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# **HPV Vaccine & Prevention**

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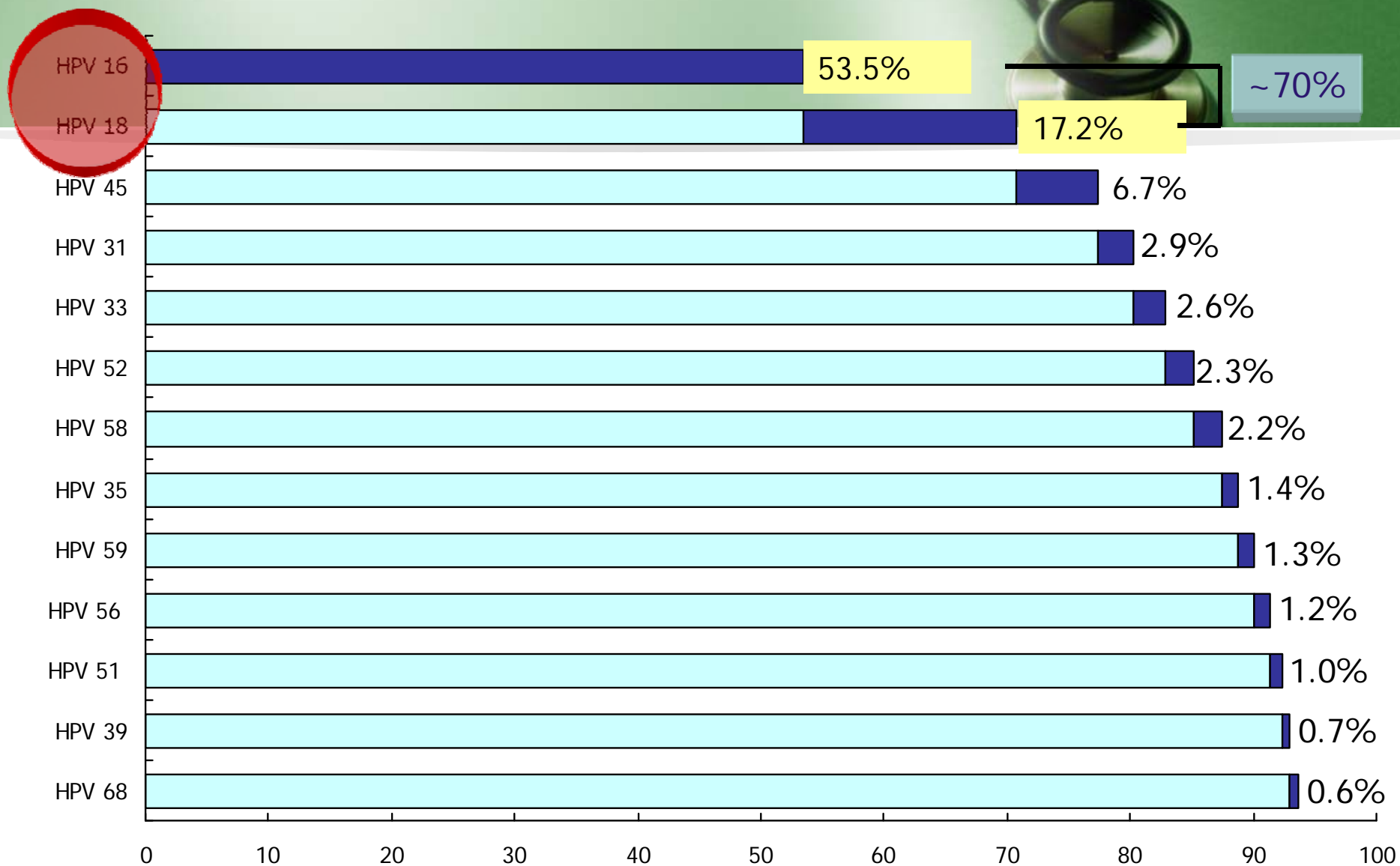
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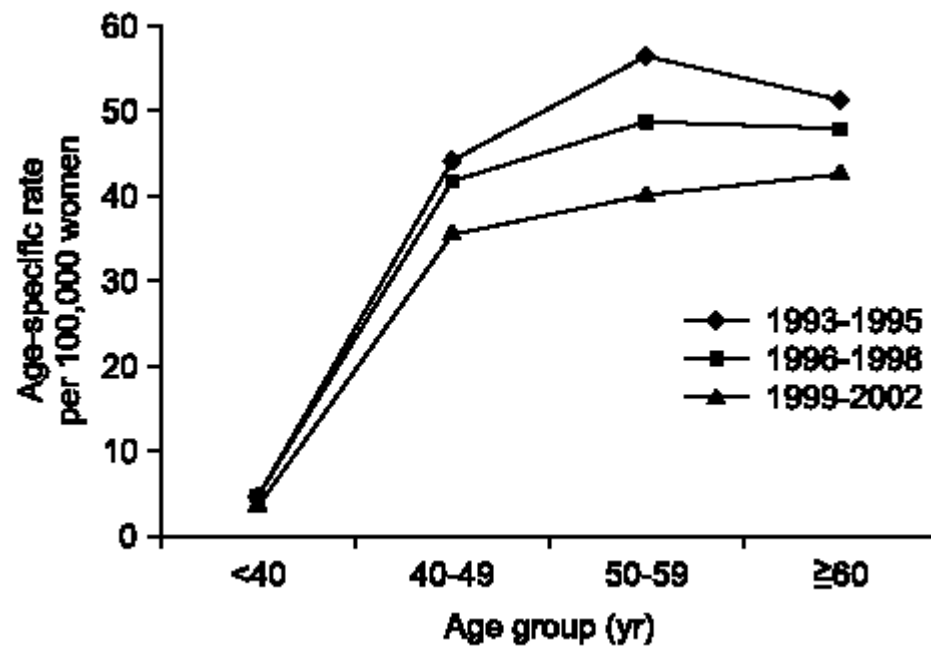


# **Epidemiology and pathology of HPV infection**

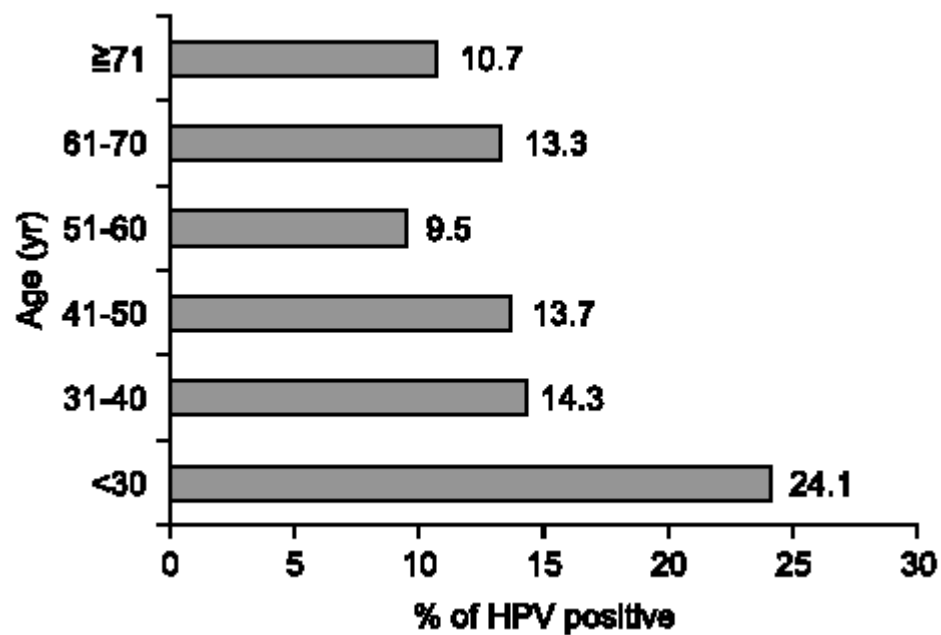
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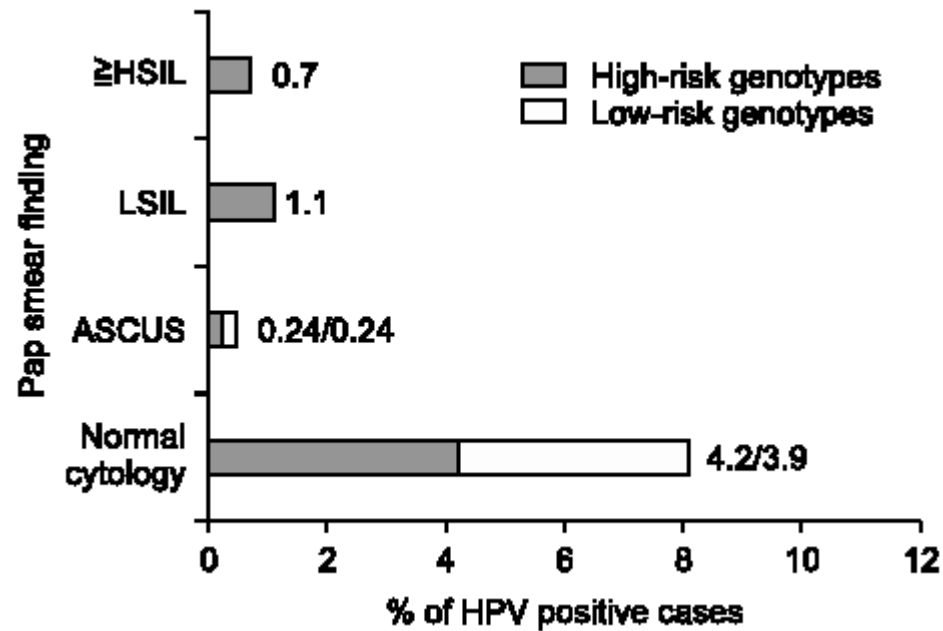
Proportion (%) of Cervical Cancers throughout the World  
Attributable to Different HPV Types



