

# The epidemiology of pathogens with pandemic potential: A review of key parameters and clustering analysis

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## Abstract

### Introduction

In the light of the COVID-19 pandemic many countries are trying to widen their pandemic planning from its traditional focus on influenza. However, it is impossible to draw up detailed plans for every pathogen with epidemic potential. We set out to try to simplify this process by reviewing the epidemiology of a range of pathogens with pandemic potential and seeing whether they fall into groups with shared epidemiological traits.

### Methods

We reviewed the epidemiological characteristics of 19 different pathogens with pandemic potential (those on the WHO priority list of pathogens, different strains of influenza and Mpox). We extracted data on the proportion of presymptomatic transmission, incubation period, serial interval and basic reproduction number ( $R_0$ ) for the targeted pathogens. We applied unsupervised machine learning (specifically K-means and hierarchical clustering) to categorise these pathogens based on these characteristics. .

### Results

From 154 articles we extracted 306 epidemiological parameter estimates. The clustering algorithms categorise these pathogens into five archetypes (1) airborne pathogens with high transmission potential, (2) respiratory zoonoses characterized by high case fatality risk, (3) contact zoonoses with high fatality rates, (4) contact zoonoses exhibiting presymptomatic transmission, and (5) vector-borne pathogens capable of secondary human-to-human transmission.

### Conclusion

Unsupervised learning on epidemiological data can be used to predict distinct pathogen archetypes. This method offers a valuable framework to allocate emerging and novel pathogens into defined groups to evaluate common approaches for their control.

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## 1. Introduction

Recent global epidemics of COVID-19 and Mpox have illustrated that we remain vulnerable to global biological incidents. Historically, pandemic preparedness strategies have been limited in scope. For instance, prior to COVID-19, the UK government's sole pandemic plan was the 2011 Influenza Pandemic Preparedness Strategy [1,2]. This narrow focus left critical gaps in threat readiness that have been exploited by non-influenza pathogens such as SARS-CoV-2 and Mpox virus (MPV).

Given the potential health and economic impacts of pandemics, the way in which we plan for such risks needs to be revised. There are 26 viral families known to infect humans [3], but only a fraction of these viruses will possess the ability for widespread transmission in the community [4]. Historically, this fraction has been listed, based on historical outbreaks and ranked to inform policy makers on which pathogens possess the highest pandemic potential. A list based approach, while useful, is inflexible and is rooted in responding to yesterday's pandemic rather than proactively planning.

Categorising pathogens based on shared epidemiological traits rather than using historical lists offers a more flexible and inclusive framework for pandemic planning [4]. A trait based approach would facilitate proactive planning for emerging threats by categorising pathogens by characteristics, allowing planners to assess a wider breadth of scenarios and control measures rather than specific historical examples [4].

To address these gaps, we propose classifying pathogens into archetypes based on epidemiological traits. Utilising data collected from reviews, we implement two unsupervised machine-learning models, K-means clustering and hierarchical clustering, to identify relevant pathogen archetypes. By categorising pathogens by their reproduction number, serial interval, case fatality ratio, proportion of presymptomatic transmission and transmission route, we show how pathogens can be grouped by shared characteristics which may point to common approaches for their control.

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## 2. Methods

### 2.1 Review of epidemiological parameters

We reviewed the human epidemiology of the World Health Organisation's (WHO) blueprint pathogens (as of June 2024) [5]. Including SARS-COV-2 (Wild type, Alpha, Delta & Omicron variants), Crimean–Congo hemorrhagic fever orthonairovirus (CCHFV), Ebola virus (EBOV), Marburg virus (MARV), Lassa virus (LASV), MERS-CoV, SARS-CoV-1, Nipah virus (NiV), Rift Valley fever virus (RVFV) and Zika virus (ZIKV) [5]. In addition, we reviewed; pandemic

influenza A virus (H1N1, H2N2, H3N2 & H1N1pdm09), influenza A virus subtype H5N1 (A/H5N1) and Mpox virus (MPV).

Standard search terms were developed based on the review objectives to collect information on epidemiological parameters of pathogens with pandemic potential. We reviewed these pathogens in terms of transmission route and epidemiological characteristics, including the basic reproduction number ( $R_0$ ) and its associated dispersion parameter ( $k$ ), incubation period, latent period, infectious period, serial interval, presymptomatic transmission, case fatality risk (CFR) and infection fatality risk (IFR).

Initial searches were conducted in PubMed to identify existing systematic reviews. Search terms used are listed in **Supplementary Table S1**. Studies were included if they provided quantitative estimates based on primary epidemiological data or meta-analyses of such data. Additional relevant parameters not captured during this search were retrieved via other methods (see supplement). Articles were included if they described and provided estimates of the desired epidemiological characteristics, or provided datasets allowing for parameter estimation.

## 2.2 Parameter estimation

We estimated key parameters that were not available from the literature review. Where appropriate, we estimated values for the incubation period, serial interval,  $R_0$  and proportion of presymptomatic transmission for selected pathogens. For the incubation period, we used the {EpiLPS} package [6–8] where publicly available data permitted. We estimated serial intervals by fitting lognormal and gamma distributions to the number of onsets for a given day, accounting for double censoring using the R package {primarycensored} [9,10]. For  $R_0$ , we used the package {epichains} [10,11], to provide an estimate for CCHFV on the basis of data collected by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control [11]. We estimated presymptomatic transmission for all pathogens using published or derived incubation and serial interval estimates, assuming transmission occurred before symptom onset if the mean serial interval was shorter than the mean incubation period. Full methodological details are provided in the Supplementary Information.

## 2.3 Clustering of epidemiological parameters

The primary aim was to identify distinct pathogen archetypes which share similar epidemiological characteristics. For the clustering analysis, where possible, we used pooled values from systematic reviews for  $R_0$ , serial interval and CFR. Values and justifications are listed in supplementary data. In addition, we included the transmission route and the percentage of presymptomatic transmission. These values were selected as they represent key epidemiological quantities and were available for most pathogens.

We applied the unsupervised machine learning algorithm, K-means, to the dataset. The elbow method was used to help inform the optimal number of clusters. With the final K value being selected based on the elbow plot and practical interpretability of the resulting clusters.

In addition, hierarchical clustering was applied to the same dataset using Ward's linkage method. The results were visualised as a dendrogram, with discrete clusters identified by cutting the tree at a predefined level based on elbow plot analysis. Each pathogen was assigned to a cluster according to its hierarchical position, facilitating the identification of subgroups with shared epidemiological traits.

### **2.3.1 Sensitivity analysis**

We conducted sensitivity analyses by modifying the included parameters. Since serial interval estimates are not applicable for pathogens primarily transmitted via vectors, such as RVFV and ZIKV, we performed an alternative clustering analysis where serial interval and the percentage of presymptomatic transmission were excluded. This adjustment allowed us to incorporate RVFV into the clustering framework.

Additionally, we explored whether the clustering approach could be extended to other pathogens by including HIV. The serial interval for HIV is hard to define given that in a large number of cases the serial interval may be negative [12], in addition the CFR is also highly variable due to differences in access to treatment [13]. We conducted a sensitivity analysis in which we removed both CFR and serial interval. This modification allowed us to assess how HIV might be classified within the existing framework and whether this approach could be generalised to other infectious diseases with different transmission dynamics.

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## **3. Results**

### **3.1 Parameter review**

A total of 154 articles were retrieved (**Supplementary Figure S1**). This included 43 articles retrieved through the initial search of systematic reviews and 69 articles obtained from supplementary sources. Among these, one was a grey literature report published by the WHO.

For the estimation of key epidemiological parameters using the {EpiLPS} package, 28 articles were identified that provided sufficient data for manual parameter calculations. Additionally, 14 articles contributed pre-existing datasets that were incorporated into the analysis.

### **3.2 Epidemiological characteristics**

#### **3.2.1 Transmission dynamics**

We extracted 63 estimates for the reproduction number, which varied across pathogens and outbreaks due to differences in settings and the implementation of control measures (**Table 1**). One additional estimate was derived, with the median  $R_0$  for CCHFV estimated at 0.03 (95% CrI: 0.004–0.09) based on cases reported in the European Union between 2013 and 2014.

A total of 15 estimates for the dispersion parameter ( $k$ ) were extracted, revealing varying degrees of heterogeneity in transmission. SARS-CoV-1, SARS-CoV-2, MERS-CoV and NiV exhibited particularly low  $k$  values, indicating a high potential for superspreading events, whereas influenza displayed greater uniformity in transmission. Pathogens such as EBOV were reported to have a wide range of estimates suggesting the degree of superspreading may be dependent on outbreak setting (**Table 1**).

We also estimated the proportion of pre-symptomatic transmission for pathogens with reported incubation periods and serial intervals. Our analysis suggests that pre-symptomatic transmission was possible for SARS-CoV-2, SARS-CoV-1, pandemic influenza, MPV, and LASV (**Supplementary information**).

### 3.2.2 Time to key events

We extracted 51 estimates for the incubation period and provided 13 additional estimates based on publicly available data. The length of the incubation period varied across pathogens, with pandemic influenza exhibiting the shortest incubation period. In contrast, pathogens primarily transmitted through contact with infected body fluids, such as LASV, EBOV, and CCHF, had the longest incubation periods (**Table 1**).

For the serial interval, we extracted 33 estimates. As with the incubation period, serial intervals were shortest for pandemic influenza and SARS-CoV-2 and longest for contact-transmitted pathogens (**Table 1**). Additionally, we estimated serial intervals for LASV and CCHF, with mean values of 11.5 days (95% CrI: 0.9–34.6) and 12.0 days (95% CrI: 3.0–27.2), respectively.

For the latent and infectious periods, we extracted 27 and 33 estimates, respectively. These durations showed notable variation between pathogens, highlighting differences in disease progression (**Table 1**).

