



# ere Pneumonia Children

In the post pneumococcal conjugate vaccine era

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# Overview

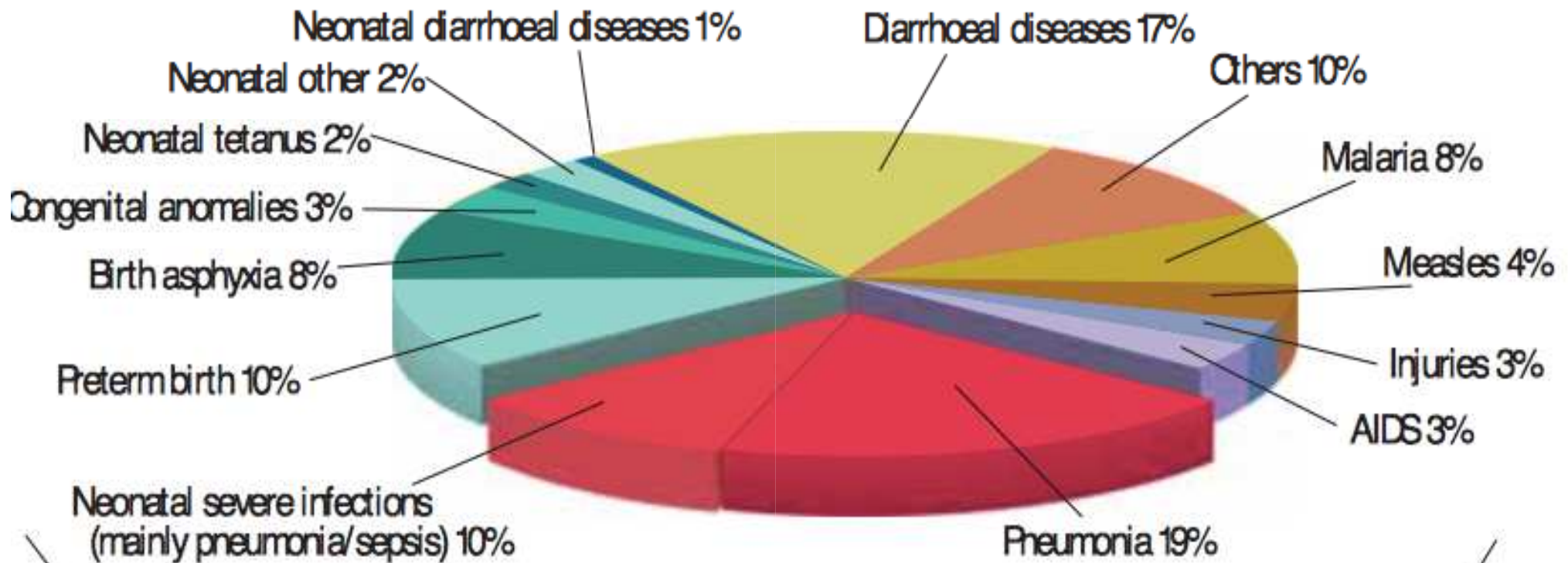
- The burden and epidemiology of pneumonia prior to the introduction of PCV
- The impact of PCVs on the disease burden
- Epidemiology of pneumonia and severe pneumonia in the PCV era
- Approaches to treatment of severe pneumonia in children

