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# Conflict of interest

- **Phaxiam (ex-Pherecydes)** : Expert (Board), research grant, investigator coordinator of clinical trials (contract with hospital, no direct funding)
- **Armata** : Punctual expert (contract with university, no direct funding)
- **Contrafect** : Expert investigator coordinator of clinical trial (contract with hospital, no direct funding)

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# I am infectious disease physician (with a PhD)



I have conflict of interest with the patients!

# Two major problems

Implantable  
medical device  
(connected)



Implant-associated  
infections



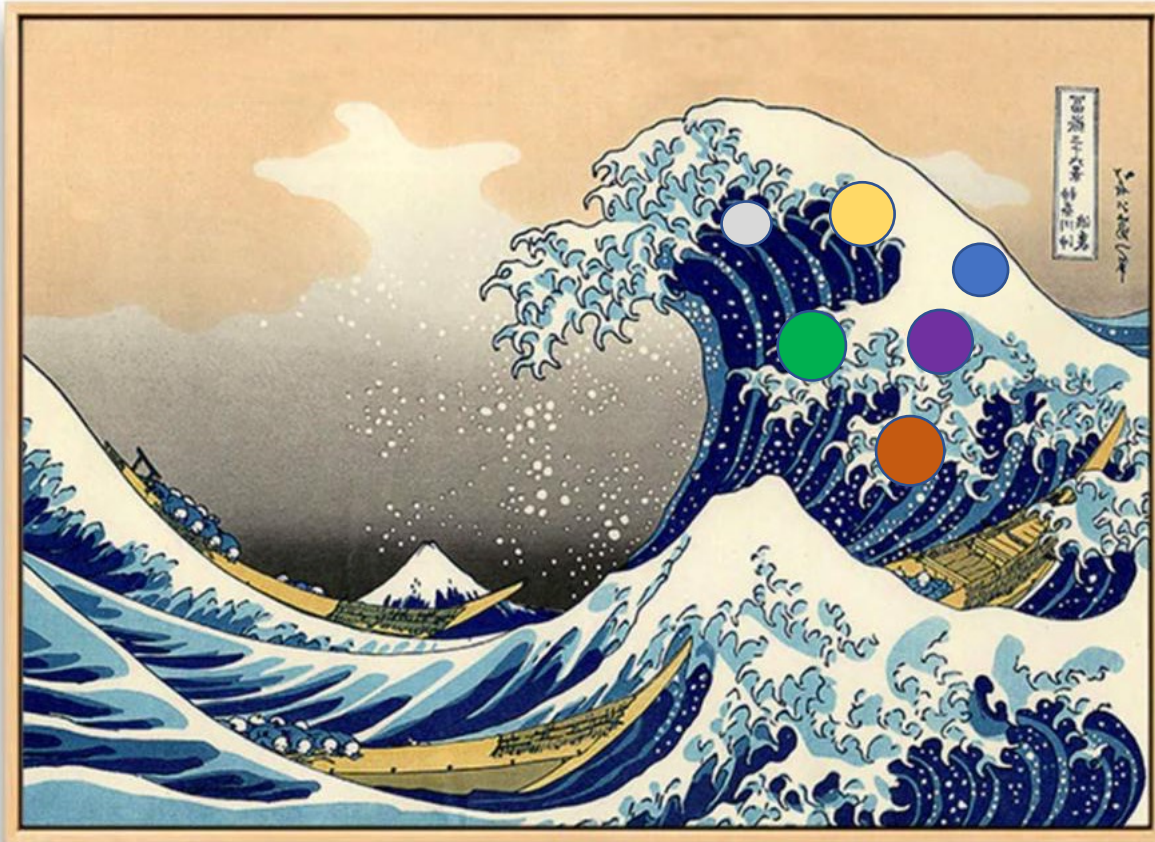
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resistance

Severe bacterial infections  
(bone and joint, pneumonia, endocarditis, sepsis)

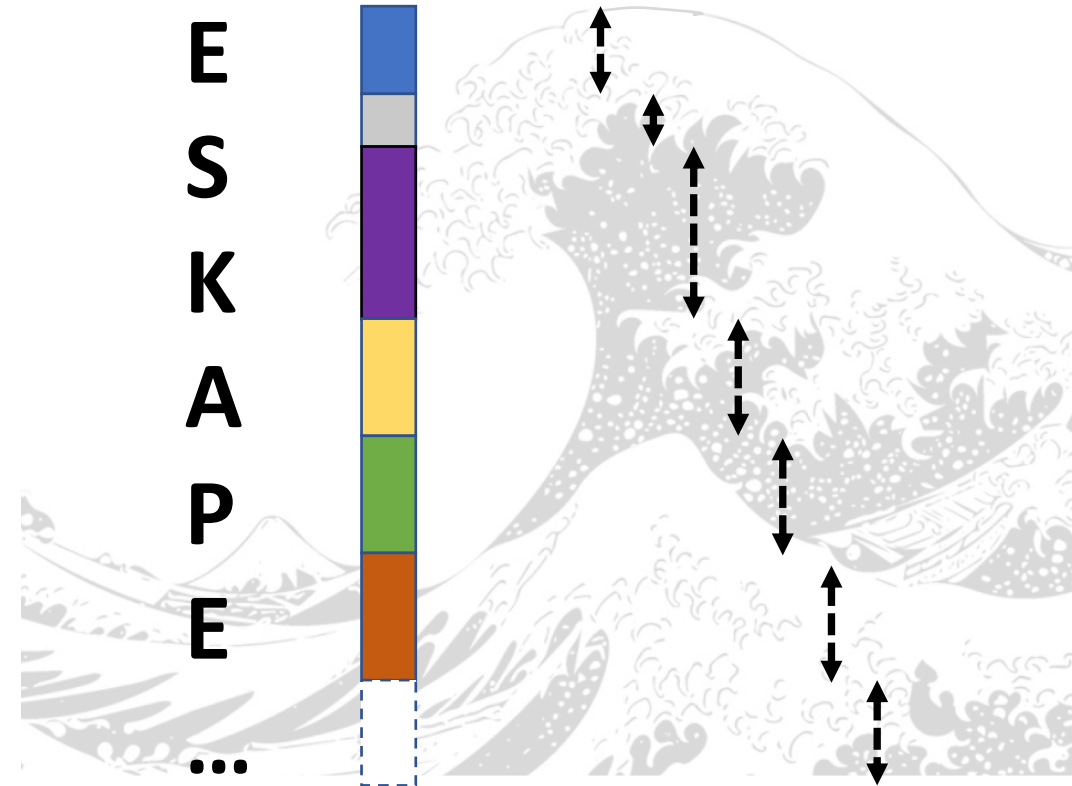
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## *“Slow motion tsunami”*



Katsushika Hokusai (葛飾 北斎)

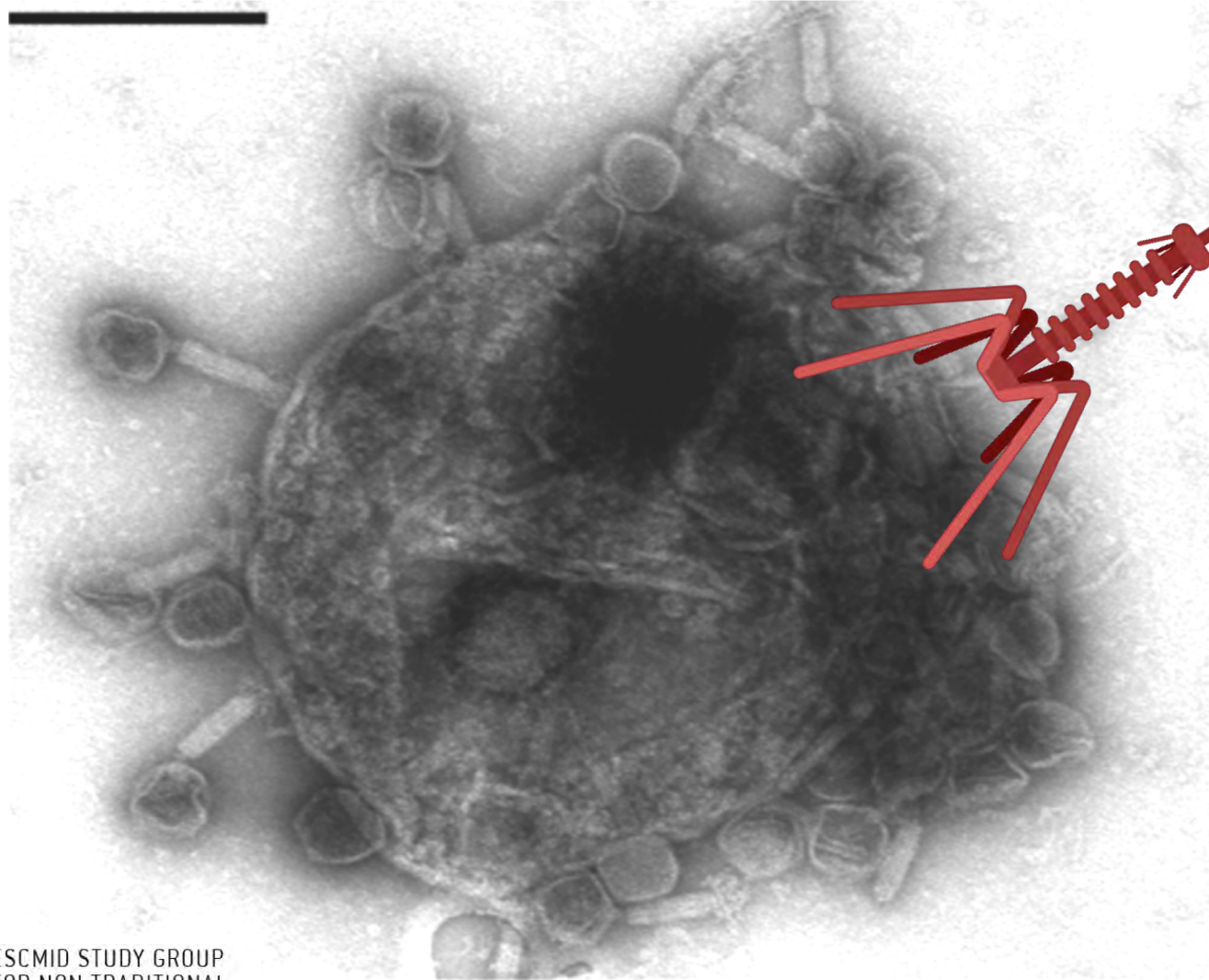


*T. Ferry: “Plural silent pandemia”*

# Bacteria have also their pandemic!



**N**on-**T**raditional  
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therapy



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# Bacteriophage Distributions and Temporal Variability in the Ocean's Interior