Age-specific incidence of cervical cancer in Korea (1993-2002)



Rate of HPV infection by age group in Korea

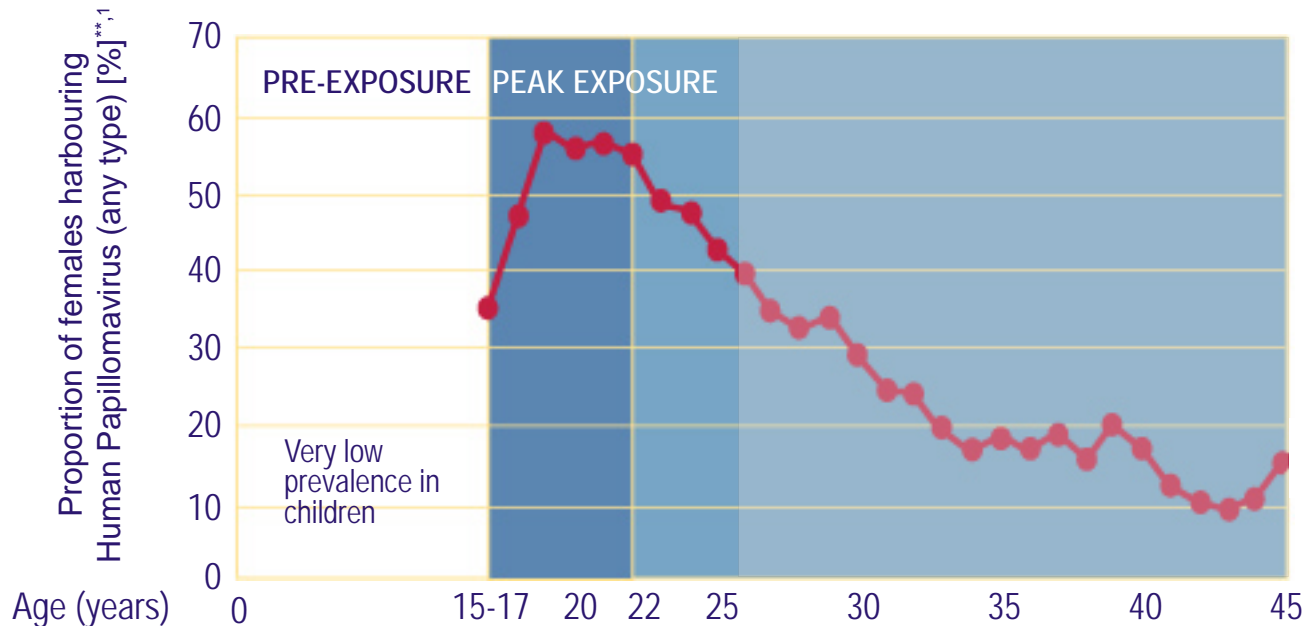


Prevalence of HPV types by cytological findings (1993-2002)

# Large majority of women become infected with HPV



## Age specific prevalence of HPV infection in 11,000 Danish women attending sequentially for routine Pap screening.



\* United States' Centers for Diseases Control and Prevention's. Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices

\*\* Cervical smears of Danish women aged 15-93 (n=11,865) collected in 2005

\*\*\* For sexually active people

[1] Krüger Kjaer S et al. EUROGIN. 23-26 April 2006. Paris, France

[2] Koutsky LA. Am J Med 1997

[3] Koutsky LA et al. Epidemiology Rev 1988

[4] Syrjänen K et al. Sex Transm Dis 1990

**70-80% life time risk to become infected, often as adolescent or young adult<sup>\*\*\*2,3,4</sup>**



# National cervical cancer screening guideline



	National Cervical Cancer Screening Guideline*	Cervical Cancer Screening Recommendations of Korean Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology <sup>†</sup>
Test or procedure	Pap smear	Pap smear
Frequency	Every 2 yr	Every 1 yr
Target population	30 yr and over	All women after first intercourse 20 yr and over (excluding virgins) Conducted by gynecologists Analyzed by pathologists Reported by The Bethesda System
	Conducted by gynecologists or responsible doctors of the clinic Use the brush, not the cotton stick Reported by pathologists	HPV test, Cervicography, Liquid-based cytology, PC-based system: Reexamine after clinical and economical evidences are accumulated The interval is able to be changed by gynecologists according to diagnosis, treatment and requirement of follow-up

\*Established in 2001 by The Ministry of Health & Welfare, <sup>†</sup>Established in 2001 by Korean Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology

# HPV infection



- ❖ **HPV: a small DNA virus**
  - ❖ **Infects deeper layers of the skin and internal lining**
    - (e.g., vagina and mouth)
  - ❖ **Genital infection: > 40 types**
  - ❖ **Infections normally resolve spontaneously**
    - 90% within 2 years
  - ❖ **Persistent HPV infection causes the cell changes**
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# HPV Risk Factors

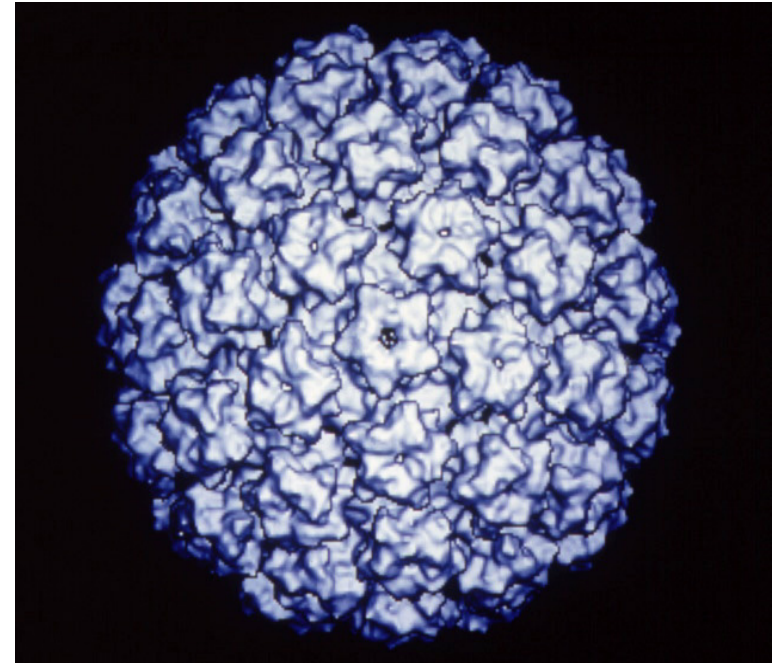


- ❖ Young age
  - ❖ Lifetime number of sexual partners
  - ❖ Early age of first sexual intercourse
  - ❖ Male partner sexual behavior
  - ❖ Smoking
  - ❖ OCP use
  - ❖ Uncircumcised male partners
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# HPV transmission



- ❖ **Direct physical contact**
- ❖ **Any genital contact**
  - not just sexual intercourse
- ❖ **Sexually active individuals**
- ❖ **No. of sexual partners**



Computerized image of the human papillomavirus  
Courtesy of Dept of Pathology, University of Cambridge

# Epidemiology of genital HPV infection



## ❖ HPV infection is common

- at least half of all sexually active women will be infected by a strain of genital HPV strain in their lifetimes

