

Global and refugee health



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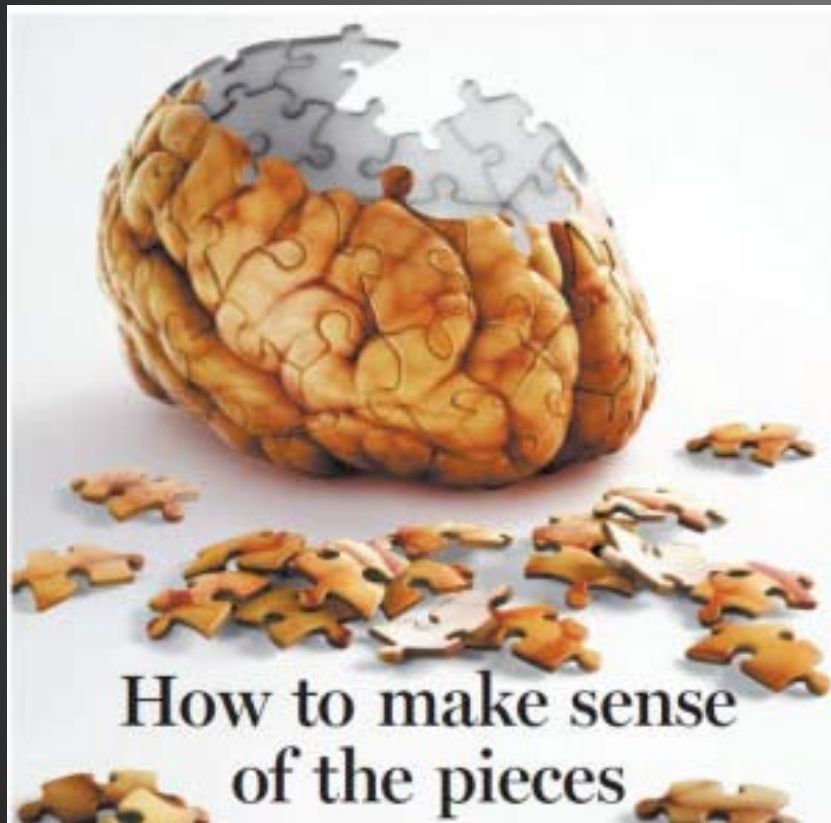
18 March 2011



- 14.00-14.05 Welcome by **Ole Skøtt**, Dean, Professor, the Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Southern Denmark
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- **Cancelled** “Global and refugee health in a post conflict area of Northern Uganda” by **Emilio Ovuga**, Ph.D., Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences, Gulu University, Uganda
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- 14.05-15.00. “There is no brain in the system: The anthropology of international health” by **Peter Aaby**, professor, The Bandim health Project, Guinea-Bissau and The State Serum Institute, Denmark
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- 15.00-15.50 “Maybe life is worth living after all: human security and human health in a global context” by professor **Morten Sodemann**

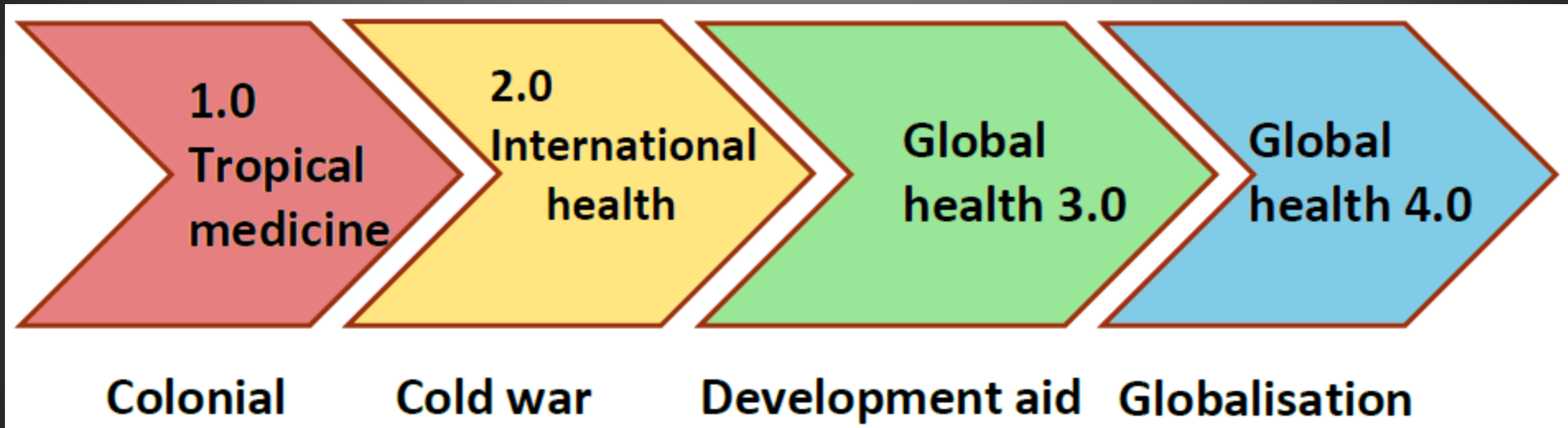


Making sense of global health



- Has medical science passed away?
- Or does it just smell funny because Trojan social scientists like Peter Aaby and other have created anxiety and confusion in biomedical research?

Global health 4.0



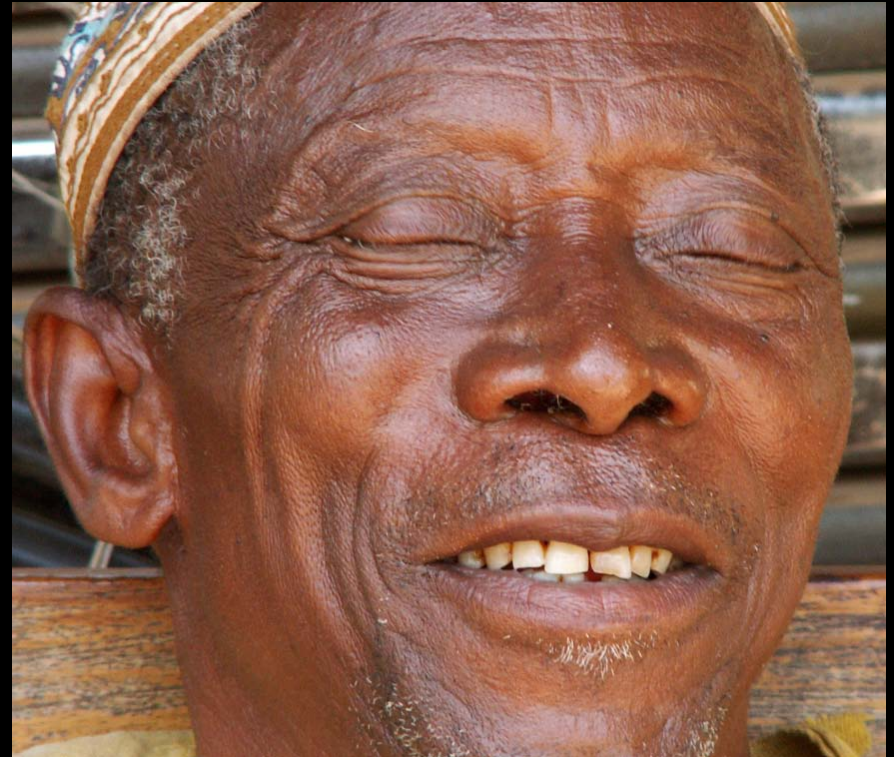
Free mental first aid



”Maybe life is.....



” worth living



After all?”

Quote from patient after first visit to the migrant health clinic

Why are we here today?

It's all about early exposure:

Counting rats that keep
disappearing in dark cellars

OR

Picking up and analysing experience
real time in real life

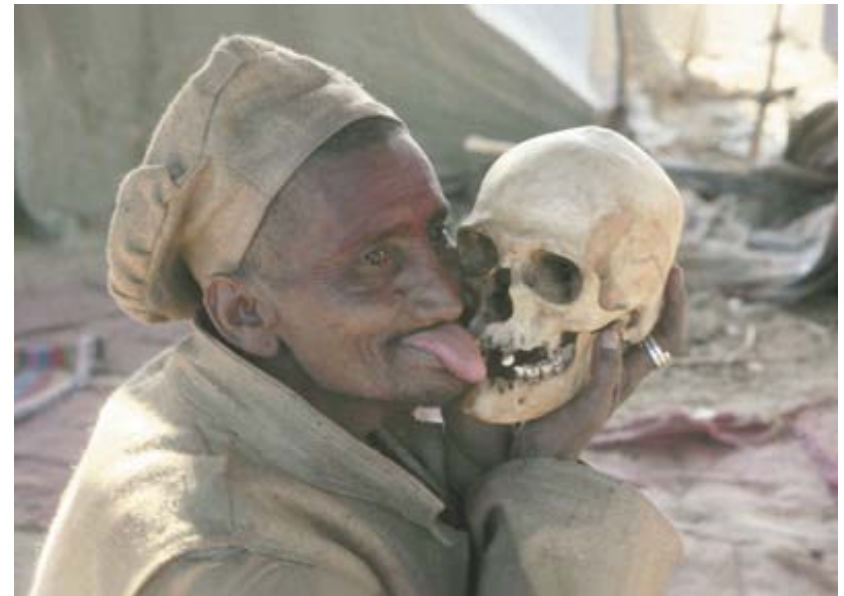
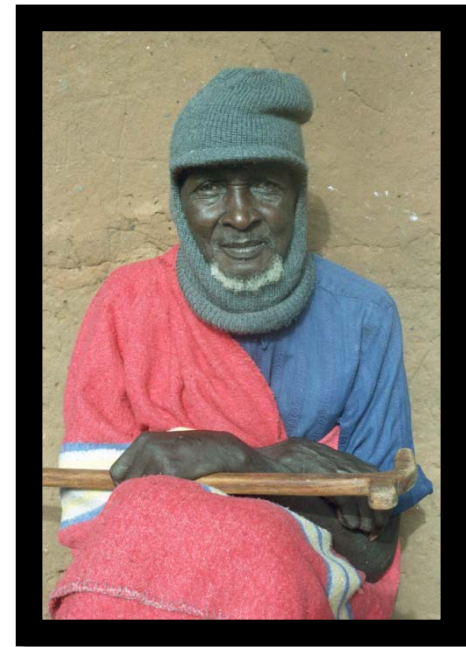


Foto: Eskestad Mik

Why do patients contract and risk dying from preventable and treatable diseases?

- Early exposure to an "Out of The Box Experience"
- Early exposure to programme fashions and failures
 - Immunizing children, household interviews
 - Care seeking in severe diarrhoeal disease & fatal illness (450 interviews)
- The role of donors, decision makers and doctors
- Social capital and locus of control and fatal illness
- Health systems research
 - Armed conflict: where there is no doctor there is help, post war vacuum
 - Favouritism
 - Gulu, Uganda: post conflict health, the war after the war
- Bringing it home
 - Infectious diseases: no organ, lots of problem patients
 - Denmark: You have been to Africa – you look after them!
 - ENRECA health & MESU & Platform for Human Health
- ***Ethnic minority patients: Global health issue, Same clinical problems, same questions, same answers, same experience, same solutions – so***
- The Migrant Health Clinic & Global Health

Human security from cradle to grave: Doctor: my patient doesn't understand me



- What is the role of governments, donors and health sectors in creating and sustainin health problems?
- What are patients actually trying to tell us and why don't they understand us?
- How do we carry out inclusive counting when we do research?

Some problems are just the same as ever.....

The fiction in common wisdom

"It is not the facts that have changed peoples attitudes and practices.

- on the contrary attitudes and practices have detached themselves completely from the facts"

Humans detached from the system

“After all, we have to remind ourselves

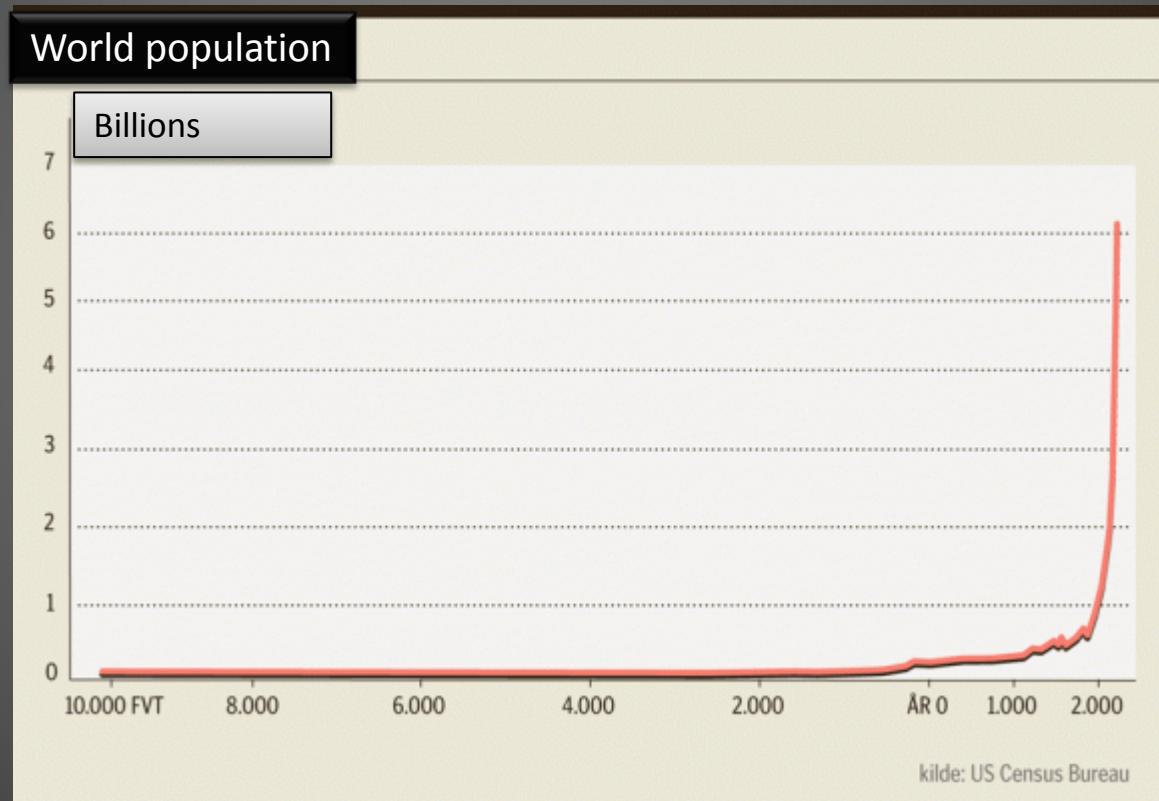
that we should make room for
individual human beings
in the (welfare) system”

Granny dumping

Human beings mean trouble – where can I dump this patient?



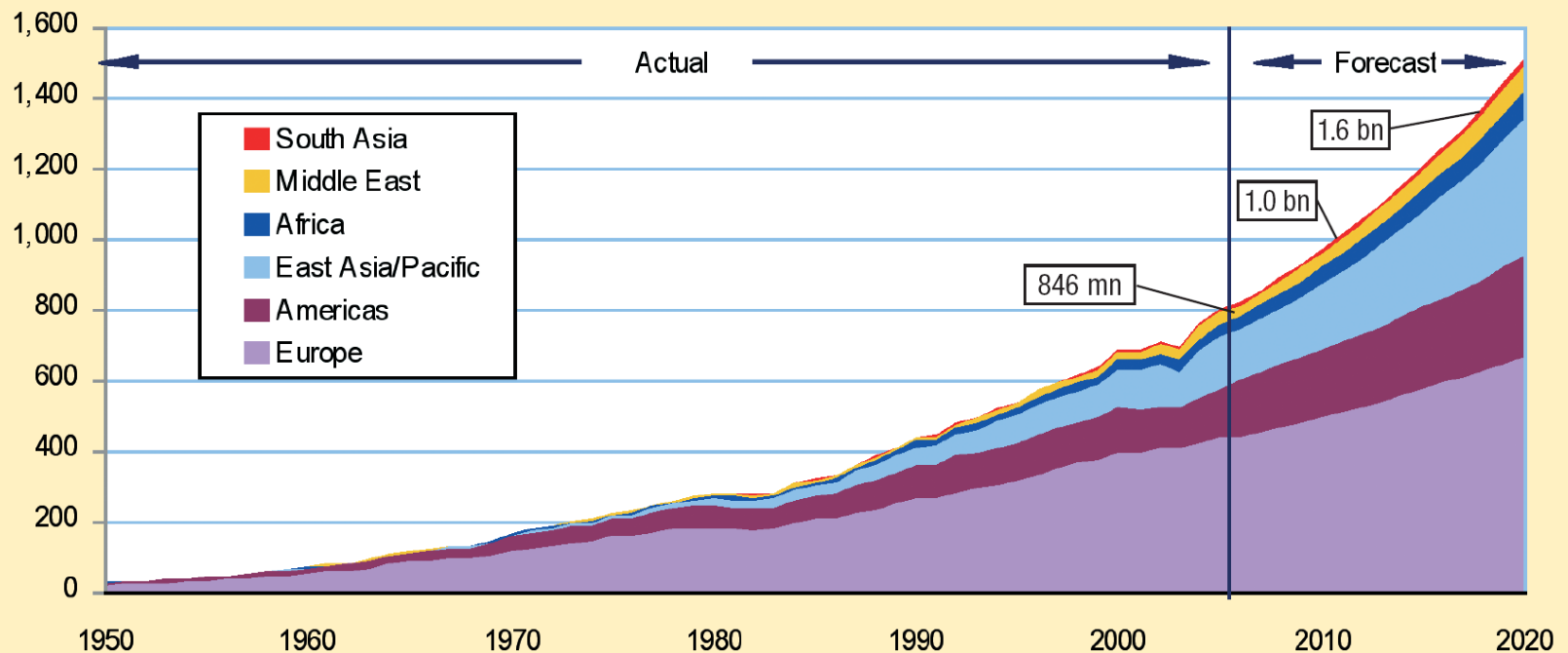
0 to 1 billion took a thousand years
6 to 7 billion only took 12 years.....



And there is more to come



International Tourist Arrivals, 1950-2020

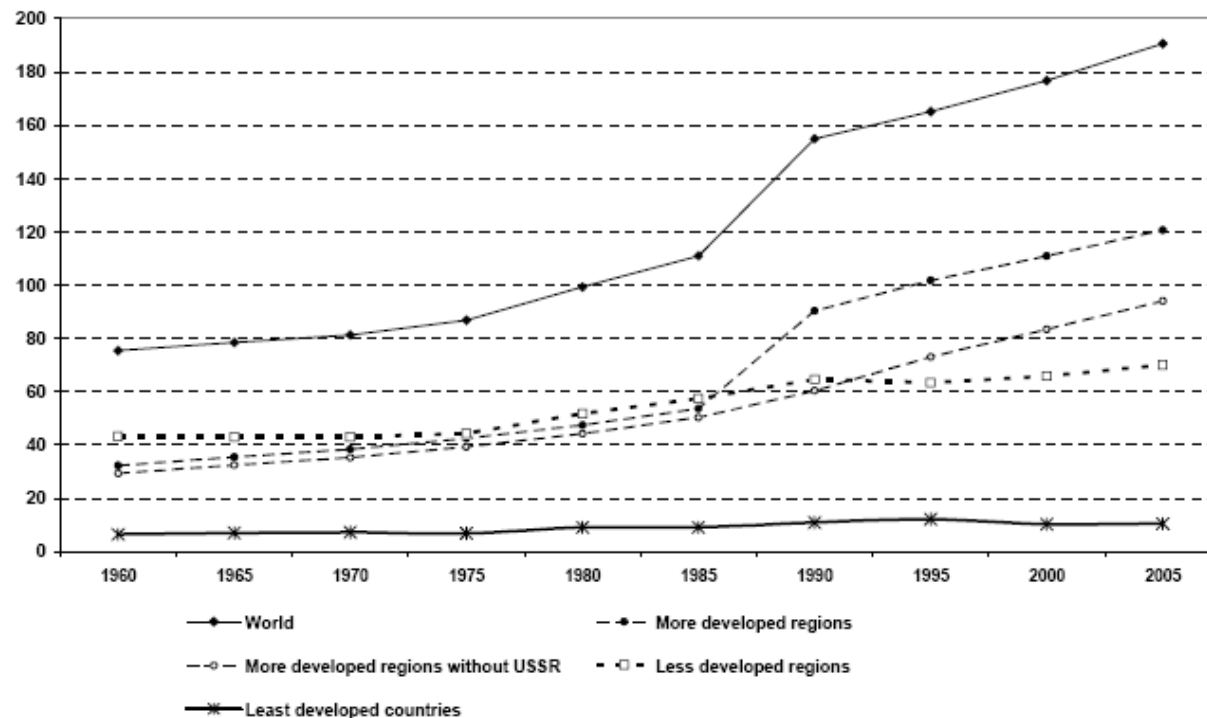


Changing volumes of migration:

191 million migrants (3 %!) worldwide =

5th largest country

Figure I. Trends in the number of international migrants for the world and major development groups, 1960-2005



Why is migrant health the sexiest
way to explain global health?

It has everything a scientist could ask
for:

Migrant health is about human security: a global health model

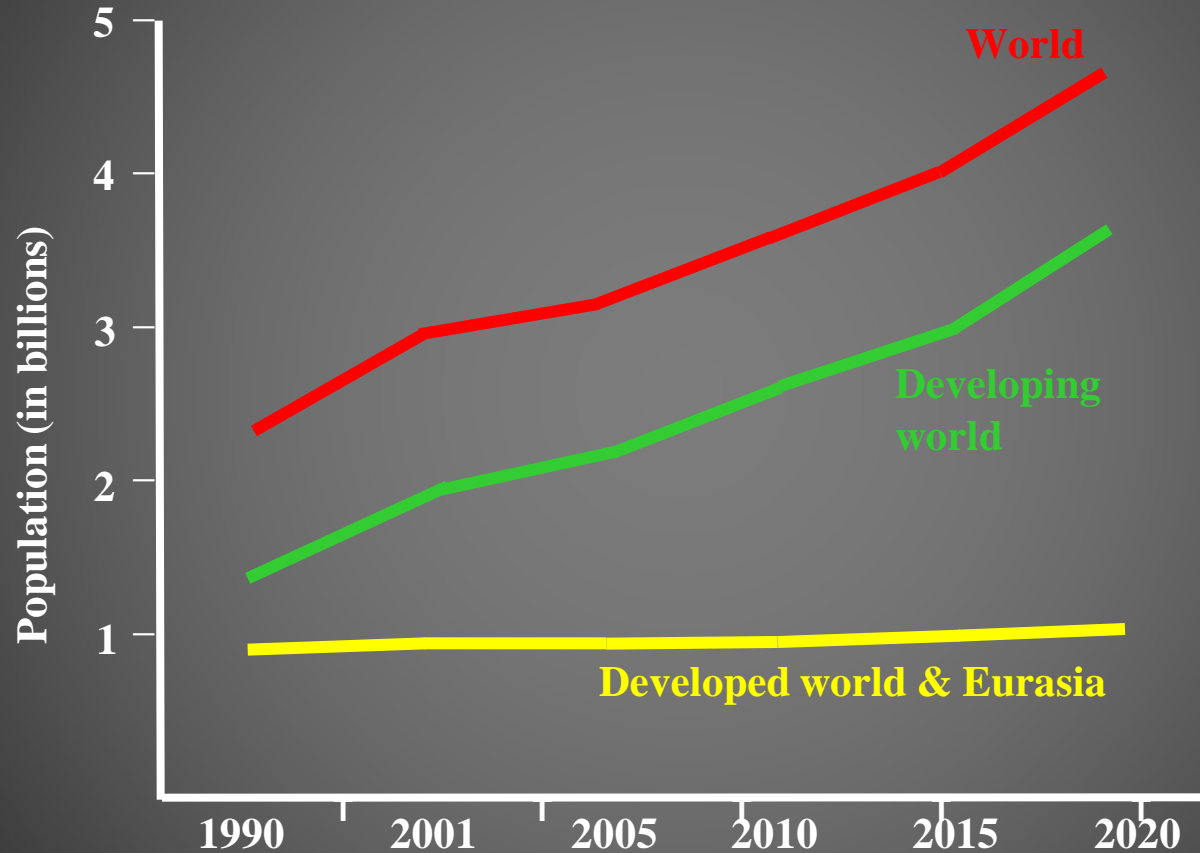
- Climate
- Nutrition
- Education
- Gender
- Moral
- Religion
- Stigma
- Minority
- Prevention
- Treatment
- Health outcomes
- Rape as a weapon
- Hunters, war, apes, colonial power and sexworkers
- Knowledge into action
- Inequity
- Brain drain
- Fragile states
- Post conflict vacuum
- Health literacy and empowerment
- Catastrophic expenditures
- Food security

- Convenient presumptions
- Common wisdom
- Literacy vs. Illiteracy
- Unwarranted differences in quality of care
- Tuberculosis (SA & China)
- Diabetes and living conditions
- Double disease burdens
- Human rights
- Reproductive health
- Sex trafficking
- Brain drain
- Poverty
- Social determinants
- Decoding and translating values and concepts of health
- Health behaviour
- Never part of research
- Corruption
- Social torture
- Demographic and nutritional transition
- Transgenerational issues
- **The global village idea**

The global village....yes, but are we talking about the same village?



