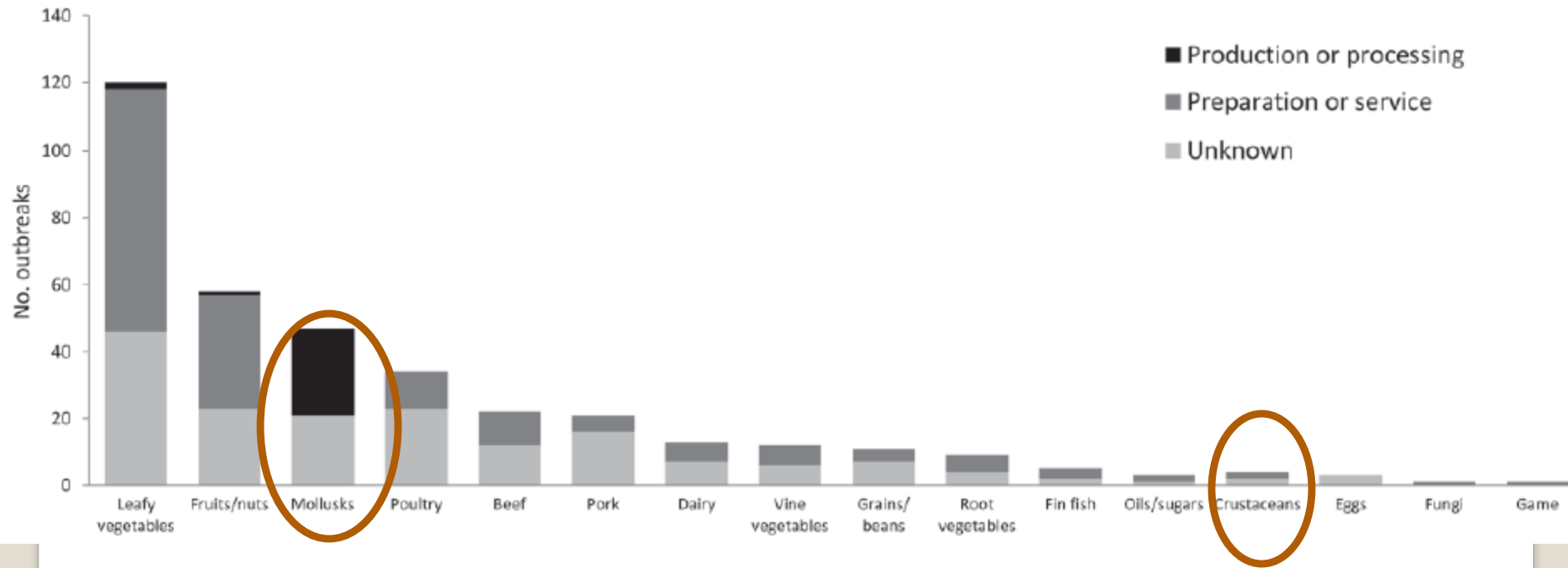
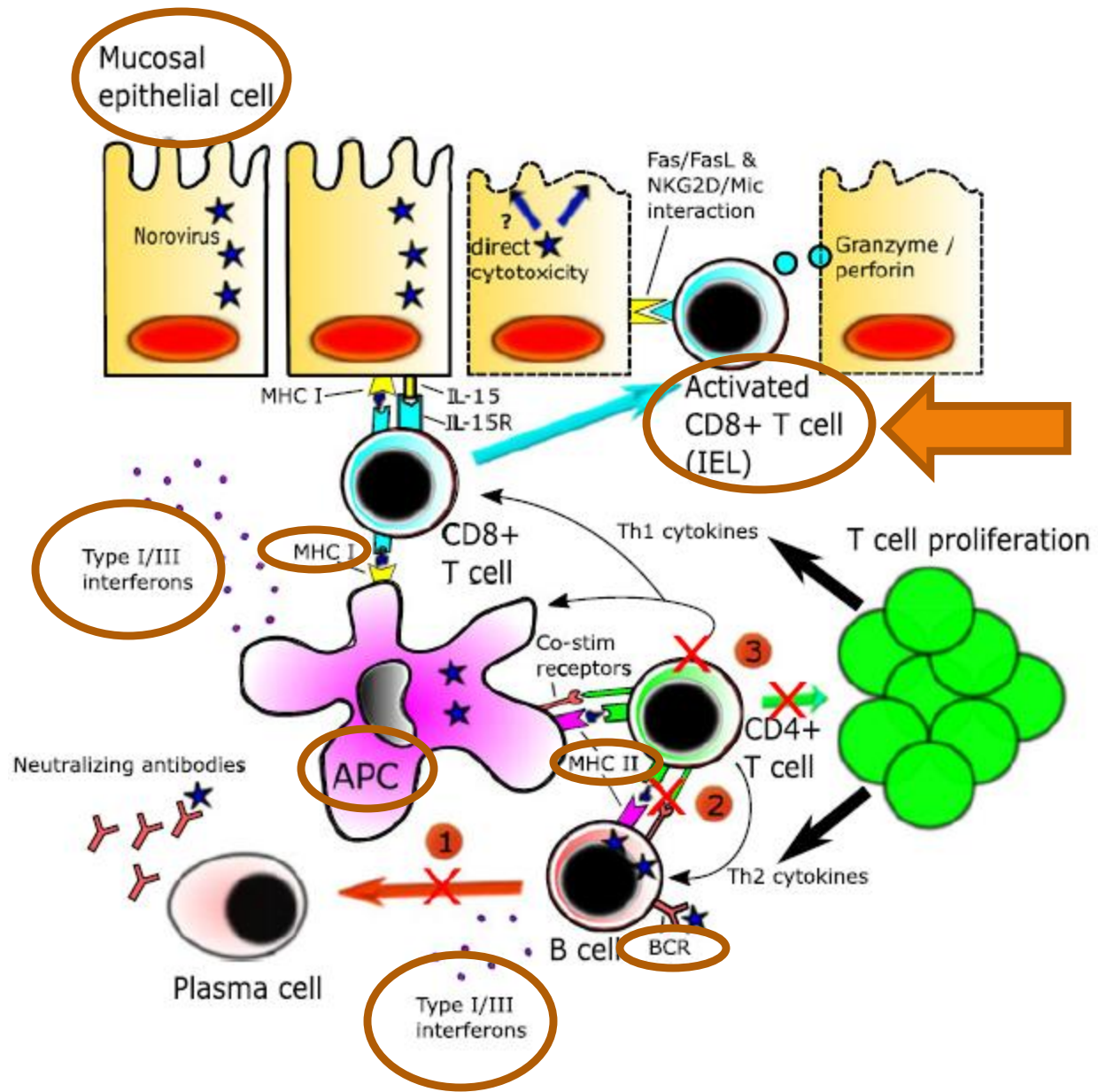


