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1 Appendix 1: supplementary methods to “Global mortality associated  
2 with 33 bacterial pathogens in 2019: a systematic analysis for the  
3 Global Burden of Disease Study 2019”

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5 This appendix provides further methodological details for “Global mortality associated with 33  
6 bacterial pathogens in 2019: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2019”.  
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8 antimicrobial resistance in 2019: a systematic analysis”,<sup>1</sup> which is also referenced throughout the  
9 text.

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115 Section 1: List of abbreviations

<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Full phrase</b>
AHC	Angkor Hospital for Children
BARNARDS	Burden of Antibiotic Resistance in Neonates from Developing Societies
BD	Becton, Dickinson, and Company
BSI	bloodstream infections
CAI	community-acquired infection
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CFR	case fatality ratio
CHAIN	Childhood Acute Illness and Nutrition
CHAMPS	Child Health and Mortality Prevention Surveillance
cIAI	complicated intra-abdominal infection
COMRU	Cambodia Oxford Medical Research Unit
CTMRF	CHILDS Trust Medical Research Foundation
cUTI	complicated urinary tract infection
DHS	Demographic Health Surveys
EARS-Net	European Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance Network
ECDC	European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control
GAM	generalised additive models
GBD	Global Burden of Diseases, Injuries, and Risk Factors Study
GBS	group B <i>Streptococcus</i>
GLM	generalised linear model
GPR	Gaussian process regression
HAI	hospital-acquired infection
HAQ Index	Healthcare Access and Quality Index
HHS	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
ICD	International Classification of Diseases
ICU	intensive care unit
INICC	International Nosocomial Infection Control Consortium

INTS	invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
IORD	Infections in Oxfordshire Research Database
LRI	lower respiratory infection
MCoD	multiple causes of death data
MEPCO	multinomial estimation of partial and composite observations
MICS	Multiple Indicators Cluster Surveys
MITS	minimally invasive tissue sampling
MR-BRT	meta-regression—Bayesian, regularised, trimmed
MRC	Medical Research Council
OUCRU	Oxford University Clinical Research Unit
SDI	Socio-demographic Index
SEV	summary exposure value
SGUL-GARPEC	St. George's Hospital, University of London - Global Antimicrobial Resistance, Prescribing and Efficacy Among Neonates and Children
ST-GPR	spatiotemporal Gaussian process regression
TB	tuberculosis
TESSy	The European Surveillance System
UI	uncertainty interval
UPCH	Cayetano Heredia University
USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
UTI	urinary tract infection
VR	vital registration
WHO	World Health Organization

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## 117 Section 2: Data sources

118 The data used for this study can be categorised into the following types: multiple causes of death  
119 (MCoD), hospital discharge, linkage, mortality surveillance, literature reviews, and microbial data; as  
120 well as estimates from the Global Burden of Diseases, Injuries, and Risk Factors Study (GBD) 2019.<sup>2</sup>  
121 More detailed information on data inputs are available at [http://ghdx.healthdata.org/record/ihme-  
122 data/global-bacterial-antimicrobial-resistance-burden-estimates-2019](http://ghdx.healthdata.org/record/ihme-data/global-bacterial-antimicrobial-resistance-burden-estimates-2019).

## 123 [Section 2.1: Multiple causes of death and vital registration \(MCoD-VR\)](#)

124 Multiple cause of death (MCoD) data is a type of vital registration obtained from death certificates  
125 that contain the underlying cause of death, intermediate and immediate causes of death, and  
126 contributing conditions. ICD codes present in MCoD-VR also provided insight in many cases on the  
127 causative microorganism. MCoD data differ from other vital registration (VR) sources, because many  
128 countries have VR systems that only document the underlying cause of death. MCoD data were used  
129 in the sepsis, infectious syndrome, and pathogen distribution component models and data  
130 processing, and modelling methods can be found in sections 4 and 6. MCoD-VR data came from the  
131 following sources:

