

REVEALING POTENTIAL ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE GENE MOBILITY TRENDS USING >15000 REPLICONS

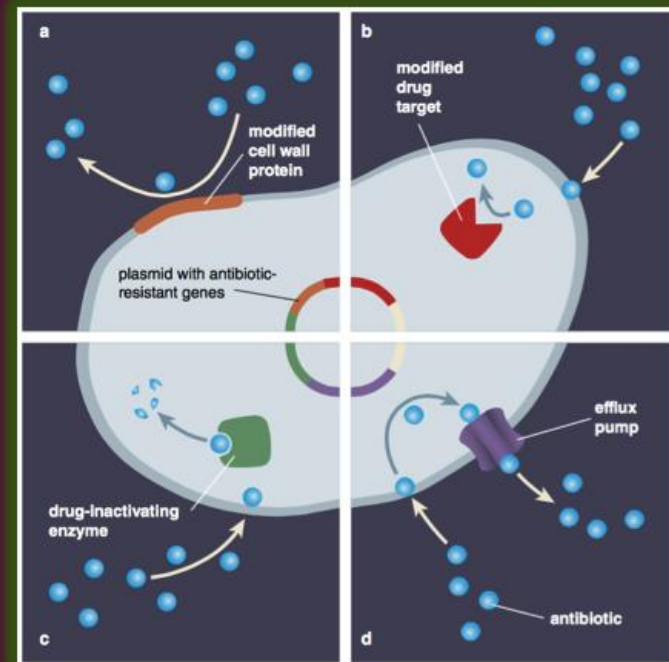
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ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE (AMR) IS ON THE RISE

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Government pledges more than £30m to fight superbugs

'Game-changing' antibiotic can kill off superbugs

By [Ana Sandoiu](#) | Published Tuesday 27 March 2018

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A new study, published in the *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry*, offers the first proof that a new synthetic form of the antibiotic teixobactin can neutralize drug-resistant bacteria.



Drug resistant E. coli bacteria are already a significant problem in Europe

Antibiotic resistance is a growing problem around the world

By [Anne Gulland](#), GLOBAL HEALTH SECURITY CORRESPONDENT

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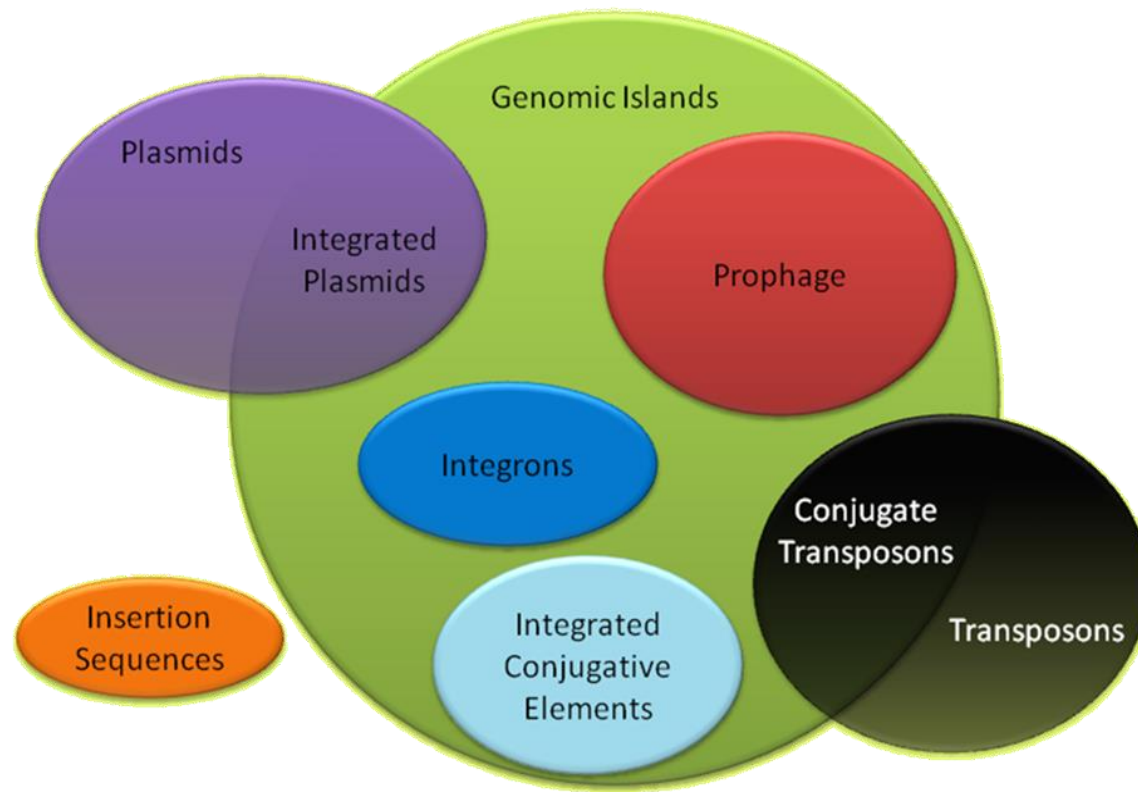
The UK government has given the fight against deadly superbugs a boost with a pledge of £31m for the development of new drugs and diagnostics.