### 3.2.3 Severity and Mortality Risk

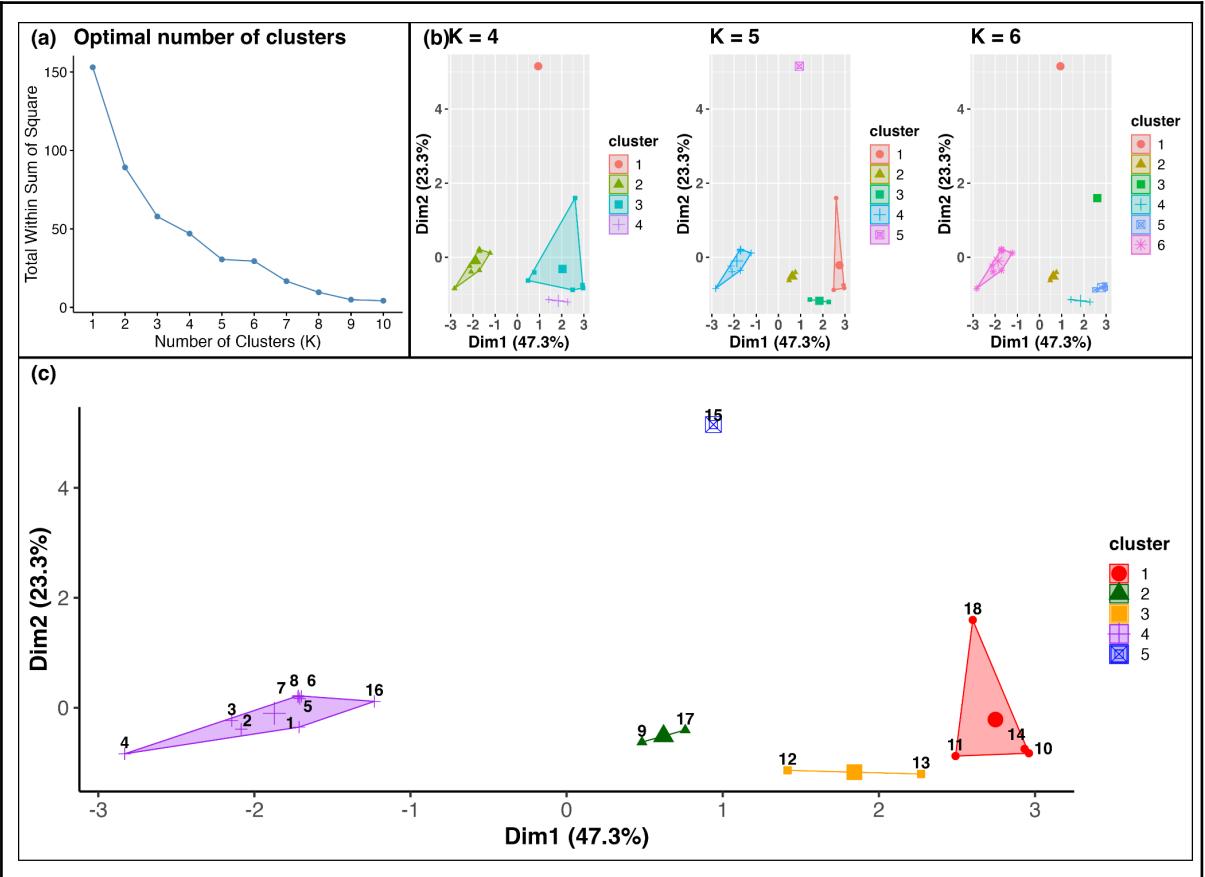
We extracted 59 estimates for the case fatality rate (CFR) and 25 for the infection fatality rate (IFR). CFR estimates exhibited a broad range across pathogens, reflecting varying levels of disease severity (**Table 1**). Additionally, CFR varied within pathogens, with substantial heterogeneity between studies, outbreaks and age groups. For instance, NiV outbreaks with implemented control measures reported lower CFR estimates (**Table 1**).

Compared to CFR, fewer IFR estimates were reported. IFR values were consistently lower than CFR estimates for the same pathogen and demonstrated age-dependent variation (Table 1)

See Table 1. for Epidemiological parameters of pandemic potential pathogens. Located after conclusion

### 3.3 K-means clustering

A different number of clusters were modeled (K=1-10) (Figure 1a). The five cluster solution was ultimately considered the most appropriate according to the elbow method (Figure 1a) as well as heuristically since it sufficiently separates the high consequence infectious diseases (HCID) by transmission route and presymptomatic transmission (Figure 1b). In the final clustering, CCHFV, MARV, EBOV, and NiV were grouped into cluster 1; H5N1 and MERS-CoV into cluster 2; LASV and MPV into cluster 3; SARS-CoV-1, SARS-CoV-2 (all variants), and all pandemic influenza subtypes (except H5N1) into cluster 4; and ZIKV into cluster 5 (Figure 1c). The characteristics of each archetype are detailed in Table 2.



**Figure 1. Clustering results using K-means.**  
 (a) Elbow plot used to determine the optimal number of clusters. (b) Initial clustering analysis using three K values (K = 4,5,6). (c) Final solution retaining K = 5 clusters.  
 1) SARS-CoV-2 (WT). 2) SARS-CoV-2 (Alpha). 3) SARS-CoV-2 (Delta). 4) SARS-CoV-2

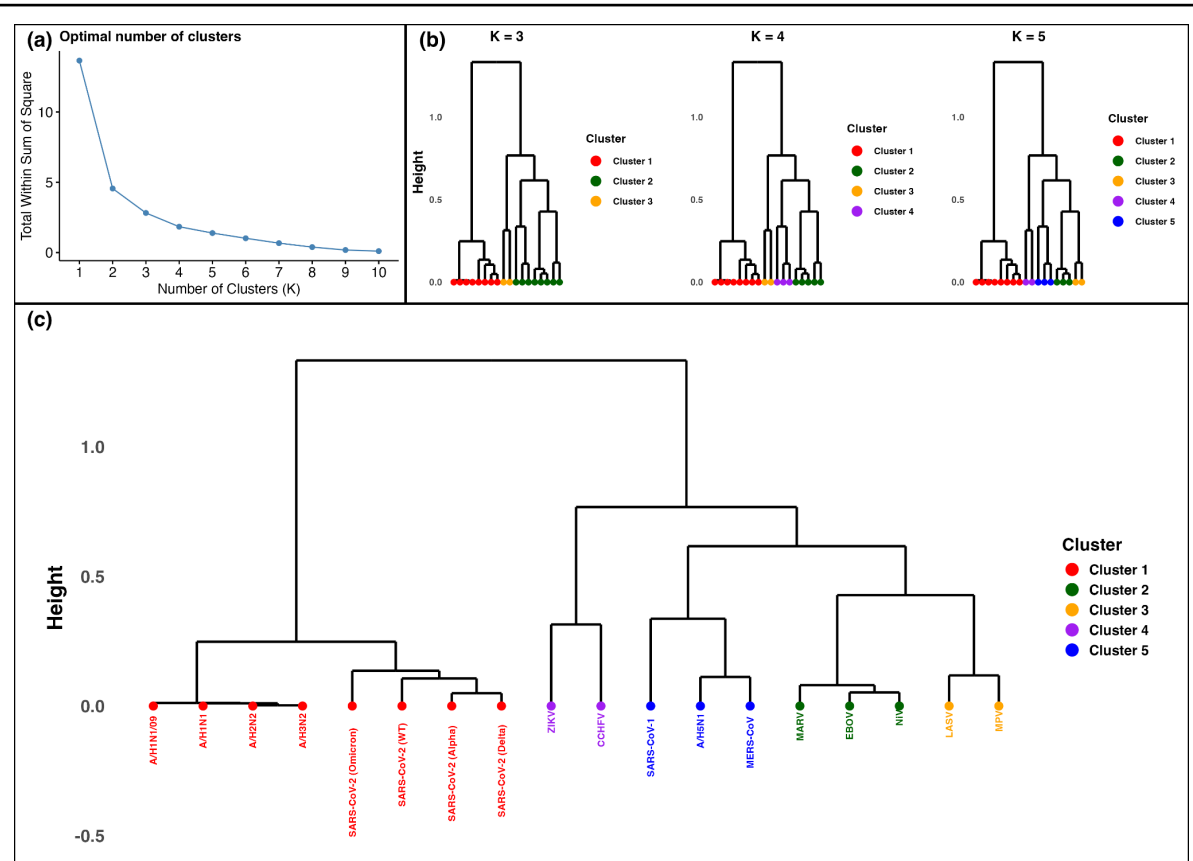
(Omicron). 5) A/H5N1. 6) A/H2N2. 7) A/H3N2. 8) A/H1N1pdm09. 9) A/H5N1. 10) EBOV. 11) MARV. 12) MPV. 13) LASV. 14) NiV. 15) ZIKV. 16) SARS-CoV-1. 17) MERS-CoV. 18) CCHFV. Larger unlabeled central points represent cluster centroids. The ZIKV cluster is a cluster of one therefore there is no central point.

**Table 2. K-means archetype characterisation.**

Archetype	Pathogens	Range of estimates				Transmission route
		$R_0$	Serial interval (d)	CFR (%)	Proportion of presymptomatic transmission (%)	
<b>1</b>	CCHFV, MARV, EBOV, NiV	0.03–1.95	9.20–15.40	11.70–61.90	0–0	Direct contact (n=4) Animal to human (n=4) Vector (n=1)
<b>2</b>	H5N1, MERS-CoV	0.18–0.95	6.80–12.60	39.10–53.50	0–0	Respiratory (n=2) Animal to human (n=2)
<b>3</b>	LASV, MPV	0.73–1.80	8.50–11.80	8.70–33.10	36.0–38.0	Direct contact (n=2) Animal to human (n=2)
<b>4</b>	SARS-CoV-1, SARS-CoV-2 (all variants), Pandemic influenza (all subtypes, except H5N1)	1.46–9.50	3.08–8.32	0.02–9.60	0.1–25.0	Respiratory (n=9)
<b>5</b>	ZIKV	0.15	12.0	0.02	0	Vector (n=1)

### 3.4 Hierarchical clustering

A series of cluster numbers were modelled (K=1-10) (**Figure 2a**). Hierarchical clustering into five clusters was deemed the most appropriate segmentation of pathogens following the elbow method (**Figure 2a**) and considering the division of pathogens (**Figure 2b**). The five-cluster algorithm classified SARS-CoV-2 (all variants), and pandemic influenza (all subtypes) into cluster 1; MARV, EBOV and NiV, into cluster 2; LASV, and MPV, into cluster 3; ZIKV and CCHFV into cluster 4; and A/H5N1, MERS-CoV and SARS-CoV-1, into cluster 5 (**Figure 2c**). **Table 3** summaries the characteristics of each archetype.