## ❖ Genital HPV infection increases from age 14

## ❖ Most infection in late teens and early twenties

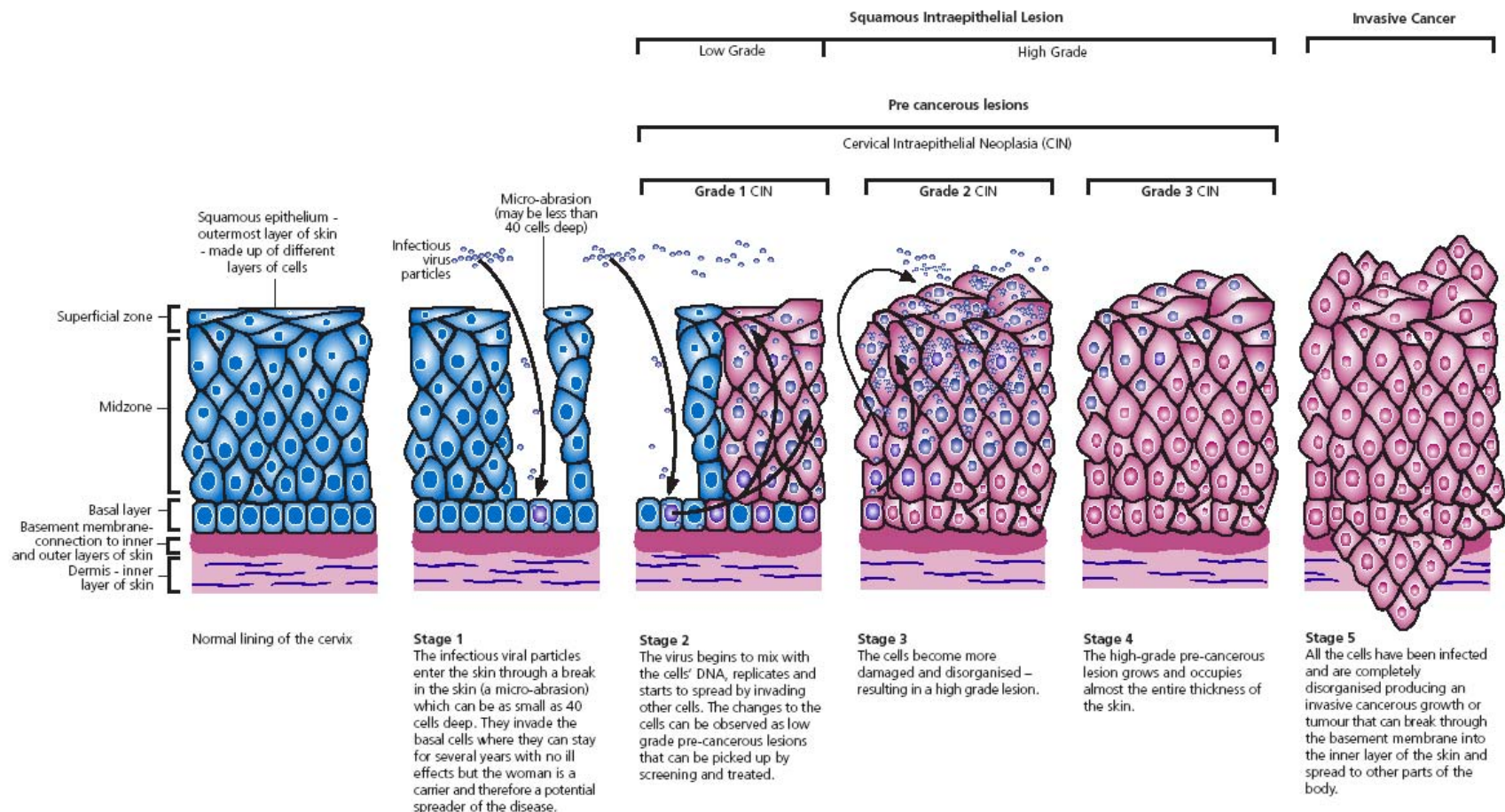
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# Effects of HPV infection



- ❖ The HPV virus infects cells and then integrates its DNA into the DNA of the host cell
  - ❖ Persistent infection leads to cell change
  - ❖ Eventually cancer occurs after many years
  - ❖ HPV infections can't be treated
  - ❖ Abnormal changes can be detected by screening
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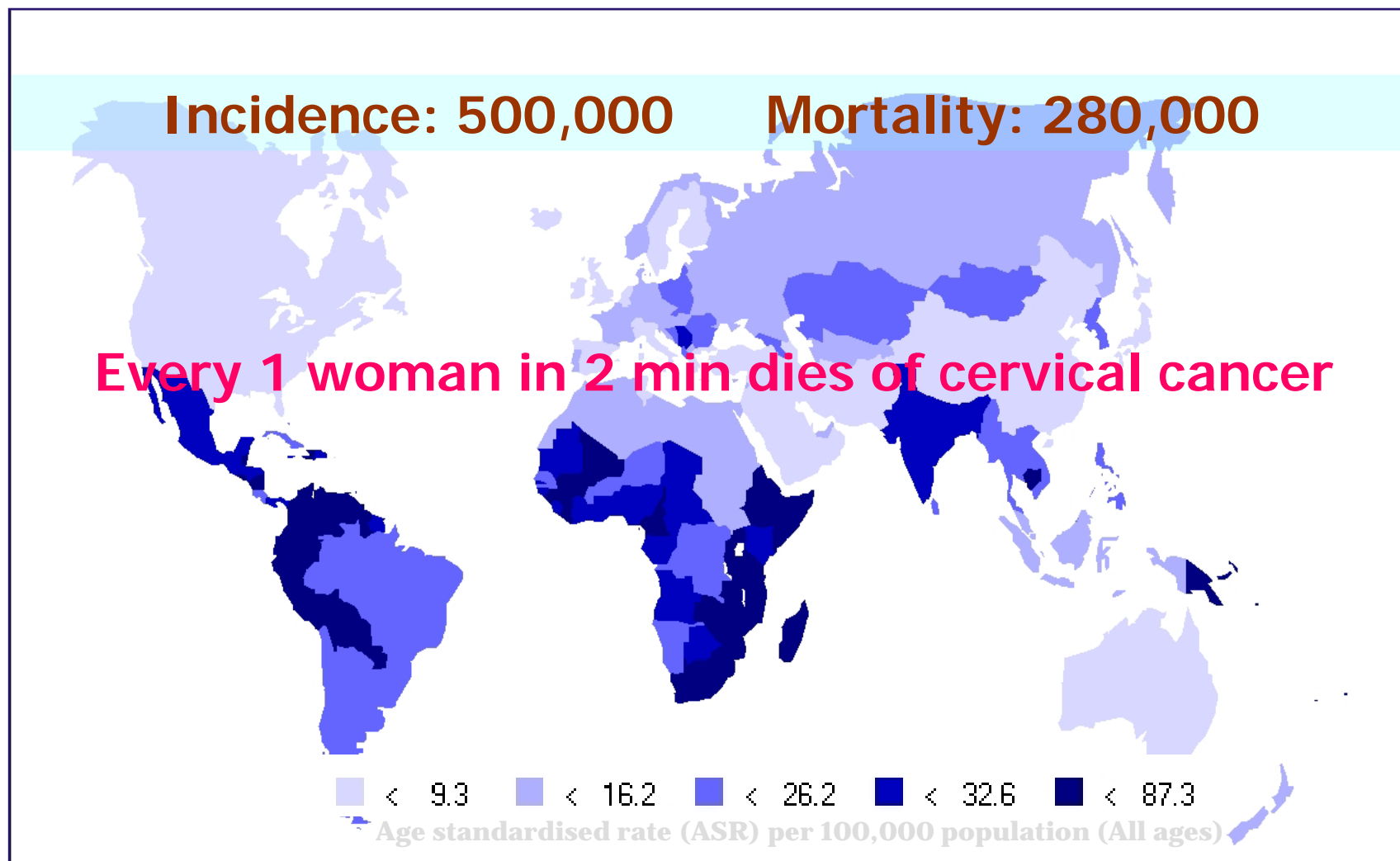
# HPV infection in the cervix



