

# Pertussis Vaccination

## CMI-PB Project

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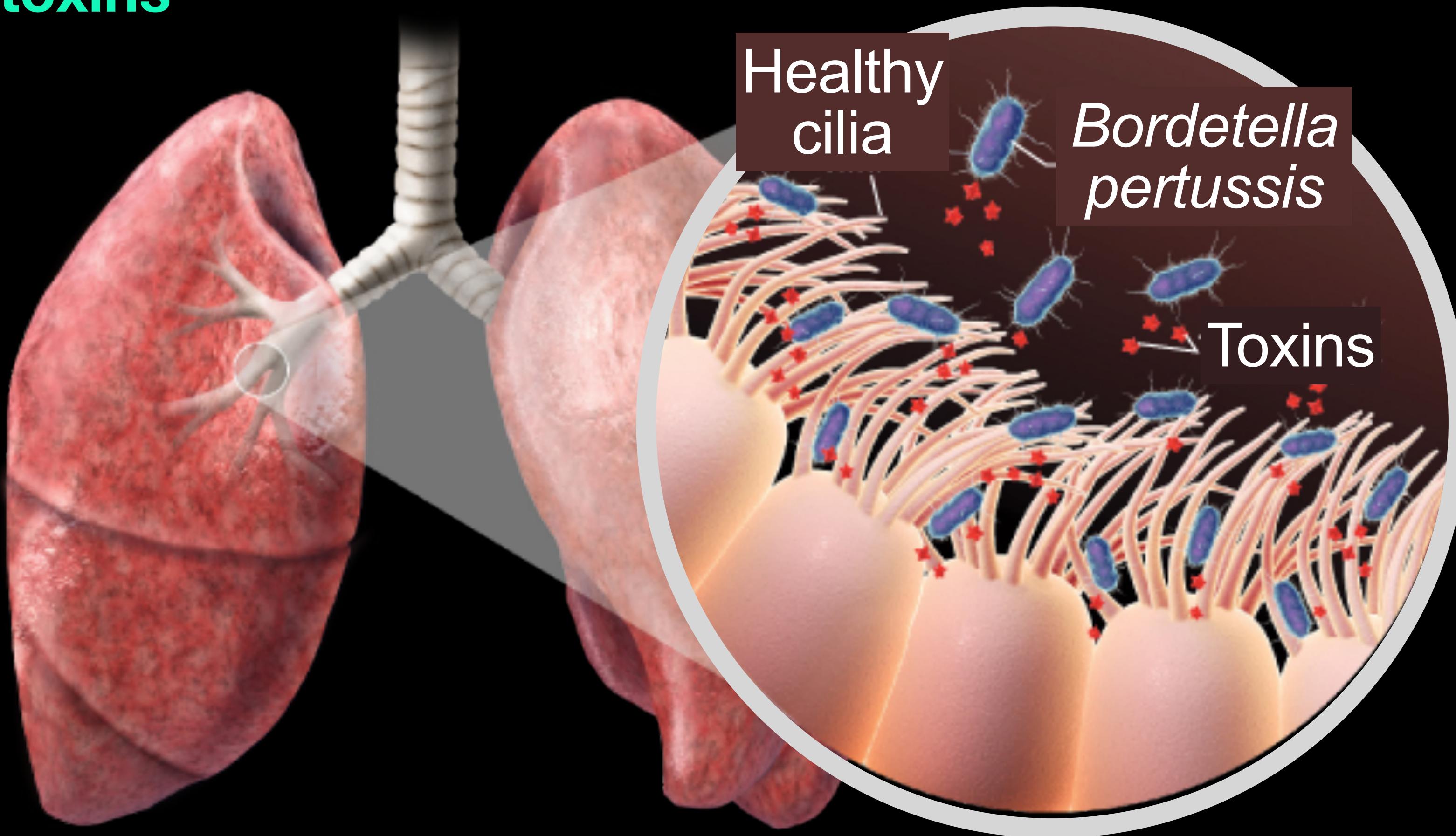
# Pertussis is a leading causes of vaccine-preventable deaths

Pertussis, or **whooping cough**, is a highly contagious lung infection caused by the bacteria *Bordetella pertussis*.

- Estimated 16 million cases and 200,000 associated infant deaths annually.
- Can infect people of all ages but is most severe and life threatening for infants under a year old
- Transmission occurs primarily through bacteria laden **respiratory droplets** produced when an infected individual coughs and sneezes

# *Bordetella pertussis* attacks cells lining the airways

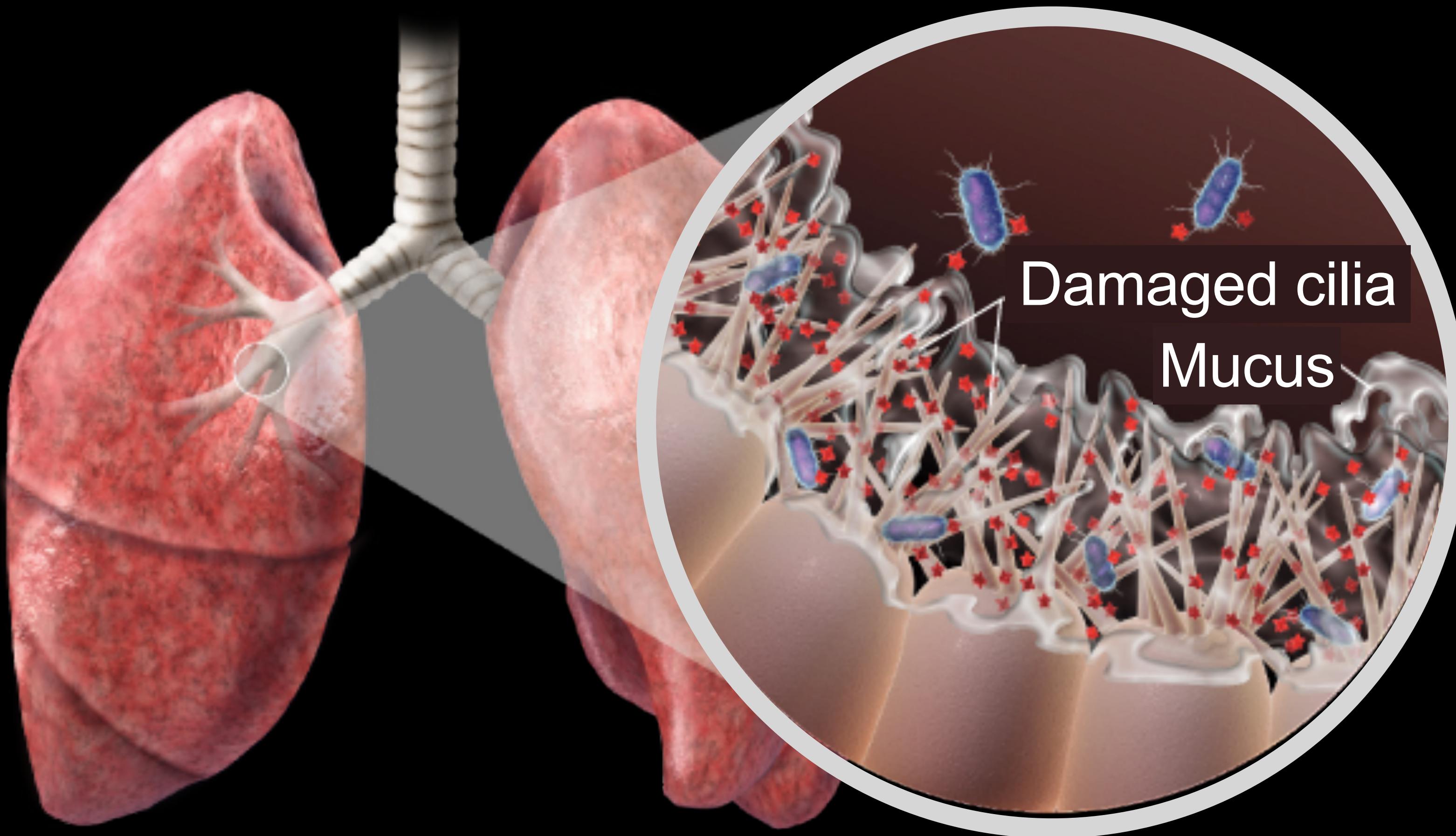
The bacteria use adhesive proteins to stick to **ciliated cells** whilst releasing **toxins**



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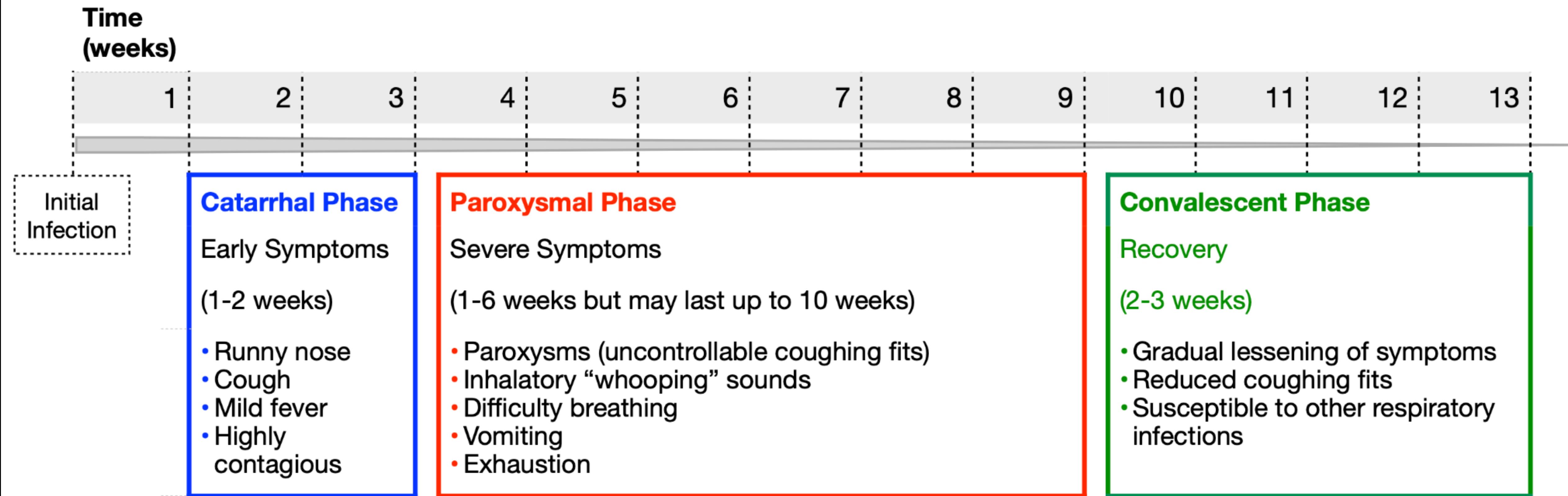
# Pertussis is primarily a toxin-mediated disease

These toxins damage cilia, suppress the immune response and disrupt signaling leading to **inflammation**, **mucus buildup** and **impaired function**



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# Pertussis develops in three main phases



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# Fascinating history

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1578



## First Epidemic Reported

The oldest known pertussis epidemic is thought to be the Paris outbreak of 1578. This was documented in detail by the French physician Guillaume de Baillou who described the classic symptoms of the disease.

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1679

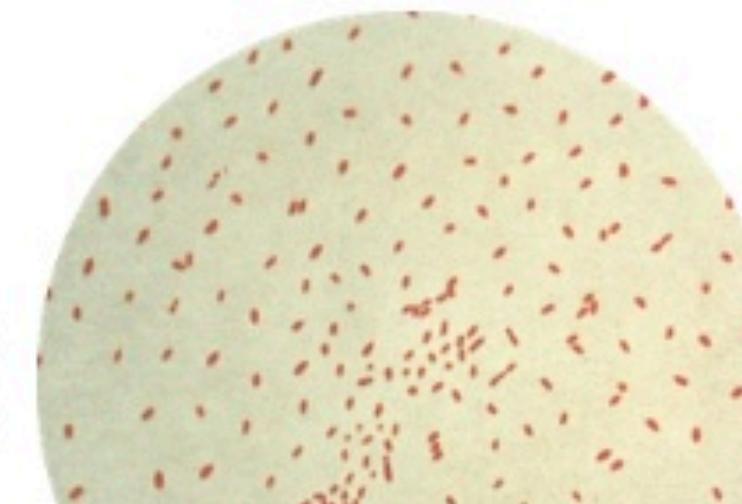


## The Name "Pertussis" First Appears

The name pertussis (from Latin for "intensive cough") was first introduced by the English physician Thomas Sydenham in 1670. This name took over by the end of the decade. Earlier names included hooping cough, tuis perennis, tussis epidemica infantum, and tuis quinta.

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1900



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1942

### First DPT Vaccine

Pearl Kendrick at the Michigan Department of Health combined a refined whole-cell pertussis vaccine with Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoids to create the first combination DPT vaccine.



