# # Supplemental Materials

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- 1. \*\*Missing Data Treatment\*\*:
  - Linear interpolation for gaps ,â§ 2 years
  - B-spline interpolation for gaps > 2 years
  - Validation of synthetic points against historical trends
- 2. \*\*Quality Control Measures\*\*:
  - Cross-referencing with published trial reports
  - Verification of total participant counts
  - Consistency checks across time periods

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## 2. Detailed Model Specifications
### 2.1 Complete Model Equation
The full hierarchical model is specified as:
```python
# Global parameters
\mathbb{E}^{\circ} \mathbb{E}^{\leq 0} \sim \text{Normal}(0, 0.5)
σ Œ≤0 ~ HalfNormal(0.3)
\mathbb{E}^{\circ} \mathbb{E}^{\leq 1} \sim \text{Normal}(0, 0.05)
σ Œ≤1 ~ HalfNormal(0.03)
# Disease-specific parameters
for disease in diseases:
    β0 d[disease] ~ Normal(0, 1)
    β1 d[disease] ~ Normal(0, 1)
# Spline coefficients
β spline ~ Laplace(0, 0.05) # L1 regularization
# Additional effects
\mathbb{C} phase ~ Normal(0, 0.1, shape=3)
β funding ~ Normal(0, 0.1, shape=3)
β region ~ Normal(0, 0.1)
# Concentration parameter for Beta-Binomial
\mathbb{C} ~ Gamma(5, 0.2)
# Linear predictor
\mathbb{E}\Sigma = (\mathbb{E} \le 0 [disease] +
      \mathbb{C} \leq 1 [disease] * (year - 2000) / 10 +
      Σ(Œ≤ spline * X spline) +
      β phase[phase] +
      β funding[funding] +
      β region * region lmic)
# Likelihood
p = invlogit(\mathbb{C}\Sigma)
y \sim \text{BetaBinomial}(\text{@}\pm\text{=}p*\text{@}\text{)}, \text{ @}\leq\text{=}(1-p)*\text{@}\text{)}, \text{ n=n\_participants)}
### 2.2 Prior Justification
Each prior was chosen based on the following considerations:
1. **Global Parameters**:
   - \mathbb{E}^{\circ} \mathbb{E}^{\leq 0} ~ Normal(0, 0.5): Centers around logit(0.5) with moderate
uncertainty
   - σ \mathbb{C} \le 0 ~ HalfNormal(0.3): Allows for reasonable variation between
diseases
   - E° E≤1 ~ Normal(0, 0.05): Expects small yearly changes
   - σ Œ≤1 ~ HalfNormal(0.03): Constrains trend variations
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- 2. \*\*Disease-specific Parameters\*\*:
  - Non-centered parameterization for improved sampling
  - Unit normal priors for standardized offsets
- 3. \*\*Spline Coefficients\*\*:
  - Laplace prior for automatic relevance determination
  - Scale parameter tuned via cross-validation

### ## 3. MCMC Diagnostics

#### ### 3.1 Convergence Statistics

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Parameter ϡ_β0 σ_β0	R-hat 1.001 1.002	ESS-bulk 1876 1789	ESS-tail 1923 1856	Divergences 0 3
Ρ_β1 σ β1	1.001 1.003	1912 1654	1967 1788	2
βO offset	1.003	1823	1891	8
β1 offset	1.002	1867	1912	3
β spline	1.002	1543	1678	0
β phase	1.001	1923	1978	0
β funding	1.002	1867	1901	0
β region	1.001	1945	1989	0
<b>E</b> ∫	1.002	1876	1923	0
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#### ### 3.2 Trace Plots

[See diagnostics.png for visual diagnostics]

# ## 4. Additional Sensitivity Analyses

# ### 4.1 Prior Sensitivity

- \*\*Alternative Prior Specifications\*\*:
- 1. Tight Priors:
  - $\mathbb{E}^{\circ}$ \_ $\mathbb{E}^{\leq 0}$  ~ Normal(0, 0.25)
  - σ Œ≤0 ~ HalfNormal(0.15)
- 2. Wide Priors:
  - $\mathbb{E}^{\circ}$   $\mathbb{E}^{\leq 0}$  ~ Normal(0, 1.0)
  - $e\dot{E}$ \_C≤0 ~ HalfNormal(0.6)

# \*\*Results Comparison\*\*:

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Prior Set	COVID-19 2040	Ebola 2040 HI	V 2040
Original	38.6% ± 16.6%	38.6% ± 16.1%	41.7% ± 15.3%
Tight	37.9% ± 14.2%	38.1% ± 13.9%	40.9% ± 13.1%
Wide	39.2% ± 18.9%	39.0% ± 18.4%	42.4% ± 17.6%
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# ### 4.2 Model Structure Sensitivity

<sup>\*\*</sup>Alternative Specifications Tested\*\*:

- 1. Linear trend only (no splines)
- 2. Quadratic trends
- 3. Gaussian process for temporal correlation
- 4. Mixture model for regime changes

# ### 4.3 Synthetic Data Impact

\*\*Analysis with Real Data Only\*\*:

Disease	MAE	RMSE	Coverage
COVID-19	1.12%	1.15%	98.2%
Ebola	0.98%	1.02%	99.1%
HIV	0.89%	0.93%	99.5%

#### ## 5. Extended Results

# ### 5.1 Disease-Specific Effects

\*\*Estimated Baseline Rates (logit scale) \*\*:

Disease	Mean	SD	95% CI	
COVID-19	-0.712	0.273	(-1.247,	-0.177)
Ebola	-0.710	0.228	(-1.157,	-0.263)
HIV	-0.643	0.113	(-0.864,	-0.422)

\*\*Trend Coefficients (per decade) \*\*:

Disease	Mean	SD	95% CI	
COVID-19	0.006	0.012	(-0.017,	0.029)
Ebola	0.006	0.013	(-0.019,	0.031)
HIV	0.008	0.010	(-0.012,	0.028)

# ### 5.2 Covariate Effects

\*\*Trial Phase Effects (relative to Phase 1) \*\*:

Phase Mean SD 95% CI 0.023 (0.007, 0.039)Phase 2 0.008 (0.027, 0.063) Phase 3 0.045 0.009

\*\*Funding Source Effects (relative to Industry) \*\*:

Source	Mean	SD	95% CI	
Public	0.031	0.007	(0.017,	0.045)
Non-profit	0.019	0.008	(0.003,	0.035)
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# ## 6. Code and Reproducibility

## ### 6.1 Software Versions

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Python 3.9.7
PyMC 5.0.2
NumPy 1.21.2
Pandas 1.3.3
Matplotlib 3.4.3
Arviz 0.11.2
Scikit-learn 0.24.2
### 6.2 Computational Environment
- OS: macOS 12.1
- Processor: Apple M1
- RAM: 16GB
- Execution time: ~45 minutes
### 6.3 Random Seeds
- Data generation: 42
- MCMC sampling: 42
- Cross-validation: 42
### 6.4 Repository Structure
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All code and data are available at: [Repository URL]