**Figure 1** How the human papillomavirus infects the skin of the cervix and produces a cancerous growth.

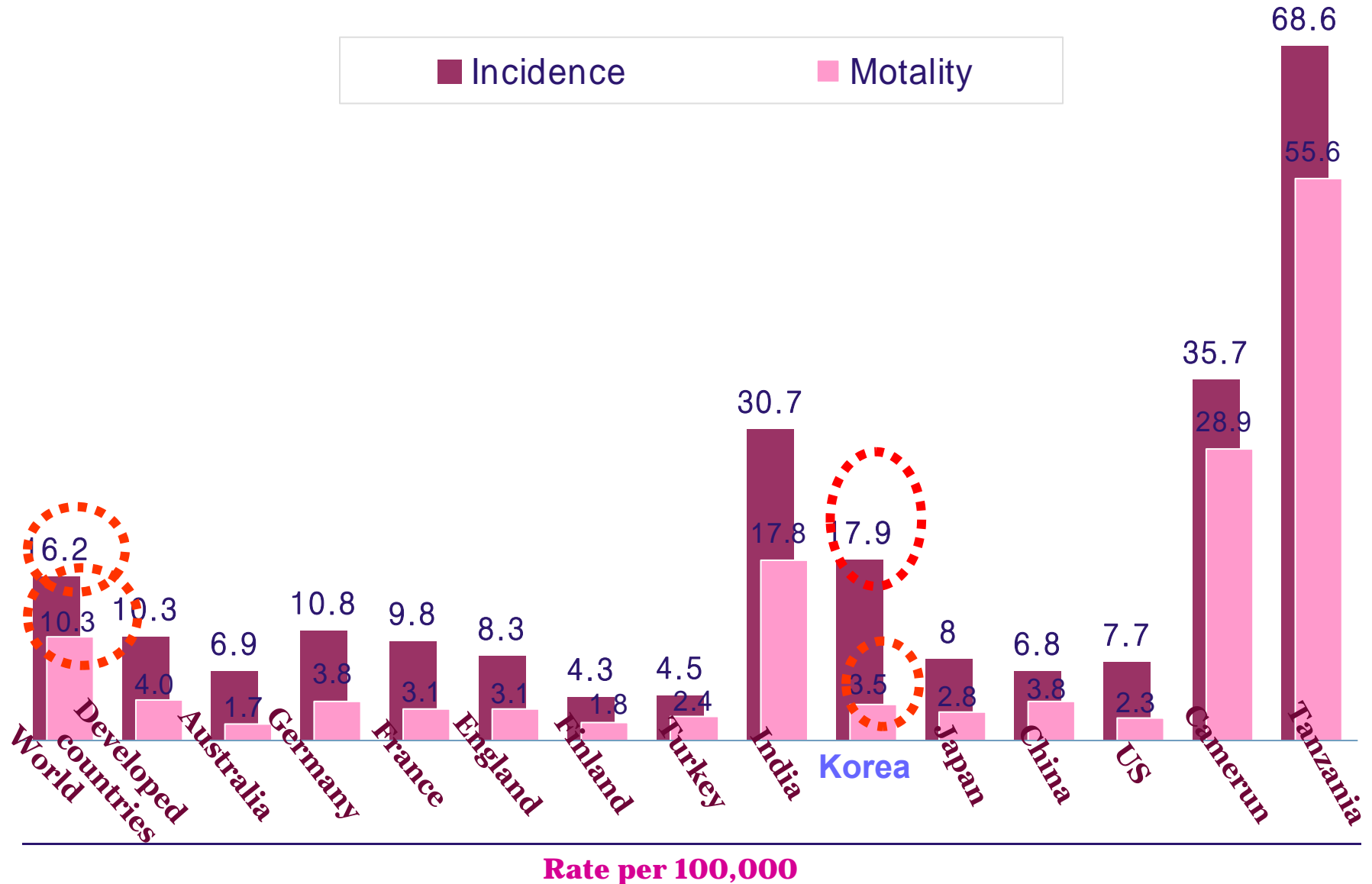


# Burden of Cervical Cancer

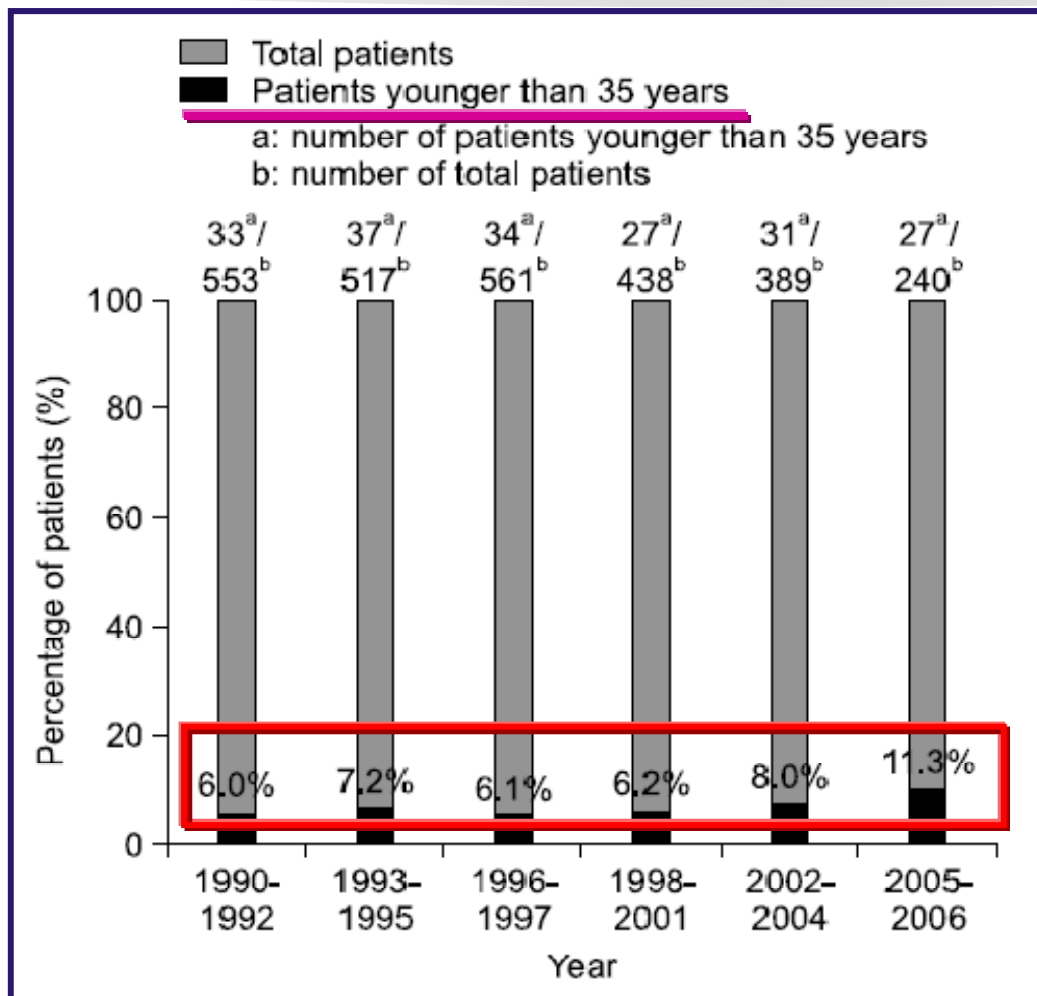




# Incidence & mortality (2002)



# Cervical cancer in young adults (< 35y)



Increasing proportion of patients younger than 35 years old with cervical cancer ( $p=0.033$ ).

Study period: 1990-2006

**2,698 Cervical cancer patients**

- ❖ **Increasing incidence**
- ❖ **More aggressive form**
- ❖ **HPV infection: 94.0%**



# **Conditions caused by HPV**

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# Percentage of cancers caused by HPV



Cancer site	Percentage of cervical cancer cases caused by HPV
Cervix	> 99%
Penis	40%
Vulva & vagina	40%
Anus	90%
Mouth	3%
Oropharynx	12%

# Current approaches to preventing HPV infection



- ❖ **Condoms reduce the risk of acquiring HPV**
    - Transmission by contact of areas not covered by condoms
  - ❖ **Cervical screening does not prevent HPV infection**
  - ❖ **Cervical screening** remains important as:
    - Vaccination will take several years to reduce cancer
    - Vaccination does not protect against all HPV types
    - Unvaccinated women will not be protected
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# HPV Vaccination

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# Composition of *Cervarix*<sup>TM</sup> and *Gardasil*<sup>®</sup>



## *Cervarix*<sup>TM</sup>

### Antigens



HPV 16 VLPs



HPV 18 VLPs

+

### AS04 adjuvant

Aluminium  
salt  
(Al(OH)<sub>3</sub>)

+

**MPL**  
Immunostimulant

**AS04-containing vaccine**

## *Gardasil*<sup>®</sup>

### Antigens



HPV 16 VLPs



HPV 18 VLPs



HPV 6 VLPs



HPV 11 VLPs

+

### Adjuvant

Aluminium salt  
(amorphous aluminium  
hydroxyphosphate  
sulphate [AAHS])

**AAHS-containing vaccine**

# Limitation of immunity after natural infection

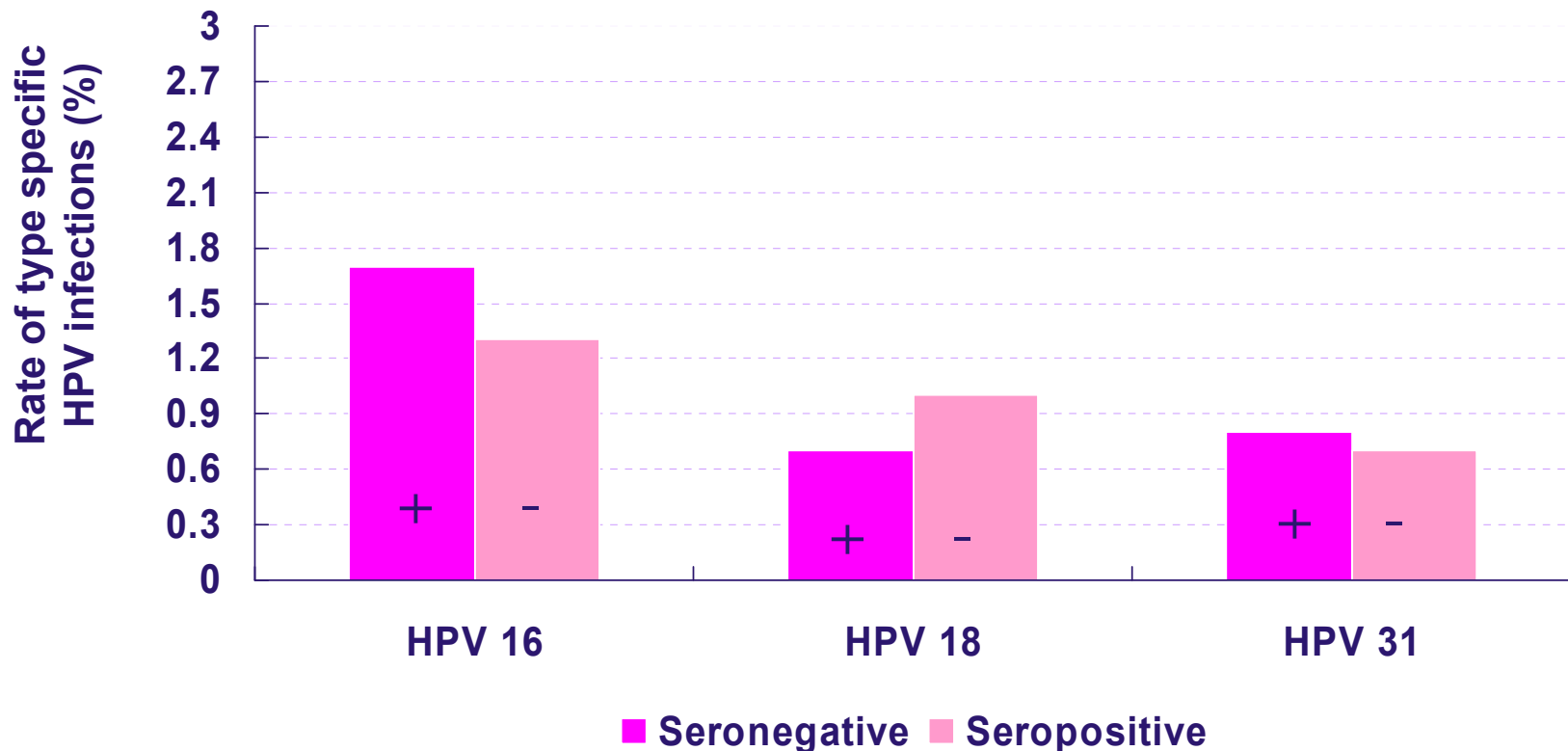


- ❖ **Late** formation of Ab after natural HPV infection
- ❖ Ab formation rate: **< 50%** in natural infection<sup>7,9,10</sup>
- ❖ **Low** Ab titer after natural infection
- ❖ Cannot prevent re-infection of HPV<sup>1,9,10</sup>
- ❖ Cell-mediated immunity: proposed mechanism of HPV clearance in natural infection HPV<sup>1-7</sup>