- 132 • United States National Vital Statistics System
- 133 • Brazil Mortality Information System
- 134 • National Institute of Statistics (Italy)
- 135 • Statistics South Africa
- 136 • National Institute of Statistics and Geography (Mexico)
- 137 • National Administrative Department of Statistics (Colombia)
- 138 • Taiwan Ministry of Health and Welfare

## 139 [Section 2.2: Hospital discharge](#)

140 Hospital admissions and discharge data are data sources collected from inpatient hospital and other  
141 clinical settings. These data include information on the primary and secondary diagnosis for each  
142 patient, as applicable, and were obtained from the sources listed below. ICD codes present in  
143 hospital discharge data also provided insight in many cases on the causative microorganism. Hospital  
144 data were used in the sepsis, infectious syndrome, pathogen distribution, and case fatality ratio  
145 component models and data processing, and modelling methods can be found in sections 4–6.  
146 Hospital discharge data came from the following sources:

- 147 • USA National Hospital Discharge Survey
- 148 • USA State Inpatient Databases
- 149 • Brazil Hospital Information System
- 150 • Italy Hospital Inpatient Discharges
- 151 • Sistema Automatizado de Egresos Hospitalarios (Mexico)
- 152 • Austria Hospital Inpatient Discharges
- 153 • New Zealand National Minimum Dataset
- 154 • Canada Discharge Abstract Database

## 155 [Section 2.3: Microbial data with outcome](#)

156 Microbial data are data sources from hospital and lab networks that collect pathogen cultures from  
157 patients. The culture results are linked to patient outcome, diagnoses, or both. Microbial data  
158 without these outcomes or diagnoses are listed in section 2.4. These data also include the specimen  
159 from which the pathogen was isolated and whether the infection was community- or hospital-  
160 acquired, if available. When hospital versus community acquisition was not specified, we used the  
161 difference between admission or diagnosis date and the specimen collection date, and if 48 hours or  
162 fewer had passed between those two dates, then the infection was assumed to be community-  
163 acquired. We assumed the infection was hospital-acquired when more than 48 hours had passed,  
164 consistent with CDC/National Healthcare Safety Network guidelines.<sup>3</sup> Microbial data with outcome  
165 were used in the case fatality ratio and pathogen distribution component models and data



166 processing, and modelling methods can be found in sections 5–6. Microbial data with outcome came  
167 from the following sources:

- 168 • **USA Becton, Dickinson, and Co. (BD) Insights, Research and Analytics Database**  
169 **microbiology test and in-patient hospital data:** data procured by BD via MedMined. Covers  
170 a range of regions in the United States from 2011 to 2017.
- 171 • **UK Infections in Oxfordshire Research Database (IORD):** patient microbiology and episodes  
172 data from Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.
- 173 • **International Nosocomial Infection Control Consortium (INICC) surveillance online system:**  
174 data from the INICC data collection software. ICU patient microbiology and hospital data  
175 from 50 countries across Latin America, Asia, the Middle East, eastern Europe, and Africa  
176 from 2009 to 2020.
- 177 • **Bulgaria antimicrobial resistance data:** Medical University of Varna in Varna, Bulgaria.  
178 Covers 2014–2020.
- 179 • **St. George's Hospital, University of London - Global Antimicrobial Resistance, Prescribing**  
180 **and Efficacy Among Neonates and Children (SGUL-GARPEC) Project bloodstream infection**  
181 **data:** Penta-sponsored global surveillance network focusing on neonatal and paediatric  
182 antimicrobial resistance and the organisms causing blood stream infections.
- 183 • **Burden of Antibiotic Resistance in Neonates from Developing Societies (BARNARDS):**  
184 BARNARDS includes locations in Nigeria, South Africa, Pakistan, Rwanda, Bangladesh,  
185 Ethiopia and India from 2015 to 2018.
- 186 • **Lao-Oxford-Mahosot Hospital-Wellcome Trust Research Unit (LOMRU). Children and**  
187 **adults with fever, inpatient admissions:** information from children and adults with fever  
188 who were admitted as inpatients between 1996 and 2019 to Mahosot Hospital, Vientiane,  
189 Laos. Microbial analysis was carried out by the Microbiology Laboratory at Mahosot  
190 Hospital.
- 191 • **Kumasi Centre for Collaborative Research in Tropical Medicine (KCCR), Kumasi, Ghana**  
192 **together with the Bernhard Nocht Institute for Tropical Medicine. Data on children and**  
193 **adults admitted in hospital with fever:** information from children and adults with fever  
194 admitted as inpatients at the Bernhard Nocht Institute for Tropical Medicine in Ghana  
195 between 2007 and 2015.
- 196 • **Vietnam Hospital for Tropical Diseases, Ho Chi Minh City. Hospital-acquired infections in**  
197 **ICU patients:** prospective observational study at the Oxford University Clinical Research Unit  
198 (OUCRU) in the Ho Chi Minh City Hospital for Tropical Diseases, Vietnam from November  
199 2014 to January 2016 to assess the ICU-acquired colonisation and infections among adult  
200 patients with more than 48 hours of ICU stay.
- 201 • **Medical Research Council (MRC) Unit The Gambia. Diagnostic antimicrobial susceptibility**  
202 **testing:** information on hospital admission and discharge, pathogens cultured, resistance  
203 susceptibility test and antibiotics prescribed between 2005 and 2015 from the MCR Unit The  
204 Gambia, now part of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.
- 205 • **Cambodia Oxford Medical Research Unit (COMRU) and Angkor Hospital for Children (AHC).**  
206 **Suspected invasive bacterial infection hospitalisations:** reports children aged 0–21 years  
207 who were hospitalised with suspected invasive bacterial infection between 2015 and 2018.
- 208 • **Taiwan hospital-acquired infections and outcomes:** infectious disease surveillance linked to  
209 vital registration from Taiwan (province of China).
- 210 • **Childhood Acute Illness and Nutrition (CHAIN) Network antimicrobial resistance data:**  
211 CHAIN Network study informs on hospitalised children under 2 years old with acute illness in  
212 Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Pakistan, Kenya, Malawi, and Uganda.

- 213 • **Jordan King Abdulla University Hospital culture and sensitivity tests:** information on  
214 inpatients at the King Abdulla University Hospital in 2020 part of the Jordan University of  
215 Science and Technology.
- 216 • **Chennai, India Kanchi Kamakoti CHILDS Trust Medical Research Foundation (CTMRF)**  
217 **hospital inpatient data**

## 218 Section 2.4: Microbial data without outcome

219 Microbial data were also obtained from laboratories, which do not necessarily link to patients’  
220 hospital records nor information on their discharge disposition. These sources report specimen or  
221 site of infection, pathogens isolated, antimicrobial susceptibility tests, age and gender and other  
222 demographic characteristics. This information proved useful to inform pathogen distribution models  
223 and data processing, and modelling methods can be found in section 6. Microbial data without  
224 outcome came from the following sources:

- 225 • **SENTRY:** SENTRY Antimicrobial Surveillance Program established by JMI Labs in 1997. Sites  
226 are in the USA, Europe, Latin America, parts of Asia, and the Western Pacific
- 227 • **Germany National Point Prevalence Survey on Nosocomial Infections and Antibiotic Use**  
228 **(PPS HAI):** Point Prevalence Survey for 2016 data reporting the pathogen distribution for  
229 hospital-acquired infections.
- 230 • **Madagascar – Fondation Merieux:** data collected from inpatients with positive culture  
231 admitted in three hospital sites in Madagascar, funded by Fondation Merieux.
- 232 • **AMASS:** data collected in an automated tool by Oxford Tropical Network Research Units.
- 233 • **The European Surveillance System (TESSy):** managed by the European Centre for Disease  
234 Prevention and Control (ECDC), provided data from the following surveillance systems:
  - 235 • European Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance Network (EARS-Net)
  - 236 • Food-and Waterborne Diseases and Zoonoses Surveillance Network.
  - 237 • Invasive Pneumococcal Disease Surveillance Network, including discharge  
238 disposition.
  - 239 • Gonococcal Antimicrobial Surveillance Programme.
  - 240 • Healthcare Associated Infections Surveillance Network (ICU protocol), including  
241 discharge disposition.
  - 242 • European Tuberculosis Surveillance Network
  - 243 • European Surveillance of Antimicrobial Consumption Network

244 The European Union/European Economic Area (EU/EEA) data were obtained from the European  
245 Surveillance System (TESSy) as provided by Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark,  
246 Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Luxembourg,  
247 Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and the  
248 United Kingdom, and released by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC).