SLUM POPULATIONS



("Ideas on the Future of the World's Cities", P. Witcher, The World Urban Forum, UN Chronicle Online Edition.
<http://www.un.org/Pubs/chronicle/2006/issue2/0206p30.htm>)

The right to count



- -and to BE counted
- - and to be counted RIGHT

Data or gut feeling

“You have the right to your own opinion but not to your own data”

The language of sterility



Think how casually we treat casualties of war:
victims, refugees and rapes
are just large numbers

Counting for planning
Or
Planning for counting

AWACH HIC IV POP. COVERAGE 2001

ESTIMATION OF TARGET POPULATION

1- TOTAL POP. IN SERVICE AREA-	13,300
2- WOMEN IN CHILD BEARING AGE- (A x 0.202)	2,686
3- NUMBER OF PREGNANCIES- (A x 0.05)	665
4- NUMBER OF BIRTH IN SERVICE AREA- (A x 0.0485)	645
5- NUMBER OF CHILDREN < 1 YEAR- (A x 0.043)	571
6- NUMBER OF CHILDREN < 5 YEARS- (A x 0.202)	
7- SUSPECTED I.P. AREA-	

20,000 inhabitants
.....and still counting

+ 50 %

OK, we counted: then what?

Global fund – donor countries

- Routine health information systems are **poorer** than anticipated.....
- ART has **diverted** funds from other diseases, such as malnutrition and eroding health systems
- There is a lack of **mortality data**
 - Zambia: child mortality fell but data does not **distinguish** between effect of bednets, breastfeeding, vitamin A....
 - Ethiopia: Health information systems are weak, mortality data lacking, **the data we need is simply not there**
 - Burkina Faso: we need support for **Long term** M&E
- Ethiopian representative: ***You made us do health research – so what to do about the **results?*****

How to ruin good data

Tanzania health information system:

- Number of deaths switched with total population at health centers – *error in official tally form and data clerks changed data*
- Deaths counted twice for certain notifiable infectious diseases (measles) – *reported in to separate forms*

The weirdest people in the world?

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Weird but true

Counting weirdos or human beings?

Review of 800 papers on behavioural psychology with global conclusions:

Study participants are almost entirely drawn from **Western, Educated, Industrialised, Rich, and Democratic** societies (WEIRD)

It is assumed they are standard objects and representative for the global population

Looked at: fairness, cooperation, reasoning, categorization, moral, self concepts, IQ

Conclusion:

WEIRD people are particularly different from the rest, frequent outliers

They are among the least representative populations one could find

Getting the proportions right

- 8 weeks **oil** spill in Mexican gulf = 1 day oil spill in the Nigerian river delta
- **Earthquake** in Haiti 2009 = 150.000 deaths
 - 2010: 50 % of NGO funds still in banks, 80 mill. USD in interest, 300.000 still homeless, cholera brought in by UN troops
- Child **mortality per week** in Africa = one Tsunami hitting Africa per week

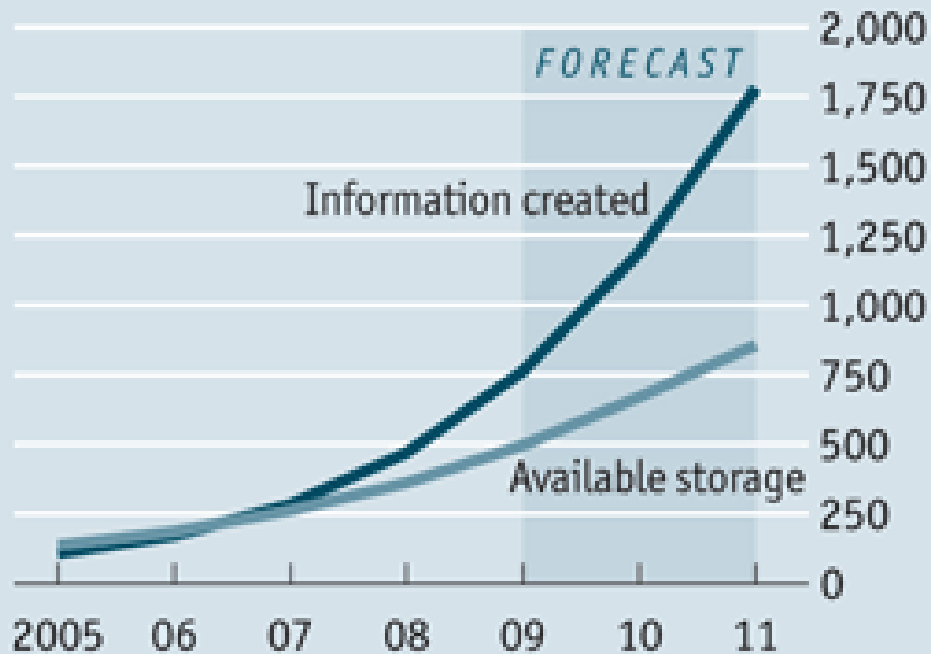
Global Information

From scarce to superabundant

Overload

Global information created and available storage
Exabytes

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Source: IDC

Too much:

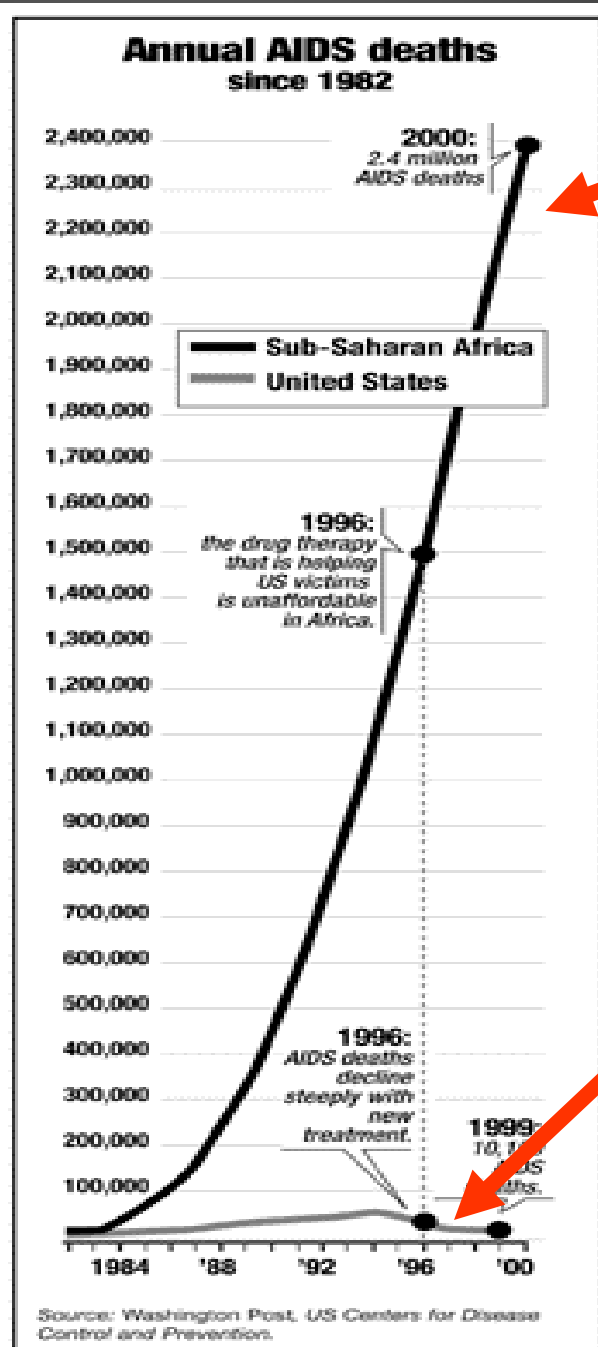
We can't store it

Too little:

low income countries
have no access

“We spend more time digging graves than ploughing the fields”

South African farmer, 2000

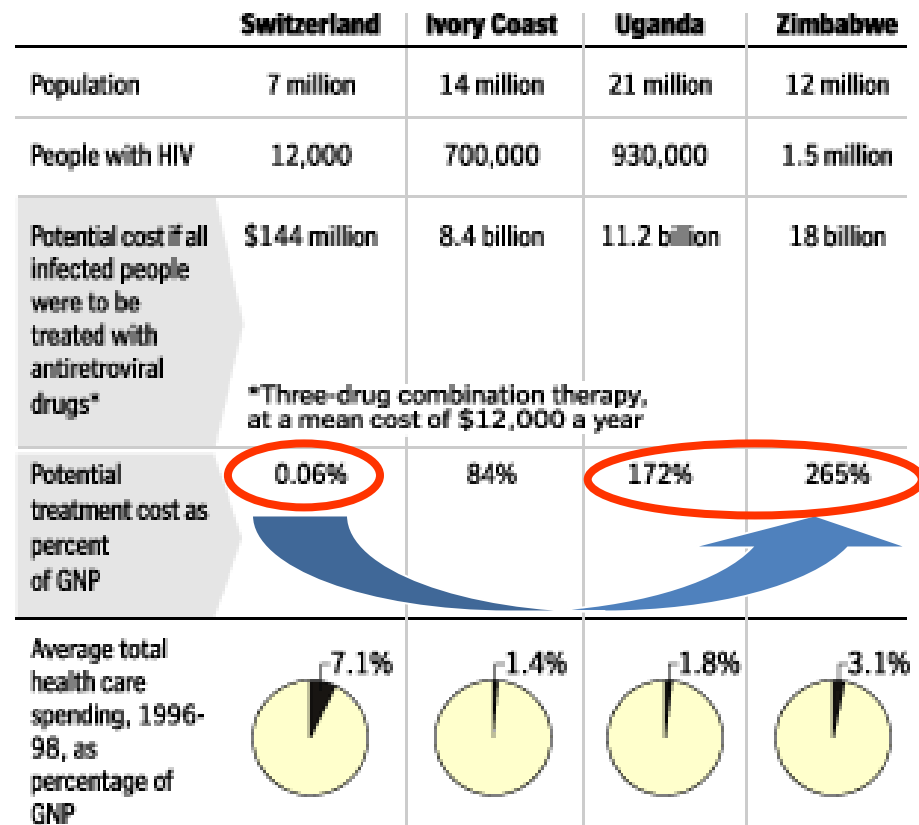


Africa

USA and Europa....

The Cost Gap of Fighting AIDS

At today's market prices, treating AIDS patients with antiretroviral medicines would cost more than the health care budgets of many developing countries. For some, including Uganda and Zimbabwe, the cost would dwarf the size of their national economies.



SOURCES: Bernard Hirschel, World Health Organization

Hiv and maize

- Reduction in crop production if one adult member of a farming family is Hiv-positive:
 - Maize 61 %
 - Cotton 47 %
 - Vegetables 49 %
 - Cocoa 37 %

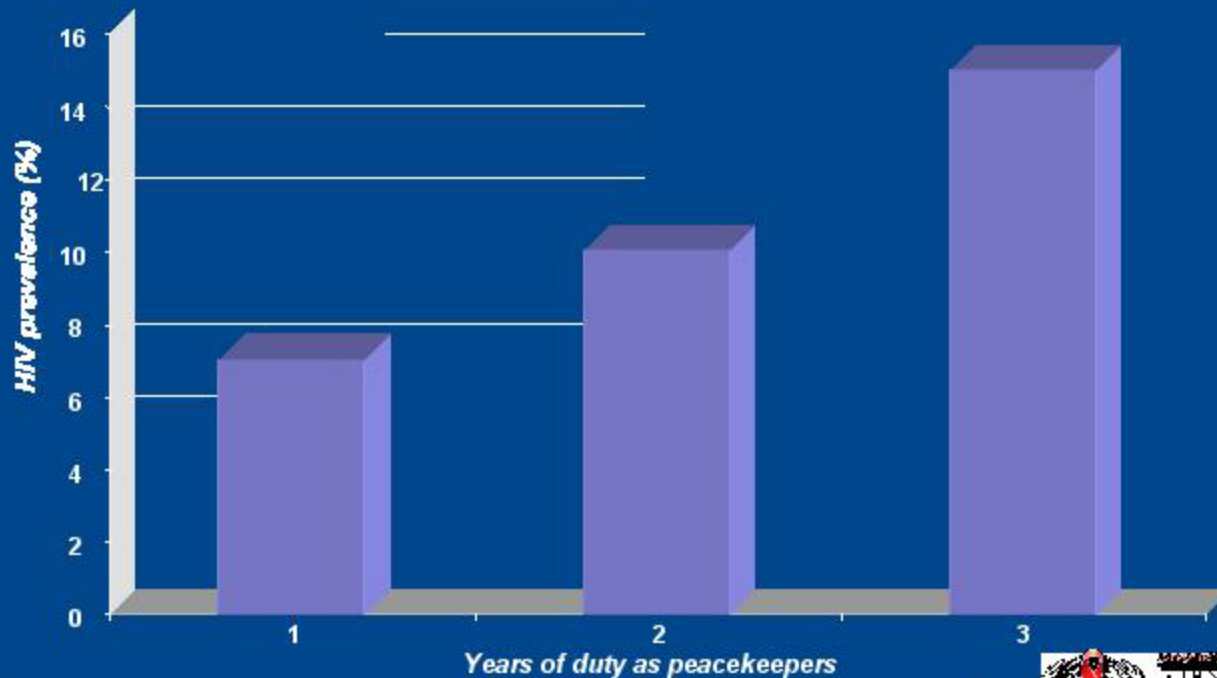
Mind the gender gap



- Women = 43 % of the agricultural labour force in developing countries
- Giving women same access as men to agricultural resources increases total agricultural production in developing countries by 2.5 to 4 %
- Could reduce the number of hungry people in the world by 17 %, or 150 million people.

Conflict, peace..... and new problem we didn't ask for

HIV prevalence in Nigerian military personnel according to years of duty as peacekeepers, 1998 - 1999



Source: Adefolalu A. 3rd All African Congress of Armed Forces and Police Medical Services, 1999, Pretoria



Human security and human health



in a global context

UN commission for Human Security:

“...to protect the vital core of all human lives in ways that enhance human freedoms and human fulfillment”

Moved from national security to individual human security

- Protecting fundamental freedoms
- Protecting people from critical (severe) and pervasive (widespread) threats and situations.
- Creating political, social, environmental, economic, military and cultural systems that together give people the building blocks of survival, livelihood and dignity.

....but that is not how human
beings assess risk

The human security equation



Do I feel...



Safe+free+secure+I have a clear future+I belong here+I can choose+I can educate myself+I can bring up family and children+I can get a job+my opinion matters+crop yields are high+My friends can help me+generally well+a sense of belonging+a sense of citizenship+i can move freely+not stimated+no ethnic+clashing+ respect+public+ confidence+healthy+service+good school+understood+love+caring+I count family+not too poor+feed back+ overall satisfaction+no shooting+no police trouble+no social pressure+many friends+large family+functional language+stupid neighbours+politicians are liars+too many road accidents+too much malaria+crowding+housing is expensive=

+ Choice making experience

Locus of control

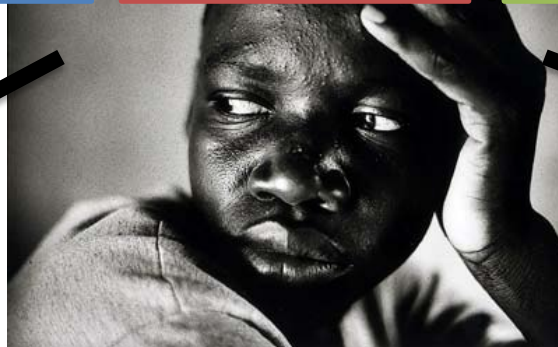
+ Risk behaviour type

+ Previous experience

+ Social network

+ Access to knowledge/
information about options

Yes, I will stay
and invest here



No, I will migrate
somewhere else and
start all over again

”Nothing but security in Denmark –
but I dont feel safe here



Nothing but insecurity in Iraq –
but there I feel safer”

Tjernobył





Survival, hope and security

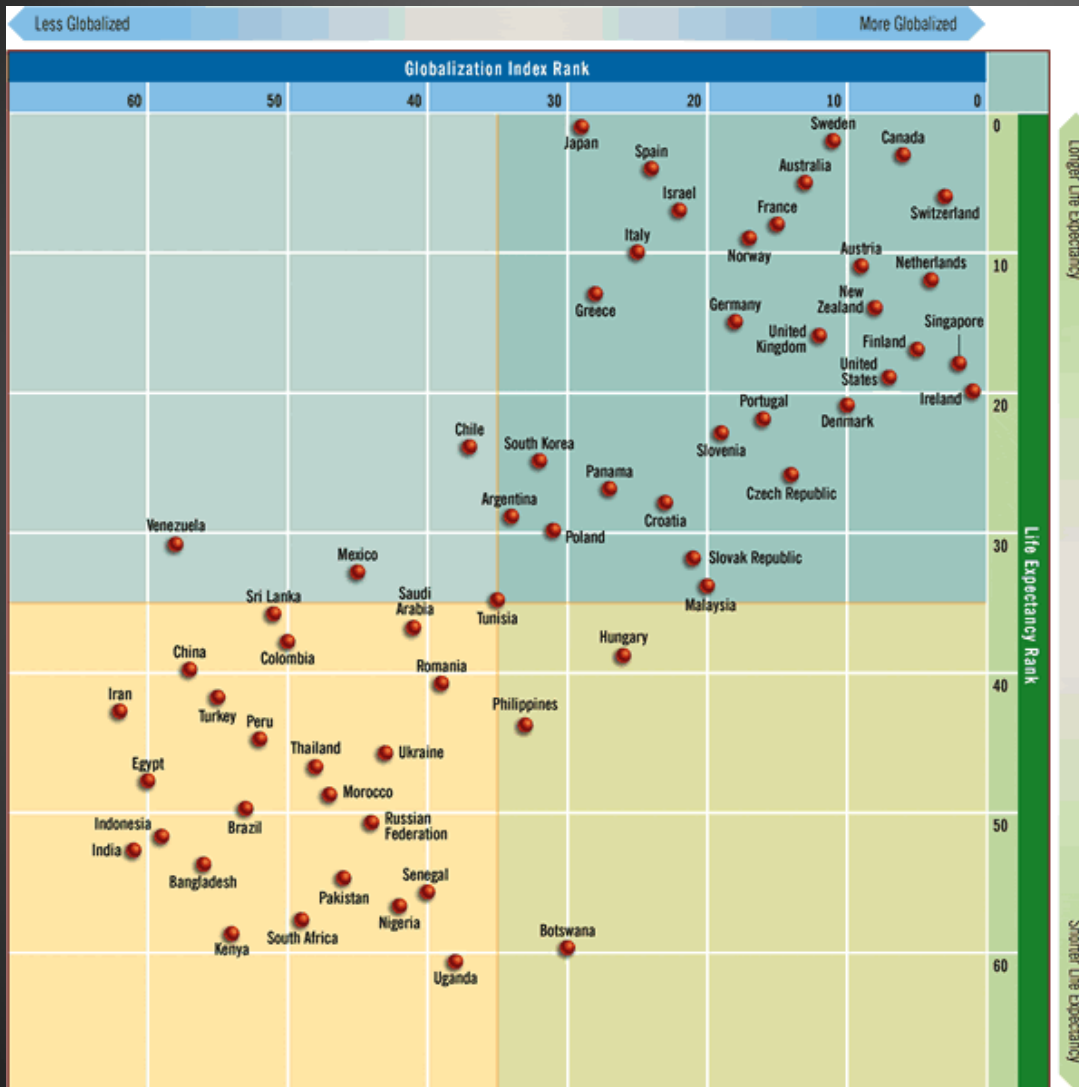


Is globalization



healthy?

Life Expectancy



Levels of globalization vs. life expectancies at birth

Finding: people in the more global countries tend to live the longest. The same holds true when only developing countries are examined.

Globalization & health

- At a statistical level increasing globalization increases life expectancy
- ...but there are many "outliers"

The outliers - examples

- **High globalization & high mortality: Egypt**
- Average globalization & very high mortality: **Uganda**
- Low globalization & average mortality: **Brazil**
- **Low globalization index & very low mortality: Japan**

Large expanding import-export compagny

Multiresistent TB
Food insecurity
HIV
Chikungunya
Malaria
birdflu
SARS
Difteria
Polio?
Measles?

Cancer
Cardiovascular
Traffic accidents
Diabetes
Obesity
Hypertension
Depression, anxiety
Stress
Expensive drugs
Privatised health care

But who is head of the compagny?

Assimilation or death?

POINT-COUNTERPOINT

Is modern Western culture a health hazard?

Richard Eckersley

Please assimilate to: No drinks, driving or drugs

Global health case 1: snapshots from Gulu, Uganda



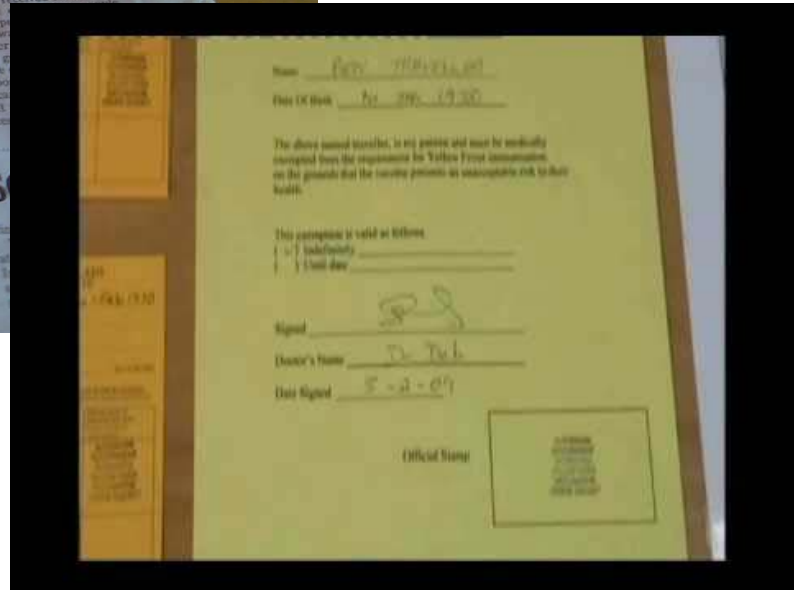
Get a yellow fever card for only Shs25,000

BLANK BUSINESS: A blank card complete KCC stamps which the writer bought. PHOTO BY ISMAIL KEZAALA

An Aedes mosquito

watching the situation. Later I target one man whom I engage in Lusima. He tells me if I want the vaccine it will cost Shs45,000 but if I want the card, I can only pay Shs25,000. I try to negotiate but he tells me that the money is shared by many people. I later accept and he replies, "Deal, give me a few minutes".

Thirty minutes later, the man has not yet returned. I develop second thoughts and fear that I could fall in a trap and be arrested for allegedly bribing public officers. But I steady my nerves, consoling myself that the investigation was in public interest to save lives and public resources. Reassuring though is the fact that I had not paid the agent for the card. As I debate whether to leave or not, the man arrives with the card complete with KCC stamps but my details, including name, passport number, among others were not filled. He takes me through how to fill the blank spaces. I pay him and leave with my vaccination card although I have not received the vaccine just like those who apply while I wait. I later clarify to me that 'stubborn' I can't do anything about the process.



Index case: a wild life hunter



BY VISION REPORTERS

TWO more people, including a senior clinical officer, died of Ebola in Bundibugyo yesterday as violence in Kabarole forced the closure of Kichwamba isolation centre.

Asanabo Mute is the fifth health worker to succumb to the deadly virus. He had been admitted at Bundibugyo Hospital in a critical condition. Other three medical workers in the same hospital are still fighting for their lives.

The second Ebola victim, who died on Sunday was an old woman whose identity could not be established by press time.

In Kabarole, irate villagers, said to have been incited by the local leaders, attacked the smashing windows and doors high since the district decided to locate the centre at Kichwamba, with residents threatening to flee their village.

