

The Etiology of **A**cute **F**ebrile **I**llness **R**equiring Hospitalization (**AFIRE**)

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Background

- Acute Febrile Illness: approximately 20-25% of hospitalizations in Indonesia and present a major cause of morbidity and mortality
- In developing countries, a clinical presentation with fever is usually linked to an infectious etiology
- Mostly clinical diagnoses only → inappropriate clinical management
- Large-scale studies to identify causes of febrile illnesses in Indonesia have not been conducted

Background

- Most studies were designed to identify for specific agents and did not collect clinical data, outcomes and etiologies to measure disease burden systematically
- This study is designed to provide data that represents the clinical profile of infectious diseases in several large hospitals by conducting a study to record clinical data and to identify the etiologies of fever

Research Question

- What are the etiological “infectious” agents of acute febrile illnesses in patients requiring hospitalization?

Potential Research Benefits

- Identifying etiologies of fever
- Improving patient diagnosis and management
- Identifying novel agents → public health policy
- Generating other research questions

Study objectives

Primary

- To identify the etiology of acute febrile illness cases and evaluate clinical manifestations and outcomes

Study Objectives

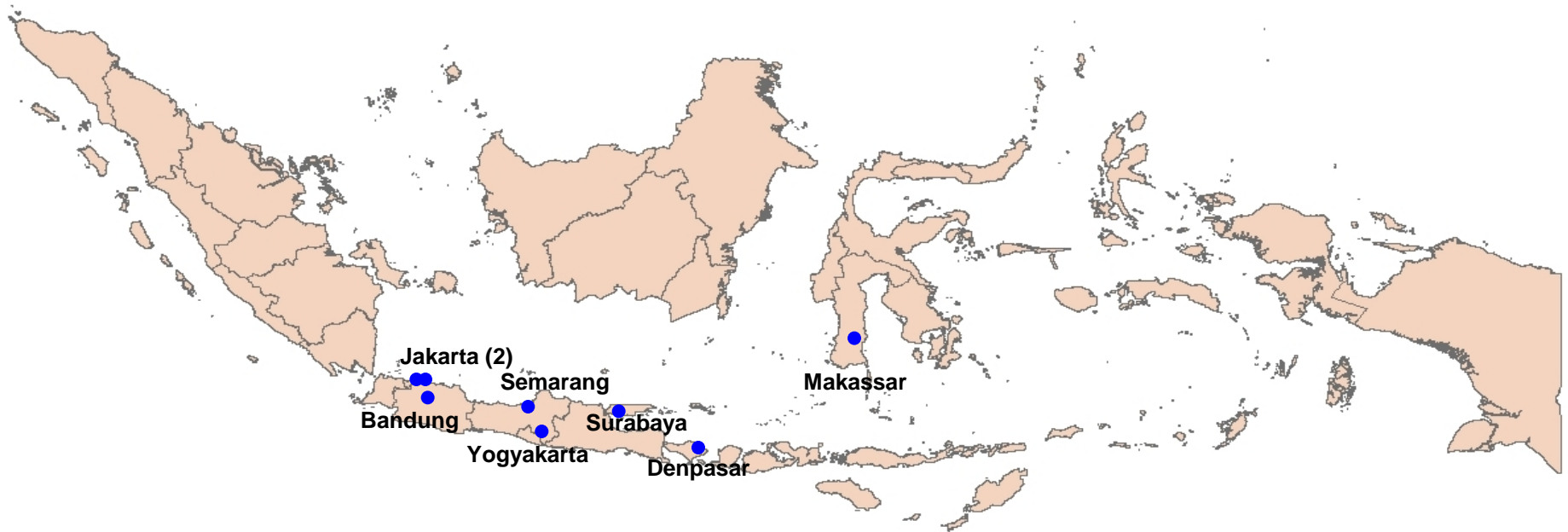
Secondary

- To provide clinical data for improving and/or developing clinical management and health policies
- To enhance research capacity and networking for infectious diseases in Indonesia
- To establish a repository of biological specimens for future studies

Research Methods

a. Sites

Eight hospitals, network members



- RSUP dr Hasan Sadikin, Bandung
- RSUP Sanglah, Denpasar
- RSUPN dr Cipto Mangkusumo, Jakarta
- RSPI Prof dr Sulianti Saroso, Jakarta
- RSUP dr Wahidin Sudirohusodo, Makassar
- RSUP dr Kariadi, Semarang
- RSUD dr Soetomo, Surabaya
- RSUP dr Sardjito, Yogyakarta

Research Methods

b. Type and design

- Hospital-based study without treatment intervention
- Hypothesis-generating cohort study

