

Class 15: Pertussis mini-project

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Background

Pertussis, a.k.a. whooping cough, is a highly infectious lung disease caused by the bacteria *B. Pertussis*

The CDC tracks pertussis case numbers per year. Let's have a closer look at this [data](#):

We will use the `datapasta` R package to “scrape” this data into R.

Q1. With the help of the R “addin” package `datapasta` assign the CDC pertussis case number data to a data frame called `cdc` and use `ggplot` to make a plot of cases numbers over time.

```
library(ggplot2)
library(datapasta)

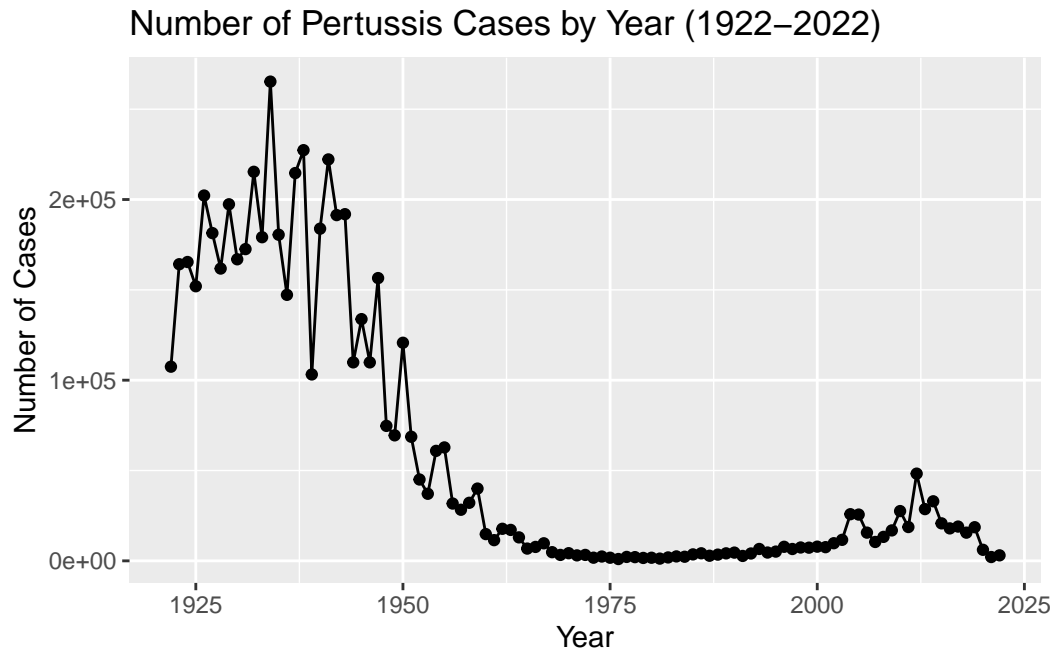
cdc <- data.frame(
  Year = c(1922L,
           1923L, 1924L, 1925L, 1926L, 1927L, 1928L,
           1929L, 1930L, 1931L, 1932L, 1933L, 1934L, 1935L,
           1936L, 1937L, 1938L, 1939L, 1940L, 1941L,
           1942L, 1943L, 1944L, 1945L, 1946L, 1947L, 1948L,
           1949L, 1950L, 1951L, 1952L, 1953L, 1954L,
           1955L, 1956L, 1957L, 1958L, 1959L, 1960L,
           1961L, 1962L, 1963L, 1964L, 1965L, 1966L, 1967L,
           1968L, 1969L, 1970L, 1971L, 1972L, 1973L,
           1974L, 1975L, 1976L, 1977L, 1978L, 1979L, 1980L,
           1981L, 1982L, 1983L, 1984L, 1985L, 1986L,
