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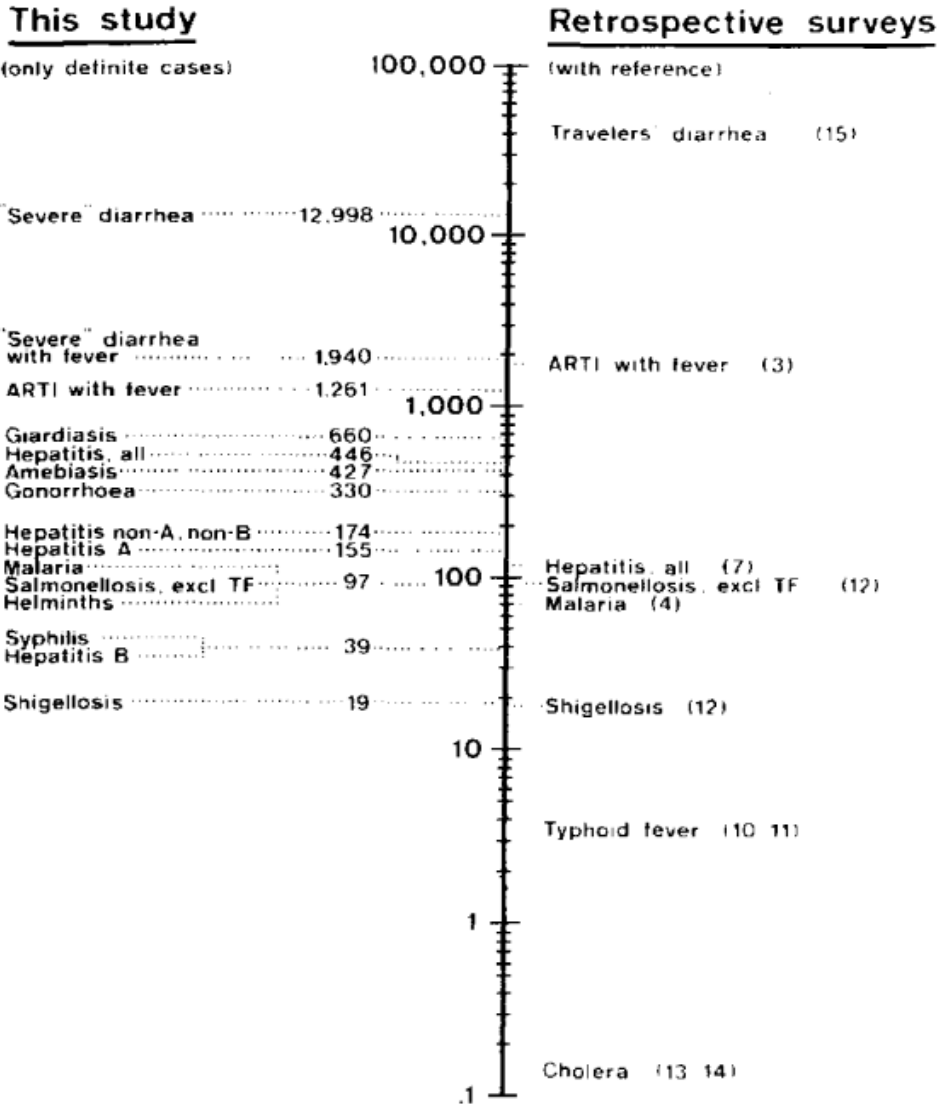


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Vaccine recommendations

- **What are specific vaccine recommendations or schedules (if any) for this population in Italy?**
 - . **Routine**
 - . **Hep A in VFR's children**
 - . **Hep B-DTP(P)-MMR**

- **If applicable, how have these recommendations changed over time?**
 - . **See next**