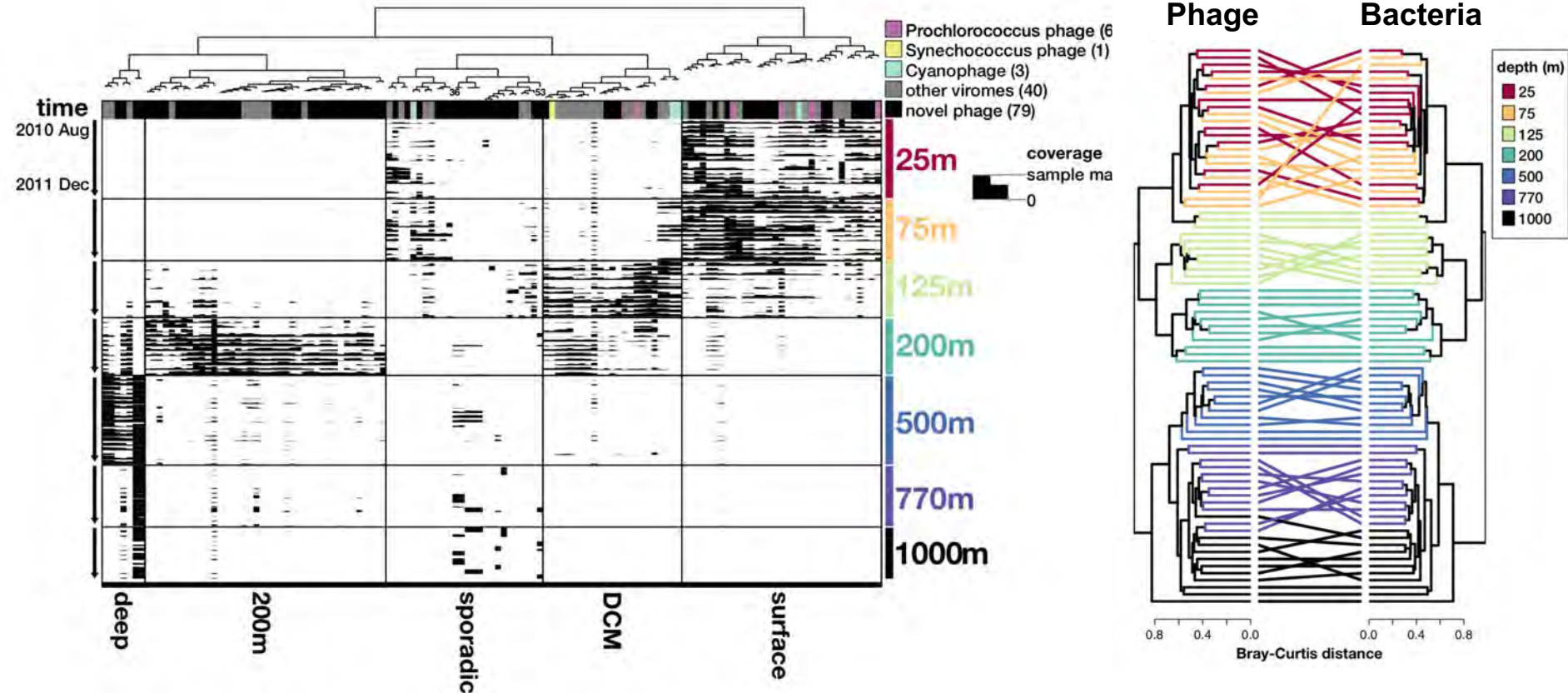
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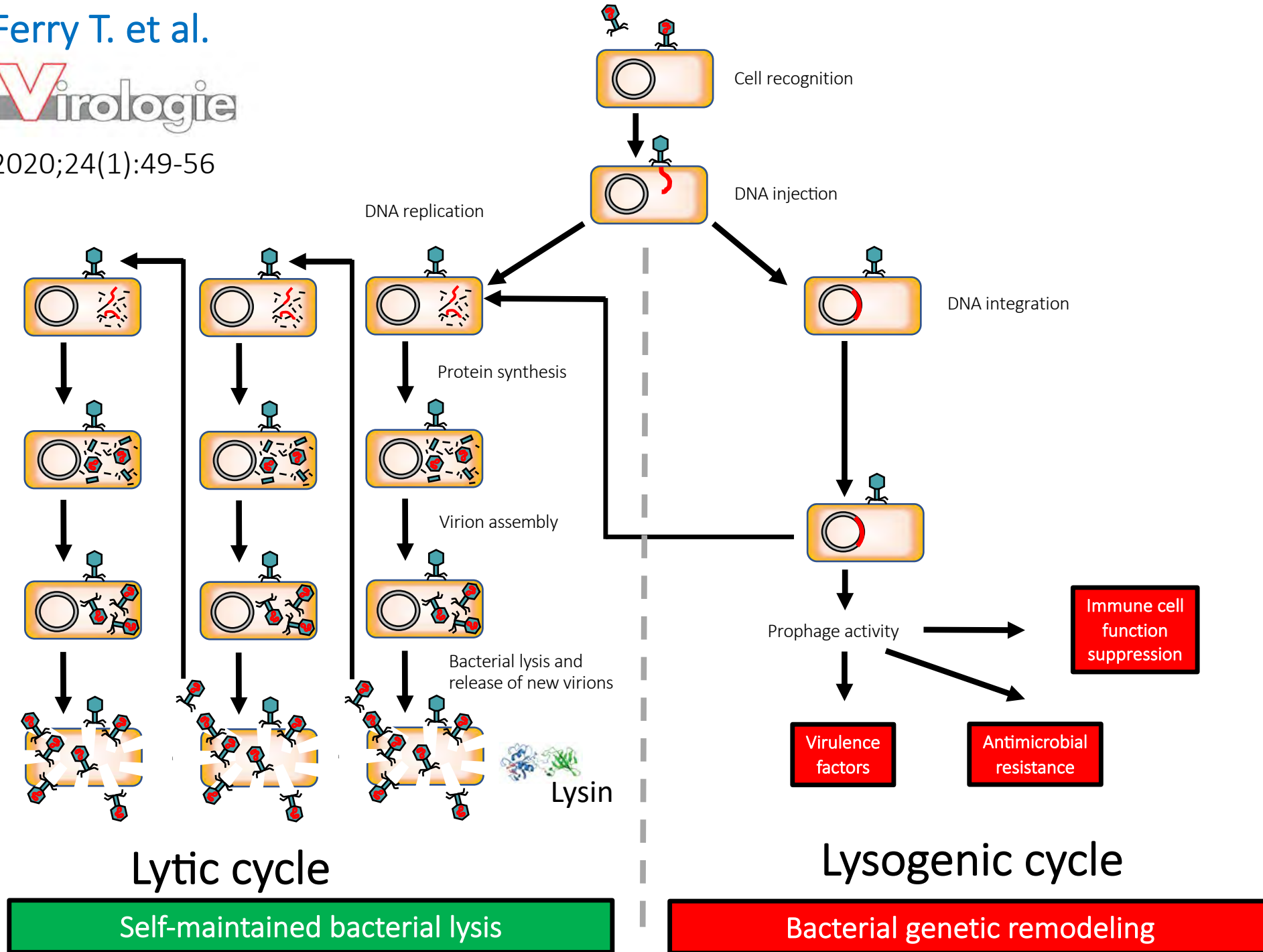


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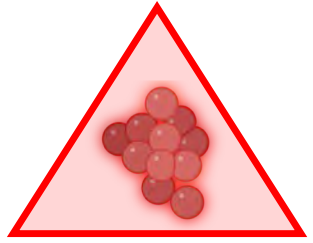
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# A large panel of severe bacterial infections



## Central nervous system infections

Implant-associated meningitis

## Lung infections

Ventilator-associated pneumonia  
Exacerbation in cystic fibrosis  
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## Urinary tract infections

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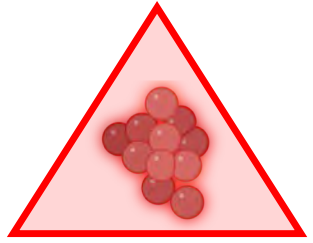
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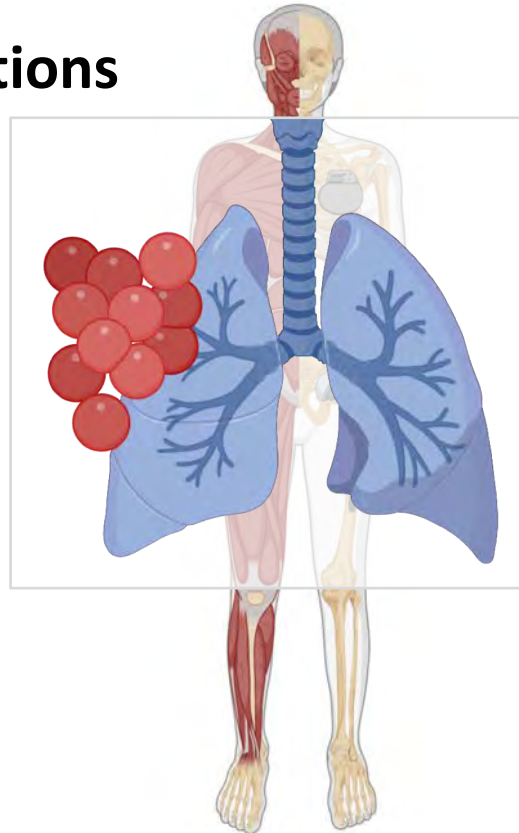
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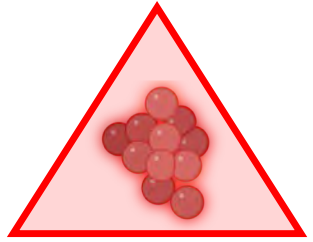
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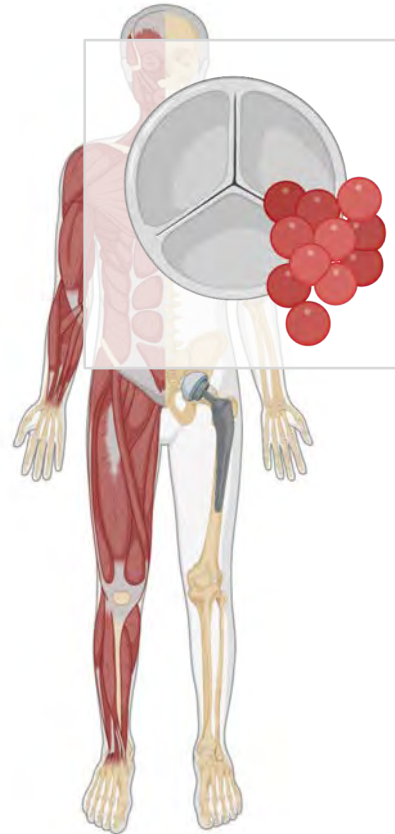
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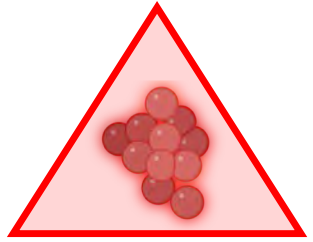
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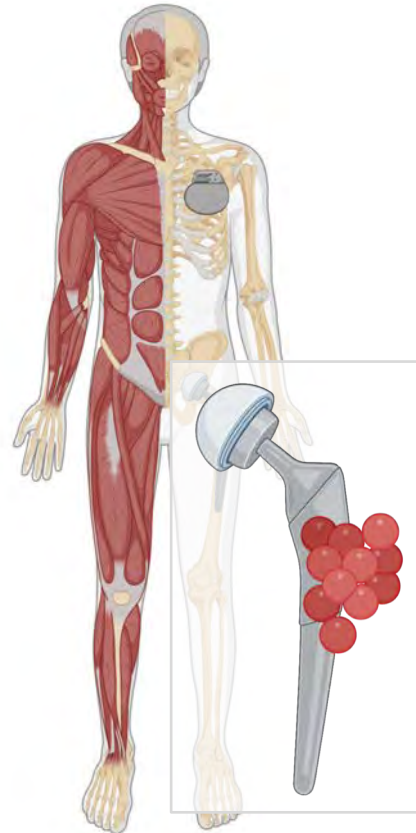
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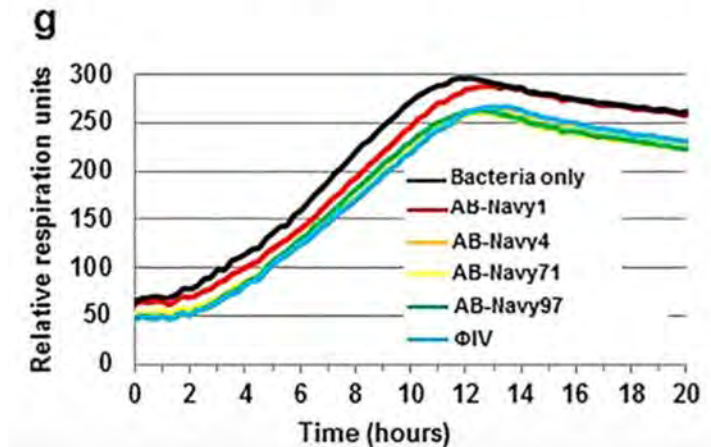
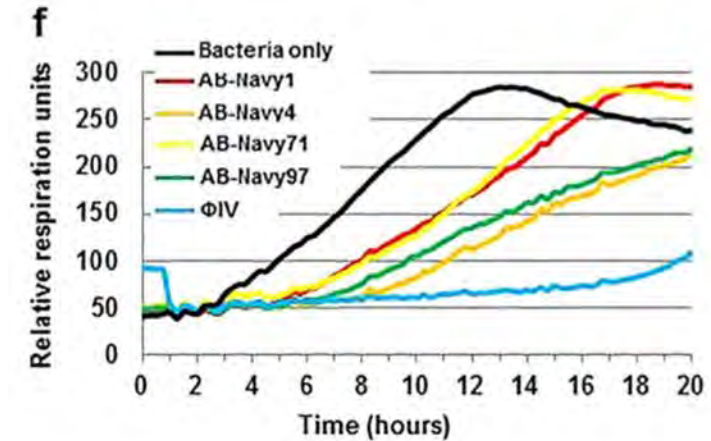
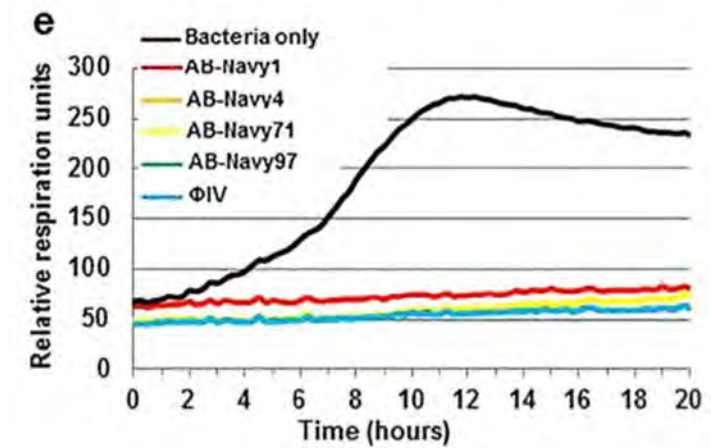