           1987L, 1988L, 1989L, 1990L, 1991L, 1992L, 1993L,
           1994L, 1995L, 1996L, 1997L, 1998L, 1999L,
           2000L, 2001L, 2002L, 2003L, 2004L, 2005L,
           2006L, 2007L, 2008L, 2009L, 2010L, 2011L, 2012L,
           2013L, 2014L, 2015L, 2016L, 2017L, 2018L,
```

```

2019L,2020L,2021L,2022L),
No..Reported.Pertussis.Cases = c(107473,
164191,165418,152003,202210,181411,
161799,197371,166914,172559,215343,179135,
265269,180518,147237,214652,227319,103188,
183866,222202,191383,191890,109873,
133792,109860,156517,74715,69479,120718,
68687,45030,37129,60886,62786,31732,28295,
32148,40005,14809,11468,17749,17135,
13005,6799,7717,9718,4810,3285,4249,
3036,3287,1759,2402,1738,1010,2177,2063,
1623,1730,1248,1895,2463,2276,3589,
4195,2823,3450,4157,4570,2719,4083,6586,
4617,5137,7796,6564,7405,7298,7867,
7580,9771,11647,25827,25616,15632,10454,
13278,16858,27550,18719,48277,28639,
32971,20762,17972,18975,15609,18617,6124,
2116,3044)
)

baseplot <- ggplot(cdc, aes(Year, No..Reported.Pertussis.Cases)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_line() +
  labs(x="Year", y = "Number of Cases", title = "Number of Pertussis Cases by Year (1922-2022)")
baseplot

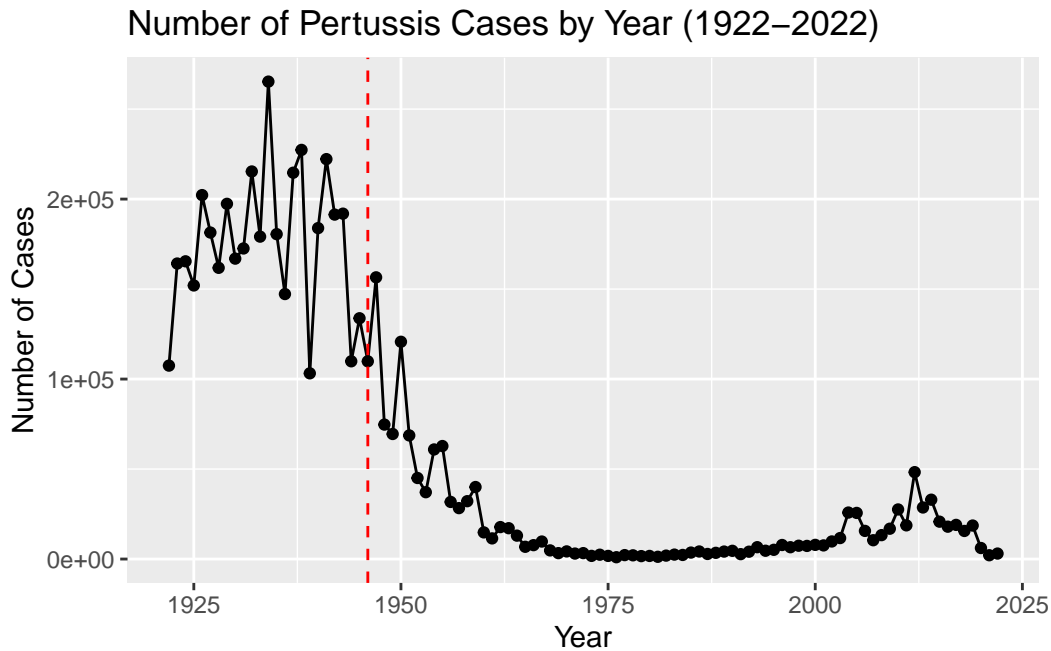
```