# The burden of pneumonia prior to PCV

WHO 2006

## PNEUMONIA IS THE LEADING KILLER OF CHILDREN WORLDWIDE

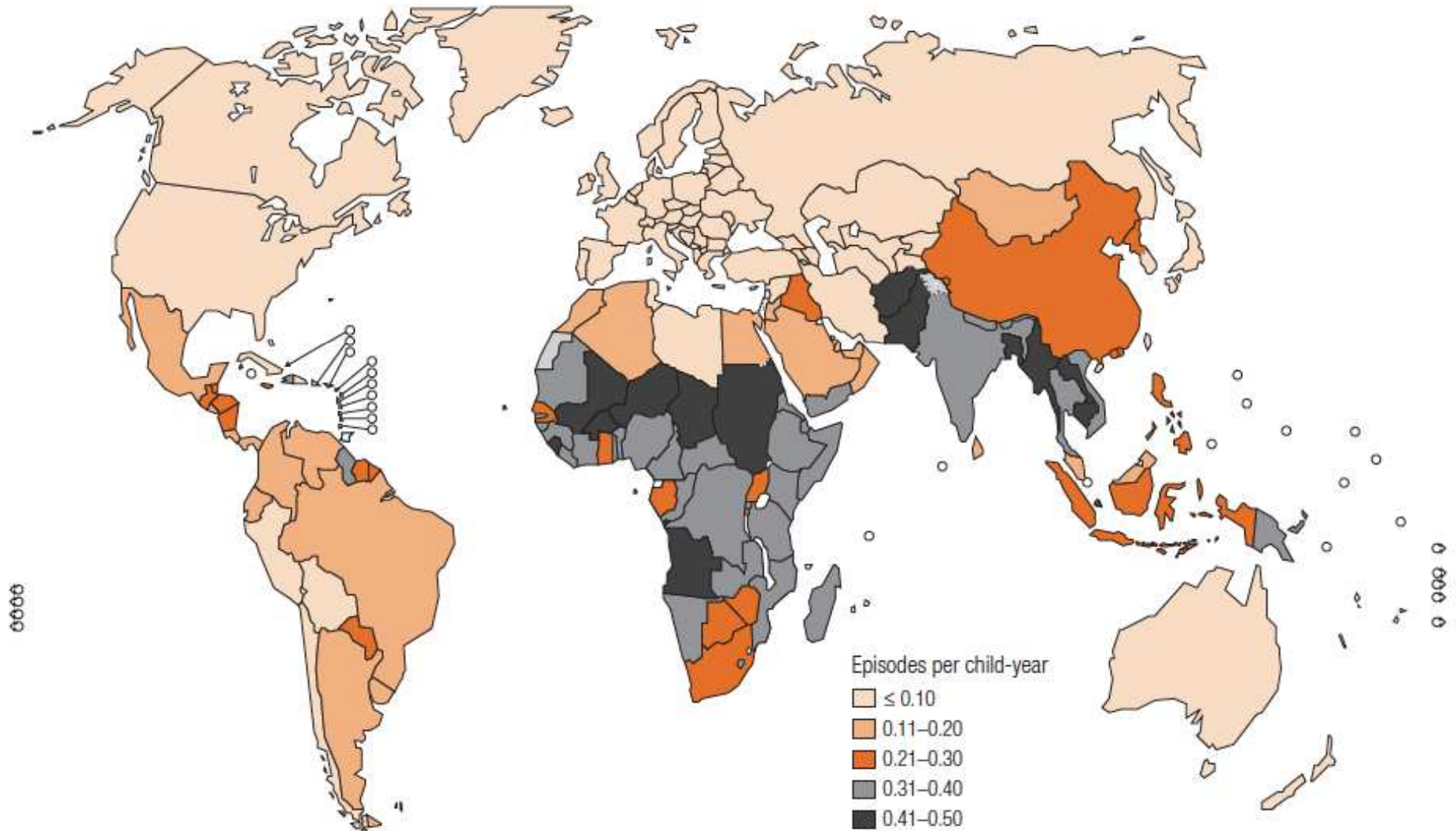
Global distribution of cause-specific mortality among children under five, 2004



Undernutrition is implicated in 53% of all deaths among children under five.

# Global Incidence of Pneumonia by Country

Fig. 1. Incidence of childhood clinical pneumonia at the country level



Bulletin of the World Health Organization 2008;86:408–416.

# What was causing these infections prior to PCV?

ETIOLOGY OF COMMUNITY-ACQUIRED PNEUMONIA IN THE NON-IMMUNOSUPPRESSED HOST REQUIRING HOSPITALIZATION

Etiology	Patients	Pathogens	Pathogens Definite/ Presumptive
	n (%)	n (%)	n
→ <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	39 (21)	65 (29)	30/35
<i>Legionella pneumophila</i>	14 (8)	17 (8)	17
Atypical bacterial agents	26 (14)	41 (18)	41
<i>Chlamydia pneumoniae</i>	9 (5)	15 (7)	
<i>Chlamydia psittaci</i>	2 (1)	2 (1)	
<i>Mycoplasma pneumoniae</i>	9 (5)	13 (6)	
<i>Coxiella burnetii</i>	6 (3)	11 (5)	
Atypical viral agents	26 (14)	39 (17)	39
Influenza virus A	10 (6)	16 (17)	
Influenza virus B	6 (3)	7 (8)	
Parainfluenza virus 1	2 (1)	4 (2)	
Parainfluenza virus 2	2 (1)	2 (1)	
Parainfluenza virus 3	3 (2)	3 (1)	
Adenovirus	2 (1)	2 (1)	
Respiratory syncytial virus	1 (1)	5 (2)	
Nonpneumococcal, nonatypical agents	19 (10)	39 (17)	15/24
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i>	11 (6)	25 (11)	6/19
<i>Moraxella catarrhalis</i>	2 (1)	4 (2)	1/3
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	5 (3)	7 (3)	5/2
<i>Streptococcus viridans</i>	—	1 (1)	1/0
<i>Streptococcus mitis</i>	1 (1)	1 (1)	1/0
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	—	1 (1)	1/0