### First Whole-cell Pertussis Vaccine Tested on a Wide Scale

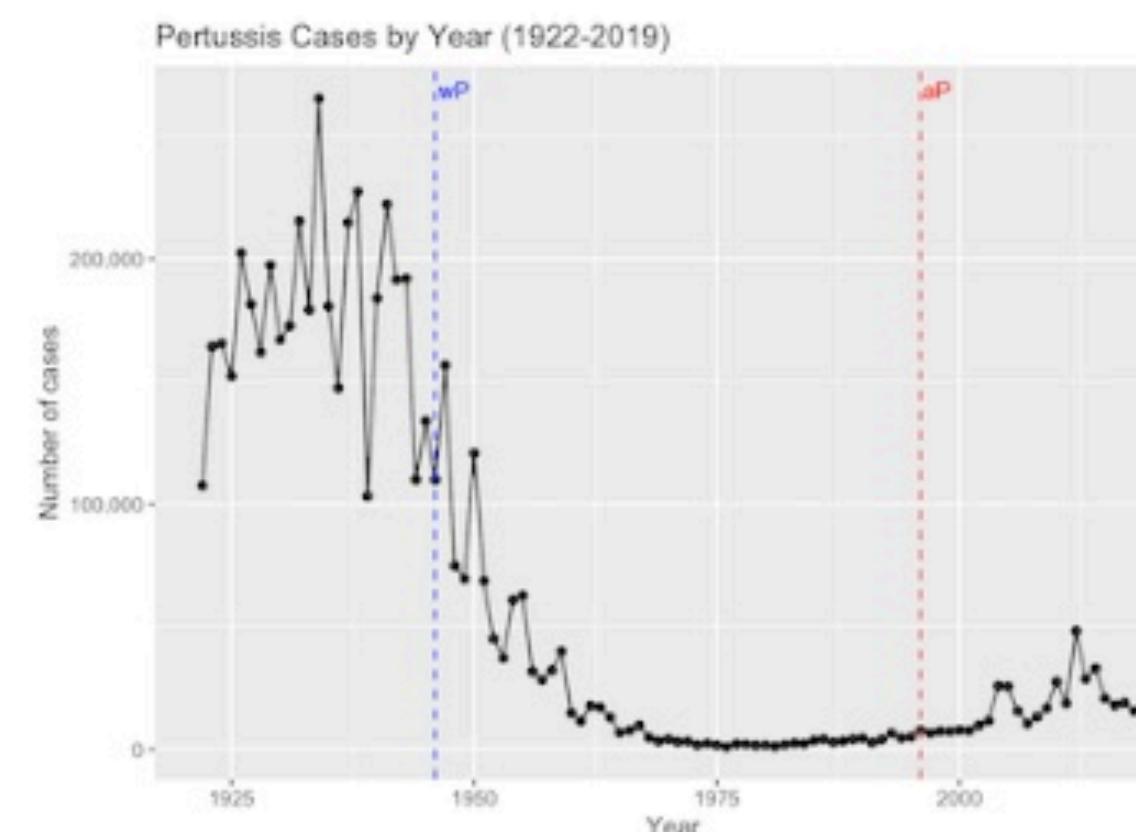
Danish physician Thorvald Madsen tested a whole-cell pertussis vaccine on a wide scale for the first time reporting promising results.



1947

### Routine Vaccination

In 1944, the Committee on Infectious Diseases of the American Academy of Pediatrics suggests routine use of pertussis vaccine and, in 1947, recommends its use in the form of the DPT combination. Routine childhood vaccination begins and is made compulsory in some states by the end of the decade.

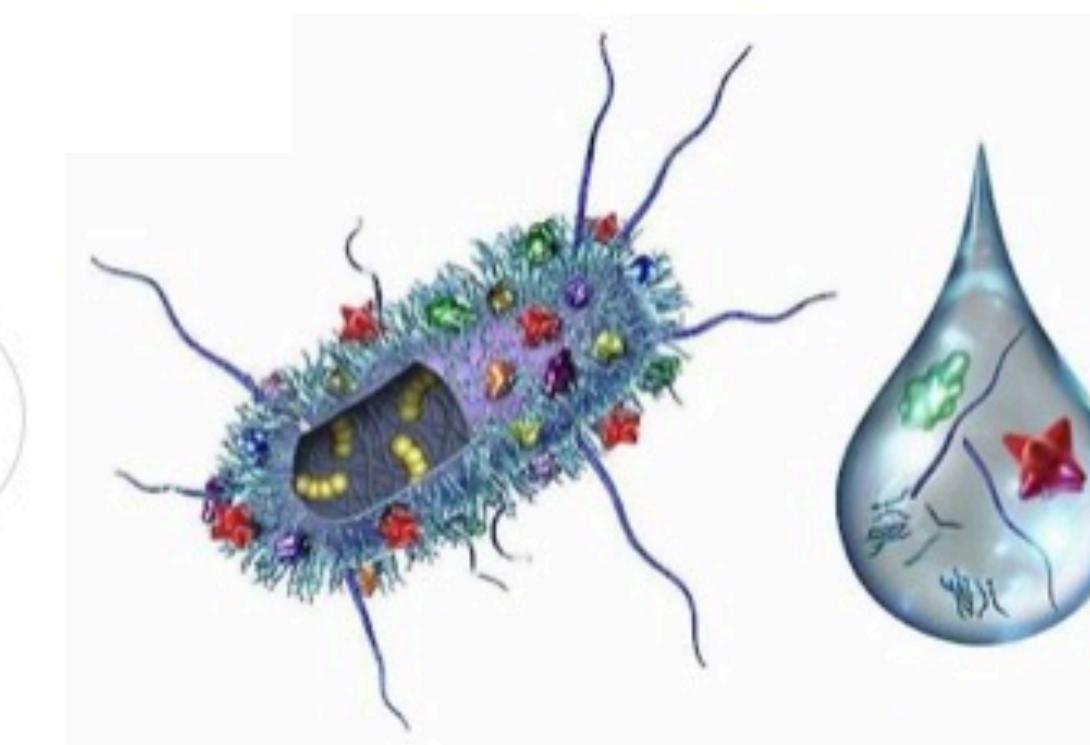


1970

### Decline of Whooping Cough

There was a massive decline of pertussis cases in the U.S. and other

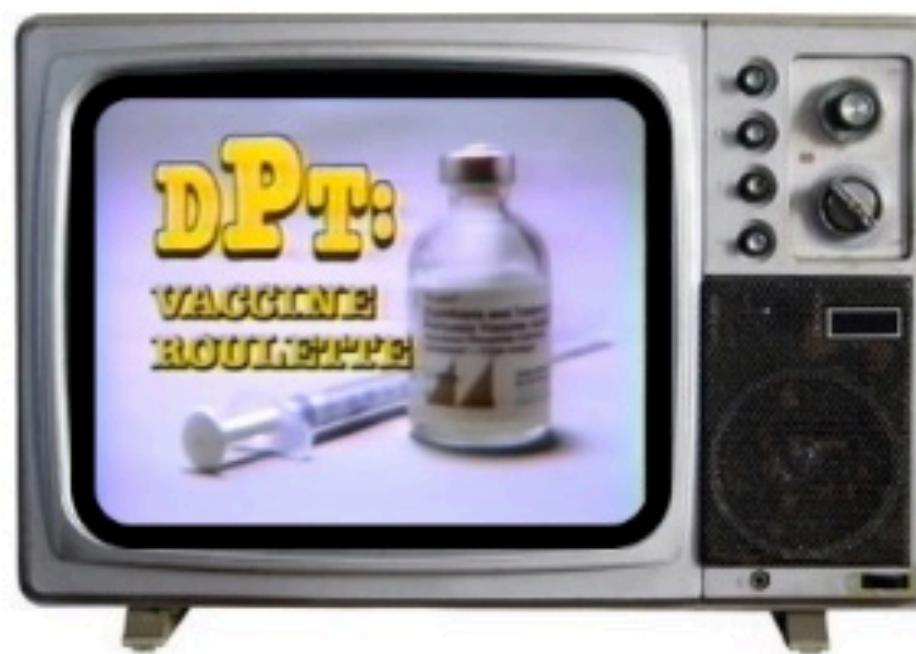
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### Creation of DTaP Vaccine

Japanese scientist Yugi Sato created an acellular pertussis vaccine that contained purified haemagglutinins from *B. Pertussis*. This **aP vaccine** was first used in Japan soon after and was demonstrated to have fewer side effects than the whole-cell (**wP**) vaccine. It was later used in other countries (with additional components of *B. Pertussis*) as the combined DTaP vaccine.

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### "DPT: Vaccine Roulette"

In 1982 negative publicity was encouraged from a documentary called "DPT: Vaccine Roulette", which led to a massive amount of lawsuits against the vaccine manufacturers. This documentary depicted the lives of children whose severe disabilities were **incorrectly** blamed on the DPT vaccine.

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### Liability

By 1984 DPT vaccine manufacturers had a hard time obtaining liability insurance. By the end of the year, only one DPT manufacturer remained. Scientists respond by ramping up development and testing of safer new acellular pertussis vaccines. These would replace the older whole cell vaccine in many countries with a decade.

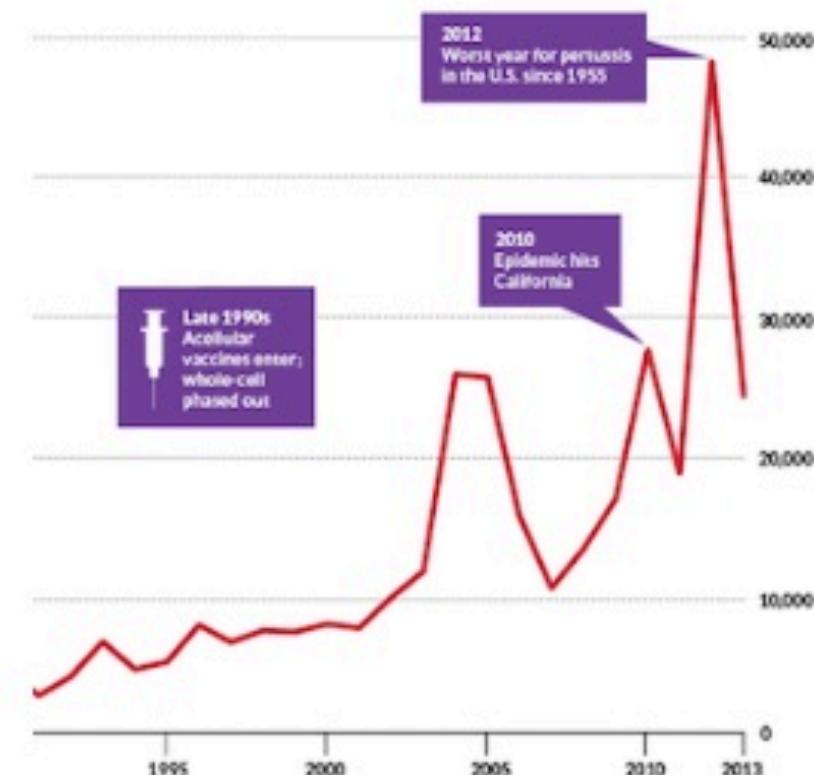


1985

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Later studies showed that there was no connection between the DPT vaccine and the permanent brain damage. It was in fact called a "Myth" and "Nonsense" by the Journal of American Medical Association in 1990.

1992



### Pertussis Outbreaks

Major pertussis epidemics and outbreaks are once again a major public health concern. With epidemics typically occurring every 3 to 5 years in the U.S. as was evident in the pre-vaccine years. TO FINISH mention CA outbreak.

2010

### aP Vaccine Approved in the U.S.

The acellular pertussis (aP) vaccine was approved in the U.S. in 1992, the older wP formulation was phased out and completely replaced with the DTaP vaccine combination in 1996.

2020



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### CMI-PB Project

A new [systems vaccinology project](#) is launched that combines systems biology and genomics to provide a more holistic picture of protective pertussis-specific immune mechanisms. The project provides the scientific community with comprehensive, high-quality, and freely accessible resources related to Pertussis booster vaccination.

These resources, and associated [prediction challenges](#), are geared towards engaging both experts and enthusiasts in developing and improving **computational models** of the immune response to vaccination and in turn informing new intervention strategies to curb the increasing frequency of *B. pertussis* infection.