Fig. 5 Mean monthly Norovirus level fluctuation

Contamination in Montenegro





- Asymptomatic infection to severe dehydrating diarrhea
- Carriage up to 50%
- Incubation 24-72h
- Non-bloody diarrhea and vomiting
- Nausea, abdominal cramps, fever
- Headache, myalgia, malaise
- Self-limited recovery within 2-5 days
- Different story in immunocompromised

Clinical presentation

Table 1
Laboratory methods for detection of norovirus

Method	Characteristics	Availability	Use in Clinical Setting?	Use in Outbreak Setting?
Conventional RT-PCR, real-time RT-PCR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold standard test • High sensitivity • Frequently detects specimen in asymptomatic and healthy patients 	Public health and reference laboratories	Not widely ^a	Yes
Multiple enteric pathogen tests (xTAG GPP, FilmArray gastrointestinal panel, and Verigen Enteric Pathogens Test)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detects multiple viral, bacterial, and parasitic pathogens simultaneously • High sensitivity • Expensive 	Public health and clinical laboratories	Yes	Yes
Enzyme immunoassay, immunochromatographic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low sensitivity, high specificity 	Public health and clinical laboratories	Not recommended for individual patients	Yes, for rapid screening of multiple samples
Electron microscopy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detect multiple viral pathogens • Low sensitivity • Expensive 	Reference laboratories	No	No

Calicivirus (norovirus, sapovirus)^k; enteric adenovirus; enterovirus/ parechovirus^k; rotavirus

NAAT

Stool

Rotavirus, enteric adenovirus

EIA

Stool

Enteric adenovirus^l; enterovirus/parechovirus

Viral culture

Stool

Cardemil Infect Dis Clin N Am 2017; 839-70
 Shane Clin Infect Dis 2017; 65: e45-80
 Buss J Clin Microbiol 2015; 53: 915-25

Table 1 Current FDA approved molecular testing platforms for the diagnosis of norovirus

Test/manufacturer	Testing platform	FDA approval	Turnaround time (TAT)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
xTAG Gastrointestinal Pathogen Panel (GPP) Luminex Molecular Diagnostics, Inc. [32]	RT-PCR multi-pathogen panel (11 analyte targets including Norovirus I and II)	2013	<6 h	100 (71.8–100) ^a	90.8 (86.2–94) ^a
Xpert Norovirus Cepheid [33]	RT-PCR for Norovirus I and II	2014	1 h	98.5 (91.7–100) ^b	98.8 (97.8–99.4) ^b
Bio Fire Film Array Gastrointestinal Panel bioMérieux [32]	RT-PCR multi-pathogen panel (22 analyte targets including Norovirus I and II)	2014	1 h	91.7 (62.5–100) ^a	99.5 (97.2–100) ^a
Verigene Enteric Test Nanosphere, Inc. [34]	PCR with gold nanoparticle hybridization (9 analyte targets including Norovirus)	2014	2 h	100 (73–100) ^c	100 (99–100) ^c



STOP THE SPREAD OF NOROVIRUS

Norovirus (commonly known as the Winter Vomiting Bug) is a highly contagious infection that causes sickness and diarrhoea.

RECOGNISE IT
Norovirus will cause a sudden onset of diarrhoea and/or vomiting which can last between 24 and 72 hours. Some people may have a raised temperature, headaches and aching limbs.

AVOID IT
Wash your hands regularly with soap and water, especially after using the toilet and before preparing and eating foods. Dry your hands thoroughly each time.

CONTAIN IT
DO NOT visit hospitals or your GP if you develop symptoms of Norovirus. Call NHS Non-emergency number 111 or call your GP for advice. Drink plenty of fluids to avoid dehydration.

STOP IT
Stay at home for at least 48 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea to reduce the risk of passing the virus to others.

DON'T GIVE NOROVIRUS A CHANCE!

PRESTON'S COLLEGE

Around half of those exposed to **norovirus** will also become sick. That's a **50%** attack rate.

Don't spread it. If you get ill, stay at home.
#NoToNorovirus www.nhsinform.scot/norovirus

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SCOTLAND'S LEADER IN HEALTH

Diarrhoea and sickness
Norovirus!
stop the spread

- Stop the spread - wash your hands
- Keep it to yourself - stay at home until you are symptom-free for at least 48 hours
- Get advice - visit www.choosewellcumbria.co.uk

NHS Cumbria
Clinical Commissioning Group

- Patient cohorting and isolation precautions
- Healthcare personnel who have recovered from recent suspected norovirus infection may be the best suited to care for the patients
- Hand hygiene
- PPE (gown, gloves, face masks)
- Environmental cleaning

**Key infection control
recommendations for the control
of norovirus**

- Patient transfer and ward closure
- Personnel leave
- Visitors
- Necessary stool diagnostic studies

**Key infection control
recommendations for the control
of norovirus**

Inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and IBD exacerbation studies (n=7) by study start, study length, study design and level of proof