**Figure 2. Hierarchical clustering results.**

(a) Elbow plot used to determine the optimal number of clusters. (b) Initial clustering analysis using three K values (K = 3,4,5) (c) Final solution retaining five clusters.



<b>Table 3. Hierarchical clustering archetype characterisation.</b>						
Archetype	Pathogens	Range of estimates				Transmission route
		$R_0$	Serial interval (d)	CFR (%)	Proportion of presymptomatic transmission (%)	
1	SARS-CoV-2 (all variants), Pandemic influenza (all subtypes)	1.46–9.5	3.08–4.82	0.02–2.67	0.3–25	Respiratory (n=8)
2	MARV, EBOV, NIV	0.33–1.95	9.2–15.4	61– 61.9	0–0	Direct contact (n=3) Animal to human (n=3)
3	LASV, MPV	0.73–1.80	8.50–11.80	8.70–33.10	36.0–38.0	Direct contact (n=2) Animal to human (n=2)
4	ZIKV, CCHFV	0.03–0.15	12–12	0.02–11.7	0–0	Vector (n=2) Sexual contact (n=1) Direct contact (n=1) Animal to human (n=1)
5	H5N1, MERS-CoV, SARS-CoV-1	0.18– 2.9	6.8–12.6	9.6–53.5	0–0.1	Respiratory (n=3) Animal to human (n=2)

### 3.5 Archetype characterisation

#### 3.5.1 Airborne, High Transmission Pathogens

SARS-CoV-2 (all variants), and pandemic influenza are consistently grouped together. This group is characterised by a high  $R_0$ , short serial intervals, and variable presymptomatic transmission. These pathogens share an airborne transmission route (**Table 2 and 3**). Notably, SARS-CoV-1 was grouped with this archetype in the K-means clustering method but classified separately when using hierarchical clustering. When SARS-CoV-1 is classified with this group it broadens the range of serial intervals and CFR's (**Table 2**).

#### 3.5.2 Respiratory Zoonoses with High CFR

A/H5N1 and MERS-CoV likewise are consistently clustered together, characterised by a low  $R_0$  and moderate serial intervals, but high CFRs. Unlike the other respiratory archetype, this group has no evidence for presymptomatic transmission. This archetype contains pathogens

that are primarily transmitted from animals to humans, with limited human-to-human transmission (low  $R_0$ ).

When hierarchical clustering is used, SARS-CoV-1 was included in this category, suggesting that this pathogen may reasonably be grouped with either archetype. When grouped together, the range of  $R_0$ , CFR and proportion of presymptomatic transmission are widened (**Table 3**)

### **3.5.3 Contact Zoonoses with High CFR**

Both clustering approaches consistently grouped MARV, EBOV, and NiV together as high-CFR, contact-transmitted pathogens. This archetype exhibit low  $R_0$  values, long serial intervals, and high CFRs (**Table 2**). This archetype is transmitted via direct contact with infected bodily fluids or animal-to-human spillover.

Although MARV, EBOV, and NiV remained stable in their clustering, the classification of CCHFV varied between methods. This led to differences in the characteristics of the corresponding archetypes (**Tables 2 and 3**).

### **3.5.4 Contact Zoonoses with Evidence of Presymptomatic Transmission**

LASV and MPV were consistently grouped together, forming an archetype characterised by low to moderate  $R_0$  values, long serial intervals, and moderate CFRs. These pathogens may exhibit some degree of presymptomatic transmission (**Table 2 and 3**).

### **3.5.5 Vector-Borne Pathogens with Secondary Transmission Routes**

ZIKV was identified as a distinct archetype in K-means clustering but was grouped with CCHFV in hierarchical clustering. CCHFV was alternatively classified either with vector-borne pathogens alongside ZIKV or with contact-transmitted pathogens, depending on the clustering method.

Despite these differences in grouping, both approaches consistently identified low  $R_0$  values and long serial intervals for human-to-human transmission. However, when CCHFV is included, the CFR range expands (**Table 2 and 3**).

### **3.5.6 Excluded Pathogens**

No human to human transmission has been documented [14] for RVFV, therefore its serial interval is undefined (indeed, it is also difficult to define a serial interval for vector-borne Zika infections) and was not included in the main clustering analysis. When clustering was performed without serial interval and presymptomatic transmission data, and using  $R_0$  values from vector-borne transmission, RVFV was grouped with CCHFV (**Supplementary Figure S4**) or appeared as an independent branch close to the HCIDs (**Supplementary Figure S5**).

HIV was not included within the parameter review, however using  $R_0$  and proportion of presymptomatic values from Fraser et al. 2004 [15]. HIV will form its own archetype (**Supplementary figure S6 and 7**)

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## 4. Discussion

We reviewed key epidemiological parameters for 19 pathogens with pandemic potential and applied two clustering algorithms to identify distinct pathogen archetypes that share similar characteristics. Our findings suggest that grouping pathogens based on transmission traits—such as  $R_0$ , serial interval, CFR, presymptomatic transmission, and transmission route—could provide a pragmatic approach to pandemic preparedness.

The most frequently reported parameters were the incubation period, reproduction number, and CFR. However, data availability was uneven, with SARS-CoV-2 and influenza accounting for nearly half of all estimates. Parameter estimates varied both across pathogens and within studies of the same pathogen, aligning with previous reviews [16]. Notably,  $R_0$ , serial interval, and CFR estimates were highly context-dependent. For example, MERS-CoV  $R_0$  estimates ranged from 5.4 (95% CI: 4.61-6.19) in an uncontrolled hospital outbreak to 0.14 (95% CI: 0.04-0.26) with control measures in place ([Park et al. 2018](#)). Similarly, influenza A/H1N1  $R_0$  estimates were higher in confined settings compared to overall estimates [18]. Likewise EBOV estimates varied by country during the 2013-2016 epidemic [19]. Serial interval estimates also decreased when control measures were implemented, with the serial interval of SARS-CoV-2 decreasing post epidemic peak in China correlating with decreased time to isolation ([Xu et al. 2023](#)).

There were considerable differences in CFR estimates between outbreaks of the same pathogen. Influenza A/H5N1 varies by clade [21]. MPV varies when hospital care is available [22] or when comparing outcomes from outbreaks in Africa to outbreaks in the United States ([Bunge et al. 2022](#)). Varying estimates for NiV highlights how CFR can vary depending on country, strain and the control measures implemented, with the CFR being lower in Singapore (1999) compared to Malaysia (1998-1999) [25]. These examples illustrate that parameter estimates are generated across a wide range of contexts and the importance of contextualising parameter estimates when applying them to modeling efforts.

Our clustering analysis identified five pathogen archetypes, each with shared characteristics that could inform group-based control strategies rather than a pathogen-specific approach. With the effectiveness of interventions such as contact tracing and case isolation being influenced by  $R_0$  and presymptomatic transmission [15], as well as the serial interval [26].

The limitations of this approach include the potential for the grouping of pathogens which may not display similar characteristics in reality. This is particularly seen in the archetype containing LASV and MPV. Presymptomatic spread has been documented for Mpox [27], it however remains uncertain for Lassa fever. Discrepancies in symptom onset reporting in source datasets may have led to an overestimation of presymptomatic transmission for LASV. Additionally, the  $R_0$  estimate for LASV is derived from a hospital outbreak [28] and

will not reflect community-level transmission. The clustering of LASV and MPV may imply a higher risk of sustained human-to-human LASV transmission than observed in endemic communities, where transmission is primarily zoonotic with occasional nosocomial outbreaks [29]. These potential discrepancies highlight the need to continually update the parameter estimates used in this framework once they become available.

These findings highlight the potential for this framework to serve as an adaptable tool for classifying and assessing pathogens beyond those included in this study. The inclusion of HIV in our sensitivity analysis illustrates how this clustering approach could extend to a wide spectrum of infectious diseases with different transmission dynamics. Moreover, the framework could be continuously updated as new epidemiological data emerge, refining clustering methods and integrating additional pathogens, including both novel and emerging threats.

### 5. Conclusion

Documenting epidemiological parameters is crucial for effective outbreak risk analysis. We provide 342 parameter estimates for 19 pathogens, offering a valuable foundation for modeling their spread and containment. However, key transmission parameters—such as the dispersion parameter and latent period—remain underreported, highlighting the need for further research to strengthen outbreak preparedness. Our clustering approach demonstrates a practical framework for evaluating control strategies across groups of similar pathogens. By maintaining a dynamic classification system, public health preparedness efforts can shift away from a reactive, pathogen-specific focus toward a more anticipatory, trait-based strategy for managing future infectious disease risks.