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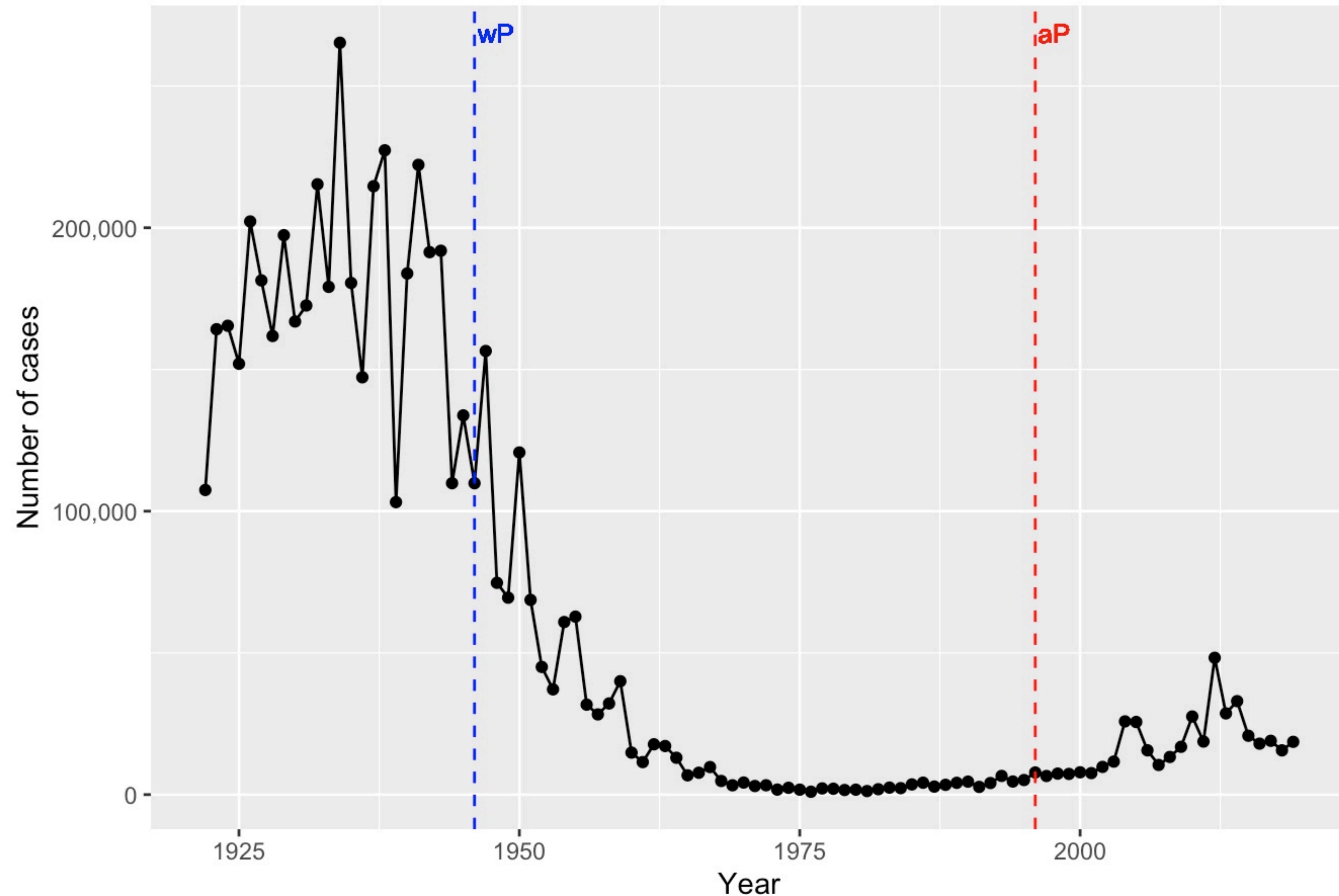
**Pertussis Cases by Year (1922-2019)**

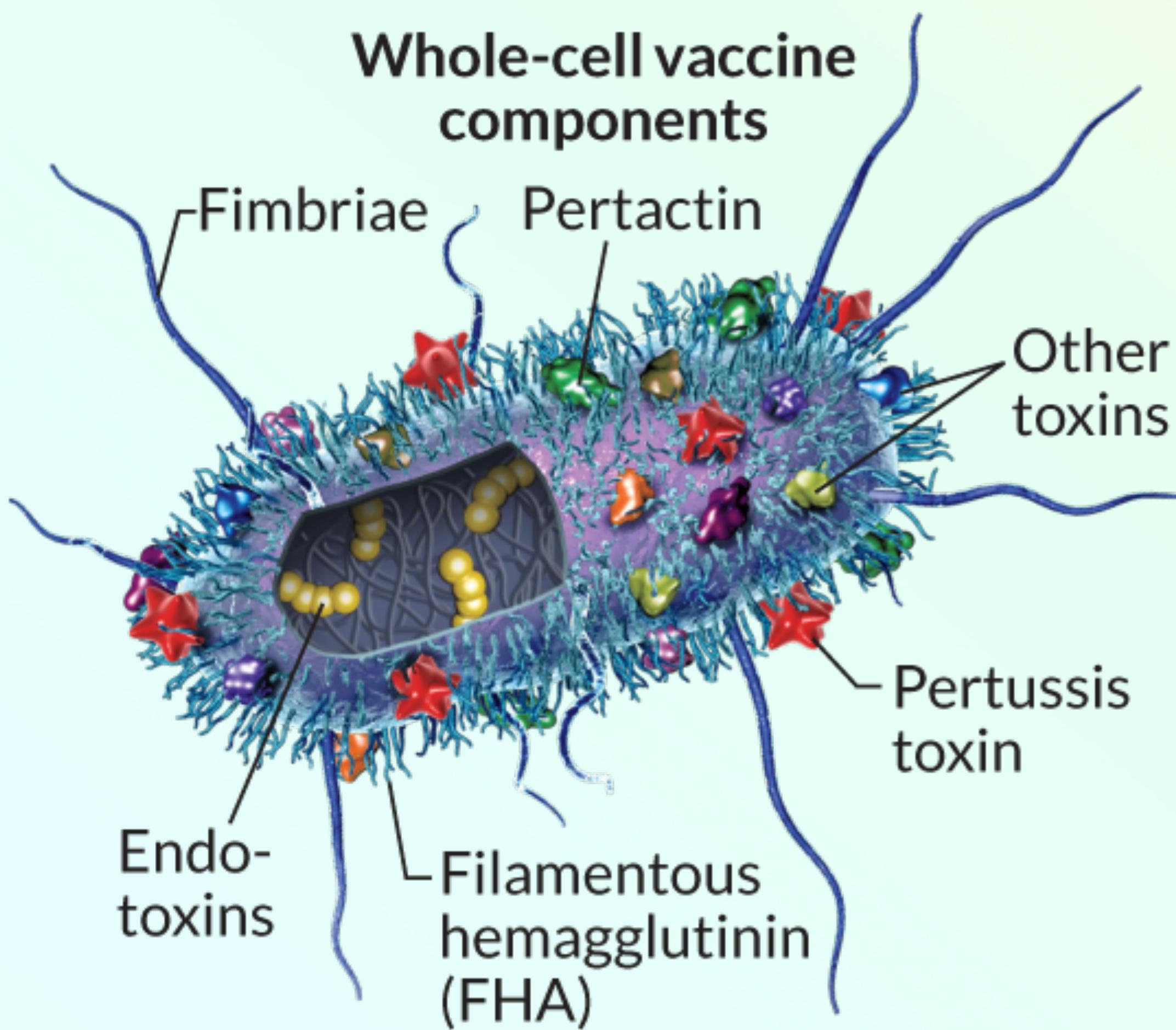
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This table shows reported pertussis cases in the United States since 1922. The related trend charts can be found on the [Surveillance and Reporting](#) page.

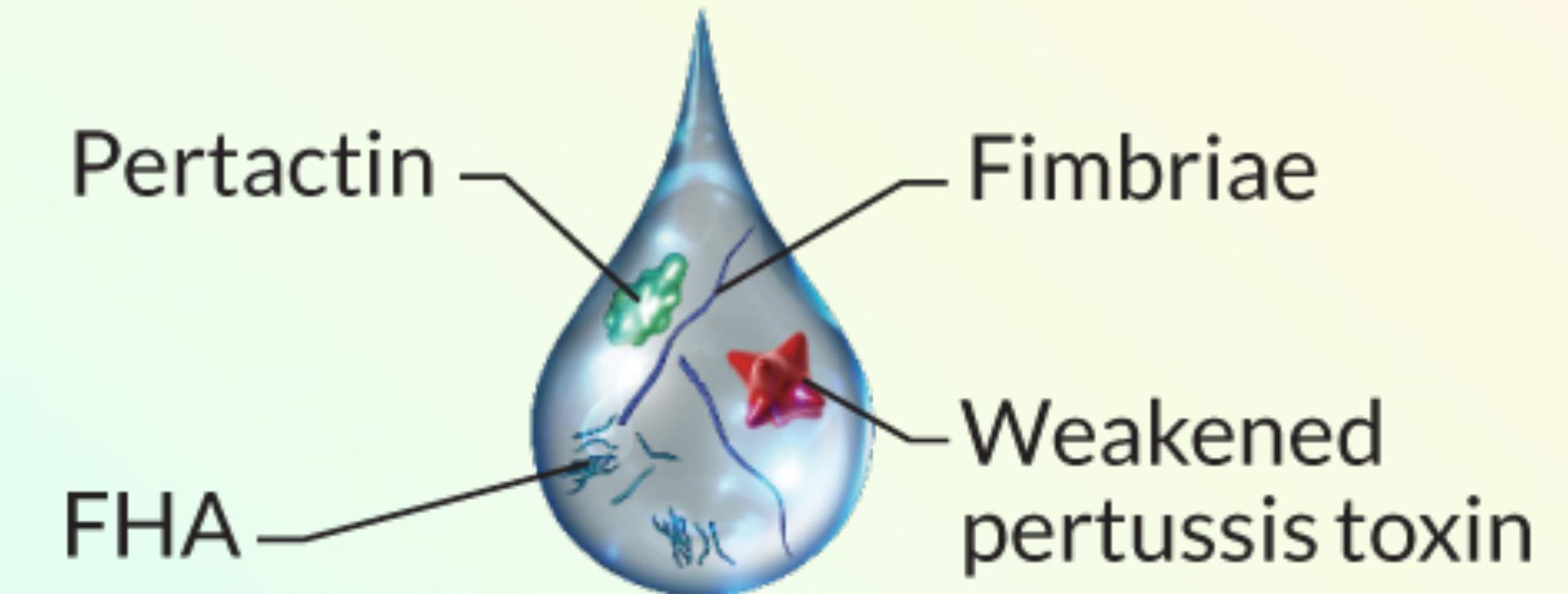
Year	No. Reported Pertussis Cases
1922	107,473
1923	164,191
1924	165,418
1925	152,003
1926	202,210

# Pertussis Cases by Year (1922-2019)





### Acellular vaccine components



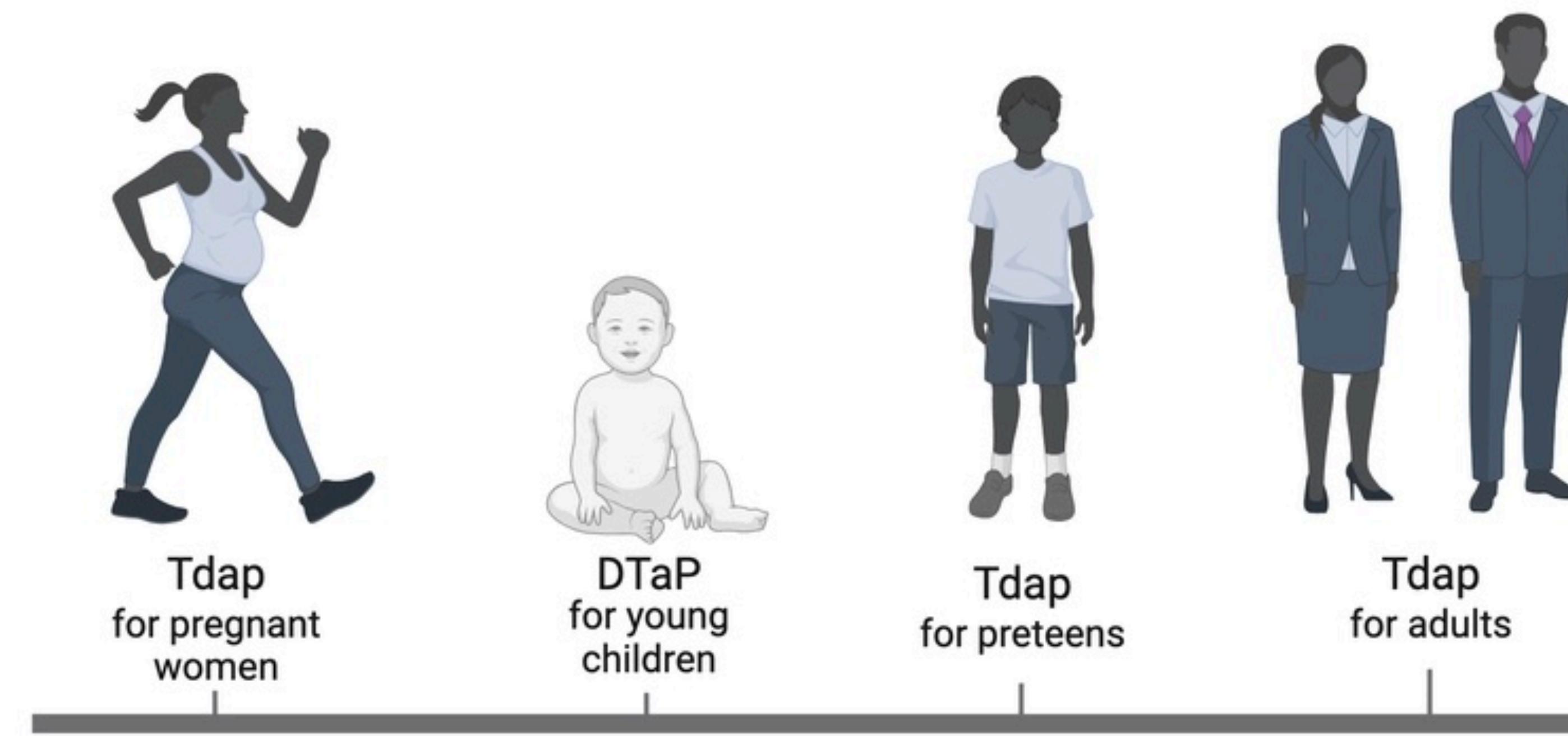
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# Major aP vaccines (US)