Add some landmark development as annotation to our plot. We include the first whole-cell (wP) vaccine roll-out in 1946.

```
baseplot +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 1946, linetype = "dashed", col = "red") +
  geom_text(aes(x = 1948, y = 1, label = "wP"), color = "red", vjust = -30)
```

Warning in geom_text(aes(x = 1948, y = 1, label = "wP"), color = "red", : All aesthetics have been used in the geom. Please consider using `annotate()` or provide this layer with data containing a single row.

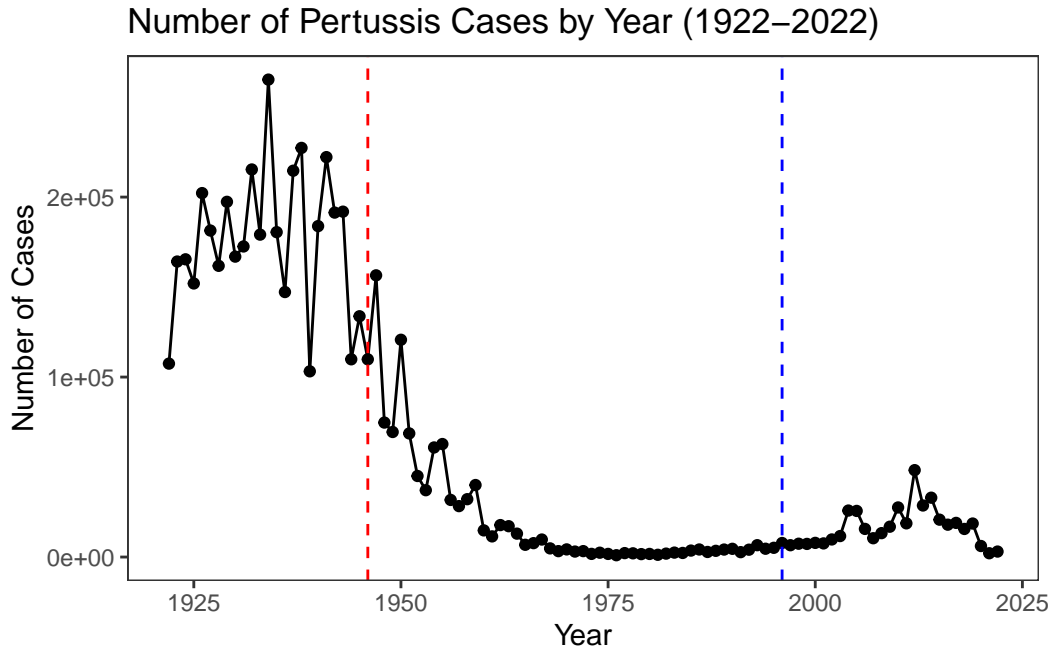


Let's add the switch to acellular vaccine (aP). > Q2. Using the ggplot `geom_vline()` function add lines to your previous plot for the 1946 introduction of the wP vaccine and the 1996 switch to aP vaccine (see example in the hint below). What do you notice?

```
baseplot +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 1946, linetype = "dashed", col = "red") +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 1996, linetype = "dashed", col = "blue") +
  geom_text(aes(x = 1998, y = 1, label = "aP"), color = "blue", vjust = -30) +
  geom_text(aes(x = 1948, y = 1, label = "wP"), color = "red", vjust = -30) +
  theme_test()
```

Warning in `geom_text(aes(x = 1998, y = 1, label = "aP"), color = "blue",` : All aesthetics have been overridden. Please consider using ``annotate()`` or provide this layer with data containing a single row.

Warning in `geom_text(aes(x = 1948, y = 1, label = "wP"), color = "red",` : All aesthetics have been overridden. Please consider using ``annotate()`` or provide this layer with data containing a single row.



Q3. Describe what happened after the introduction of the aP vaccine? Do you have a possible explanation for the observed trend?

We went from ~200,000 cases pre-wP vaccine to ~1,000 cases in 1976.

The US switched to the aP vaccine in 1995. We start to see a big increase in 2004 to ~26,000 cases.

There is a ~10 year lag from aP roll-out to increasing case numbers. This holds true of other countries like Japan, UK, etc. It seems that something about the aP vaccine that has a immune response that does not last as long as the wP vaccine.

Key Question: Why does the aP vaccine induced immunity wane faster than that of the wP vaccine?

CMI-PB

The CMI-PB (Computation Models of Immunity Pertussis Boost) makes available lost of data about the immune response to Pertussis booster vaccination.

Critically, it tracks wP and aP individuals over time to see how their immune response changes.

CMI-PB make all their data freely available via JSON format tables from their databas.