Some patients, who had been taken to the centre as they tests, died to Bundibugyo and transferred to Bushungu Hospital, where an isolation centre has been created.

The commissioner for health services, Dr. Susan Okware, yesterday said the ministry had

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UGANDA: Displaced first by war, now by elephants



Photo: Charles Akena/IRIN

Elephants have strayed into the village of Laminator in Koch Goma, Amuru district

AMURU, 24 October 2008 (IRIN) - Marauding elephants in northern Uganda have added to the challenges faced by civilians trying to rebuild their lives in the wake of 20 years of civil war, destroying their crops and prompting some to return to displaced people's (IDP) camps they had only recently left.

"The villagers are scared of the elephants; some of them have sought refuge in huts they had left in the [IDP] camps," John Bosco Okullo, a local leader in Amuru District told IRIN.

Most affected are hunters in Purongo, Ongako, Cor... have also been eaten and pasture.

Some of the returnees competing for the same

Jackson Lukwiya, 78, from Koch village, said his 10 hectares of banana...

"A few days ago a man was thrashed beyond recognition by a charging elephant. I was worried," Lukwiya said.

He said some families were now commuting from IDP camps to cultivate...

Earlier this year, a group of people were attacked by elephants crossing the village. The elephants also trampled on a bicycle belonging to one of the...

Local leaders have vowed to kill the elephants marauding in the area.

Okullo said: "We shall organise the community to send back the elephants..."

Another resident said if one elephant were killed, the rest would automatically...

Human-wildlife conflict

Okullo said the elephants had destroyed the crops of up to 800 people...

"Crops like bananas, millet, sweet potatoes, beans, cassava, maize, yam...

Area residents accused the government of prioritising wildlife over the return of IDPs - in reference to the government's failure to revise the list of wild protected animals.

Between May and July, an estimated 100 elephants from the park roamed the villages in Gulu and Amuru, ravaging crops and interrupting the reintegration of IDPs.

Uganda's wildlife senior conservation officer, Stonewall Kato, told IRIN that in recent years there has been an explosion in the number of elephants in the park, forcing some to stray out in search of water and food.

"It's a problem, but the law prohibits the killing of wild life. We have dispatched...

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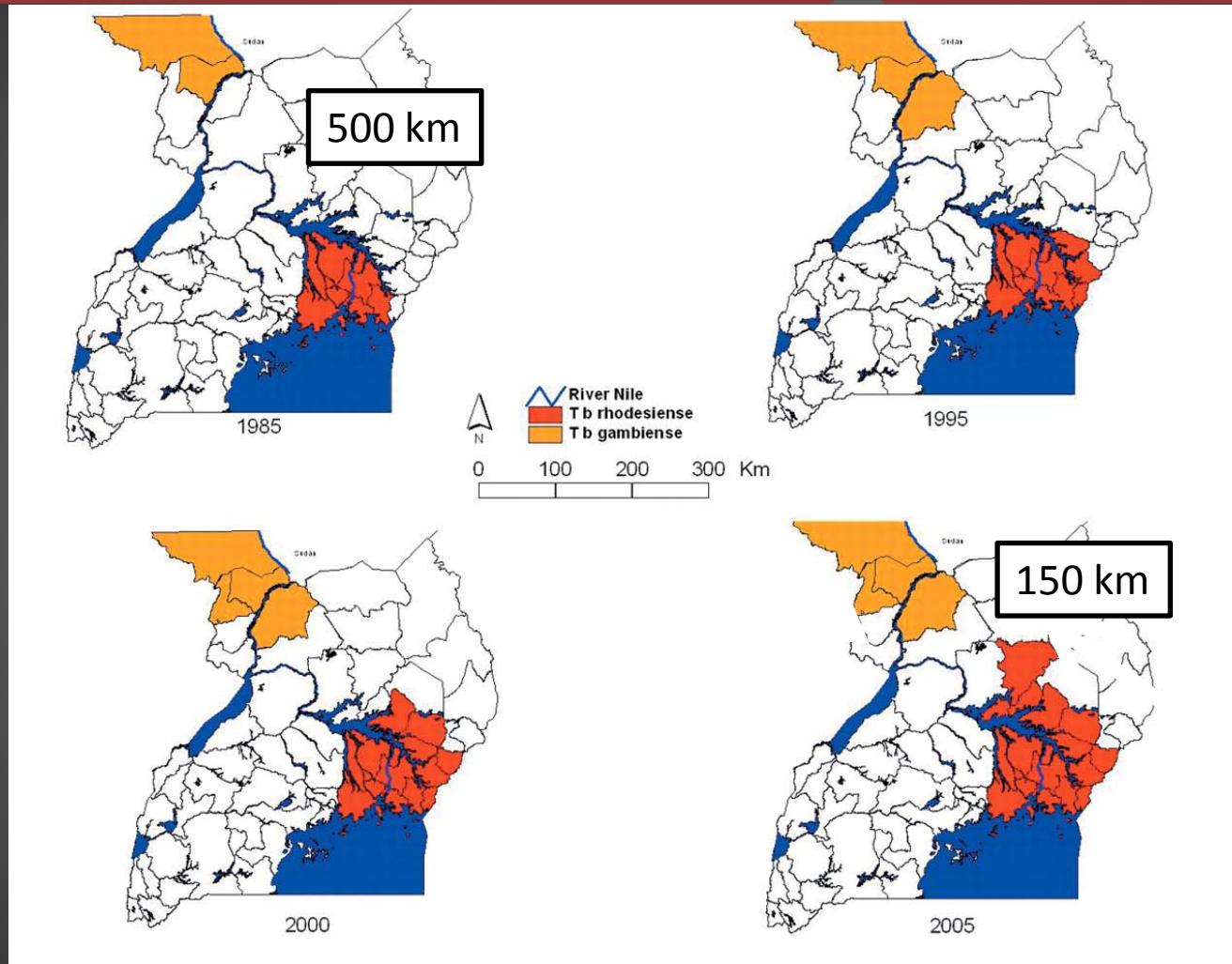
Photo **Film & TV**



Sequential maps of areas of Uganda affected by sleeping sickness.

Civil instability in the north: spread with displacement

Cattle sent from south to north



Visceral leishmaniasis and the Sudanese independence referendum

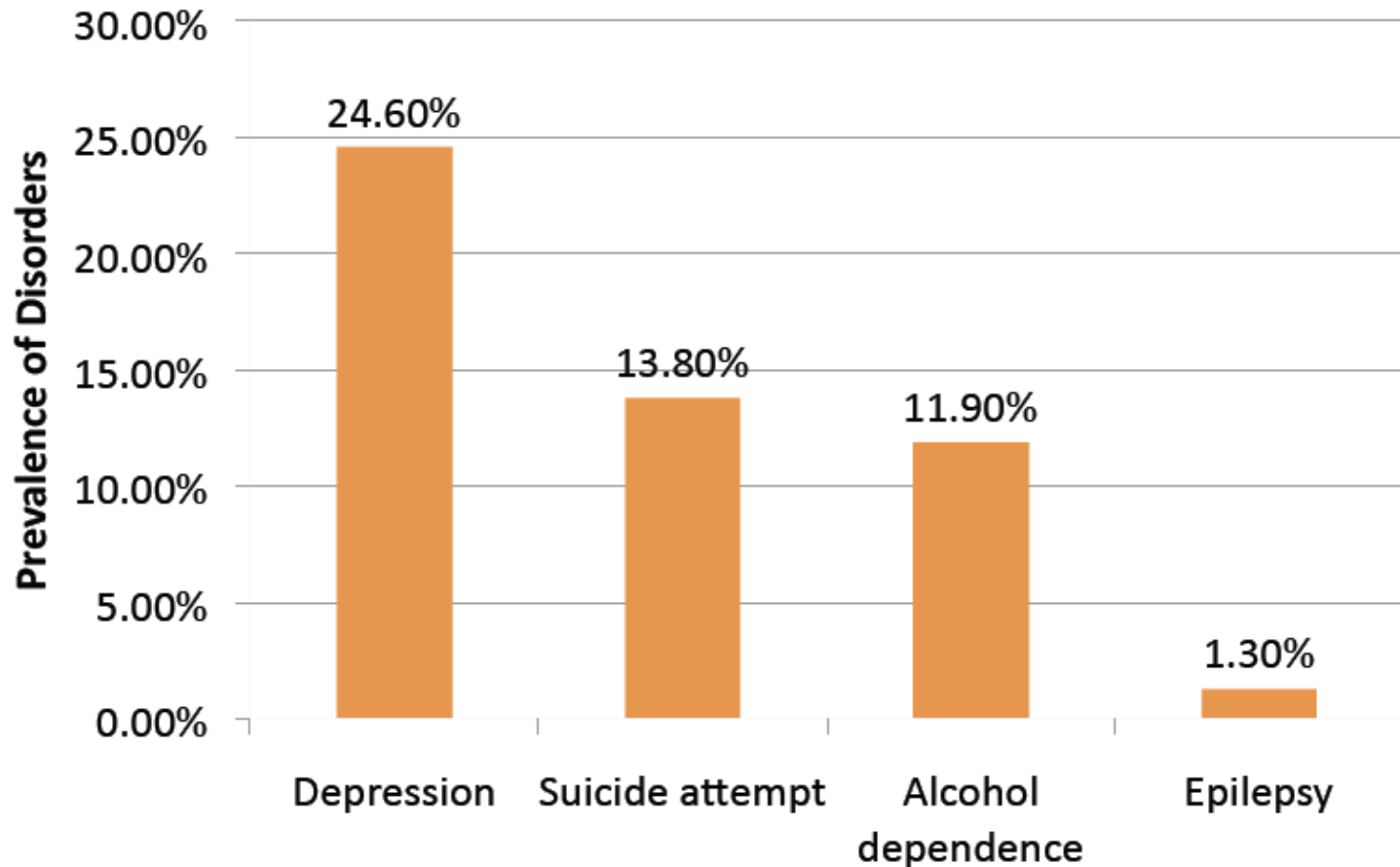
- Returnees from North Sudan to Southern Sudan:
 - low immunity
- From Southern Sudan to Gulu in Uganda
 - Very low immunity



Other post conflict epidemics

Gulu, Uganda:

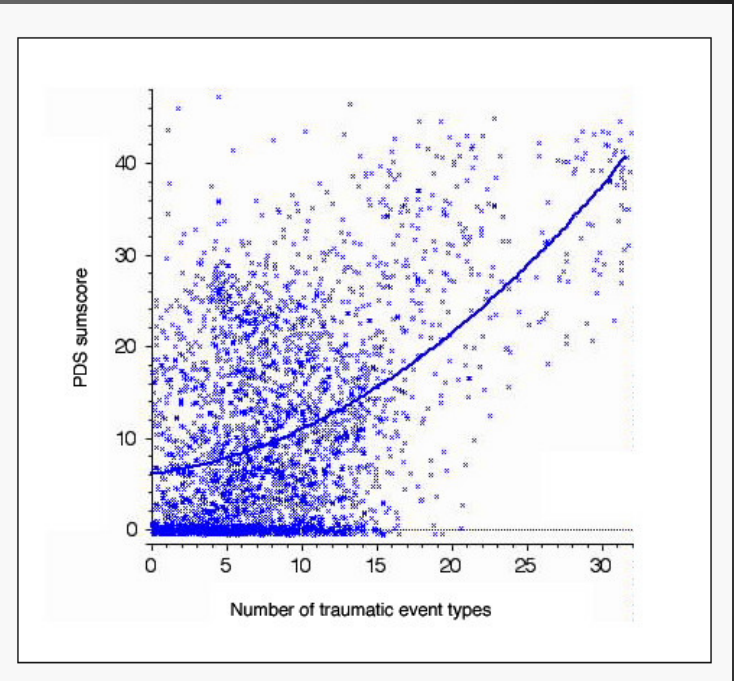
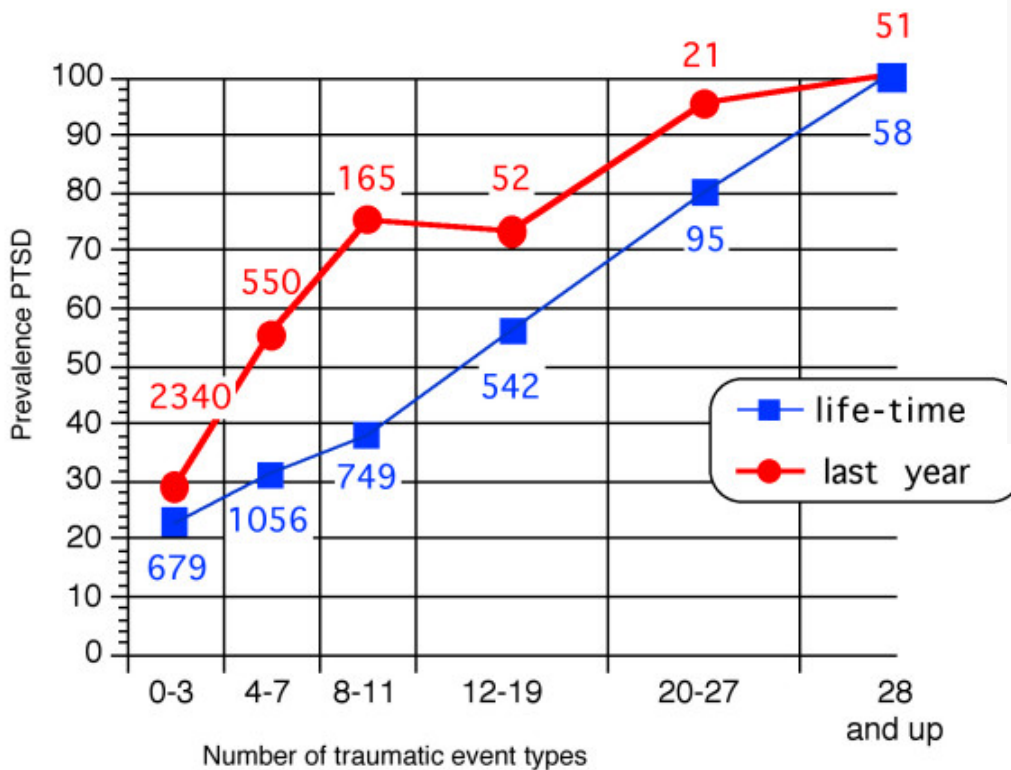
Prevalence of Mental and Neurological Disorders in Northern Uganda (Ovuga 2005; Ovuga et al 2011)



More trauma = higher risk of PTSD

3339 adults in the West Nile Region, Uganda

Click on image to enlarge





Post traumatic stress disorder among former child soldiers attending a rehabilitative service and primary school education in northern Uganda

Emilio Ovuga,¹ Thomas O Oyok,² and EB Moro³

- 12 children hospitalised with mass psychosis
 - Same rehab school for former child soldiers
 - => evaluation of all 112 child soldiers at the school
- **87.3% experienced ten or more war-related traumatic psychological events**
- 55.9% had symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder
- 88.2% had symptoms of depressed mood

Global health case 2:

Climate change and forced migration

- Anthropogenic (!) climate change causes:
- 200 million – 1 billion to be displaced by 2050
- **But:** no statistical or empirical data
- **And:** migration is closely linked to ***armed conflict and social, health, economic, cultural, institutional factors and GLOBAL FACTORS***
 - shaping the ***vulnerability*** and ***adaptive capacity*** of exposed populations and the decision to migrate or not.

Bandim 1987, 1992 and 2008: Care seeking in fatal childhood illness

- 85-90 % seen at a health facility before death
- Nearly 50 % discharged before death to die at home
- 8-13 % died while waiting in the hospital before receiving treatment

Who neglects who?



A review of verbal autopsy studies
with information on care-seeking during fatal
childhood illness 1968 to 2011

Identified studies

- Kenya: 6
- Tanzania: 5
- South Africa: 1
- Guinea-Bissau: 4
- Malawi: 2
- Nigeria: 1
- Ethiopia: 3
- The Gambia: 5
- Cote d'Ivoire: 1
- Burkina Faso: 1
- Uganda: 1
- Egypt: 2
- Mexico: 5
- Brazil: 11
- Chile: 1
- Guatemala: 1
- New Mexico: 1
- Java: 1
- West Jawa: 1
- Sri Lanka: 1
- India: 10
- Indonesia: 1
- Papua New Guinea: 1
- Pakistan: 1
- Bangladesh: 1

Summary

- More than 50% of fatally sick children seen by a health worker before death
- 50-70% hospitalised
- 30-45% discharged before death
- 10-15% die on the way to hospital
- No real improvements over time

To know or not to know a medical doctor



To know or not to know a medical doctor

	Deaths/children in group (%)	Mortality risk Odds ratio (95% C.I.)	
		Crude	Adjusted**
Maternal acquaintance or familiarity with:			
Medical doctor			
Yes	27/531 (5.08)	0.49 (0.31-0.77)	0.54 (0.33-0.89)
No	82/836 (9.81)	1	1
Nurse			
Yes	33/372 (8.87)	1.36 (0.74-1.73)	1.18 (0.73-1.91)
No	76/977 (7.76)	1	1
Other health worker*			
Yes	11/102 (10.8)	1.39 (0.73-2.68)	1.15 (0.72-1.84)
No	119/1491 (7.98)	1	1
Field assistant			
Yes	8/131 (6.11)	0.73 (0.35-1.53)	1.25 (0.57-2.74)
No	100/1217 (8.22)	1	1

To know or not to know a medical doctor

Clinical team on duty (period 1)			
1	11/178 (6.18)	0.56 (0.25-1.23)	0.74 (0.32-1.72)
2	14/171 (8.19)	0.75 (0.36-1.57)	0.84 (0.38-1.88)
3	18/170 (10.6)	1	1
4	7/166 (4.22)	0.37 (0.15-0.92)	0.30 (0.11-0.83)
5	12/153 (7.84)	0.72 (0.33-1.54)	0.61 (0.26-1.41)
Clinical team on duty (period 2)			
1	19/225 (8.44)	1.63 (0.63-4.20)	1.75 (0.59-5.13)
2	20/133 (15.0)	3.13 (1.21-8.09)	3.17 (1.06-9.50)
3	13/145 (8.97)	1.74 (0.64-4.73)	2.36 (0.75-7.47)
4	10/140 (7.14)	1.36 (0.48-3.86)	1.28 (0.39-4.21)
5	6/112 (5.36)	1	1

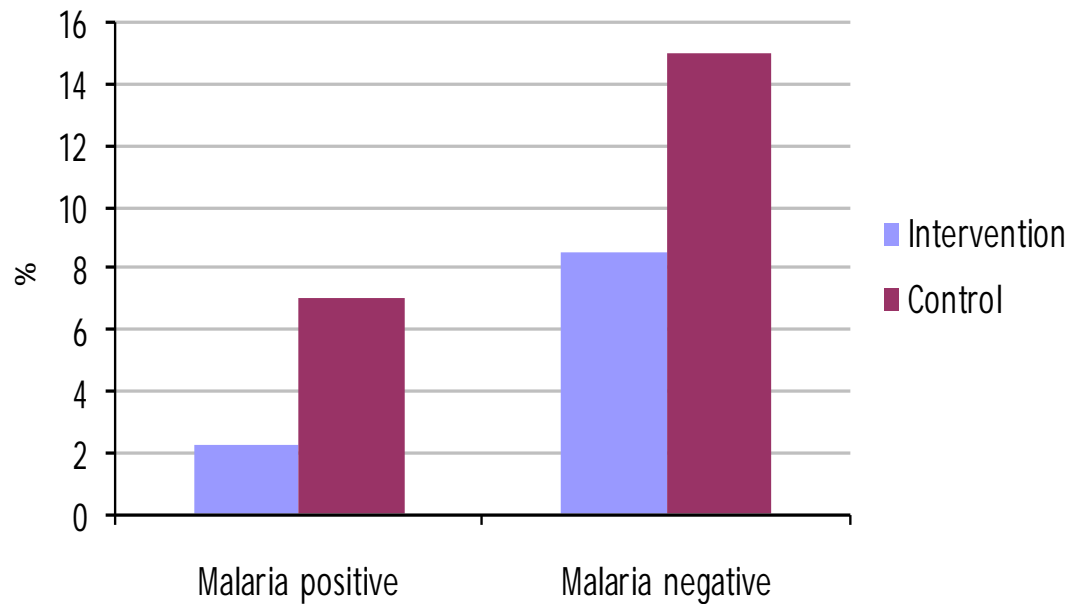
To know or not to know a medical doctor



	Deaths/children in group (%)	Mortality risk Odds ratio (95% C.I.)	
		Crude	Adjusted**
Consultation at day of week			
Monday	21/264 (7.95)	0.64 (0.35-1.17)	0.74 (0.38-1.45)
Tuesday	24/266 (9.02)	0.74 (0.41-1.32)	0.66 (0.34-1.28)
Wednesday	12/277 (4.33)	0.34 (0.17-0.68)	0.35 (0.16-0.77) ←
Thursday	21/241 (8.71)	0.71 (0.39-1.30)	0.76 (0.39-1.49)
Friday	27/228 (11.8)	1	1
Saturday	12/175 (6.86)	0.55 (0.27-1.12)	0.39 (0.17-0.89) ←
Sunday	13/142 (9.15)	0.75 (0.37-1.51)	0.81 (0.36-1.80)

Results

Mortality by group & malaria positivity



RR =0.36 (0.16–0.80)

RR =0.59 (0.31–1.12)



Doctors and patients don't attend the same classes:
Who is illiterate?



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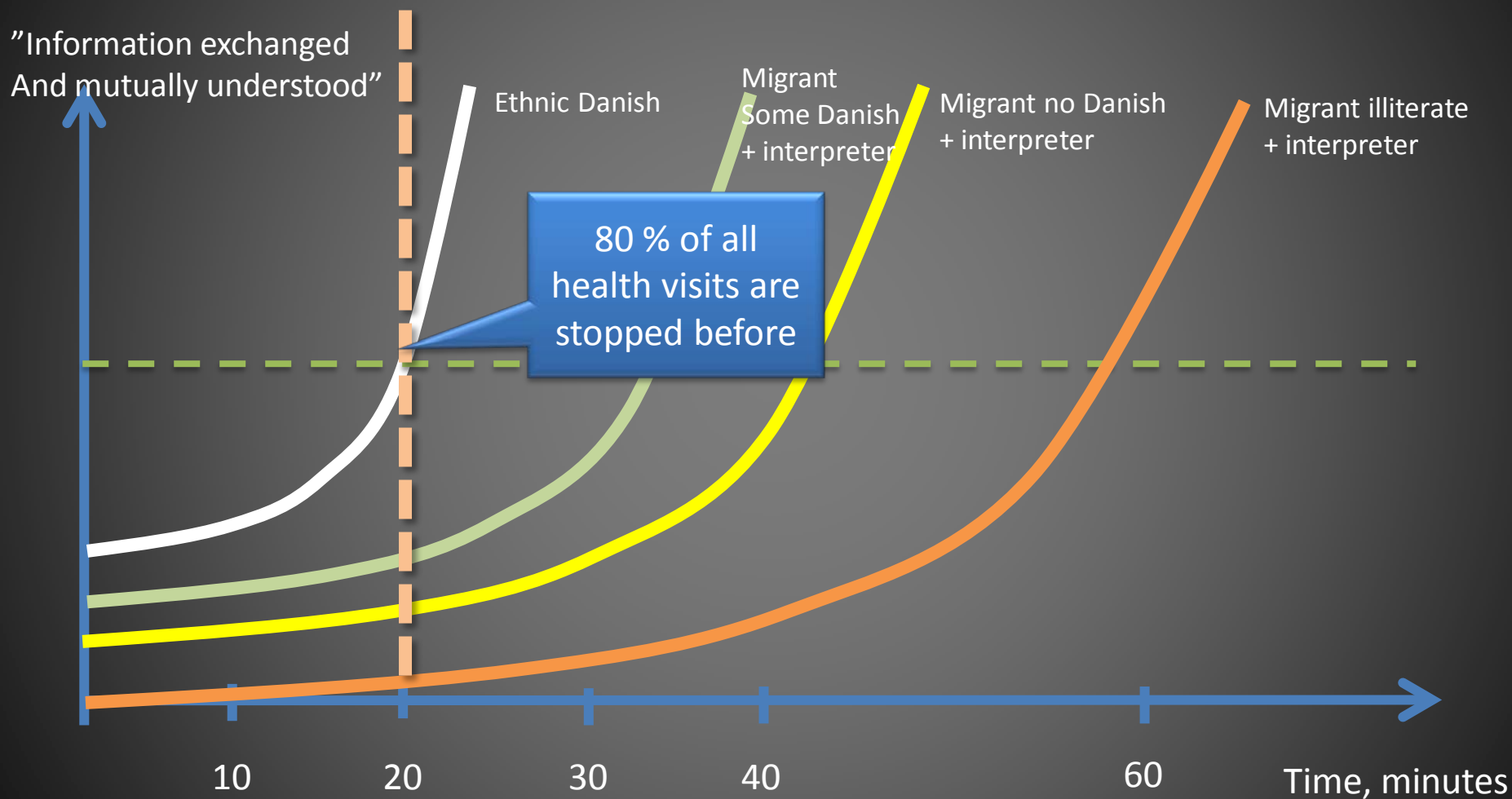


You have to understand what it is
like not be understood



To be able to understand it

Time for trust, confidence and information



Empowerment and self efficacy



From family to individual human being



The strategy starts and **stops** with
the escape from the warzone

-but then what?