Vaccine	Trade Name	Manufacturers	Components (Concentrations)
DTaP	Daptacel, Infanrix	Sanofi Pasteur, GlaxoSmithKline	Inactivated PT: 10-20 µg, FHA: 5-20 µg, PRN: 3-5 µg, FIM 2+3: 5-10 µg
Tdap	Adacel, Boostrix	Sanofi Pasteur, GlaxoSmithKline	Inactivated PT: 2.5-8 µg, FHA: 5-8 µg, PRN: 3-5 µg, FIM 2+3: 5-8 µg

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# Major aP vaccines (US)



- During the 27-36th week of each pregnancy

- 2, 4 and 6 months
- 15 through 18 months
- 4 through 6 years

- 11 through 12 years

- Anytime for those who have never received it
- Subsequent boosters at 10 year intervals following initial vaccine

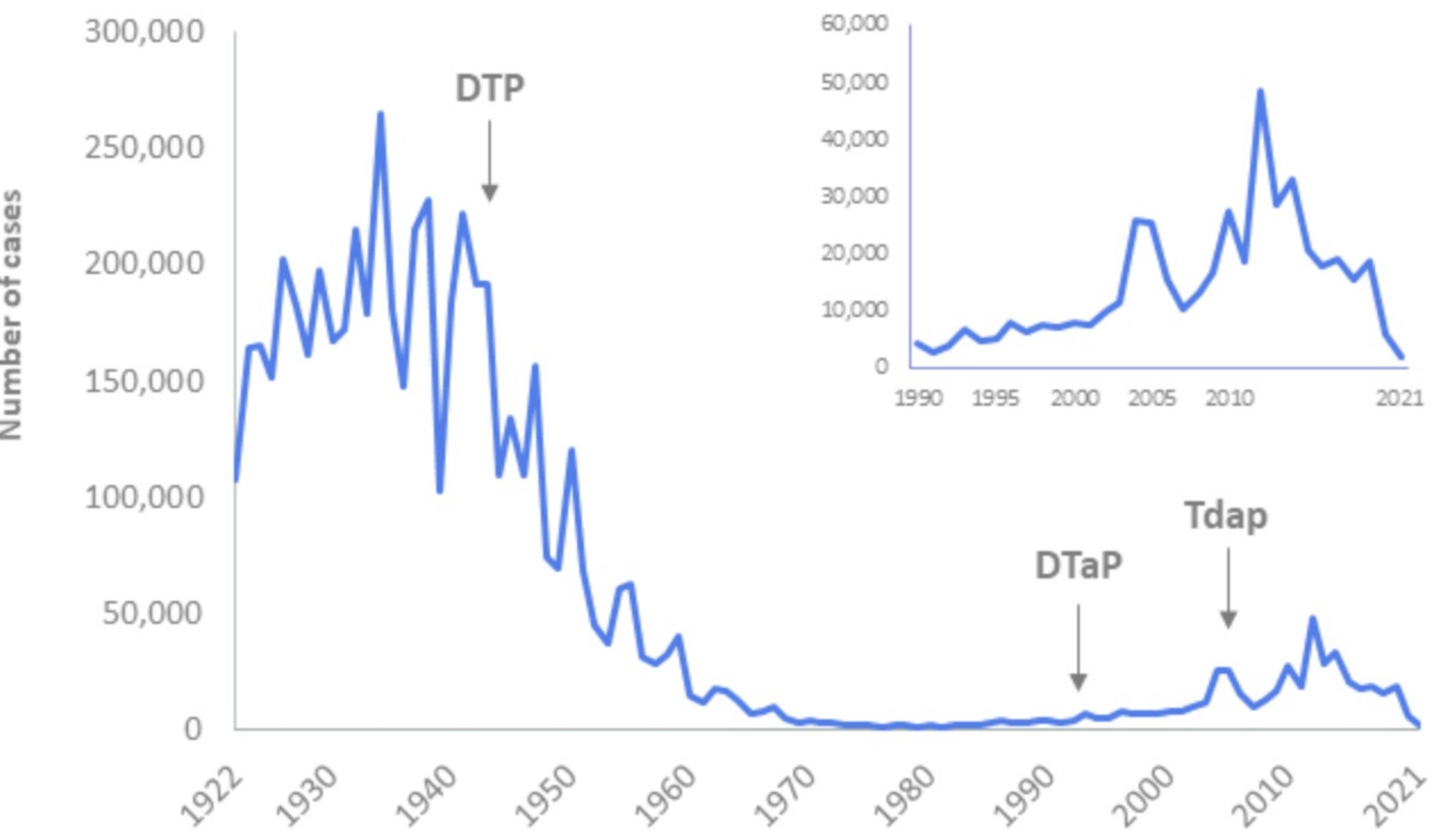
Source: Centers for Disease Control

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# Waning Immunity from aP pertussis vaccination

- 1940s: Introduction of an inactivated whole bacteria PT vaccine (**wP**) dramatically decreased cases
- 1995: Vaccine-related side effects led to a replacement with the acellular PT vaccine (**aP**) in the USA
- aP induced protection wanes faster than wP → Why?

## Reported NNDSS pertussis cases: 1922-2021



Source: National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System, CDC

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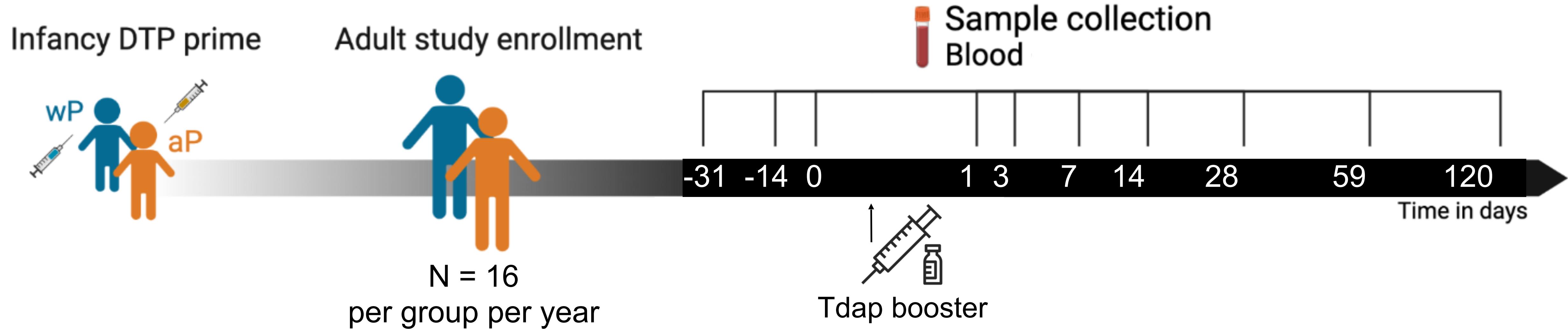
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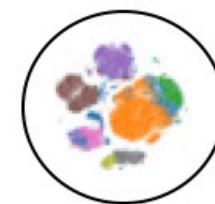


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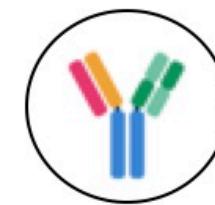


# Characterizing immune responses - Multiomics approach



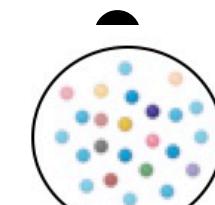
## PBMC cell frequencies by flow cytometry

- Total of 37 distinct cell populations



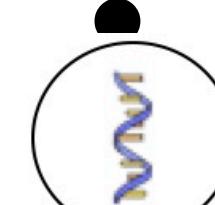
## Plasma antigen-specific antibody titers by Luminex

- Antibody Isotypes: IgG, IgG1, IgG2, IgG3, IgG4
- Vaccine Antigens
  - Pertussis Toxin (PT), PRN, FHA, FIM2/3
  - Tetanus Toxoids (TT)
  - Diphtheria Toxoids (DT)
  - OVA (irrelevant control)