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## Development and Use of Personalized Bacteriophage-Based Therapeutic Cocktails To Treat a Patient with a Disseminated Resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* Infection

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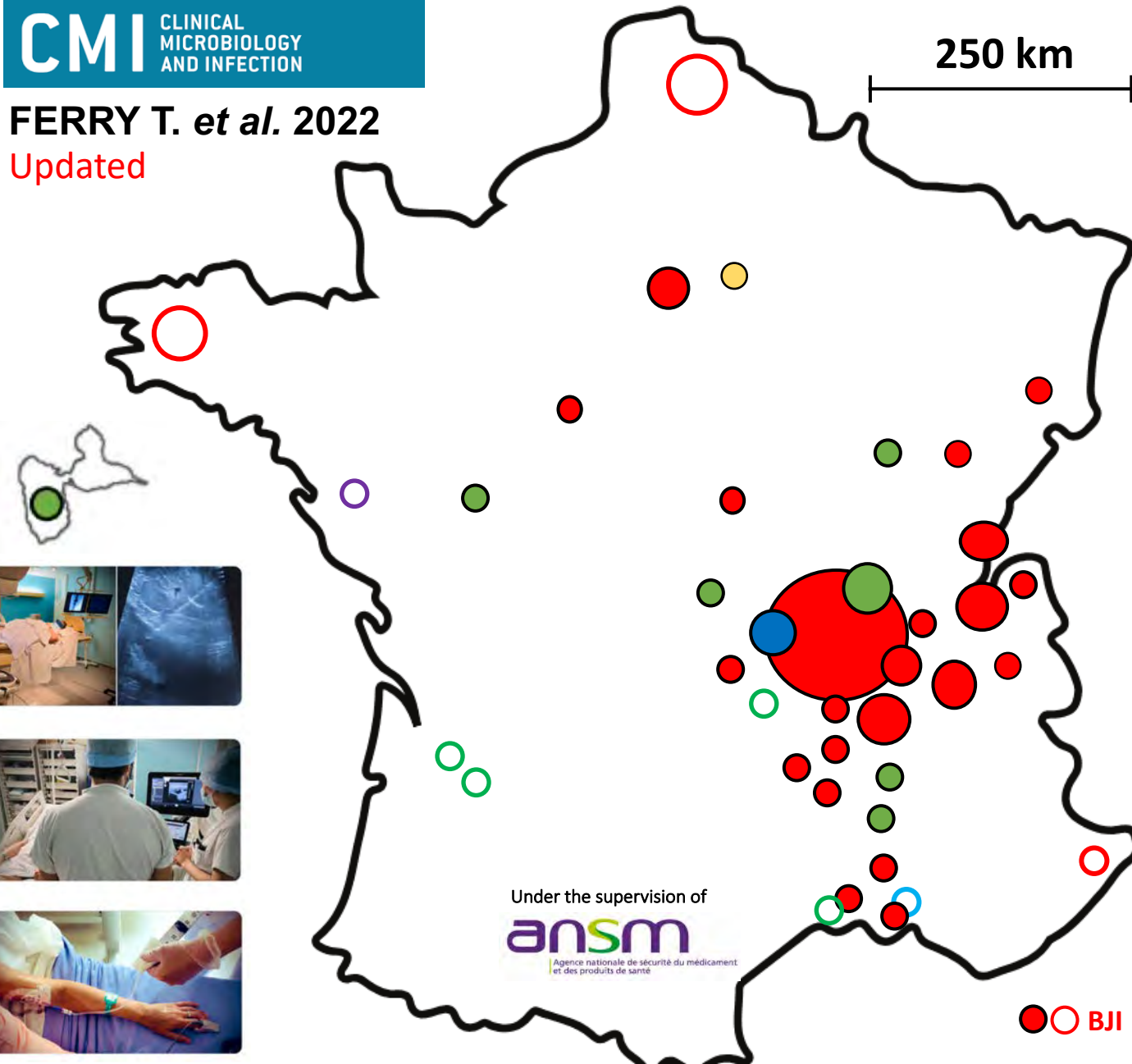


# Implementation of a Phage Therapy Center in a CRIOAc

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**PHAGE***in***LYON**



**59 patients in Lyon since 2017**  
~75% of the whole patients treated in France



- 55 with phages from **PHAXIAM** 
- 4 with phages from **HMRA** 

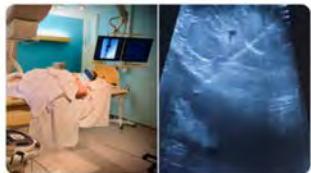


- 46 **BJI** (including 38 **PJI**)
- 10 **endocarditis/vascular graft**
- 3 **lung infections** (VAP + bacteremia, pneumonia in lung graft bronchiectasia, cystic fibrosis exacerbation)



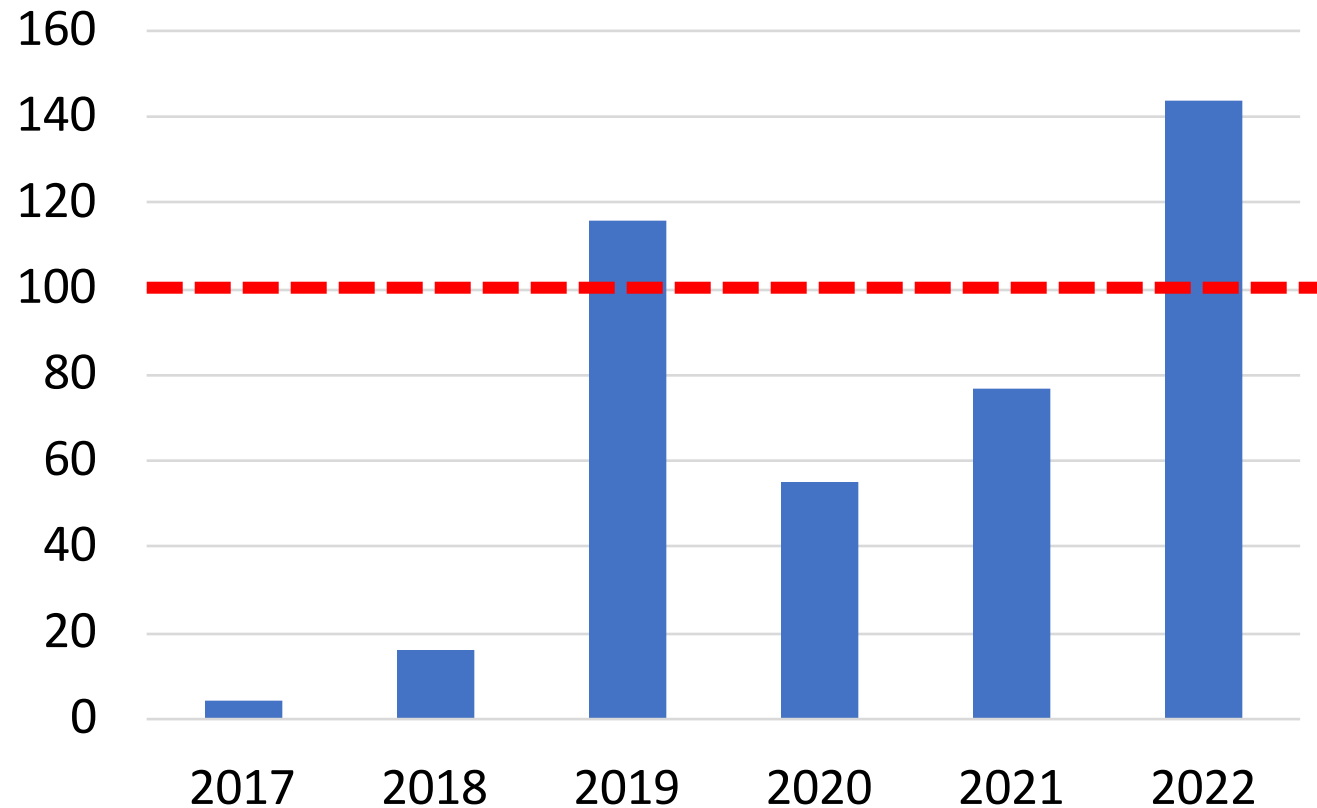
**+ 14 patients managed outside Lyon** ○  
including 1 in  and 1 in 

●○ BJI ●○ Endocarditis ●○ Pneumonia ●○ Burn ●○ Abscess



# Phage requests

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## Involved bacteria

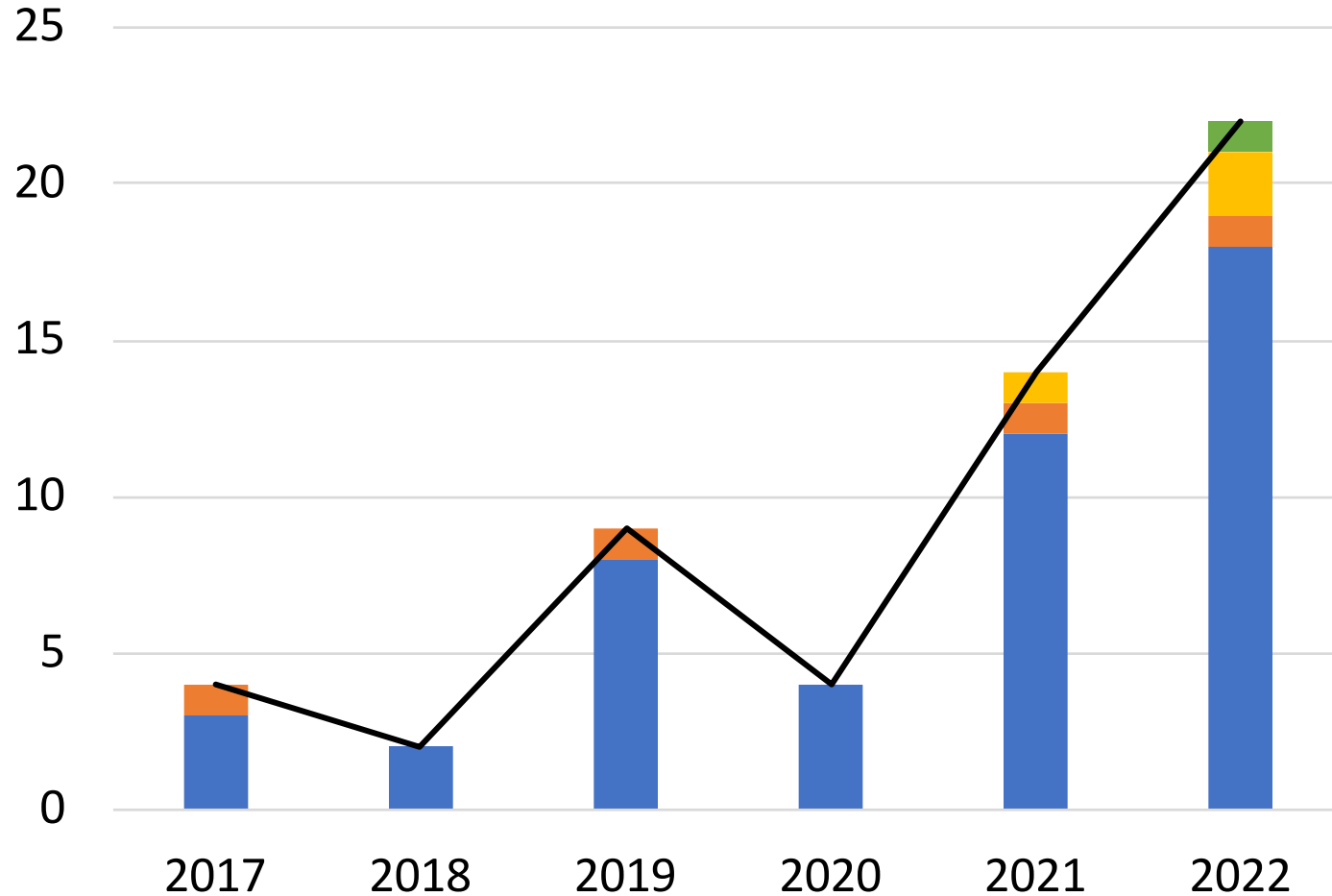
32 % *Staphylococcus aureus*  
16 % *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*  
6 % *Staphylococcus epidermidis*

## Type of infection

37% Prosthetic-joint infection  
27% Other bone and joint infection  
8% Lung infection

Source : T. Ferry

# Treated patients



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- Bone and joint
- Endocarditis
- Lung
- Other
- Vascular graft infection

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## **P** Bone and joint infections: Lyon becomes the national expert center for phage therapy

The reference center for complex bone and joint infections, based at the Hospices Civils de Lyon, will centralize all requests concerning this last resort treatment, using viruses against resistant bacteria.