- 249 • **Pfizer ATLAS Programme:** the Antimicrobial Testing Leadership and Surveillance (ATLAS)  
250 database includes the Tigecycline Evaluation Surveillance Trial (TEST), the Assessing  
251 Worldwide Antimicrobial Resistance Evaluation (AWARE) and the International Network for  
252 Optimal Resistance Monitoring (INFORM) programs. The study spans in coverage across  
253 more than 70 countries between 2004 and 2017.
- 254 • **Malawi Queen Elizabeth Hospital microbiology tests of blood specimens:** microbiology  
255 tests of blood specimens from inpatients at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Malawi from  
256 1998 to 2016, part of the Institute of Infection and Global Health, University of Liverpool in

- 257 collaboration with the Malawi-Liverpool-Wellcome Trust and the Wellcome Trust Sanger  
 258 Institute.
- 259 • **Central African Republic National Laboratory of Clinical Biology and Public Health:** data  
 260 collected by the Laboratoire National de Biologie Clinique et de Sante Publique in Central  
 261 African Republic between 2017 and 2020.
  - 262 • **The Ethiopian AMR surveillance:** conducted from July 2018 to July 2020 across sentinel  
 263 surveillance sites and the National AMR Surveillance Coordinating Centre for the Ethiopian  
 264 Public Health Institute.
  - 265 • **WHO Meningitis surveillance:** sentinel hospital surveillance of suspected meningitis cases  
 266 among children under 5 years old and positive cultures, provided by the World Health  
 267 Organization (WHO) Global Rotavirus, Invasive Bacterial Vaccine Preventable Diseases  
 268 Surveillance Network Collaboration from 2008 to 2020.
  - 269 • **United States Active Bacterial Core Surveillance (ABCs) Reports:** case reports on  
 270 healthcare-associated Infections and community interface infections from the Emerging  
 271 Infections Program Network coordinated by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention  
 272 (CDC).  
 273

274 [Section 2.5: Literature review of the microbial aetiology of meningitis, maternal and](#)  
 275 [neonatal sepsis, lower respiratory infections, urinary tract infections, skin infections,](#)  
 276 [peritonitis, and bone and joint infections](#)

277 We conducted literature searches to obtain input data for the following components in the analysis:  
 278 meningitis aetiology and case fatality, maternal and neonatal sepsis aetiology, lower respiratory  
 279 infections (LRIs) aetiology, urinary tract infections (UTIs) aetiology, skin infections aetiology, intra-  
 280 abdominal infection aetiology, and bone and joint infections aetiology. Search strings including  
 281 boolean operators were used in PubMed to systematically search for the causative microorganisms  
 282 for these infectious syndromes.

283 [Section 2.5.1: Meningitis infection aetiology](#)

284 ((meningitis[title]) AND (1990/05/01[PDat] : 2018/12/31[PDat]) AND ((etiolog\*[title/abstract]) AND  
 285 Humans[MeSH Terms]))

286 [Section 2.5.2: Maternal sepsis](#)

287 (('puerperal Sepsis'[title] OR 'maternal sepsis'[title] OR "Puerperal Infection/microbiology"[Mesh] )  
 288 AND (1990/05/01[PDat] : 2018/12/31[PDat]) AND (etiolog\*[title/abstract] OR  
 289 microbiology[title/abstract] OR microbiology[Mesh] OR ("Bacteremia/microbiology"[Mesh])) NOT  
 290 review[ptyp]

291 [Section 2.5.3: Neonatal sepsis](#)