Table 1. Epidemiological parameters of pandemic potential pathogens				
Pathogen	Parameter	Description	Value	Reference
A/H1N1	Basic reproduction number	Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. All waves	Median: 1.8 (IQR: 1.47-2.27)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers	Median: 3.82 (IQR: 2.68-4.84)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]

		and presenting median estimates. Confined settings		
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. 1st wave	Median: 1.81 (IQR: 1.50-2.28)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. 2nd wave	Median:1.73 (IQR: 1.39-2.33)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. 3rd wave	Median:1.70 (IQR: 1.55-1.76)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
	Dispersion parameter	Modelling, estimated using time series analysis, using a large household survey dataset conducted in Maryland late 1918	0.94 (95% CI: 0.59-1.72)	Fraser et al. 2011 [30]
	Serial interval (d)	Median of the mean generation time or serial interval used to estimate reproduction number.	Median: 3.3 (range: 1.5-6.0)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review for serial interval estimates for influenza up to 2013.	6 studies with a range of 1.9 to 8.28 days	Vink et al. 2014 [36]
	Incubation period (d)	Modelling study, estimated through the re-analysis of daily incidence data of cases on ships departing Australia in 1919	Lognormal distribution with mean of 1.34	Nishiura 2007 [31]
	Latent period (d)	Modelling study, viral excretion profile over time used directly to estimate latent period. (H1N1/H3N2)	Weibull distribution with mean of 1.60 (95% CI: 1.50-1.70)	Cori et al. 2012 [32]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling study, viral excretion profile over time used directly to estimate infectious period. (H1N1/H3N2)	Weibull distribution with mean of 1.0 (95% CI: 0.50-1.70)	Cori et al. 2012 [32]

	Case fatality risk (%)	Modelling, referenced range of CFR's for H1N1 pandemic.	1-4	Carrat et al. 2006 [33]
		Pandemic Influenza Risk Management  WHO Guidance. Estimated value (for 1918 pandemic)	2-3	WHO 2017 [34]
A/H1N1pdm09	Basic reproduction number	Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates.	Median: 1.46 (IQR: 1.30-1.70)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. Confined settings	Median: 1.96 (IQR: 1.50-2.23)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. 1st wave	Median: 1.47 (IQR: 1.31-1.71)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. 2nd wave	Median: 1.48 (IQR: 1.30-1.66)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
	Dispersion parameter	Review. Pooled estimate of k (based on studies describing community transmission).	0.91	Chen et al. 2021 [35]
	Serial interval (d)	Median of the mean generation time or serial interval used to estimate reproduction number.	Median: 2.8. (range: 1.90-7.0)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review for serial interval estimates for influenza up to 2013.	36 studies ranging from 1.9 to 5 days	Vink et al. 2014 [36]
		Estimates from household datasets with information on symptom onset dates.	Mean ranged from 1.7 to 3.7 days, with a pooled mean of 2.8	Vink et al. 2014 [36]

		Serial interval estimated from model fit of the serial interval to index case-to-case interval data	Normal distribution with mean of 2.1	Vink et al. 2014 [36]
	Incubation period (d)	Modeling study, estimated using laboratory-confirmed swine influenza case-information in the UK 2009	Weibull distribution with mean of 1.66 (95% CI: 1.42-1.90)	Tom et al. 2010 [37]
		Modeling study, estimated using laboratory-confirmed swine influenza case-information in the UK 2009	Gamma distribution with mean of 1.65 (95% CI: 1.41-1.89)	Tom et al. 2010 [37]
		EpiLPS - Dataset from Lessler et al. 2009 [38]	Semipar. Distribution with mean of 2.0 (95% CI:1.80-2.10)	Estimated
		Modelling study - Outbreak of 2009 Pandemic Influenza A (H1N1) at a New York City School	Median: 1.4 days (95% CI: 1.0–1.8)	Lessler et al. 2009 [39]
	Latent period (d)	Modelling study, estimated using data on laboratory-confirmed cases of pandemic H1N1 influenza reported in Ontario, Canada, between Apr. 13 and June 20, 2009	Mean: 2.62 (95% CI: 2.28-3.12)	Tuite et al. 2010 [40]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling study, estimated using data on laboratory-confirmed cases of pandemic H1N1 influenza reported in Ontario, Canada, between Apr. 13 and June 20, 2009	Mean: 3.38 (95% CI: 2.06-4.69)	Tuite et al. 2010 [40]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Pandemic Influenza Risk Management  WHO Guidance. Estimated value. 2009 pandemic	0.02	WHO 2017 [34]
		Sero-epidemiological study. Prevalence of cross-reactive antibodies to H1N1pdm virus and rates of H1N1pdm infection	0.02	Van Kerkhove et al. 2013 [41]
	Infection fatality risk	Systematic review of published estimates of the case fatality risk of	Point estimates 0–13,500 deaths per	Wong et al. 2013 ( <a href="#">Wong et al. 2013</a> )

		H1N1pdm09 up to 2013. Laboratory-confirmed cases	100,000 cases	
		Symptomatic cases	Point estimates 0–1,200 per 100,000 cases	Wong et al. 2013 ( <a href="#">Wong et al. 2013</a> )
		Infections	Point estimates 1–10 per 100,000 infections	Wong et al. 2013 ( <a href="#">Wong et al. 2013</a> )
		Symptomatic cases in children	One death per 100,000 symptomatic cases in children	Wong et al. 2013 ( <a href="#">Wong et al. 2013</a> )
		Symptomatic cases in the elderly	Approximately 1,000 deaths per 100,000 symptomatic cases in the elderly,	Wong et al. 2013 ( <a href="#">Wong et al. 2013</a> )
A/H2N2	Basic reproduction number	Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates.	Median: 1.65 (IQR: 1.53-1.70)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
	Serial interval (d)	Median of the mean generation time or serial interval used to estimate reproduction number.	Median: 3.5 (Range: 2.60-4.10)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review of volunteer challenge studies	Median: 2 (IQR: 2.00-2.50)	Carrat et al. 2008 [43]
	Latent period (d)	Modelling study, assumed value	Mean: 1.9	Elveback et al. 1976 [44]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling study, assumed value	Mean: 4.1	Elveback et al. 1976 [44]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Pandemic Influenza Risk Management  WHO Guidance. Estimated value. (1957 pandemic)	0.2	WHO 2017 [34]



A/H3N2	Basic reproduction number	Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates.	Median: 1.80 (IQR: 1.56-1.85)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. Confined settings	Median: 1.39	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. 1st wave	Median: 1.56	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review of the reproduction number for pandemic influenza. Combined estimates for the basic and effective reproductive numbers and presenting median estimates. 2nd wave	Median: 1.68	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
	Serial interval (d)	Median of the mean generation time or serial interval used to estimate reproduction number.	Median: 4.0 (Range: 2.95-4.10)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Systematic review for serial interval estimates for influenza up to 2013.	Mean values of 3.1 and 3.4	Vink et al. 2014 [36]
		Estimates from household datasets with information on symptom onset dates.	Normal distribution with mean of 2.2	Vink et al. 2014 [36]
	Incubation period (d)	Modelling study, estimated through analysis of an outbreak of influenza aboard a commercial airliner	Weibull distribution with mean of 1.48	Ferguson et al. 2005 [46]
	Latent period (d)	Modelling. Assumed value. Assumed to be same length as incubation period	Weibull distribution with mean of 1.48	Ferguson et al. 2005 [46]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling. Transmission model to estimate the main characteristics of influenza transmission in households	Gamma distribution with mean of	Cauchemez et al. 2004 [47]

			3.80 (95% CI: 3.10-4.60)	
		Modelling. Transmission model to estimate the main characteristics of influenza transmission in households (Children)	Gamma distribution with mean of 3.60 (95% CI: 2.30-5.20)	Cauchemez et al. 2004 [47]
		Modelling. Transmission model to estimate the main characteristics of influenza transmission in households (Adults)	Gamma distribution with mean of 3.9 (95% CI: 3.20-4.90)	Cauchemez et al. 2004 [47]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Pandemic Influenza Risk Management  WHO Guidance. Estimated value. (1964 pandemic)	0.2	WHO 2017 [34]
A/H5N1	Basic reproduction number	Modelling study, estimated Re in Vietnam 2004–2006.	0.0 (95% CI: 0.0-0.42)	Bettencourt and Ribeiro 2008 [48]
		Modelling study, estimated Re in Indonesia 2004–2006.	0.0 (95% CI: 0.0-0.0)	Bettencourt and Ribeiro 2008 [48]
		Modelling study, estimated Re in Indonesia 2005–2009.	0.1-0.25 (95% CI: 0.0-0.40)	Aditama et al. 2012 [49]
		Modelling study, estimated lower limit on the local R0 in a household outbreak in Indonesia 2006.	1.14 (95% CI: 0.61-2.14)	Yang et al. 2007 [50]
		Modelling. Estimated from previous human to human cases.	0.06 (95% CI: 0.01-0.2)	Ferguson et al. 2004 [51]
	Serial interval (d)	Median of the mean value of generation time or serial interval used to estimate reproduction number.	Mean: 7.8 (range: 6.0-9.5)	Biggerstaff et al. 2014 [18]
		Modelling. Estimated by fitting case data from Aditama et al. 2012. Preprint	Median: 6.80 (95% CrI: 0.3–13.3)	Ward et al. 2024 [52]
	Incubation period (d)	Review, median value from outbreaks in Thailand and Vietnam 2004	Median: 4.0 (range: 2.0-8.0)	Beigel et al. 2005 [53]
		Estimated value. Retrospective descriptive study of 24 human cases in China 1997-2008	Median: 5.0 (range: 2.0-9.50)	Huai et al. 2008 [54]

		Estimated value, using survival analysis techniques. 43 human cases in China	Weibull distribution with mean of 3.30 (95% CI: 2.70-3.90)	Cowling et al. 2013 [55]
		Estimated value, 8 human cases in Eastern Turkey in 2006	Mean: 5 (Range: 4.0-7.0)	Oner et al 2006 [56]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling. Assumed value. Family Cluster, Indonesia 2006	Uniform distribution with mean of 9 (range 5-13)	Yang et al. 2007 [50]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic Review. Crude CFR 1997-2009	Median: 56.3% (IQR: 32.5–77.8)	Van Kerkhove et al. 2011 [57]
		Systematic review of individual case data. 1997-2015 (Overall)	53.5	Lai et al. 2016 [21]
		Systematic review of individual case data. 1997-2015 (Clade 0)	31.6	Lai et al. 2016 [21]
		Systematic review of individual case data. 1997-2015 (Clade 1)	58.6	Lai et al. 2016 [21]
		Systematic review of individual case data. 1997-2015 (Clade 2.1)	84.6	Lai et al. 2016 [21]
		Systematic review of individual case data. 1997-2015 (Clade 2.2)	33.2	Lai et al. 2016 [21]
		Systematic review of individual case data. 1997-2015 (Clade 2.3)	61.8	Lai et al. 2016 [21]
		Systematic review of individual case data. 1997-2015 (Clade 7)	100	Lai et al. 2016 [21]
	Infection fatality risk (%)	Adjusted CFR based on surveillance and seroprevalence studies	14-33	Li et al. 2008 [58]
CCHFV	Basic reproduction number	Estimated using epichains. Using data from cases of CCHFV infected in the European union/European	Median: 0.03 (95% CrI: 0.004–0.09)	Estimated