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# Conclusion

- Phage therapy has a **high potential** in patients with bacterial infections due to multidrug-resistant pathogen, as **adjuvant to antibiotics**
- **Complex personalized therapy** (specific to the infecting strain, various scheme of administrations, etc.)
- **Few pharmaceutical grade phages are available at this time**
- Need to develop phages that aim to target the ESKAPE pathogens
- **Growing clinical evidence and clinical trials are coming**
- Phages as adjuvant **could be an option to prevent** a relapse with acquisition of resistance to antibiotics (*P. aeruginosa*)
- **CRIOAc Lyon, PHAGEinLYON Clinic program and creation Lyon Phage HUB under the supervision of the French healthcare authority to select active phages is a rupture**
- **Access and evaluation of phage therapy**



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# La fabuleuse histoire de la phagothérapie

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# Self-limiting nature of seasonal cholera epidemics: Role of host-mediated amplification of phage

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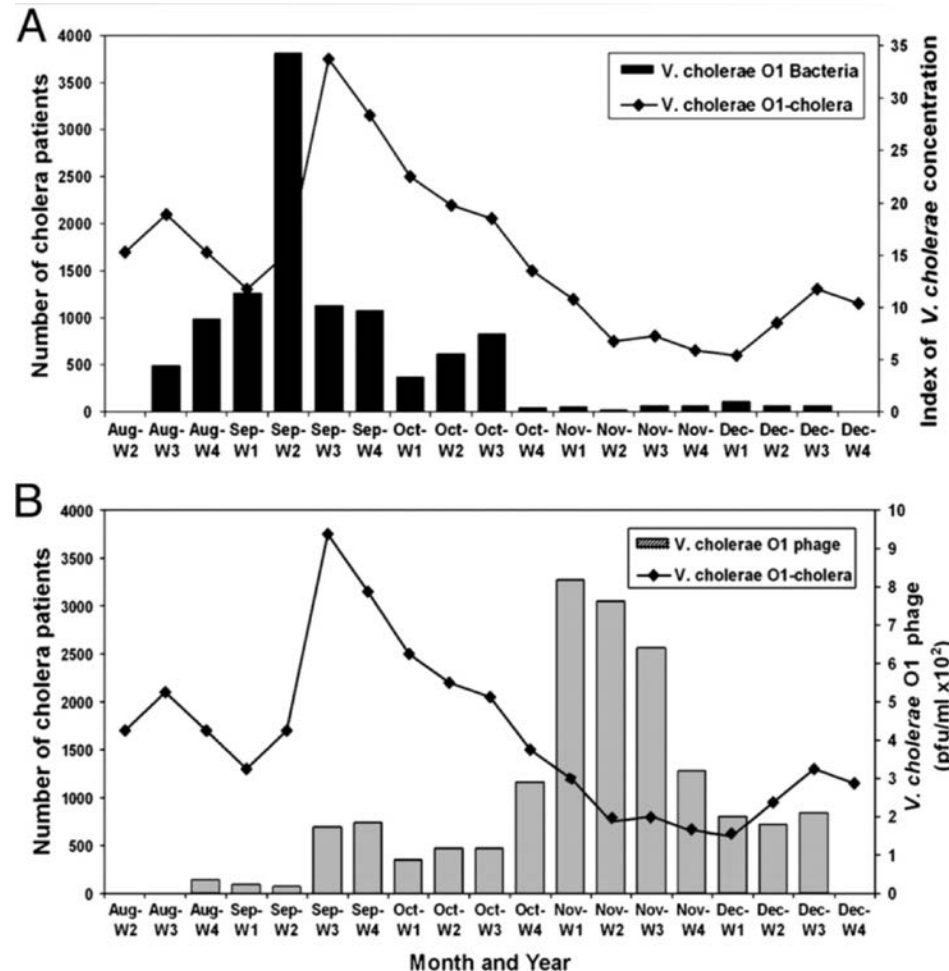
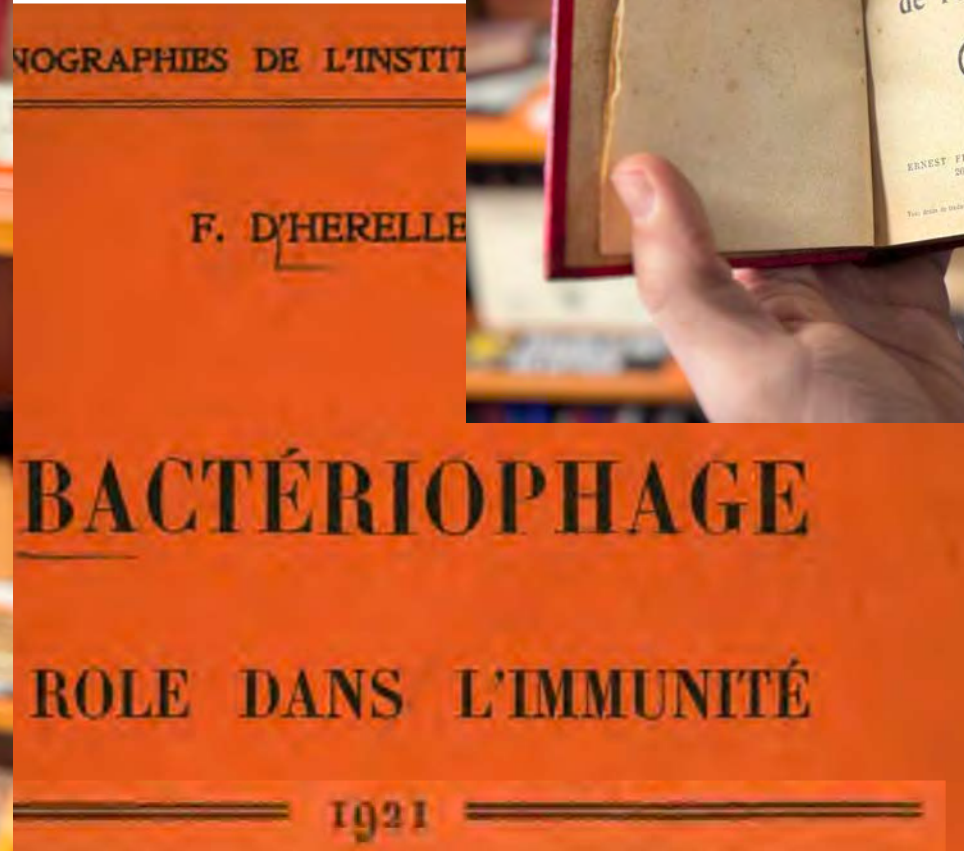
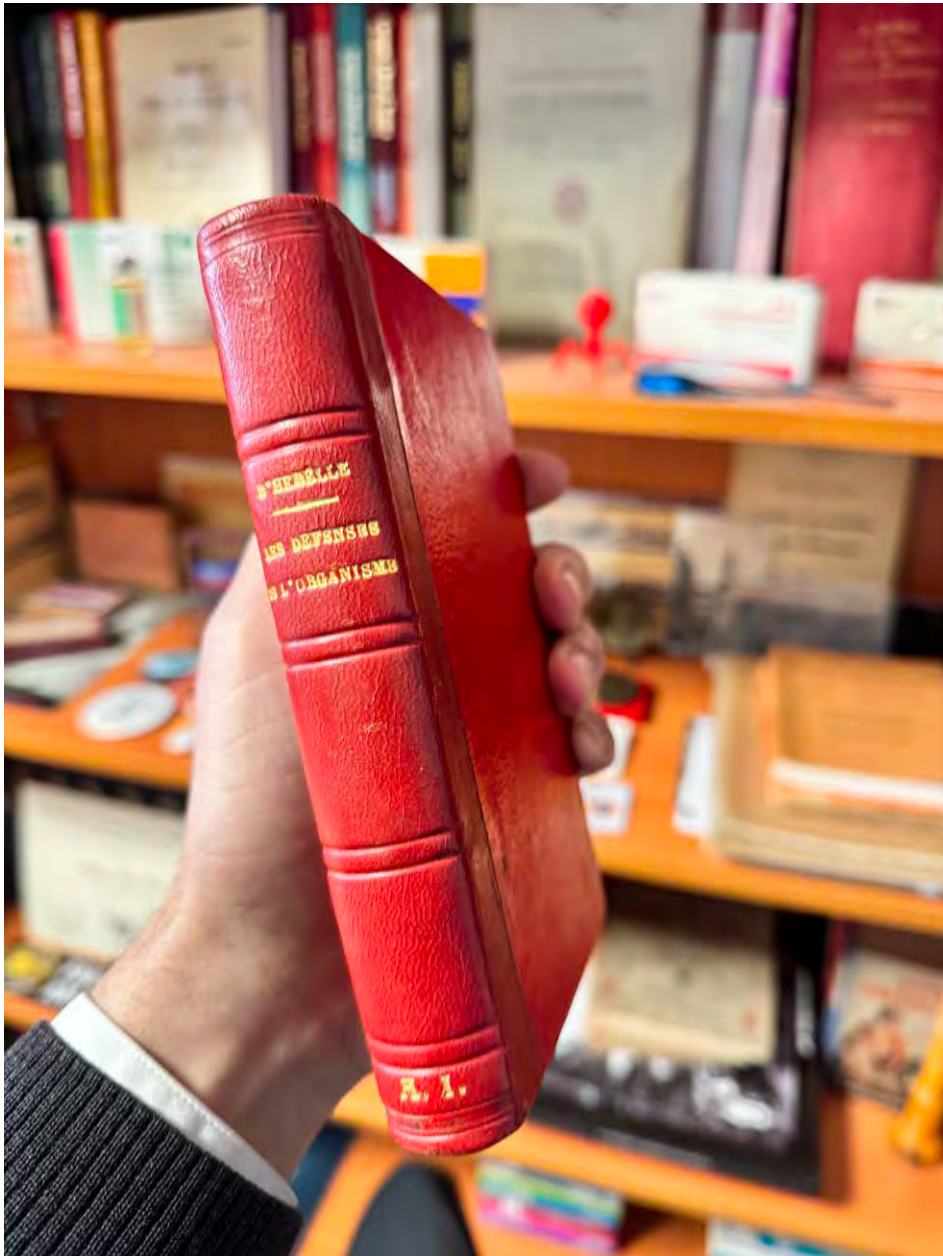


Fig. 1. Map of Dhaka showing the environmental sampling sites (●) and the location of the ICDDR,B cholera hospital at the center of the city.