Need for research in understanding AMR mobility trends to improve public health AMR risk assessment and prevention

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AMR Genes Can Be Transferred Horizontally Through Mobile Genetic Elements



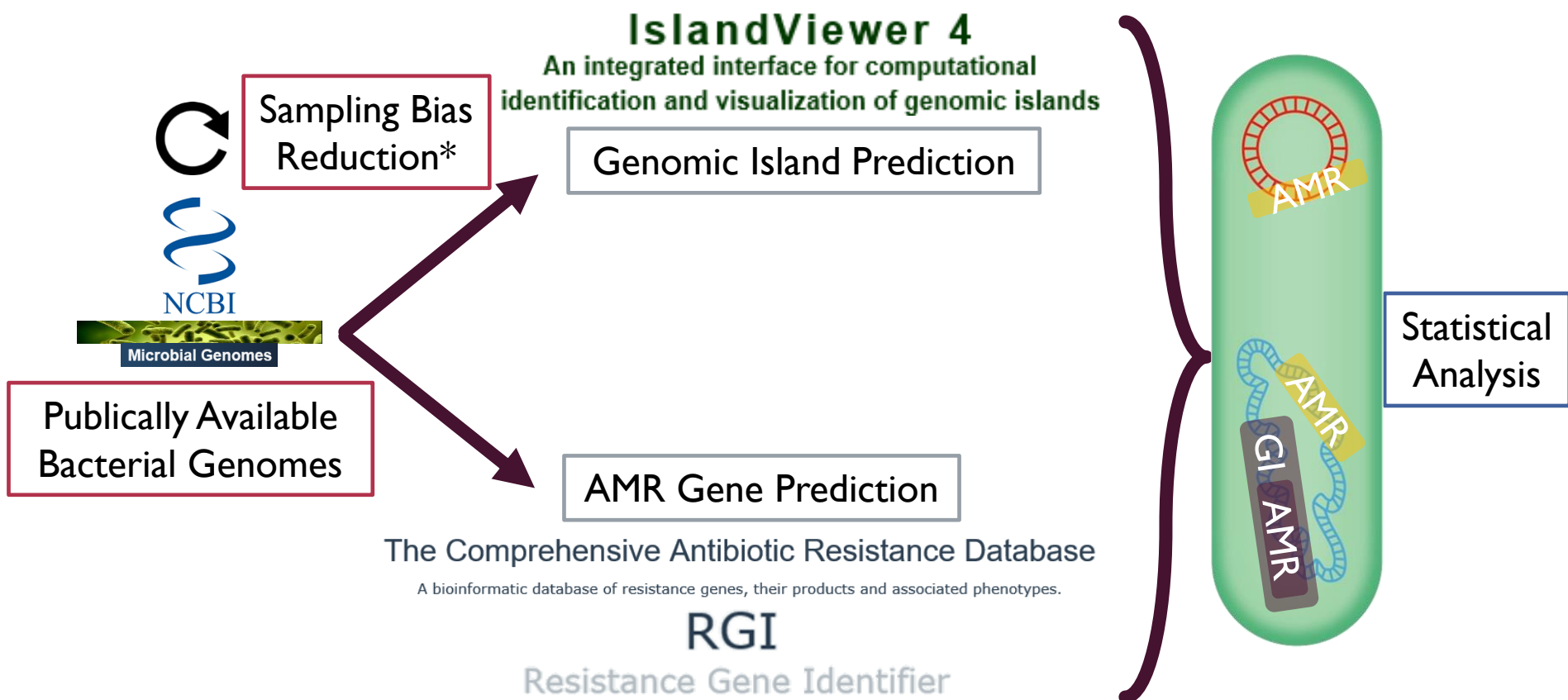
ARE THERE ANY AMR ASSOCIATIONS?

With increasing amount of genomic data, could we gain a more comprehensive understanding of AMR mobility trends that would be useful for public health AMR risk assessments?

