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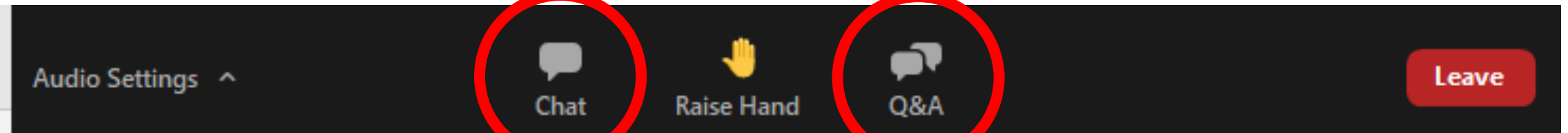
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- Telementoring model, in which expert teams lead virtual clinics, amplifying the capacity for providers to deliver best-in-practice care to their own communities
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# Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
  - HHS Region 4 Situation Report
  - Poll Questions
  - Case Presentations
  - Case Discussions
  - Q&A
  - Closing Remarks & Poll Question
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# Expert Panelist

Jill Morgan RN, BSN

- Member of Emory's Serious Communicable Disease Unit (SCDU) for more than fifteen years and cared for all four of Emory's Ebola virus disease patients
- Involved in clinical research, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), the National Personal Protective Technologies Laboratory (NPPTL), and PPE standards organizations - American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) and Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI)
- Serves as the in-person education lead for the National Emerging Special Pathogens Training and Education Center (NETEC)
- Sponsors biomedical engineering students from GA Tech in their capstone projects



# Expert Panelist

Marshall Lyon, MD, MMSc

- Professor of Medicine at Emory University School of Medicine, and Director of Transplant Infectious Diseases
- Previously served as the CDC Epidemic Intelligence Officer, from 1998-2000
- Experience caring for Ebola Patients
- Has an active clinical research program - investigating novel therapies for fungal infections, cytomegalovirus, and COVID-19
- Has authored over 90 publications, books, and book chapters



# Expert Panelist

Angela Hewlett, MD, MS

- Professor of Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC), and the University of Nebraska College of Public Health
- George W. Orr and Linda Orr Chair in Health Security
- Serves as Medical Director of the Nebraska Biocontainment Unit, where she actively participated in the care of several patients with Ebola virus disease
- Has provided subject matter expertise through the National Emerging Special Pathogens Training and Education Center (NETEC), the SHEA/CDC Outbreak Response Training Program, and multiple other national and international bio-preparedness advisory groups and venues
- Has authored more than 100 publications and book chapters.

***Region 4  
Special Pathogens of  
Concern Situation Report***



***13 April 2023***

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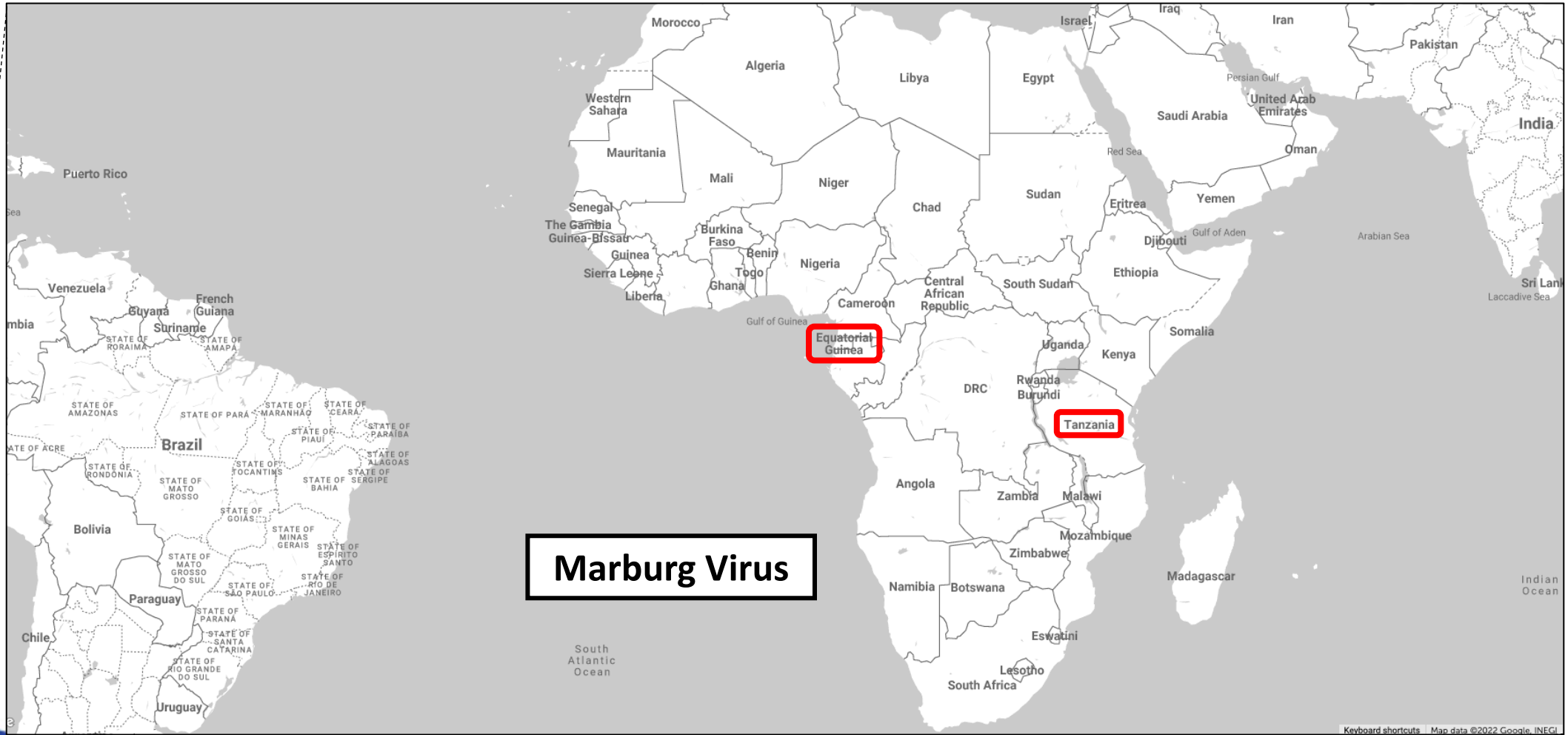