”I feel like human being no. 2”



”In Denmark I learned that

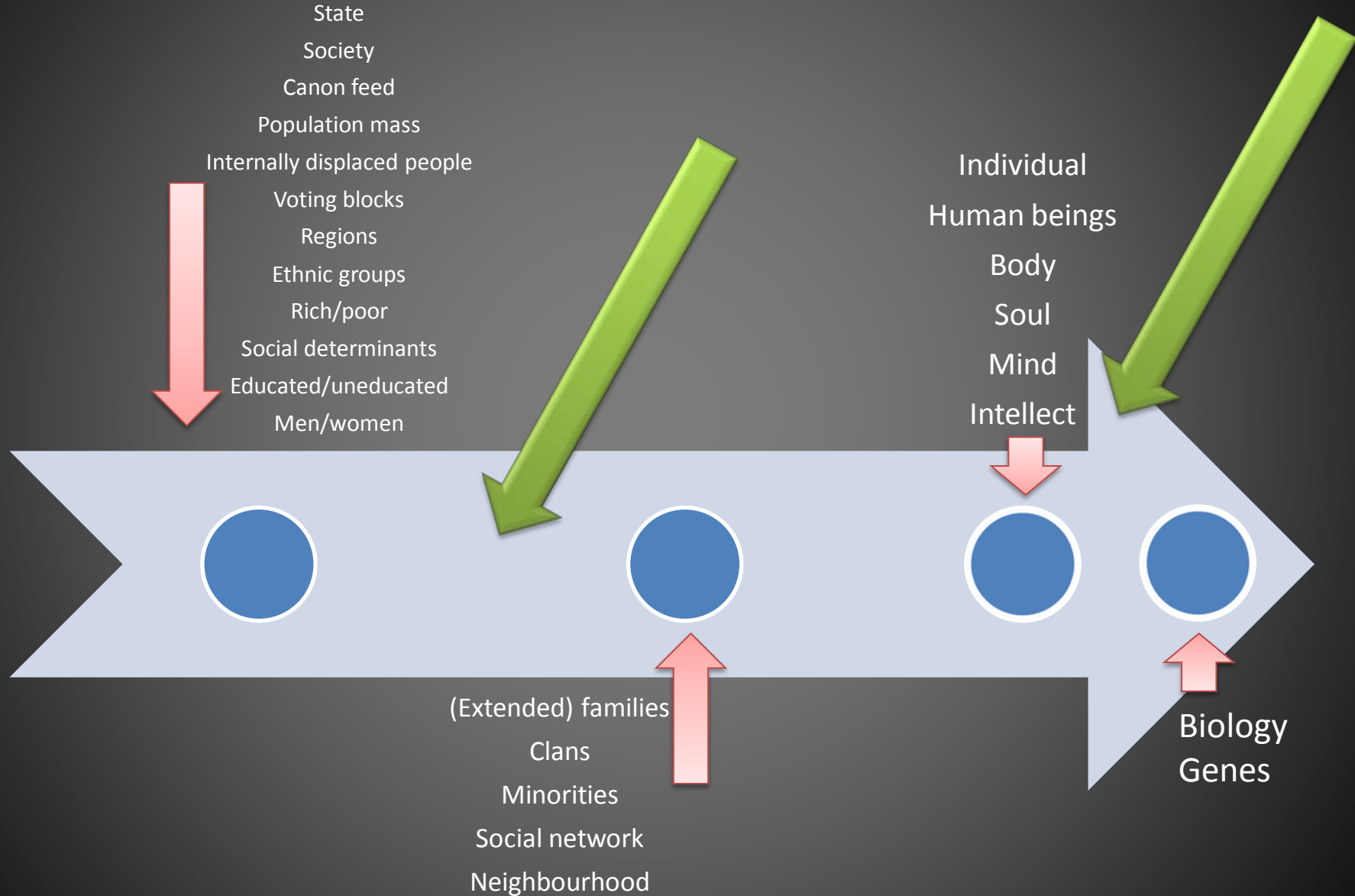
human beings have value.

I honestly didn't know before I came here and I never thought about it that way”



34 year old mother to 3 children

Empowerment



Who are the first to leave? Women and children?



Brain drain = "Sick system syndrome" or brain sucking?

- The brains leaving low income countries are not just brains:
 - PhDs and masters are over represented
- =>who will be teaching the teachers and supervising research talent?

Premature ageing among ethnic minorities

Ethnic Danes: feel 20 % younger (> 40 years)

Ethnic minority patients: 20 % older

Communication speaks louder than words

- Doctor and patient of same ethnicity
- = higher compliance
- High education = high level information



Mange tak fordi du ville svare på spørgsmålene. Hvis du efterfølgende har spørgsmål, eller har brug for at drøfte nogle af de omtalte emner med os, er du velkommen til at ringe eller maile til en af os.

Ville du have svaret væsentligt anderledes på spørgeskemaet, hvis du havde besvaret skemaet anonymt?

1 Ja 2 Nej

Venlig hilsen og mange tak for hjælpen!

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HJÆLP

A. Baggrund
Det er i
A. HIV og depression 2008

A.1 Hv A. HIV og depression 2008

A.2 3e A.1 A. Baggrundoplysninger
A.3 Hv A A.1 Dette afsnit skal bruges til at undersøge, om de, der deltager i denne undersøgelse, er repræsentative for alle hiv-smittede i Danmark.

1 A.2 A.1 Hvomår er du født? Måned _____ år _____

2 A.2 Jeg er 1 Mand 2 Kvinde

3 A.3 Hv er du født? (sæt et kryds)

4 1 Danmark
2 Andet europæisk land
3 Afrika
4 Asien
5 Nordamerika
6 Sydamerika/Mellemamerika
7 Australien/New Zealand

A.4 Hv bor du nu?

1 Danmark Postnr. _____
2 Udlandet
3 Uoplyst

A.5 Hvilken af følgende muligheder passer bedst på din nuværende situation? (sæt et kryds)

1 Fuldtidsarbejde
2 Deltidsarbejde
3 Flexjob ordning
4 Anden ansættelse/job
5 Ingen af delene

A.6 Hvilken af følgende muligheder passer bedst på din nuværende situation? (sæt et kryds)

1 Indtægtsværende arbejde (gælder også hvis du er syge- eller fraværsmeldt)
2 Arbejdsledig med dagpenge
3 Revalidering
4 Kontanthjælp
5 Førtidspension
6 Under uddannelse (studerende, lærling, elev)
7 Folkepension
8 Pension + deltidsarbejde
9 Andet, skriv: _____

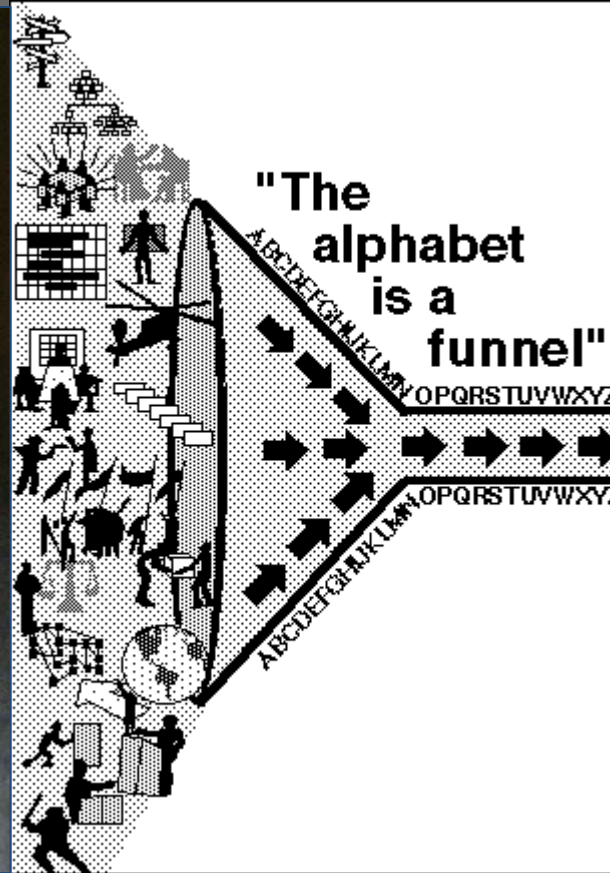
A.7 Hvis du har fået tilkendt pension, er det så på grund af: (sæt et kryds)

1 HIV
2 HIV og andet, skriv: _____
3 Andet, skriv: _____
4 Ved ikke

Language barriers are associated with:

- Less awareness of health care access and rights
- Longer consultations
- Less frequent health visits
- More visits to emergency departments
- Less understanding of health information given by doctor
- More and more **expensive tests**, x-rays and scans
- Less **follow-up**
- Less patient satisfaction
- Less likelihood of hiv test
- **Less uptake of preventive measures**
- Same exam or treatment takes longer time
- More **complications**, medical **errors**, **side-effects**, and more severe outcome

Everything has to be channeled to the doctor through the language funnel



Immigrants and refugees

- Less access to disease prevention and screening
 - Smear, mammography, pregnancy, Diabetes, asthma, eye, hearing, dental, home, smoking cessation, blood pressure, clinical
- More risk behaviour
 - High BMI, low physical activity, higher blood pressure
- More treatable infections
 - Hepatitis, influenza, hiv, tuberculosis, typhoid fever
- Longer on waiting list for surgery
 - Rehospitalization, die on waiting lists
- Die more frequently after hospitalization
 - Acute myocardial infarction, inkompensated heart disease
- More and more complex psychiatric illnesses
 - PTSD, anxiety, torture survivors, more frequent overtreatment, fixation

Prevention

Treatment/quality of care

Follow-up

Outcome

Ethnic minorities live longer than other Danes

- Lower mortality from: certain cancers and cardio-vascular diseases
- Because ethnic minorities:
 - Drink less **alcohol**
 - Take less **drugs**
 - **Smoke** less (and from a higher age)
 - Less likely to own a **car**
 - Rarely commit **suicide**
 - Haven't got a **job**
- But if they did they would have a **higher mortality** because of preventable infectious diseases and their consequences:

Infections: cause of death (Holland)

- 1995-2000: all citizens
 - 74.000.000 personyears (~ 5% immigrants)
 - 297.000 deaths

Table 2: Absolute numbers and relative risks of death from avoidable causes for migrant versus native Dutch population by gender

List of conditions (ICD ^a -10 code)	Absolute numbers of death ^b		Relative risk ^c (95% Confidence interval)	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
HIV/AIDS (B20-24)	80	8	3.03 (2.39–3.85)	2.20 (1.05–4.64)
Liver cancer (C22)	46	26	2.33 (1.72–3.14)	2.49 (1.67–3.71)
Hepatitis A, B, C, D, E (B15-19)	23	8	8.54 (5.28–13.8)	7.82 (3.50–17.49)
<i>Diseases of infectious origin</i>	243	103	2.06 (1.81–2.35)	1.86 (1.53–2.27)
Pneumonia & flu (J10-18)	77	42	1.25 (0.99–1.57)	1.13 (0.83–1.54)
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Tuberculosis (A15-19, B90)	13	12	5.10 (2.80–9.28)	12.98 (6.85–24.61)
Chronic rheumatic heart dis. (I 00-09)	4	7	3.28 (1.17–9.19)	5.71 (2.59–12.60)





“We don’t want manipulated data”

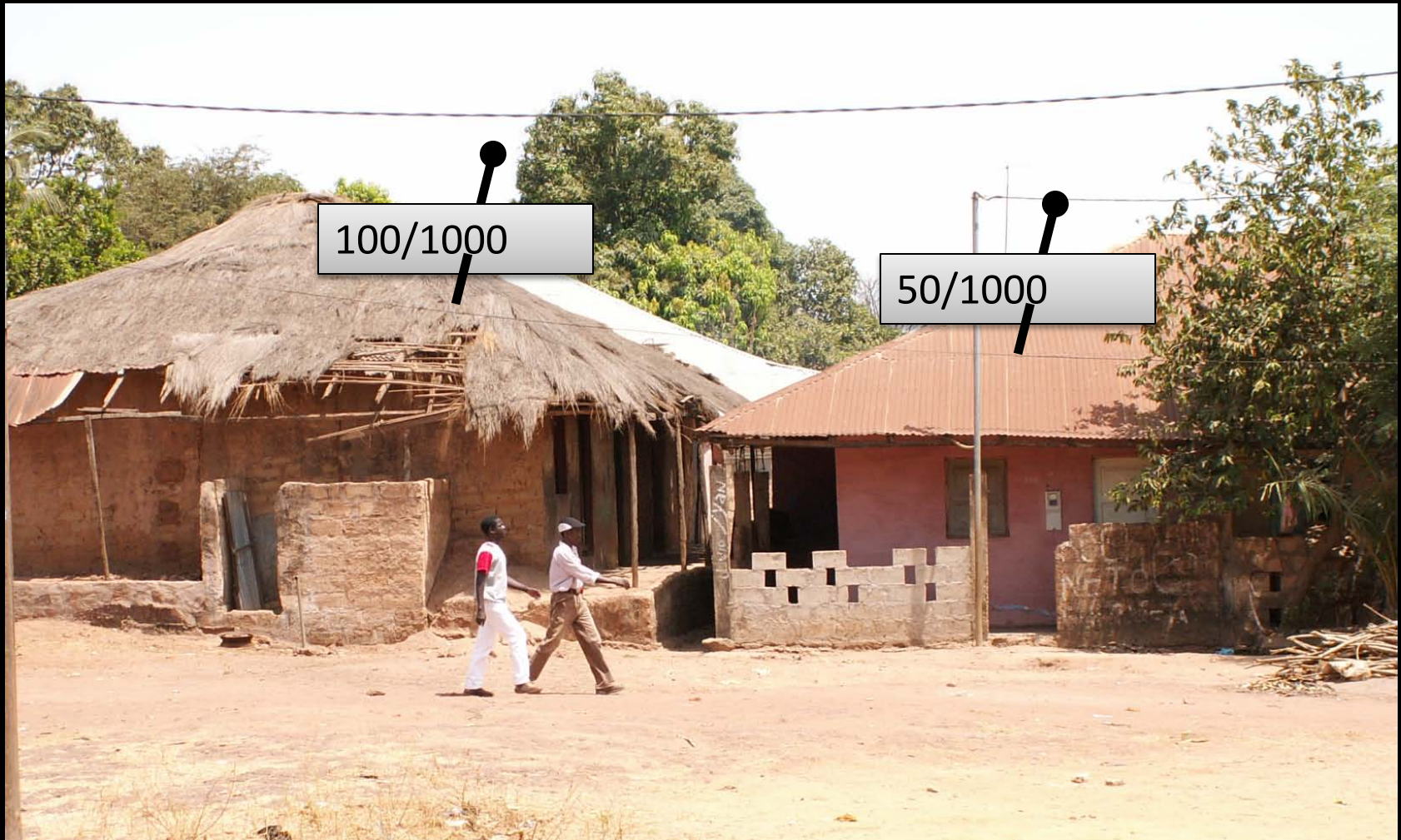


Danish politician when confronted with health data by social and ethnic status

Social determinants of health are
alive, real and kicking

- and not just scientific toys invented
to keep scientists occupied

Death separates...but how?



Social determinants of health

Social determinants of health

Are a 900 pound gorilla in the room

- Stares at you
- Too big to leave the room
- Can't ignore it for long



Inattention blindness & the social gorilla

- We know social determinants are there so why do we try to ignore them?
- Common wisdom?
- Convenient presumptions & facts of life:
 - Poor are poor because they were born to be?
 - They were born like that
 - They have choices too....

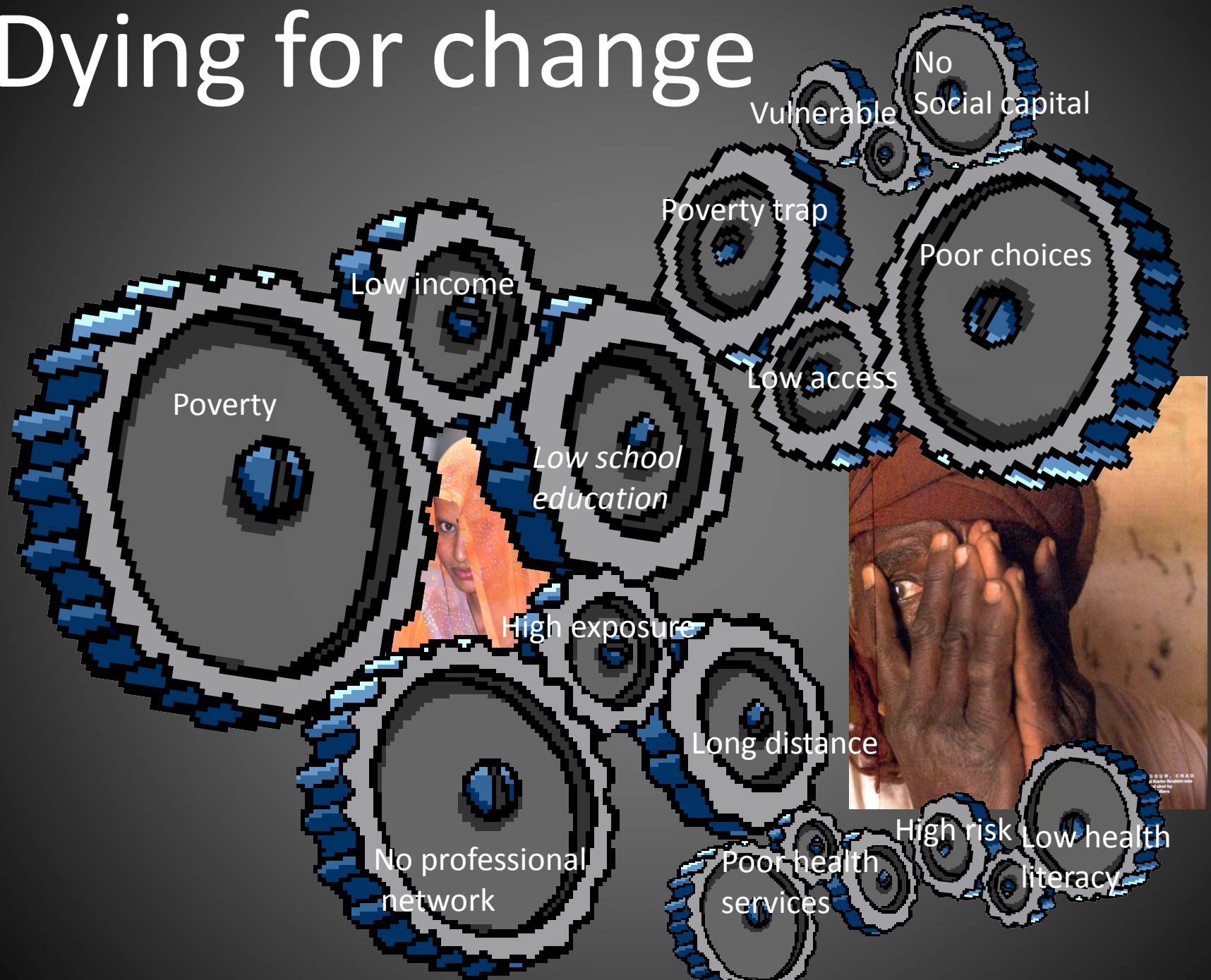
Poor people = poor choices

"People in poor countries are sick not primarily because they are poor but because of ***other social and professional organizational failures including health delivery***, which are not automatically ameliorated by higher income"

