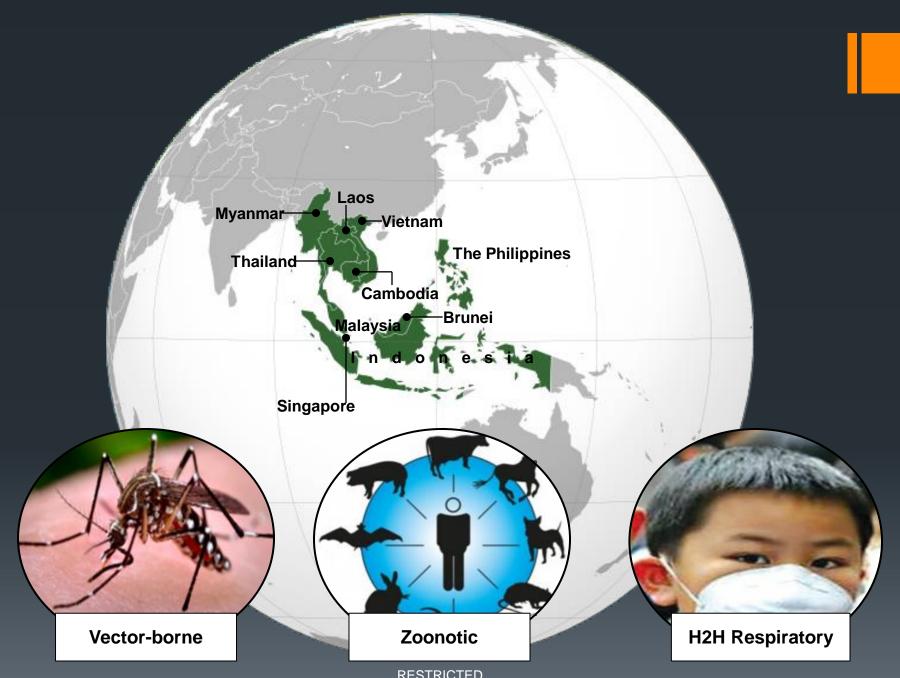
Emerging Diseases & Global Health Policies in Southeast Asia

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Southeast Asia's Encounters With EID

Chikungunya

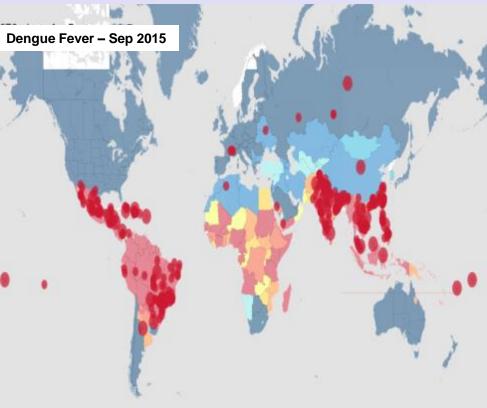
Endemic in SEA

2009: Thailand – 42,000 cases; 2012: Cambodia – 1,500 cases

Chikungunya - Mar 2015 Indonesia Laos Malaysia Myanmar **Philippines** Singapore Thailand Vietnam

Dengue

Endemic in SEA
Annual average of 2.9million episodes in SEA



Singapore's Efforts in Vector-Control Programmes









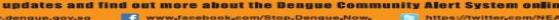














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Local researchers may have found a new dengue vaccine option

T cells, a type of white blood cells, recognise and kill viruses in the body. And as scientists from the DUKE-NUS Graduate Medical School and the NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine have discovered, they are also able to deal with dengue.

By Kenneth Lim

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World's first dengue vaccine could be available in 2015

08 January 2015 | By Denyse Yeo

French drugmaker Sanofi is ready to register its much-awaited dengue vaccine in affected countries in 2015.

If all goes according to plan, the world's first vaccine for the lifethreatening illness could be available in the second half of 2015, subject to regulatory approvals, said a spokesman for Sanofi Pasteur, the pharmaceutical giant's vaccine unit.

This comes on the back of the successful completion of the vaccine's final phase III evaluations in Latin America, revealed in November



2014. The results of the Asian phase III study were announced in April 2014.

Serum Institute sets out for dengue fast track

September 24, 2015 | By Eric Sagonowsky

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Asia's largest vaccinemaker just made a play that could affect the race for a vaccine protecting against dengue fever, a common affliction that has a big impact in the region.