Bangladesh



Félix d'Herelle  
1873-1949



# Victor Henri Hutinel



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- 1912 : Fondation et 1<sup>er</sup> congrès de la « *International Pediatric Association* » à Paris
- **1919 : Contacté par Félix d'Hérelle pour traiter des premiers patients**

# Félix d'Hérelle

- **« Victor Henri Hutinel était d'accord pour me laisser traiter des jeunes patients à condition que je démontre que l'ingestion d'une culture de bactériophage est inoffensive »**
  - Préparations contenant des phages concentrés
  - Démonstration de l'innocuité par ingestion (d'Herelle et les internes du service)
  - « Pas mauvais goût... », pas d'effet indésirable





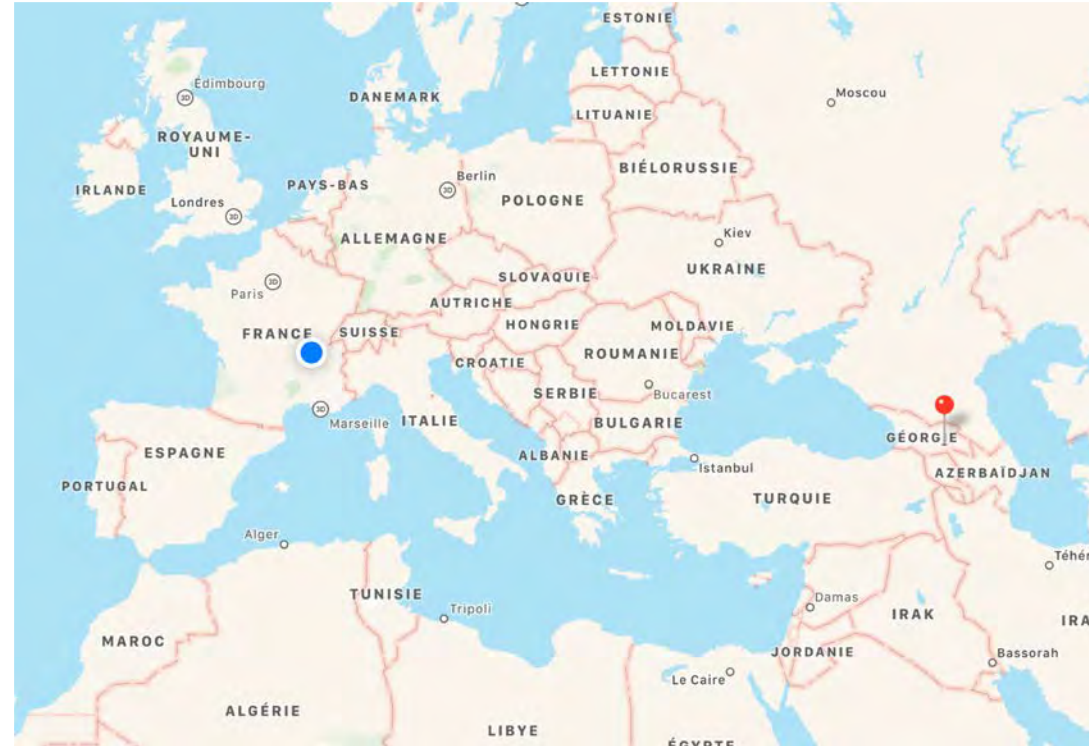
# Félix d'Hérelle et Institut Pasteur

- **Encadrement d'élèves**
  - Georges Eliava
  - André Raiga-Clémenceau



- Une controverse scientifique éclate entre d'Hérelle et **Jules Bordet** de l'Institut Pasteur de Bruxelles, récent prix Nobel de médecine-physiologie, et il est « congédié » en 1925.

# Félix d'Hérelle et Georges Eliava



**1937:** Eliava est considéré comme un « ennemi du peuple » : **arrestation** (avec son épouse) et **exécution** par Lavrenti Beria, chef de la police secrète de Joseph Staline (cause politique ? sentimentale ?)

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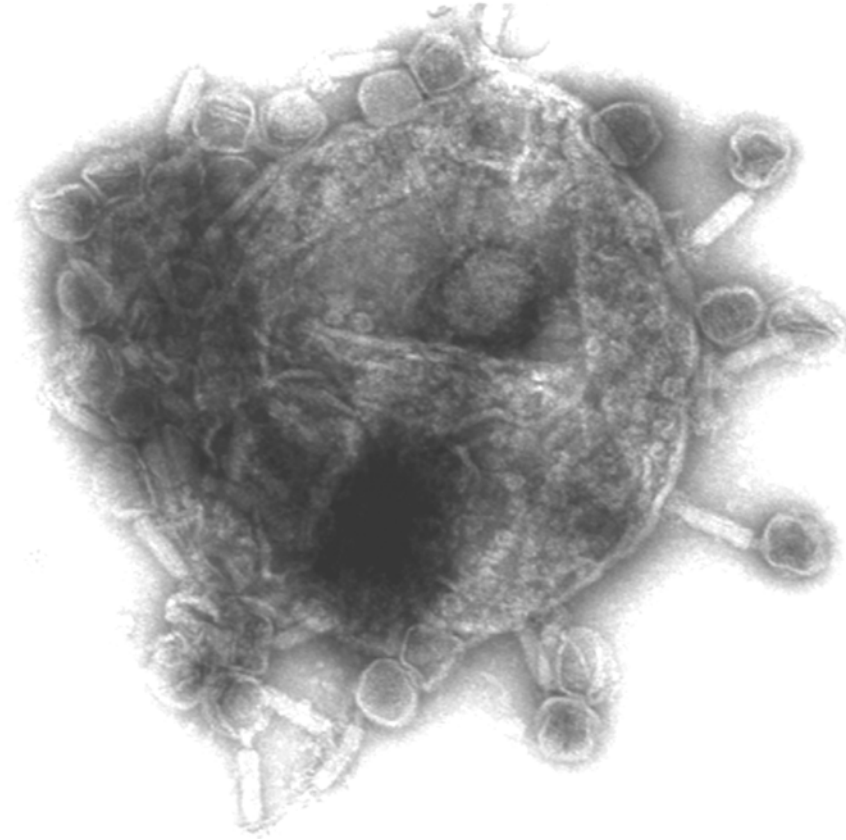


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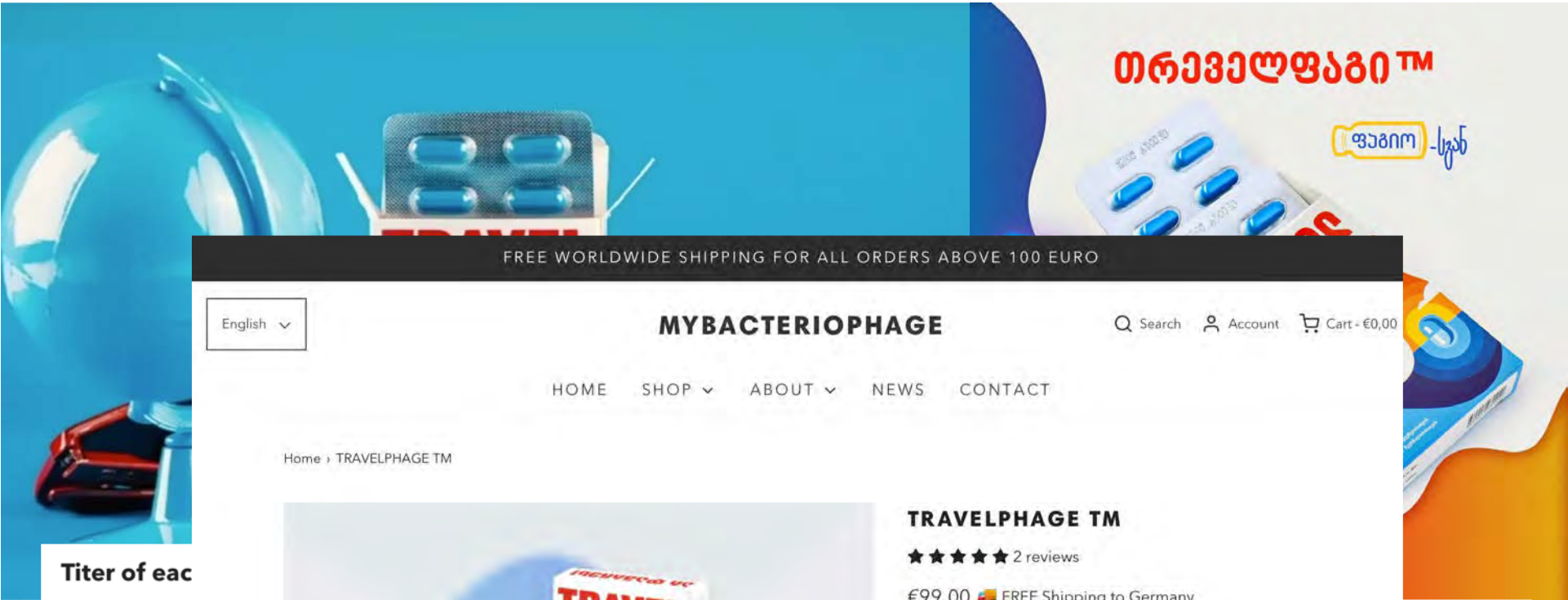
Bacteriophage (*Myoviridae*) targeting *S. aureus*



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# Félix d'Hérelle



- **Missions contre la peste** en Égypte (injection de phage en intra-ganglionnaire) **et le choléra** (IV et per os) en Indochine et en Inde (traitement de masse; essai comparatif)
- Prof. à l'université de Yale, **Etats-Unis** (1928-1934)



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## ANNUAL GRADUATE FORTNIGHT BACTERIOPHAGE AS A TREATMENT IN ACUTE MEDICAL AND SURGICAL INFECTIONS\*

F. d'HERELLE

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Yale University School of Medicine

Bacteriophage therapy is still in its infancy and many studies are still necessary before we will learn all the results that we may anticipate, but that which has already been done in many diseases justifies the belief that this is the specific treatment *par excellence* and that it will attain a wider and wider application.

# CHOLERA

In the year 1927 while in India, as the result of the experiments of which I have spoken, I attempted the treatment of Asiatic cholera. These attempts at therapy were made in the Punjab, on the natives cared for in their homes and to whom no other medication was given. Each patient received an initial dose of two cubic centimeters of a virulent bacteriophage, and with the family a second dose of four cubic centimeters diluted in one hundred cubic centimeters of water was left with instructions to give it to the patient by spoonfuls during the three or four hours following. I should state that I merely furnished the cultures of bacteriophage, treatment was carried out by Major Malone of the Indian Medical Service, assisted by the other officers of the Service. As it was impossible to enforce any one mode of treatment, the family of the patient was free to accept or refuse it, in the latter case usually resorting to the prescriptions of the Hindoo medicine man. The majority of the patients for whom authorization was granted were found in a critical state; indeed, it was only because of this that parents, despairing of saving them, accepted the new treatment. As a control series we have taken those cases in which the bacteriophage treatment was refused. In spite of these extremely unfavorable conditions the mortality in the controls was 62.9 per cent, and among those treated with bacteriophage 8.1 per cent.

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# Le Matin

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## CRIME DE LA HAUTE-VIENNE

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es sur un faisceau de présomptions

### AVRE DE LA VICTIME T PAS RETROUVÉ



### Un palliatif à la crise de la marine marchande: le crédit maritime

#### UN PROJET DE LOI VA ÊTRE DÉPOSÉ

Notre marine marchande stagne. Nous avons ici même poussé le cri d'alarme lorsque, il y a quelques mois, l'Italie nous eut dépassés.

Nous indiquions alors qu'une aide à l'armement était nécessaire, notamment pour lui assurer le crédit nécessaire aux constructions neuves, presque totalement interrompues.

M. Tardieu, ministre de la marine marchande, déposera incessamment, et sans doute aujourd'hui même, sur le bureau de la Chambre, un projet de crédit maritime répondant à ce vœu.

Il a pour but une convention passée avec le Crédit foncier afin de faire bénéficier l'industrie maritime de prêts hypothécaires jusqu'à concurrence de 200 millions par an pendant cinq ans. Les emprunts seront remboursables en 20 ans.

En principe, ils devront être destinés uniquement à des constructions de navires dans les chantiers français. Cependant, une part, n'excédant pas 40 millions par an, pourra être utilisée à des commandes à l'étranger, notamment en application du plan Dawes, ou à des achats, à l'étranger, de navires âgés de moins

### LA SUPPRESSION DES ÉPIDÉMIES DE CHOLÉRA

Les expériences aux Indes  
du docteur d'Hérèlle ont  
permis d'abaisser la mor-  
talité de 62 % à 8 %

#### GRACE AU BACTÉRIOPHAGE QU'IL A DÉCOUVERT

L'allure épidémique foudroyante du choléra est bien connue. Ses ravages sont particulièrement sévères dans les pays où les règles de l'hygiène sont ignorées ou mal appliquées.

Le gouvernement britannique, désireux diminuer l'intensité des épidémies de choléra aux Indes, avait chargé le docteur d'Hérèlle d'en rechercher les moyens.

Le Matin a signalé à plusieurs reprises les tra-



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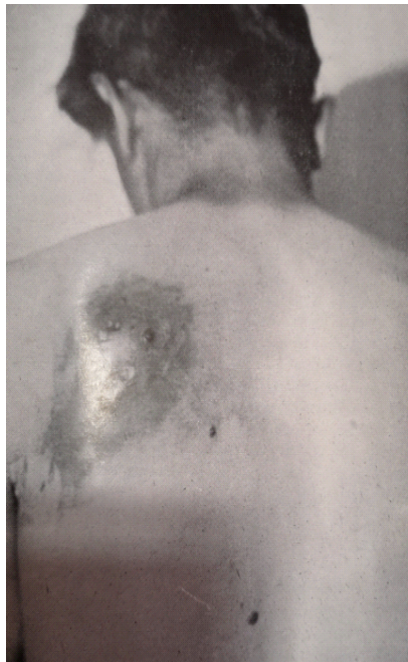
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# PESTE

In the course of an epidemic which occurred in Senegal, Dr. Couvy, Director of the School of Medicine at Dakar, faced with the non-effectiveness of antiplague serum in severe cases of the disease, attempted the treatment by bacteriophage, utilizing a strain isolated from a convalescent. In order to ascertain in a definite manner the value of this treatment he applied it solely to cases of extreme severity in whom death seemed to be certain within a short time. "Either they appeared moribund after failure of the serum treatment, or it was given at once to patients whose condition appeared desperate" as he states in his paper.