# Pediatric Pneumonia 1999

## IMPACT OF SEVERITY OF PNEUMONIA ON MICROBIAL ETIOLOGY

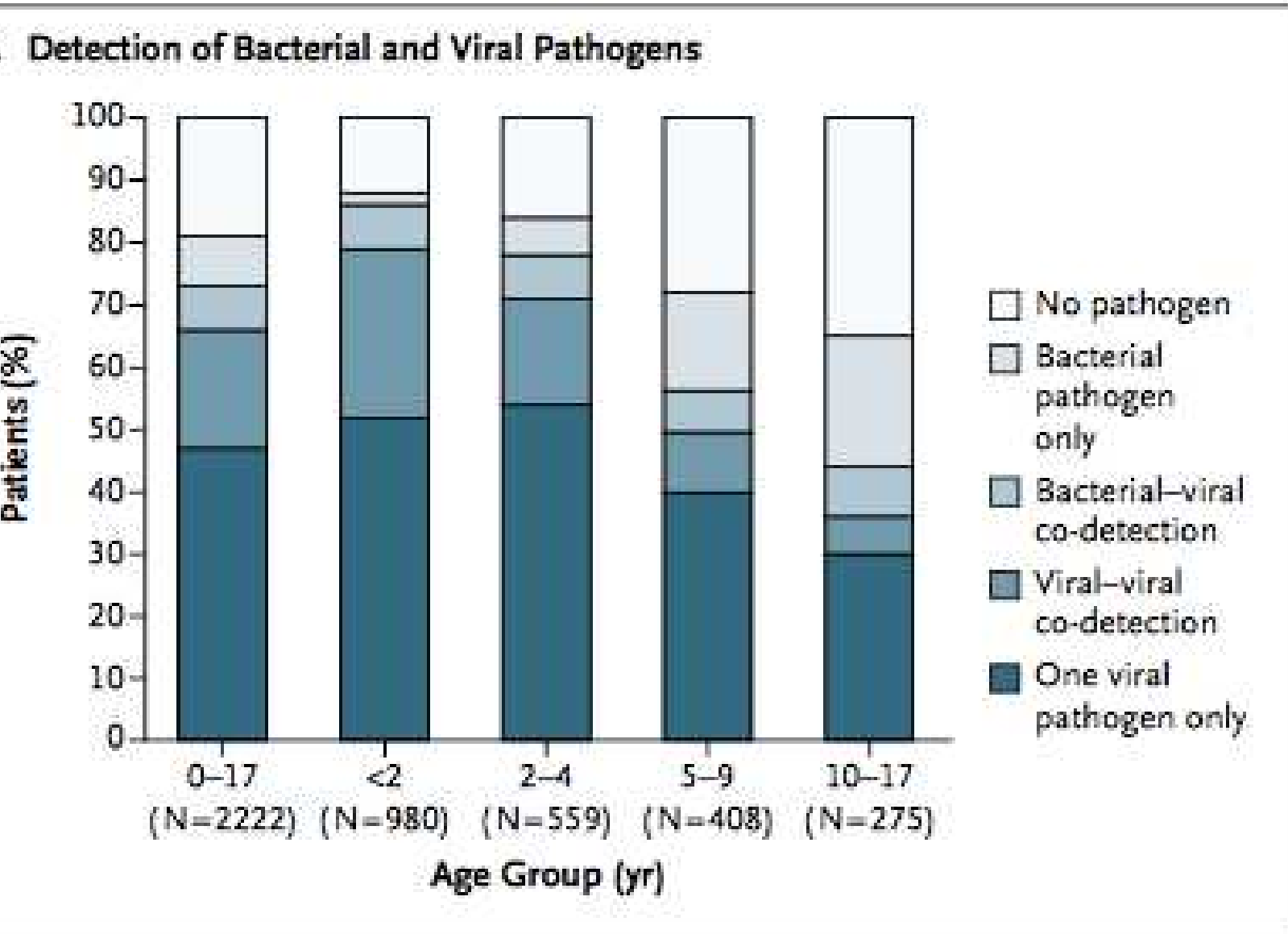
Microbial Etiology	Number of Patients/ Proportion of Patients with Corresponding Etiology (%)	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	p Value
Severe pneumonia (ICU admission)	64			
Univariate				
→ <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	18/65 (28)	2.4	1.3–4.4	0.00
Bacteremic <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	8/22 (36)	3.2	1.3–8.1	0.00
Gram-negative enteric bacilli +				
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	7/24 (29)	2.3	0.8–6.1	0.09
Mixed infections	12/41 (29)	2.4	1.1–5.3	0.02
Bacteremia	11/34 (33)	2.8	1.2–6.4	0.00
Multivariate				
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	—	2.5	1.3–4.7	0.00
Gram-negative enteric bacilli +				
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	—	2.5	0.99–6.5	0.05

Definition of abbreviations: ICU = Intensive care unit.