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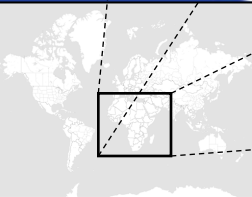
**Marburg Virus**

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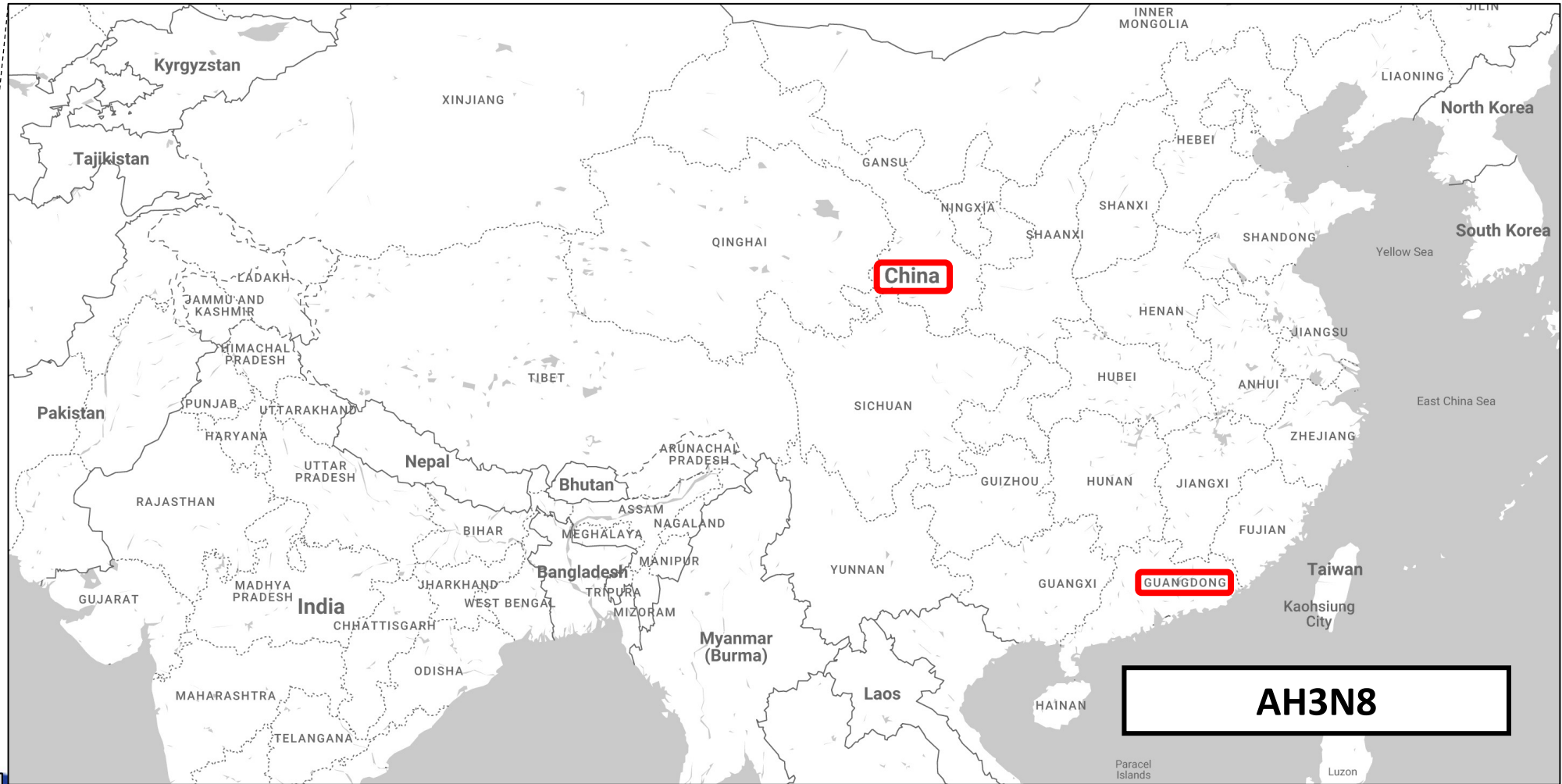