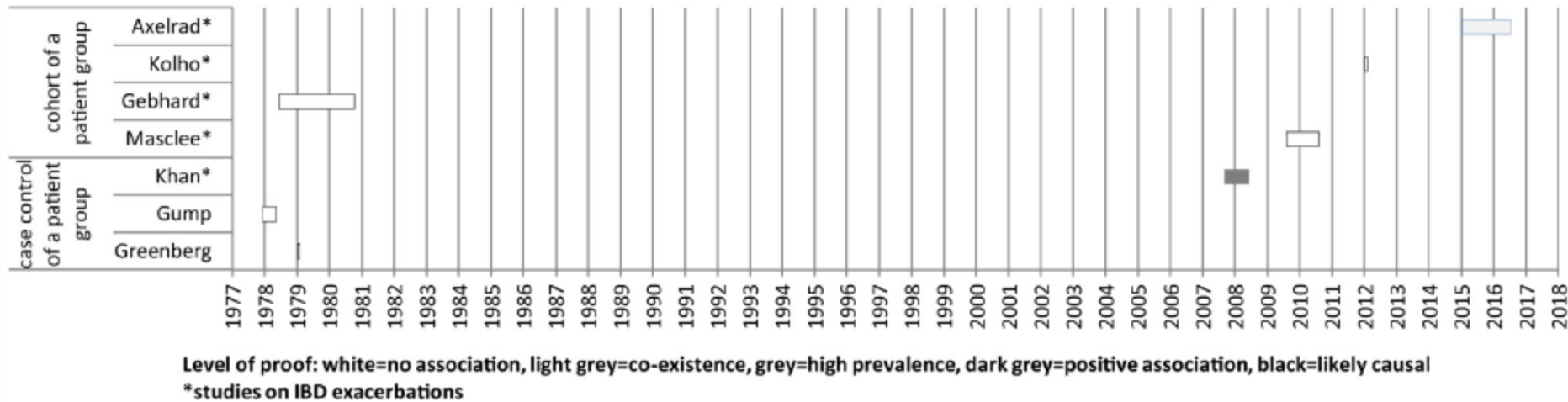
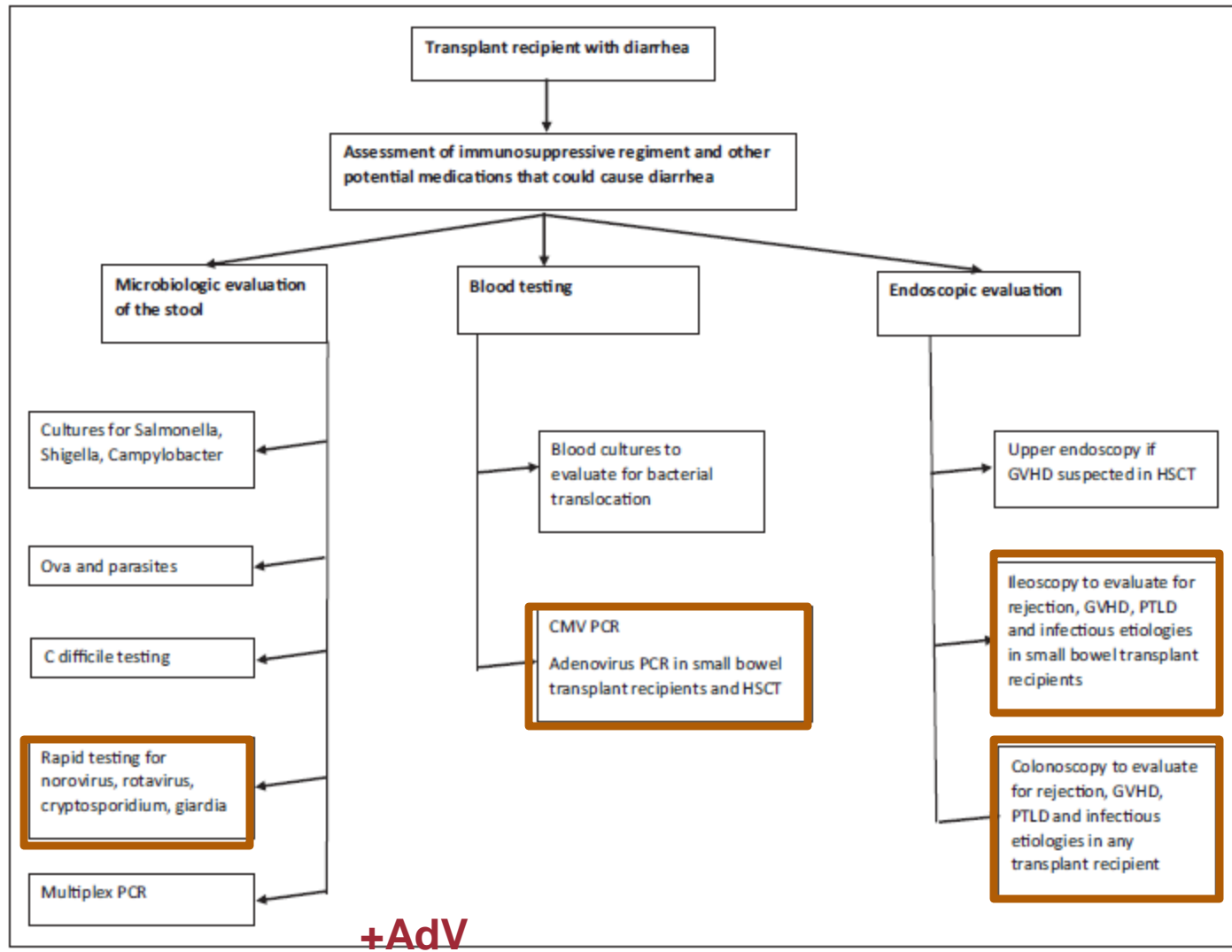
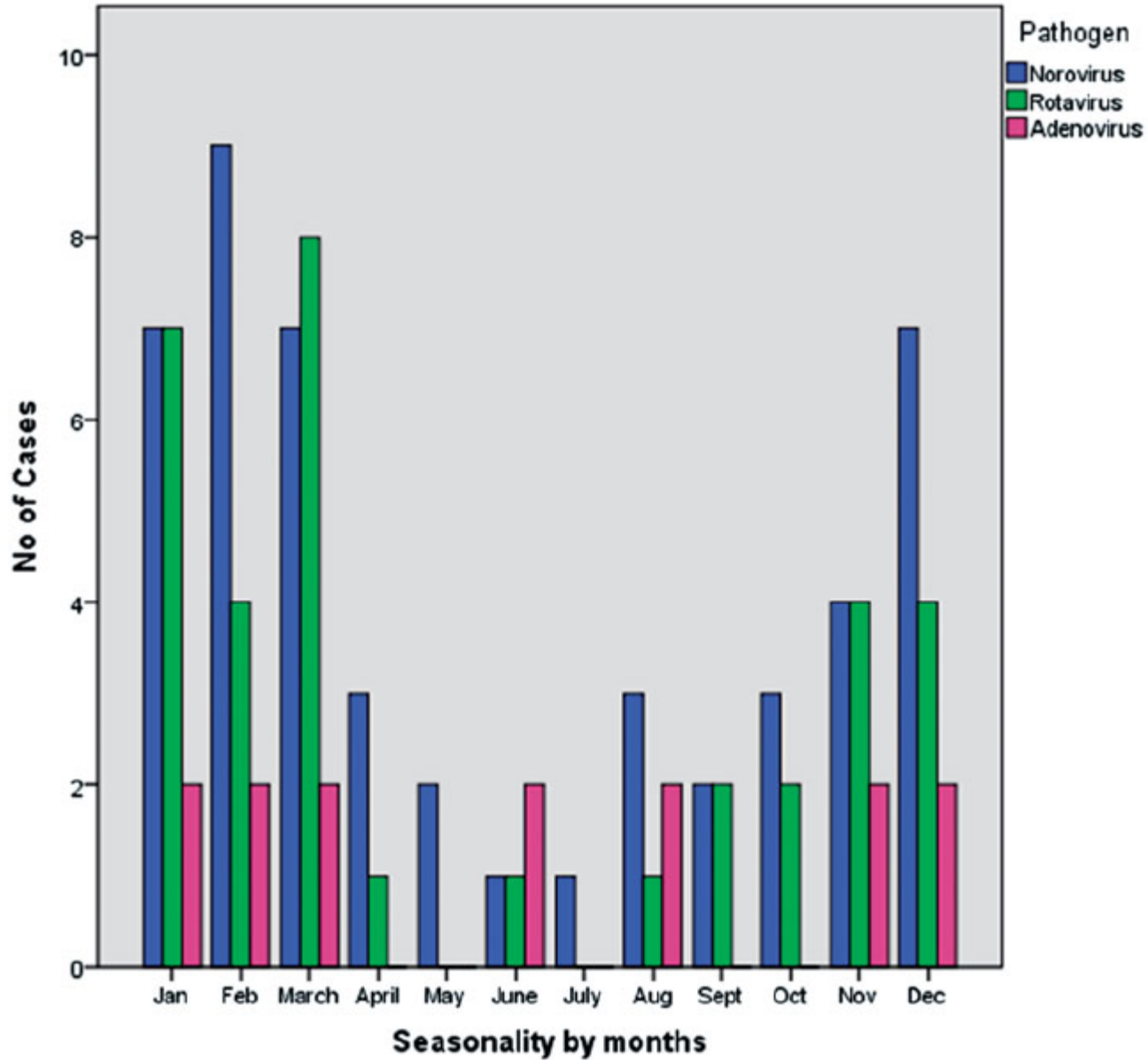
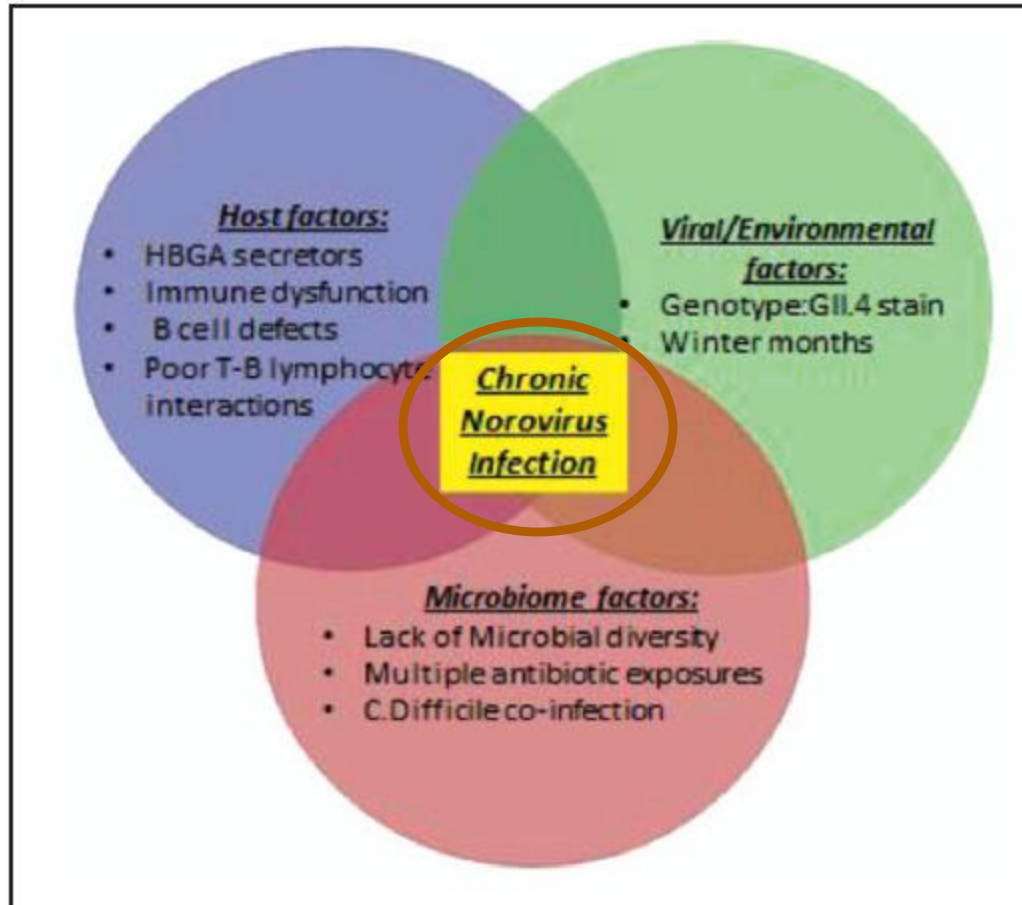