		Economic Area from 2013–2024.		
	Serial interval (d)	Estimated from fitting outbreak data reporting the interval between the onset of illness in successive cases.	Gamma distribution with mean of 12.0 days (95% CrI: 3.0–27.2)	Estimated
	Incubation period (d)	EpiLPS – Dataset collected from review.	Gamma distribution with mean of 5.70 (95% CI: 5.30-6.00)	Estimated
	Case fatality risk (%)	Review of published reports of CCHF in Europe, Asia, middle east and Africa. 1944-2010	Mean: 30.6	Bente et al. 2013 [59]
		Systematic review, CFR worldwide of confirmed cases 1948-2018	Mean: 19.9 (IQR: 8-32)	Belhadi et al. 2022 [60]
		Systematic review, Overall CFR (%) with ongoing CCHF infection up to 2020	11.7% (95% CI: 9.1-14.5)	Belobo et al. 2021 [61]
		Systematic review, fatality rate in the Arab world 1978 to 2021	Mean: 29 (range: 24-61)	Perveen and Gulfaraz Khan 2022 [62]
		Systematic review, CFR calculated from annual cases from 1944 to 2017	Mean: 32.2	Nasirian 2020 [63]
EBOV	Basic reproduction number	Systematic review. R0 reported as a range of central estimates, from database inception up to July 2023	0.05-12.00	Nash et al. 2024 [16]
		Systematic review. Pooled mean of Ebola R0 in African countries from 1976 to February 2023.	Mean: 1.95 (95% CI: 1.74-2.15)	Muzembo et al. 2024 [19]
		Transmission in hospitals and funeral rites during the 2013–2016 Ebola epidemic in West Africa (overall basic reproductive number)	Mean: 1.8 (range: 1.5-2)	Muzembo et al. 2024 [19]
		Systematic review, Zaire ebolavirus, 2013-2016 epidemic in Nigeria (pooled mean).	Mean: 9.38 (95% CI: 4.16-14.59)	Muzembo et al. 2024 [19]

		Systematic review, Zaire ebolavirus, 2013-2016 epidemic in DRC (pooled mean)	Mean: 3.31 (95% CI: 2.3-4.32)	Muzembo et al. 2024 [19]
		Systematic review, Sudan ebolavirus, 2000 outbreak in Uganda (pooled mean Ebola).	Mean: 2.0 (95% CI: 1.25-2.76)	Muzembo et al. 2024 [19]
		Systematic review, Zaire ebolavirus, 2013-2016 epidemic in Liberia (pooled mean)	Mean: 1.83 (95% CI: 1.61-2.05)	Muzembo et al. 2024 [19]
		Systematic review, Zaire ebolavirus, 2013-2016 epidemic in Sierra Leone (pooled mean)	Mean: 1.73 (95% CI: 1.47-2.0)	Muzembo et al. 2024 [19]
		Systematic review, Zaire ebolavirus, 2013-2016 epidemic in Guinea (pooled mean)	Mean: 1.44 (95% CI: 1.29-1.6)	Muzembo et al. 2024 [19]
		Systematic review of early modelling studies. 2013-2016 Epidemic in four West African countries. median of the R0 means reported.	Median: 1.78 (IQR: 1.44-1.78)	Wong et al. 2017 [65]
	Dispersion parameter	Systematic review. K reported as a range of central estimates, up to July 2023	0.02-2.20	Nash et al. 2024 [16]
	Serial interval (d)	Systematic review, up to July 2023 (Pooled value).	Mean: 15.4 (95% CI: 13.20-17.50)	Nash et al. 2024 [16]
		Systematic review of early modelling studies. 2013-2016 Epidemics in four West African countries. median of the means reported.	Median: 14.35 (IQR: 12.28-16.35)	Wong et al. 2017 [65]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review up to July 2023. Pooled random effect	Mean: 8.5 (95% CI: 7.70-9.20)	Nash et al. 2024 [16]
	Latent period (d)	Systematic review- 1976 to 2000. Data from individuals with single-day exposures	Mean: 12.27	Velásquez et al. 2015 [67]
		Systematic review of early modelling studies. 2013-2016 Epidemic in four West African countries. median of the means reported.	Median: 9.7 (IQR: 8.8-10.38)	Wong et al. 2017 [65]

		Systematic review up to July 2023. Pooled random effect	0.10-31.20	Nash et al. 2024 [16]
	Infectious period (d)	Systematic review up to July 2023. Pooled random effect and range of central estimates	Mean: 5.0 (95% CI: 3.70-6.30)	Nash et al. 2024 [16]
		Systematic review of early modelling studies. 2013-2016 Epidemic in four West African countries. median of the means reported	Median: 7 (IQR: 4-10)	Wong et al. 2017 [65]
		Systematic review- 1976 to 2000. data from individuals with single-day exposures (Survivors)	Mean:9.4	Velásquez et al. 2015 [67]
		Systematic review- 1976 to 2000. data from individuals with single-day exposures (fatal infections)	Mean: 5.33	Velásquez et al. 2015 [67]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review up to July 2023. Mean CFR across all estimates	Mean: 57.8	Nash et al. 2024 [16]
		Systematic review of Asian and African countries between 1999 and June 2021, estimated pooled case fatality rates	61.1 (95% CI: 50.26-71.85)	Khan et al. 2022 [69]
LASV	Effective reproduction number	Modelling. Estimated from published outbreaks and the number of LF hospitalized patients to Kenema Government Hospital in Sierra Leone. Pure human to human transmission	0.73	Lo lacono et al. 2015 [28]
	Serial interval (d)	Estimated using Lo lacono et al. 2015 [28] data combined with outbreak data. fitted to a lognormal distribution	Lognormal distribution with mean of 11.5 days (95% CrI: 0.9-34.6)	Estimated
		Modelling study, referenced value (Lo lacono et al. 2015 [28])	Gamma distribution with mean of 7.8	Zhao et al. 2020 [72]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review, range of central estimates reported	Range: 7.0-12.80	Doohan et al. 2024 [73]
		EpiLPS – Dataset from Akhmetzhanov et al. 2019 [74]	Lognormal distribution with mean of	Estimated

			12.6 (95% CI: 11.8-13.8)	
	Latent period (d)	Modelling study, Referenced value	Lognormal distribution with mean of 10.0 (Range: 5-21)	Tuite et al. 2019 [75]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling study, Referenced value	Lognormal distribution with mean of 10.0 (Range: 6-17)	Tuite et al. 2019 [75]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review, CFR for imported Lassa fever cases in non-endemic countries outside West Africa. 1969-2019	35.1	Wolf et al. 2020 [29]
		Systematic review, overall fatality rate in sub-Saharan Africa 1972-2020	29.7 (95% CI: 22.3-37.5)	Kenmoe et al. 2020 [76]
		Systematic review, pooled estimate up to 2023	33.1 (95% CI: 25.7-41.5)	Doohan et al. 2024 [73]
	Infection fatality risk (%)	Crude estimate of the overall case-fatality rate	1%	Dwalu et al. 2024 [77]
MARV	Basic reproduction number	Modelling study, R0 estimated using previous Marburg outbreaks	Median: 0.81 (95% CI: 0.08-1.83)	Qian et al. 2023 [78]
		Modelling study, R0 estimated for the 2005 epidemic in Angola	1.59 (95% CI: 1.53–1.66)	Ajelli and Merle 2012 [79]
	Dispersion parameter	Modelling study, K estimated from 18 chains of transmission from the outbreak in DRC.	negative binomial distribution with a range of 0.52-0.67	Qian et al. 2023 [78]
	Serial interval (d)	Modelling. Estimated using Identified discernible infector-infectee pairs from line list data and obtained the difference between the dates of infection of each pair.	Gamma distribution with mean of 9.2	Qian et al. 2023 [78]
	Incubation period (d)	Modelling study, estimated range of cental values	5.0-10.0	Qian et al. 2023 [78]
		EpiLPS - Dataset from Pavlin 2014 [80]	Weibull distribution with mean of	Estimated

			6.90 (95% CI: 6.20-7.60)	
		Modelling study, estimated from pooled data from all Marburg cases between 1967 and 2008	Median: 7 (range: 2.0-13.0)	Pavlin 2014 [80]
	Latent period (d)	Modelling study, latent period estimated using the average viral load in non-human primates	Mean: 3	Ajelli and Merle 2012 [79]
		Modelling study, estimated by fitting the epidemic curve of MARV cases during the epidemic in Angola (assumes incubation period is same length as latent period)	Mean: 6.50 (95% CI: 6.0-7.0)	Bettencourt 2009 [81]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling study, estimated by fitting the epidemic curve of MARV cases during the epidemic in Angola	Mean: 3.0 (95% CI: 3.0-4.0)	Bettencourt 2009 [81]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review, from database inception to March 2023 (estimated pooled total random)	61.9 (95% CI: 38.8-80.6)	Cuomo-Dannenburg et al 2024 [82]
MERS-CoV	Basic reproduction number	Systematic review, Saudi Arabia or Middle East area data	Range: 0.45-0.98	Park et al. 2018 [83]
		Systematic review, South Korea data (Early stage)	Range: 2.5–8.09	Park et al. 2018 [83]
		Modelling. Referenced value derived from Cauchemez et al. 2014	Median: 0.95 (95% CI: 0.6-1.3)	Peak et al. 2017 [84]
	Dispersion parameter	Systematic review, point estimates of k	Range: 0.06 (95% CI: 0.03-0.09) to 2.94 (95% CI: 0.23-infinity)	Wang et al. 2021 [85]
	Serial interval (d)	Modelling. Outbreak in a hospital in Saudi Arabia. Estimated using symptom onset times in the patient of infected–infectors pairs. Outbreak period covers interventions being introduced	Lognormal distribution with mean of 7.60 (95% CI: 2.50-23.10)	Assiri et al. 2013 [86]