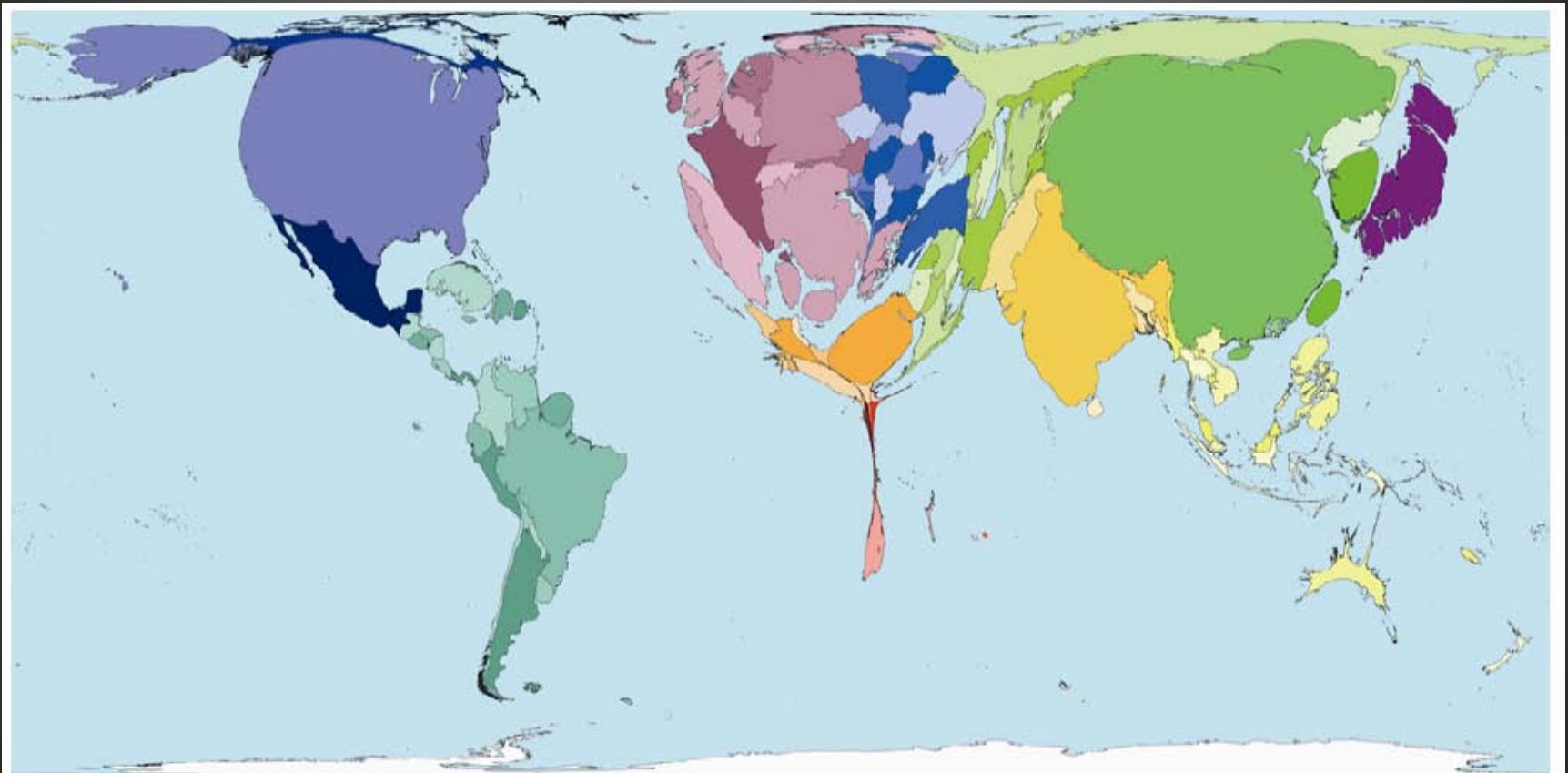
Poor people poor choices poor health



Dying for change



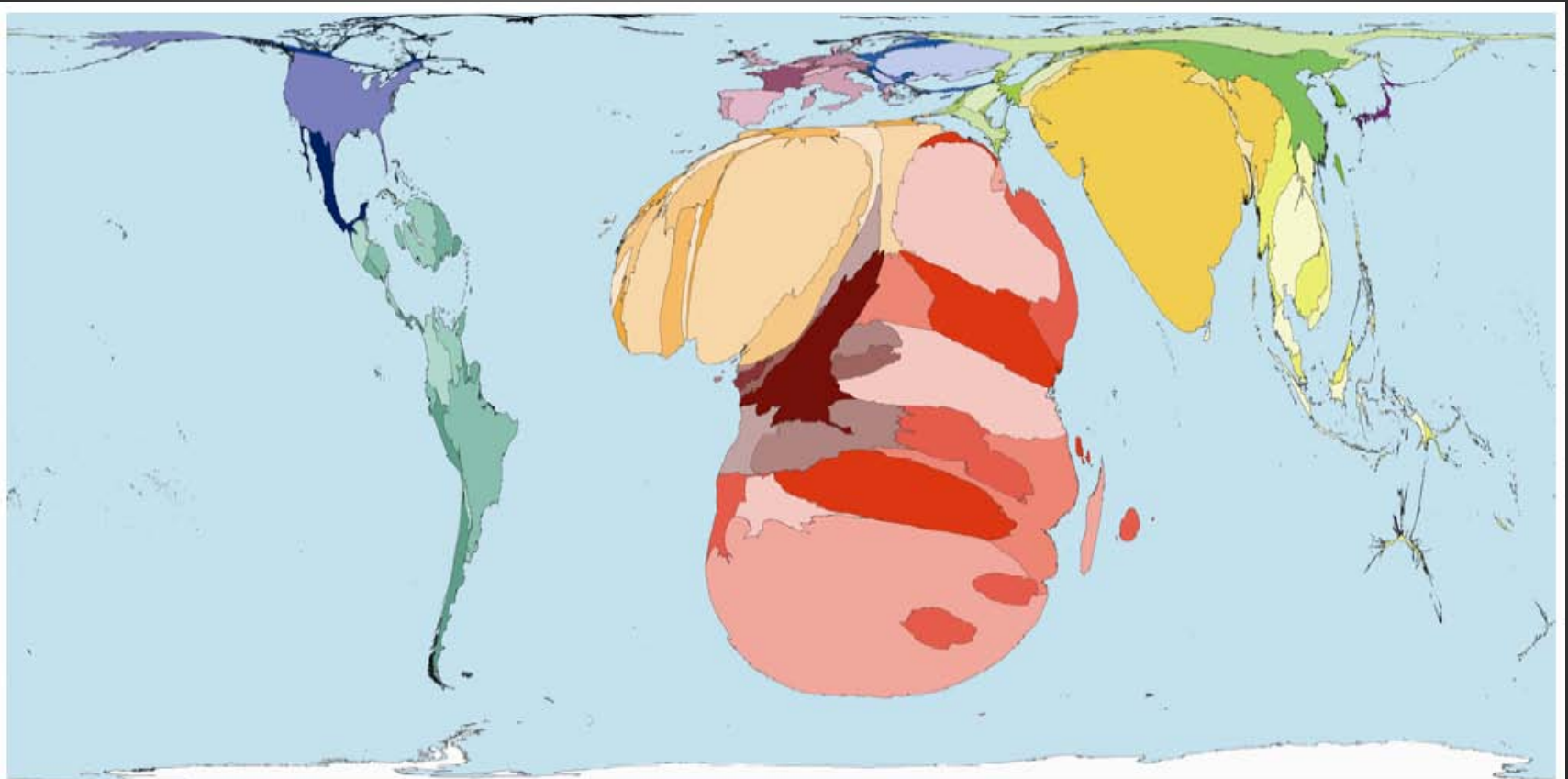
Number of doctors per inhabitant



doi:10.1371/journal.pmed.0040001.g003

Figure 3. Physicians Working: Worldmapper Poster 219

HIV/AIDS prevalence



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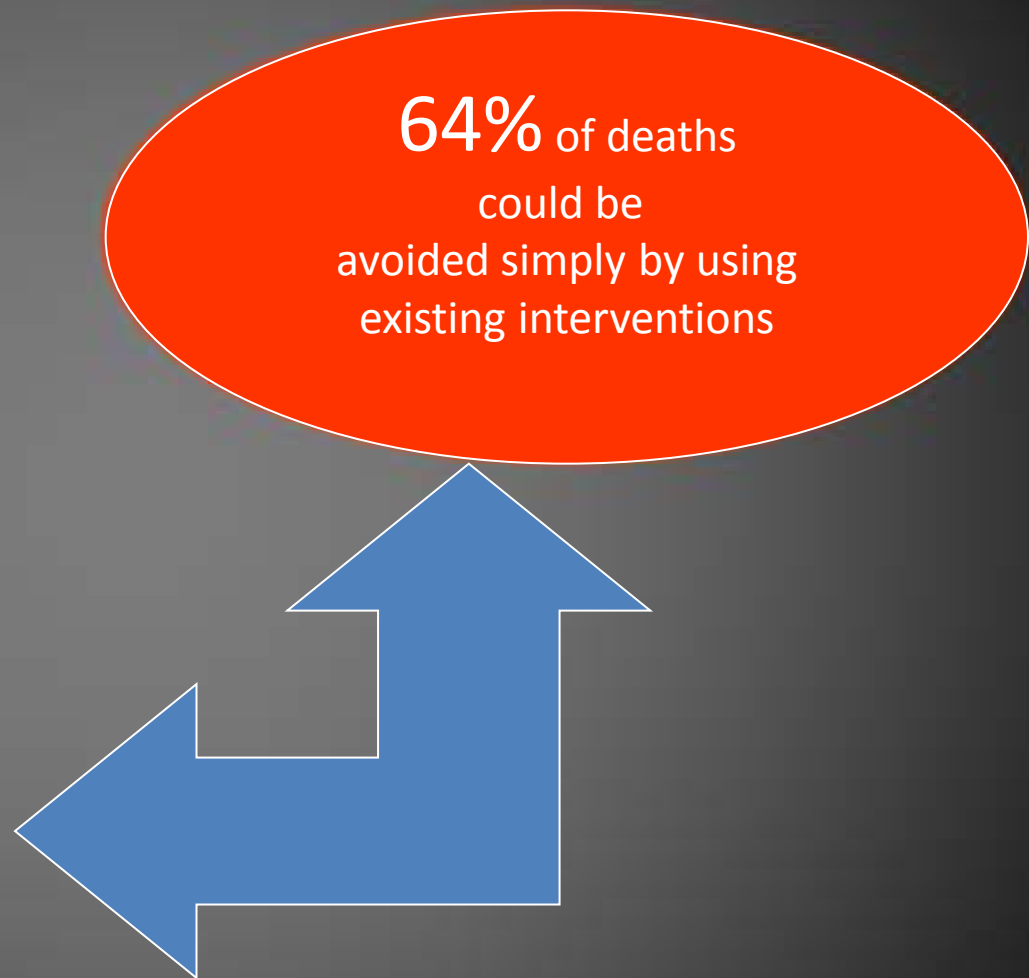
Figure 5. HIV/AIDS Prevalence: Worldmapper Poster 227

How many child deaths could be avoided?

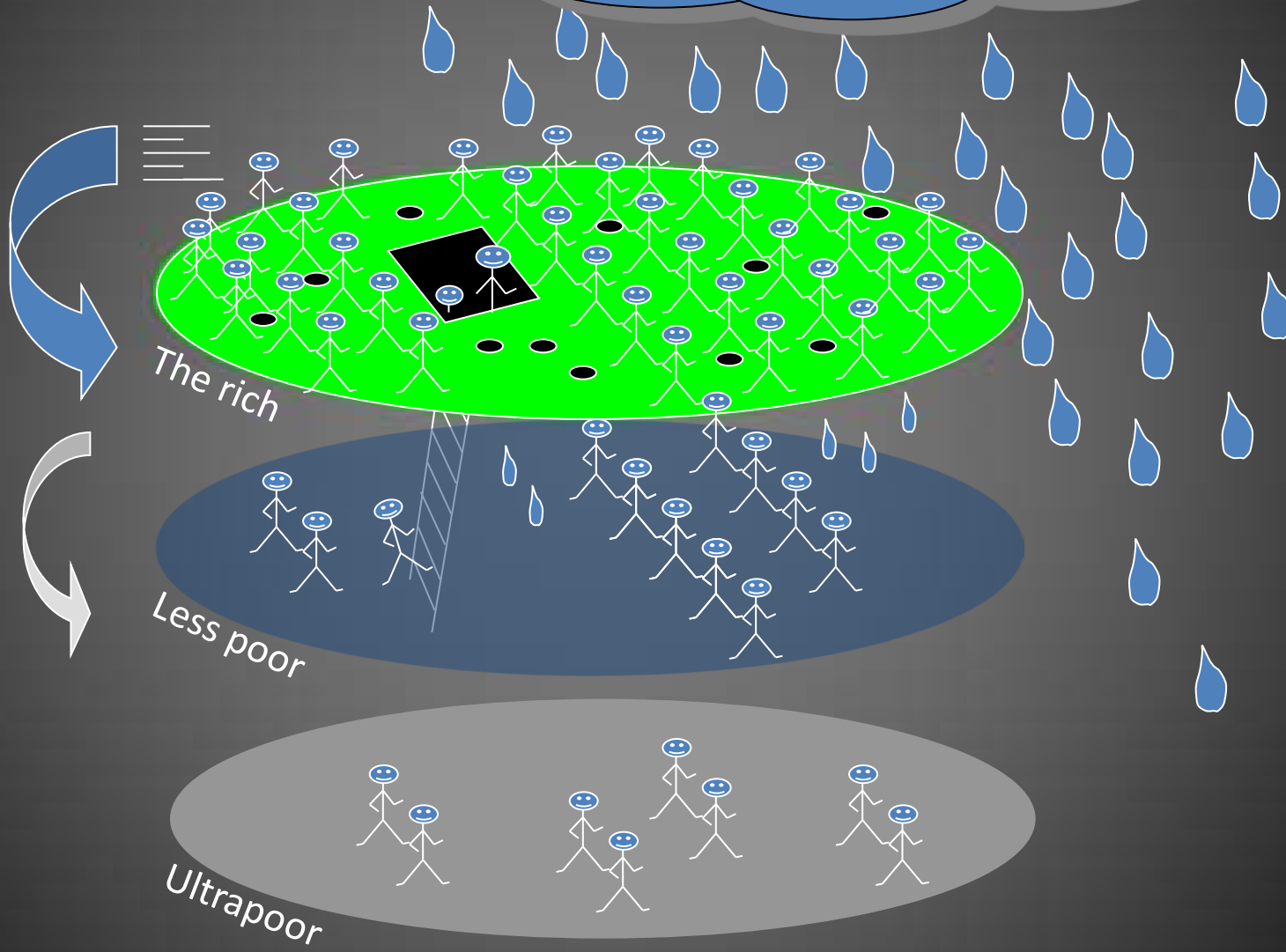
	Estimated under-5 deaths prevented	
	Number of deaths ($\times 10^3$)	Proportion of all deaths
Preventive interventions		
Breastfeeding	1301	13%
Insecticide-treated materials	691	7%
Complementary feeding	587	6%
Zinc	459 (351)*	5% (4%)*
Clean delivery	411	4%
Hib vaccine	403	4%
Water, sanitation, hygiene	326	3%
Antenatal steroids	264	3%
Newborn temperature management	227 (0)*	2% (0%)*
Vitamin A	225 (176)*	2% (2%)*
Tetanus toxoid	161	2%
Nevirapine and replacement feeding	150	2%
Antibiotics for premature rupture of membranes	133 (0)*	1% (0%)*
Measles vaccine	103	1%
Antimalarial intermittent preventive treatment in pregnancy	22	<1%
Treatment interventions		
Oral rehydration therapy	1477	15%
Antibiotics for sepsis	583	6%
Antibiotics for pneumonia	577	6%
Antimalarials	467	5%
Zinc	394	4%
Newborn resuscitation	359 (0)*	4% (0%)*
Antibiotics for dysentery	310	3%
Vitamin A	8	<1%

*Numbers represent effect if both levels 1 (sufficient) and 2 (limited) evidence are included, value number in brackets shows effect if only level-1 evidence is accepted. Interventions for which only one value is cited are all classified as level 1.

Table 2: Under-5 deaths that could be prevented in the 42 countries with 90% of worldwide child deaths in 2000 through achievement of universal coverage with individual interventions



Rapid exchange and spread of interventions

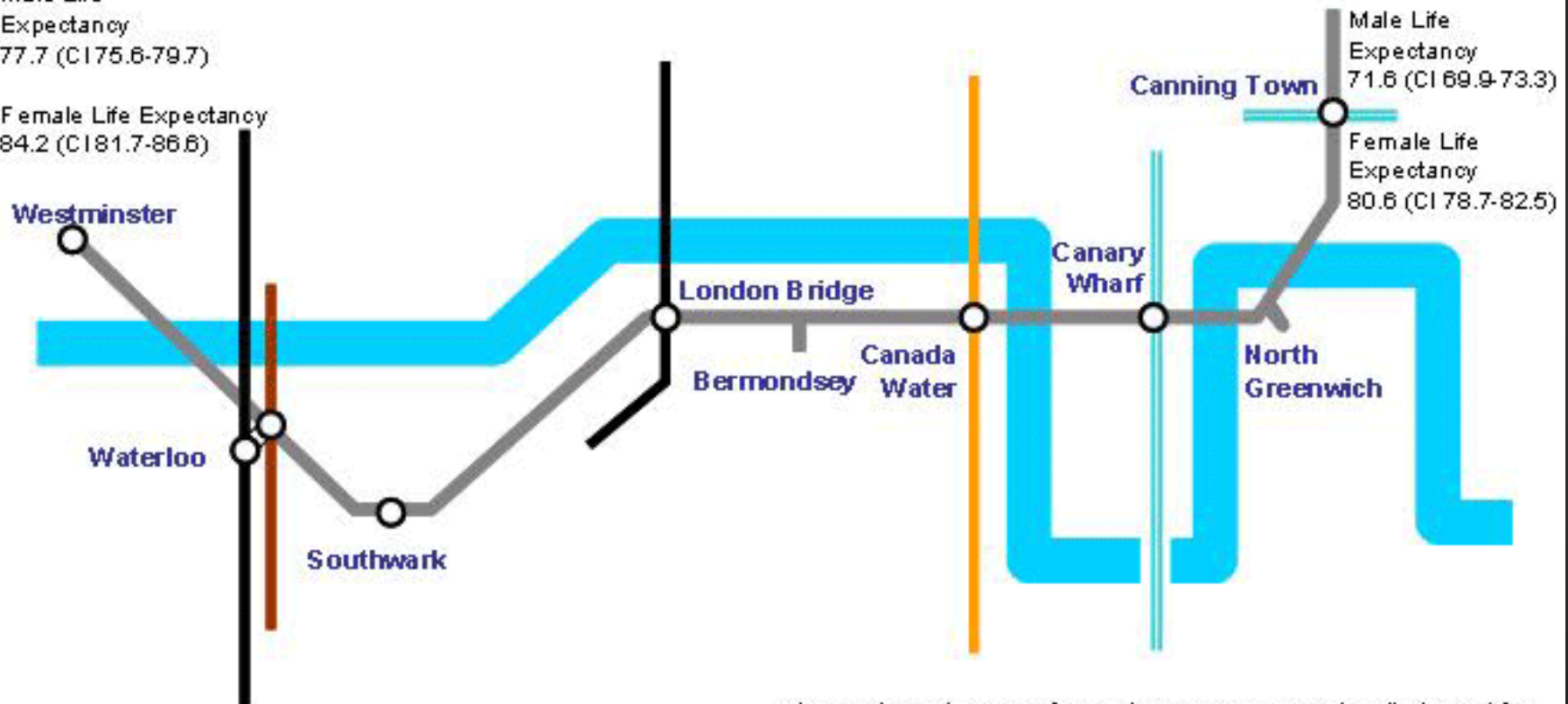


Life expectancy: Not underground fiction

Travelling east from Westminster, each tube stop represents nearly one year of life expectancy lost

Male Life Expectancy
77.7 (CI 75.6-79.7)

Female Life Expectancy
84.2 (CI 81.7-86.6)

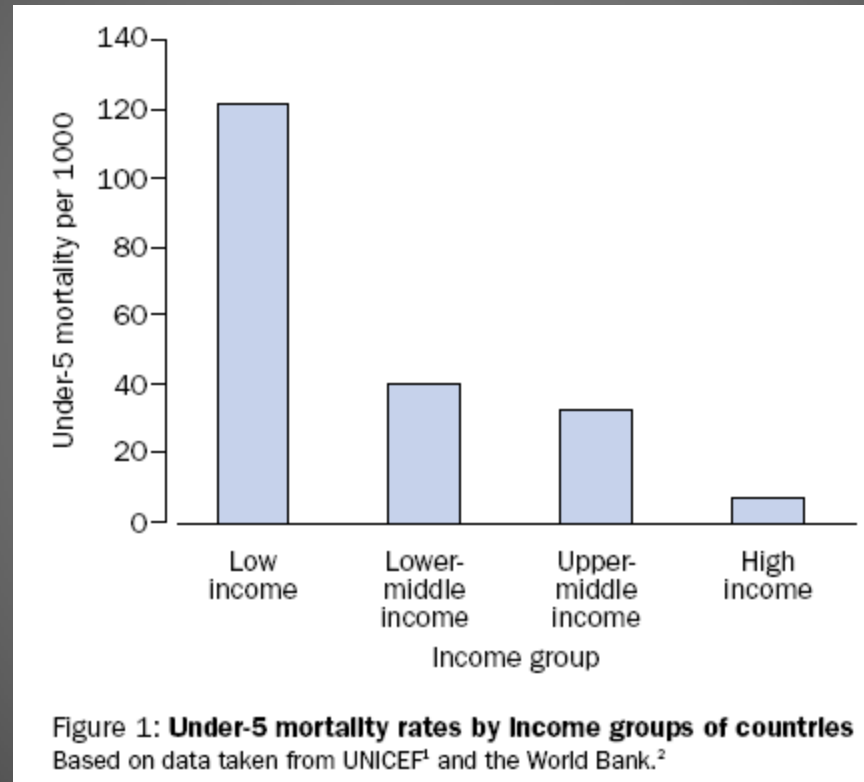


London Underground Jubilee Line

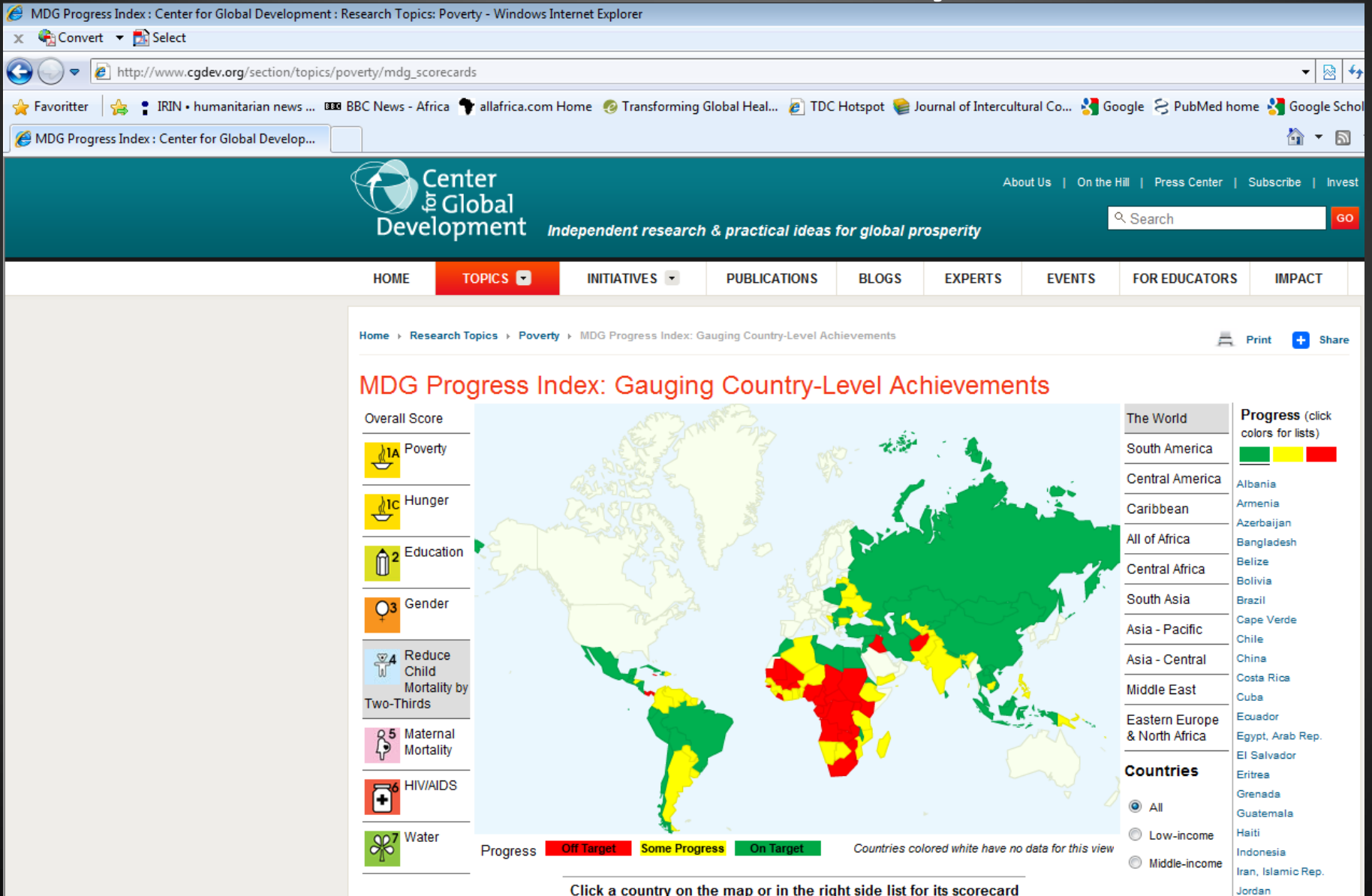
Electoral wards just a few miles apart geographically have life expectancy spans varying by years. For instance, there are eight stops between Westminster and Canning Town on the Jubilee Line – so as one travels east, each stop, on average, marks nearly a year of shortened lifespan.¹

¹ Source: Analysis by London Health Observatory using Office for National Statistics data. Diagram produced by Department of Health

Children in poor countries die earlier



Child mortality



Children from poor families die earlier

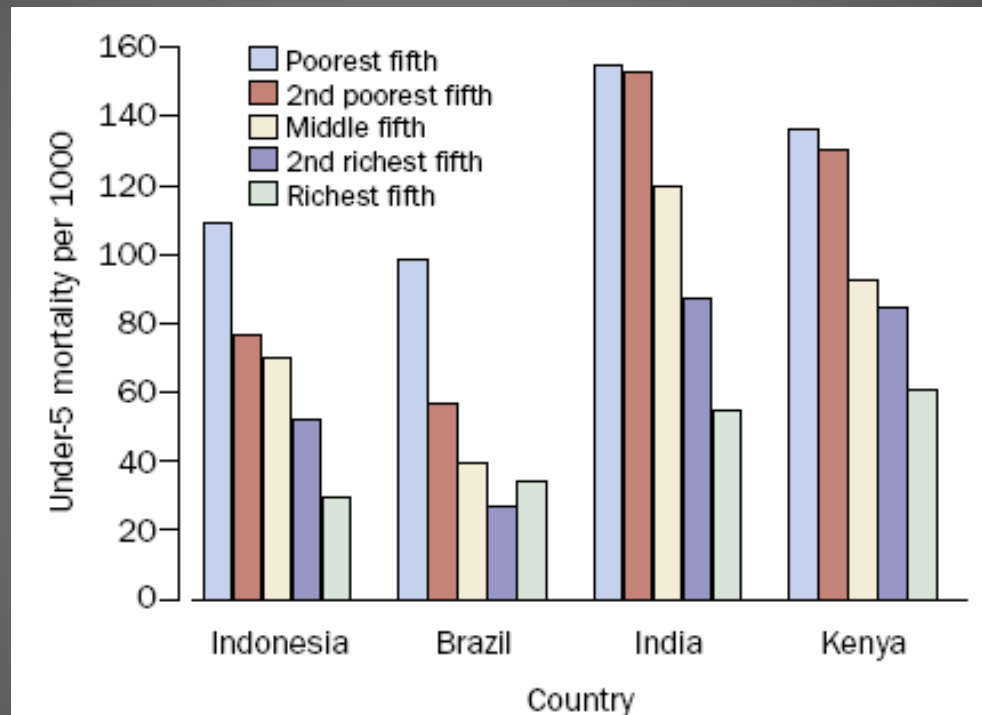


Figure 3: **Under-5 mortality rates by socioeconomic quintile of the household for selected countries**