Among such patients the mortality is practically one hundred per cent, but with bacteriophage treatment he obtained 15 recoveries among the 21 cases treated. In the course of this epidemic 8 cases of septicemic plague were treated by serum before the trial of bacteriophage. All of these died. Two cases treated by bacteriophage recovered in spite of the fact that the bacilli were so abundant in the blood that they could be disclosed by direct microscopic examination. Of nine cases of pneumonic plague treated by serum all died (as is well known, pneumonic plague is without exception fatal) while one case treated with bacteriophage recovered.



# Story of phage Therapy in Lyon



## Dr. Emile PESCE

- Medical thesis "Contribution to the study of the treatment of furuncles and anthrax by bacteriophage", 1931



“Need for a microbiological analysis to select the phage, based on its activity on the patient’s strain”

“If microbiological analysis could not be done, use fixed cocktail”

Archives from Ferry T.



# Professeur Paul Sédallian (1894-1960)



**Médecin des hôpitaux**

Deuxième titulaire de la **chaire des maladies infectieuses** de la faculté de médecine

**Directeur du service des contagieux de l'hôpital de la Croix Rousse 1942-1960**

**Directeur de l'institut Pasteur de Lyon**

**Sédallian** (Paul). — Né à Lussan (Gard) le 5 septembre 1894. — Elu correspondant national pour la division d'hygiène le 15 novembre 1955. — Mort à Lyon (Rhône) le 5 février 1960. — *Notice par P. Lépine le 8 mars 1960.*



# Méningite purulente à colibacilles traitee par un bactériophage adapté intrarachidien

Par MM. P. SEDALLIAN, A. BERTOYE, J. GAUTHIER.  
J.-M. MULLER et A.-L. COURTIEU.

## Clinique des Maladies Infectieuses et Institut Pasteur de Lyon

Une injection intrarachidienne d'1/10 de centimètre cube n'ayant été suivie d'aucun accident, on commence, dès le lendemain 30 septembre, le traitement aux doses thérapeutiques : 1 centimètre cube de bactériophage intraventriculaire et 1 centimètre cube intrarachidien par vingt-quatre heures. Rapidement, le nombre des éléments du liquide céphalo-rachidien s'effondre à 356 contre 1.800 deux jours auparavant. Dès lors, la situation va s'améliorer très vite et on peut espérer la partie gagnée, malgré la persistance dans le liquide céphalo-rachidien d'un taux d'albumine aux alentours d'un gramme et de 50 à 200 éléments.



A une demande de **M. Roche**, **M. Bertoye** précise que nombre de germes peuvent être dotés d'un bactériophage. Il faut quatre à cinq jours pour l'adaptation du bactériophage : ce ne peut donc pas être une médication d'urgence.

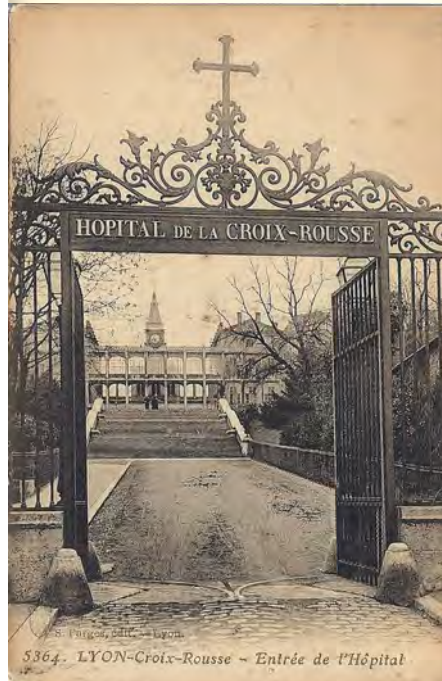


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## Traitement des infections à bacilles pyocyaniques par des bactériophages adaptés par sélection.

Par MM. André BERTOYE et A.-L. COURTIEU.



*Les bacilles pyocyaniques sont fréquemment résistants aux antibiotiques usuels.*

**Antimicrobial resistance**

*Leur caractère rebelle est une de leurs caractéristiques. L'existence de stock-bactériophages différents de ceux qui ont permis l'emploi de la sélection par sélection à une variété de bactériophage a la source isolée du malade permet de sélectionner un phage nutritif et indispensable pour pouvoir intraveineux.*

**Phage banking  
Phage training**

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**Meningitis  
Skin and soft tissue  
Bone and joint infection**

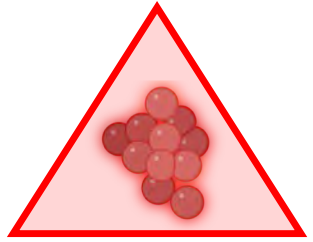


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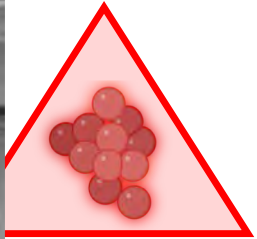
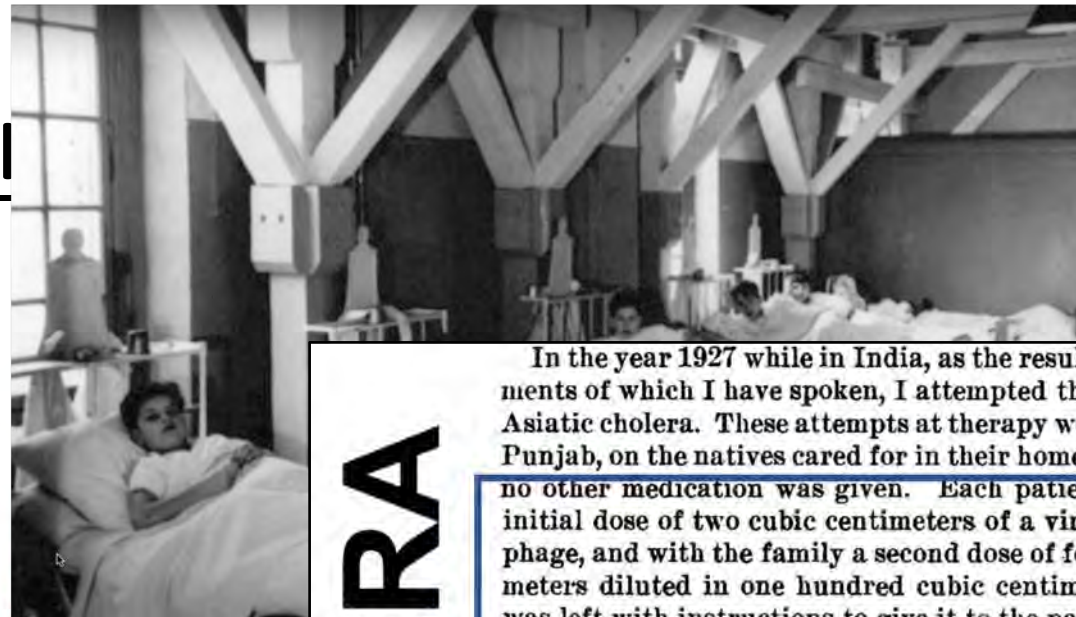
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## CHOLERA

In the year 1927 while in India, as the result of the experiments of which I have spoken, I attempted the treatment of Asiatic cholera. These attempts at therapy were made in the Punjab, on the natives cared for in their homes and to whom no other medication was given. Each patient received an initial dose of two cubic centimeters of a virulent bacteriophage, and with the family a second dose of four cubic centimeters diluted in one hundred cubic centimeters of water was left with instructions to give it to the patient by spoonfuls during the three or four hours following. I should state that I merely furnished the cultures of bacteriophage, treatment was carried out by Major Malone of the Indian Medical Service, assisted by the other officers of the Service. As it was impossible to enforce any one mode of treatment, the family of the patient was free to accept or refuse it, in the latter case usually resorting to the prescriptions of the Hindoo medicine man. The majority of the patients for whom authorization was granted were found in a critical state; indeed, it was only because of this that parents, despairing of saving them, accepted the new treatment. As a control series we have taken those cases in which the bacteriophage treatment was refused. In spite of these extremely unfavorable conditions the mortality in the controls was 62.9 per cent, and among those treated with bacteriophage 8.1 per cent.

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## REVIEW ARTICLE

# Recent progress toward the implementation of phage therapy in Western medicine

Jean-Paul Pirnay<sup>1,†</sup>, Tristan Ferry<sup>2,3,†</sup> and Grégory Resch<sup>4,\*,†</sup>

Table 1. Published clinical trials registered on clinicaltrials.org, EudraCT or other clinical trials registry evaluating oral intake of phages, from the most recent to the oldest publication date.

| Reference (PMID), year            | Country       | Clinical condition, number of patients treated with phages              | Targeted bacteria             | Type of phages, health authority (or Ethics committee) approval                                                                                                                                  | Phage cocktail (Yes/No, number of phages) | Number of administration, duration                                                                        | Type of clinical trial                                             | Comparison                                                        | Results                                                                                                                                             | Limits                                                 |
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| 30157383, 2019 and 30897686, 2019 | United States | Healthy adults with mild to moderate gastrointestinal distress (n = 43) | <i>E. coli</i>                | Commercial cocktail PreforPro from Deerland Enzymes, USA No dedicated FDA approval                                                                                                               | Yes, n = 4                                | 1 capsule Once a day 28 days                                                                              | Phase I randomized blinded cross-over clinical trial Single center | Yes, vs placebo (1:1)                                             | No safety signal No improvement of gastrointestinal symptoms or blood parameters between the two groups Potential positive effect on gut microbiota | No information about phage stability in the cocktail   |
| 26981577, 2016                    | Bangladesh    | 6–24-month-old boys with dehydrating acute diarrhea (n = 79)            | <i>E. coli</i> <i>Proteus</i> | Commercial T4-phage cocktail (targeting <i>E. coli</i> ) Commercial ColiProteus phage cocktail from Microgen, Russia (targeting <i>E. coli</i> and <i>proteus</i> ) Neither FDA nor EMA approval | Yes, n = 12 or 18, respectively           | Administration (mix of phage with mineral water and oral rehydration solution) 3 times per day for 4 days | Phase II randomized blinded clinical trial Single center           | Yes, vs SOC (oral rehydration solution used in both groups) (1:1) | No safety signal. Failure to improve diarrhea outcome                                                                                               | The study was initially planned to enroll 225 patients |

Note: EudraCT, European Union Drug Regulating Authorities Clinical Trials Database; GMP, good manufacturing practice; FDA, Food and Drug Administration; EMA, European Medicines Agency; SOC, standard of care.