		Modelling study, Outbreak in two hospitals in South Korea. Estimated using symptom onset times in the patient of infected–infector pairs. Outbreak period covers interventions being introduced	Gamma distribution with median of 14.60 (95% CI: 12.90-16.50)	Park et al. 2016 [87]
		Modelling study, estimated by analysing 119 cases in South Korea	Gamma distribution with mean of 12.60 (95% CI: 12.10-13.10)	Cowling et al. 2015 [88]
	Incubation period (d)	EpiLPS – Dataset from Cauchemez et al. 2014 [89]	Lognormal distribution with mean of 5.40 (95% CI: 4.50-6.50)	Estimated
		Systematic review up to 2017	Range: 4.50-7.80	Park et al. 2018 [83]
	Latent period (d)	Modelling assumed value. Deemed unlikely that a case will cause any subsequent infections prior to 7 days after infection	7.0	Lessler et al. 2014 [91]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling study. Assumed value. Maximum duration of infectiousness	Uniform distribution with median of 16.43 (95% CI: 9.59-24.5)	Peak et al. 2017 [84]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review, up to 2017. Mortality rate in south Korea	Range: 14.5–47.8	Park et al. 2018 [83]
		Systematic review, up to 2017. Mortality rate in Saudi Arabia	Range: 22–69.2	Park et al. 2018 [83]
		Systematic review, up to 2017. Mortality rate from multiple areas.	Range: 26.6 - 59.4	Park et al. 2018 [83]
	Mpox	Systematic review of the 2022 Mpox outbreak. Pooled mean	Mean: 1.8 (95% CI: 1.7-1.9)	Okoli et al. 2024 [93]
		Systematic review. Analysis of active surveillance data	0.8	Beer et al. 2019 [24]

		collected in the DRC between 1980 and 1984.		
	Dispersion parameter	Modelling study, DRC 1980-1984. Estimated by analysing chain size data.	0.36 (95% CI: 0.14-1.47)	Blumberg and Lloyd-Smith 2013 [94]
		Modelling study 2022 Mpox outbreak. Estimated using genomic and epidemiological metadata.	0.3 (95% CI: 0.18-0.54)	Paredes et al. 2024 [95]
	Serial interval (d)	Systematic review of the 2022 Mpox outbreaks. Pooled mean.	8.5 (95% CI: 7.3-9.9)	Okoli et al. 2023 [96]
		Modelling study 2022 Mpox outbreak USA. May–August 2022.	Gamma distribution with mean of 8.5 (95% CI: 7.3-9.9)	Madewell et al. 2023 [97]
		Modelling study 2022 Mpox outbreak UK. PCR confirmed cases between 6 May and 1 August 2022.	Gamma distribution with mean of 8.0 (95% CI: 6.5-9.8)	Ward et al. 2022 [27]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review, analysis of 18,275 Mpox cases during the 2022 outbreak	Median: 7.0 (IQR: 3-21)	Chenchula et al. 2023 [98]
		Systematic review of the 2022 Mpox outbreaks. Pooled mean (up to Dec 2022)	Mean: 7.8 (95% CI: 6.6-9.0)	Okoli et al. 2023 [96]
		Systematic review of the 2022 Mpox outbreaks. Pooled mean (up to May 2022)	Mean: 7.4 (95% CI: 6.4-8.4)	Okoli et al. 2023 [96]
		Systematic review of previous Mpox outbreaks. Pooled mean	Mean: 12.9 (95% CI: 10.4-15.5)	Okoli et al. 2023 [96]
		Systematic Review, analysis of outbreaks pre and post 2022	Mean: 7.9 (Range: 1-21)	Hatami et al. 2023 [99]
		Modelling study 2022 Mpox outbreak USA. May–August 2022	Lognormal distribution with mean of 5.6 (95% CI: 4.3-7.8)	Madewell et al. 2023 [97]
		EpiLPS – dataset from Miura et al. 2022 [100]	Weibull distribution with mean of 7.6 (95% CI: 6.5-9.9)	Estimated

		Modelling study 2022 Mpox outbreak UK. PCR confirmed cases between 6 May and 1 August 2022.	Lognormal distribution with mean of 8.9 (95% CI: 7.9-9.9)	Ward et al. 2022 [27]
	Latent period (d)	Modelling study, assumed value from viral shedding data (Preprint)	3.0	Asakura et al. 2024 [101]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling study, assumed value from documented duration of illness	21	Endo et al. 2022 [102]
		Modelling study, May-June 2022 MSM. Estimated infectious period while not refraining from sexual contacts (Netherlands)	6.0 (95% CI: 4.4-7.8)	Xiridou et al. 2023 [103]
		Modelling study, July 2022 MSM. Estimated infectious period while not refraining from sexual contacts (Netherlands)	2.6 (95% CI: 2.0-4.3)	Xiridou et al. 2023 [103]
		Modelling study, assumed value based on viral shedding data (Preprint)	10.0	Asakura et al. 2024 [101]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review - CFR of outbreaks. From discovery to 2019	Mean: 8.7 (95% CI: 7.0-10.8)	Bunge et al. 2022 [23]
		Systematic review - CFR of Central African clade outbreaks. From discovery to 2019	Mean: 10.6 (95% CI: 8.4-13.3)	Bunge et al. 2022 [23]
		Systematic review - CFR of West African clade outbreaks. From discovery to 2019	Mean: 3.6 (95% CI: 1.7-6.8)	Bunge et al. 2022 [23]
		Systematic review - CFR of West African clade, African countries only. From discovery to 2019	Mean: 4.6 (95% CI: 2.1-8.6)	Bunge et al. 2022 [23]
		Systematic review 1950 to 2022. CFR when hospital care is available	0.03 (95% CI: 0.0-0.44)	DeWitt et al. 2022 [22]
		Systematic review 1980 to 2022, CFR in hospitalised patients	4 (95% CI: 1-9%)	Benites-Zapata et al. 2022 [104]
NiV	Basic reproduction number	Review of hospital-based surveillance and outbreak investigations in Bangladesh from 2001 to 2014.	0.33 (95% CI: 0.19-0.59)	Nikolay et al. 2019 [105]

		Hospital-based surveillance implemented in 2007		
		Review of hospital-based surveillance and outbreak investigations in Bangladesh. R0 for cases identified 2007-2014. Hospital-based surveillance implemented in 2007	0.23 (95% CI: 0.11-0.46)	Nikolay et al. 2019 [105]
		Review of hospital-based surveillance and outbreak investigations in Bangladesh. R0 for primary cases between 2001 and 2014. Hospital-based surveillance implemented in 2007	0.30 (95% CI: 0.15-0.61)	Nikolay et al. 2019 [105]
		Review of hospital-based surveillance and outbreak investigations in Bangladesh 2001-2014. R0 for cases hospitalized >7 days since symptom onset or not hospitalised. Hospital-based surveillance implemented in 2007	0.60 (95% CI: 0.07-4.97)	Nikolay et al. 2019 [105]
	Dispersion parameter	Modelling study, referenced value	0.06	Bradbury et al. 2023 [106]
	Serial interval (d)	Review of hospital-based surveillance and outbreak investigations in Bangladesh from 2001 to 2014. Serial interval estimated using epidemiologically linked transmission pairs. Bangladesh 2001-2014. Hospital-based surveillance implemented in 2007	Gamma distribution with mean of 12.7	Nikolay et al. 2019 [105]
	Incubation period (d)	EpiLPS – Dataset from Nikolay et al. 2019 [105]	Gamma distribution with mean of 9.4 (95% CI: 8.7-10.1)	Estimated
		Systematic review up to 30 May 2019. Incubation period in the Philippines 2014	Median: 8.0 (Range: 4-20)	Hegde et al. 2023 [25]
		Systematic review up to 30 May 2019. Incubation period in Bangladesh	Median: 9.0 (Range: 6-14)	Hegde et al. 2023 [25]
		Systematic review up to 30 May 2019. Incubation period in India	Median: 10.0 (Range: 6-18)	Hegde et al. 2023 [25]

	Infectious period (d)	Review of hospital-based surveillance and outbreak investigations in Bangladesh from 2001 to 2014. Assumed maximum infectious period for contact tracing	15	Nikolay et al. 2019 [105]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review, overall random effect meta-analysis. 1999-2014 (Bangladesh, India, Malaysia, Singapore, Philippines)	61 (95% CI: 45.7-75.4)	Kenmoe et al. 2019 [107]
		Systematic review, Bangladesh random effect meta-analysis from Bangladesh 2001-2014	67.9 (95% CI: 47.7-85.4%)	Kenmoe et al. 2019 [107]
		Systematic review, random effect meta-analysis from India 2001	71.3 (95% CI: 63.2-78.8)	Kenmoe et al. 2019 [107]
		Systematic review, random effect meta-analysis from Malaysia 1998-1999	32.6% (95% CI: 25.8-39.8)	Kenmoe et al. 2019 [107]
		Systematic review, random effect meta-analysis from the Philippines 2014	81.8 (95% CI: 52.7-99.5)	Kenmoe et al. 2019 [107]
		Systematic review, random effect meta-analysis from Singapore 1999	2.9 (0.0-11.9)	Kenmoe et al. 2019 [107]
		Systematic review, CFR in Singapore 1999. Pig imports from Malaysia banned; abattoirs closed; preventive control measures in hospitals	8.3	Hegde et al. 2024 [25]
		Systematic review, CFR in Malaysia 1998-1999. Pig culling and transport ban; active surveillance for encephalitis cases; protective equipment for all persons who have exposure to pigs; education campaign	40	Hegde et al. 2024 [25]
		Systematic review, CFR in the Philippines 2014. Contact tracing implemented	53	Hegde et al. 2024 [25]
		Systematic review, CFR in Bangladesh 2001-2014	78	Hegde et al. 2024 [25]
		Systematic review, CFR in India 2001-2018	93	Hegde et al. 2024 [25]