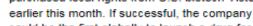






















The Serum Institute of India announced on Tuesday that it's seeking fast-track approval to launch a dengue treatment in India for which it purchased local rights from U.S. biotech Visterra



Serum CEO Adar Poonawalla

could be the first globally to launch a drug for the mosquito-borne illness, Reuters reports--a development with potential implications in the ongoing dengue vaccine race between Sanofi, Takeda, and others.

Serum CEO Adar Poonawalla told the news service his company will seek approval in a year to a year and a half versus the three to four years typically required for vaccines. However, Sanofi (\$SNY), which has spent 20 years and \$1.5 billion developing its vaccine, plans to launch yet this year in the region: Its vaccines head, Olivier Charmeil, said the company will have filed for approval in 20 countries--representing approximately half of the world's population at risk of dengue--by the end of this year.

Southeast Asia's Encounters With EID

Avian Influenza H5N1

2003-2015: 410 reported cases; 287 deaths in Indonesia, Vietnam, Thailand, Cambodia, Laos and Myanmar

Areas with confirmed human cases for avian influenza A(H5N1) reported to WHO, 2003-2013*

Japanese Encephalitis 2011: 10,246 cases with 95% from China and India.

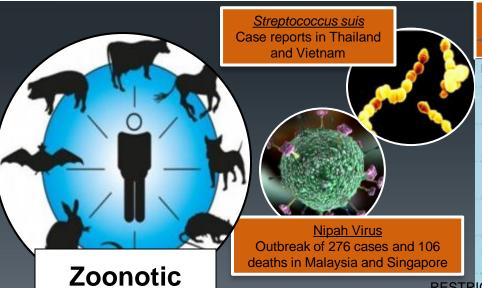


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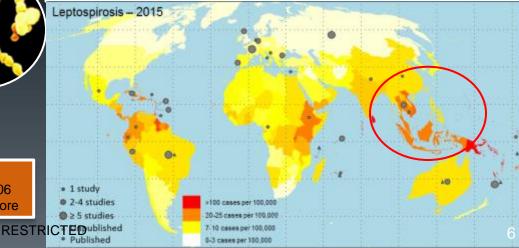
Countries or areas at new



Leptospirosis



Annual estimates in SEA: 266,000 cases and 14,200 deaths

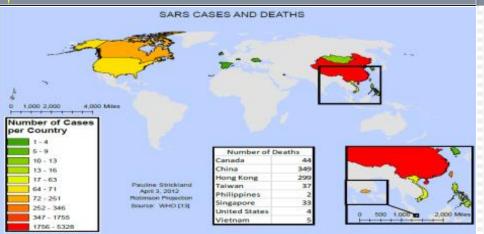


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SARS

2003: 331 reported cases, 44 deaths in Singapore, Vietnam, Thailand, Malaysia, Philippines and Indonesia

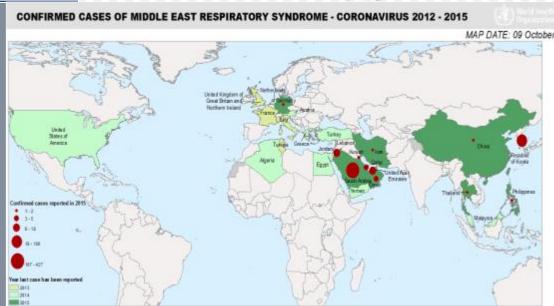
Pandemic Influenza H1N1 (Apr 2009 – Aug 2010)
Worldwide estimated range: 151,700 and 575,400 deaths
... with SEA (and African) countries bearing the 51% of death
burden ... mostly unreported







MERS
Arrived in
Asia. 1st
MERS death
in Malaysia in
2014.