Hypothesis:

AMR genes are disproportionally associated with mobile sequences but differences should exist for certain AMR gene classes.

Methodology: Understanding AMR Association



*Analysis was done with and without dataset reduction

(Bertelli, C. et al. 2017, PMID:28472413)
(Jia, B. et al. 2017, PMID:27789705) 5

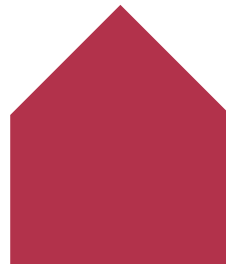
**COLLECTIVELY, AMR GENES ARE
DISPROPORTIONALLY FOUND IN MOBILE
SEQUENCES, PARTICULARLY PLASMIDS**

0.17%



Non-mobile
chromosome

0.18%



Genomic
islands

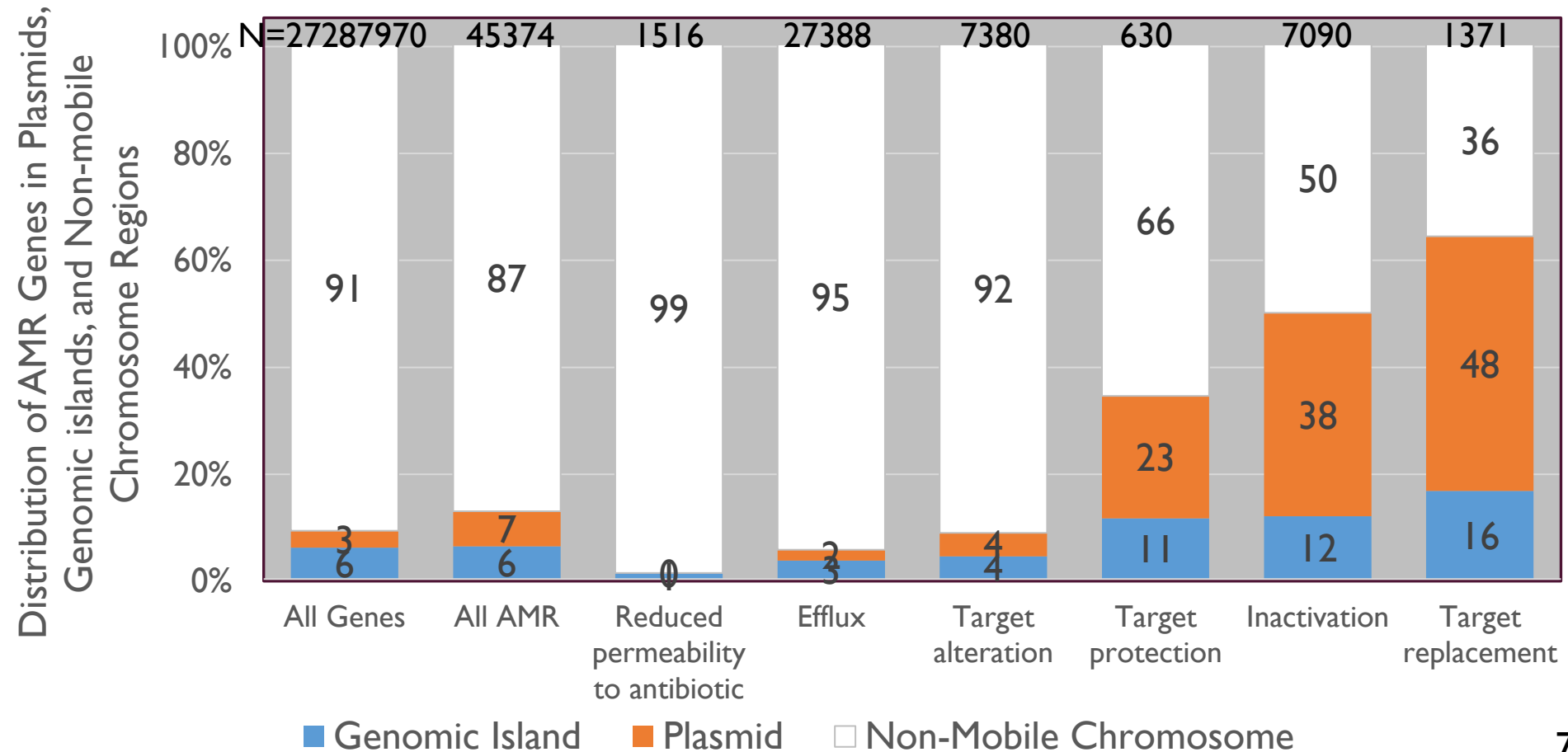
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Plasmids