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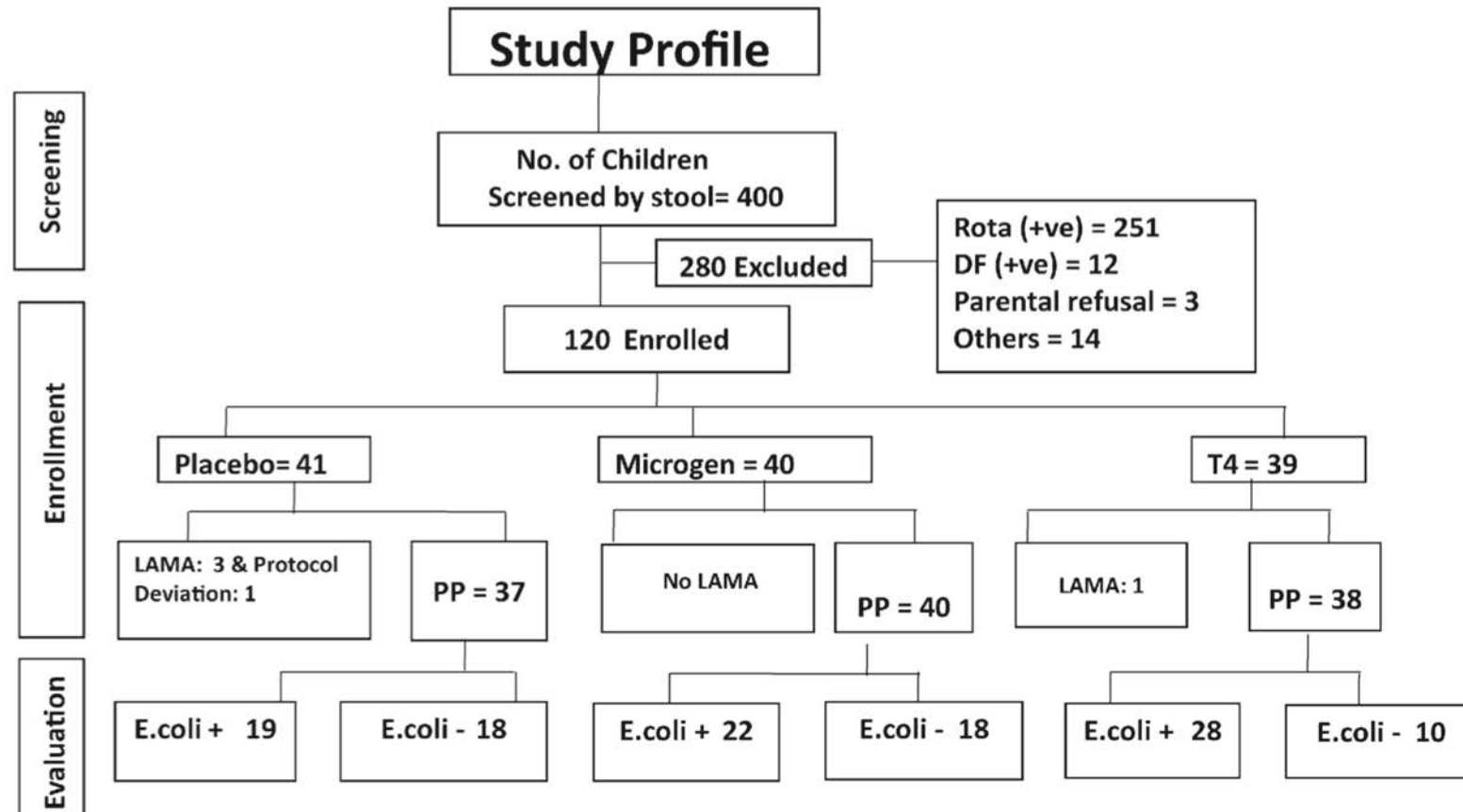


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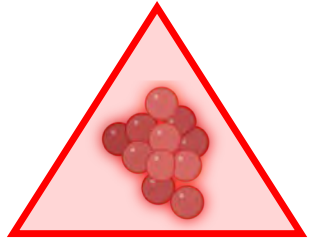
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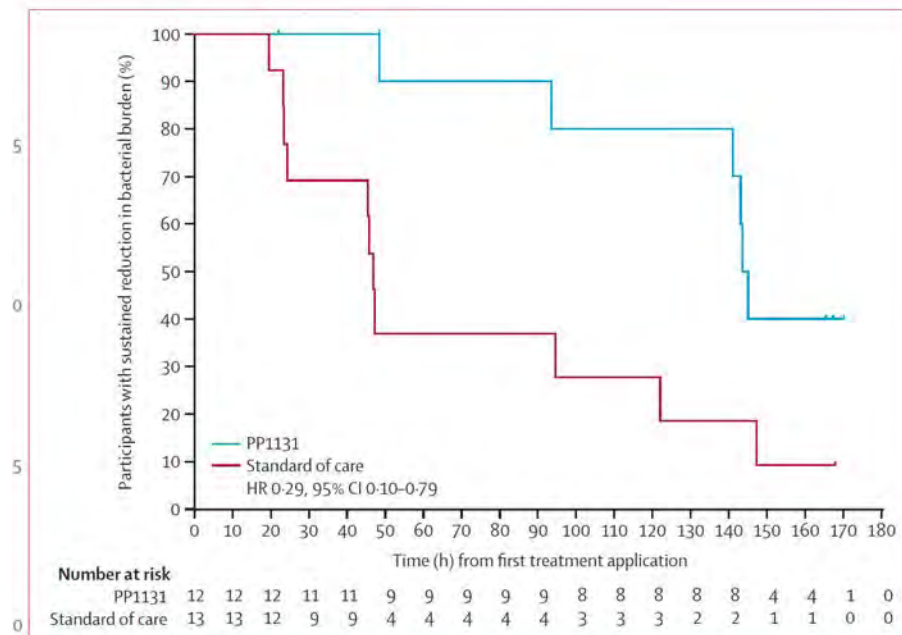
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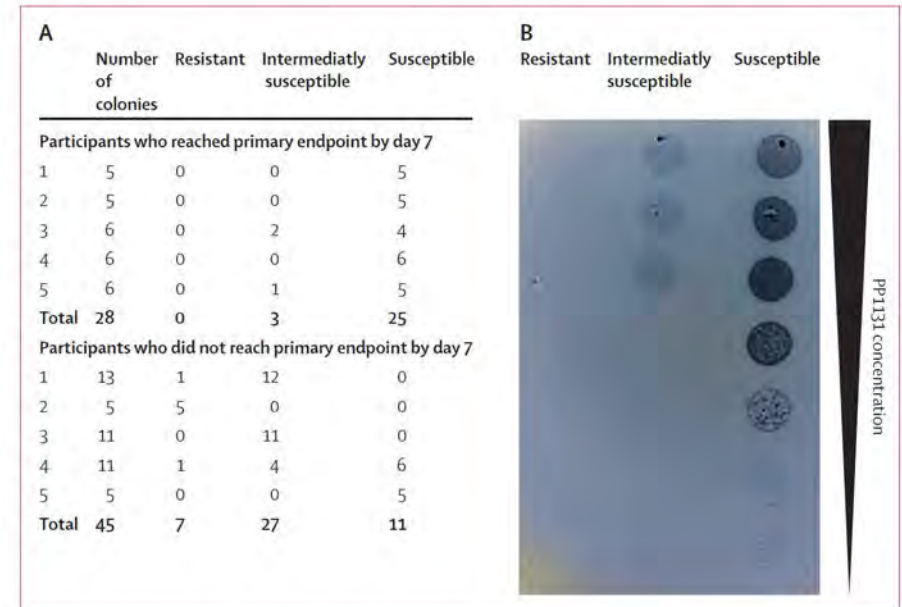


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**Figure 2: Time to observe reduction in bacterial burden in the most infected wound**

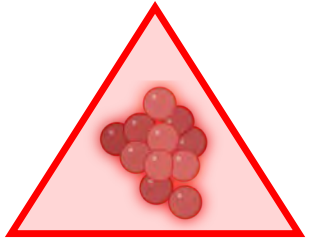
Kaplan-Meier analysis of median time to sustained semi-quantitative reduction of two or more quadrants of highest daily bacterial burden compared with day 0. HR=hazard ratio. PP1131=cocktail of 12 natural lytic anti-*Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bacteriophages.



**Figure 4: PP1131 susceptibility of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* strains recovered from the day 0 swabs of participants in the per-protocol population**

(A) Susceptibility of the different recovered clones. The five participants did and five participants did not reach the primary endpoint by day 7. (B) Three different patterns observed in spot tests. Three different susceptibility patterns to PP1131 are shown: resistance, intermediate susceptibility, and susceptibility. PP1131=cocktail of 12 natural lytic anti-*Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bacteriophages.

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# Intravesical infection of the prostate double-blind

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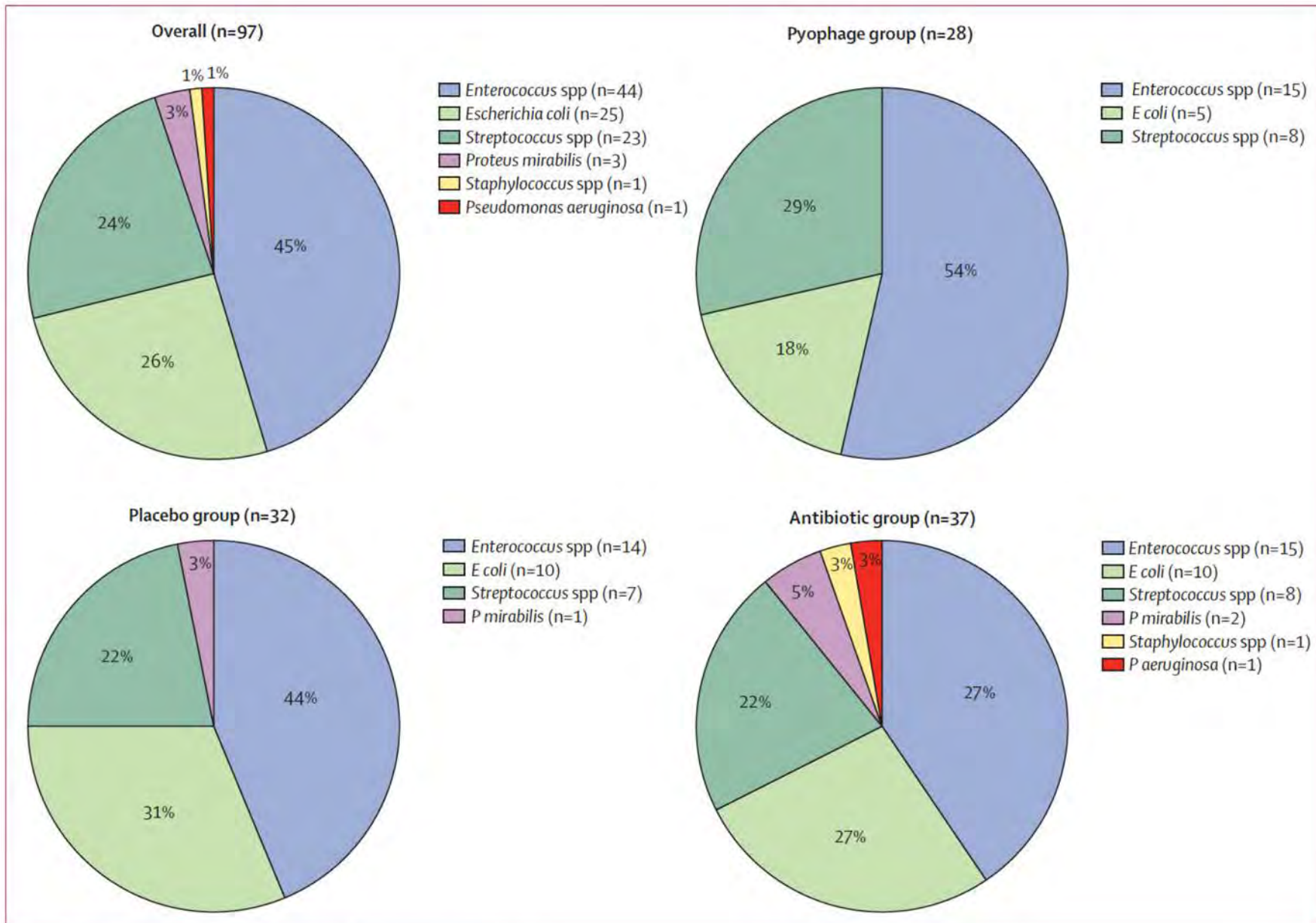
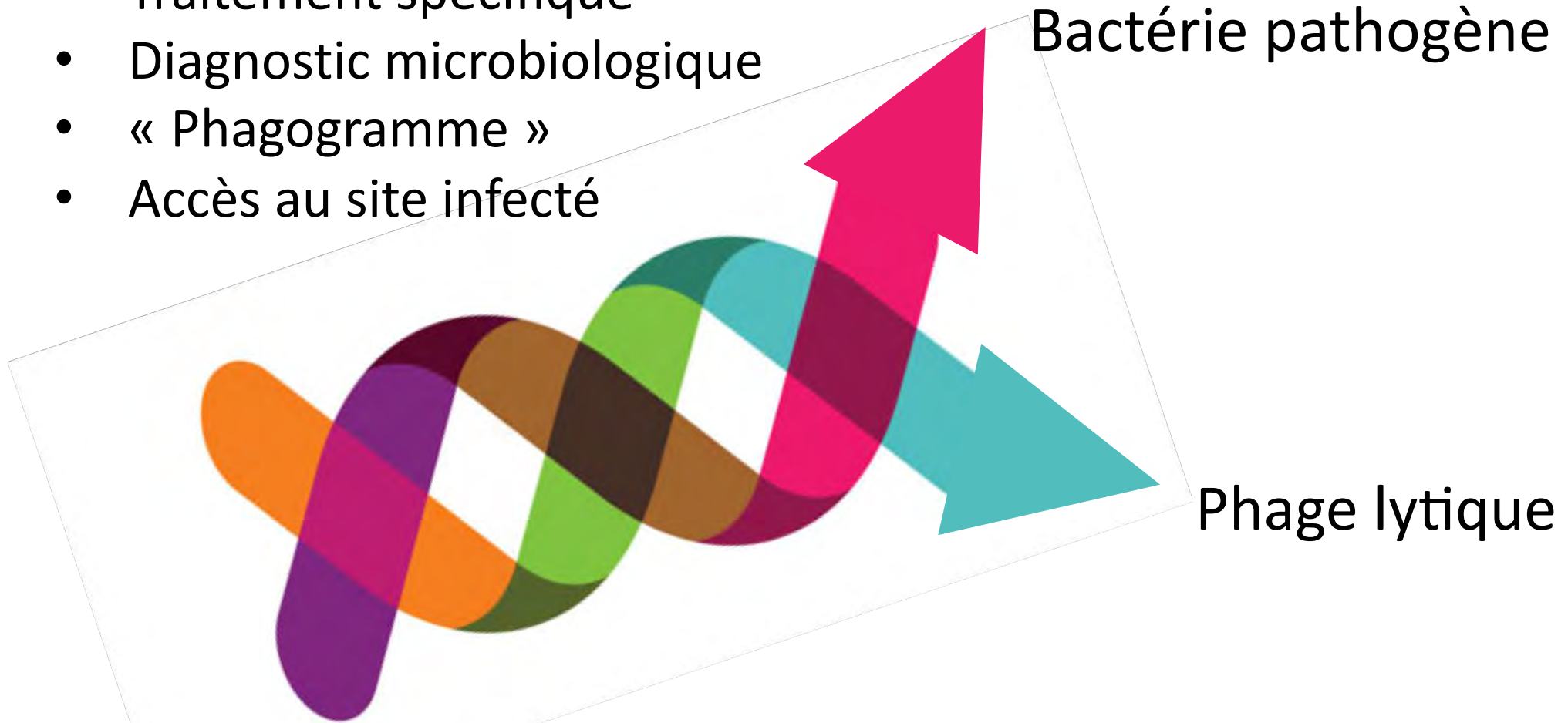