292 (('neonatal sepsis'[title] OR ('infant'\*[title] AND ('sepsis'[title] OR 'bacteremia'[title]) AND  
 293 (etiolog\*[title/abstract] OR microbiology[title/abstract] OR microbiology[Mesh] OR  
 294 ("Bacteremia/microbiology"[Mesh]))

295 [Section 2.5.4: LRI aetiology](#)

296 (('lower respiratory"[title] OR pneumonia[title]) AND (1990/05/01[PDat] : 2018/12/31[PDat]) AND  
 297 ((etiolog\*[title/abstract]) AND Humans[MeSH Terms]) NOT(autoimmune[title/abstract] OR COPD  
 298 [title/abstract] OR "cystic fibrosis"[title/abstract] OR Review[ptyp]))

299 [Section 2.5.5: Urinary tract infections aetiology](#)  
300 ("complicated"[Title/Abstract] OR "uncomplicated"[Title/Abstract]) AND  
301 (("Cystitis/etiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Cystitis/microbiology"[majr:noexp]) OR  
302 ("Pyelonephritis/etiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Pyelonephritis/microbiology"[majr:noexp]) OR ( "Urinary  
303 Tract Infections/etiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Urinary Tract Infections/microbiology"[majr:noexp])) OR  
304 ("Urinary tract infections"[tiab] AND ("etiology"[tiab] OR "microbiology"[tiab]))  
305 (("urinary tract infection\*" [title]) AND (1990/05/01[PDat] : 2018/12/31[PDat]) AND  
306 ((etiolog\*[title/abstract] OR "Urinary Tract Infections/microbiology"[Mesh]) AND Humans[MeSH  
307 Terms]) NOT Review[ptyp])

308 [Section 2.5.6: Skin infections aetiology](#)  
309 (( "Cellulitis/epidemiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Cellulitis/etiology"[majr:noexp] OR  
310 "Cellulitis/microbiology"[majr:noexp]) OR ( "Pyoderma/epidemiology"[majr:noexp] OR  
311 "Pyoderma/etiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Pyoderma/microbiology"[majr:noexp]) OR  
312 "Pressure Ulcer/microbiology"[majr:noexp])  
313 ("skin and soft tissue infection" [title] OR cellulitis[title] OR erysipelas[title]) AND (1990/05/01[PDat] :  
314 2018/12/31[PDat]) AND (etiolog\*[title/abstract] OR "Cellulitis/microbiology"[Mesh]) AND  
315 Humans[MeSH Terms] NOT Review[ptyp])

316 [Section 2.5.7: Intra-abdominal infection aetiology](#)  
317 (( "Peritonitis/epidemiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Peritonitis /etiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Peritonitis  
318 /microbiology"[majr:noexp] ) OR ( "Intraabdominal infections/epidemiology"[majr:noexp] OR  
319 "Intraabdominal infections /etiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Intraabdominal infections  
320 /microbiology"[majr:noexp]) OR ( "abdominal abscess/epidemiology"[majr:noexp] OR " abdominal  
321 abscess /etiology"[majr:noexp] OR "abdominal abscess/microbiology"[majr:noexp]))

322 [Section 2.5.8: Bone and joint infections aetiology](#)  
323 ("Osteomyelitis/etiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Osteomyelitis/microbiology"[majr:noexp] NOT 'chronic')  
324 OR ("Arthritis, infectious/etiology"[majr:noexp] OR "Arthritis, infectious/microbiology"[majr:noexp]  
325 NOT 'lyme')

326 [Section 2.5.9: Exclusion criteria for literature reviews of microbial aetiologies](#)  
327 Exclusions Part 1: Excluded from initial database search:

328       • Non-peer reviewed papers or publications  
329       • Case reports

330 Exclusions Part 2: Excluded from Title/Abstract screening:

331       • Exclusions by study type:  
332           ○ Case control studies  
333           ○ Intervention studies  
334           ○ Studies based entirely on modelling with no raw input data  
335       • Sampling occurred in selected populations