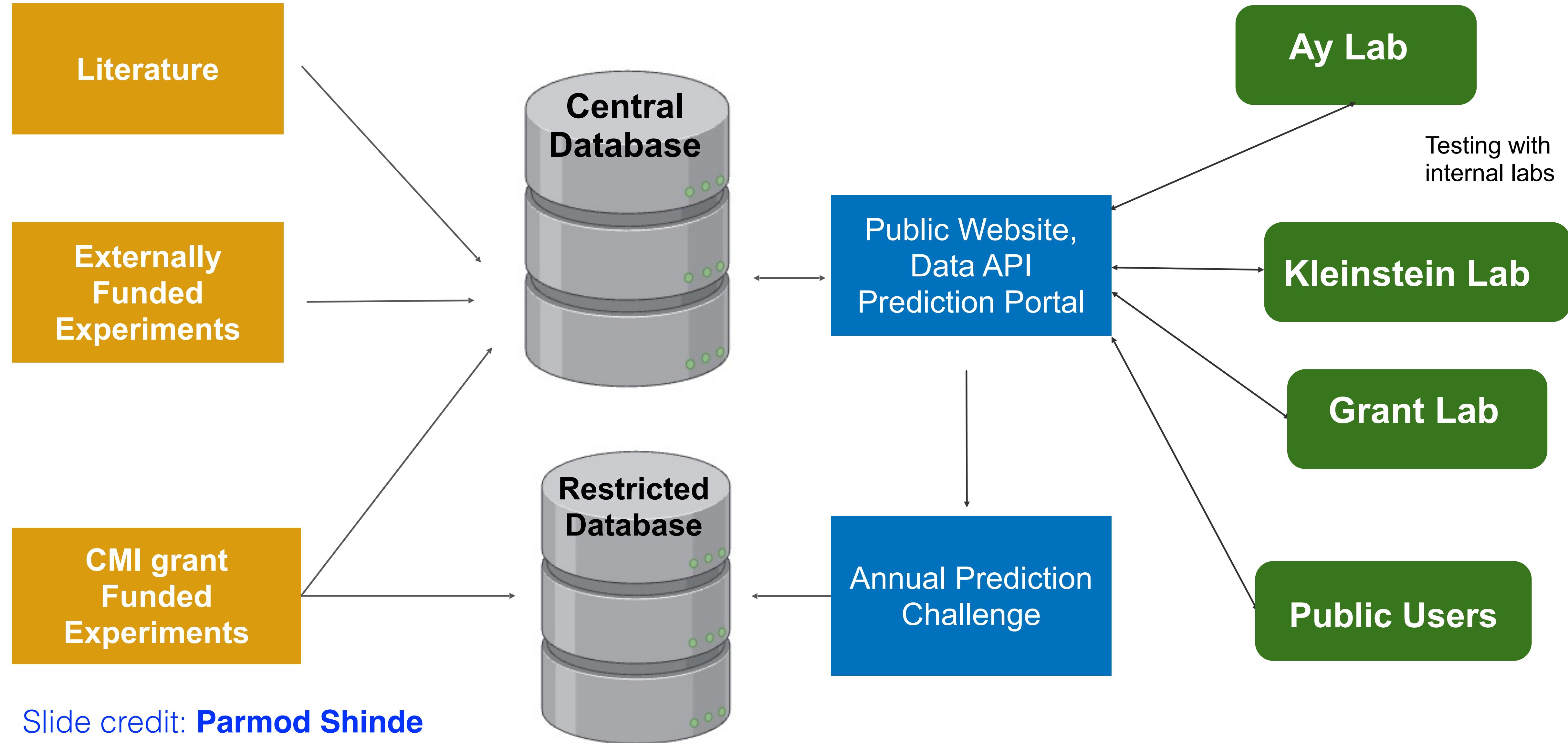
## Plasma proteomics by Olink

- Concentration of 45 cytokines

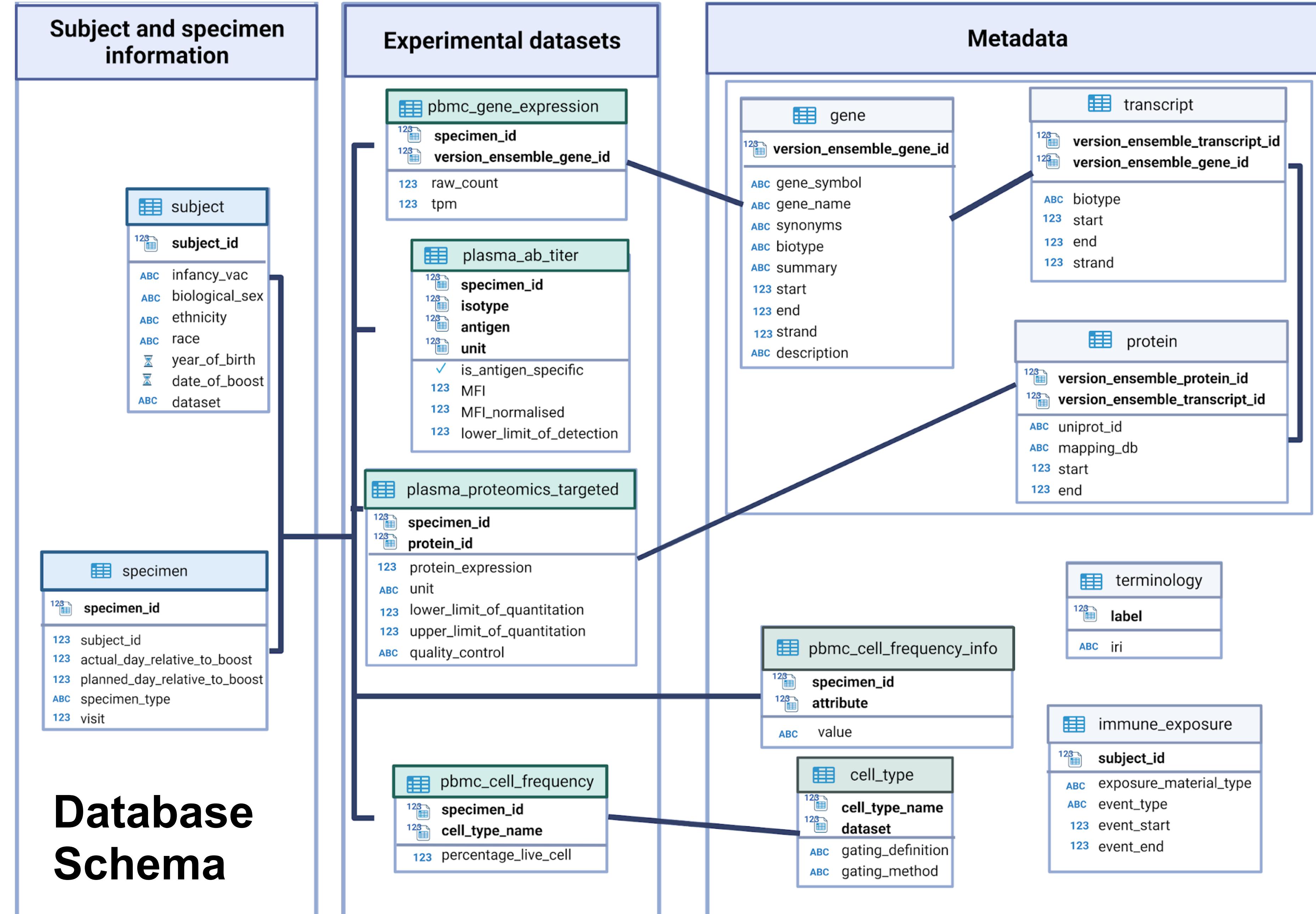


## Transcriptomics by bulk RNA-Seq

# d. Databases, Model building, and Prediction Challenge



# e. Providing access to experimental data in a standardized format



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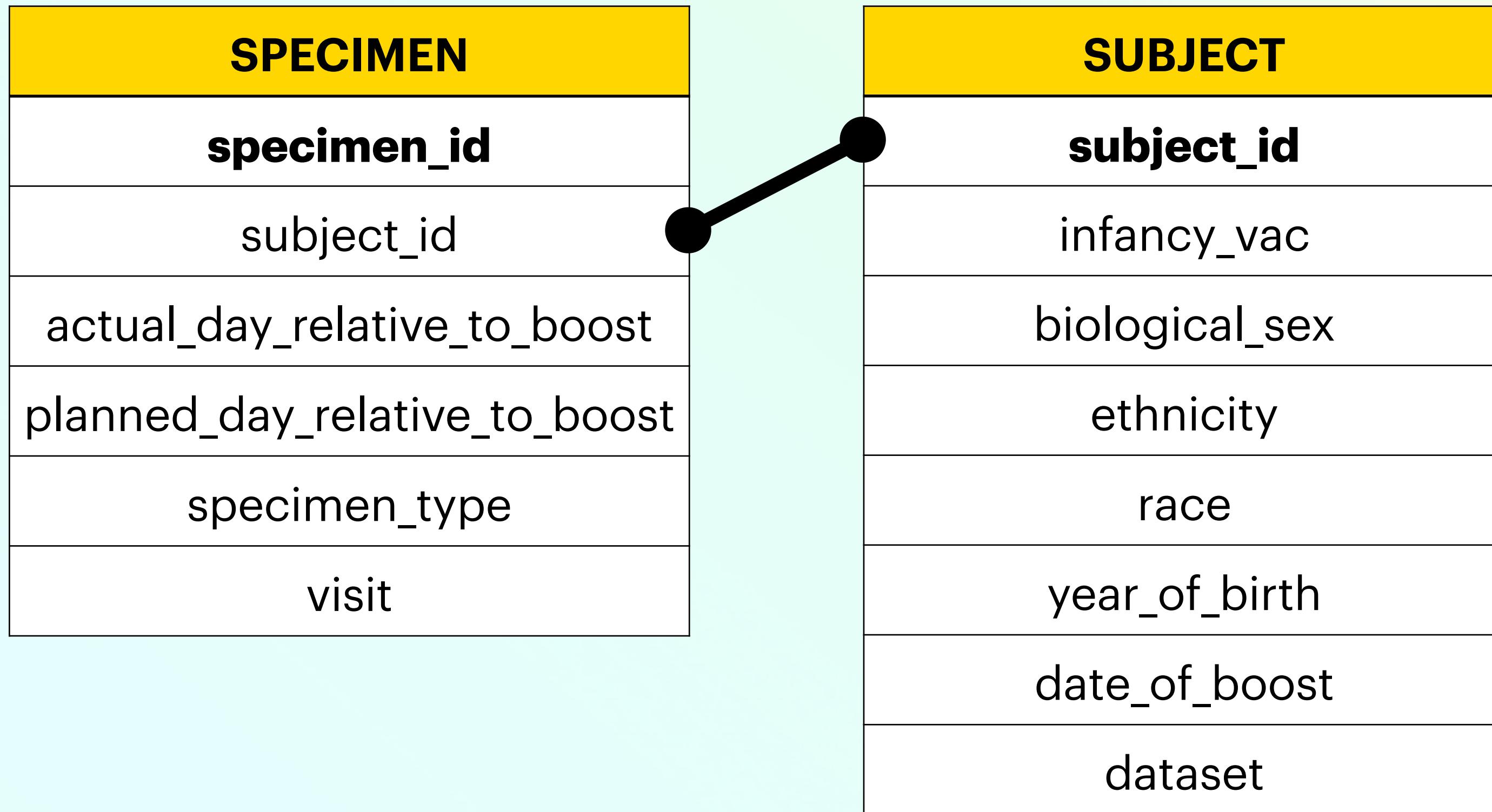
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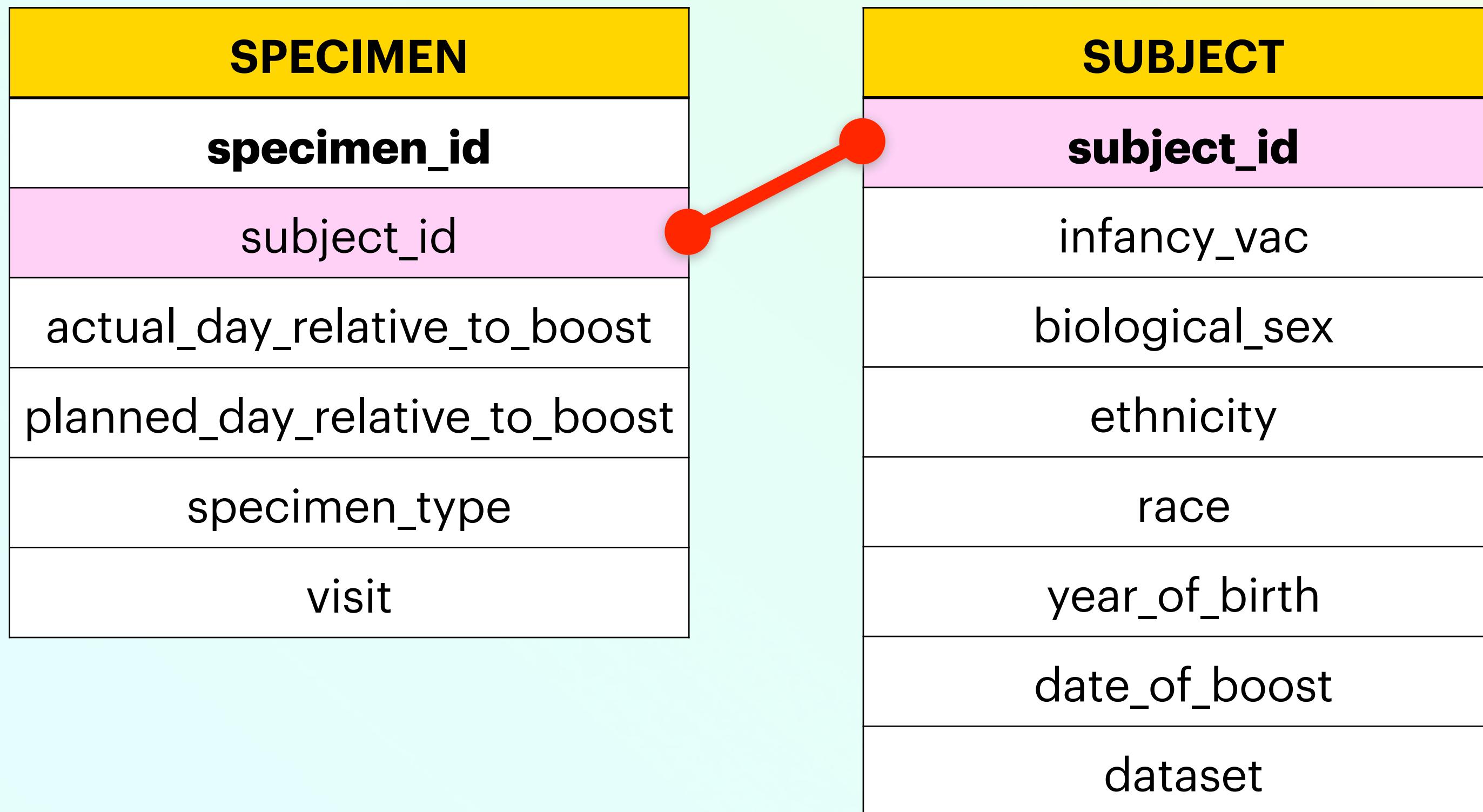
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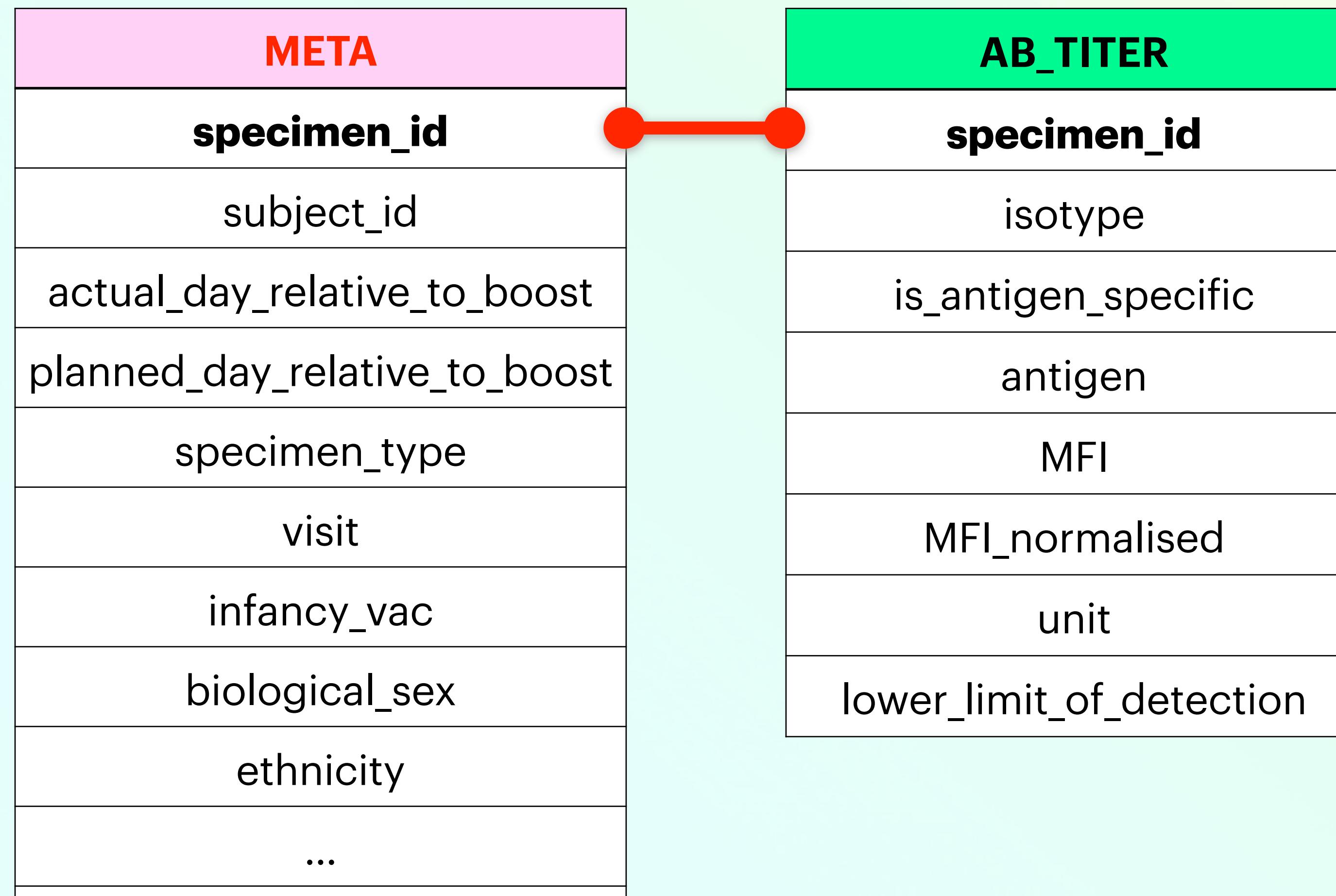
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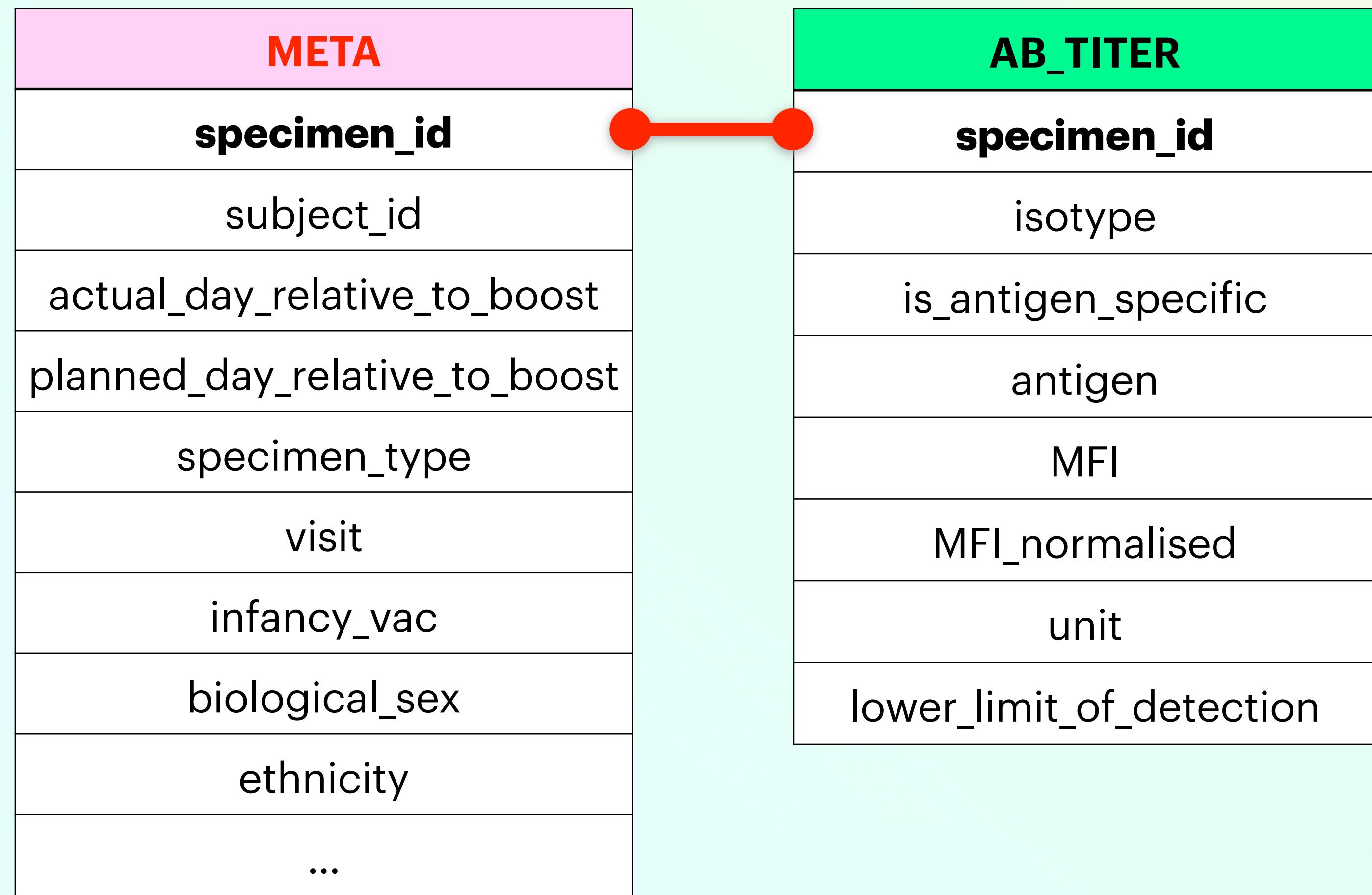
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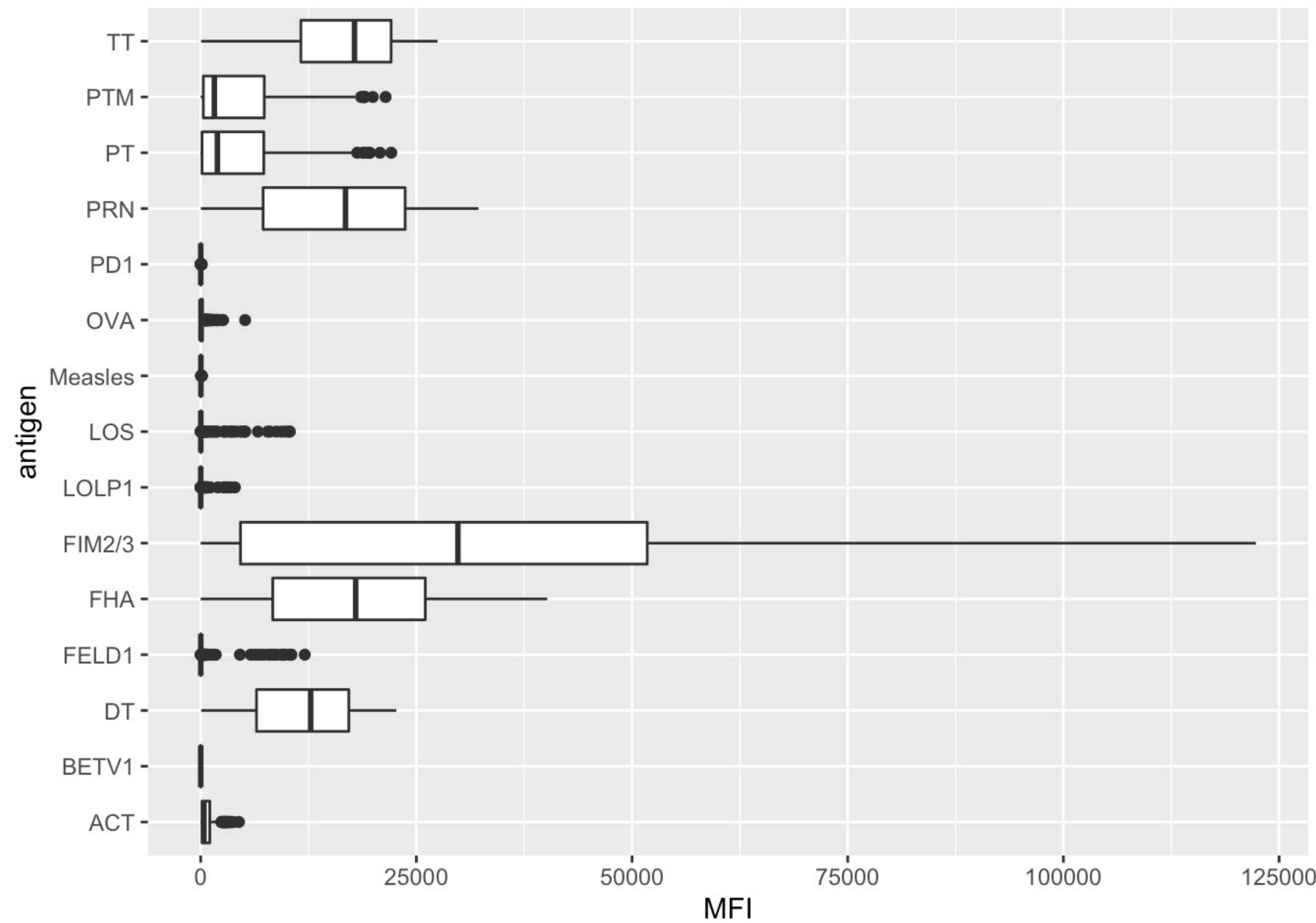