Let's read the first one of these tables:

```
library(jsonlite)

subject <- read_json("https://www.cmi-pb.org/api/v5/subject", simplifyVector = T)

head(subject)
```

	subject_id	infancy_vac	biological_sex	ethnicity	race
1	1	wP	Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White
2	2	wP	Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White
3	3	wP	Female	Unknown	White
4	4	wP	Male	Not Hispanic or Latino	Asian
5	5	wP	Male	Not Hispanic or Latino	Asian
6	6	wP	Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White

	year_of_birth	date_of_boost	dataset
1	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset
2	1968-01-01	2019-01-28	2020_dataset
3	1983-01-01	2016-10-10	2020_dataset
4	1988-01-01	2016-08-29	2020_dataset
5	1991-01-01	2016-08-29	2020_dataset
6	1988-01-01	2016-10-10	2020_dataset

Q1. How many subjects are there in this dataset?

```
nrow(subject)
```

```
[1] 172
```

Q4. How many aP and wP infancy vaccinated subjects are in the dataset?

```
table(subject$infancy_vac)
```

```
aP wP
87 85
```

Q5. How many Male and Female subjects/patients are in the dataset?

```
table(subject$biological_sex)
```

Female	Male
112	60

Q6. What is the breakdown of race and biological sex (e.g. number of Asian females, White males etc...)?

```
table(subject$race, subject$biological_sex)
```

	Female	Male
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	1
Asian	32	12
Black or African American	2	3
More Than One Race	15	4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	1
Unknown or Not Reported	14	7
White	48	32

Q. Does this do a good job of representing the US populus?

No way

Let's get more data from CMI-PB, this time about the specimens collected.

```
specimen <- read_json("https://cmi-pb.org/api/v5/specimen", simplifyVector = T)
```

Now we can join (merge) these two tables `subject` and `specimen` to make one new `meta` table with the combined data.

```
library(dplyr)
```

Attaching package: 'dplyr'

The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':

`filter`, `lag`

The following objects are masked from 'package:base':

`intersect`, `setdiff`, `setequal`, `union`

```
meta <- inner_join(subject, specimen)
```

Joining with `by = join_by(subject_id)`

```
head(meta)
```

	subject_id	infancy_vac	biological_sex	ethnicity	race
1	1	wP	Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White
2	1	wP	Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White
3	1	wP	Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White
4	1	wP	Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White
5	1	wP	Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White
6	1	wP	Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White

	year_of_birth	date_of_boost	dataset	specimen_id
1	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset	1
2	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset	2
3	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset	3
4	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset	4
5	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset	5
6	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset	6

	actual_day_relative_to_boost	planned_day_relative_to_boost	specimen_type
1	-3	0	Blood
2	1	1	Blood
3	3	3	Blood
4	7	7	Blood
5	11	14	Blood
6	32	30	Blood

	visit
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6

Now read an “experiment data” table from CMI-PB

```
abdata <- read_json("https://www.cmi-pb.org/api/v5/plasma_ab_titer", simplifyVector = T)
head(abdata)
```


	specimen_id	isotype	is_antigen_specific	antigen	MFI	MFI_normalised
1	1	IgE	FALSE	Total	1110.21154	2.493425
2	1	IgE	FALSE	Total	2708.91616	2.493425
3	1	IgG	TRUE	PT	68.56614	3.736992
4	1	IgG	TRUE	PRN	332.12718	2.602350
5	1	IgG	TRUE	FHA	1887.12263	34.050956
6	1	IgE	TRUE	ACT	0.10000	1.000000

	unit	lower_limit_of_detection
1	UG/ML	2.096133
2	IU/ML	29.170000
3	IU/ML	0.530000
4	IU/ML	6.205949
5	IU/ML	4.679535
6	IU/ML	2.816431

One more join to do of `meta` and `abdata` to associate all the metadata about the individual and their race, biological sex, and infancy vaccination status together with Antibody levels...

```
ab <- inner_join(abdata, meta)
```

Joining with ``by = join_by(specimen_id)``

```
head(ab)
```

	specimen_id	isotype	is_antigen_specific	antigen	MFI	MFI_normalised
1	1	IgE	FALSE	Total	1110.21154	2.493425
2	1	IgE	FALSE	Total	2708.91616	2.493425
3	1	IgG	TRUE	PT	68.56614	3.736992
4	1	IgG	TRUE	PRN	332.12718	2.602350
5	1	IgG	TRUE	FHA	1887.12263	34.050956
6	1	IgE	TRUE	ACT	0.10000	1.000000