**Lassa Fever**

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# Poll Questions



# Case #1

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# First, Some Terminology

- Alignment of terminology is challenging
- Distinction between “pathogen” and “disease”
  - High-consequence pathogen vs. special pathogen
  - Causes a life-threatening disease/presents a serious hazard in a healthcare setting, requires specific advanced prevention and control measures
  - High-consequence infectious disease




# HPI

- CC: fever, malaise, headaches x 4 days
- Brief HPI: 21F w/ no pmhx, no allergies, no medications presenting to the ED for above complaints
- Nursing student returning from a medical mission to Uganda 9 days prior



# HPI

- Recently had provided over one week of care to several patients initially thought to have presumed sepsis
  - Symptoms rapidly developed at home including fever to 103.4F, abdominal pain, emesis
  - Initial examination revealed an acutely ill woman with tachycardia, tachypnea, hypotension a/w pancytopenia, hypokalemia, hypomagnesemia, acute kidney injury, elevated transaminases
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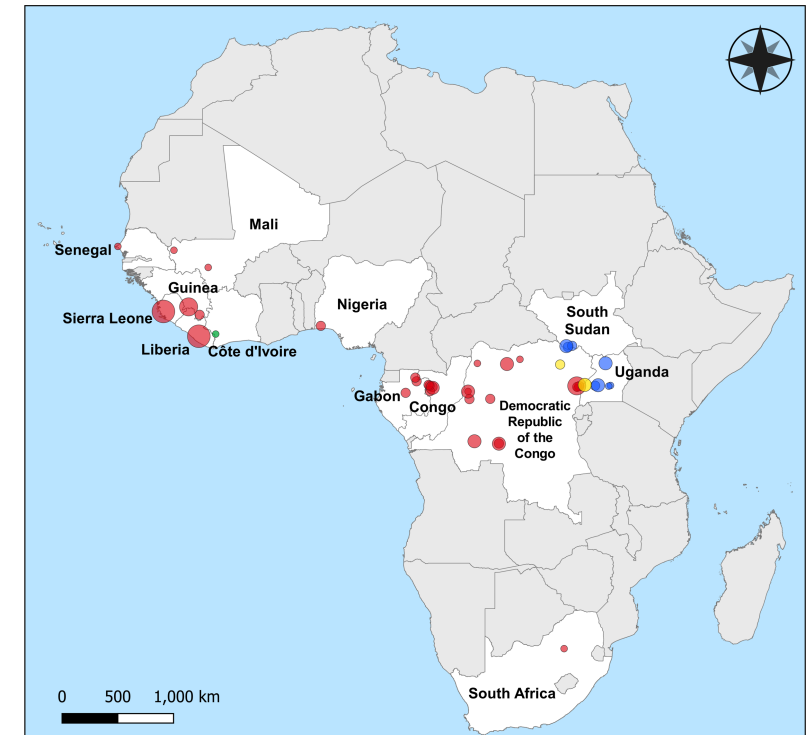


# Patient Results

- Plasmodium falciparum RDT **positive**
- Initial Warrior Panel test **positive** for EBOV
- Confirmatory RT-PCR testing at CDC **positive** for EBOV

# Ebola Virus Disease

- Acute viral hemorrhagic illness (filovirus)
  - Discovered 1976
  - Affects humans and non-human primates
- Reservoir/host remains unknown
  - Presumed bat and/or non-human primate species
  - Animal-human and human-human transmission occurs through direct contact with blood and bodily fluids and tissues of infection animal, contaminated surfaces, sexual contact; virus can persist for long periods of time
- Duration of Illness/Incubation period: 2-21d (avg 8-10d); not contagious prior to symptoms; typical CFR 25-90%