Figure 2: Distribution of bacterial species by treatment group

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# Dimension co-évolutive et autres problématiques

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- Accès au site infecté



- Essais thérapeutiques en médecine de ville

## Peut-on se passer des antibiotiques en 2024 ? La phagothérapie est-elle une alternative aux antibiotiques ?

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# Conclusion

- Phage therapy has a **high potential** in patients with bacterial infections due to multidrug-resistant pathogen, as **adjuvant to antibiotics**
- **Complex personalized therapy** (specific to the infecting strain, various scheme of administrations, etc.)
- **Few pharmaceutical grade phages are available at this time**
- **Need to develop phages that aim to target the ESKAPE pathogens**
- **Growing clinical evidence and clinical trials are coming**
- Phages as adjuvant **could be an option to prevent** a relapse with acquisition of resistance to antibiotics (*P. aeruginosa*)
- **CRIOAc Lyon, PHAGEinLYON Clinic program and creation Lyon Phage HUB under the supervision of the French healthcare authority to select active phages is a rupture**
- **Access and evaluation of phage therapy**



**THE MYTHOLOGY**  
OF PHAGE THERAPY



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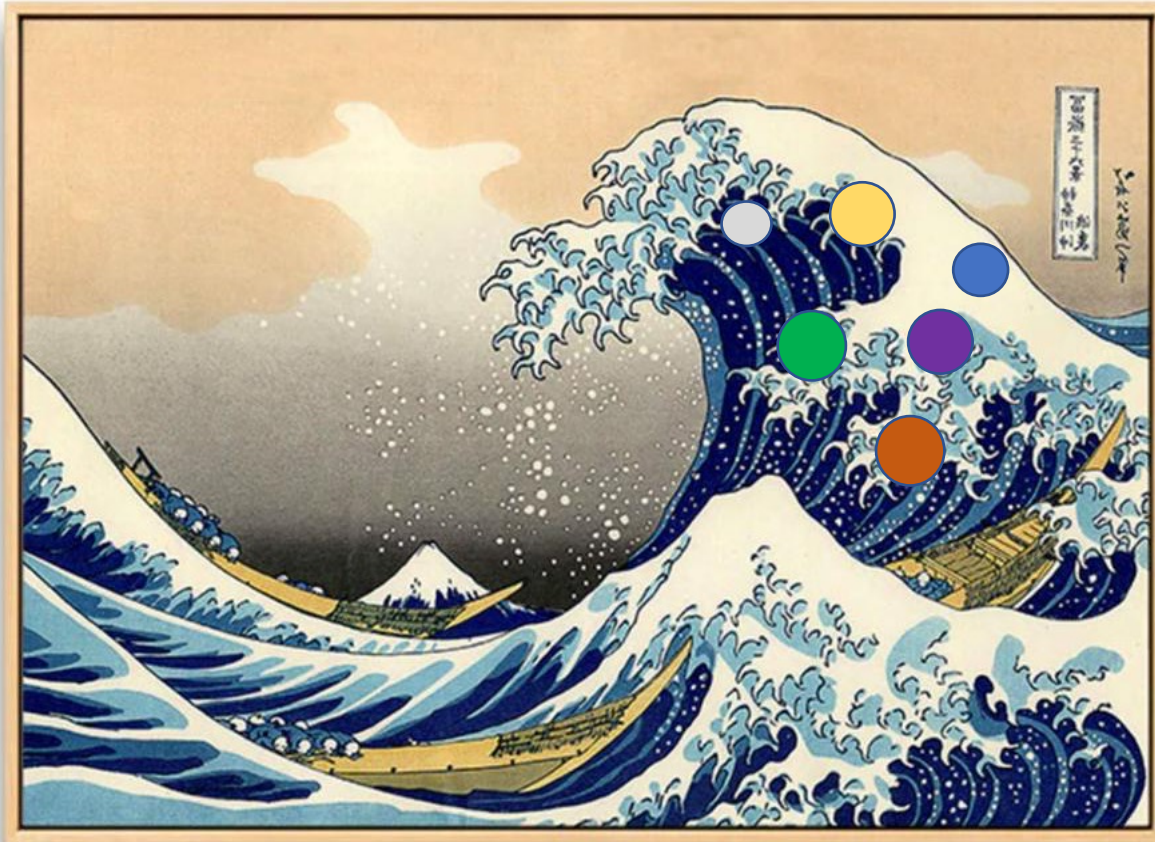
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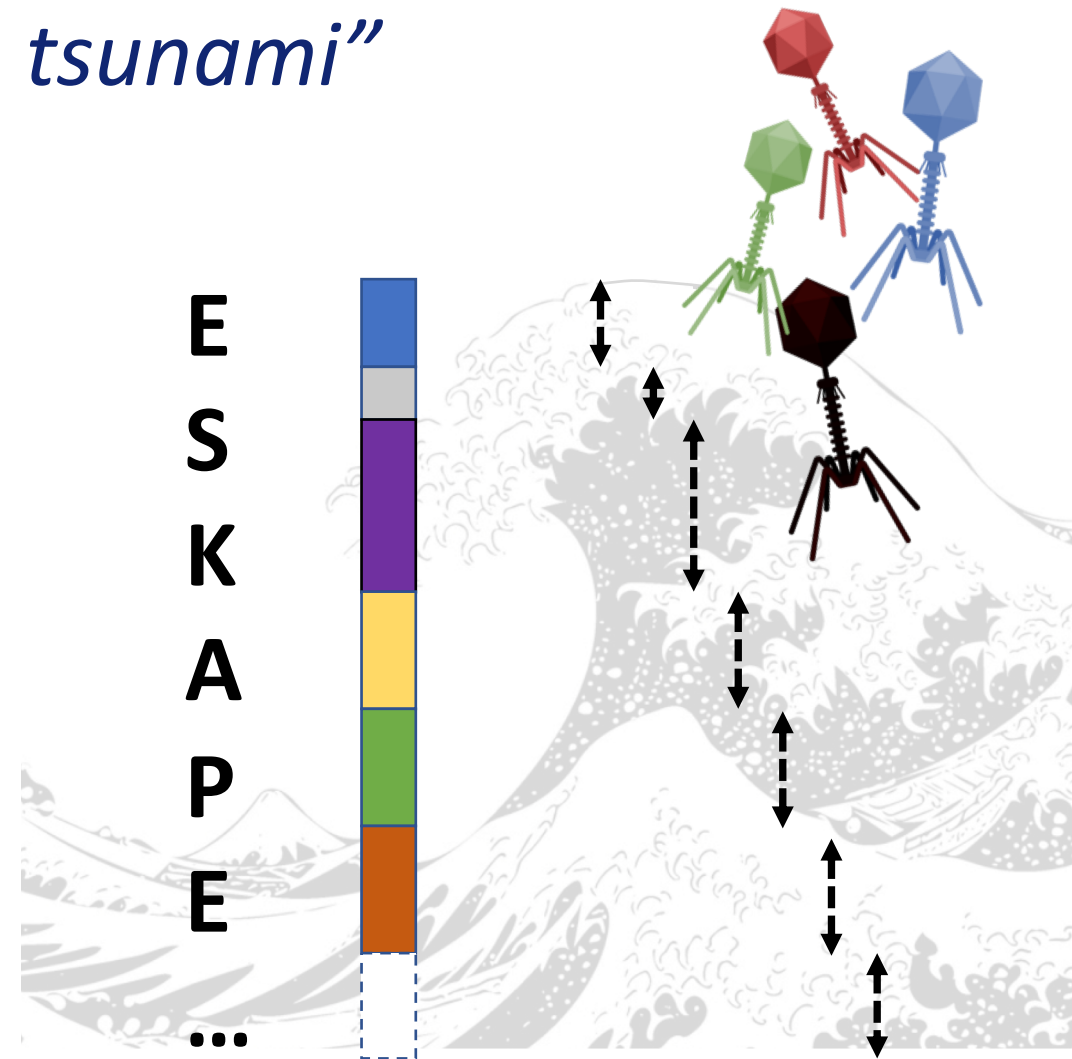


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*“Slow motion tsunami”*



Katsushika Hokusai (葛飾 北斎)



*T. Ferry: “Plural silent pandemia”*



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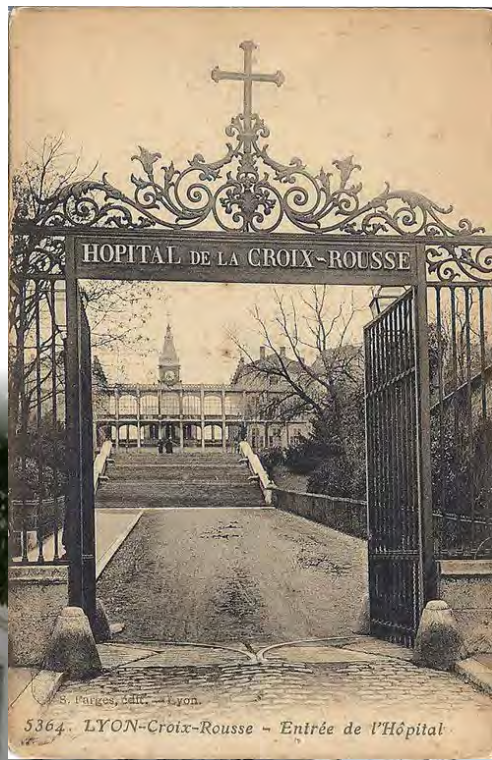
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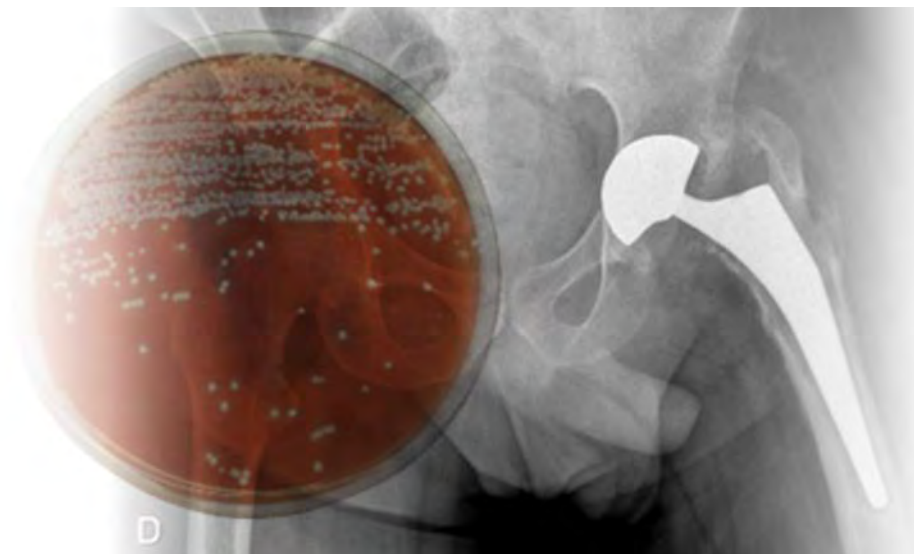
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