	unit	lower_limit_of_detection	subject_id	infancy_vac	biological_sex
1	UG/ML	2.096133	1	wP	Female
2	IU/ML	29.170000	1	wP	Female
3	IU/ML	0.530000	1	wP	Female
4	IU/ML	6.205949	1	wP	Female
5	IU/ML	4.679535	1	wP	Female
6	IU/ML	2.816431	1	wP	Female

	ethnicity	race	year_of_birth	date_of_boost	dataset
1	Not Hispanic or Latino	White	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset
2	Not Hispanic or Latino	White	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset

```

3 Not Hispanic or Latino White 1986-01-01 2016-09-12 2020_dataset
4 Not Hispanic or Latino White 1986-01-01 2016-09-12 2020_dataset
5 Not Hispanic or Latino White 1986-01-01 2016-09-12 2020_dataset
6 Not Hispanic or Latino White 1986-01-01 2016-09-12 2020_dataset
  actual_day_relative_to_boost planned_day_relative_to_boost specimen_type
1                -3                        0          Blood
2                -3                        0          Blood
3                -3                        0          Blood
4                -3                        0          Blood
5                -3                        0          Blood
6                -3                        0          Blood
  visit
1     1
2     1
3     1
4     1
5     1
6     1

```

Q. How many Ab measurements do we have?

```
nrow(ab)
```

```
[1] 52576
```

How many isotypes

```
table(ab$isotype)
```

```

IgE  IgG  IgG1  IgG2  IgG3  IgG4
6698 5389 10117 10124 10124 10124

```

How many antigens?

```
table(ab$antigen)
```

```

  ACT  BETV1    DT  FELD1    FHA  FIM2/3  LOLP1    LOS Measles    OVA
1970  1970  4978  1970  5372  4978    1970  1970    1970  4978
  PD1    PRN    PT   PTM  Total    TT
1970  5372  5372  1970   788  4978

```

Let's focus in on IgG - one of the main antibody types responsive to bacteria or virial infections

```
igg <- filter(ab, isotype == "IgG")
head(igg)
```

	specimen_id	isotype	is_antigen_specific	antigen	MFI	MFI_normalised
1	1	IgG	TRUE	PT	68.56614	3.736992
2	1	IgG	TRUE	PRN	332.12718	2.602350
3	1	IgG	TRUE	FHA	1887.12263	34.050956
4	19	IgG	TRUE	PT	20.11607	1.096366
5	19	IgG	TRUE	PRN	976.67419	7.652635
6	19	IgG	TRUE	FHA	60.76626	1.096457

	unit	lower_limit_of_detection	subject_id	infancy_vac	biological_sex
1	IU/ML	0.530000	1	wP	Female
2	IU/ML	6.205949	1	wP	Female
3	IU/ML	4.679535	1	wP	Female
4	IU/ML	0.530000	3	wP	Female
5	IU/ML	6.205949	3	wP	Female
6	IU/ML	4.679535	3	wP	Female

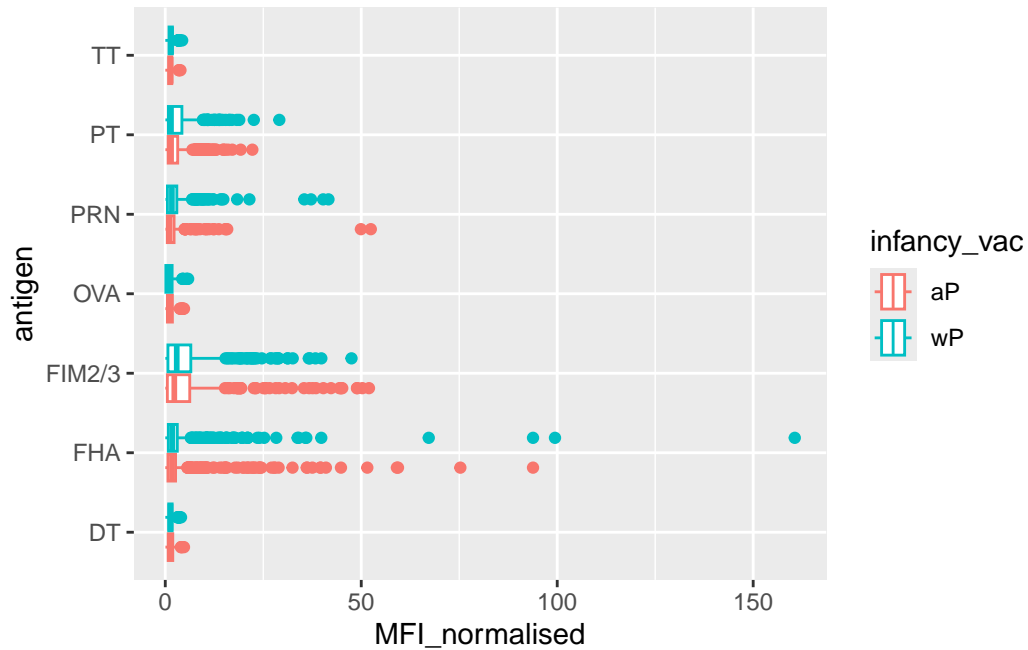
	ethnicity	race	year_of_birth	date_of_boost	dataset
1	Not Hispanic or Latino	White	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset
2	Not Hispanic or Latino	White	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset
3	Not Hispanic or Latino	White	1986-01-01	2016-09-12	2020_dataset
4	Unknown	White	1983-01-01	2016-10-10	2020_dataset
5	Unknown	White	1983-01-01	2016-10-10	2020_dataset
6	Unknown	White	1983-01-01	2016-10-10	2020_dataset

