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Every Week

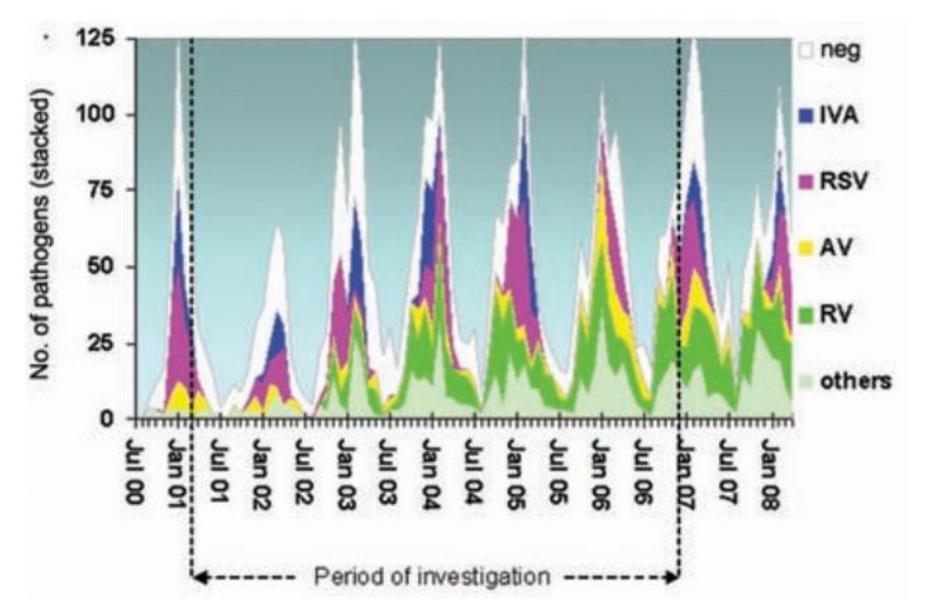
12.00 noon - CET



What we talk about today

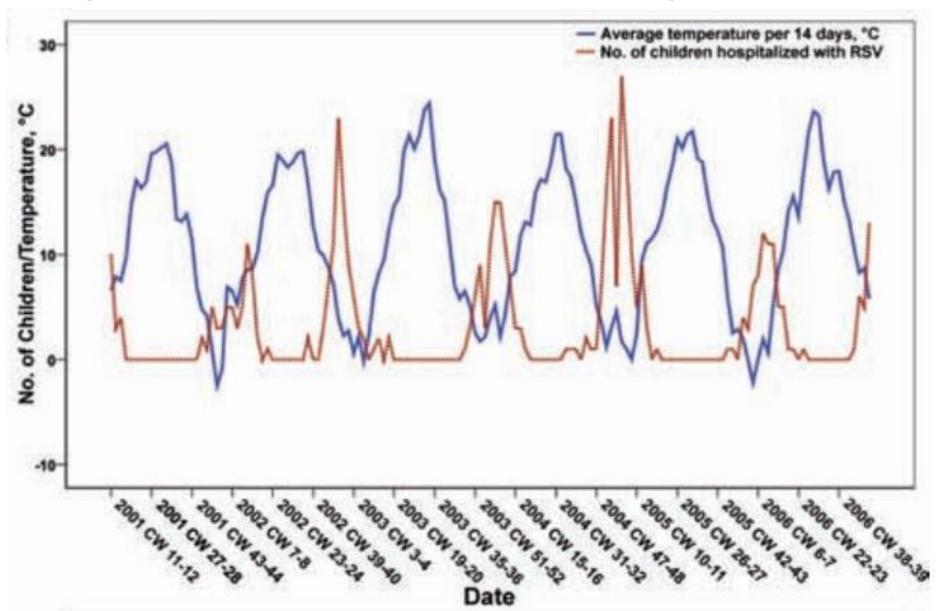
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(PID-) ARI.net-hospitalization by pathogen, 2000-2008





RSV-hospitalization and outside temperature





Main Findings:

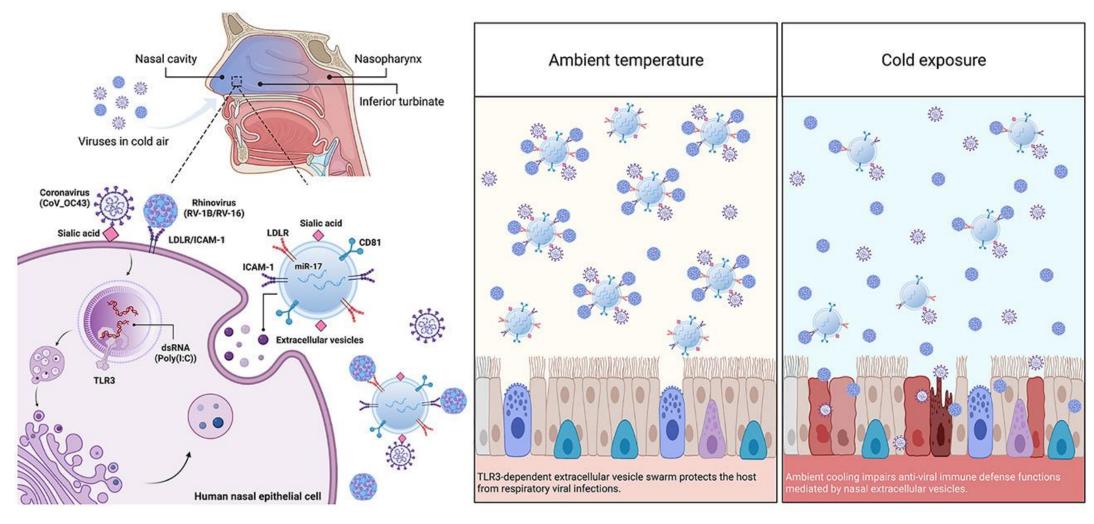
- 1. Influenza A, RSV, adenovirus were correlated with temperature
- 2. Rhinovirus was correlated with relative humidity.
- 3. Time series model with climatic conditions predicted RSV-outbreaks





Cold Exposure Impairs Extracellular Vesicle Swarm Mediated Nasal Anti-Viral Immunity

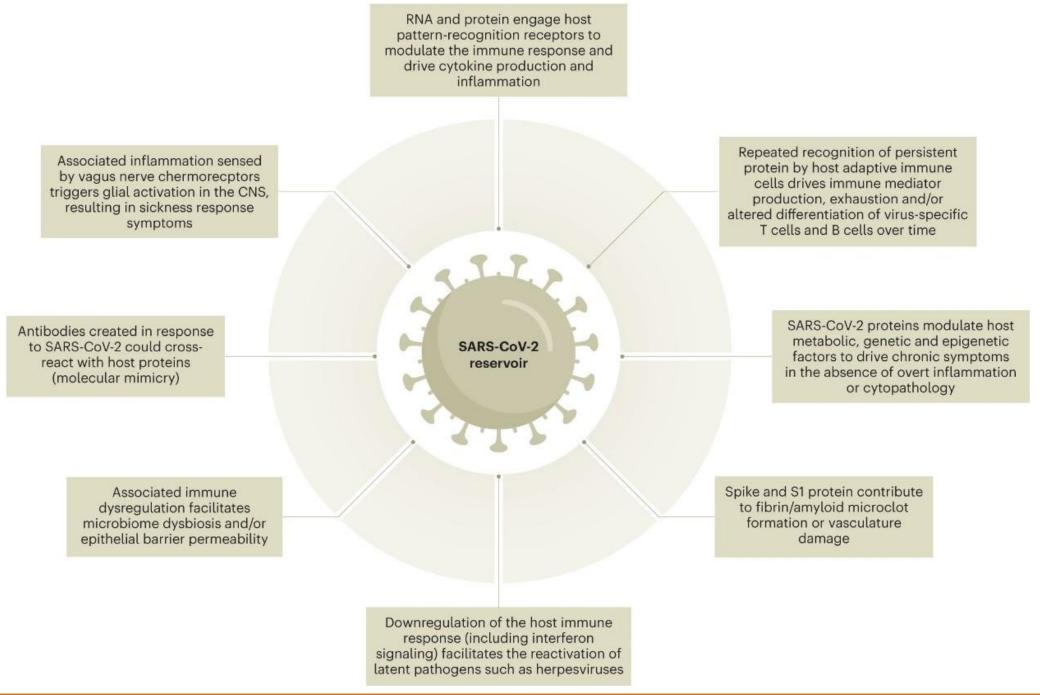




All of experiments described in this article including TLR3 stimulation by poly(I:C) and cold exposure were performed in vitro on primary human nasal epithelial cells and turbinate tissue explants.