Fig. 6. IBD or IBD exacerbation studies (n = 7) by study start, study length, study design and level of proof for norovirus as a causal agent.

A causal relationship between IBD and NoV was not established





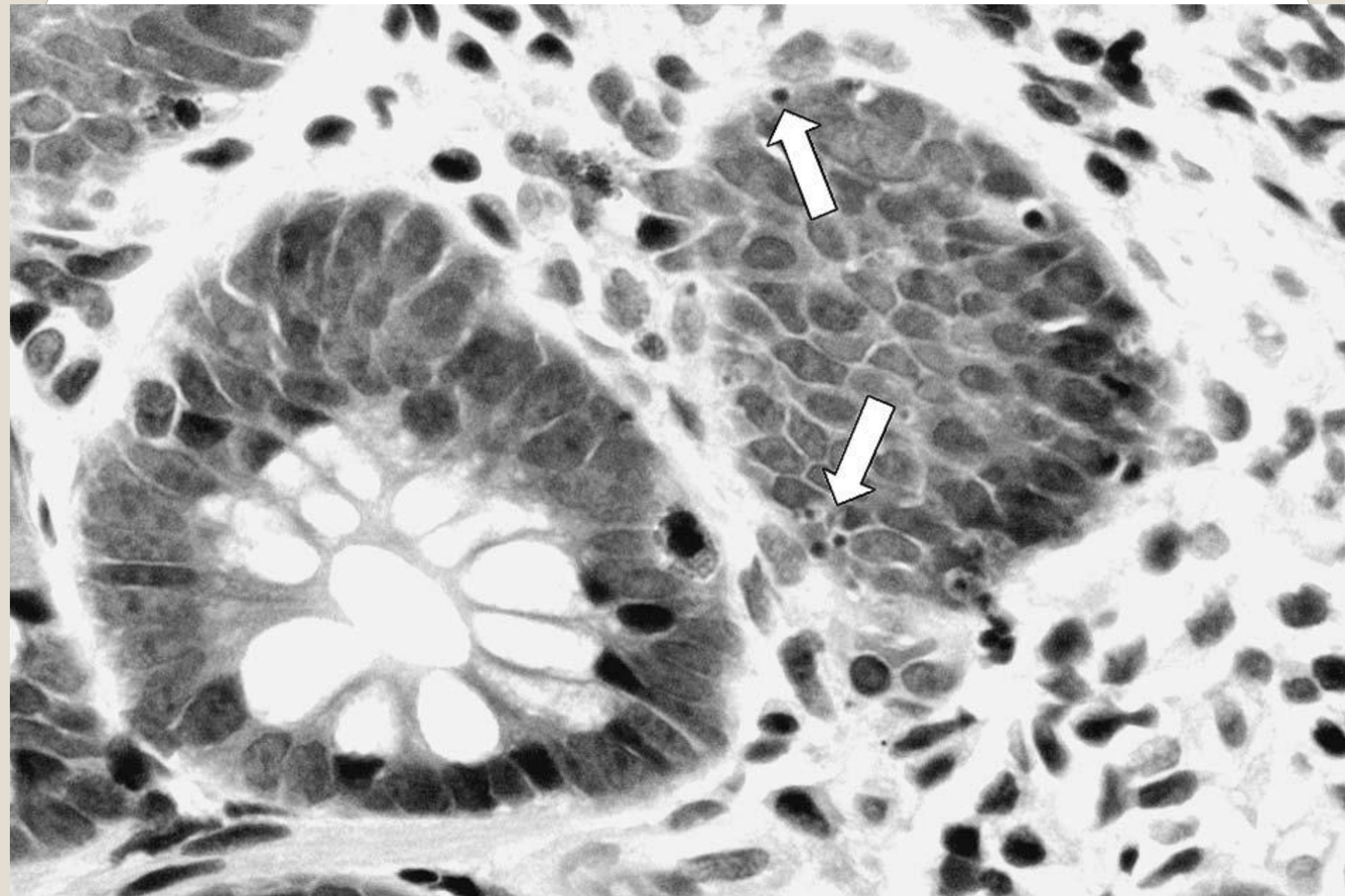


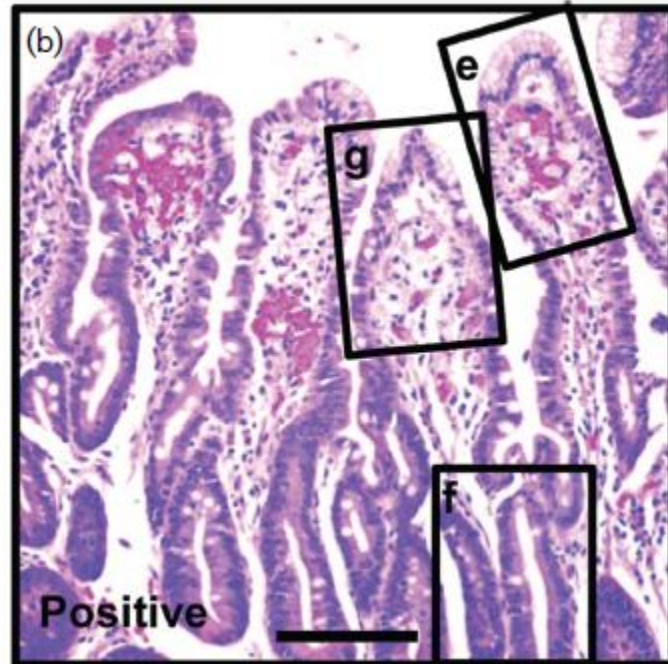
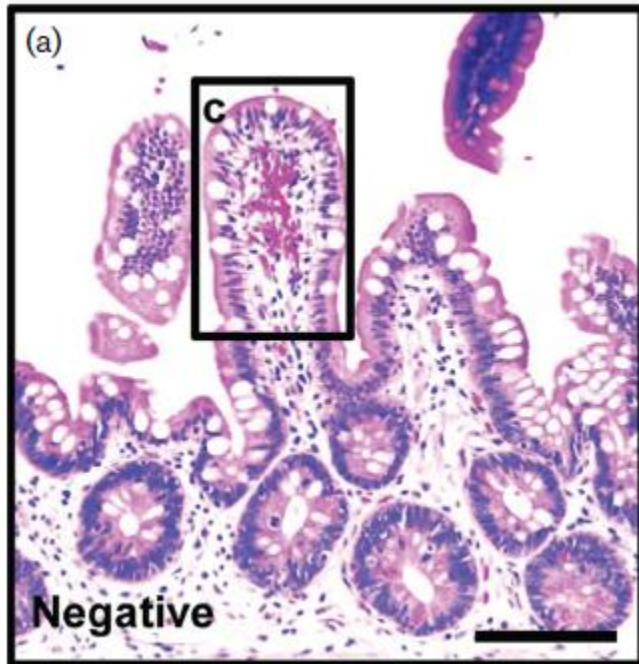