336 Exclusions Part 3: Excluded from Full Text Review

337       • Sample size lower than 50  
338       • Studies that included just 1 pathogen

- 339 • Studies that reported combinations of pathogens together without disaggregating by
- 340 pathogen
- 341 • Studies based entirely on modelling with no raw input data
- 342 • Studies with a biased sampling framework

#### 343 Limitations of Literature Reviews

- 344 • Only included studies in English
- 345 • Search strings included constraints on year

#### 346 Section 2.6: Mortality surveillance

347 Mortality surveillance data were used in the sepsis, syndrome, and pathogen distribution models; full details  
348 on these models can be found in sections 4 and 6.

- 349 • **Child Health and Mortality Prevention Surveillance (CHAMPS):** Under-5 mortality  
350 surveillance sites in South Africa, Mali, Bangladesh, Kenya, Ethiopia, and Mozambique.  
351 Researchers use minimally invasive tissue sampling (MITS) to gather information about  
352 pathogens involved and are able to discern a more accurate cause of death.

#### 353 Section 2.7: Linkage (mortality only)

354 Linkage data were used in sepsis and infectious syndrome models; full details on these models can  
355 be found in section 4. Mortality-only linkage data include:

- 356 • **Italy Friuli-Venezia Giulia MCoD data**
- 357 **New Zealand linked national minimum dataset to mortality collection data**

### 358 Section 3: Summary of GBD 2019 estimation process

359 A comprehensive description of data sources, data quality, statistical modelling and analyses for GBD  
360 2019 have been reported elsewhere.<sup>2</sup> A brief summary of the fatal and non-fatal estimation  
361 processes are briefly summarised below.

#### 362 Section 3.1: GBD 2019 cause of death estimation process

363 The overarching steps for the fatal estimation process for each age, sex, location, and year are to  
364 first estimate all-cause mortality rates, then calculate cause-specific mortality rates, and finally scale  
365 the cause-specific mortality rates to the all-cause mortality rates for internal consistency. First, all-  
366 cause mortality is estimated using 7417 sources as data inputs for under-5 mortality estimation and  
367 7355 sources as data inputs for adult mortality estimation. ST-GPR was used to produce estimates of  
368 HIV-free mortality rate for every location-year after adjusting for completeness and other known  
369 biases in the input data. Added to this HIV-free mortality rate are the HIV-specific mortality rate and  
370 deaths from fatal discontinuities, or shocks, which are events that are stochastic in nature and  
371 cannot be modelled, such as natural disasters and conflicts. GBD then estimated the cause-specific  
372 mortality rates of 301 diseases and injuries. This cause of death analysis utilises 19 354 sources  
373 covering 2525 country years in the cause of death (CoD) database. There are eight types of data  
374 sources in the CoD database: vital registration, verbal autopsy,<sup>4</sup> cancer registry, police records,  
375 sibling history, surveillance, survey/census, and minimally invasive tissue sampling (MITS) diagnoses.  
376 VR is considered the most comprehensive source of cause of death data, but less than half the  
377 world's population has deaths captured in a VR system (appendix figure S6), so causes of death  
378 statistics are supplemented with other data types. These various data sources are largely ICD coded  
379 causes of death and use heterogenous ICD versions so are standardised to GBD causes of death.  
380 Once standardised and adjusted for known biases due to ICD classification changes,<sup>5</sup> garbage

381 coding,<sup>5-7</sup> HIV correction,<sup>8</sup> stochastic noise,<sup>2</sup> and completeness,<sup>9</sup> causes of death are modelled using  
382 CODEm<sup>10</sup> to determine the cause fraction for each underlying cause of death by age, sex, year, and  
383 location. CODEm provides an ensemble prediction based on a combination of candidate models that  
384 vary across outcome and covariate combinations chosen for out-of-sample predictive performance.  
385 Because each cause is modelled independently, it is possible the sum of these models will not equal  
386 the all-cause mortality estimates, so cause-specific results are run through the CoDCorrect process  
387 to make cause-specific and all-cause mortality estimates internally consistent. This process rescales  
388 cause-specific estimates to the all-cause mortality envelope.