# After PCV: CAP requiring hospitalization in US children 2015

Characteristic	Children with Radiographic Evidence of Pneumonia (N=2358)		
Age group — no. (%)		Radiographic finding — no. (%)†	
<2 yr	1055 (45)	Consolidation	1376 (58)
2–4 yr	595 (25)	Alveolar or interstitial infiltrate	1195 (51)
5–9 yr	422 (18)	Pleural effusion	314 (13)
10–17 yr	286 (12)		
Symptom — no. (%)		Hospitalization	
Cough	2230 (95)	Length of stay — days	
Fever or feverish feeling	2155 (91)	Median	3
Anorexia	1766 (75)	Interquartile range	2–5
Dyspnea	1657 (70)	Intensive care unit admission — no. (%)	497 (21)
Underlying condition — no. (%)*	1197 (51)	Invasive mechanical ventilation — no. (%)	166 (7)
Asthma or reactive airway disease — no. (%)	779 (33)	Death in the hospital — no. (%)	3 (<1)
Preterm birth among children <2 yr — no./total no. (%)	218/1055 (21)		

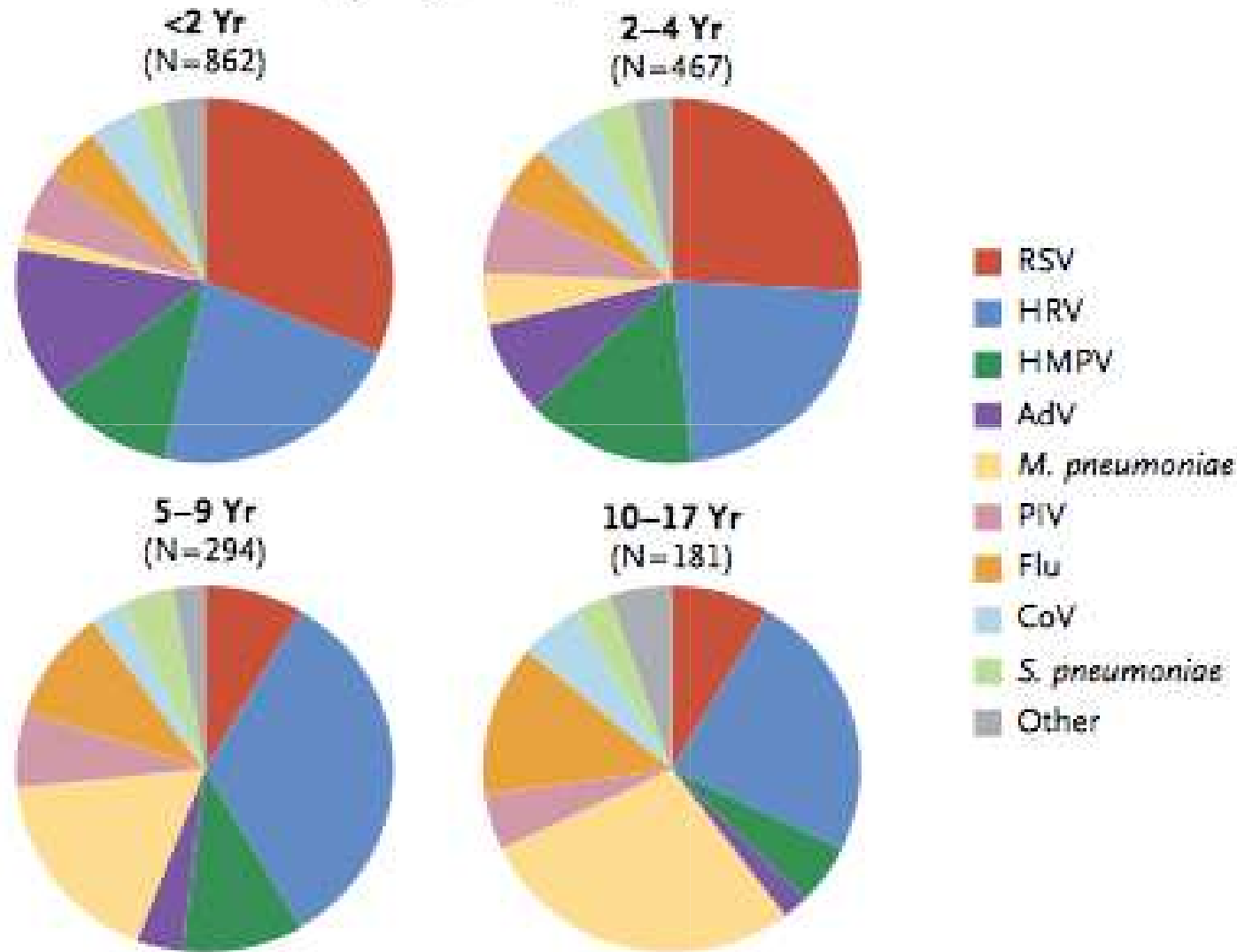
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## C Detection According to Age Group