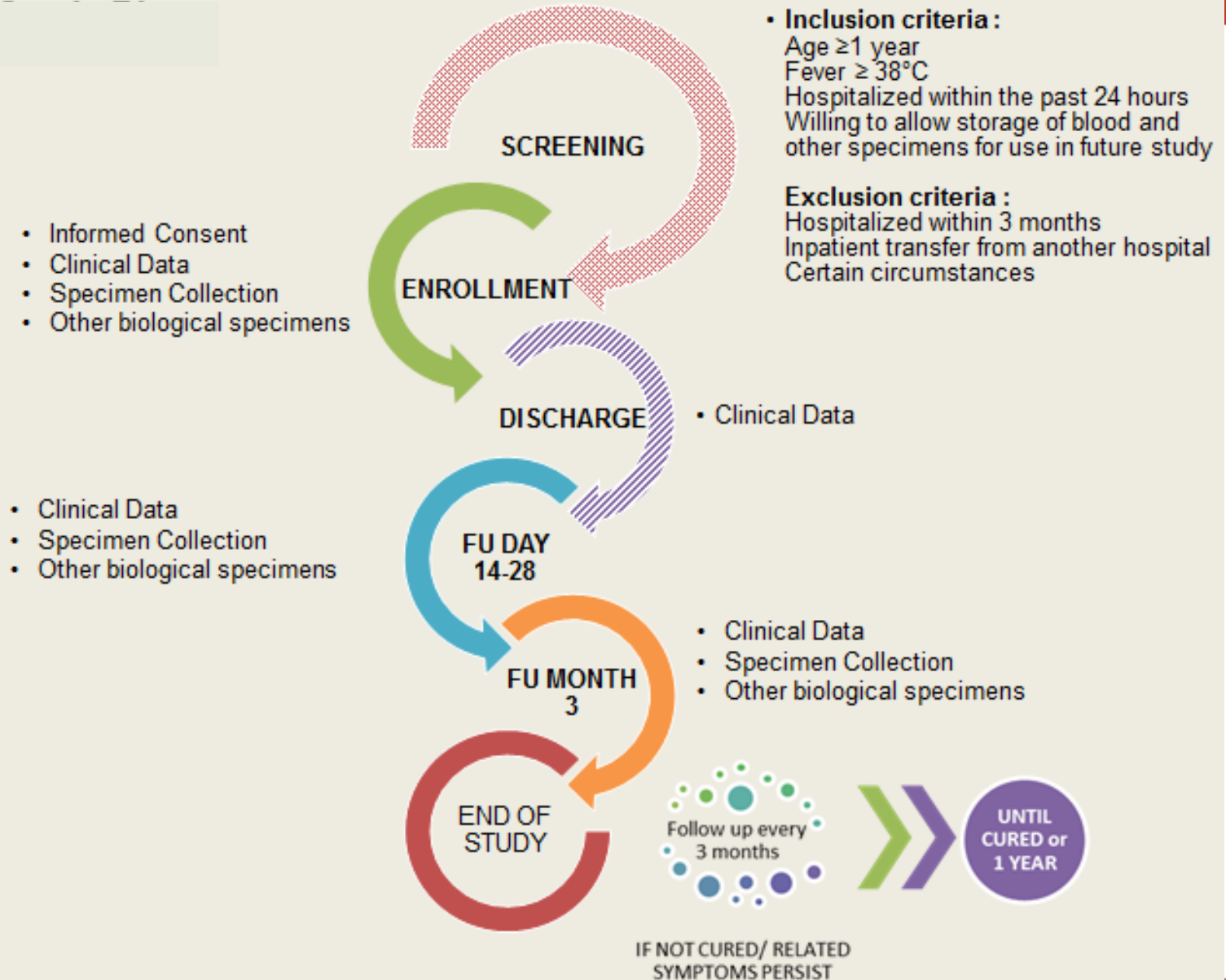
c. Sample size

- Sample size: Total 1600 subjects, max 3200 subjects based on interim analysis*

*Interim analysis: at several points following initiation of enrollment

Research Methods

d. Study Plan



Preliminary Results

Site Activation Status

| Site number | Activation status date | First enrolled Subject Date |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 520 – Denpasar | Jul 16, 2013 | Jul 18, 2013 |
| 560 – Semarang | Aug 12, 2013 | Aug 22, 2013 |
| 580 - Yogyakarta | Aug 14, 2013 | Aug 28, 2013 |
| 510 – Bandung | Sept 04, 2013 | Sept 05, 2013 |
| 550 – Makassar | Oct 04, 2013 | Oct 16, 2013 |
| 570 – Surabaya | Dec 27, 2013 | Jan 03, 2014 |
| 530 – Jakarta (RSCM) | Nov 06, 2014 | Nov 27, 2014 |
| 540 – Jakarta (RSPI-SS) | Nov 17, 2014 | Dec 08, 2014 |

Estimation of study duration

Target Population : 1600 subjects

Until 12 Apr 2015 : 945 subjects enrolled

Average of network enrollment from the last 6 month :52

Months to go to reach 1600 subjects: $655:52 = \mathbf{12.6 \text{ months}}$

Data Interim Analysis (n=635)