# Ebola Virus Disease

Ebola Virus Species	Vaccine
Ebola virus ( <i>Zaire ebolavirus</i> )	YES
Sudan virus ( <i>Sudan ebolavirus</i> )	IN DEVELOPMENT
Tai Forest virus ( <i>Tai Forest ebolavirus</i> )	NO
Bundibugyo virus ( <i>Bundibugyo ebolavirus</i> )	NO
Reston virus ( <i>Reston ebolavirus</i> )	NO
Bombali virus ( <i>Bombali ebolavirus</i> )	NO

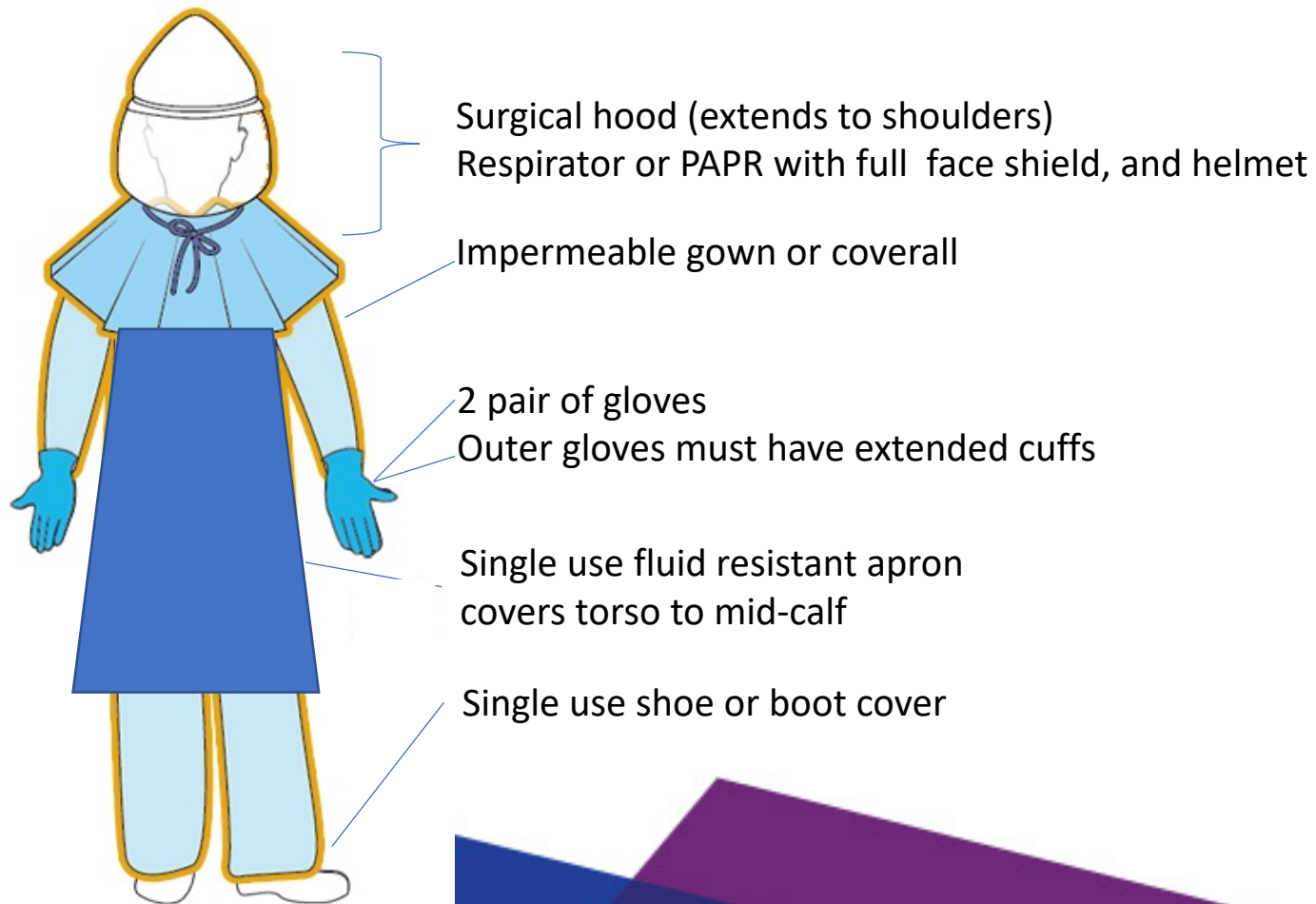
Therapeutic	Special Pathogen Target
BCX4430 Galidesivir – PI	MARV
MBP091 – pre-clinical	MARV
MBP134 – PI	SUDV
(ZMAPP – PII/III	EBOV)
Inmazeb – Licensed (REGN)	EBOV*
Ebanga – Licensed (MAb114)	EBOV*