# Mortality due to Pneumonia in Children in 2010

	Aged 0–11 months		Aged 12–59 months		Aged 0–59 months	
	Studies	CFR (%)	Studies	CFR (%)	Studies	CFR (%)
Africa	9	3.8% (2.4–5.9)	8	1.9% (1.2–3.2)	11	3.9% (2.7–5.5)
Americas	10	1.6% (1.1–2.4)	10	0.6% (0.2–1.3)	11	1.3% (0.8–1.9)
Eastern Mediterranean	1	9.9% (8.6–11.5)	..	..	2	7.6% (4.1–13.9)
Europe	..	..	..	..	1	0.4% (0.3–0.5)
Southeast Asia	6	2.6% (1.4–4.7)	4	0.3% (0.1–0.9)	9	2.1% (1.1–4)
Western Pacific	1	2.4% (1.3–4.3)	..	..	3	2.3% (1.7–3.2)
Developing	26	2.4% (1.7–3.6)	21	0.8% (0.4–1.3)	34	2.3% (1.6–3.4)
Industrialised	1	0.8% (0.7–0.9)	1	0.3% (0.2–0.5)	3	0.6% (0.4–0.8)
Global	27	2.3% (1.5–3.4)	22	0.7% (0.4–1.2)	37	2.1% (1.4–3.1)

Data in parentheses are 95% CI. CFR=case-fatality ratio.

**Table 2: Case-fatality ratio due to severe acute lower respiratory infections in children younger than 5 years who were admitted, by region**

Nair, Shabi Madhi, Angela Gentile et al:  
and regional burden of hospital admissions for severe acute lower respiratory infections in young children in 2010

# Pneumonia incidence and disease burden in Latin American Children in 2010

Age	Severe ARLI Estimated number of cases/yr	Incidence Severe ALRI (per 1000/yr)	Very Severe ARLI Estimated number of cases/yr	Incidence Very Severe ALRI (per 1000/yr)
Age < 1 years	693,000	46	130,000	8.6
Age < 5 years	1,525,000	19.8	179,000	3.0

# Pneumonia etiology in Ecuadorian children

Pneumonia etiology by age category.

	Age Group N (%)		Total (N = %)
	< 1 year (n = 238)	1 to 5 years (n = 168)	
<b>Bacterial Pathogens</b>			
Streptococcus pneumoniae	35 (14.7%)	27 (16.1%)	62 (15.5%)
Haemophilus influenzae			40 (9.9%)
Type A	16 (6.7%)	13 (7.7%)	29 (7.1%)
Type B	7 (2.9%)	4 (2.4%)	11 (2.7%)
Influenza			57 (14.1%)
Type 1	10 (4.2%)	5 (3.0%)	15 (3.7%)
Type 2	3 (1.3%)	4 (2.4%)	7 (1.7%)
Type 3	27 (11.3%)	8 (4.8%)	35 (8.6%)
Metapneumovirus	40 (16.8%)	31 (18.5%)	71 (17.5%)
Respiratory syncytial virus	105 (44.1%)	54 (32.1%)	159 (39.2%)
<b>Viral Pathogens</b>			
Streptococcus pneumoniae (n = 403)	20 (8.5%)	17 (10.1%)	37 (9.2%)
Mycobacterium pneumoniae	0 (0%)	3 (1.8%)	3 (0.7%)