Can it be an innocent bystander?

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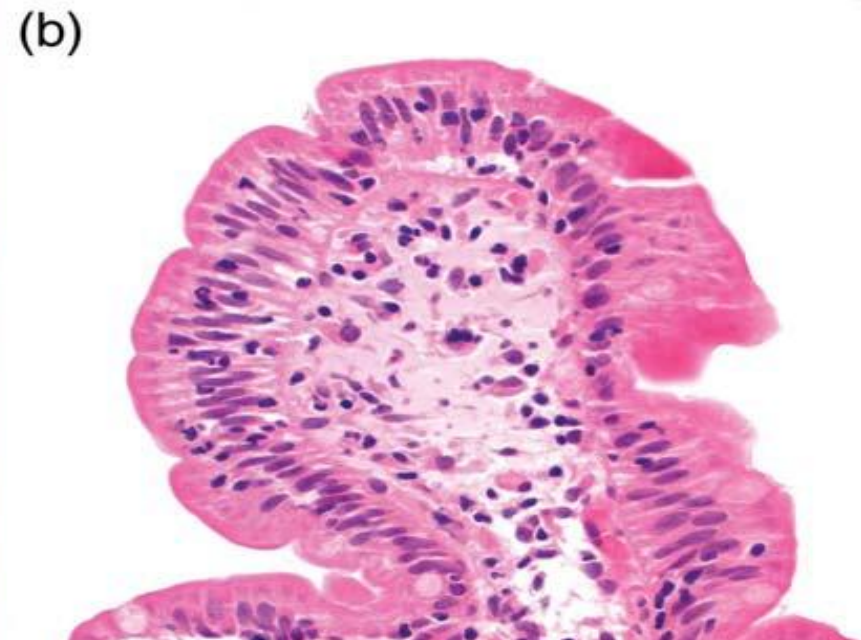
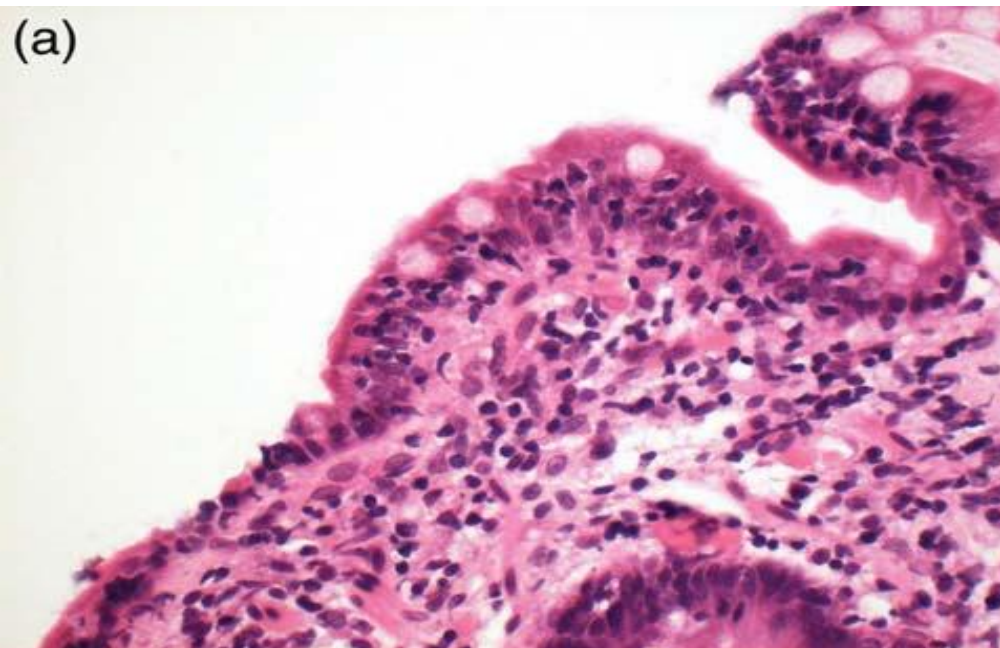
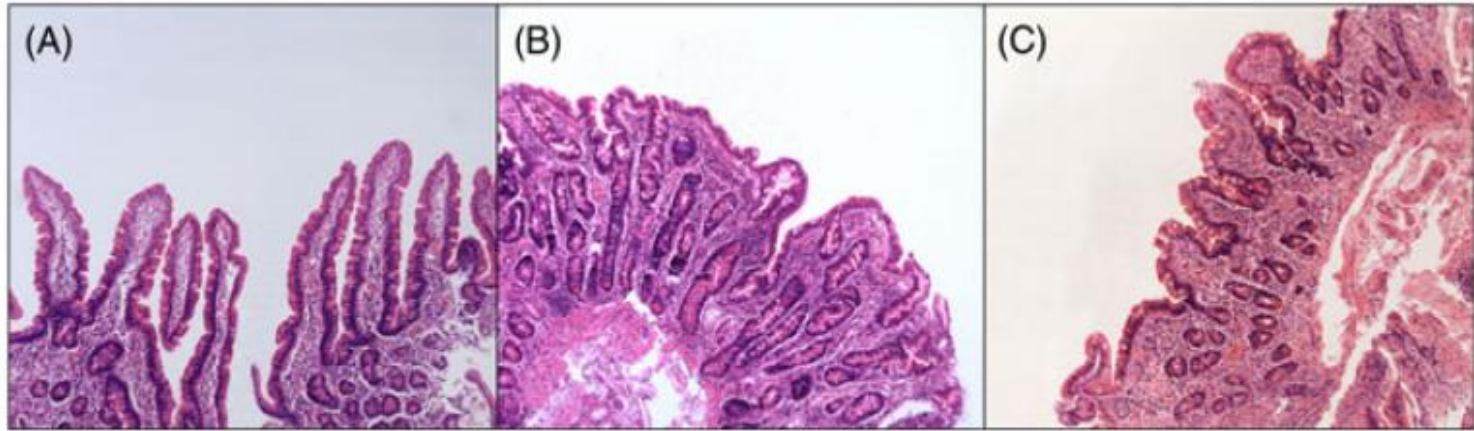
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Persistence of norovirus in common variable immunodeficiency