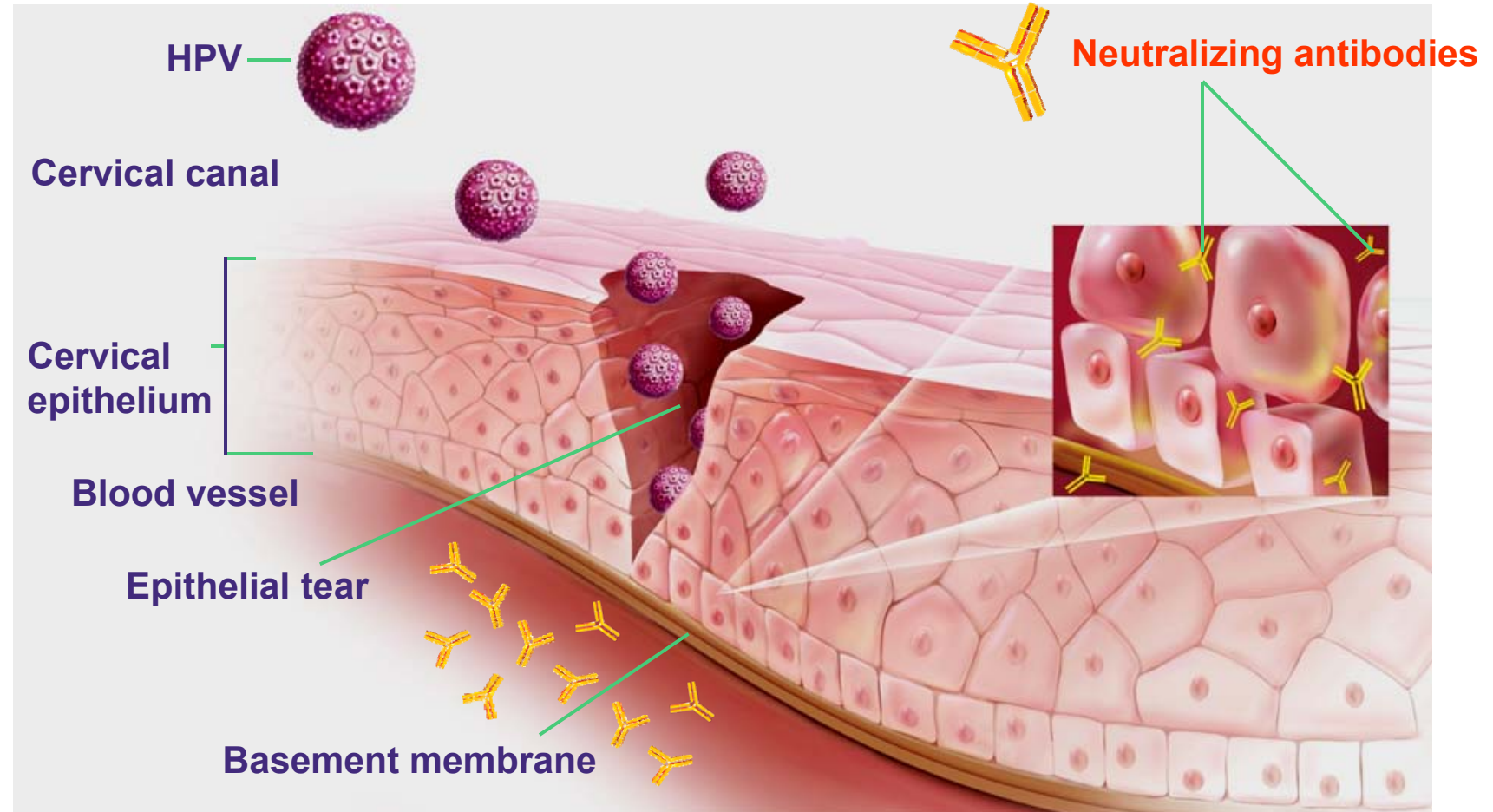




## Repeat HPV type-specific natural infections occur equally in women after 5-7 years FU regardless serostatus



# Neutralizing Antibody



# HPV vaccination



- ❖ Sexually active women may still remain susceptible to HR-HPV infection and might benefit from vaccination
  - ❖ The vaccine cannot protect against HPV-related disease with an active HPV infection
  - ❖ The vaccine may protect a woman who has already been exposed to HPV infections
  - ❖ Vaccination will not harm a girl who has been infected with HPV previously
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# Vaccine strategy



- ❖ Importance of HPV 16/18 (>70% of cervix cancer)

**Targeting vaccine**

- ❖ Weak immune reaction after natural infection

**Strong vaccine**

- ❖ Life-long risk of HPV infection after sexual debut

**Long-acting vaccine**

1. Bosch et al. J Natl Cancer Inst Monogr 2003; 3.
2. Stanley et al. Vaccine 2006; 24 Suppl 1, S16.
3. Baseman et al. J Clin Virol 2005; 32 Suppl 1, S16.

# Vaccine effectiveness



- ❖ Vaccination has been shown to be **99%** effective in preventing CIN caused by HPV types 16 and 18
  - ❖ **Cross-protective** effect against other HR-HPV types
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# FUTURE TRIAL

## Vaccine Efficacy



End Point	Vaccine		Placebo		Efficacy (%)	CI
	n	Cases	n	Cases		
HPV 16/18: CIN 2/3 or AIS	5,305	1	5,260	42	98	(86–100)
HPV 6/11/16/18: VIN 2/3 or VAIN 2/3	2,261	0	2,279	9	100	(49–100)

# FUTURE TRIAL

## Vaccine Efficacy



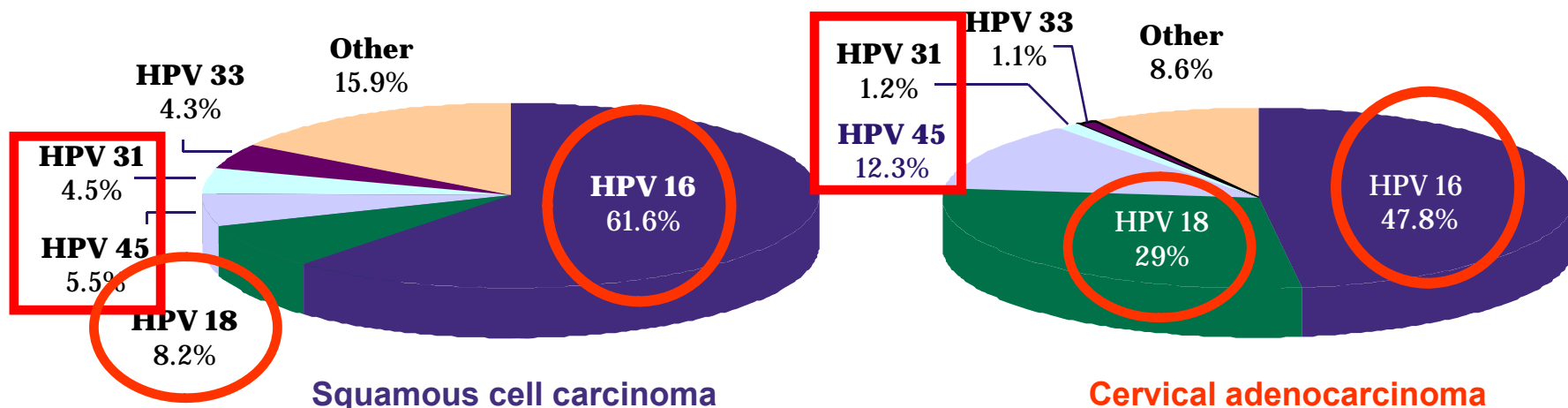
End Point	Vaccine		Placebo		Efficacy (%)	CI
	n	Cases	n	Cases		
HPV 6/11/16/18: CIN 1	2,241	0	2,258	65	100	(94–100)
HPV 6/11/16/18: Condy, VIN 1, VAIN 1	2,261	0	2,279	57	100	(94–100)

# HPV type distribution in cervical cancer



- ❖ The most common HPV types in all cervical cancers
  - HPV 16, 18, 45 and 31<sup>1</sup>
- ❖ HPV 16 and 18: >70% of cervical cancer cases<sup>1,2</sup>
- ❖ HPV 16, 18, 45 and 31: >90% of cervical adenoca cases<sup>2,3</sup>