# Considerations for Discussion – Ebola Virus Disease

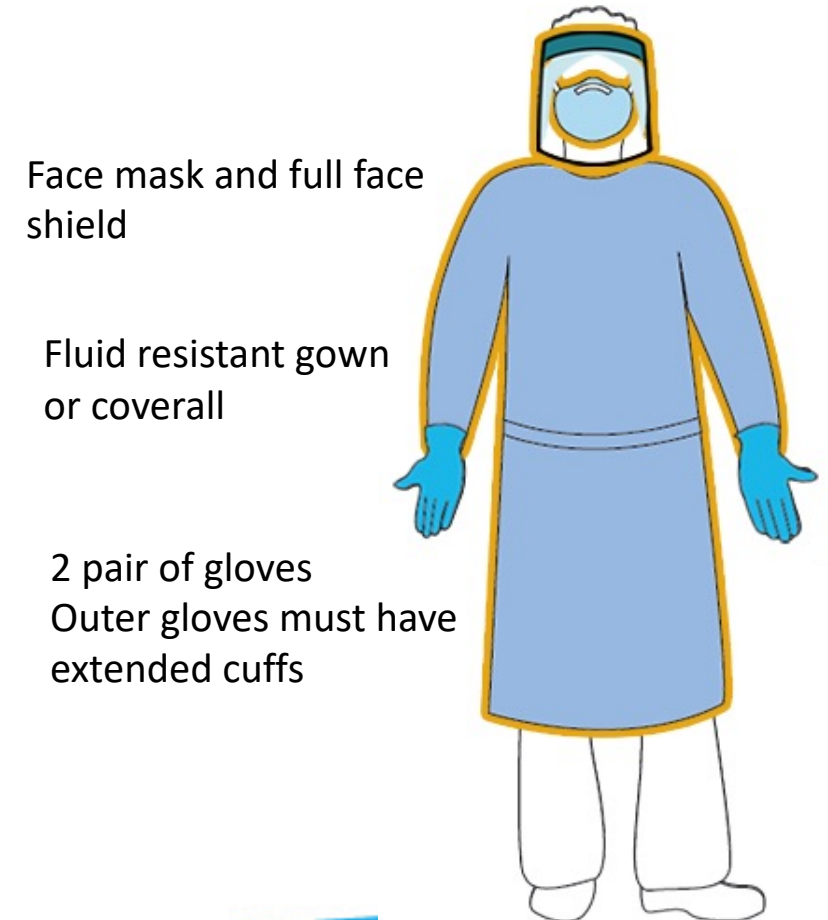
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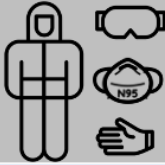
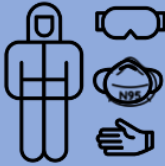