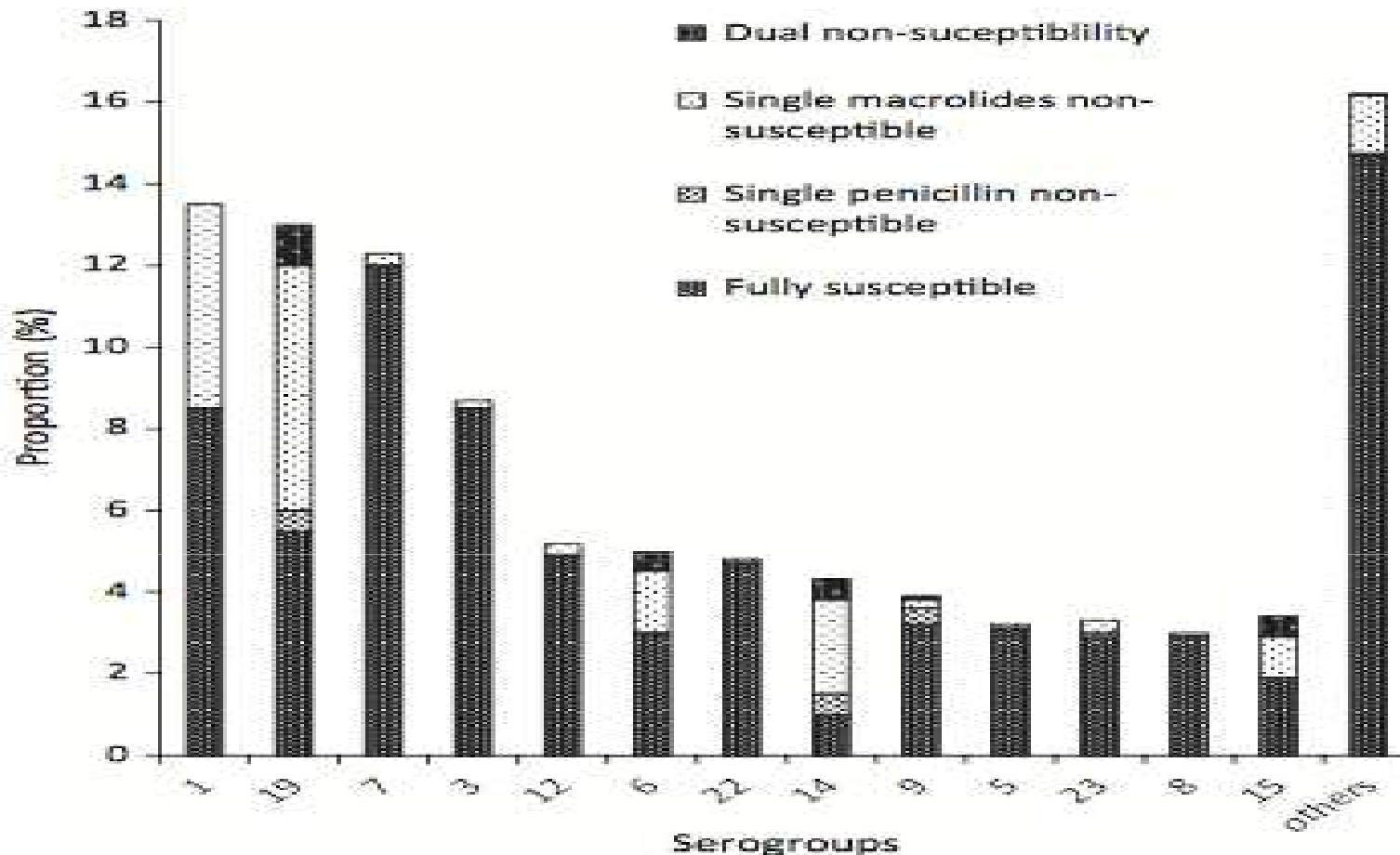
# Impact of PCV in Latin America: The COMPAS Trial

- Efficacy against 25.7% (95% CI: 8.4%, 39.6%) against World Health Organization–defined consolidated CAP.
- Efficacy against Invasive Pneumococcal Disease due to vaccine serotypes: 100% (95% CI: 74.3%, 100%)
- Efficacy against any IPD was 65.0% (95% CI: 11.1%, 86.2%)
- Serotypes in PCV13 and PCV-10 were selected because they caused the most disease in children. BUT
- In the COMPAS trial with most patients coming from Argentina, **35% of pneumococcal IPD remained.**
- **Therefore we can not forget about the pneumococcus yet !**

# Pleural Effusion follow PCV 13

Sex	Age on Admission (years)	PCV13 Immunization History	Previous PCV7/PCV10 Immunization	Chest Tube Placement	Fibrinolysis Performed
	2½	2 doses: 21 and 25 months	No	Yes	Yes
	3½	1 dose: 27 months	No	Yes	Yes
	3½	1 dose: 24 months	PCV7, 3 doses	Yes	Yes
	4	1 dose: 32 months	No	Yes	Yes
	6	1 dose: 54 months	PCV7, 3 doses	Yes	No