4-5 Feb 2015

Subject's General Characteristics (n=635)

| Variable | Pediatric | | Adult ≥ 18 y.o (n=386) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| | <5 y.o (n=85) | 5 - <18 y.o (n=164) | |
| Demography | | | |
| Male (n=347) | 44 | 86 | 217 |
| Female (n=288) | 41 | 78 | 169 |
| Age (Median, range) years old | 2 (1-4) y.o | 11 (5-17) y.o | 35 (18-98) y.o |
| Mortality | | | |
| Outside hospital (n=15) | | | |
| - < 1 month after discharge (n=8) | 0 | 1 (0.6%) | 7 (1.8%) |
| - ≥ 1 month after discharge (n=7) | 2 (2.3%) | 0 | 5 (1.3%) |
| During hospitalization (n=22) | 3(3.5%) | 2(1.2%) | 17 (4.4 %) |

Onset and Duration

| Variable | Pediatric | | Adult ≥ 18 y.o (n=386) |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| | <5 y.o (n=85) | 5 - <18 y.o (n= 164) | |
| Onset of fever – hospital admission day (median, range) | 3 (1-21) days | 5 (1-36) days | 5 (1-32) days |
| Length of hospitalization (median, range) | 5 (6-20) days | 6 (2-54) days | 6 (1-51) days |
| ICU | | | |
| Yes (n=18) | 5 (5.8%) | 4 (2.4 %) | 9 (2.3%) |
| Death (n=14) | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| Alive (n=4) | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Length of stay in the ICU (median, range) | 5 (4-8) days | 5 (3-48 days) | 5 (1-17) days |

Antibiotic use

| Antibiotics given Prior to Hospital | Pediatric | | Adult ≥ 18 y.o |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | <5 y.o | 5 - <18 y.o | |
| Prior to hospital | | | |
| Yes (n=28) | | | 39% |
| No (n=25) | | | 35% |
| Unkno (n=16) | | | 26% |
| Most Anti | | | (28/69) |
| | | | n (8/69) |
| | | | (7/69) |
| | | | (5/69) |
| | | | col (5/69) |
| | | | n (5/69) |
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| A | | | |
| Before | | | 18 y.o |
| Before Blo | | | |
| Hospital | | | |
| Yes (n=28) | | | 33% |
| No (n=38) | | | 47% |
| Most Anti | | | (75/171) |
| | | | (38/171) |
| | Cefotaxim (3/41) | Chloramphenicol (7/51) | Cefotaxime (16/171) |
| | Amoxicillin (2/41) | Cefotaxim (4/51) | Cotrimoxazole (5/171) |
| | Ampicillin + Gentamycin (2/41) | Ampicillin + Gentamycin (3/51) | Levofloxacin (4/171) |
| | | Ciprofloxacin (4/51) | |
| | | Ampicillin + Gentamycin (3/51) | |

26% patients received pre-hospital antibiotic treatment

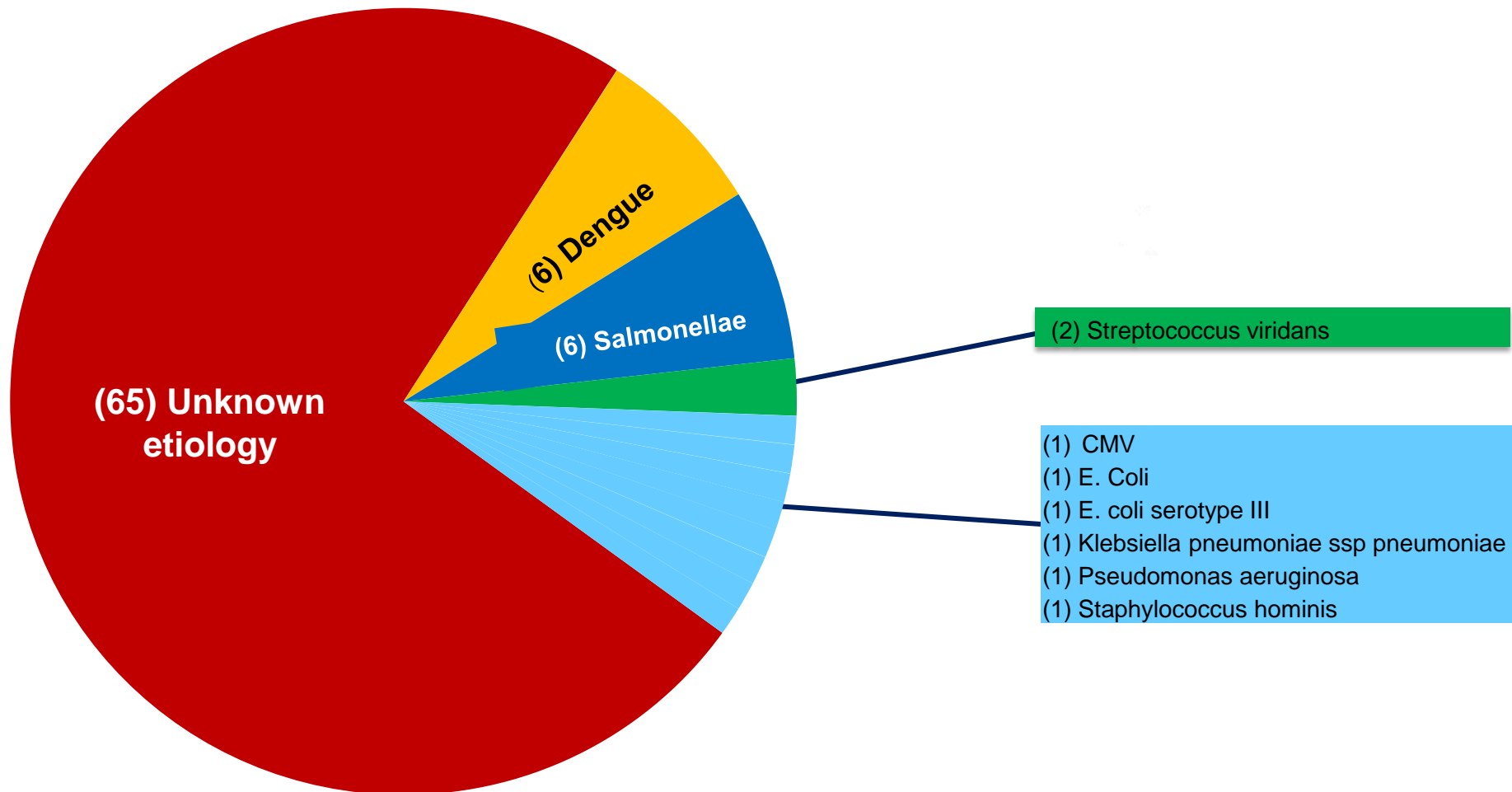
(56% no antibiotics; 18% unknown)