# Viral Hemorrhagic Fever PPE

## Acute (Wet)Phase and Body Fluid Exposure

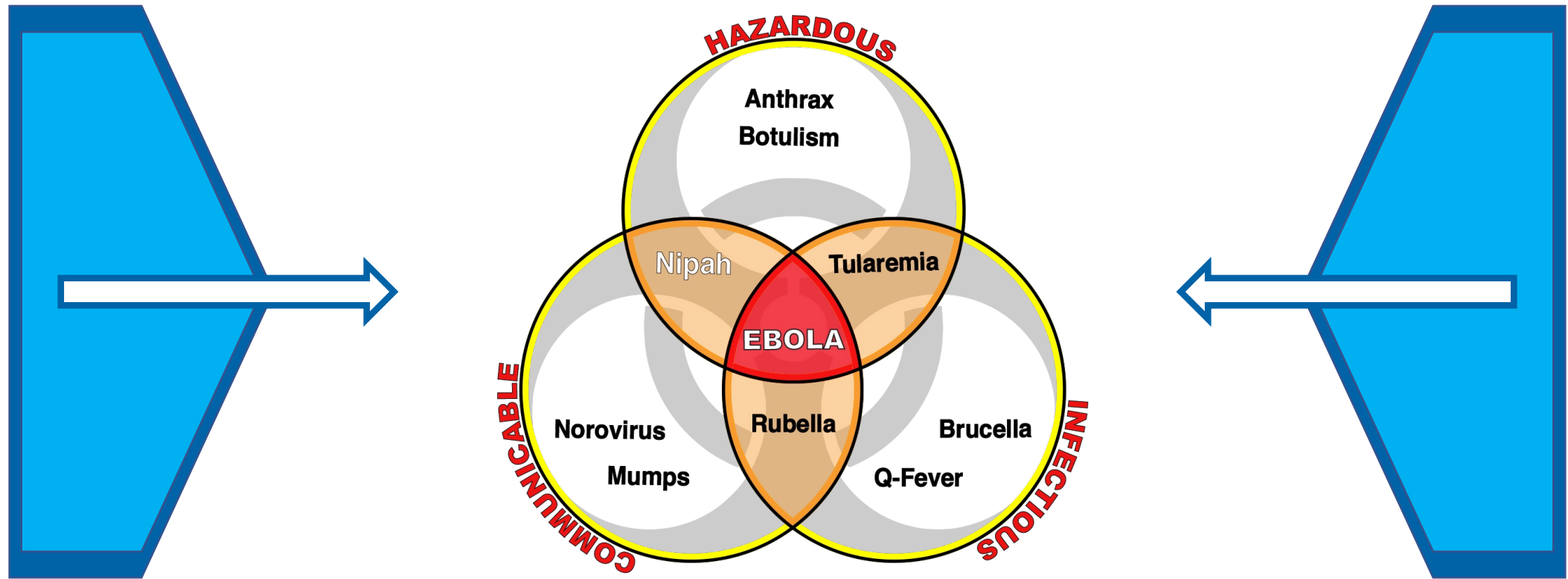


## Absolute Minimum for suspect case – no vomiting, bleeding or diarrhea



Virus Family	Illness Caused	Common Geography	Vector or Source	Person-to-person spread	Precautions	PPE	Comments
Filoviridae	Ebola Virus Disease	Central, sub-Saharan Africa	Presumed bat	YES	Contact, Droplet/Airborne, Eye		Full body coverage for acute (wet) phase
	Marburg virus		Fruit bat				
Arenaviridae	Lassa fever	West Africa	Rodents	YES	Contact, Droplet/Airborne, Eye		Full body coverage for acute (wet) phase
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Bunyaviridae	CCHF – Crimean Congo Hemorrhagic Fever	Europe, Mediterranean, Middle East, Africa, India, China	Tick, infected livestock	YES	Contact, Droplet*, Eye		*Add respiratory protection (N95 or ↑) for centrifugation 
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Flaviviridae	Yellow Fever	Tropics	Mosquito	Blood*	Standard Precautions		*Potential risk of Yellow Fever transmission in blood transfusion, immediately post vaccination 
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	Omsk	Siberia					

# Special Pathogens – A Framework



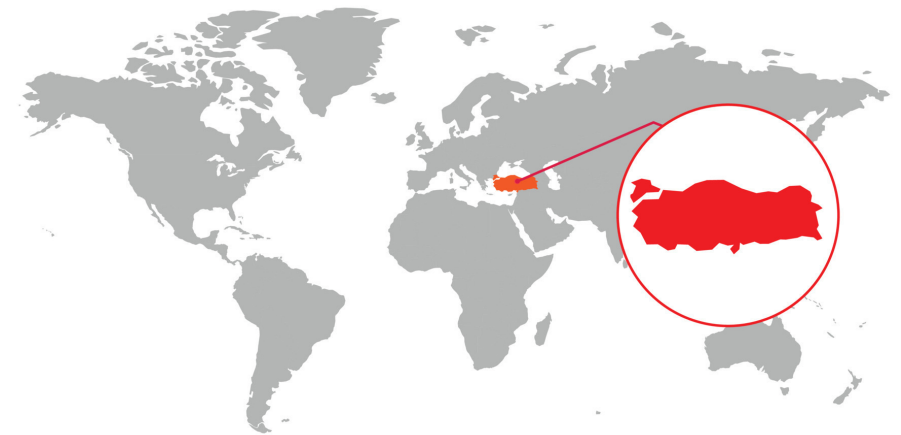
# Case #2

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# HPI

- CC: fever, malaise, joint pains, scrotal pain x 3 days
- Brief HPI: 51M w/ no history of known diseases or intake of regular medications
- Landscape manager x 20years, reported symptoms started after removal of tick from R leg the week prior



# HPI

- Physical examination revealed temp 38.5C, conjunctival hyperemia, disseminated maculopapular rash, scrotal edema with hyperesthesia
- Laboratory results showed pancytopenia, elevated LDH, elevated ESR