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- molecular entity
- protein

Fimbrial protein

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Mixture of Fim2 and Fim3

- label
  - Fimbrial protein
- CMI-PB alternative term
  - fim2
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  - Class
- subclass of
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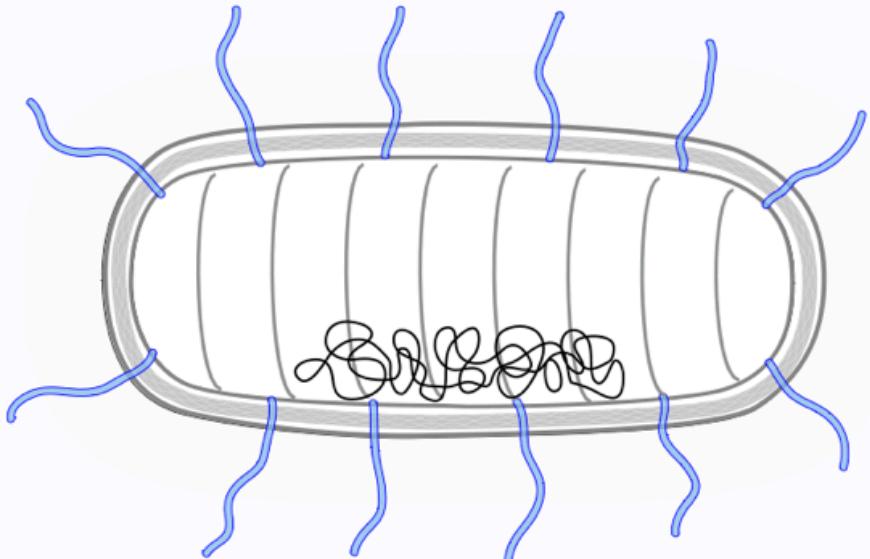
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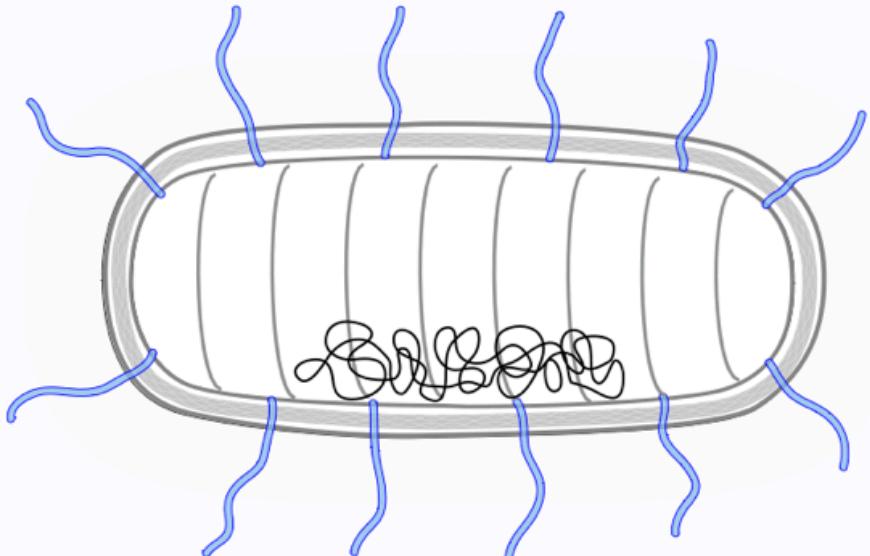
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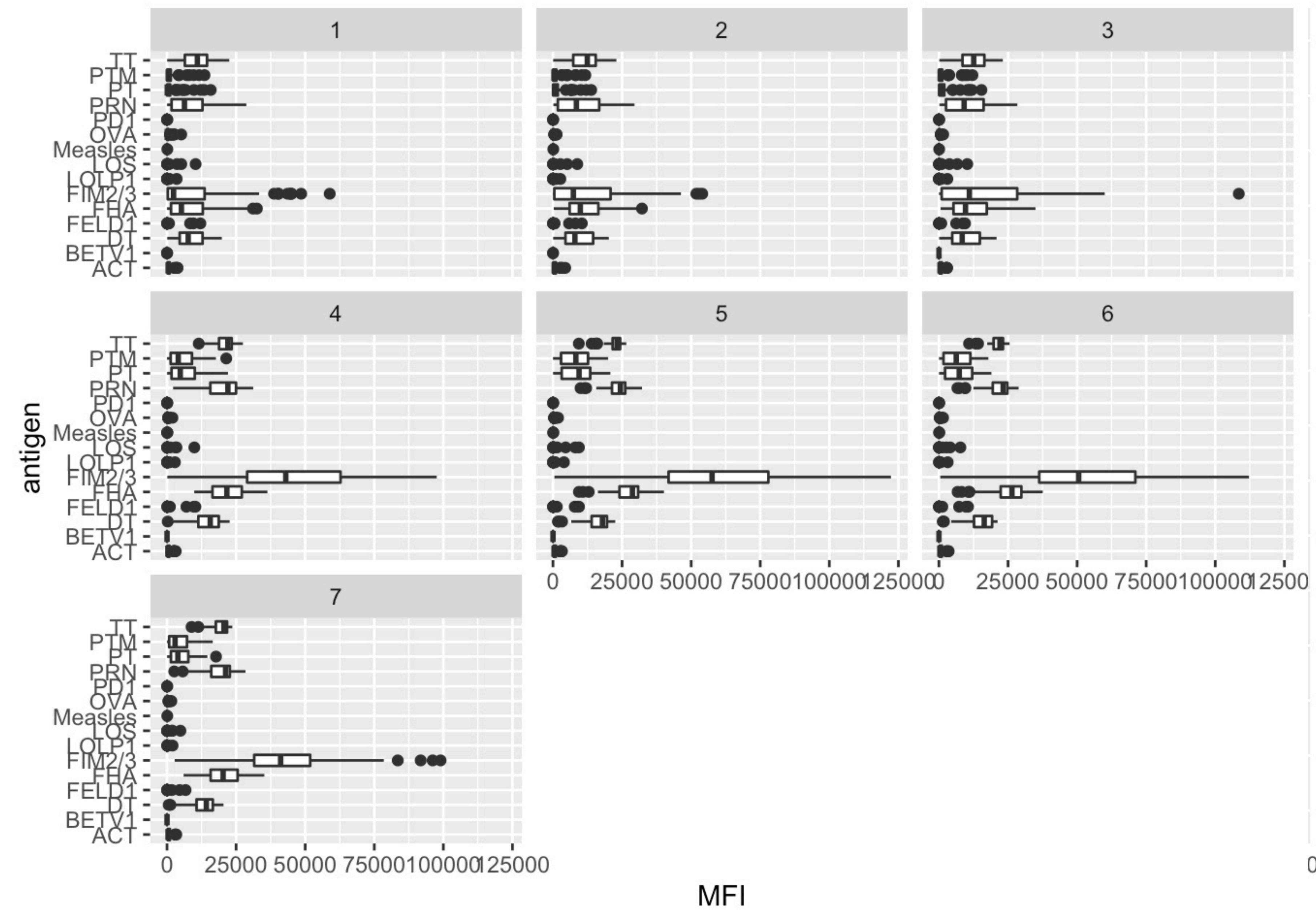
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A fimbrium or pilus is a hair-like, non-flagellar, polymeric filamentous appendage that extend from the bacterial or archaeal cell surface, such as type 1 pili, P-pili, type IV pili or curli. Pili perform a variety of functions, including surface adhesion, motility, cell-cell interactions, biofilm formation, conjugation, DNA uptake, and twitching motility.