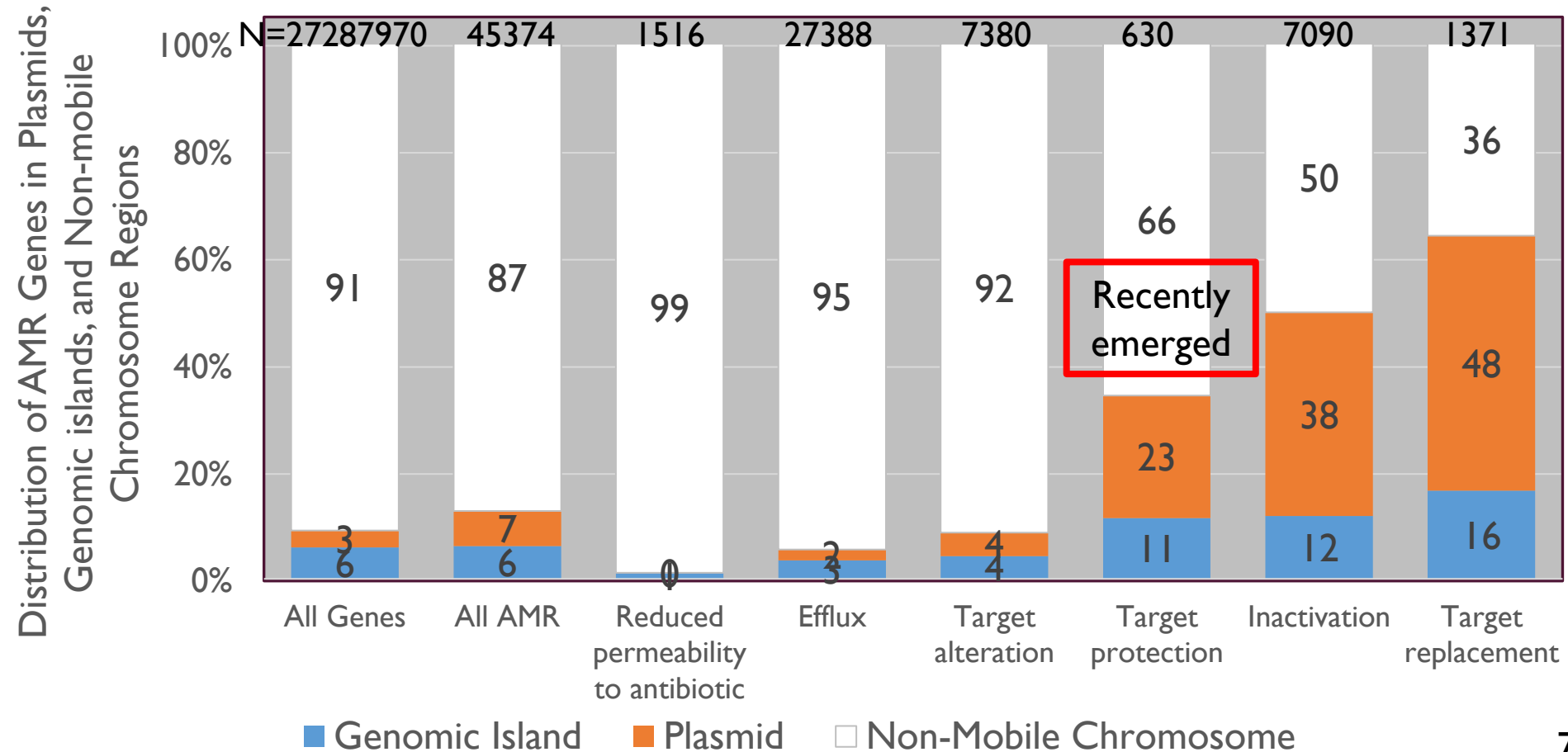
ASSOCIATIONS DEPEND ON THE AMR MECHANISM