Attributes of an ideal norovirus drug

Specific treatment and/or prevention of norovirus infection

Rapid onset of action

Effective when administered within 12–24 h of onset of symptoms

Oral, topical, or parenteral route of administration

One week or less duration of treatment

Virus-specific target-based mechanism of action

Nontoxic

Therapeutic safety window >10-fold

Stability at room temperature for 3 years or more

High barrier to emergence of resistance

Low cost

- Attachment, receptor binding, entry and uncoating blockers
- Protease inhibitors
- Polymerase inhibitors
- Unknown targets
- HSIg in immunosuppressed
- Norovirus vaccines

Anti-Norovirus therapeutics

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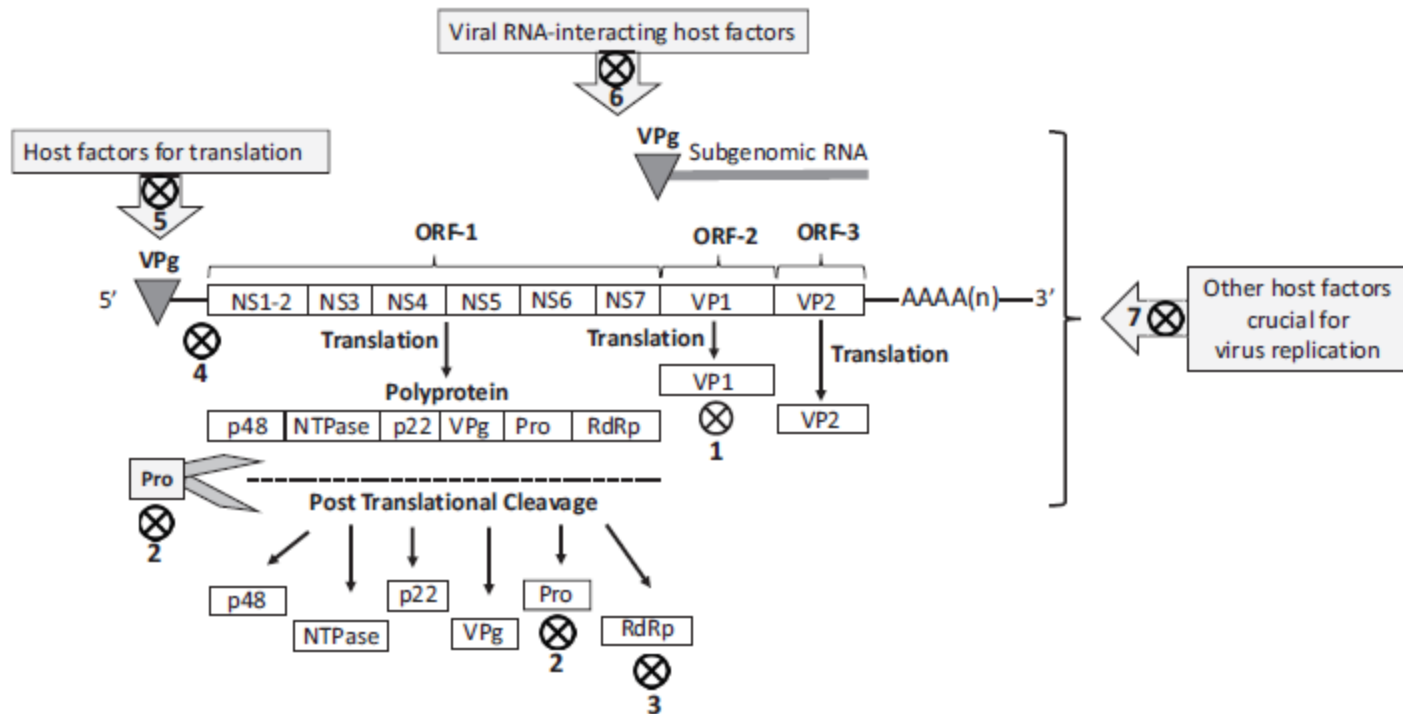
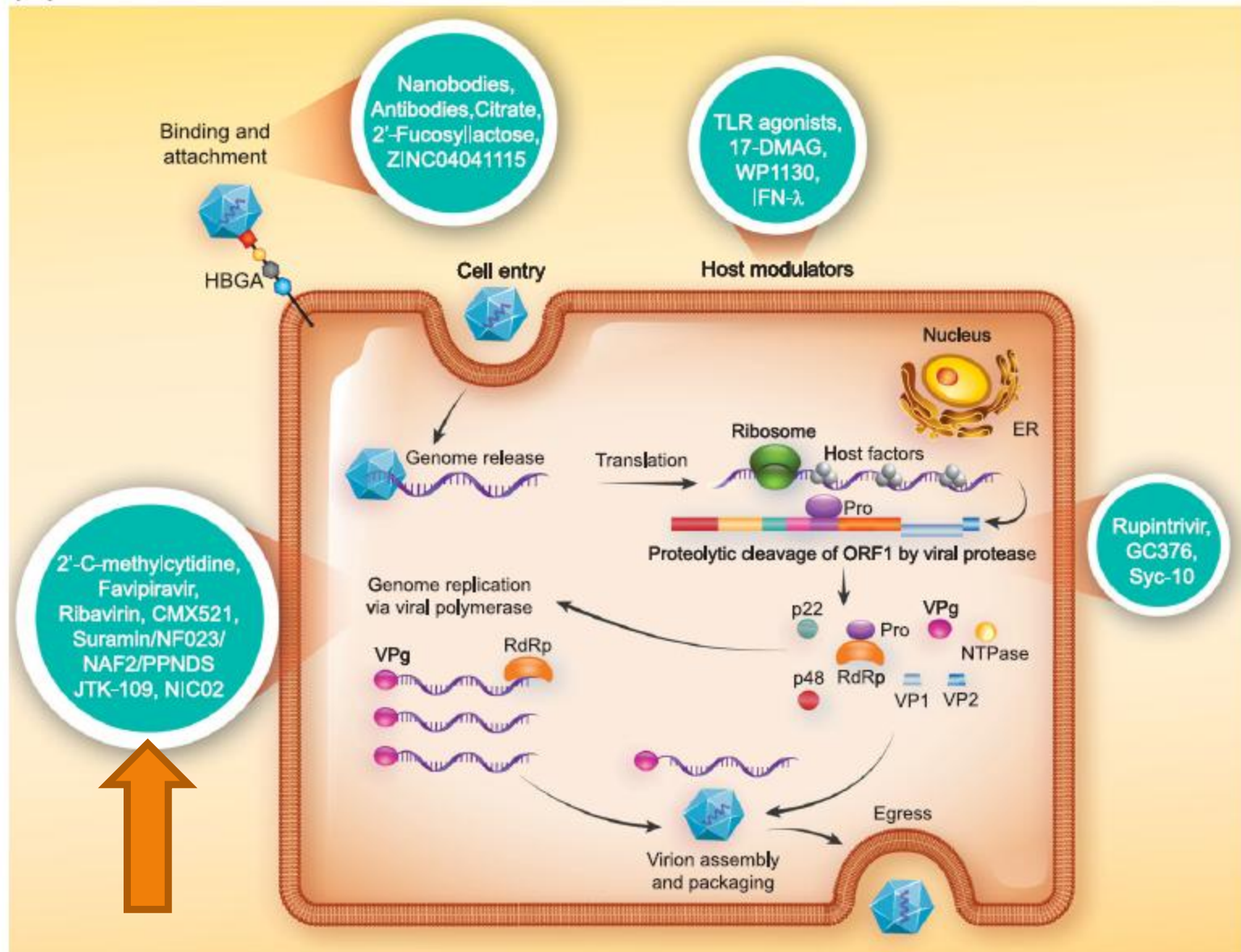