Based on data taken from the World Bank.⁶

Education and mortality risk

Bangladesh

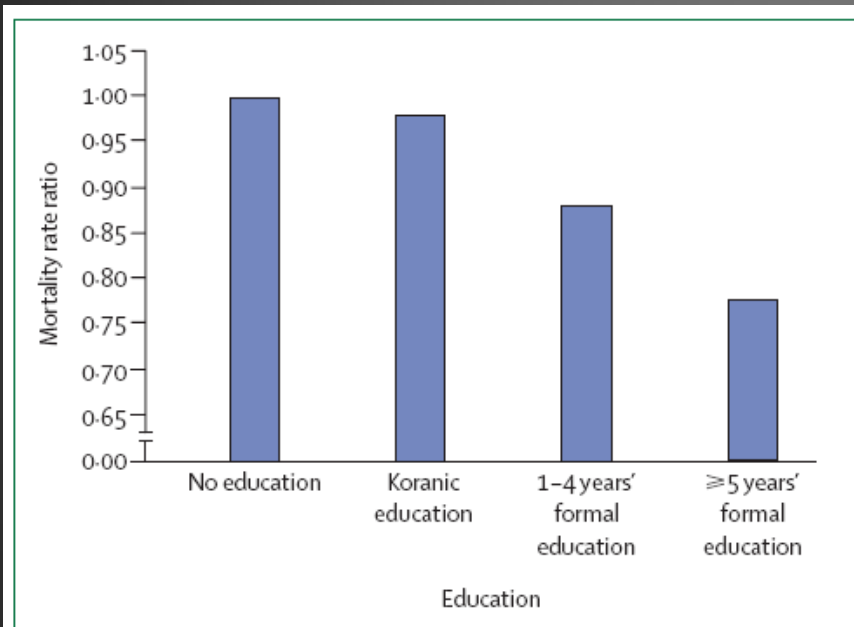


Figure 3: Mortality and education in men aged 45-90 years in Matlab, Bangladesh, 1982-98¹¹

Russia

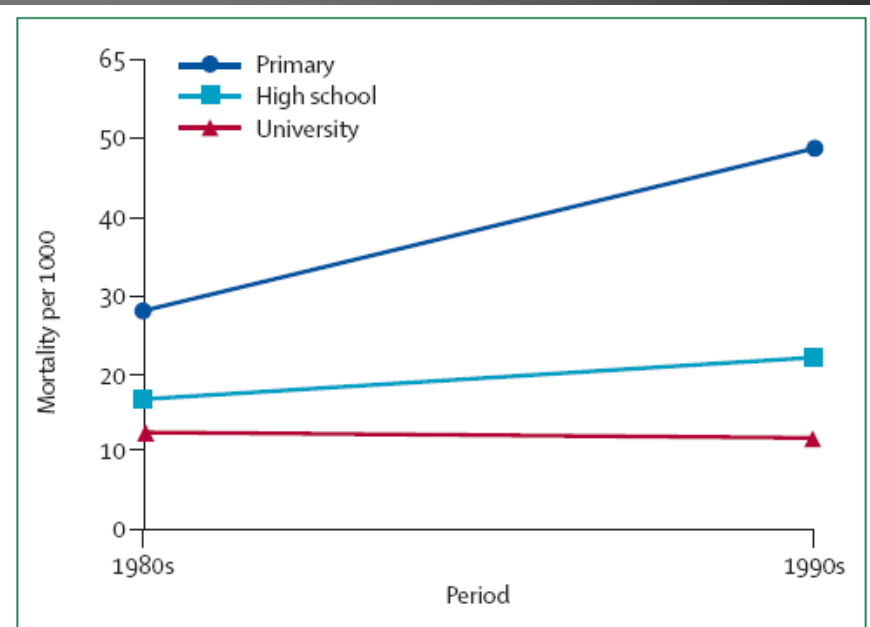
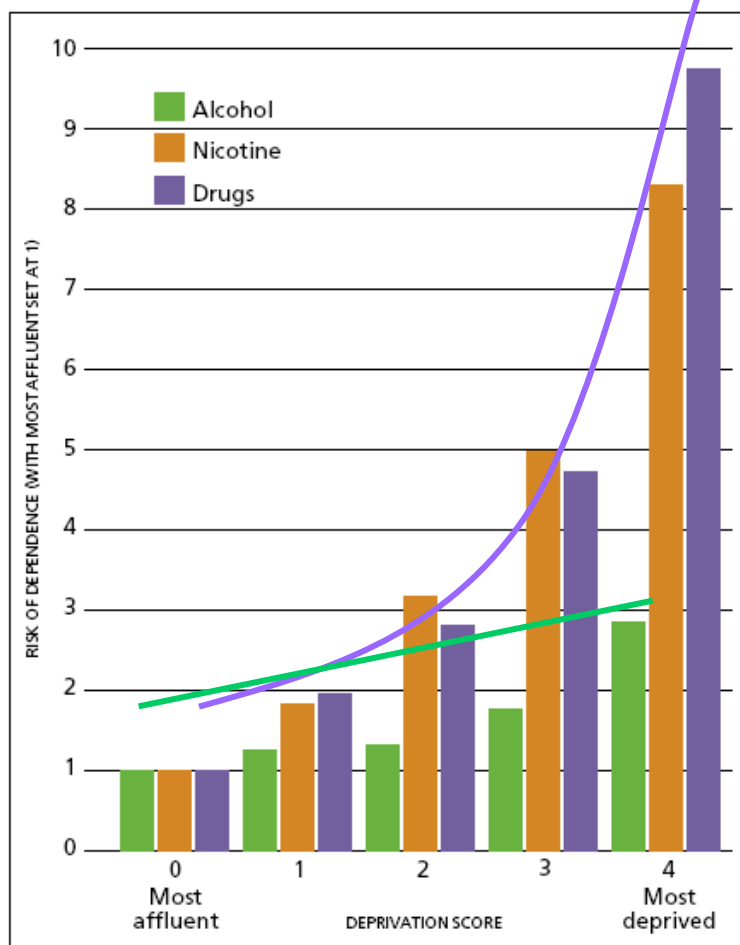


Figure 4: Increase in educational differentials in mortality between the 1980s and 1990s in St Petersburg men¹⁶

Wealth and alcohol, cigarettes and drugs

Fig. 7. Socioeconomic deprivation and risk of dependence on alcohol, nicotine and drugs, Great Britain, 1993



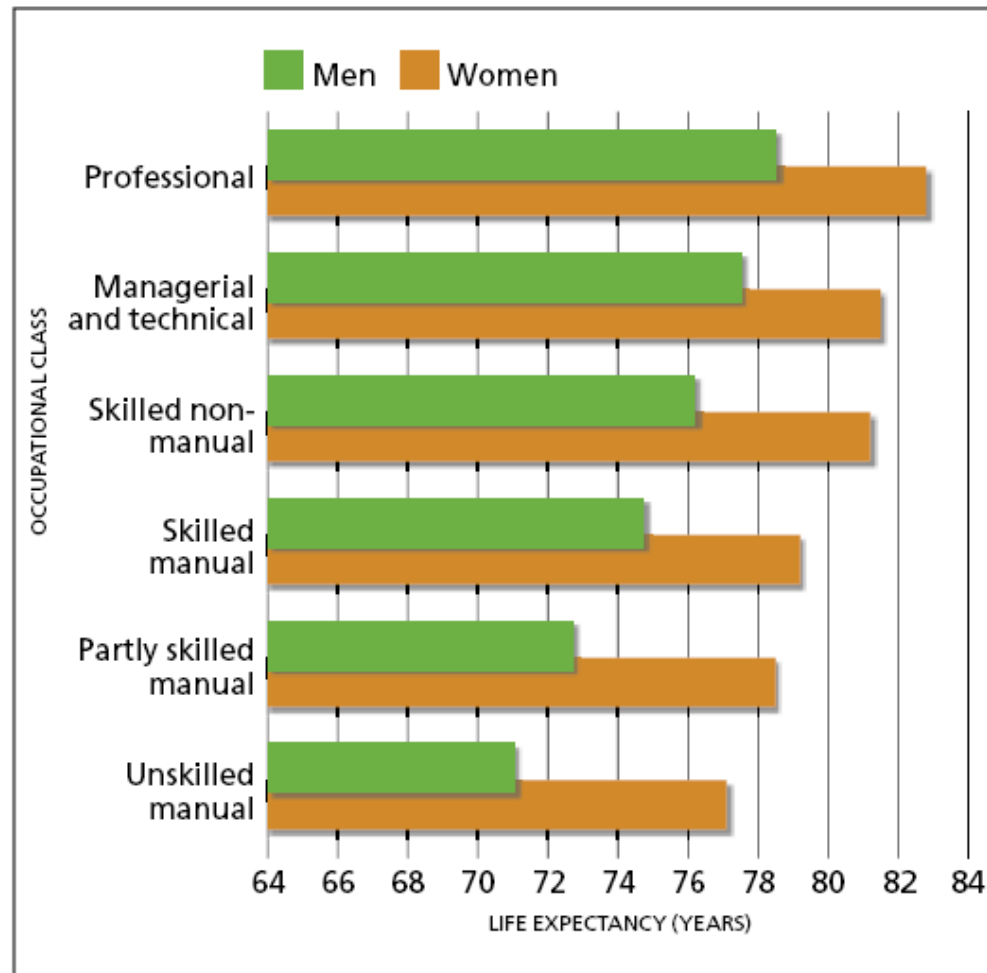
Smoking

-and child health among the ultra poor:

- Less vaccines
- More respiratory infection
- More malnutrition
- Higher mortality

Occupation determines life expectancy

Fig. 1. Occupational class differences in life expectancy, England and Wales, 1997–1999



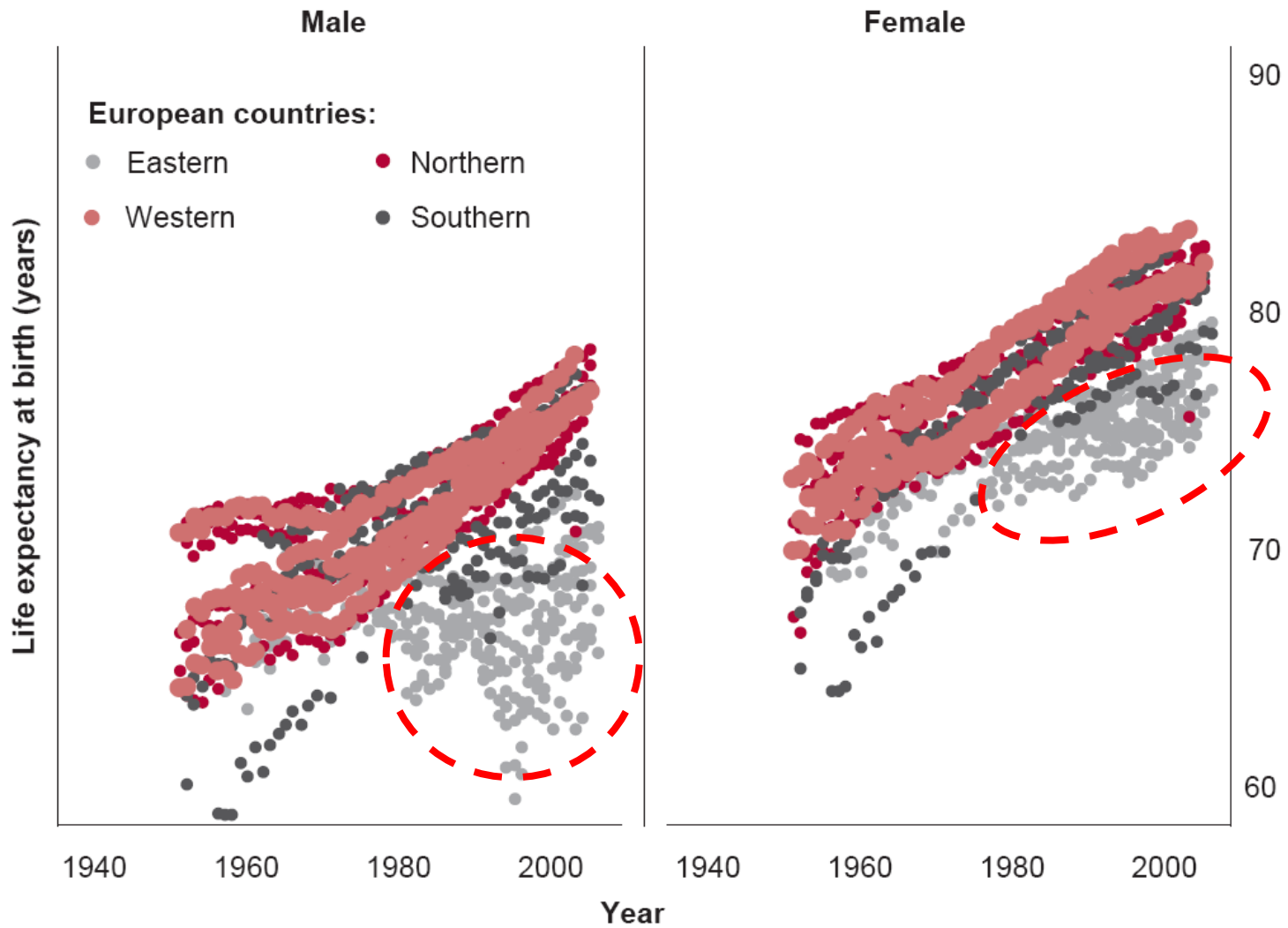
China: child mortality

Fig 4. Under-5 year mortality rate in China by province (per 1000 live births)



Presented by Werner Christie in "From inequity in health to equitable health services: the elements of a research agenda".
Source: Ministry of Health. *Maternal Child Health Surveillance System 2002*, courtesy of WHO China.

LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH IN EUROPE, 1950–2005



1983-1999

USA

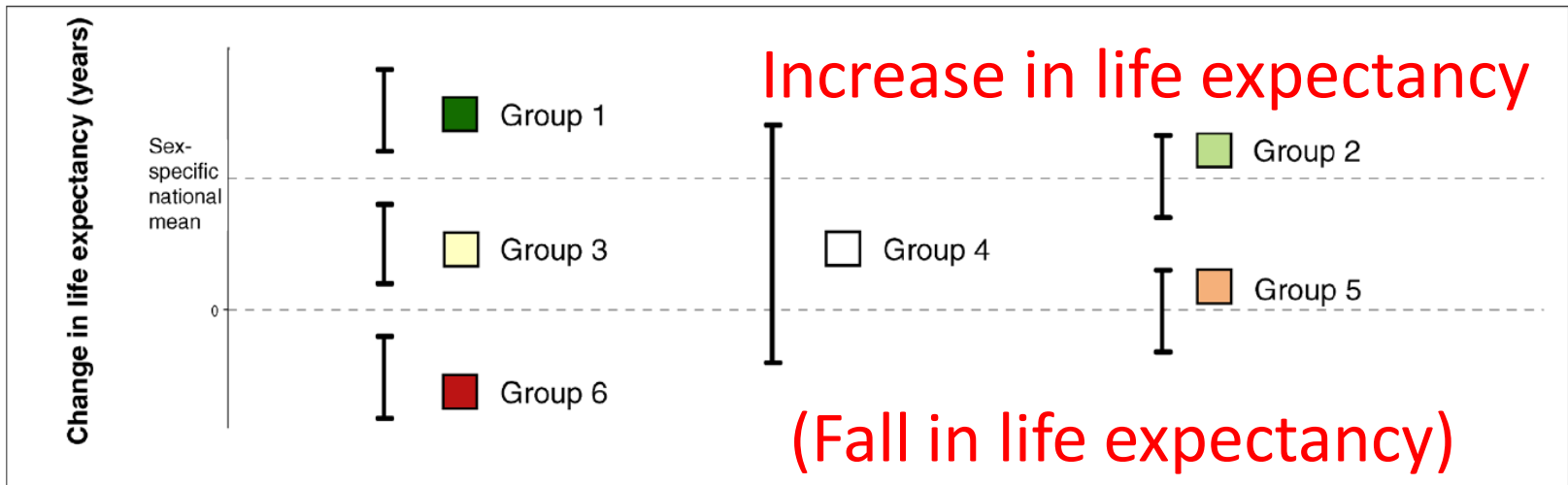
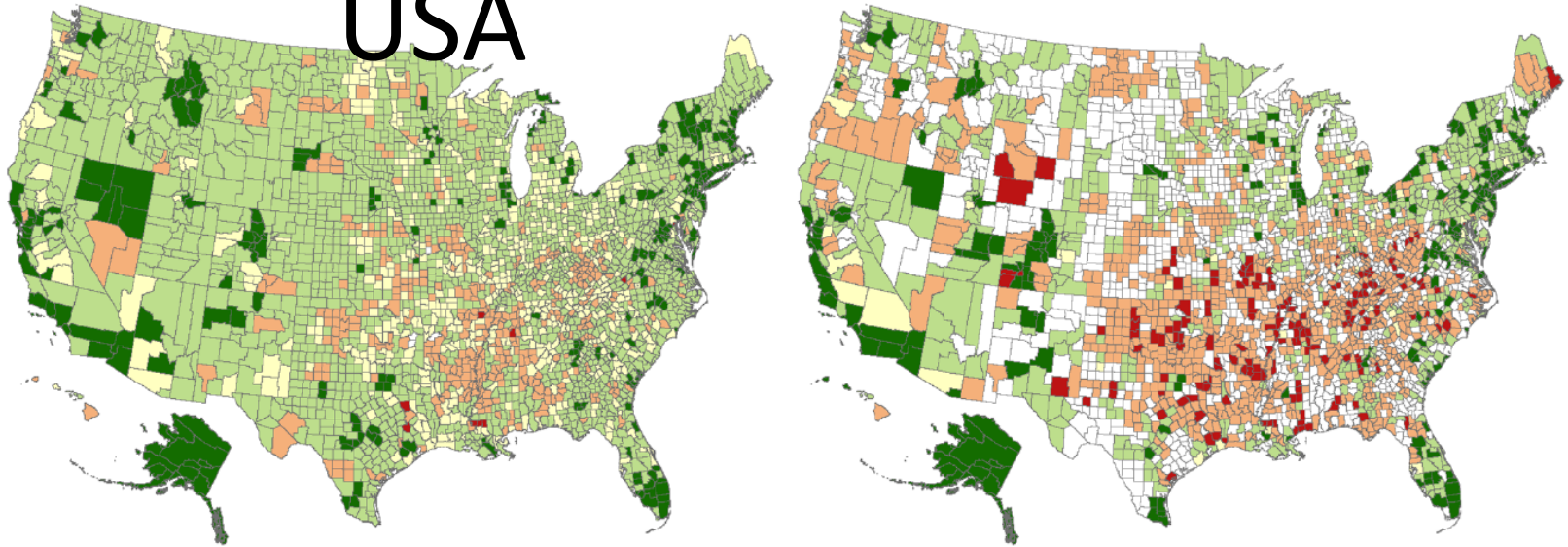
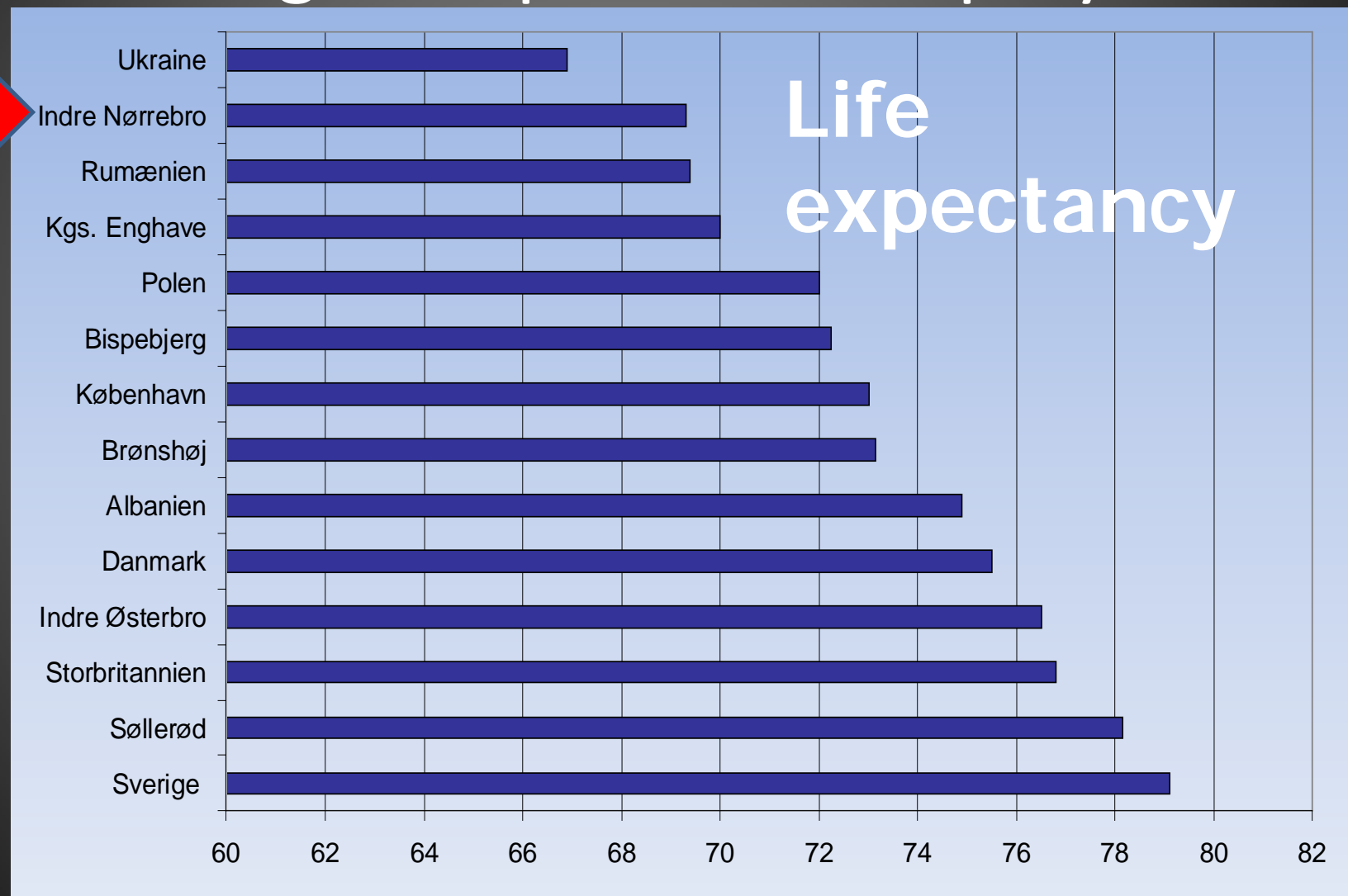


Figure 3. Change in County Life Expectancy in 1961–1983 and 1983–1999

Counties are categorized into six groups on the basis of how their life expectancy changed in relation to national sex-specific change in life expectancy (4.1 y for men and 4.8 y for women in 1961–1983; 3.1 y for men and 1.3 y for women in 1983–1999). Actual life expectancies are shown in Figure S1, and absolute changes in life expectancy are shown in Figure S2.

Group 1, life expectancy increased at a level significantly higher than the national sex-specific mean; group 2, life expectancy increased at a level

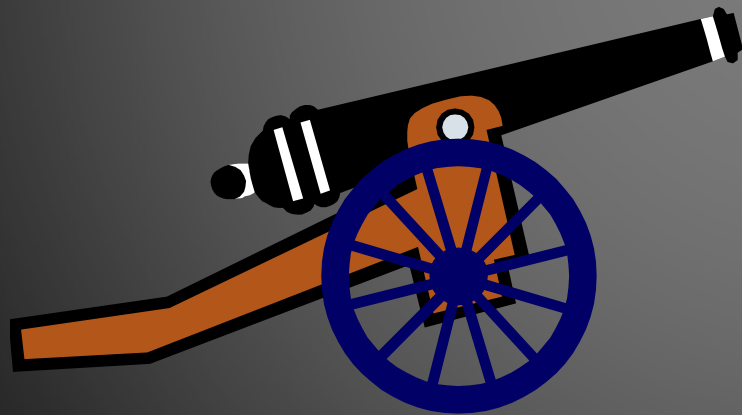
And even in little Denmark we have managed to produce inequity....