Economic Impact of EID \$\\$\\$\$\$\$ \$\\$\$\$ on Southeast Asia



Dengue

- SEA: US\$950m (Healthcare cost alone)
- Singapore: US\$0.85b to US\$1.15b (healthcare, community programmes, vector control and research)



Nipah Virus

- Malaysia: Slaughtering of 1.1 million pigs in the 1998/99 outbreak ... RM541m national economic damages



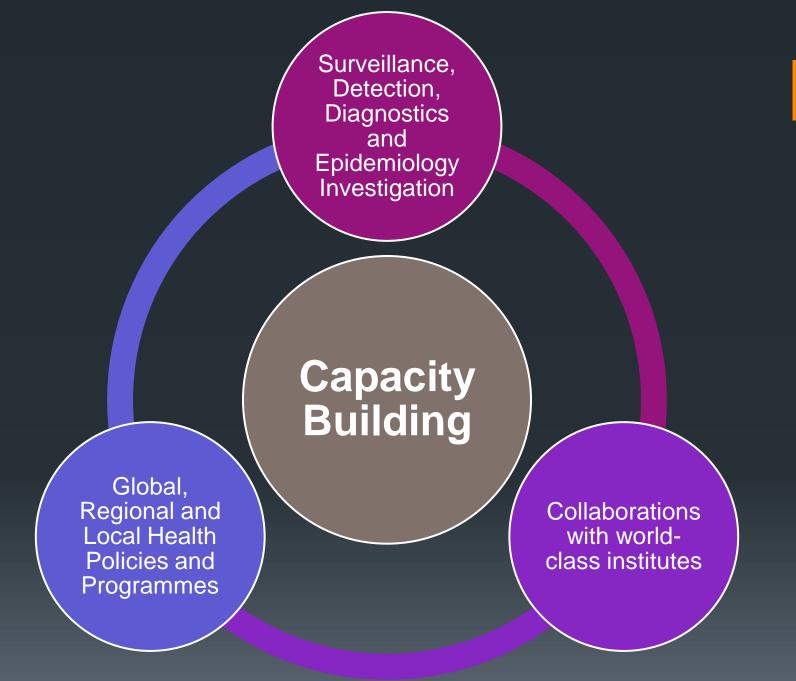
H5N1

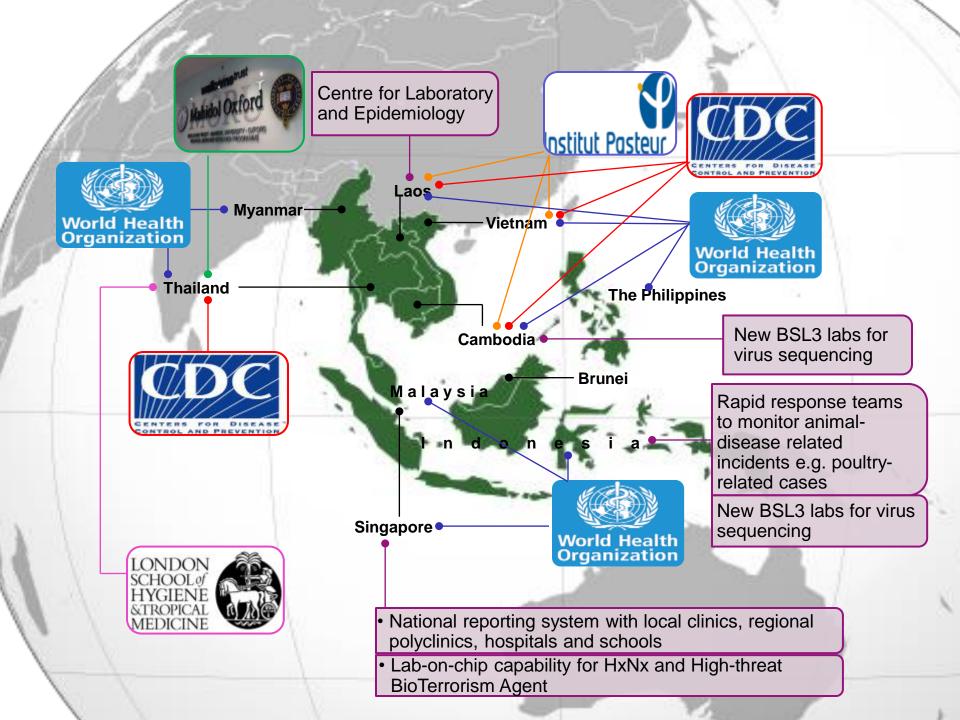
- Vietnam: Culling of
 45million birds ~
 economic loss: US\$118m
- Thailand: Poultry meat exports loss of US\$554.1m