44% patients received antibiotics before blood cultures

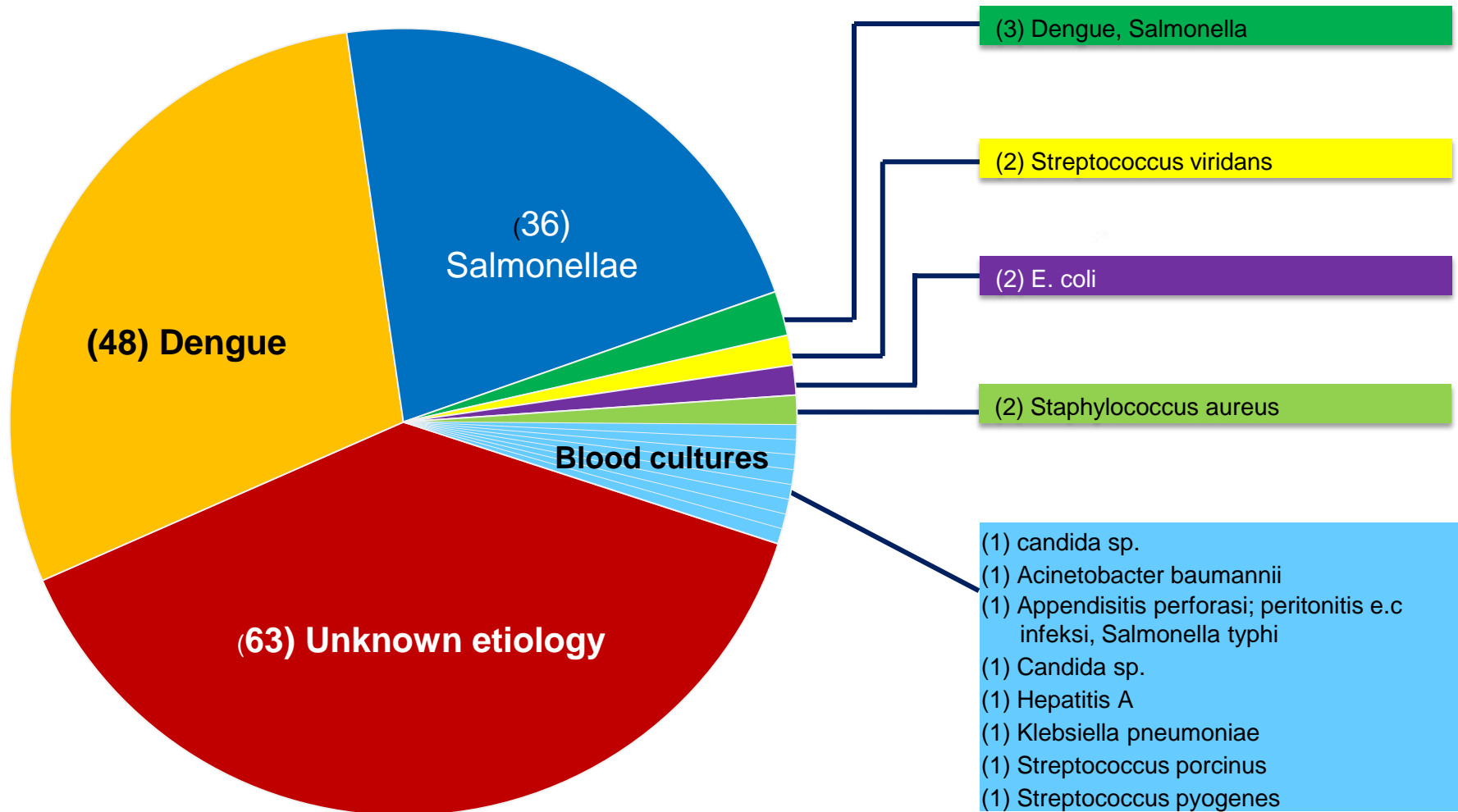
Etiology of AFI

- The etiology of acute febrile illness were identified in 202 (52.3%) subjects.
- The majority were diagnosed by
 - serological assays (65.3%)
 - culture non-blood specimens (10.3%)
 - microscopic (5.6%)