	actual_day_relative_to_boost	planned_day_relative_to_boost	specimen_type
1	-3	0	Blood
2	-3	0	Blood
3	-3	0	Blood
4	-3	0	Blood
5	-3	0	Blood
6	-3	0	Blood

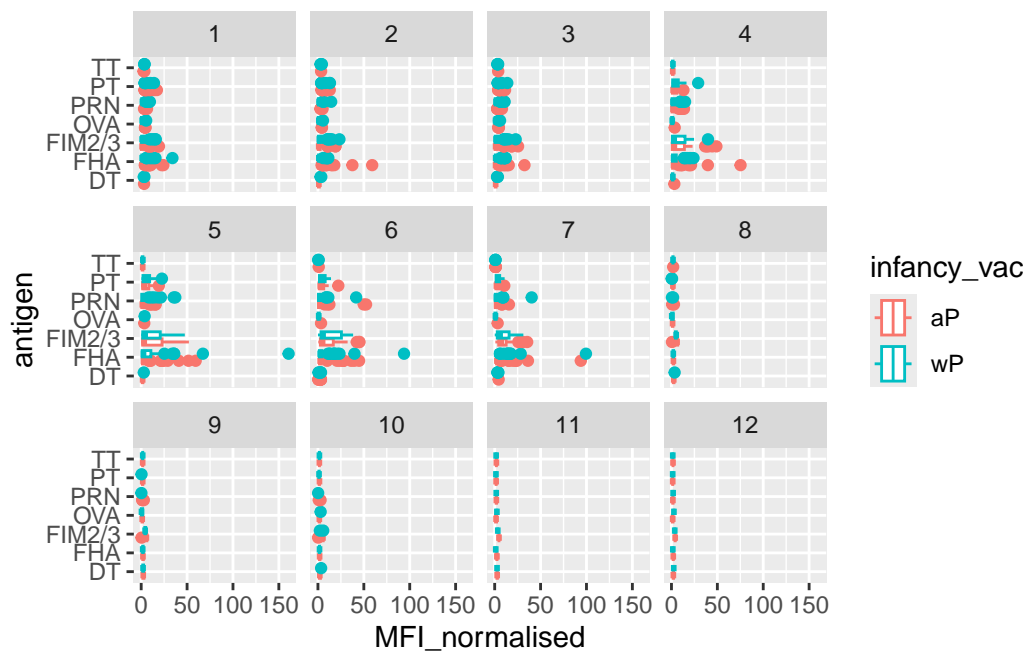
	visit
1	1
2	1
3	1
4	1
5	1
6	1

Make a first plot of MFI (Mean Fluorescence Intensity - a measure of how much is detected) for each antigen.

```
ggplot(igg, aes(MFI_normalised, antigen, col = infancy_vac)) +  
  geom_boxplot()
```



```
ggplot(igg, aes(MFI_normalised, antigen, col = infancy_vac)) +  
  geom_boxplot() +  
  facet_wrap(~visit)
```



```
table(igg$visit)
```