Relative AMR Gene Distribution By Resistance Mechanism



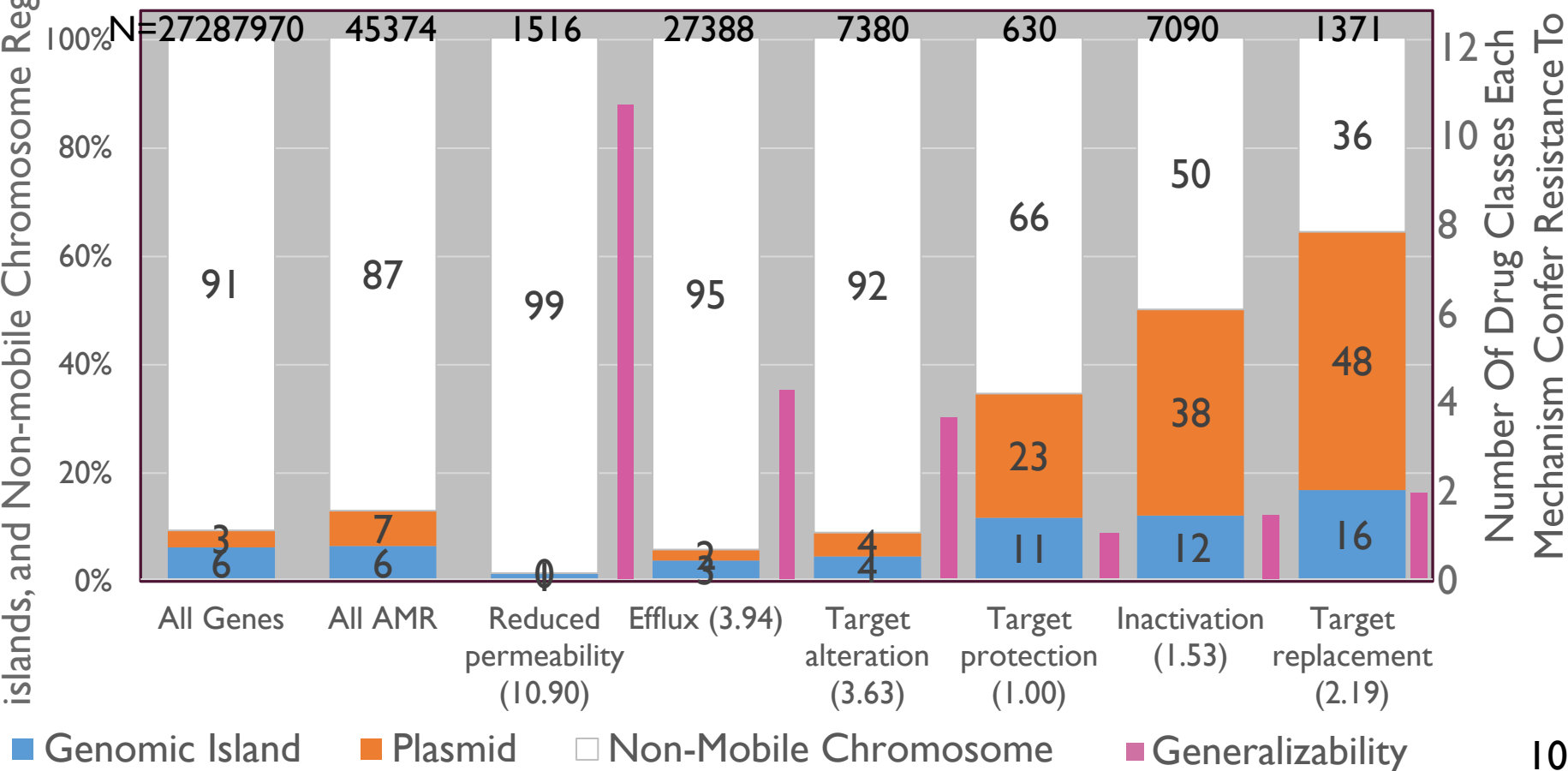
ASSOCIATIONS DEPEND ON TIME SINCE MOBILIZATION

Relative AMR Gene Distribution By Resistance Mechanism



AMR GENES WITH LOW GENERALIZABILITY ARE ASSOCIATED WITH MOBILE ELEMENTS

AMR Gene Distribution By Resistance Mechanisms



SPECIALIZED AMR GENES MIGHT BE ECOLOGICAL PUBLIC GOODS

- Ecological “Public Goods” (1)
 - Specialized AMR genes are disproportionally found on mobile elements
 - Specialization requires a higher fitness cost for an individual (2)
 - AMR gene does not need to be present in all individuals in order to benefit all members of a community
 - HGT of public good traits enforces corporation in community – No cheaters!

SUMMARY & FUTURE DIRECTIONS

AMR Mobility

{Mechanism of Action+ Time Since Acquisition + Specialization + Community Benefits
+ ???}

**Identification of highly mobile AMR determinants and patterns of AMR mobility
will provide a basis for improving metagenomics AMR prediction and for
prioritizing AMR related risks in public health**

THANK YOU!

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