 - blood culture (3.8%)
 - Antigen detection (3.8%)
 - Serological assay+ blood culture (3.3%)
 - Other combination (7.5%)
- The predominant were :
 - Salmonellae (*S. typhi*/*paratyphi*): 88 (43.6%)
 - Dengue : 64 (31.7%)
 - *Leptospira* sp : 16 (7.9%)

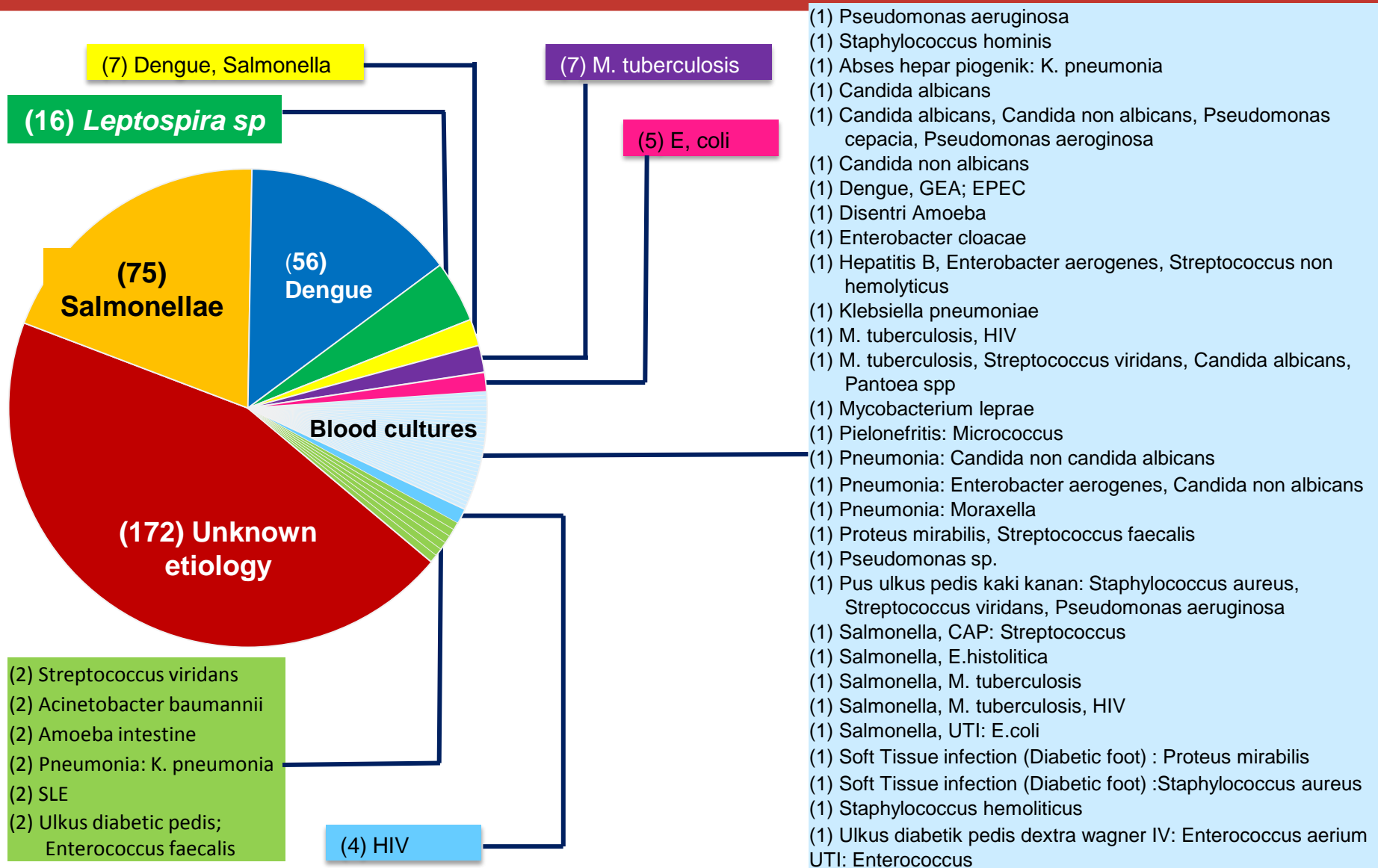
Etiological Diagnoses - 1- 4 y.o (n=85)