### 389 [Section 3.2: GBD 2019 non-fatal estimation process](#)

390 Non-fatal health outcomes are estimated using DisMod-MR 2.1, a Bayesian-regression analytical tool  
391 that synthesises various data inputs to produce estimates of disease incidence and prevalence. The  
392 data used for this analysis include systematic reviews done at the Institute of Health Metrics and  
393 Evaluation (IHME), data from household surveys including the demographic and health surveys,  
394 multiple indicator cluster surveys, living standards measurement surveys, reproductive health  
395 surveys, administrative claims data, inpatient hospital discharge records, outpatient hospital data,  
396 disease registries, programme-level data on disease burden from government agencies, surveillance  
397 system data on disease burden, and sources suggested to us by in-country collaborators and surveys  
398 identified in major multinational survey data catalogues such as the WHO Central data catalog. 51  
399 272 sources were used for this analysis, 31 499 reporting incidence and 19 773 reporting prevalence.  
400 Data from these sources are extracted. Pre-modelling bias adjustments are made using crosswalking  
401 to account for various sources of bias, such as heterogeneous case definitions and methods of  
402 measurement. The pre-modelling bias adjustments are made using the MR-BRT environment, a  
403 meta-regression tool that allows for Bayesian priors, regularization, and trimming and has been  
404 described in greater detail previously.<sup>11</sup> Using these bias-adjusted data an estimate of prevalence  
405 and incidence for each cause is produced using the DisMod-MR 2.1 modelling framework. DisMod-  
406 MR 2.1 accepts all available data on mortality, incidence, prevalence, and remission and uses a  
407 compartmental model to enforce consistency between all quantities.

## 408 [Section 4: Deaths where infection plays a role and infectious](#) 409 [syndrome estimation](#)

### 410 [Section 4.1: Input data](#)

#### 411 [Section 4.1.1: Multiple causes of death](#)

412 MCoD data are individual-based records that provide underlying causes of death and two or more  
413 intermediate causes in the chain of death. Additionally, each record includes age, sex, residence, and  
414 the date of death.

#### 415 [Section 4.1.2: Hospital record with multiple diagnoses and discharge status of death](#)

416 This type of data is an individual-based hospital record of a patient that provides the main diagnosis  
417 and two or more additional diagnoses. Additionally, each record includes age, sex, residence, date of  
418 admission, date of discharge, and outcome (dead or alive). Only hospital discharges with discharge  
419 status of death were used in this component model, since we aimed to estimate the fraction of  
420 deaths that involve infection and the infectious syndrome distribution of those deaths.

#### 421 [Section 4.1.3: Linkage data](#)

422 Linkage data are generated using probabilistic methods in a defined population that link individual-  
423 based hospital data to individual-based MCoD data. Linkage data offer a wider dataset that includes

424 main diagnosis, other diagnoses, underlying cause of death, and intermediate causes of death in the  
 425 chain.

426 Section 4.1.4: Mortality surveillance (Child Health and Mortality Prevention Surveillance  
 427 [CHAMPS])

428 The CHAMPS network tracks the causes of under-5 mortality and stillbirths at sites in sub-Saharan  
 429 Africa and south Asia through epidemiological surveillance of under-5 deaths and stillbirths utilising  
 430 minimally invasive tissue sampling (MITS), laboratory diagnostics including conventional and  
 431 advanced histopathology and molecular screening of various pathogens, verbal autopsy, and  
 432 available clinical and demographic data.