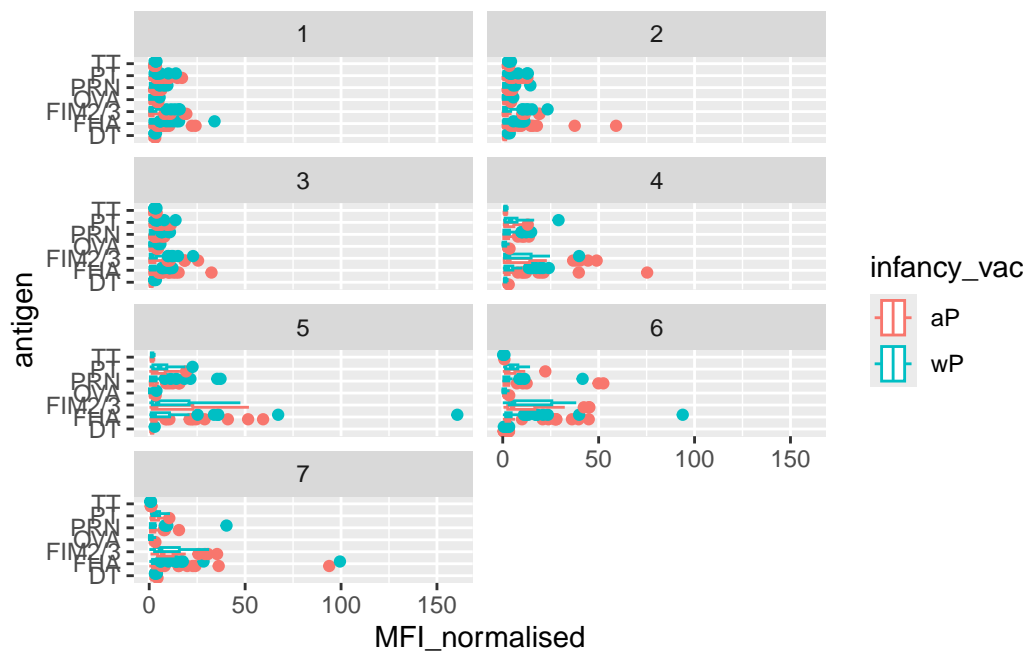
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
902	902	930	559	559	540	525	150	147	133	21	21

Exclude visits 8~12. Focus on the first 7 visits. Looks like we don't have data yet for all subjects in terms of visits 8 onwards. So let's exclude these.

```
igg_7 <- filter(igg, visit %in% 1:7)
table(igg_7$visit)
```

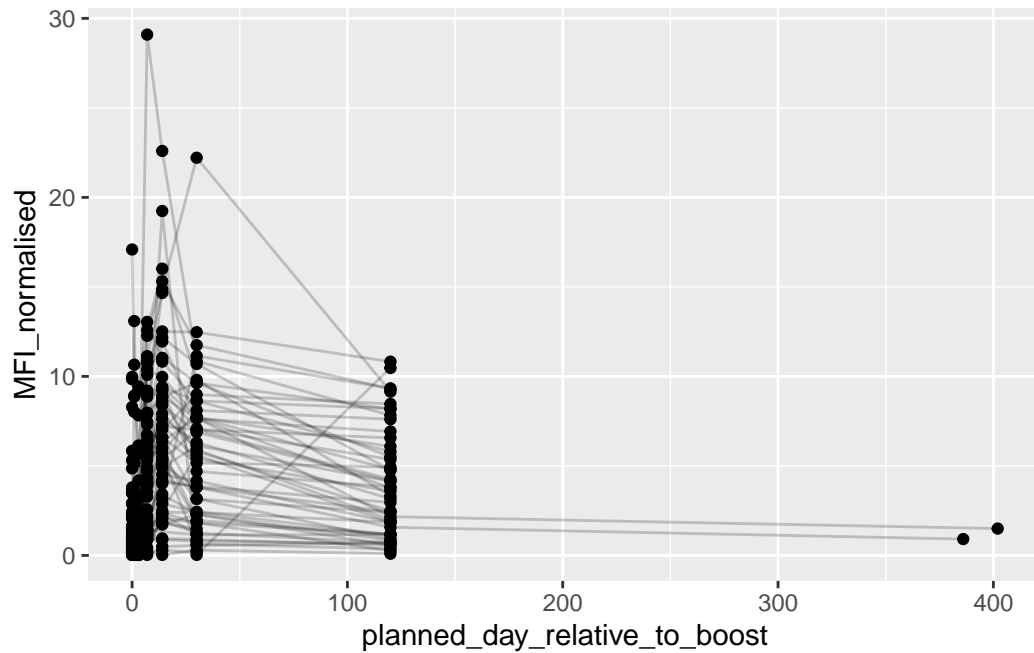
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
902	902	930	559	559	540	525

```
ggplot(igg_7, aes(MFI_normalised, antigen, col = infancy_vac)) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  facet_wrap(~visit, ncol = 2)
```