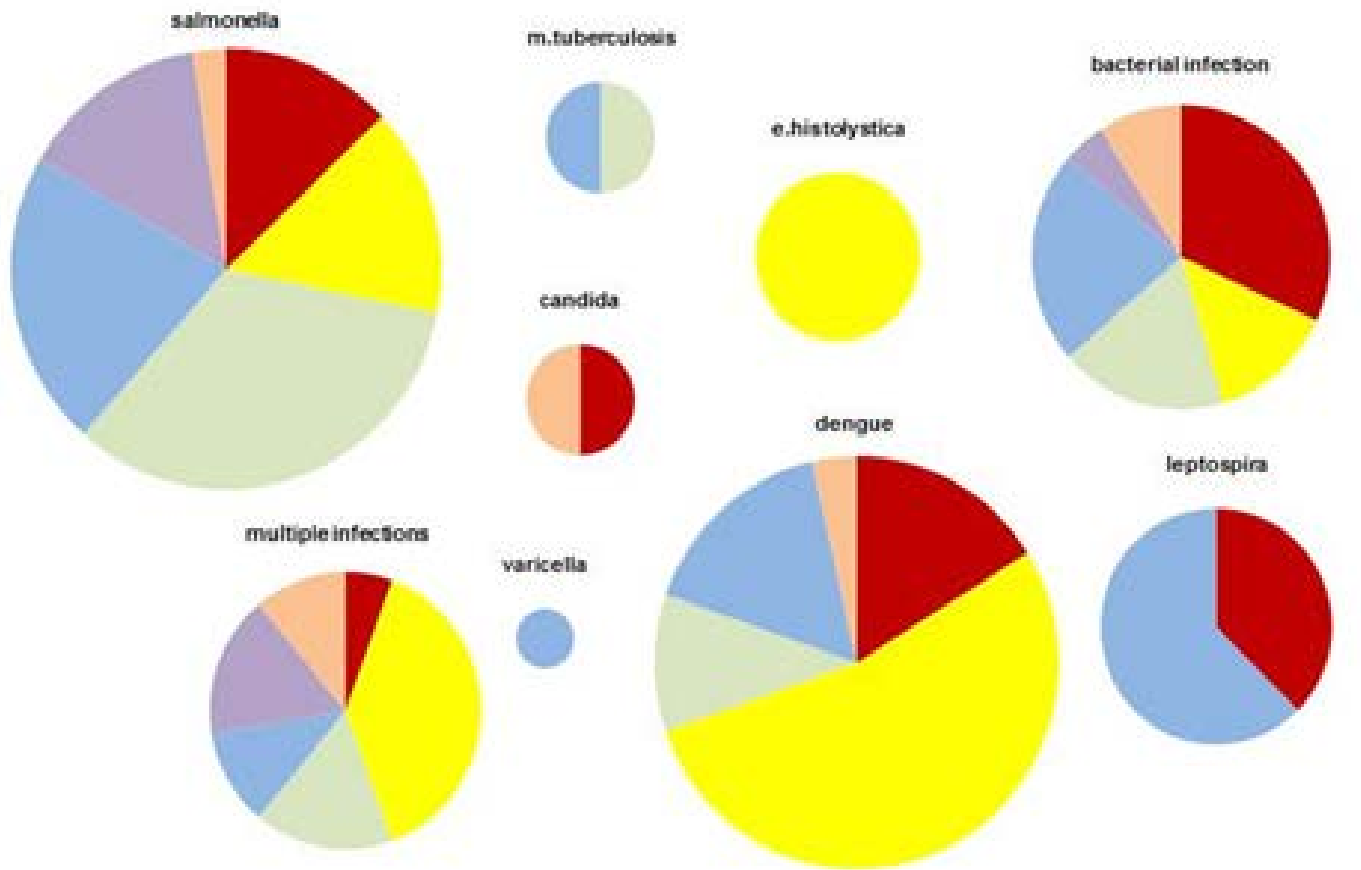
Etiological Diagnoses – 5 - 17 y.o (n=164)



Etiological Diagnoses - >17 y.o (n=386)