HPV type distribution



1. Munoz N, et al. *Int J Cancer*. 2004; 111:278–285.

2. Bosch FX et al. *Vaccine*. 2008; 26S:K1–K16.

3. Smith JS et al. *Int J Cancer*. 2007; 121:621–632

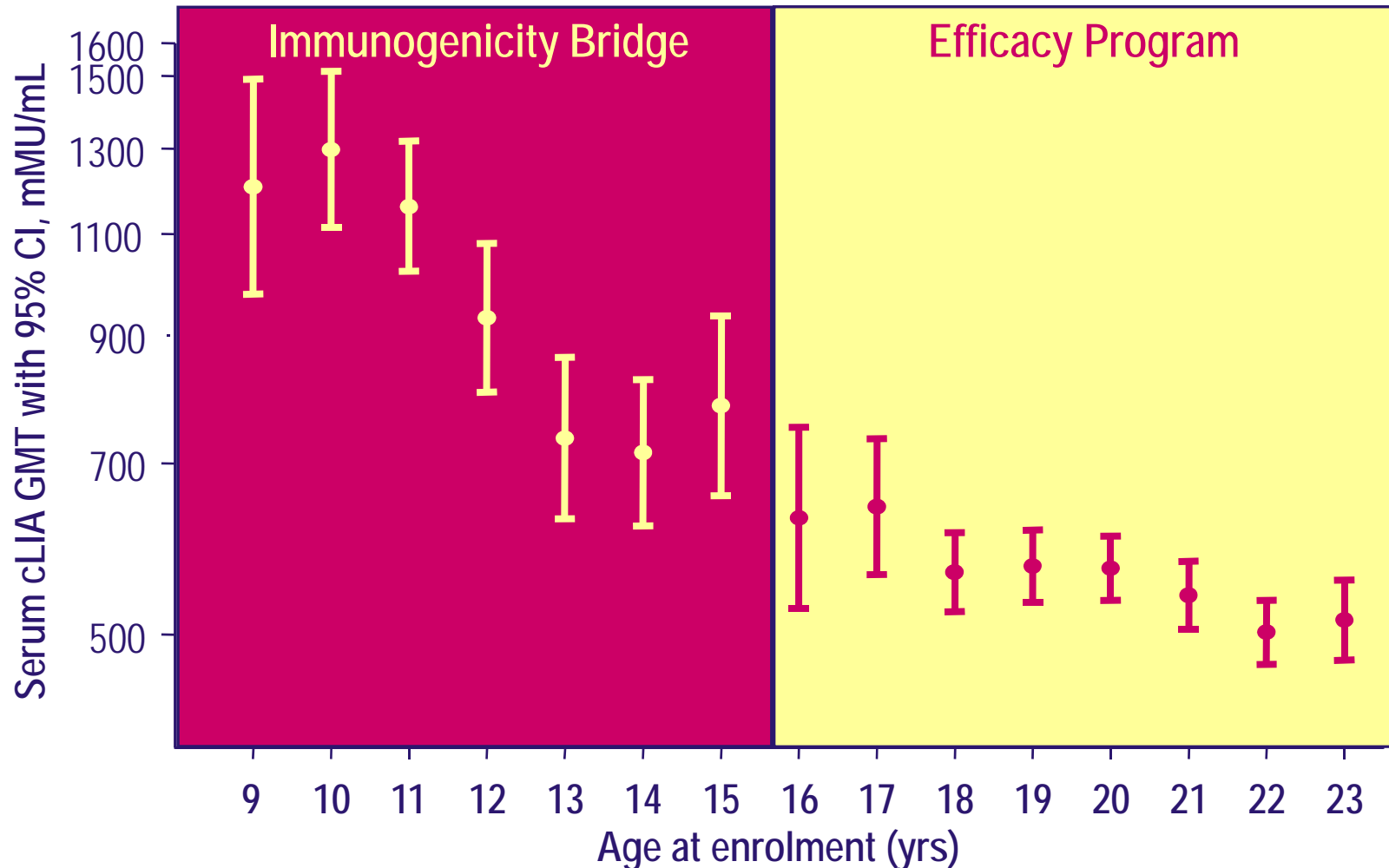


# Duration of immunity



- ❖ The immune response to HPV vaccination lasts at least six years
  - ❖ Ab levels have been shown to be higher from vaccination than from natural infection after 5 years
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# Immune response in adolescents even better than in adults (100% efficacy)



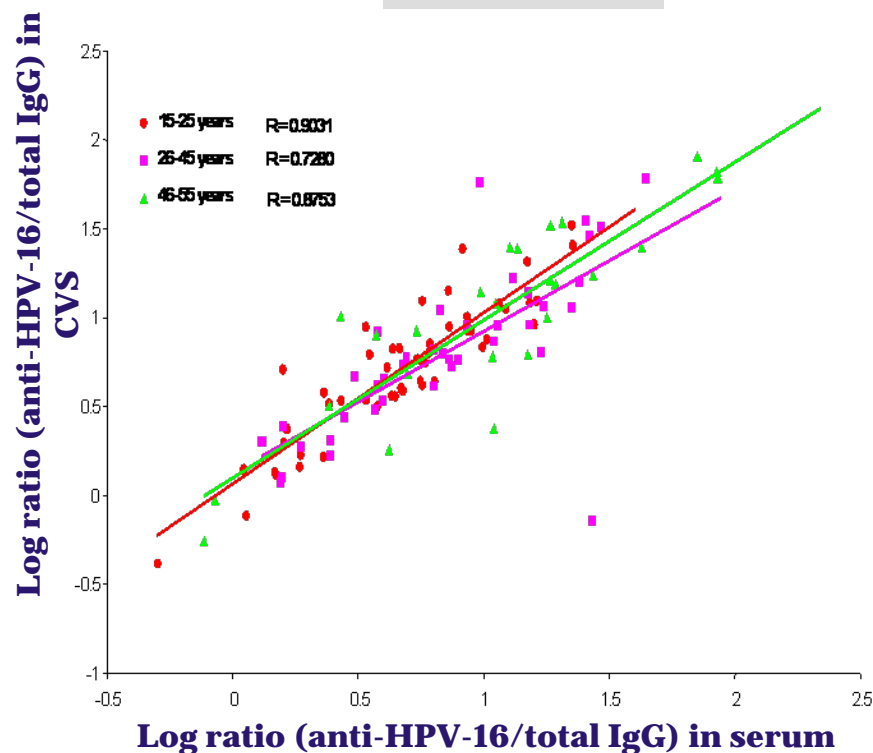
# Correlation between Serum & CVS Ab titers



HPV-014 (women 15-55 yrs)

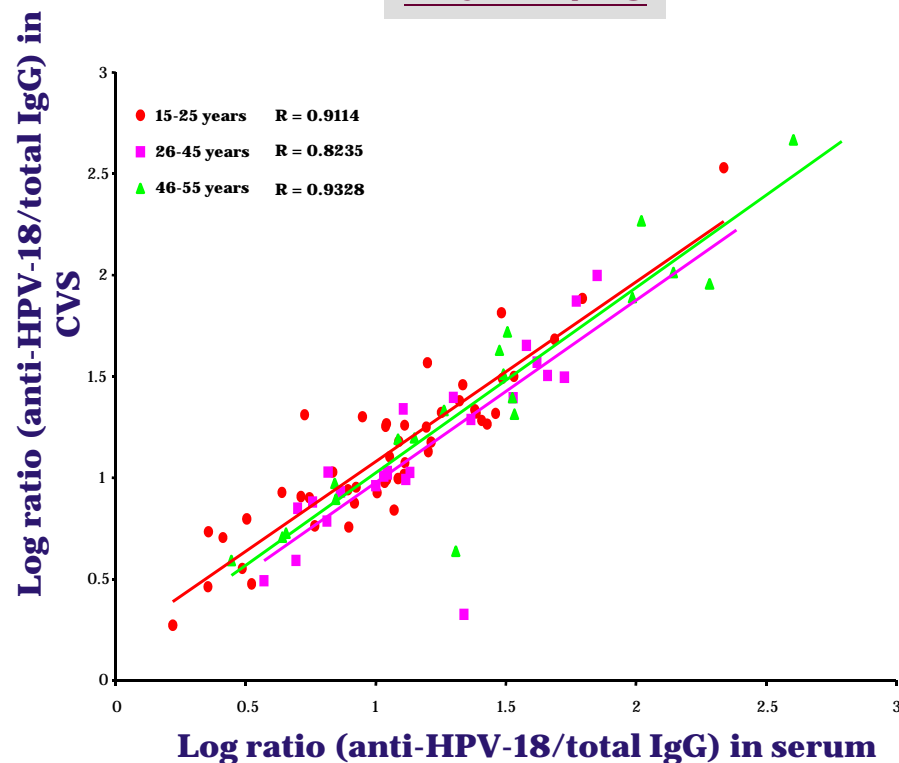
(ELISA)