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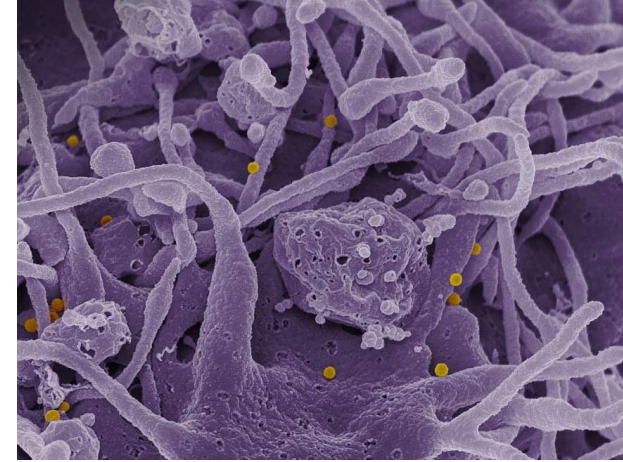


# Patient Results


- RT-PCR performed from blood returned *positive* for CCHFV

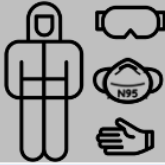
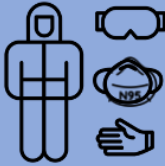






# Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever

- *Nairovirus*; family *Bunyaviridae*
  - First isolated in Crimea 1944; 1969 in Congo
- Reservoir/host is Ixodid ticks (*Hyalomma*)
  - Domesticated animals serve as amplifying hosts
  - Human transmission occurs through contact with infected ticks/animals or bodily fluids, contaminated surfaces
- Duration of illness/incubation: 3-13days (avg 5-6d); typical CFR 30-50%



# Considerations for Discussion – Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever

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# Case #3

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# HPI

- CC: Conjunctivitis & rhinorrhea x 3 days
- Brief HPI: 9F with no known medical history
- Family had recently acquired poultry in their backyard



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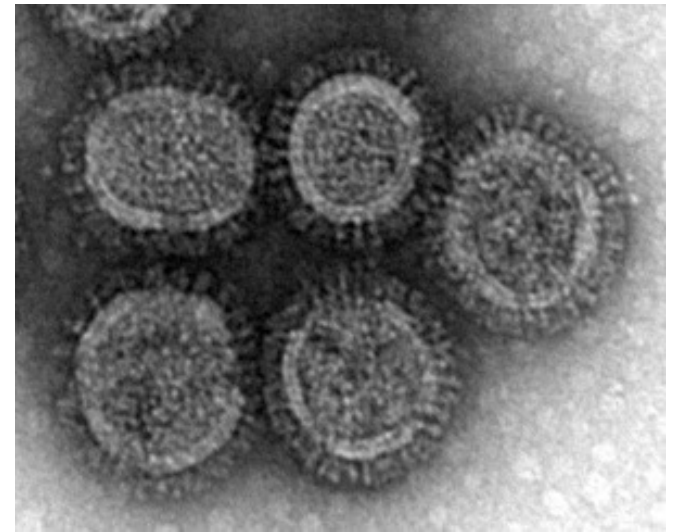
- Five days after initial symptoms she developed gastrointestinal symptoms including pain, diarrhea, and was hospitalized one day later
- She rapidly developed profound shock requiring intubation and vasopressor support and died a week later

# Patient Results


- Two days after admission to ICU, respiratory swab was collected and returned *positive* for Influenza A H5 type

# Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A

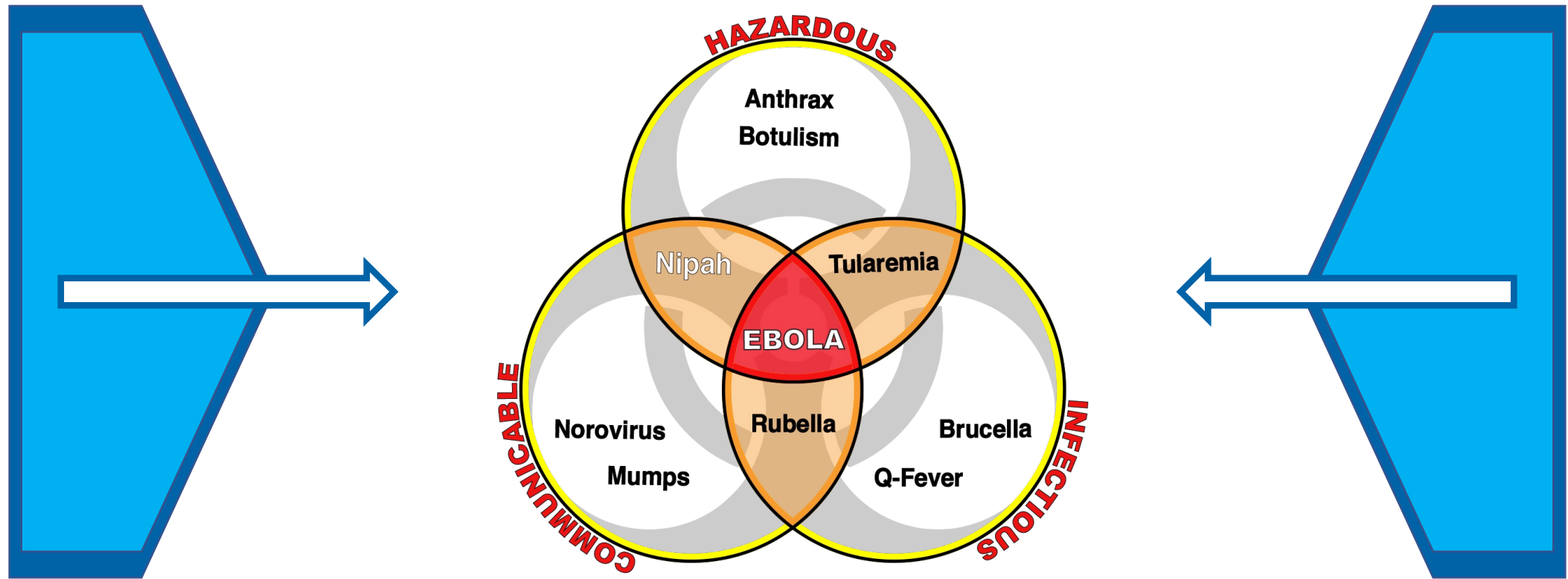
- Highly pathogenic avian influenza virus
  - First infections identified in humans in Hong Kong, 1997
- Sporadic cases of avian-human transmission
  - Human-human transmission is rare
  - Direct/close exposure to sick/dead infected poultry
  - Wide range of disease severity
- **2003-2023**: 869 human cases, 457 deaths (CFR 53%), 22 countries
  - United States: 2022, 1 case (mild)
  - Ecuador: 2023, 1 pediatric case (critically ill)
  - Cambodia: 2023, 2 cases, 1 pediatric death
  - China: 2023, 1 case
  - Chile: 2023, 1 case (critically ill)
- Transmission has been observed in multiple terrestrial and marine mammalian species; all 50 states



# Considerations for Discussion – Novel Influenza

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# Special Pathogens – A Framework



**Table 1**ID<sub>50</sub> and R<sub>0</sub> data for putative HLCC pathogens.

Pathogen	Mechanism of PTP Spread	ID <sub>50</sub>	R <sub>0</sub>	References
Ebola	Blood & Body Fluids	1-10 aerosolized organisms	1.3–2.53	[15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22]
Marburg	Blood & Body Fluids	1-10 aerosolized organisms	1.59	[11,23]
Lassa	Blood & Body Fluids	1-10 aerosolized organisms	1.23–1.33	[11,24]
Lujo	Scant data; Presumably Blood & Body Fluids	No data	No data	
Junin	Blood & Body Fluids	No data	<1	[25,26]
Machupo	Blood & Body Fluids	No data	<1	[21,22]
Guanarito	Scant data; Presumably Blood & Body Fluids	No data	No data	
Sabia	No data	No data	<1	[21]
CCHF	Blood & Body Fluids	No data	<1	[21,27]
SARS	Respiratory Droplets; Possibly Droplet Nuclei	No data	2.2–3.6	[28,29,30,31]
MERS	Respiratory Droplets; Possibly Droplet Nuclei	No data	0.60–11.5 <sup>1</sup>	[32,33,34,35,36]
H5N1 Influenza	Respiratory Droplets; Possibly Droplet Nuclei	1000 viral particles <sup>2</sup>	1.14	[37]
H7N9 Influenza	Respiratory Droplets; Possibly Droplet Nuclei	1000 viral particles	0.1–0.47	[37]
Smallpox	Droplet Nuclei, Scabs	1–100	3.5–7.0	[38,39,40,41]
Monkeypox	Respiratory Droplets; Possibly Droplet Nuclei and Scabs	No data	0.32	[42]
Nipah	Respiratory Droplets	No data	0.33	[43]
Hendra	No Data	No data	No data	
Pneumonic Plague	Respiratory Droplets	100 to 500 organisms by inhalation	1.3–3.5	[44,45,46,47,48]
XDR-TB	Droplet Nuclei	<10 bacilli <sup>3</sup>	1.97	[49,50]

<sup>1</sup> Estimates from South Korean and Saudi studies vary widely; <sup>2</sup> Influenza data is not specific to these strains; <sup>3</sup> TB data is not specific to XDR strains. Key: HLCC = High Level Containment Care; PTP = Person-to-Person; CCHF = Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever; SARS = Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome; MERS = Middle East Respiratory Syndrome; XDR-TB = Extensively Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis.

# Question & Answer

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# Poll Question





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