Fig. (1). The norovirus genomic RNA, subgenomic RNA, and structural (VP1 and VP2) and nonstructural (p48, NTPase, p22, VPg, 3CLpro and RdRp) viral proteins. The VPg protein covalently binds to the 5'-end of the viral genomic and subgenomic RNA, whilst the 3'-end of the viral RNA is polyadenylated. Anti-noroviral targets, including potential targets, have been shown with symbol ⊗. ⊗ 1. Virus capsid (VP1)-host cell receptor binding blockers: carbohydrate analogs of fucose (citrates, glucomimetics), heparan sulfate analogs (Suramin), soluble histones, tannic acid, and HBGA-blocking monoclonal antibodies. ⊗ 2. 3C-like cysteine protease (3CLpro) inhibitors: peptidyl transition state (TS) inhibitors, latent peptidyl TS inhibitors, peptidyl TS mimics, Macrocyelic peptide inhibitors, and Rupintrivir. ⊗ 3. RNA-dependent RNA-polymerase inhibitors: nucleoside (Ribavirin, Favipiravir and 2'-C-methyl-cytidine) and non-nucleoside (Suramin and NF023) analogs. ⊗ 4. Targeting viral RNA: Peptide-conjugated phosphorodiamidate morpholine oligomers (PMO), and siRNA. ⊗ 5. Targeting VPg-host factors interactions: Hippuristanol. ⊗ 6. Targeting viral RNA-interacting host factors: potential inhibitors of factors, such as La, PTB, DDX3, PCPB2, and hnRNPs. ⊗ 7. Targeting other host factors/pathways crucial to virus replication, such as inhibitors of cellular deubiquitinases (WPI130 and 2-Cyano-3-Acrylamide Compound-6), molecular chaperone hsp90, and cholesterol pathways.