		Systematic review, CFR in Bangladesh and Malaysia 1999-2016	61 (95% CI: 45.7-75.4)	Suman et al. 2024 [108]
RVF	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review of incubation periods up to 2011. Pooled estimate	Lognormal distribution with median of 4.0 (95% CI: 3.40-4.90)	Rudolph et al. 2014 [109]
		EpiLPS – Dataset collected from outbreak reports with reported exposure and symptom onset times	Semipar. with mean of 4.0 (95% CI: 3.3-4.5)	Estimated
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review, pooled estimate in Africa 1997-2020	27.5 (95% CI: 8.0-52.5)	Ebogo-Belobo et al. 2023 [110]
SARS-CoV-1	Basic reproduction number	Modelling study. Median estimate from study estimated using exponential doubling times of several epidemics in 2003. Without control measures. Data from Lipsitch et al. 2003 [111]	Mean: 2.9 (95% CI: 2.2-3.6)	Peak et al. 2017 [84]
		Modelling, R0 estimate at the start of the epidemic in Hong Kong (excluding superspreading events)	2.7 (95% C): 2.2 to 3.7)	Riley et al. 2003 [112]
		Modelling. Estimated R0 from outbreak at the National Taiwan University Hospital	Lognormal distribution with mean of 2.65	Chen et al. 2006 [113]
		Modelling, estimated R0 distribution for SARS	Median 1.1 (IQR: 0.43-2.41)	Chowell et al. 2004 [114]
		Modelling estimated R0 distribution Toronto 2003 (after implementing control measures). 77% of cases exposed in hospital setting	Median:0.58 (IQR: 0.24-1.18)	Chowell et al. 2004 [114]
		Modelling study, estimated R0 distribution Hong Kong 2003	Median: 1.1 (IQR: 0.44-2.29)	Chowell et al. 2004 [114]
		Modelling study, estimated R0 distribution Singapore 2003	Median: 1.17 (IQR: 0.47-2.47)	Chowell et al. 2004 [114]
	Dispersion parameter	Systematic review, range of k estimates	Range: 0.12 (90% CI: 0.08-0.42) to	Wang et al. 2021 [85]

			0.20 (95% CI: 0.13-0.27)	
	Serial interval (d)	Modelling study, estimated by analysing 205 probable cases reported in Singapore (after interventions were implemented)	Weibull distribution with mean of 8.4	Lipsitch et al. 2003 [111]
		Modelling study, estimated by analysing 205 probable cases reported in Singapore (before full-scale interventions)	Mean 10.0	Lipsitch et al. 2003 [111]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review, pooled analysis	Lognormal distribution with median of 4.0 (95% CI: 3.6-4.4)	Lessler et al. 2009 [38]
		EpiLPS – Dataset from Tsang et al. 2003 [115]	Semipar with mean of 4.70 (95% CI: 3.90-5.50)	Estimated
	Latent period (d)	Modelling study referenced value. Assumed to be the same as the incubation period and a fixed value	6.5	Becker et al. 2005 [116]
		Modelling study. Assumed to be a fixed value.	6.81	Klinkenberg et al. 2006 [117]
		Modelling study assumed value. Average time of progression from latent infection to infectious	5.0	Lipsitch et al. 2003 [111]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling study. Assumed value. Average duration of infectiousness	Mean: 5.0 (Range: 1-5)	Lipsitch et al. 2003 [111]
		Modelling study referenced value. Symptomatic period assumed to be infectious period	Gamma distribution with mean of 16.3	Lloyd-Smith et al. 2003 [118]
		Modelling study, estimated value	Gamma distribution with mean of 9.25	Fraser et al. 2004 [15]
		Modelling study referenced value. Effective infectious period	9.0	Becker et al. 2005 [116]
		Modelling study referenced value. Effective infectious period	3.87	Klinkenberg et al. 2006 [117]

	Case fatality risk (%)	Epidemiology review article	Mean: 12.5 (Range 0-40)	Hui et al. 2004 [119]
SARS-CoV-2 (Wild type) *	Basic reproduction number	Systematic review of R0 values from January 1 to August 31, 2020 (World)	Mean: 2.69 (95% CI: 2.40-2.98)	Ahammed et al. 2021 [120]
		Systematic review of R0 values from January 1 to August 31, 2020 (Asia)	Mean: 2.59 (95% CI: 2.19-2.94)	Ahammed et al. 2021 [120]
		Systematic review of R0 values from January 1 to August 31, 2020 (Europe)	Mean: 2.70 (95% CI: 2.26-3.13)	Ahammed et al. 2021 [120]
		Systematic review of R0 values from January 1 to August 31, 2020 (North America)	Mean: 3.69 (95% CI: 1.46-5.92)	Ahammed et al. 2021 [120]
		Systematic Review of transmission-Dynamic Models in Wuhan. R0 before the lockdown on the 23rd of January 2020	Median: 3.77 (IQR: 2.78-5.13)	Lin et al. 2020 [121]
		Systematic Review of transmission-Dynamic Models in Wuhan. R0 post lockdown starting on the 23rd of January 2020	Median: 1.88 (IQR: 1.41-2.24)	Lin et al. 2020 [121]
		Systematic review and meta-analysis of Epidemiologic, clinical, and laboratory findings. 1st December 2019 to 16th July 2020.	Mean: 3.32 (95% CI: 3.24-3.39)	Xie et al 2020 [122]
		Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis December 2019 up to March 2020	Mean: 2.99 (95% CI: 2.71-3.27)	Izadi et al. 2022 [123]
	Dispersion parameter	Systematic review of superspreading in a mix of countries from January to December 2020	Mean: 0.55 (95% CI: 0.30-0.79)	Du et al. 2022 [124]
	Serial interval (d)	Systematic review of serial intervals 2020-2023	Mean: 4.82 (95% CI: 4.50-5.14)	Xu et al. 2023 [125]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review of Incubation periods 2020-2023	Mean: 6.50 (95% CI: 5.88-7.12)	Xu et al. 2023 [125]



		EpiLPS - Using dataset from Backer et al. 2020 [129]	Lognormal distribution with mean of 4.40 (95% CI: 4.0-4.80)	Estimated
		Modelling study, based on exposure information on COVID-19 cases in China	Weibull distribution with mean of 6.94	Xin et al. 2022 [130]
		Systematic Review of transmission-Dynamic Models in Wuhan. December 2019 and 21 February 2020	Median: 5.9 (IQR: 4.78-6.25)	Lin et al. 2020 [121]
	Latent period (d)	Modelling, estimated based on exposure information on COVID-19 cases in China	Gamma distribution with mean of 5.48 (95% CI: 5.06-5.86)	Xin et al. 2022 [122]
		Modelling, estimated based on exposure information on COVID-19 cases in China	Lognormal distribution with mean of 5.51	Xin et al. 2022 [122]
		Modelling, estimated based on exposure information on COVID-19 cases in China (symptomatic cases)	Gamma distribution with mean of 5.53 (95% CI: 5.09-5.99)	Xin et al. 2022 [122]
		Modelling, estimated based on exposure information on COVID-19 cases in China (asymptomatic cases)	Gamma distribution with mean of 5.24 (95% CI: 4.30-6.14)	Xin et al. 2022 [122]
	Infectious period (d)	Modelling, estimated from infectiousness profiles from a sample of 77 transmission pairs	Weibull distribution with mean of 9.3 (95% CI: 7.8-10)	He et al. 2020 [131]
		Modelling. Assumed that latent and the infectious period is approximately equal to the incubation period and the length of hospital stay.	12.53	Zhu et al. 2021 [132]
		Systematic Review of transmission-Dynamic Models in Wuhan December 2019 and 21 February 2020	Median: 9.94 (IQR: 3.93-13.5)	Lin et al. 2020 [121]

	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review of CFR's worldwide from January 1 to August 31, 202	Mean: 2.67 (95% CI: 2.25-3.13)	Ahammed et al. 2021 [120]
		Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis December 2019 up to March 2020	Mean: 3.29	Izadi et al. 2020 [123]
		Systematic review and meta-analysis of Epidemiologic, clinical, and laboratory findings. 1st December 2019 to 16th July 2020	4.4	Xie et al 2020 [122]
		Systematic Review of transmission-Dynamic Models in Wuhan December 2019 and 21 February 2020	Median: 2.94 (IQR: 2.25-5.4)	Lin et al. 2020 [121]
	Infection fatality risk (%)	IFR from Japanese citizens who were evacuated from Wuhan on 29–31 January 2020	Range: 0.3-0.6	Nishiura et al. 2020 [133]
		Crude risk of death among all infected individuals in Wuhan city January-February, 2020	0.07 (95% CI: 0.05-0.09)	Mizumoto et al. 2020 [134]
		Estimating infection fatality ratio accounting for seroreversion. During the first wave of COVID-19 across different settings	0.49–2.53	Brazeau et al. 2022 [135]
SARS-CoV-2 (Alpha)	Basic reproduction number	Modelling, transmissibility model of Alpha variant in the United Kingdom fitted until the 24th of December 2020.	Alpha variant has a 43 to 90% higher reproduction number	Davies et al. 2021 [136]
	Serial interval (d)	Systematic review of serial intervals 2020-2023	Mean: 3.47 (95% CI: 2.52-4.41)	Xu et al. 2023 [125]
		Modelling. Estimated using household clusters from week 12/2021 until 22/2021 in Germany	Gamma distribution with mean of 4.5 (95% CI: 4.46-4.54)	Heiden and Buchholz 2022 [137]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review of Incubation periods 2020-2023	Mean: 4.92 (95% CI: 4.53-5.30)	Xu et al. 2023 [125]
	Latent period (d)	Epidemiological analysis. Assumed value as the ratio of mean duration of the latent and incubation periods	Median: (95% CI: 0.23 (0.04-0.50)	Hart et al. 2022 [140]

	Infectious period (d)	Epidemiological analysis. Assumed value of symptomatic infectious period	Gamma distribution with a mean of 3.5 (95% CI: 1.9-5.8)	Hart et al. 2022 [140]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review of CFR's worldwide from January 1, 2020, and March 31, 2023	2.62 (95% CI: 2.0-3.23)	Xia et al. 2024 [122]
	Infection fatality risk (%)	IFR for six epidemic waves in Osaka Japan from February 2020 to January 2022. Elderly partly vaccinated. Ages 20–39 years	0.03 (95% CI: 0.03-0.1)	Zhang and Nishiura 2023 [141]
		IFR for six epidemic waves in Osaka Japan from February 2020 to January 2022. Elderly partly vaccinated. 40–59 years	0.37 (95% CI: 0.29-0.56)	Zhang and Nishiura 2023 [141]
		IFR for six epidemic waves in Osaka Japan from February 2020 to January 2022. Elderly partly vaccinated. 60 + years	6.42 (95% CI: 4.69-7.44)	Zhang and Nishiura 2023 [141]
SARS-CoV-2 (Delta)	Basic reproduction number	Review of R0 from May to July 2021 using studies from China and the UK.	Mean: 5.08 (range: 3.20-8.0)	Liu and Rocklöv 2021 [142]
	Dispersion parameter	Modelling study. Calculated using 1,344 transmission pairs from the 11th of July to the 24th of July 2021 in South Korea. (Mask mandate, active case finding and immediately isolating laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 patients and exposed persons by using digital QR codes, 4-person limit for gatherings was implemented beginning July 19, 2021)	Negative binomial distribution with mean of 0.64 (95%CI: 0.57–0.72)	Ryu et al. 2022 [143]
		Modelling study. Calculated using 2,384 transmission pairs from the 25th of July to the 15th of August 2021 in South Korea. (Mask mandate, active case finding and immediately isolating laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 patients and exposed persons by using digital QR codes, 4-person limit for gatherings was implemented beginning July 19, 2021)	Negative binomial distribution with mean of 0.85 (95% CI: 0.75–0.98)	Ryu et al. 2022 [143]