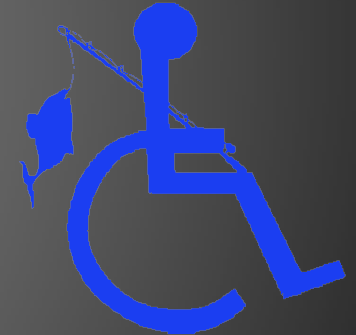
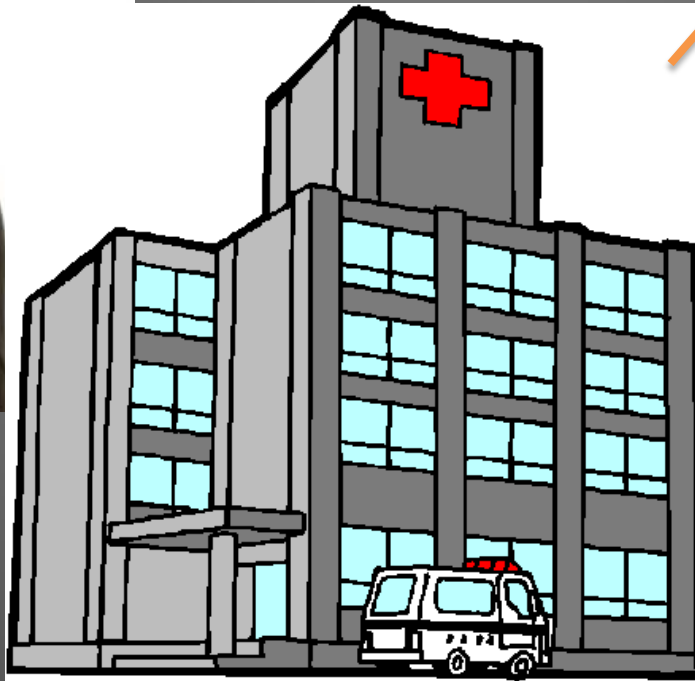
*Living conditions and genetics –
plenty of bullets and triggers:*

*“Genes load the gun.
Lifestyle pulls the trigger”*

Dr. Elliot Joslin




Equal access, but to what?



The bill please!

Søndag 31 august 2008

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Danmark taber 49 mia. kr. årligt på ulige sundhed

2008-08-29

Hvis lavt uddannede og udsatte grupper var lige så sunde som resten af befolkningen, kunne sundhedsvæsenet spare 27,2 mia. kr. En skærpet indsats mod tobak og alkohol og bedre behandling af psykiske sygdomme vil give hurtige resultater, fastslår professor Jes Søgaard.

Regningen for de store forskelle i danskernes helbred er enorm. Sundhedsvæsenet bruger hvert 27,2 mia. kr. på at behandle sygdomme, der følger i kølvandet på lav uddannelse, arbejdsløshed og andre former for social ulighed. Det viser nye beregninger fra Dansk Sundhedsinstitut (DSI), der bygger på en undersøgelse foretaget for EU-kommissionen.

»Hvis de lavt uddannede havde samme sygelighed som resten af befolkningen, ville sundhedsvæsenet kunne spare 27,2 mia. kr.« siger professor Jes Søgaard, der er

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The poor with low education:
3,5 bill dkr saved had they been rich and educated

15-25 % of death and disease

Extra cost in health care per year:
(ill health and early death)

27,2 bill dkr

Lost productivity

(Sick leave and early death)

21,2 bill dkr

Sum 49,4 bill dkr

Tuberculosis Treatment Disparities, Kenya

DOTS for Rx of Smear +ve TB	Expected Efficacy	Case detection	Diagnostic delay	Visits to providers	Patient Adherence	Cost of Care	Actual Effectiveness	Least Poor:Poorest Ratio
Poorest	98%	low	high	high	high	high	20%	4
Least Poor	98%	high	low	low	high	low	80%	

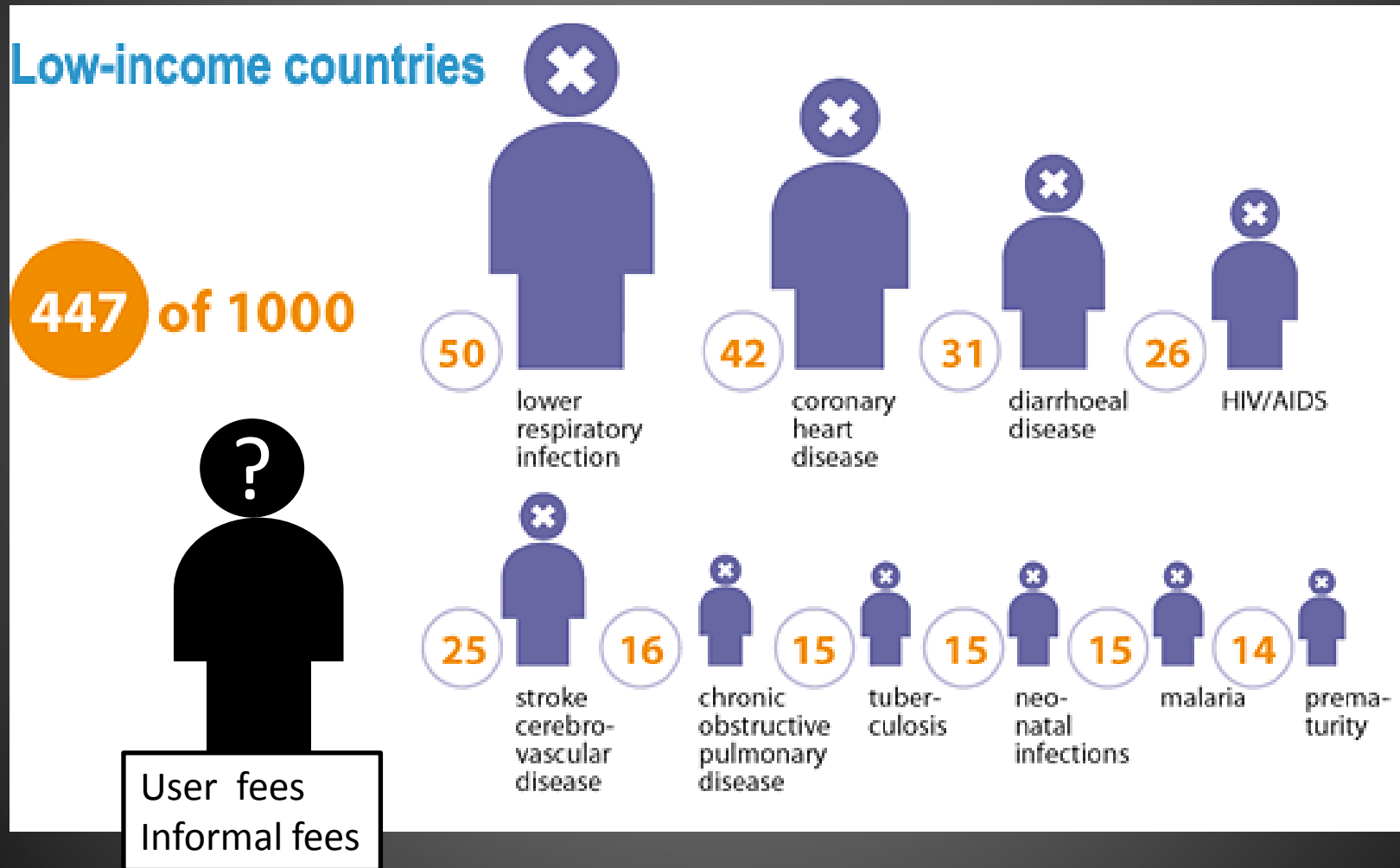
Sources of disparities

More equitable service provision requires action on the social determinants of health



Global health case 4

And the nominees as top 10 killers are:



User fees: 3

or a global disaster?



Necessary evil





The choice is yours.....

Benin: Birth complications cost 26% of average yearly household expenditure: patients left the hospital too early

Borghi J, Hanson K, et al.
Health Policy Plann 2003,
18: 383–90.

Cote d'Ivoire: time spent looking for cash delayed access to emergency care and increased mortality

Gohou V, Ronsmans C, Lacou L,
Trop Med Int Health, **9**: 406–15

Burkina Faso: User fees catastrophic in emergency or "technological" interventions and push poor people into a poverty trap

Tin Tin Su, Kouyate B, Flessa S.
Bull World Health Organ 2006,
84: 21–27



Guinea-Bissau: knowing a medical doctor = no fees

Sodemann et al, *TMIH*, 2006

Tanzania child mortality study

208 childhood deaths:

21 % had paid unofficial fees at least once

86 % paid more than 1500 shillings

Poor TB patients are 5 times
more likely

To pay impoverishing payment for
supposedly free treatment

India

- The free public health care is just as expensive as private health care



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User fees

Never evaluated properly before
global introduction

Never monitored properly

Palmer N, Mueller DH, Gilson L, Mills A, Haines A.
Lancet. 2004 Oct 9-15;364(9442):1365-70. Review.

User fees

**Governments failed to protect
the poor after the introduction in**

Benin, Kenya and Zambia

Gilson L, Kalyalya D, Kuchler F, Lake S, Oranga H, Ouendo M.
Health Policy. 2001 Oct;58(1):37-67.

User fees

An irreversible medical disaster

Poverty gap was sparked by user fees

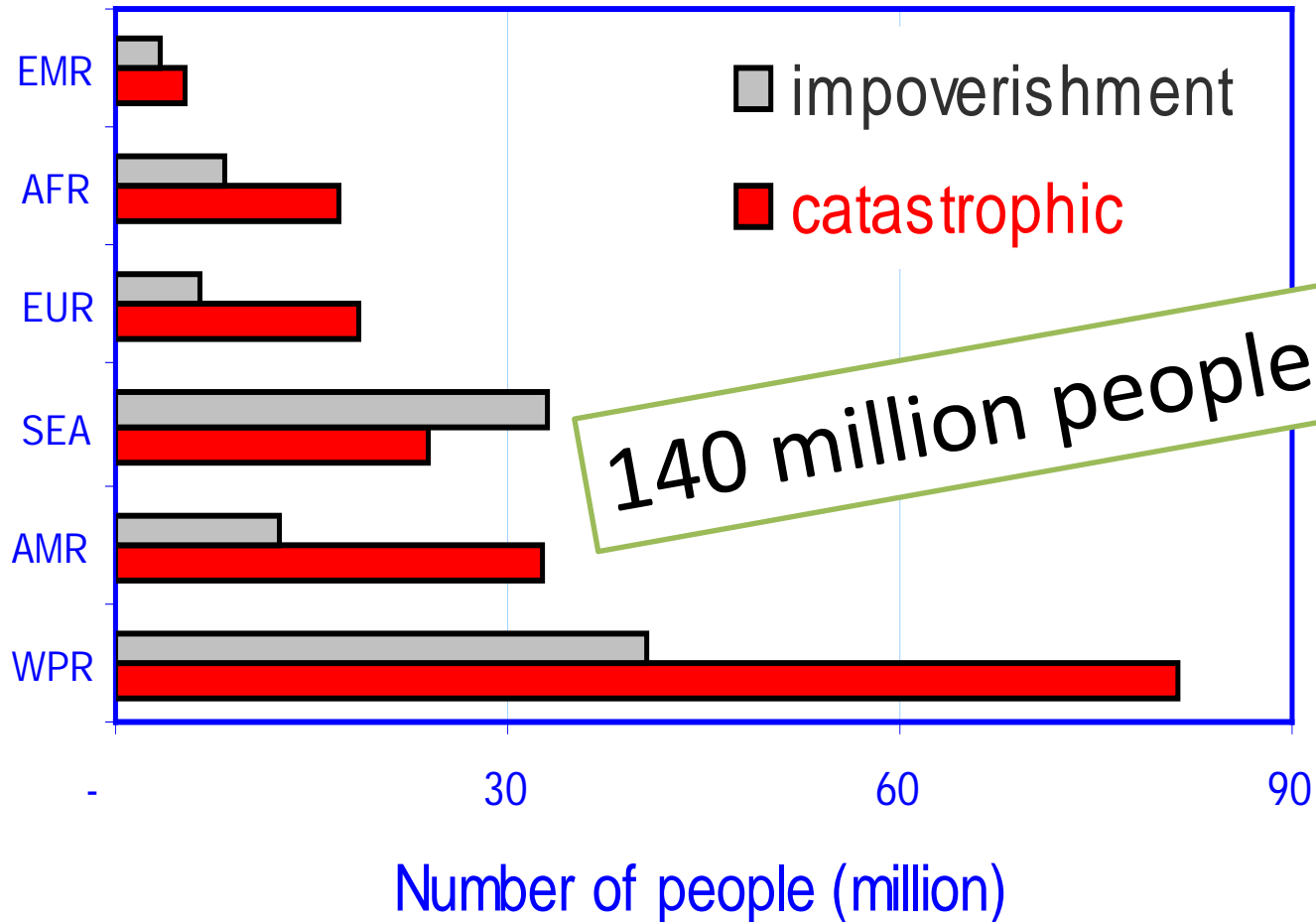
Cambodia: Jacobs b et al, *Health Policy Plan.* (2004) 19 (5): 310-321.

User fees

After abolishment: Catastrophic health expenditures among the poor did not fall

- Unofficial/informal fees
 - private pharmacies

Number of People Suffering Financial Catastrophe and Impoverishment Due to Health Spending



Global health case no. 5: Hiv/AIDS

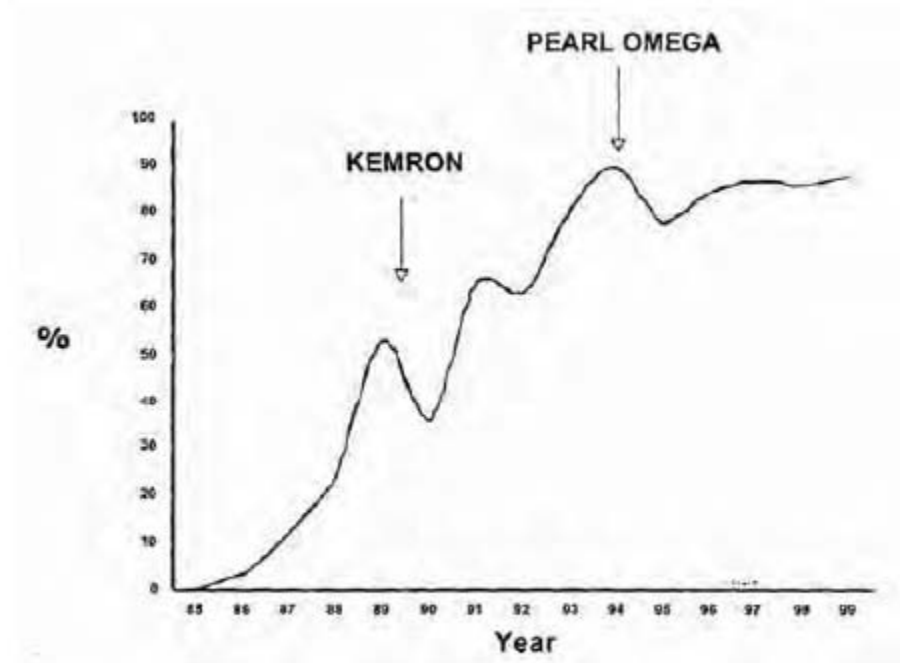


How the circumcision solution will increase hiv + STI prevalence

- **Confusing and illogical message**
 - Circumcision prevents HIV.....but you still have to use condom
 - Why use condom *after* circumcision?
- **Other**
 - **> 20 studies show no effect on population level**
 - 3 identical RCT but not blinded studies....
 - STIs
 - Condoms are better – why a less effective?
 - Tested in communities where circumcision is not customary
 - Optimal age not definite – ethics (children)
 - All men have to be treated (how?)– more expensive
 - Carried out in a high risk population
 - ARV is changing the risk picture constantly

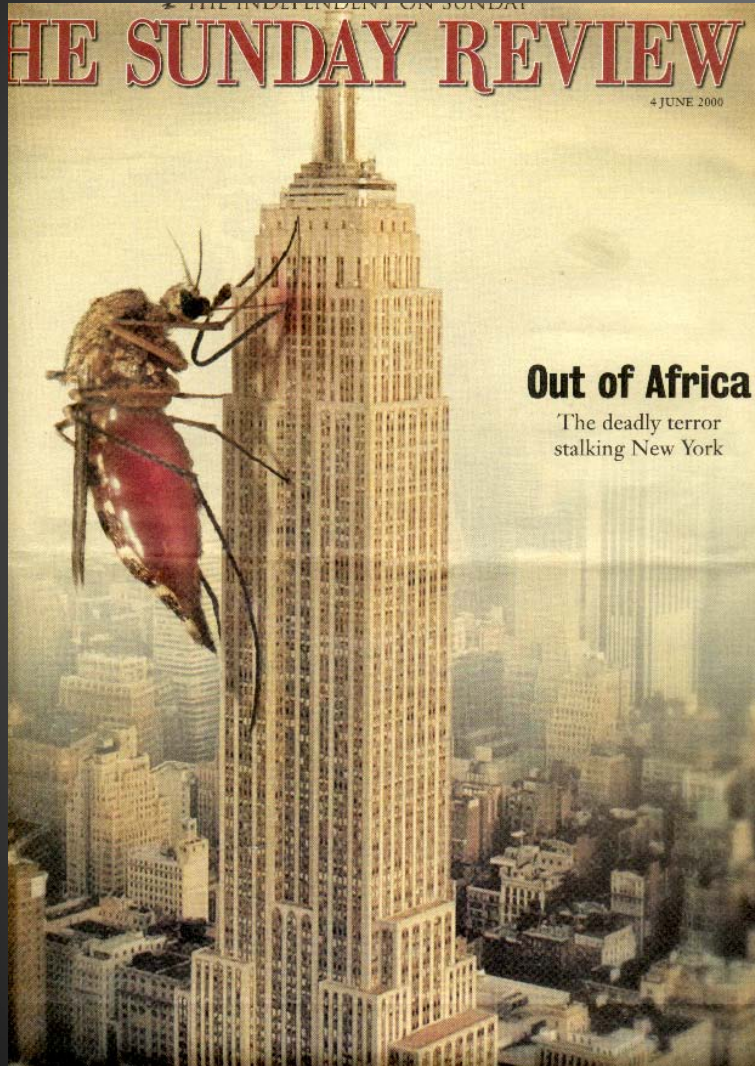
Hiv literacy, ethics and media drugs

- **“Kemron” og “Pearl Omega” were completely fake cures for Hiv**
- **Announced by respected physicians**
- **- and increased hiv risk behaviour for several years**



Source: Jha et al. (2001)

The future is not what it used to be



Global warming is unequivocal

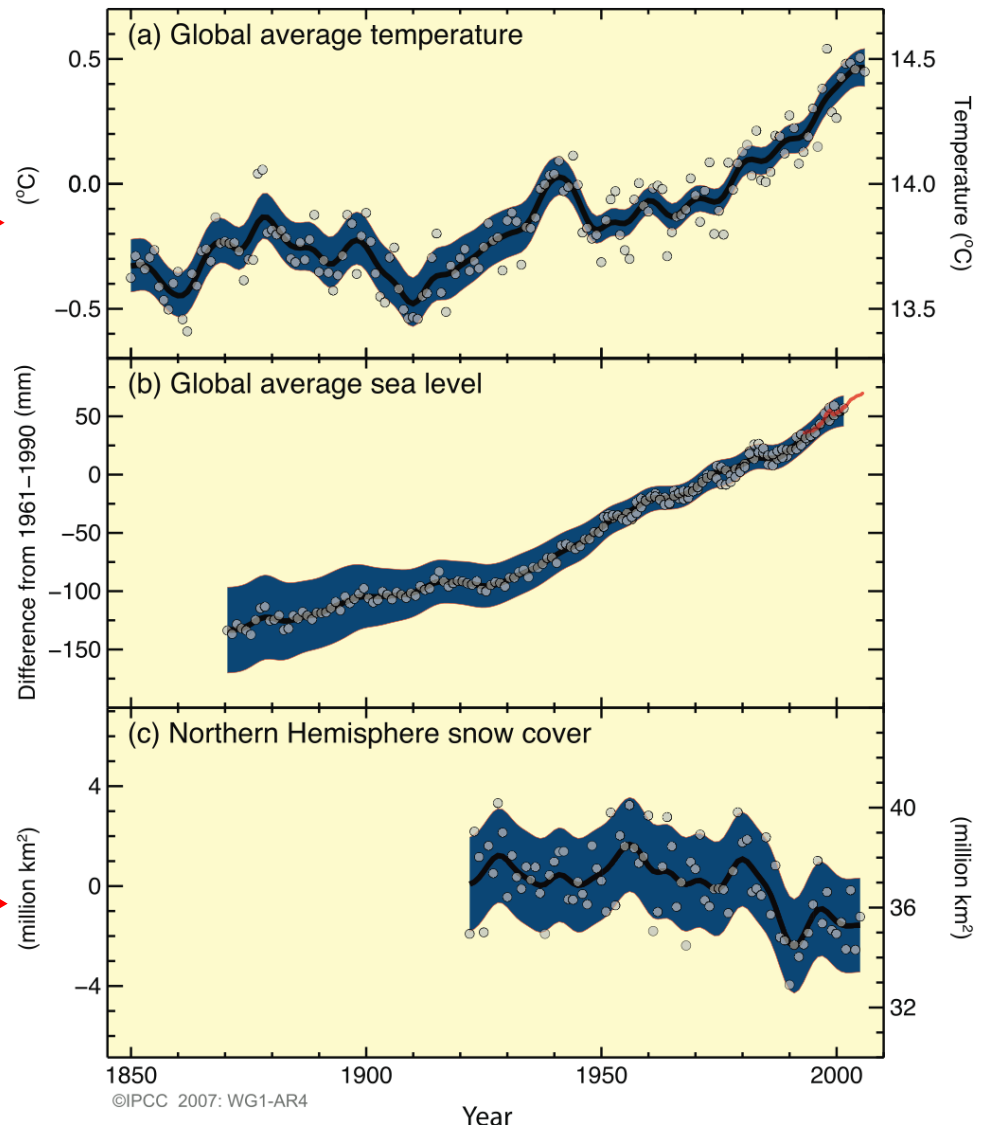
Rising atmospheric temperature



Rising sea level



Reductions in North Hemisphere snow cover



Aral sea (Kazakhstan)

Cause is one thing



July - September, 1989



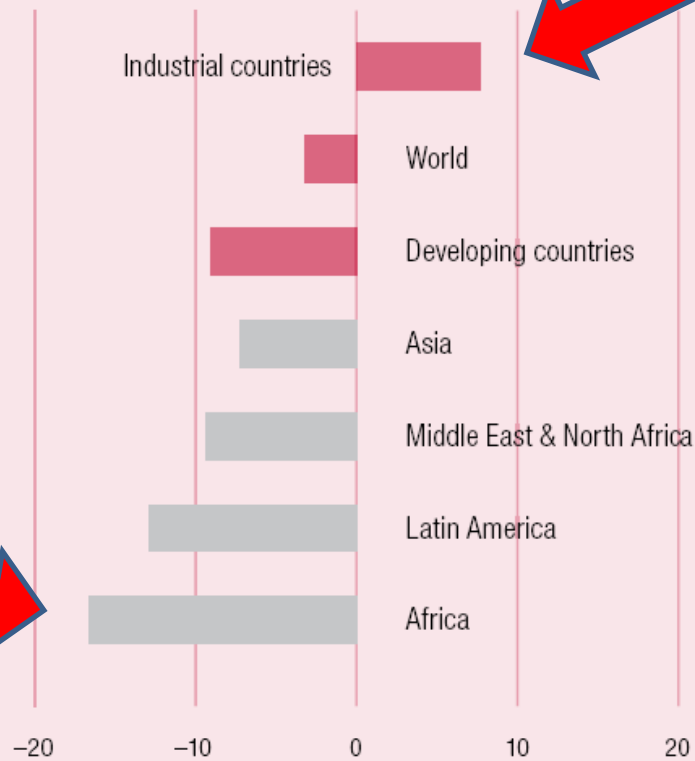
October 5, 2008

But it doesn't change the effect

Figure 6

Climate change will hurt developing country agriculture

Change in agricultural output potential
(2080s as % of 2000 potential)



Source: Cline 2007.

Renal failure and heat waves....

