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## **Current Epidemiology of Pediatric Pneumococcal Disease, United States**

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#### Pneumococcal carriage is precursor to pneumococcal disease



Figure 1. Pathogenic route for S pneumoniae infection. Redrawn from reference 2. Organs infected through the airborne and haematogenic routes are depicted in blue and red, respectively.

Bogaert, Lancet Infect Dis 2004;4:144-54

## Outline

- Invasive Pneumococcal Disease (IPD) in children
  - Impact of Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccines (PCVs) on IPD incidence and serotype distribution
  - IPD incidence caused by serotypes in PCV15 and PCV20
  - Changes in IPD incidence and serotype distribution post-COVID19
- Acute Otitis Media (AOM)
  - Impact of PCV13
  - Incidence Estimates
- Pneumonia in children
  - Impact of PCV13 on all-cause and pneumococcal pneumonia
  - Incidence Estimates

#### Impact of PCVs on Invasive Pneumococcal Disease (IPD) Incidence and Serotype Distribution among Children in the U.S.

## Methods

- Active Bacterial Core surveillance (ABCs):
  - Active laboratory and population-based surveillance, 10 sites
  - Pneumococcus isolation from sterile site



- Isolates serotyped by whole genome sequencing, Quellung, or PCR at reference labs and grouped for analysis by vaccine type
- US Census Bureau race-bridged post-census population estimates used as denominators
- Overall and serotype-specific IPD incidence rates (cases per 100,000 people)

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#### Incidence rates of invasive pneumococcal disease (IPD) among children < 5 years old, 2007 – 2021



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#### Incidence rates of IPD among children < 5 years old, 2011 – 2021, by PCV13+6C\*serotypes



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**Current Pediatric Pneumococcal Disease Incidence Caused by Serotypes in PCV15 and PCV20** 

# Serotypes contained in current and new pneumococcal vaccines

	1	3	4	5	6A	6B	7 F	9V	14	18 C	19 A	19 F	23 F	22 F	33 F	8	10 A	11 A	12 F	15 B	2	9N	17 F	20
PCV13																								
PCV15																								
PCV20																								
PPSV23																								

For analysis purposes:

- **PCV13+6C**: includes serotype **6C** with PCV13 types due to cross protection from 6A antigen
- PCV15 non-PCV13: includes serotypes 22F and 33F
- PCV20 non-PCV15: includes serotypes 8, 10A, 11A, 12F, and 15B
- PPSV23 non-PCV20: includes serotypes 2, 9N, 17F, and 20

#### Incidence rates of IPD among children <5 years old, 2011 – 2021, by vaccine type



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#### Incidence rates of IPD among children 5 -18 years old, 2011 – 2021, by vaccine type



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# IPD incidence among children with immunocompromising conditions, 2015-2019\*



Children < 5 years

CDC unpublished data, IPD cases identified from ABCs

\*Hematologic Malignancy Data only available from 2015-2018 for children age <5 years

^ IPD rates for those with and without sickle cell disease are among African American children

Children 5-17 years

## Acute Otitis Media (AOM) in Children

#### PCV13 impact on acute otitis media in children

- AOM is a major cause of childhood morbidity<sup>1,2,3</sup>
  - Pneuococcus is a common bacterial cause of AOM
    - S. pneumoniae accounted for an estimated 24%<sup>4</sup>
- AOM incidence decreased after PCV13 introduction
  - 11%-14% decrease, depending on age group and study years<sup>1,2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Tong et al. *BMC* 2018
<sup>2</sup> King et al. *ASHE* 2021
<sup>3</sup>Casey et al *Clin Pediatr 2014;* <sup>4</sup>Kaur et al. *EJCMID* 2022

### Incidence of acute otitis media among children

	<b>2014</b> <sup>1</sup>	2014-2018 <sup>2</sup>	2016-2018 <sup>3</sup>				
<1	43,180						
1 year	47,860						
<2 years		76,880	49,050				
2-4 years	29,980	41,030	31,970				
5-17 years	9,060	9,180	5,680				

AOM visits per 100 000 Person Vears

AOM incidence highest among children age <5 years

<sup>1</sup> Tong et al. *BMC* 2018
<sup>2</sup> Hu et al. *BMC* 2022
<sup>3</sup>Unpublished analysis courtesy of Laura King, UC Berkeley

## Pneumonia in Children

### **Evidence of PCV13 impact on pneumonia in children**

- Reduction in incidence of all-cause and pneumococcal pneumonia among in children following PCV13 introduction<sup>1,2,3</sup>
  - **17-35%** reduction in all cause-pneumonia<sup>1</sup>
  - 40% and 51% reduction in inpatient pneumococcal pneumonia among ages <1 and 5-17 years, respectively; no reductions in ages 2-4 years<sup>2</sup>

#### Pneumonia incidence among children

Age (years)	All-cause pneumonia (frequency per 100,000 person years) <sup>1</sup> , 2014	All-cause inpatient pneumonia (cases per 100,000 population) <sup>2</sup> , 2018–19
< 1	2,250	680
1	3,990	480
2–4	3,390	290
5–17	1,280	87

<sup>1</sup> Tong et al. BMC 2018 <sup>2</sup> National Inpatient Sample, 2018-2019

### Conclusions

- Use of PCVs (PCV7, PCV13) significantly decreased the incidence of pneumococcal disease in U.S. children
- Risk of disease remains higher in children with immunocompromising conditions compared to children without
- In 2018–2019, the proportion of IPD caused by vaccine serotypes was:
  - PCV20, non-PCV13: ~30% of IPD
  - PCV15, non-PCV13: ~15% of IPD

# Questions

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