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# a. Past and future CMI-PB annual prediction challenges



	Annual prediction challenge title	Contestants	Number of subjects		Current status
			Training dataset	Test dataset	
1	<b>First Challenge:</b> Internal dry run	CMI-PB consortium	60 (28 aP + 32 wP)	36 (19 aP + 17 wP)	May 2022
2	<b>Second Challenge:</b> Invited challenge	Invited contestants	96 (47 aP + 49 wP)	22 (13 aP + 9 wP)	Announced on September 12, 2023
3	<b>Third Challenge:</b> Open Challenge 1	Public	118 (60 aP + 58 wP)	32 (16 aP + 16 wP)	Will be announced in April 2024
4	<b>Fourth Challenge:</b> Open Challenge 2	Public	150 (76 aP + 74 wP)	32 (16 aP + 16 wP)*	Will be announced in December 2024

## b. Prediction challenge outline

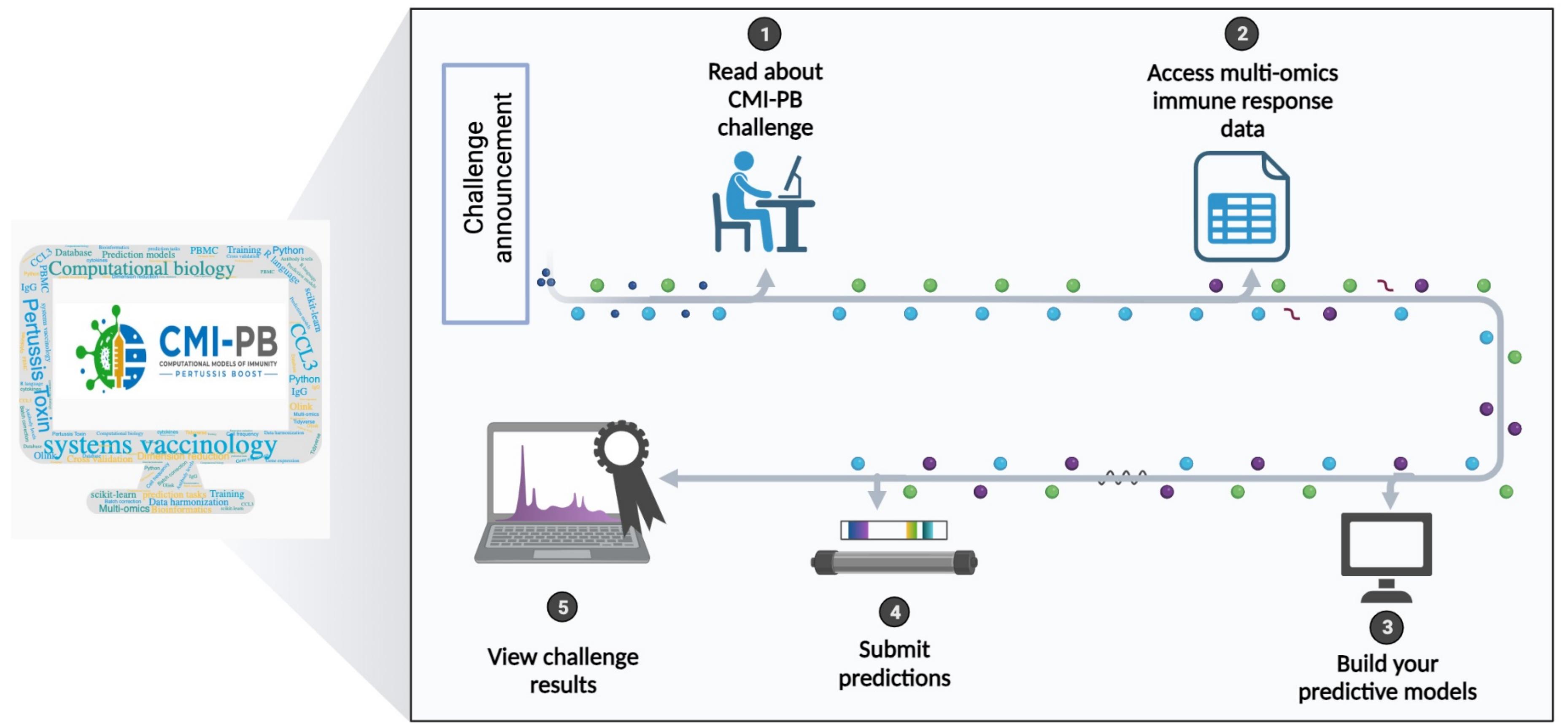


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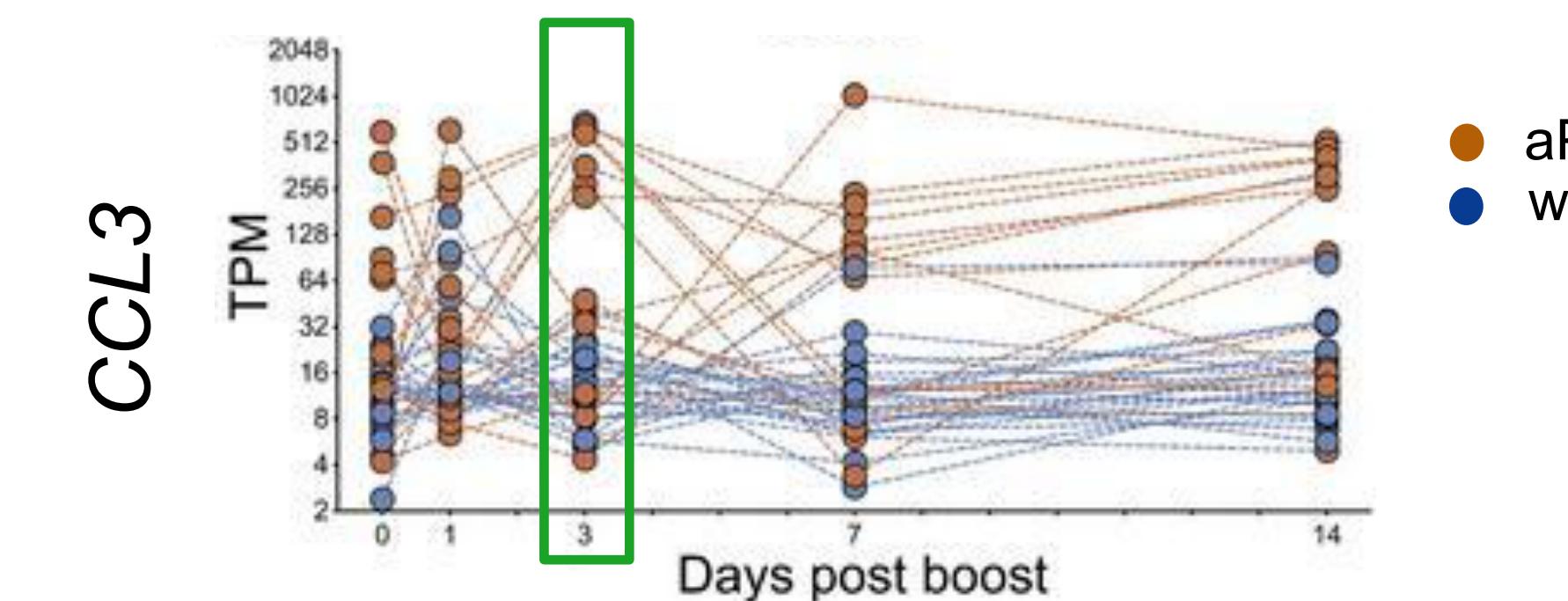
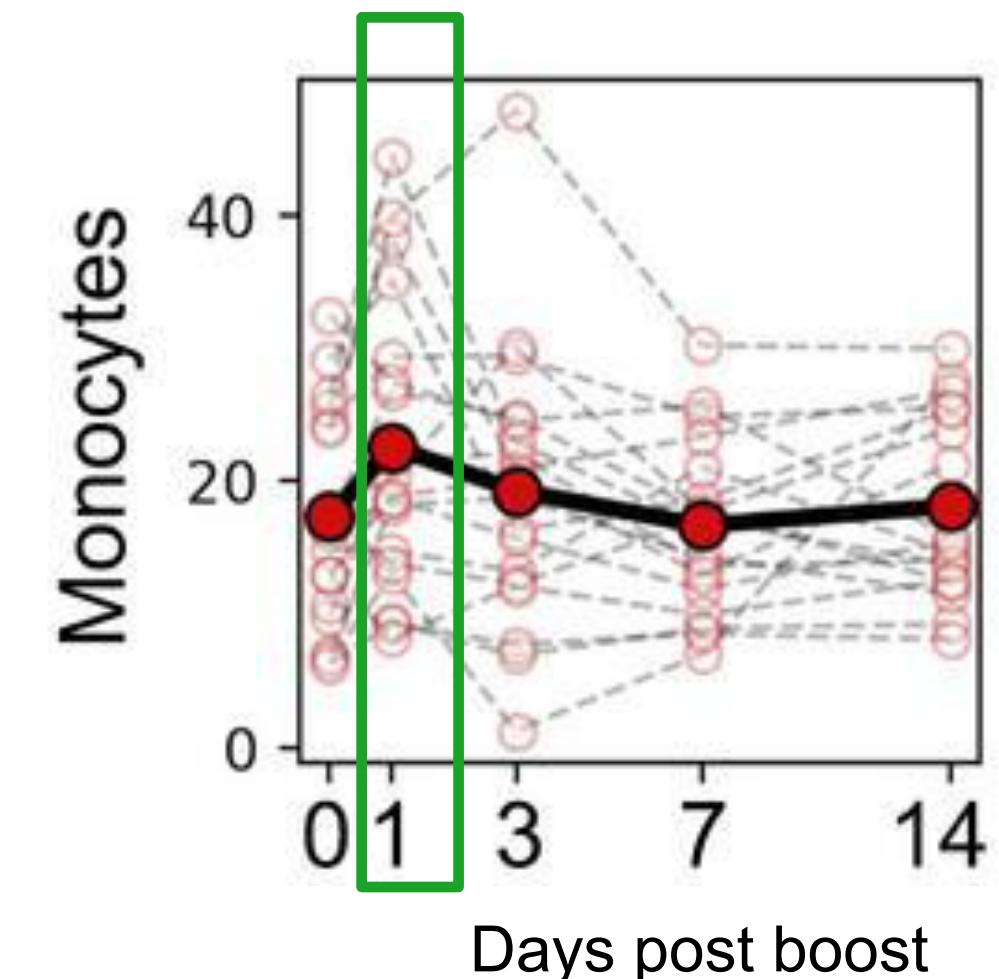
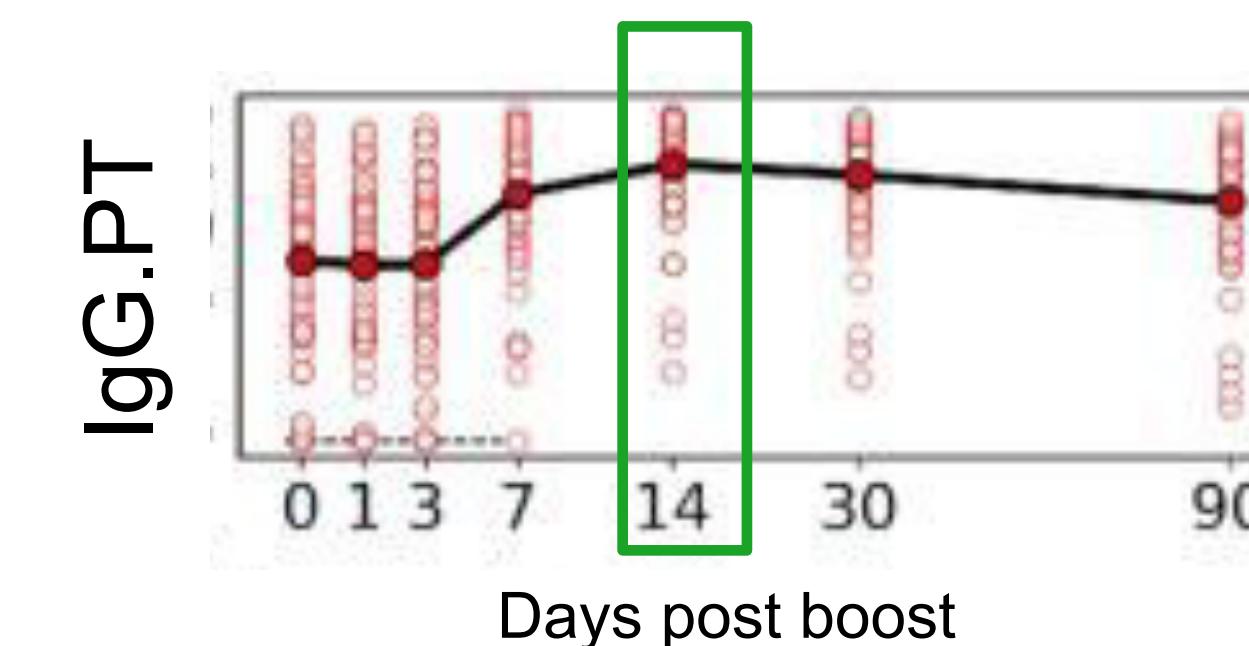
*Revolutionizing computational modelling approaches for immune response prediction*