SARS

- Collapse of service industry which is highly reliant on the tourism industry of 35million tourists annually
- A shock to demand of US\$283b for SEA





Global, Regional & Local Health Policies and Programmes





 National Coordination Committees on Communicable Diseases (All)



- Regional Multi-Sectoral Pandemic Preparedness Strategic Framework
- South East Asia Infectious Disease Clinical Research Network
- ASEAN Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Task Force (2004 – 2010)
- Mekong Basin Disease Surveillance Network
- ASEAN+3 Expert Working Group on Communicable Diseases

Global

- Implementation of Recommendations from WHO IHR 2005
- WHO's Asia-Pacific Strategy on Emerging Diseases (2010)
- Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA) 2014

Closing the gaps ... from the Public Health Domain











R&D for early detection of EID



Upstream
coordinated research
with predictive
analysis tools to
study the emergence
of EID with changes
in socio-economic
factors



Strengthening surveillance capacities for timely, coordinated responses and measures



Increase access to public health facilities as a conduit for surveillance



Increase regional coordination and timely information sharing



Strategic stockpiles of antivirals and vaccines.



Quarantine facilities to house infected patients

Beyond Public Health ... Systems Approach Towards EID



Altered local ecosystems



Travel and Trade



Production of Livestock



Urbanization and Growing Population



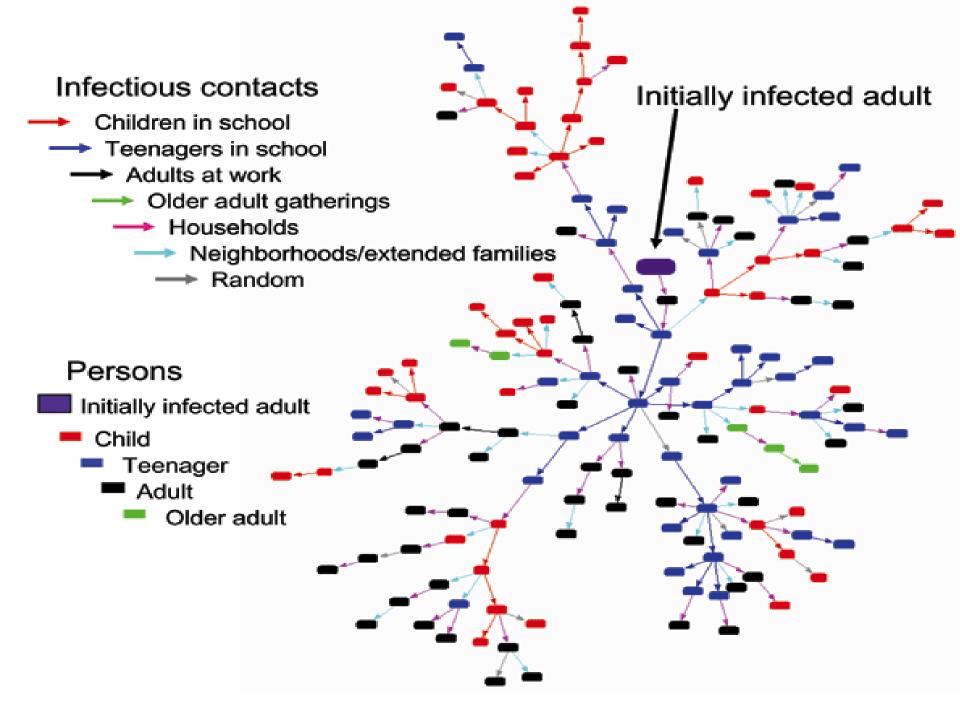
Biosecurity of farms and wildlife



Access to medical drugs

Bioterrorism with EDC(CacAcAgenAgents)







Bio-Surveillance Programme

Bio-Surveillance on Poultry Livestock

Securing Point of Entry at Singapore's Border



Biosurveillance







Bio-Surveillance Programme

Bio-Surveillance on Poultry Livestock

Respond







- 2009 Pandemic Influenza A (H1N1)
- Seasonal H1N1
- H3N2
- H5N1
 - Influenza B virus





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Public Communications ...a critical tool in Singapore

PM Lee: Matter of time before Singapore sees first Mers case



Thank you.

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