**Anti-HPV-16**



Month 24

**Anti-HPV-18**



**High serum Ab titer: High CVS Ab titer**

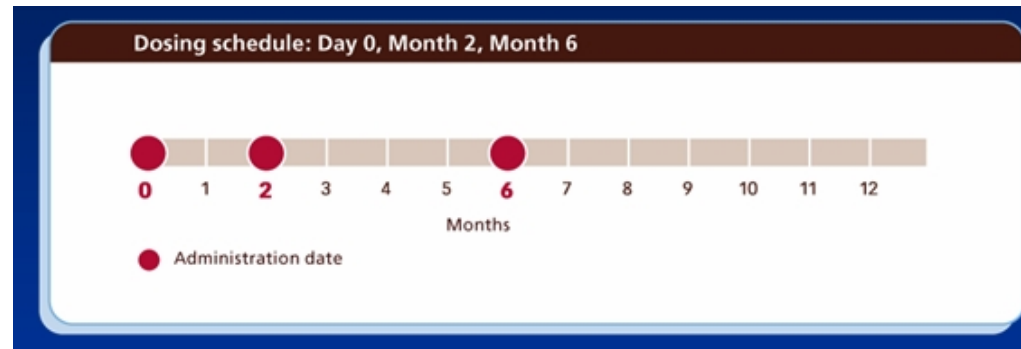
# Potential benefits of vaccination

## ❖ Better to prevent CIN than to treat it

- Reduce No. of women receiving additional cytology & colposcopy
  - Reduce the cost of treatment associated with screening program
  - Reduce the anxiety and discomfort during treatment of abnormal lesions
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# KSGOC Recommendation: Gardasil

- ❖ Quadrivalent HPV vaccine (HPV 6, 11, 16, 18)
- ❖ Prophylaxis for
  - Cervical cancer
  - Condyloma
  - AIS, CIN, VIN, VaIN
- ❖ 3-time vaccination (0, 2, 6m)
- ❖ Age
  - Range: 9-26 years (women)
  - Best: 15-17 years
  - Catch-up: 18-26 years
- ❖ Screening should be continued irrespective of HPV vaccination



# KSGOC Recommendation: Cervarix

- ❖ Bivalent HPV vaccine (HPV 6, 11)
- ❖ Prophylaxis for
  - Cervical cancer
  - CIN
- ❖ 3-time vaccination (0, 1, 6m)
- ❖ Age
  - Range: 10-25 years (women)
  - Best: 15-17 years
  - Catch-up: 18-25 years
  - Possible age: 26-55 years

# Comparison table



	<b>Gardasil™</b> Al(OH) <sub>3</sub>	<b>Cervarix™</b> ASO <sub>4</sub>
Efficacy	Prevention of HPV 6/11/16/18 related cervical cancer	Prevention of HPV 16/18 related cervical cancer
	CIN 1,2,3	CIN 1,2,3
	Persistent infection	Persistent infection
	AIS	Abnormal cytology
	External genital lesions	
Schedule	0.5mL, 0, 2, 6M IM	0.5mL, 0, 1, 6M IM
Routine vaccination	Female, 9-26 yr	
	(optimal age 15-17 yr)	Female, 10-25 yr
	Male, 9-15 yr	(optimal age 15-17 yr)
	(prevention of genital warts)	
Catch-up vaccination	Female, 18-26 yr	Female, 18-25 yr
Vaccination of old-aged	-	Possible for 26-45 yr
Therapeutic effect	-	-
Effect of cross-protection		HPV 31, 45-related persistent infection
Cervical cancer screening	Same as cervical cancer screening program	

# Vaccination in older group

**Risk of infection still significant in  
sexually-active women aged > 26Y**

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# Why women > 25 still be at risk?

- ❖ Limited immunological protection with risk for re-infection
    - Oncogenic HPV down-regulation
    - Prior infection: not induce immunity
  - ❖ Reactivation of latent infection
    - Gradual loss of type-specific natural immunity
  - ❖ Woman's sexual behavior
    - Divorce, partner change etc.
  - ❖ Sexual behavior of male sexual partner
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# **Do Exposed Women Benefit from the Vaccine?**

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# Women with prior HPV infection

HPV vaccines have no therapeutic effect

- ❖ No evidence of hazardous effects of vaccine
  - ❖ Vaccine may decrease the risk of auto-inoculation or transmission
  - ❖ Further analysis warranted
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# Male HPV vaccination

Men & women both share the responsibility

## ❖ Non-cervical HPV-related cancers

- Skin, oral pharynx, esophagus, anus, penis

## ❖ Modeling study

- Relatively small effect on cervical cancer incidence
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# Current problems of vaccination

- ❖ No protection against 30% of cervical cancer
  - ❖ Duration of efficacy
  - ❖ Single-dose, heat-stable, needle-free formula
  - ❖ Optimum age of vaccination
  - ❖ Effects of vaccine on public health
    - Cost effectiveness
    - Ethical concern
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# HPV Vaccine Controversy



## ❖ Should it be mandated?

- Undermines abstinence-based prevention messages
- Intrusion on individual and parental rights
- Conflict with religious or personal beliefs

# Updated data from FIGO, 2009



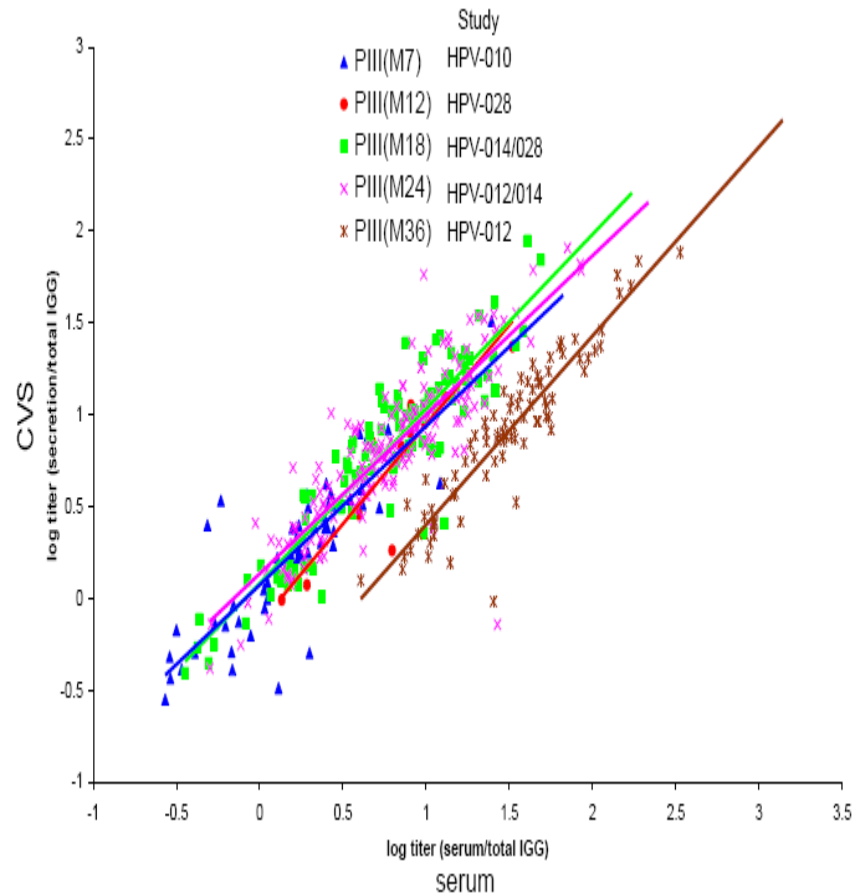
- ❖ Analysis in a subset of women from 4 Phase III clinical trials (recruitment age: 10–56 years, N=350)
- ❖ Serum and CVS samples were collected at pre-specified time points ranging from 7 to 36 months after first vaccine dose

Sampling time (month)	Study	N
<b>Month 7</b>	<b>HPV-010 (NCT00423046)</b>	<b>65</b>
<b>Month 12</b>	<b>HPV-028 (NCT00456807)</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Month 18</b>	<b>HPV-014 (NCT00196937), HPV-028</b>	<b>153</b>
<b>Month 24</b>	<b>HPV-012 (NCT00337818), HPV014</b>	<b>220</b>
<b>Month 36</b>	<b>HPV-012</b>	<b>108</b>

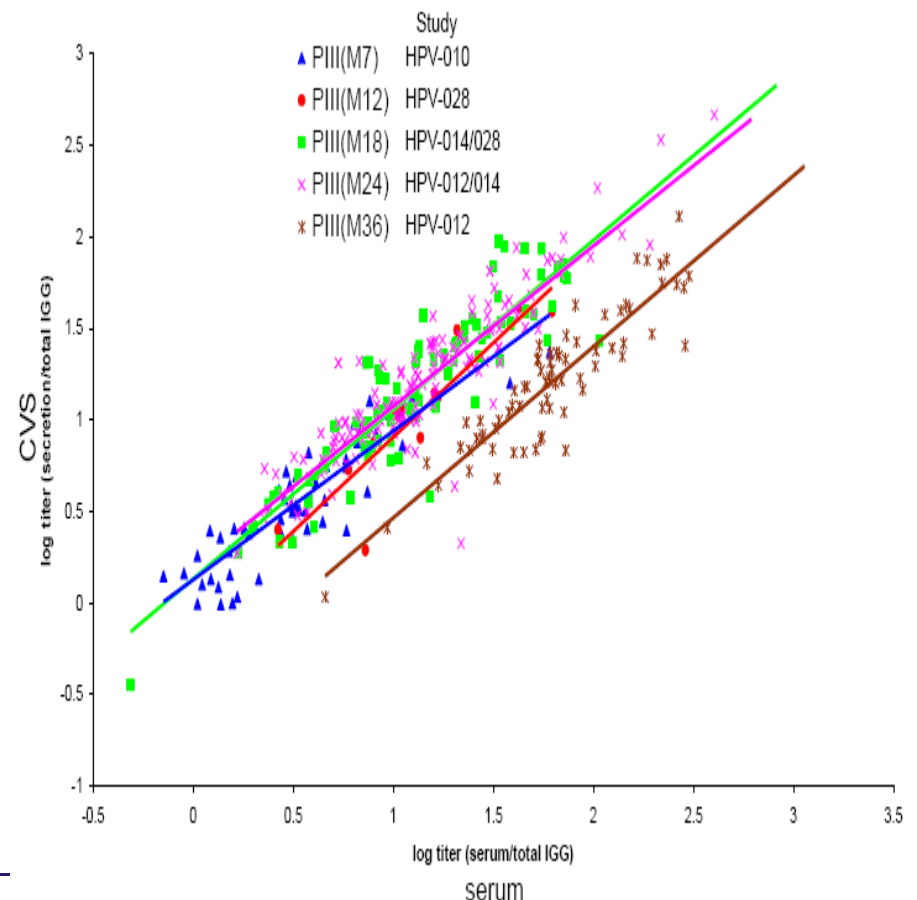
# High correlation between CVS and serum for HPV-16/18 antibodies at different time points