# c. Formulating prediction tasks for CMI-PB Challenge



- Previously identified **vaccine responses** are formulated as prediction tasks\*
- General vaccine responses:**
  - Plasma IgG levels increased at day 14 post-booster vaccination compared to baseline
  - Increase in the percentage of monocytes on day 1 post-booster than baseline
- aP/wP specific vaccine responses:**
  - A subset of aP-primed individuals showed an increased expression of proinflammatory genes, including CCL3 at day 3 post-booster vaccination



\* A system-view of *Bordetella pertussis* booster vaccine responses in adults primed with whole-cell versus acellular vaccine in infancy

# c. Formulating prediction tasks for CMI-PB Challenge



## List of tasks

### 1) Antibody titer tasks

1.1) Rank the individuals by IgG antibody titers against pertussis toxin (PT) that we detect in plasma 14 days post booster vaccinations.

predicted values

1.2) Rank the individuals by fold change of IgG antibody titers against pertussis toxin (PT) that we detect in plasma 14 days post booster vaccinations compared to titer values at day 0.

predicted fold-change values

### 2) Cell frequencies tasks

2.1) Rank the individuals by predicted frequency of Monocytes on day 1 post boost after vaccination.

2.2) Rank the individuals by fold change of predicted frequency of Monocytes on day 1 post booster vaccination compared to cell frequency values at day 0.

### 3) Gene expression tasks

3.1) Rank the individuals by predicted gene expression of CCL3 on day 3 post-booster vaccination.

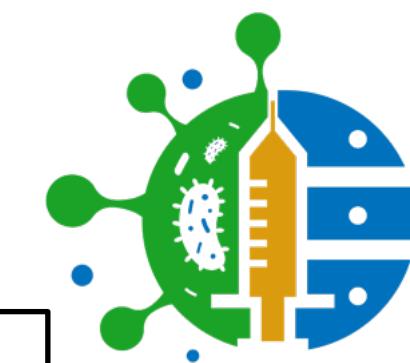
3.2) Rank the individuals by fold change of predicted gene expression of CCL3 on day 3 post booster vaccination compared to gene expression values at day 0.

## Example of Rankings

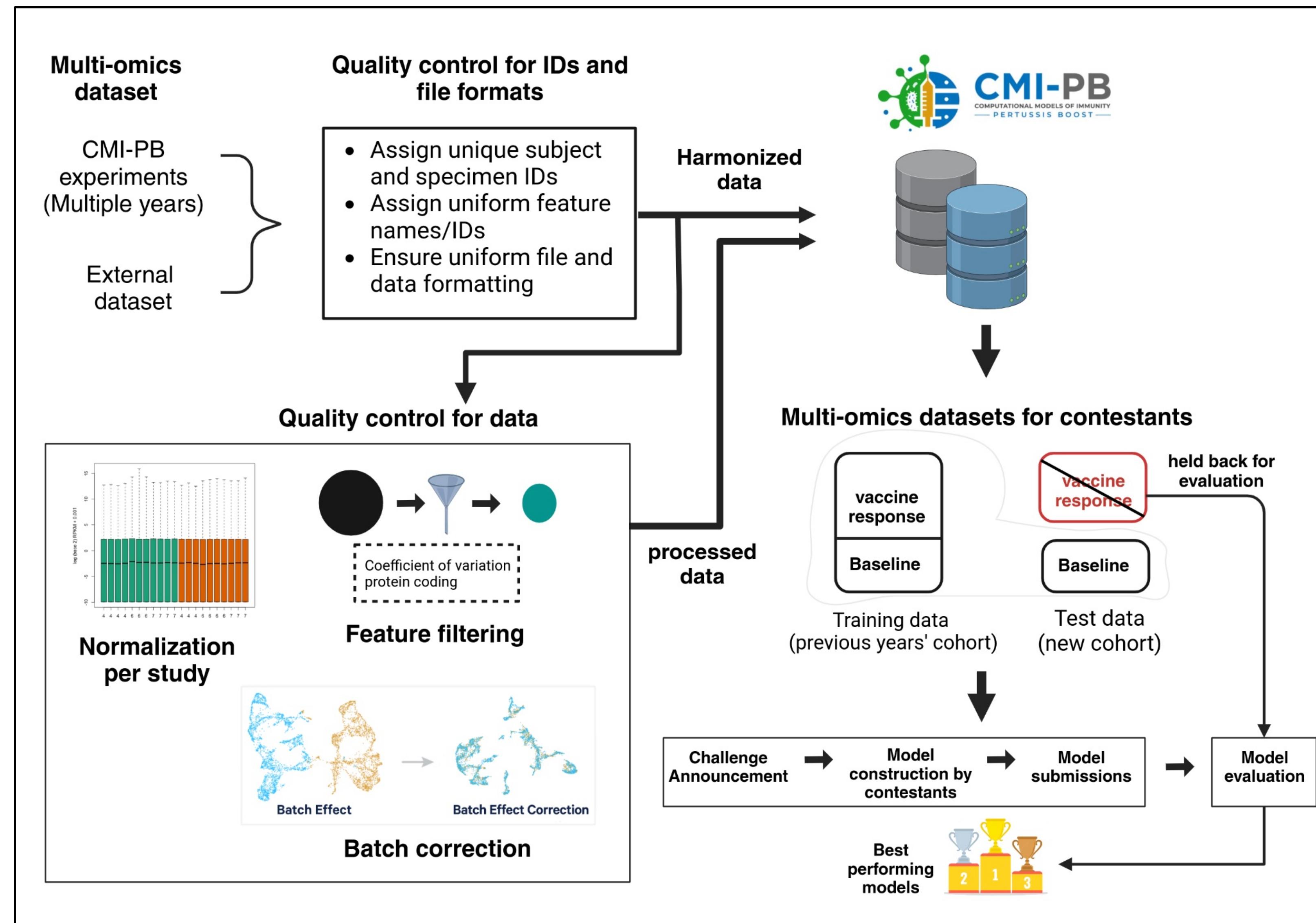
Subject ID	Predicted value	Rank
101	2.9	4
102	9.1	1
103	1.2	5
104	4.5	3
105	4.7	2

The ultimate goal is to model as many of the tasks as possible. However, contestants are not required to submit answers for all tasks.

# d. Overview of the CMI-PB Challenge data



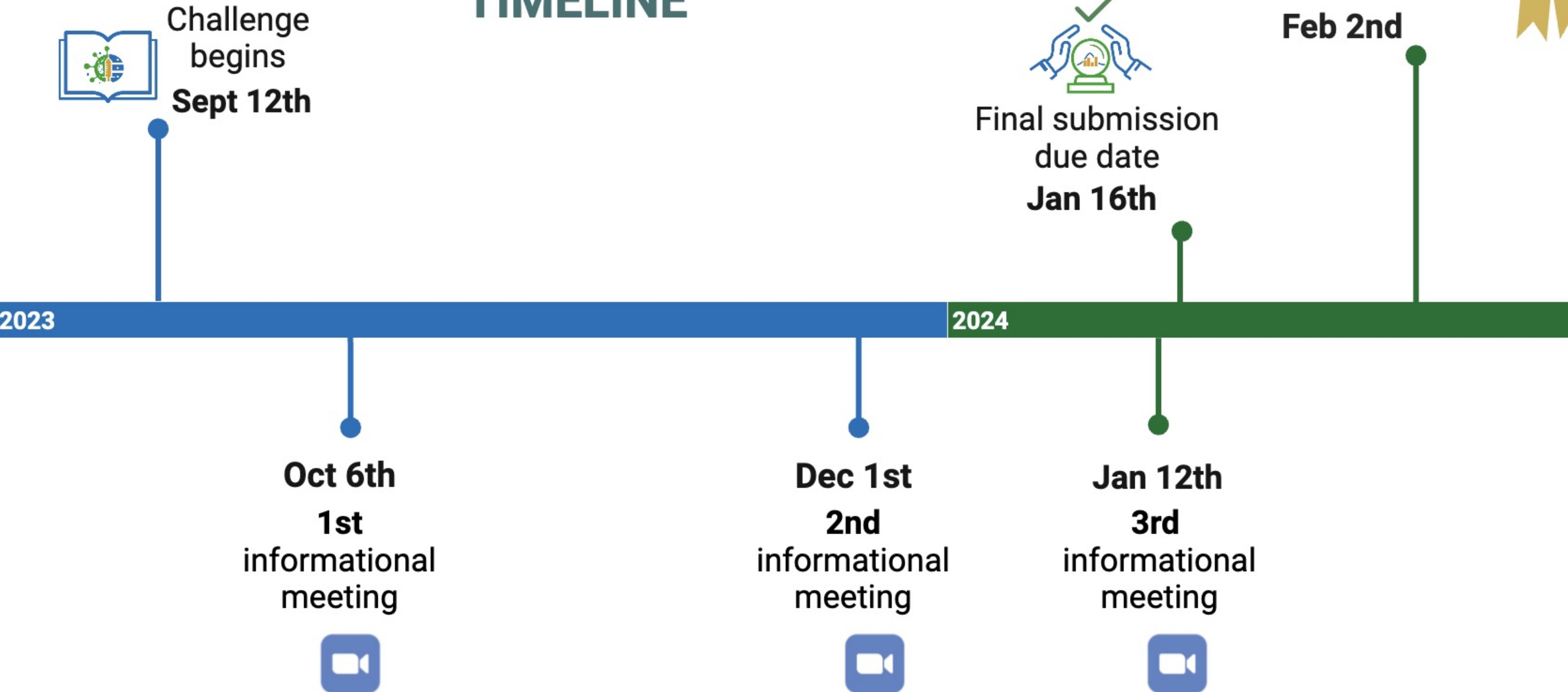
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Challenge related information and Data access is provided via the CMI-PB website



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# The CMI-PB team



## Kleinstein Lab (Yale)



- Expertise: A combination of "big data" analysis and immunology domain.
- Collaborating on data and models being released to the community to support reproducibility and the prediction contest, and also participate in the prediction challenge.

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## Grant Lab (UCSD)



- Expertise: the use of computational approaches, based on both biophysics and bioinformatics, to study the structure, function and evolution of key biological macromolecules.
- Dr. Grant will engage and advise over 40 biology graduate students in the CMI-PB Prediction Challenge.

Barry Grant

## Ay Lab (LJI)



- Expertise: Development of bioinformatics tools that utilize high-dimensional and high-throughput datasets to deduce insights into chromatin conformation, genetic variation, and the regulation of gene expression.
- The Ay lab is focused on developing predictive machine learning models, which will serve as examples and baselines for participants in the CMI-PB challenge.

Ferhat Ay  
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## Peters Lab (LJI)



- Expertise: Both experimental and computational studies to better understand human immune responses in the context of infectious diseases, allergy, cancer and vaccines.
- The team is responsible for the generation of experimental data, making it accessible in a central and standardized fashion, and coordinating the creation and coordination of the prediction contest.

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