# Antibiotic Resistant Pneumococcus

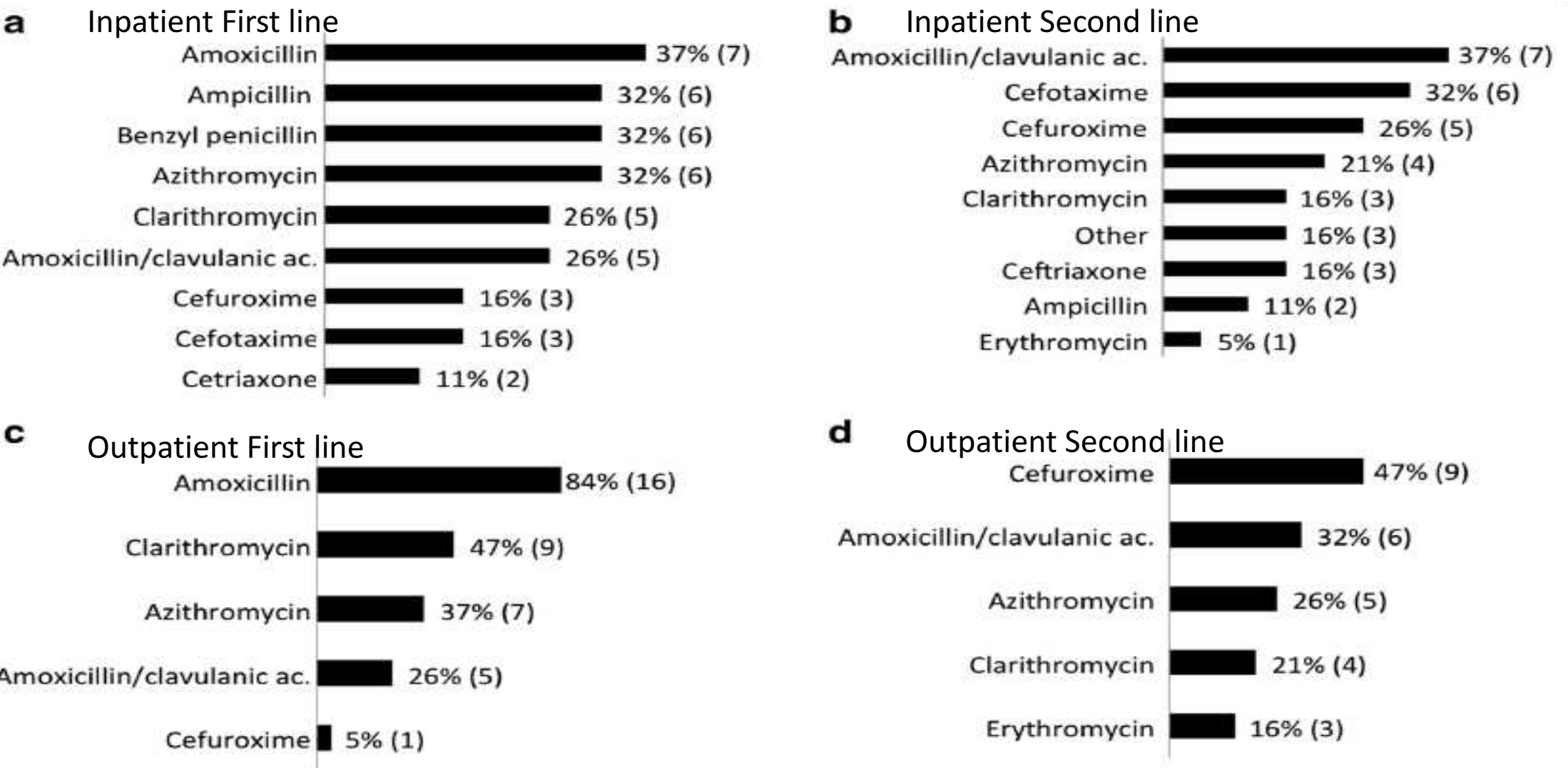


**Figure 1** Proportion of susceptible pneumococcal isolates in Europe by serogroups. Data from the Annual Report of the European Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance Network (16).

Need to consider other treatments besides penicillin in a toxic child  
Some have recommended high dose amoxicillin others agents such as  
Ceftriaxone. Clindamycin or Teicoplanin

(Galli Acta Paediatrica 2013)

# Treatment of Childhood Pneumonia in Europe



**Fig. 3** Percentage of European medical centres that use various specified antibiotics for outpatient and inpatient treatment of community acquired pneumonia in children in European medical centres. **a** Inpatient first-line treatment **b** Inpatient second-line treatment **c** Outpatient first-line treatment. **d** Outpatient second-line treatment. Please note that some participating medical centres use more than one antibiotic



# Antibiotic Treatment of Severe Pneumonia in Children

<p>Community pneumonia</p>	<p>Either ceftriaxone 100 mg/kg per day in 2 divided doses (MAX 4 g/day), OR cefotaxime 150 mg/kg per day in 4 divided doses (MAX 10 g/day)  <b>PLUS</b> one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Azithromycin 10 mg/kg once per day for two days (MAX 500 mg/day); transition to oral therapy at 5 mg/kg per day as soon as clinically appropriate, OR</li> <li>•Erythromycin 20 mg/kg per day in 4 divided doses (MAX 4 g/day), OR</li> <li>•Doxycycline** 4 mg/kg per day in 2 divided doses (MAX 200 mg/day); transition to oral therapy as soon as clinically appropriate</li> </ul>
<p>Severe pneumonia</p>	<p>Vancomycin 60 mg/kg per day in 4 divided doses (MAX 4 g/day) <b>PLUS</b> either Ceftriaxone 100 mg/kg per day in 2 divided doses (MAX 4 g/day) OR cefotaxime 150 mg/kg per day in 4 divided doses (MAX 10 g/day)  <b>PLUS</b>          Azithromycin 10 mg/kg once per day for two days (MAX 500 mg/day); transition to oral therapy at 5 mg/kg per day as soon as clinically appropriate  <b>PLUS</b> (if necessary)          Nafcillin<math>\Delta\Delta</math> 150 mg/kg per day in 4 or 6 divided doses (MAX 12 g/day)  <b>PLUS</b> (if indicated)          Antiviral treatment for influenza ←</p>
<p>Severe bacterial pneumonia</p>	<p>Either gentamicin<math>\dagger\dagger</math> 7.5 mg/kg per day divided in 3 doses for children &lt;5 years; 6 to 7.5 mg/kg per day divided in 3 doses for children <math>\geq</math>5 years OR amikacin 15 to 22.5 mg/kg per day divided in 3 doses, <b>PLUS</b> one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Piperacillin-tazobactam 300 mg/kg per day in 4 divided doses (MAX 16 g/day), OR</li> <li>•Meropenem 60 mg/kg per day in 3 divided doses (MAX 3 g/day), OR</li> <li>•Ceftazidime 125 to 150 mg/kg per day in 3 divided doses (MAX 6 g/day), OR</li> <li>•Cefepime 150 mg/kg per day in 3 divided doses (MAX 4 g/day), OR</li> <li>•Clindamycin 30 to 40 mg/kg per day in 3 or 4 divided doses (MAX 3.6 g/day)</li> </ul>