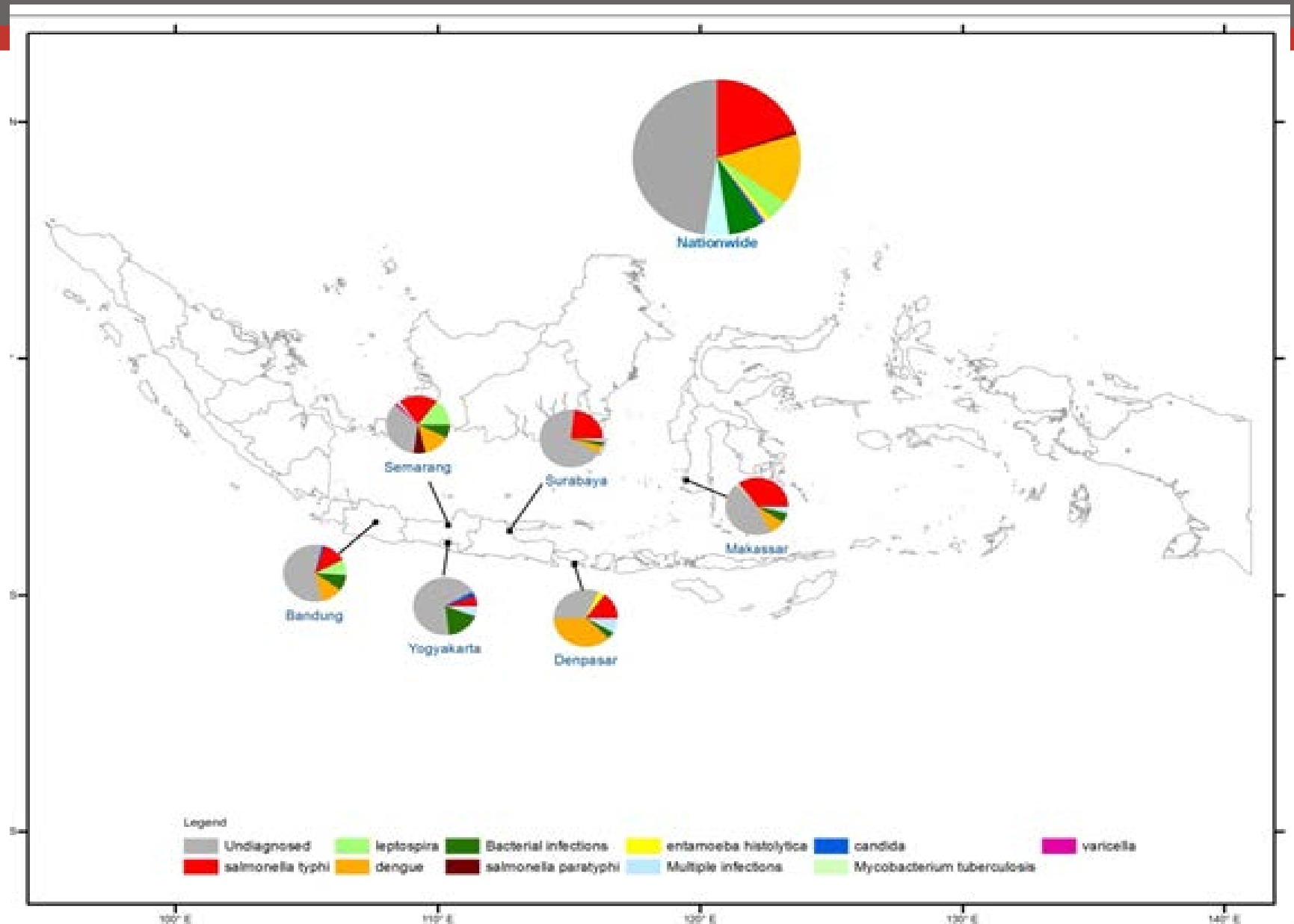


Frequency distribution of etiologies



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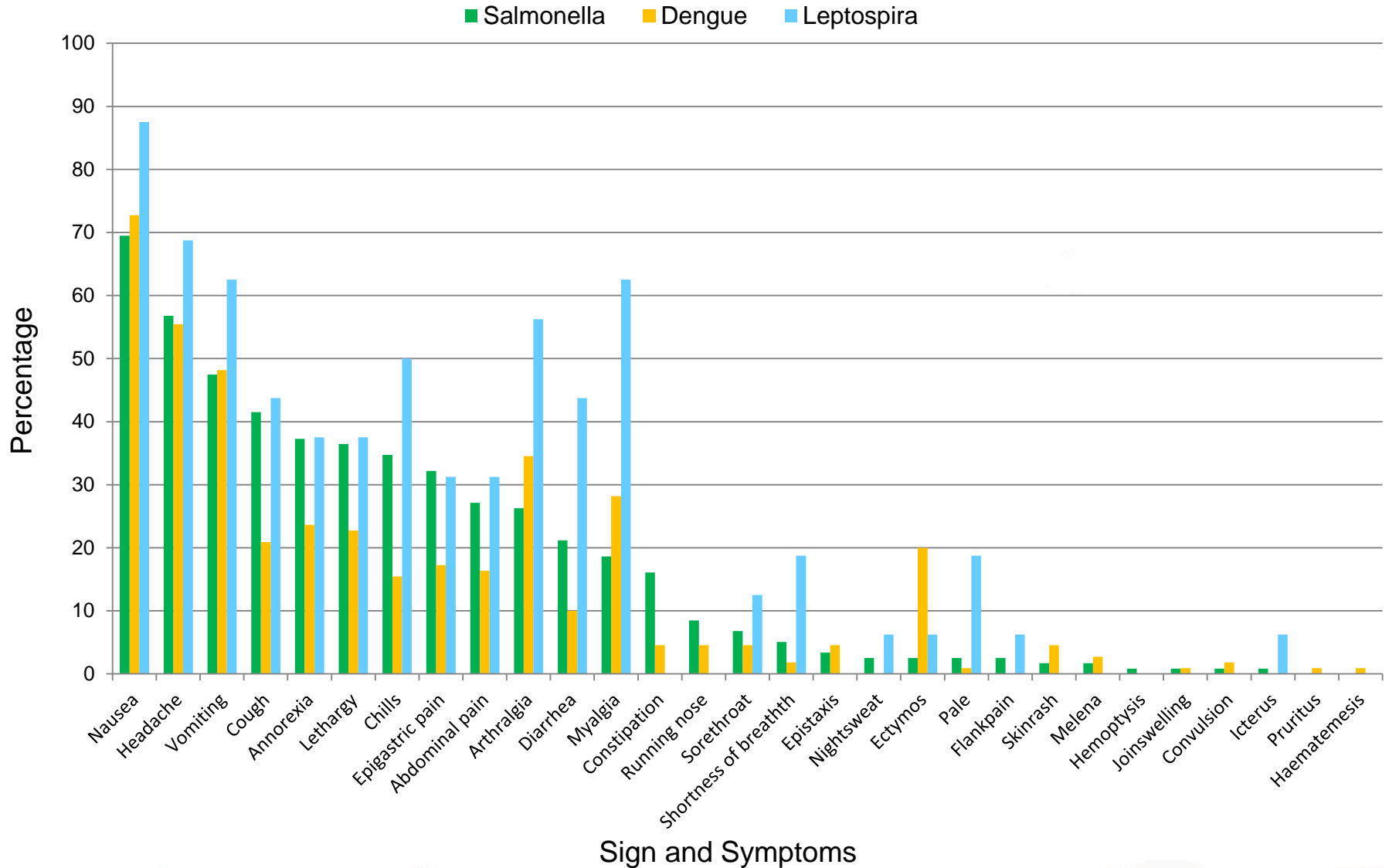
Distribution of etiologies in each hospital



Mixed Infections

| Etiologies | number |
|--|--------|
| Dengue + Salmonellae | 10 |
| Dengue + EPEC (feses) | 1 |
| Salmonellae + <i>E Coli</i> (urine) | 1 |
| Salmonellae + HIV + MTB | 1 |
| Salmonellae + MTB | 1 |
| Salmonellae + <i>Streptococcus sp</i> (sputum) | 1 |
| Salmonellae + <i>E histolytica</i> | 1 |
| Hepatitis B + <i>E aerogenes</i> (sputum) | 1 |
| MTB + HIV | 1 |

Signs and Symptoms in Salmonellae, Dengue and Leptospira infections



Fatal Cases by Age Group and Site (n=37)

| Age Group (y.o) | Site 510 (N=7) | Site 520 (N=7) | Site 550 (N=7) | Site 560 (N=2) | Site 570 (N=5) | Site 580 (N=9) | ALL |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1-4 | 10% (2/20) | 0% (0/5) | 0% (0/9) | 0% (0/14) | 0% (0/13) | 12.5% (3/24) | 5.9% (5/85) |
| 5-17 | 0% (0/43) | 0% (0/35) | 14.3% (2/14) | 0% (0/30) | 4.2% (1/24) | 0% (0/18) | 1.8% (3/164) |
| >17 | 6.3% (5/79) | 8.6% (7/81) | 6.8% (5/74) | 2.9% (2/68) | 8.2% (4/49) | 17.1% (6/35) | 7.5% (29/386) |
| All | 4.9% (7/143) | 5.8% (7/121) | 7.2% (7/97) | 1.8% (2/112) | 5.8% (5/86) | 11.7% (9/77) | 5.8% (37/636) |

Preliminary findings

- **In about half of pts with AFI , etiologies unknown**
- **Salmonellae, Dengue virus and Leptospira are major etiologies**

Near Future Plans

- **Identifying etiologies of unconfirmed or undiagnosed cases**
- **Further testing of all stored samples**
- **Other studies based on interesting (preliminary) findings**
- **Publications**

Identifying etiologies in unconfirmed/undiagnosed cases

- **16s RNA PCR**
- **Rickettsia**
- **Leptospira**
- **Viruses**