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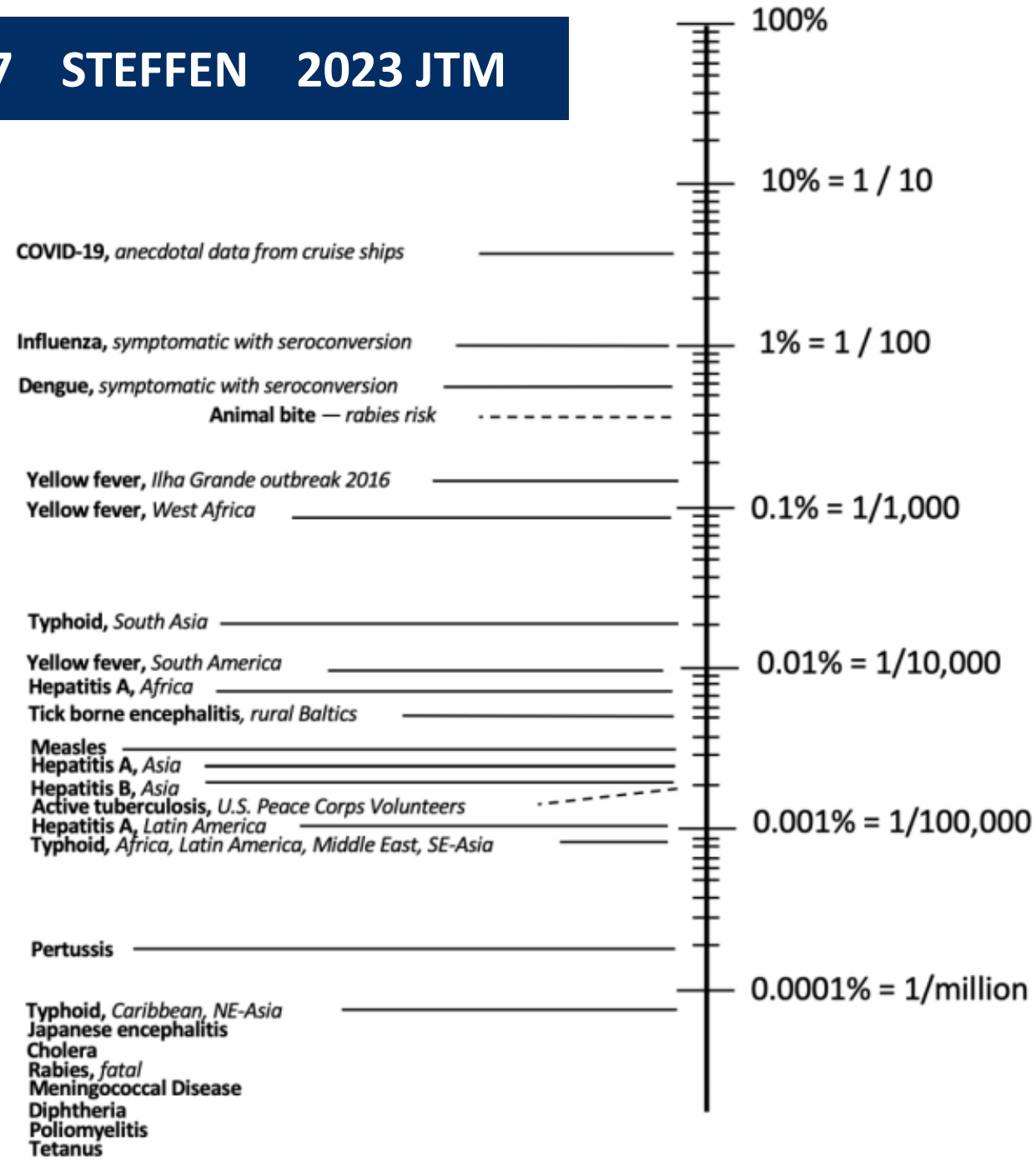


Figure 1. Incidence of infections per 100,000 travelers for a stay of one month in a developing country. The incidence rates per month were calculated by multiplying the rate for the mean duration of stay of 2.8 weeks by a factor of 1.53. ARTI = acute respiratory tract infection, TF = typhoid fever.

Vaccine strategies and services

- **What strategies and services are in place to ensure that this population receives the necessary vaccinations?**
 - **One dedicated “travel clinic” in each ASL**
 - **COVID-19 = total disruption (personnel, other priorities, maybe real absence of strategies?)**
 - **SIMVIM to discuss with PH**

Vaccine strategies and services

- How is Italy coordinating efforts with local health departments and community organizations to improve vaccination efforts for this group?
 - **No real efforts or policies (no formal recognition of TM as a discipline)**

- What support is provided to address the unique needs of this population?
What can be improved?
 - **Recognition of TM as a discipline, formally taught in graduation curricula, global/one/planetary health**

Vaccine strategies and services

- **What is the current vaccination rate among the target group? Are vaccination rates increasing or decreasing?**
 - . **About 50% / <20% VFR (70% tourists, 20% business)**
 - . **DENOMINATORS!!!**

- **What are the key challenges in vaccinating this population in Italy?**
 - . **From mandatory to recommended**

Success stories / projects

- Are there notable successes or best practices in this population that have improved vaccination rates or delivery?
 - A good pre-travel counselling is well-spent time = higher acceptance (eg rabies)
 - Word-of-mouth
 - What are the future goals and initiatives to improve vaccination in this target group?
 - Get the denominators
- Recognition of TM as a medical specialization**