Let's try a different plot. First focus on one antigen, start with PT (Pertussis Toxin) and plot visit or time on the x-axis and MFI_normalised on the y-axis.

```
igg_7 %>%
  filter(antigen == "PT", dataset == "2020_dataset") %>%
  ggplot() +
  aes(planned_day_relative_to_boost, MFI_normalised, group = subject_id) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_line(alpha = 0.2)
```



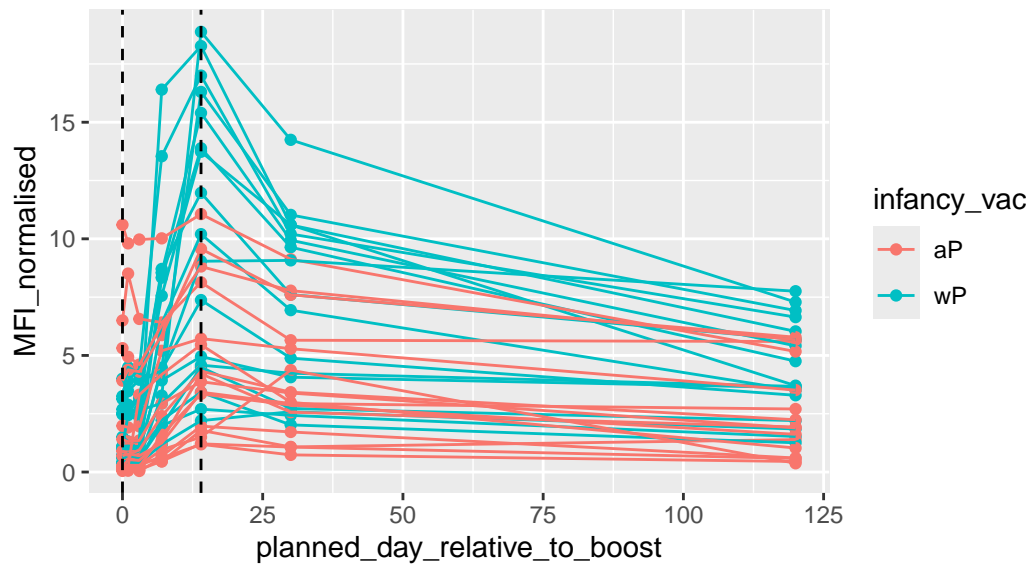
Must filter to a single year.

```
abdata.21 <- ab %>% filter(dataset == "2021_dataset")

abdata.21 %>%
  filter(isotype == "IgG", antigen == "PT") %>%
  ggplot() +
    aes(x=planned_day_relative_to_boost,
        y=MFI_normalised,
        col=infancy_vac,
        group=subject_id) +
    geom_point() +
    geom_line() +
    geom_vline(xintercept=0, linetype="dashed") +
    geom_vline(xintercept=14, linetype="dashed") +
    labs(title="2021 dataset IgG PT",
         subtitle = "Dashed lines indicate day 0 (pre-boost) and 14 (apparent peak levels)")
```

2021 dataset IgG PT

Dashed lines indicate day 0 (pre-boost) and 14 (apparent peak levels)



Let's finish here for today. We are beginning to see some interesting differences between aP and wP individuals. There is likely lots of other interesting things to find in this dataset...

```
library(lubridate)
```