Abbreviations: CD81, Cluster of differentiation 81; dsRNA, Double-stranded RNA; ICAM-1, Intercellular adhesion molecule 1; LDLR, Low-density lipoprotein receptor; miR, MicroRNAs; Poly(I:C), Polyinosinic-polycytidylic acid; TLR3, Toll-like receptor 3

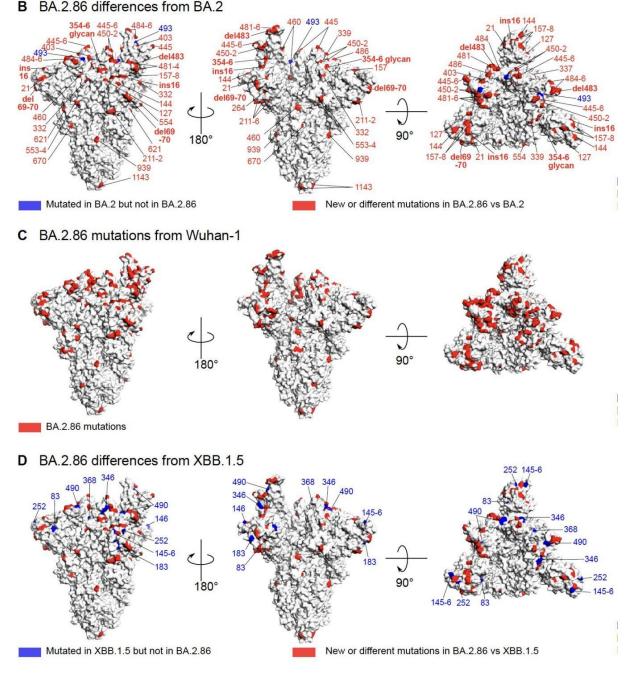






Based on the number of NEW mutations (shown in red in the image) BA.2.86 would have been a variant of extreme concern.

Thanks to vaccination and immunity from SARS-CoV-2 infection and our immune system we are NOT back to 2020 or 2021 (in terms of COVID-19 serious cases, hospitalization, and deaths)





Situation Report #2 5 September 2023

SITUATION IN NUMBERS¹



133,134

Dengue cases (38% female) recorded (Health Emergency Operation Centre and Control Room, DGHS 4th Sep 2023)



25,626

children (0-15 yrs, 39% girls) infected (Health Emergency Operation Center and Control Room, DGHS 4th Sep 2023)



64/64 Districts

Districts affected (Health Emergency Operation Center and Control Room, DGHS 4th Sep 2023)

Bangladesh Hit by Worst Dengue Outbreak on Record

• As of 4 September 2023, 133,134 dengue cases (including 38% women and 19% children (0-15 yrs.) have been infected, with 646 deaths (58% female, 12% children below 15 years old).

It is to be noted that, these numbers reflect only reported cases from government hospitals and some selected private hospitals that are reporting. The actual number of cases (unreported) is much higher.

- Countries in sub-Saharan Africa, such as Chad, have also recently reported outbreaks.
- Last week Guatemala declared a national health emergency for its dengue outbreak.



Public Service Announcement on dengue prevention





Community awareness session on dengue prevention





Young actress Nishat Ara Alvida died of dengue; Photo: Collected

Young actress Nishat Ara Alvida died of dengue. She passed away at 8 am on Thursday (August 31). Nishat was 19.







Vaccination in Pregnancy (ViP)

US Recommendations for Vaccine Use During Pregnancy Fall Into Several Categories

Routinely recommended 1-3

Inactivated influenza

Tdap

COVID-19

Can be given under certain circumstances¹⁻³

Pneumococcala

MenACWY

Meningococcal serogroup B

Hepatitis A

Hepatitis Bb

IPV

Not recommended^{2,3}

HPV

No recommendation³

Zoster

Contraindicated^{1,3,c}

LAIV

MMR

Varicella



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European Recommendations for Routine Vaccination During Pregnancy

Influenza, Tdap, and COVID-19 vaccinations are recommended during pregnancy¹⁻⁵

Country	Influenza vaccine	Tdap vaccine	COVID-19 vaccine
United Kingdom ¹⁻³	Any trimester during pregnancy ¹	Any time during pregnancy, ideally during 16–32 weeks of gestation ^{2,a}	BNT162b2 (Pfizer) and mRNA-1273 (Moderna) for some or all pregnancies ³
Spain ^{3,4}	Any trimester during pregnancy ⁴	Between 17 and 36 weeks of gestation, depending on the person's Td vaccination history ⁴	BNT162b2 (Pfizer) and mRNA-1273 (Moderna) for some or all pregnancies ³
Germany ^{3,5}	From second trimester to delivery ⁵	Between 28 and 32 weeks of gestation or in the second trimester if at increased risk of preterm birth ⁵	BNT162b2 (Pfizer) for some or all pregnancies ³



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"And a toast to vaccines! Thanks to vaccines, we won't need to have 10 children in hopes that 3 or 4 of them live to adulthood."