# Treatment of CAP in the era of antibiotic resistance

Antibiotics used in drug-resistant community-acquired pneumonia					
Antibiotics	Dose	Route	Adverse effects	Comments	Species
Gentamicin	15 mg/kg every 6–8 h	IV	Nephrotoxicity, ototoxicity, 'red man' syndrome	Slowly bactericidal. Therapeutic levels to be monitored	<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
Vancomycin	10 mg/kg every 12 h for three doses then 10 mg/kg/day	IV/IM	Nephrotoxicity, ototoxicity, thrombocytopenia	Bactericidal. Therapeutic levels to be monitored	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>S. aureus</i>
Clindamycin	10 mg/kg (max 600 mg) every 8 h <12 years; every 12 h >12 years	IV/PO	Lactic acidosis, myelosuppression, peripheral and optic neuropathy	Bacteriostatic. Inhibit toxin synthesis Treatment duration <28 days	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>S. aureus</i>
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	6–10 mg/kg (max 1.2 g) every 6 h	IV/PO	Diarrhoea, <i>C. difficile</i> colitis	Bacteriostatic. Inhibit toxin synthesis	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>S. aureus</i>
Chloramphenicol	10 mg/kg (max 600 mg) every 12 h	IV/PO	Hepatotoxicity, anaphylaxis, agranulocytosis	Bactericidal. Colours biological fluids red. Rapid development of resistance in monotherapy	<i>S. aureus</i>
Linezolid	10 mg/kg/day	IV	Nausea, vomiting, taste sense disorders, nephrotoxicity	Bactericidal. Not approved for children	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>S. aureus</i>
Meropenem	600 mg every 12 h	IV	Rash	Bactericidal. Not approved for children	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>S. aureus</i>
Meropenem	2 mg/kg stat, then 1 mg/kg	IV	Diarrhoea, nausea, vomiting, headache, raised ALT/AST, pancreatitis	Bacteriostatic. Not approved for children	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>S. aureus</i>
Clarithromycin	1–2 mg/kg (max 200 mg) every 12 h	PO/IV	Diarrhoea, Hepatotoxicity, tooth discolouration in children	Bacteriostatic. Not recommended <8 years	<i>Mycoplasma pneumoniae</i>
Clarithromycin	4 mg/kg stat (max 200 mg) then 2 mg/kg (max 100 mg)	PO	Dizziness, headache, hepatotoxicity, diarrhoea, tooth discolouration in children	Bacteriostatic. Not recommended <8 years	<i>M. pneumoniae</i>
Levofloxacin	10–15 mg/kg every 12 h PO, every 8–12 h IV	IV/PO	Rupture of tendon. Cartilage damage reported in animals	Bactericidal. Not recommended for children	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>M. pneumoniae</i>
Moxifloxacin	8 mg/kg (max 500 mg) every 12 h	IV/PO	Rupture of tendon. Cartilage damage reported in animals	Bactericidal. Not recommended for children	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>M. pneumoniae</i>
Moxifloxacin	10 mg/kg/day (max 400 mg)	IV/PO	Rupture of tendon. Cartilage damage reported in animals	Bactericidal. Not recommended for children	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> <i>M. pneumoniae</i>

# Summary

- There are multiple causes of severe pneumonia and pneumonia with effusion in children – viruses not only bacteria play a key role.
- It is important to make a clinical assessment of severity early, obtain cultures as well as PCR testing.

Genomic testing will provide sensitivity and etiology rapidly soon

- Don't forget
  - Pneumococcus is down but not out.
  - TB
  - Co-infection with viruses and bacteria
- Important to reevaluate your therapy frequently to assess response