## Pearson correlation coefficients

**0.73–0.93 for HPV-16**



**0.82–0.93 for HPV-18**





# Antibody titers do not predict protection

## ❖ The more antibody, the more efficacy? **NO**

### ❖ Case 1) MMR vaccine (Triviraten, Berna, Switzerland):

- The higher antibody than previous MMR vaccines → Outbreaks among vaccinees → withdrawal from market

### ❖ Case 2) HSV vaccine:

- No serological difference between males and females → Vaccine Efficacy was observed only in females

## ❖ The less antibody, the less efficacy? **NO**

### ❖ Case 3) Guidelines for HBV vaccine has been changed:

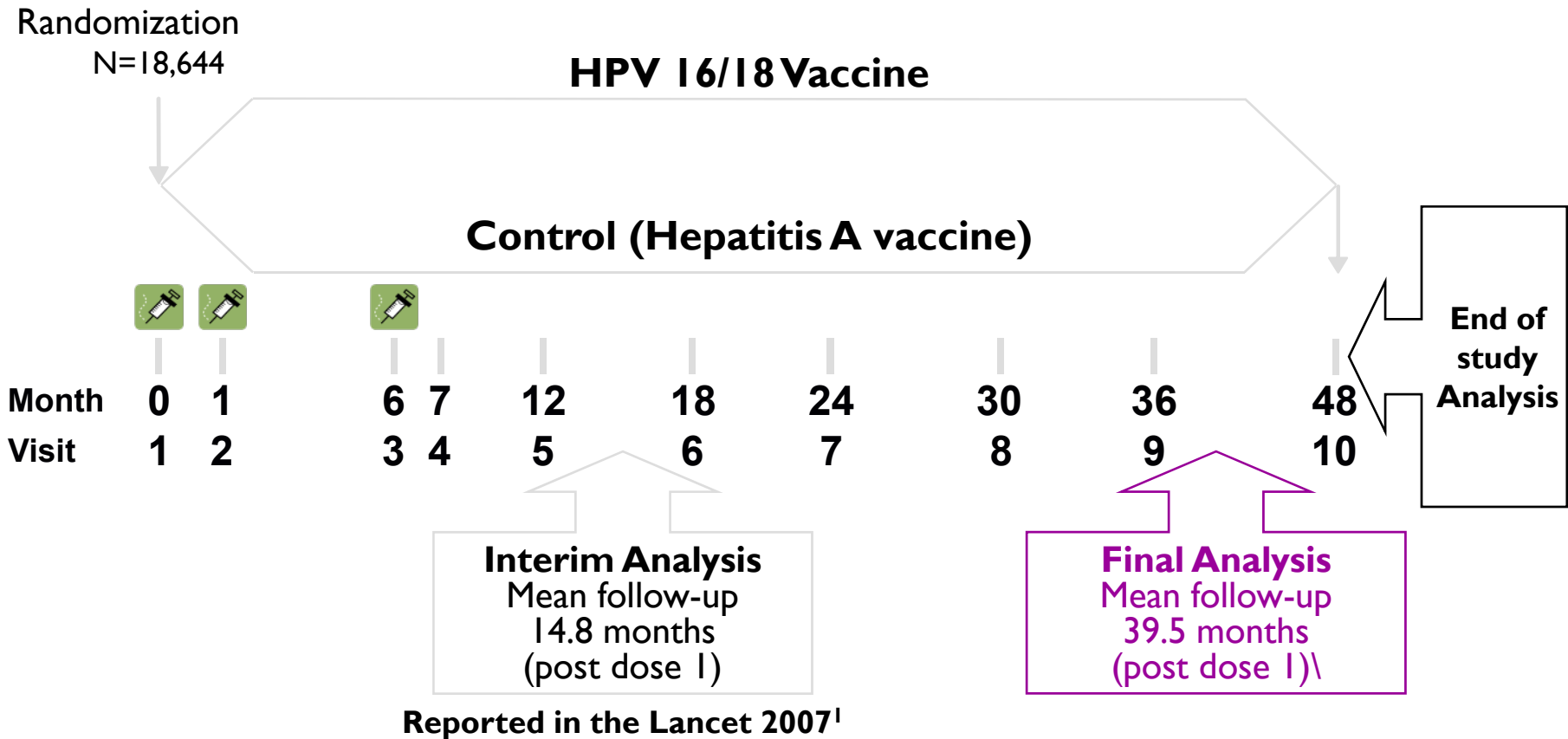
- Booster every 5 years → no booster

***No immune correlate of protection!***

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# PATRICIA (HPV-008) Study Design

18,644 women enrolled (15–25 years)  
Double-blind; randomized 1:1; *Cervarix*® vs control (Hep A vaccine)  
Event triggered interim and final efficacy analyses



\* 1. Paavonen J et al. Lancet 2007; 369: 2161-70 2. Paavonet J et al. Lancet 2009; 374 (9686): 301 - 314

## Vaccine efficacy against ASCUS+, CIN1+ and CIN2+ associated with HPV-16/18 or irrespective of HPV type (TVC-naïve)

Endpoint	HPV type	HPV (N= 5449) (n)	Control (N= 5436) (n)	VE % (96.1% CI)	p-value
ASCUS+	HPV-16/18	37	362	90.0 (85.8, 93.2)	< 0.0001
	Irrespective of HPV type	870	1098	22.2 (14.5, 29.2)	< 0.0001
CIN1+	HPV-16/18	3	85	96.5 (89.0, 99.4)	< 0.0001
	Irrespective of HPV type	106	211	50.1 (35.9, 61.4)	< 0.0001
CIN2+	HPV-16/18	1	63	98.4 (90.4, 100)	< 0.0001
	Irrespective of HPV type	33	110	70.2 (54.7, 80.9)	< 0.0001
CIN3+	HPV-16/18	0	13	100 (64.7, 100)	< 0.0001
	Irrespective of HPV type	3	23	87.0 (54.9, 97.7)	< 0.0001

Adapted from 1. Paavonen J et al. Lancet 2009; 374(9686): 301-14

2. Tjalma W et al. 16<sup>th</sup> ESGO, Belgrade, Serbia, Oct 11-14, 2009.



# Head to Head Trial (HPV-010)

**Comparison of the immunogenicity and safety  
of *Cervarix*<sup>®</sup> and *MSD vaccine* in healthy  
women aged 18–45 years**

# Method



- ❖ Phase: IIIb, observer-blind, randomized, multicenter
- ❖ Study Region: US
- ❖ Stratified by age (18–26, 27–35, 36–45 years) (N=1,106)
- ❖ Duration of study: 48m
- ❖ Vaccination schedule:

Month 0	Month 1	Month 2	Month 6
<i>Cervarix<sup>®</sup></i>	<i>Cervarix<sup>®</sup></i>	Placebo (Al(OH) <sub>3</sub> )	<i>Cervarix<sup>®</sup></i>
<i>MSD Vaccine</i>	Placebo (Al(OH) <sub>3</sub> )	<i>MSD Vaccine</i>	<i>MSD Vaccine</i>

# Results



- ❖ **Similar efficacy**
- ❖ **Excellent rate of vaccination completion  
(≥84% of subjects received all three doses)**

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1. Einstein MH, on behalf of the HPV-010 study group. Human vaccine 2009; 5(10): 705-19

2. Einstein MH, et al. Presented at 16<sup>th</sup> ESGO, Oct 11-14, 2009.

# WHO Guideline (April, 2009)

*Since the immunological correlates of vaccine protection are unknown, CIN2/3 or AIS needs to be used as clinical end-points to prove vaccine efficacy.*



World Health  
Organization

Organisation mondiale de la Santé

Weekly epidemiological record  
Relevé épidémiologique hebdomadaire

10 APRIL 2009, 84th YEAR / 10 AVRIL 2009, 84<sup>e</sup> ANNÉE

No. 15, 2009, 84, 117–132

<http://www.who.int/wer>

## Clinical efficacy and duration of protection

Since the immunological correlates of vaccine protection are unknown and the development of cervical cancer may occur decades after HPV infection, regulatory authorities have accepted the use of CIN grade 2 or 3 (CIN2–3) and AIS as clinical end-points in vaccine efficacy trials instead of invasive cervical cancer.<sup>11</sup> Also, —

# Considerations for public health

- ❖ Country's disease burden
  - ❖ Health care infrastructure
  - ❖ Capacity for immunization program
  - ❖ Cost-effectiveness
  - ❖ Cultural acceptability
  - ❖ Public support
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# Summary



**HPV infection is highly prevalent**

**Certain HPV-related lesions can be prevented**

**Vaccinate before the onset of sexual activity**

**Long-term F/U will address unanswered questions**

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