		Modelling study. Using a likelihood-based estimating framework based on 126 observations from May to December 2021 in Guangdong, China. Under intense control measures	Negative binomial distribution with mean of 0.26 (95% CI: 0.16, 0.41)	Zhao et al. 2022 [144]
	Serial interval (d)	Systematic review of serial intervals 2020-2023	Mean: 3.59 (95% CI: 3.26-3.92)	Xu et al. 2023 [125]
		Modelling. Estimated value using household clusters from week 27/2021 until 49/2021 in Germany	Gamma distribution with mean of 4.19 (95% CI: 4.16-4.22)	Heiden and Buchholz 2022 [137]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review of Incubation periods 2020-2023	Mean: 4.63 (95% CI: 4.11-5.15)	Xu et al. 2023 [125]
		EpiLPS- Data set from Backer et al. 2022 [146]	Lognormal distribution with mean of 4.30 (95% CI: 4.10-4.50)	Estimated
		Modelling, estimated from infected individuals with clear transmission chains and infectors from epidemiological survey reports in China	Gamma distribution with mean of 5.04 (95% CI: 4.83-5.33)	Li et al. 2024 [147]
	Latent period (d)	Modelling, estimated from infected individuals with clear transmission chains and infectors from epidemiological survey reports in China	Gamma distribution with mean of 4.40 (95% CI: 4.24-4.63)	Li et al. 2024 [147]
	Infectious period (d)	Viral shedding dynamics in fully vaccinated adults in the USA	Median: 6.0 (IQR: 5.0-8.0)	Garcia-Knight et al. 2022 [148]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review of CFR's worldwide from January 1, 2020, and March 31, 2023	2.01 (95% CI: 1.88-2.14)	Xia et al. 2024 [149]
		Systematic review of confirmed case-fatality risk. 18 January 2021 to December 2021	0.46 (95% CI: 0.2-0.73)	Yuan et al. 2023 [150]
	Infection fatality risk (%)	IFR for six epidemic waves in Osaka Japan from February 2020 to January 2022. Elderly was prioritised for vaccination and were fully vaccinated	0.01 (95% CI: 0.01-0.01)	Zhang and Nishiura 2023 [141]

		before the end of July 2021. Ages 20–39 years		
		IFR for six epidemic waves in Osaka Japan from February 2020 to January 2022. Elderly was prioritised for vaccination and were fully vaccinated before the end of July 2021. Ages 40–59 years	0.12 (95% CI: 0.1-0.16)	Zhang and Nishiura 2023 [141]
		IFR for six epidemic waves in Osaka Japan from February 2020 to January 2022. Elderly was prioritised for vaccination and were fully vaccinated before the end of July 2021. Ages 60 + years	0.95 (95% CI: 0.7-1.1)	Zhang and Nishiura 2023 [141]
		Infection fatality risk in England at the end of the Delta period (November 2021)	0.11 (95% CI: 0.08-0.15)	Ward et al. 2024 [151]
SARS-CoV-2 (Omicron)	Basic reproduction number	Rapid review of R0 from November 2021 to December 2021 (Mix of countries)	Mean: 9.5 (IQR: 7.25-11.88)	Liu and Rocklöv 2022 [152]
	Effective reproduction number	Rapid review of RE from November 2021 to January 2022 (Mix of countries).	Mean: 3.4 (IQR: 0.88-9.40)	Liu and Rocklöv 2022 [152]
	Dispersion parameter	Modelling. 427 laboratory-confirmed cases from 25 November to 31 December 2021 in South Korea. (BA.1)	0.10 (95% CI: 0.08–0.13)	Guo et al. 2022 [153]
		Modelling. 67 epidemiologic linked cases from 2 to 21 January 2022 in Hong Kong (border control, physical distancing and contact tracing in place) (BA.1,2)	0.33 (95% CI: 0.17–0.62)	Guo et al. 2022 [153]
	Serial interval (d)	Systematic review of serial intervals 2020-2023	Mean: 3.21 (95% CI: 2.94-3.48)	Xu et al. 2023 [125]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review of Incubation periods. (BA.1)	Mean: 3.49 (95% CI: 3.13-4.86)	Xu et al. 2023 [125]
		Modelling, estimated from infected individuals with clear transmission chains and infectors from epidemiological survey reports in China	Gamma distribution with mean of 3.41 (95% CI: 3.27-3.58)	Li et al. 2024 [147]

		Modelling, estimated from infected individuals with clear transmission chains and infectors from epidemiological survey reports in China. (BA.1)	Gamma distribution with mean of 3.42 (95% CI: 3.00-3.89)	Li et al. 2024 [147]
		Modelling, estimated from infected individuals with clear transmission chains and infectors from epidemiological survey reports in China. (BA.2)	Gamma distribution with mean of 3.39 (95% CI: 3.24-3.55)	Li et al. 2024 [147]
		EpiLPS - Dataset from Backer et al. 2022 [146]	Lognormal distribution with mean of 3.30 (95% CI: 3.20-3.50)	Estimated
	Latent period (d)	Cross-sectional study in China, with 114 cases with COVID-19 Omicron variant BA.1.1 between January 2022 and February 2022	Gamma distribution with mean of 3.13 (95% CI: 2.82-3.48)	Xin et al. 2023 [130]
		Modelling, estimated from infected individuals with clear transmission chains and infectors from epidemiological survey reports in China	Gamma distribution with mean of 2.58 (95% CI: 2.48-2.68)	Li et al. 2024 [147]
		Modelling, estimated from infected individuals with clear transmission chains and infectors from epidemiological survey reports in China. (BA.1)	Gamma distribution with mean of 2.50 (95% CI: 2.27-2.76)	Li et al. 2024 [147]
		Modelling, estimated from infected individuals with clear transmission chains and infectors from epidemiological survey reports in China. (BA.2)	Gamma distribution with mean of 2.58 (95% CI: 2.48-2.69)	Li et al. 2024 [147]
	Infectious period (d)	Transmission period after symptom onset date (Spain). BA.1	Mean: 0.5 (IQR: -1.0-2.0)	Águila-Mejía et al. 2022 [156]
		Time to first negative viral culture (USA). (BA.2, 5, XBB)	Median: 4.0 (IQR: 3.0-4.0)	Edelstein et al. 2023 [157]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review of CFR's worldwide from January 1, 2020, and March 31, 2023	0.7 (95% CI: 0.67-0.73)	Xia et al. 2024 [149]
		Systematic review confirmed case-fatality risk. 18 January 2021 to December 2021	0.04 (95% CI: 0-0.61)	Yuan et al. 2023 [150]

		Systematic review, patient deaths/omicron patients. From 14/11/2021 to 07/03/2022	0.21	Ahmad et al. 2024 [158]
	Infection fatality risk (%)	IFR for six epidemic waves in Osaka Japan from February 2020 to January 2022. Elderly fully vaccinated. Ages 20–39 years	0 (95% CI: 0-0)	Zhang and Nishiura 2023 [141]
		IFR for six epidemic waves in Osaka Japan from February 2020 to January 2022. Elderly fully vaccinated. Ages 40–59 years	0.02 (95% CI: 0.01-0.04)	Zhang and Nishiura 2023 [141]
		IFR for six epidemic waves in Osaka Japan from February 2020 to January 2022. Elderly fully vaccinated. Ages 60+ years	1.26 (95% CI: 0.9-2.54)	Zhang and Nishiura 2023 [141]
		Infection fatality risk in England at the end of the Omicron BA.1 and Omicron BA.2 period (April 2022)	0.06 (95% CI: 0.04-0.08)	Ward et al. 2024 [151]
ZIKV	Basic reproduction number	Review of R0 across global climate zones (1980-2018)	Mean: 3.02 (range: 0.16-9.40)	Liu et al. 2020 [159]
		Estimated R0 values for the outbreak in Miami 2016	Lognormal distribution with mean of 1.88 (95% CI: 1.53-2.32)	Liu et al. 2020 [159]
		Reproduction number for ZIKV sexual transmission	Median: 0.136 (95% CI: 0.009–0.521)	Gao et al. 2016 [160]
	Serial interval (d)	Systematic review, serial symptom onset interval in 15 couples via sexual transmission	Median: 12.0 (IQR:10.0-14.50)	Counotte et al 2018 [161]
	Incubation period (d)	Systematic review up to 2016. Pooled analysis	Lognormal distribution with median of 5.90 (95% CI: 4.40-7.60)	Lessler et al. 2016 [162]
		EpiLPS - Dataset from lessler et al. 2016 [162]	Semipar. with mean of 6.7 (95% CI: 5.8-7.6)	Estimated
	Latent period (d)	Modelling study. Referenced value. Assumed that human latent period is equivalent to	6.8	Agudelo et al. 2022 [163]

		the intrinsic incubation period and is a constant value		
		Modelling study Referenced value. Assumed that latent period is equivalent to the incubation period	Gamma distribution with mean of 3.9	Kucharski et al. 2016 [164]
	Infectious period (d)	Systematic review up to 2016. Time period that Zika virus is detectable in blood	Mean: 9.9	Lessler et al. 2016 [162]
		Modelling study. Referenced value	Gamma distribution with mean of 5.0	Kucharski et al. 2016 [164]
		Systematic review, range of zika virus shedding in male genital tract	Range: 3-69	Moreira et al. 2017 [165]
	Case fatality risk (%)	Systematic review, CFR in the Americas up to 2018	Median: 0.02 (range: 0.002-0.324)	Cardona-Ospina et al. 2019 [166]
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