Australia

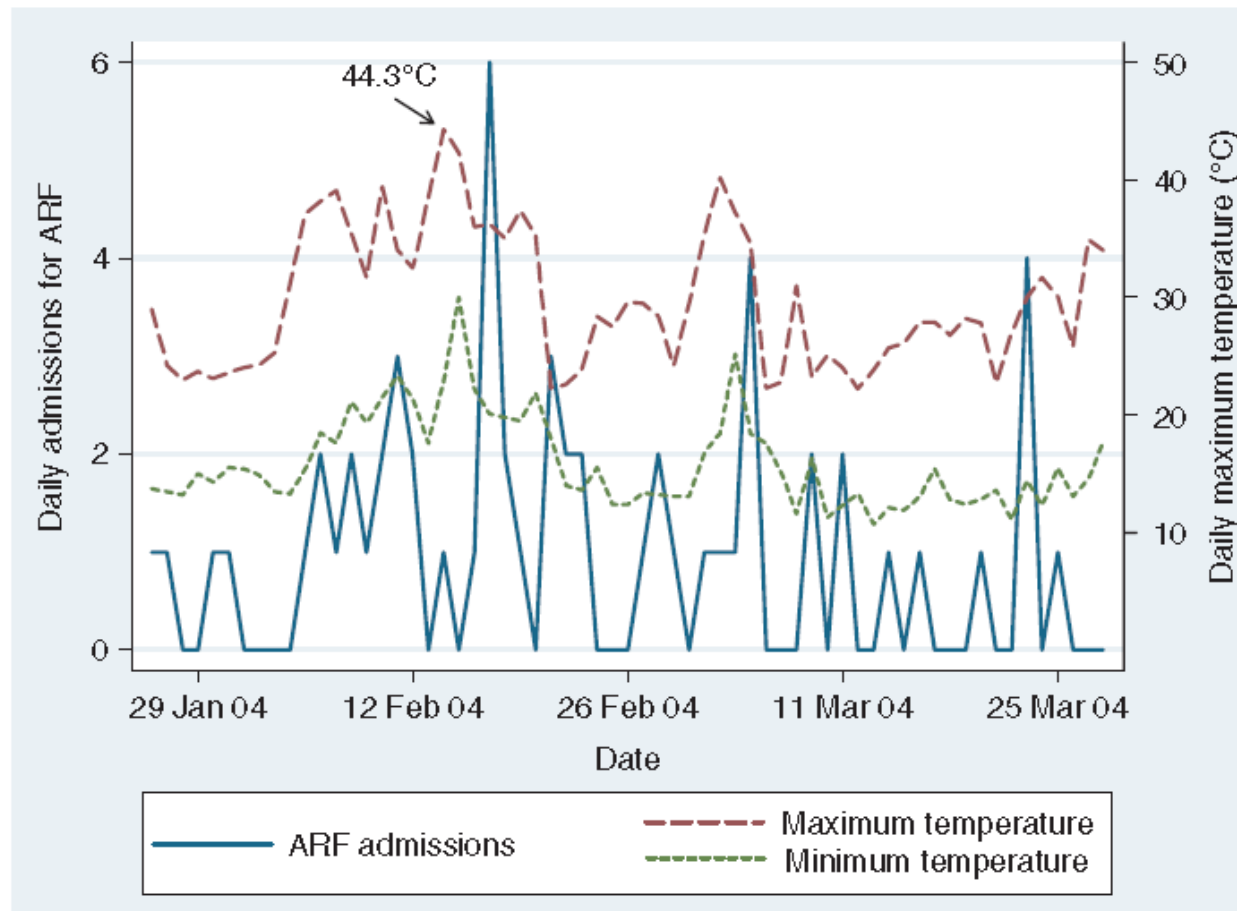


Figure 1 The relationship between daily hospital admissions for ARF and temperature during February and March 2004 when three heat waves were recorded

Anopheles mosquitoes and disappearing forest Kenya

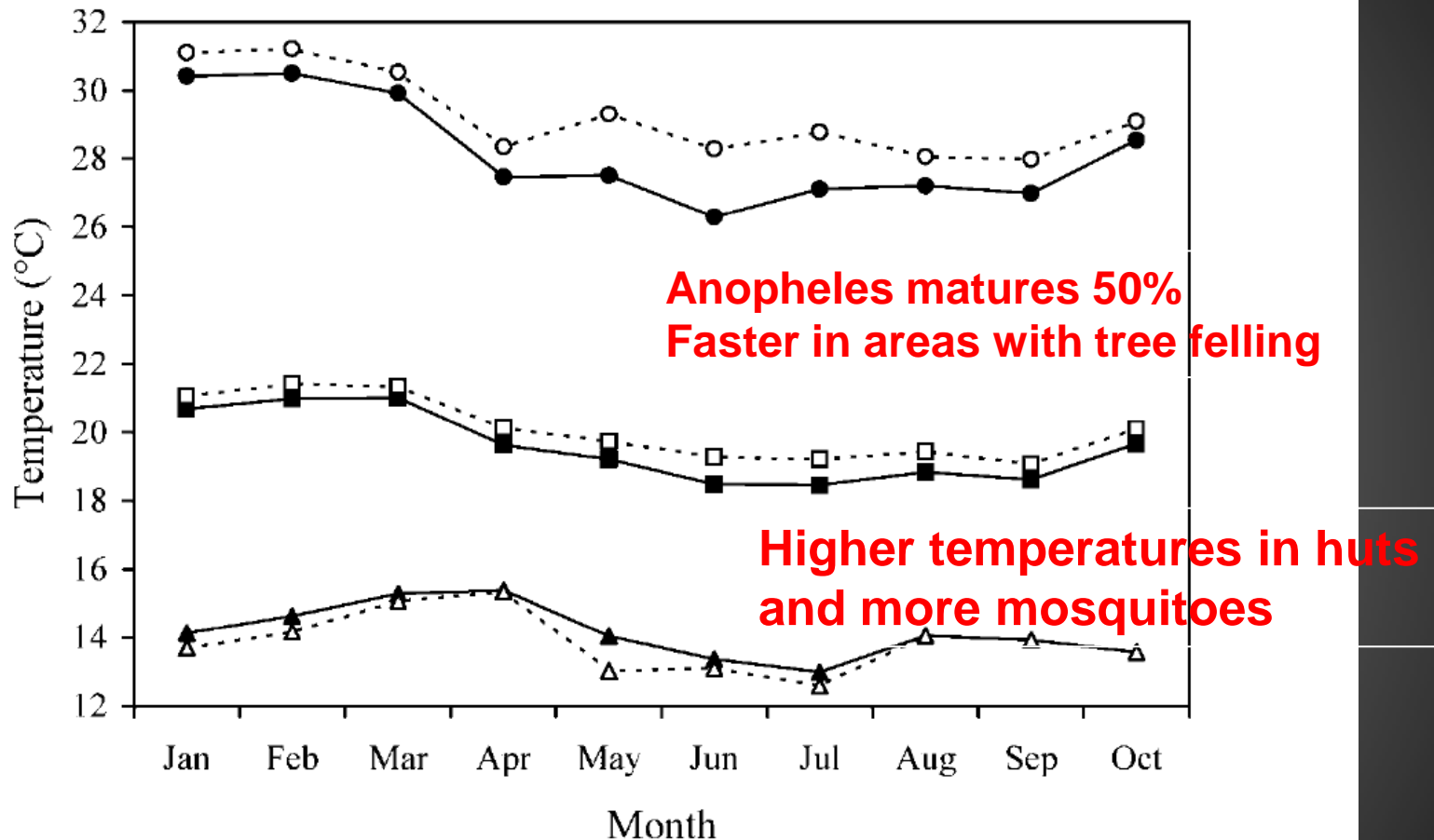


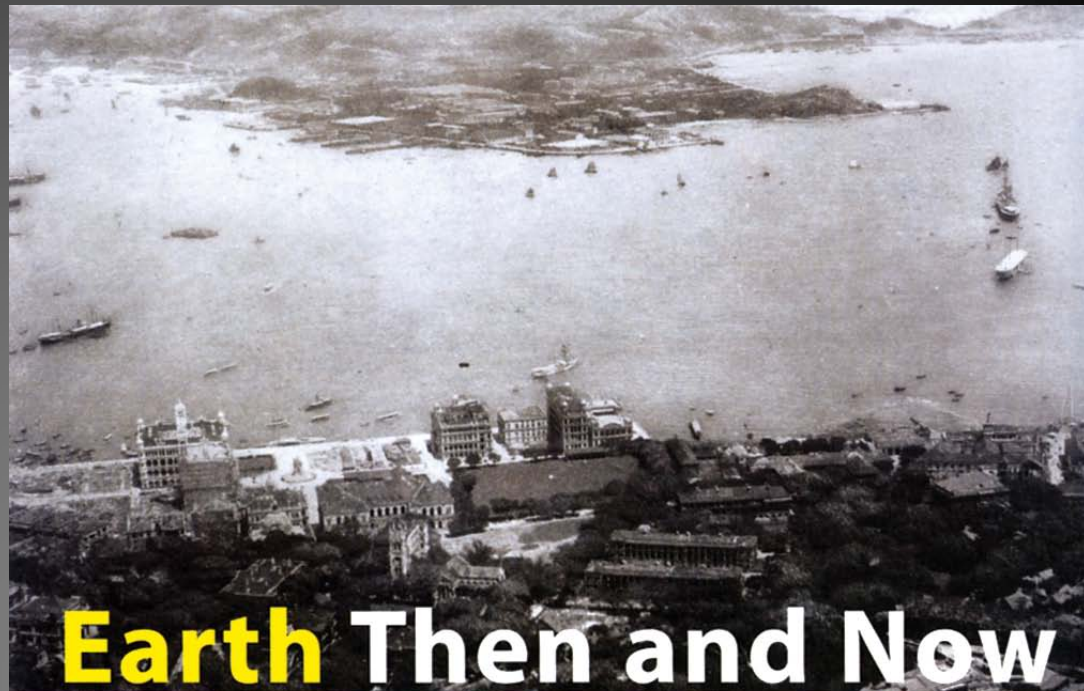
FIG. 6. Comparison of the maximum (○), mean (□) and minimum (Δ) temperatures recorded within huts in deforested agricultural lands with the corresponding maximum (●), mean (■) and minimum (▲) temperatures recorded within huts in forests. This graph was produced by Afrane *et al.* (2005), using data collected in western Kenya, and is reprinted here with the permission of the Entomological Society of America.

The anatomy of a malaria disaster: Amazon delta (Peru)

- > 80% tree felling → **200 x More bites** from *Anopheles darlingi* (vs. < 30% tree felling)
- **Every 1% increase in tree felling = 8 % increase in *A. darlingi***

Urbanisation

60 % live in
urban areas



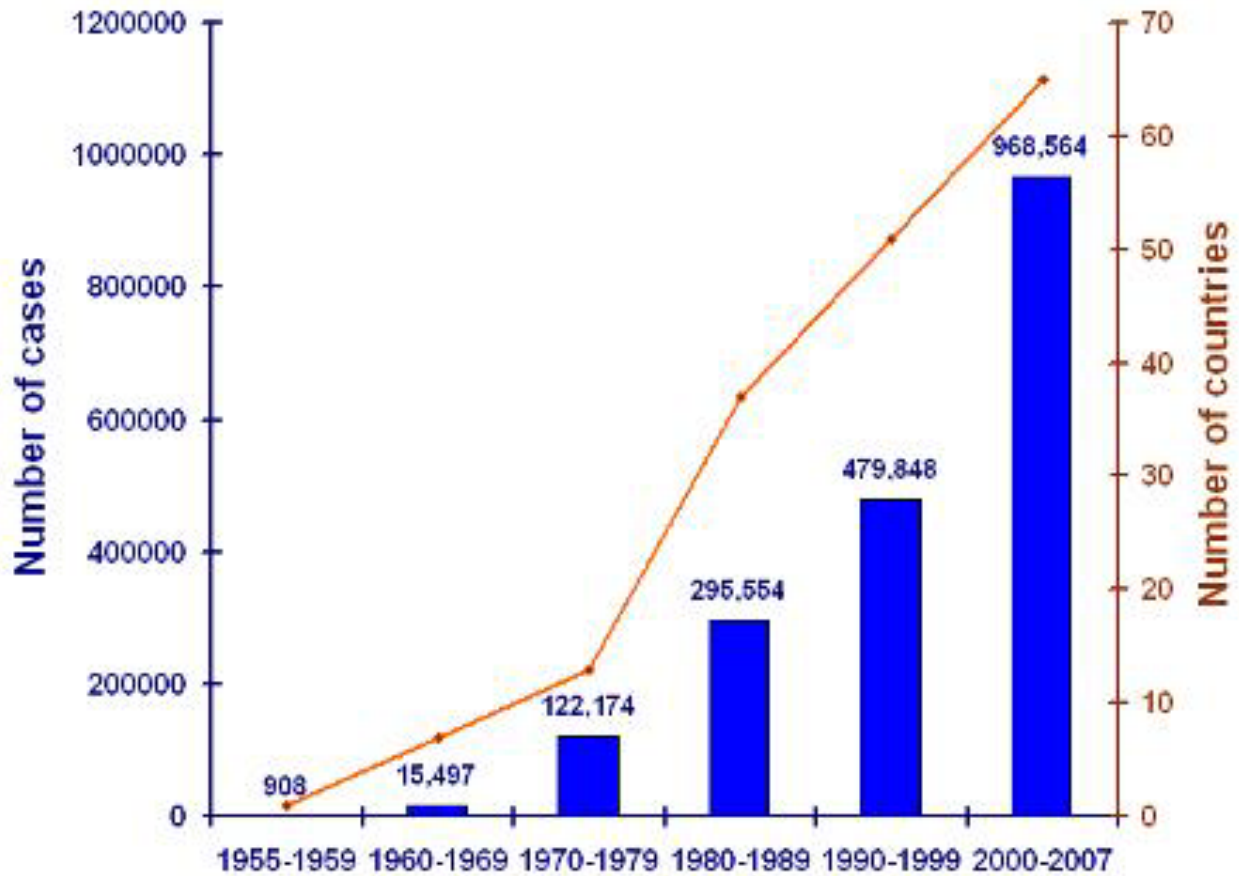
Earth Then and Now

Amazing Images of Our Changing World

Fred Pearce

Dengue

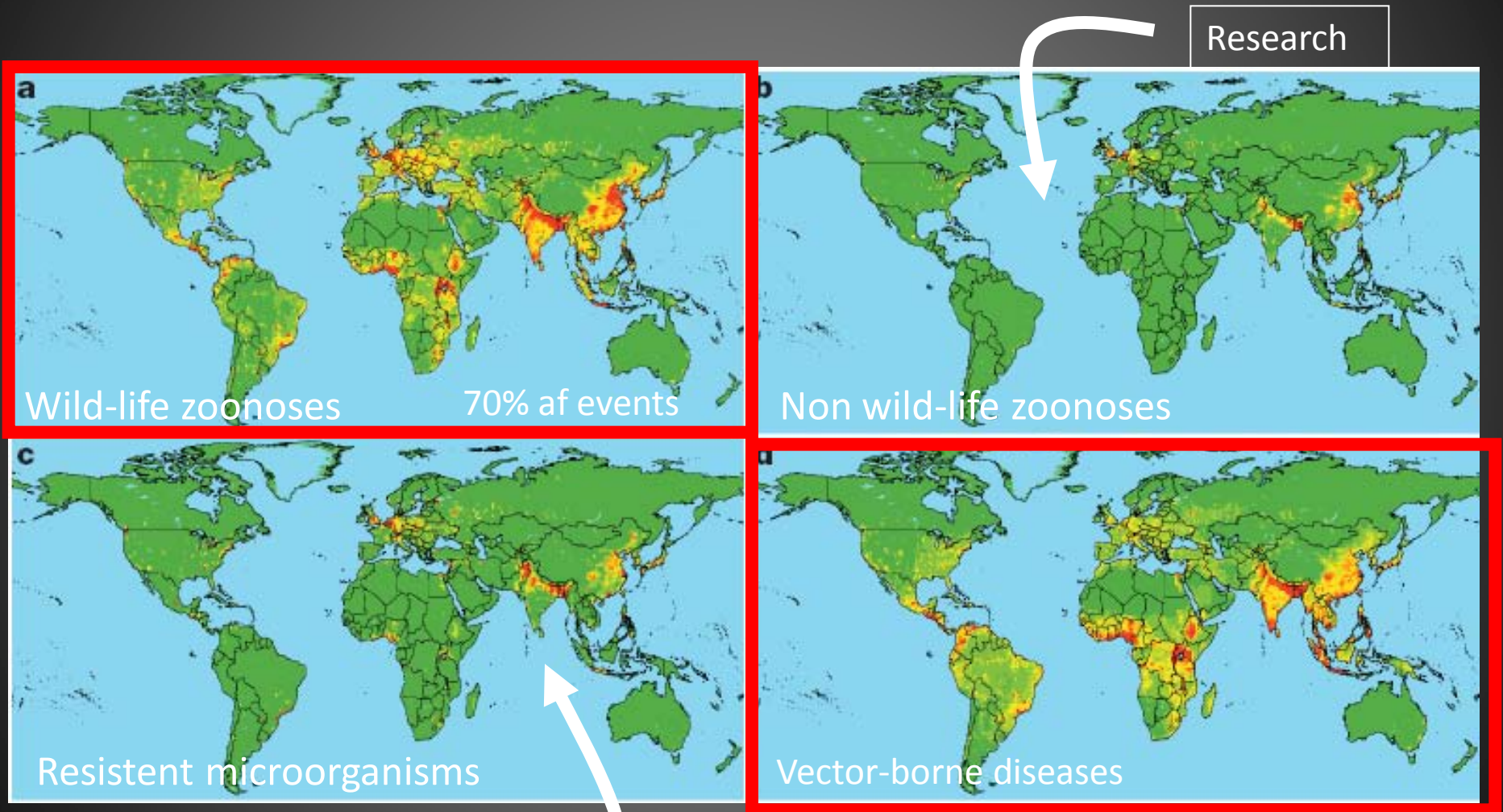
Average annual number of DF/DHF cases reported to WHO & average annual number of countries reporting dengue



Cases

countries

Relative risk of Emerging Infectious Disease event 1940-2004

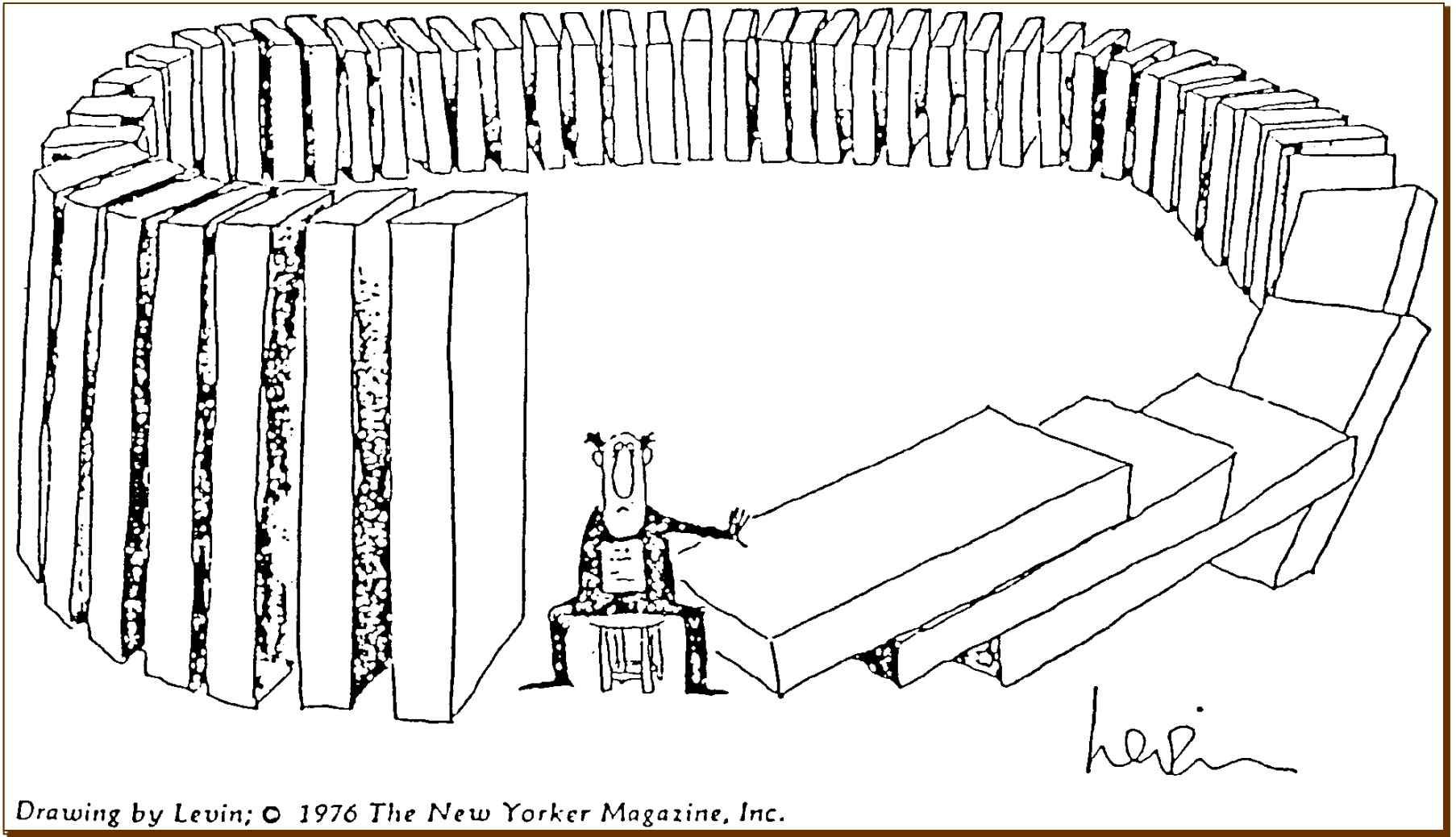


Research

The next decades

- 3 of 4 top economies will be in Asia
- Competition for energy, land, water, commodities
- Demographic growth and ageing
- Pandemic of non-communicable diseases
- R&D and higher education landscape evolving
- Overall growing interdependence

Solve health problems or wait till they hit us really hard



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Boredom shortens your life

help
I'm bored

help I have ants in my pants	help I don't like my eyebrows	help I have no purpose	help I need a vacation	help I've never been kissed
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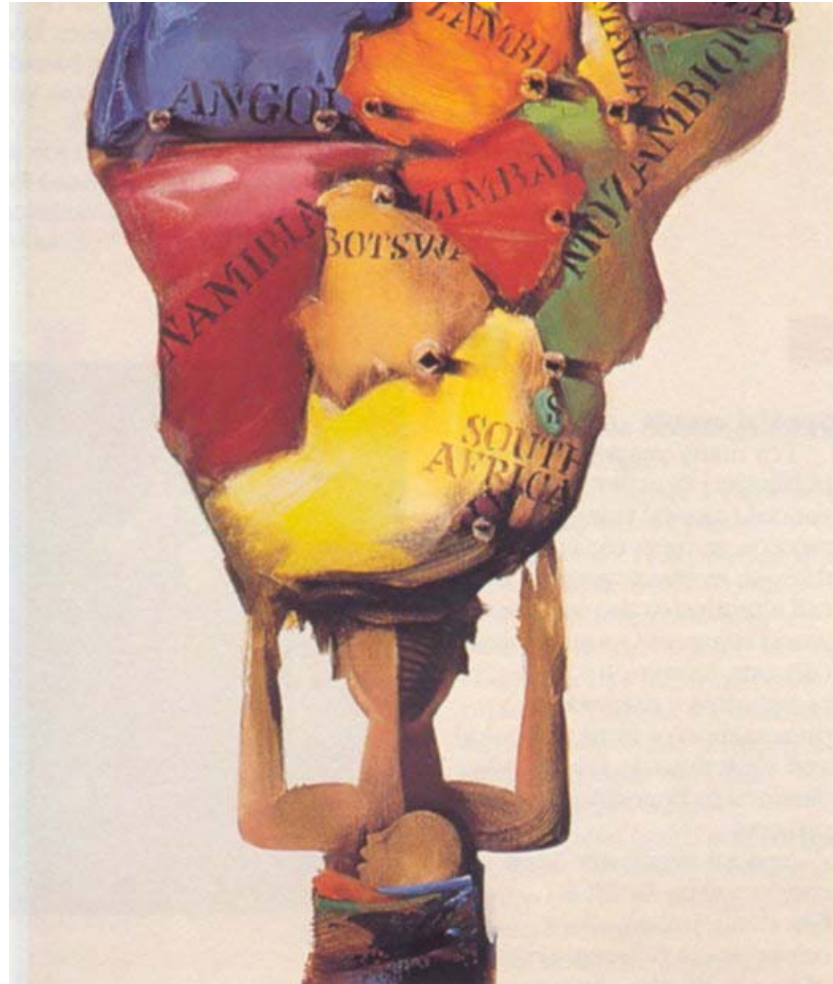
help I don't know what I want	help I am ugly	help I am being followed by a dog	help I'm a prude	help I love someone who doesn't love me
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help I don't know what to wear	help I feel horny	help I'm shy	help I don't know if I am gay	help I don't know what to do for my birthday
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Try global health

Thank you
and may your globe be with you



Because there's no planet B

The right to count



-and to BE counted
- and to be counted right