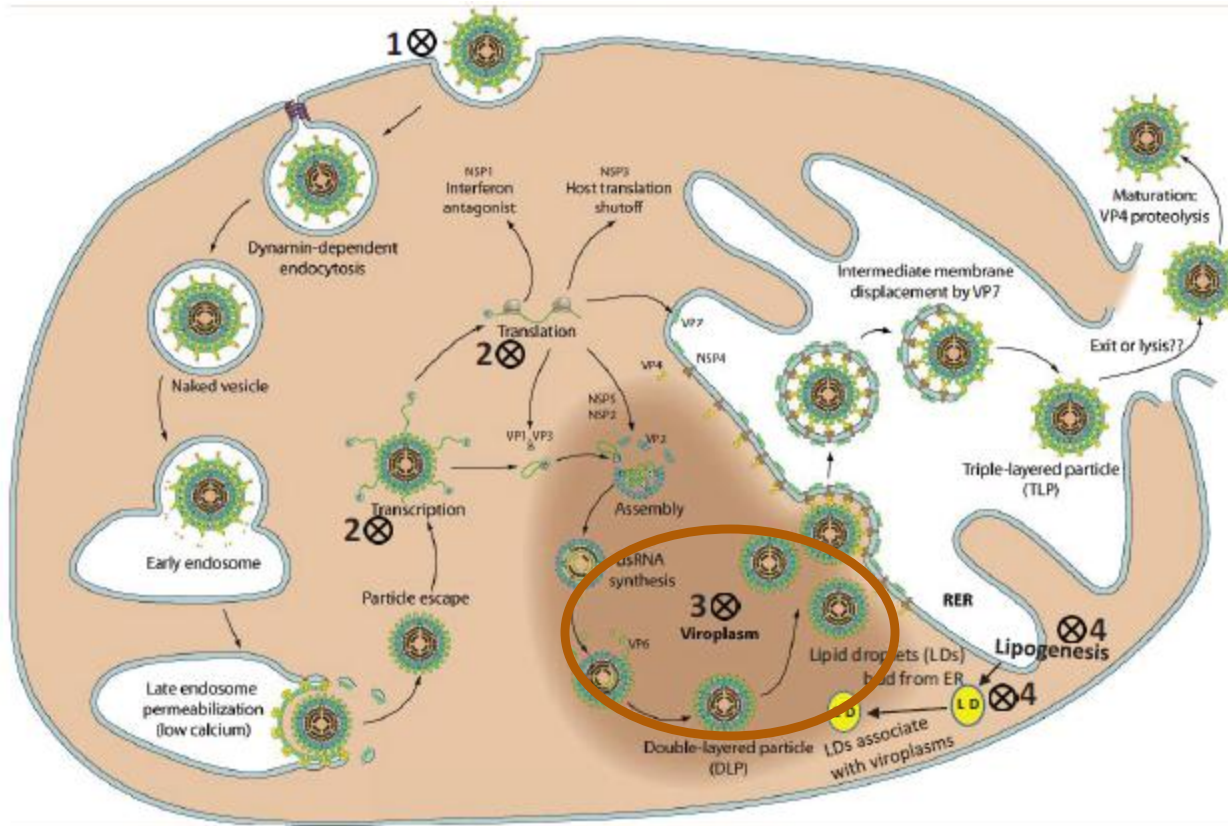
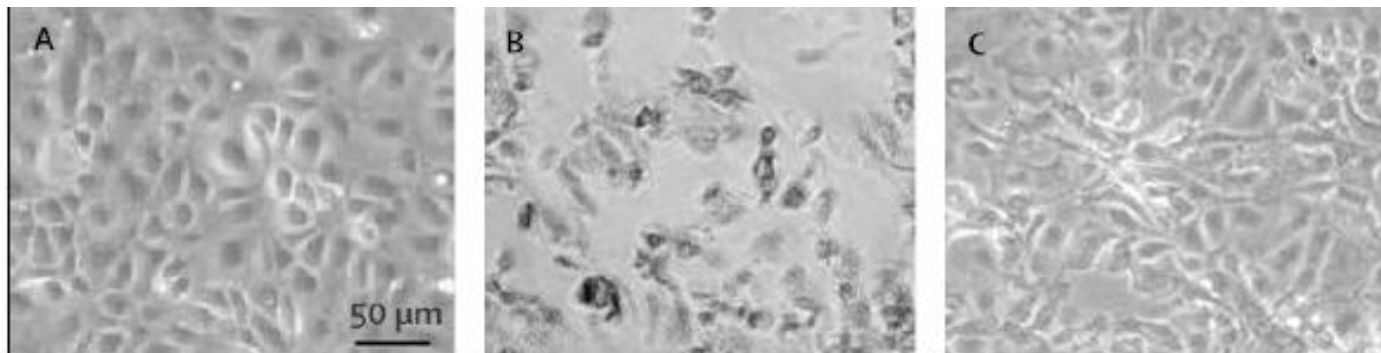
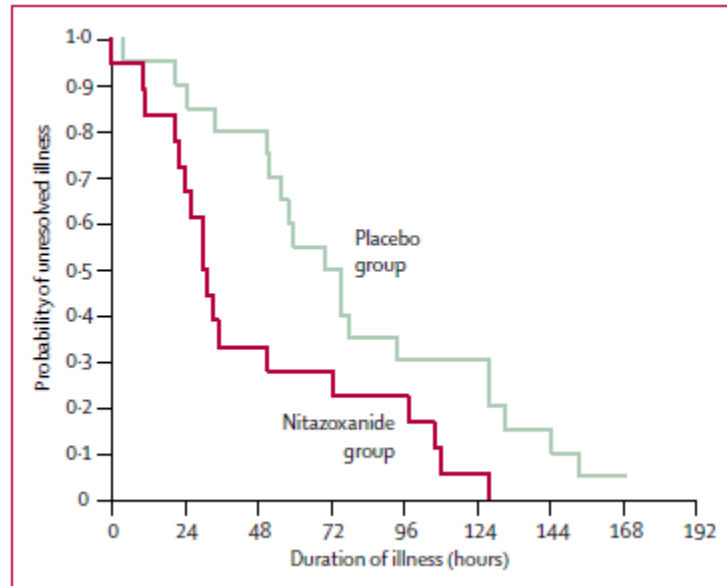


Fig. (2). Replication of rotavirus in host cell. Potential anti-rotaviral targets have been shown with symbol \otimes . **1.** Blocking virus attachment and entry into host cells: sialymimetics, lactadherin-derived peptides, neoglycolipid receptor mimetics, and membrane-impermeant thiol/disulfide-blockers. **2.** Inhibition of viral RNA and/or protein synthesis: genistein, phosphonoformic acid [foscarnet, PFA], ribavirin and other nucleoside analogs, 3-deazaguanine (3-DG), neomycin and other aminoglycosides, actinomycin D, mycophenolic acid, isoprinosine, viscogens (glycerol), and siRNA. **3.** Inhibition of viroplasm formation: nitazoxanide. **4.** Suppression of virus replication, and/or virus maturation through inhibition of host cell lipid metabolism pathways and/or homeostasis of lipid droplets (LD): bile acids and farnesoid X receptor (FXR) agonists, 5-(tetradecyloxy)-2-furoic acid (TOFA), triacsin C, isobutylmethylxanthine (IBMX) + isoproterenol, stilbenoids, lovastatin, and cyclooxygenase inhibitors. Lipogenesis and its role in rotavirus replication has been excellently reviewed by Lever and Desselberger, 2016 [169]. This image has been modified with permission from the original source: ViralZone www.expasy.org/viralzone, © SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics [297]. RER, rough endoplasmic reticulum.

Nitazoxanide for rotavirus infection



Rossignol Lancet 2006; 368: 124-9

Rossignol Aliment Pharmacol Ther 2006; 24; 1423-30

- Noroviruses are genetically and antigenically very diverse, with more than 25 genotypes. Across three genogroups infecting humans. GII.4 is the most prominent norovirus genotype worldwide.
- Norovirus immunity is not well understood and there is currently no single well established correlate of protection that can be used in vaccine trials.
- Two vaccines currently in human clinical trials include a bivalent GI.1/GII.4 intramuscular VLP vaccine in phase IIb and a monovalent GI.1 oral pill recombinant adenovirus vaccine in phase I trials.
- Cost effectiveness is a key aspect of acceptability of a norovirus vaccine
- Public awareness of norovirus is relatively low, suggesting need for public outreach and education to maximize uptake of future vaccines.
- A licensed norovirus vaccine has the potential to save lives and prevent a significant proportion of diarrheal illnesses worldwide.

Key issues in the development of norovirus vaccine

Mattison Expert rev Vaccines 2018; 17: 773-84
Cortes-Penfield Clin Ther 2017; 39: 1537-49

- Viral gastroenteritis- major public health concern
- Global societal and economic burden
- RV and NoV- important in children
- NoV- implicated in gastroenteritis outbreaks in semiclosed communities
- Leading cause of foodborne gastroenteritis
- The revolution of the RV vaccines

Conclusions