433 *Table 4.1.5: Input different data point for calculation of fraction of death by sepsis in different*  
 434 *underlying causes*

Location	Data type	Years	Year range	Deaths
United States	MCoD	38	1980–2017	82,453,798
	Hospital data with fatal outcome	31	1980–2010	2,028,371
	Linkage data			
Brazil	MCoD	19	1999–2017	16,930,050
	Hospital data with fatal outcome	2	2015–2016	294,461
	Linkage data			
Italy	MCoD	13	2003–2015	7,640,383
	Hospital data with fatal outcome	12	2005–2016	2,385,430
	Linkage data	16	2003–2018	112,555
South Africa	MCoD	20	1997–2016	4,696,348
	Hospital data with fatal outcome			
	Linkage data			
Mexico	MCoD	8	2009–2016	4,336,713
	Hospital data with fatal outcome	7	2003–2009	168,582
	Linkage data			
Colombia	MCoD	20	1998–2017	3,624,771
	Hospital data with fatal outcome			
	Linkage data			
Taiwan (province of China)	MCoD	10	2007–2016	1,189,309
	Hospital data with fatal outcome			
	Linkage data			
Austria	MCoD			
	Hospital data with fatal outcome	14	2001–2014	461,538
	Linkage data			
New Zealand	MCoD			
	Hospital data with fatal outcome	18	2000–2017	169,454
	Linkage data	11	2000–2010	151,455
Canada	MCoD			
	Hospital data with fatal outcome	16	1994–2009	38,405
	Linkage data			
CHAMPS Surveillance Sites	MITS	3	2017–2019	870
Total	MCoD	128	1980–2017	120,871,372
	Hospital data with fatal outcome	100	1980–2017	5,546,241
	Linkage data	27	2000–2018	264,010

	MITIS	3	2017–2019	870
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## 436 [Section 4.2: Data processing](#)

437 Data for the USA, Brazil, Italy, South Africa, and Mexico were extracted at the subnational level by  
 438 GBD 2019 age groups, sex, year, and causes of death and/or diagnoses, while data for the remaining  
 439 countries and territories were analysed at the national level. This allowed us to expand the location-  
 440 years of data that we had for each Socio-demographic Index (SDI)<sup>12</sup> value.

## 441 [Section 4.3: Mapping the data](#)

442 Prepared data were mapped to GBD causes. The GBD cause list is a mutually exclusive and  
 443 collectively exhaustive list of diseases and injuries. The GBD cause list is organised hierarchically to  
 444 accommodate different purposes and needs of various users. The first two levels aggregate causes  
 445 into general groupings. At Level 1, there are three cause groups: communicable, maternal, neonatal,  
 446 and nutritional diseases (Group 1 diseases); non-communicable diseases (Group 2); and injuries  
 447 (Group 3). These Level 1 aggregates are subdivided at Level 2 of the hierarchy into 22 cause  
 448 groupings (eg, neonatal disorders, neurological disorders, and transport injuries). The disaggregation  
 449 into Levels 3 and 4 contains the finest level of detail for causes captured in GBD 2019.

450 The underlying cause of death or main diagnosis for each record in the data was mapped to a GBD  
 451 cause. After the mapping of underlying cause, we used the GBD 2019 garbage code redistribution  
 452 algorithm (see appendix 1, section 2.4 in Vos et al.<sup>2</sup>) to ensure that all deaths had a plausible and  
 453 specific underlying cause of death. The redistribution of garbage codes for underlying causes of  
 454 death followed the same age and sex restrictions as GBD 2019. We did not redistribute garbage  
 455 codes in the chain causes because the concept of a garbage code applies only to plausible underlying  
 456 cause of death (see Rudd et al.<sup>13</sup> and appendix 1, section 2.5 in Vos et al.<sup>2</sup>).

## 457 [Section 4.4: Intermediate cause and infectious syndrome mapping hierarchy](#)

### 458 [Section 4.4.1: Intermediate cause mapping](#)

459 Within our modelling framework, an infectious syndrome is the infection directly responsible for  
 460 sepsis and serves as the bridge between the underlying cause of death and sepsis. Infectious  
 461 syndromes can be both underlying causes of death and intermediate causes of death.

462 For mapping underlying and intermediate causes of death and hospital diagnoses to sepsis and  
 463 infectious syndromes, we designed a new map, called “AMR, sepsis, and infectious syndrome map”.  
 464 This map is a list of mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive infectious syndromes that we  
 465 divided into four levels to form an infectious syndrome hierarchy.

466 Each level of infectious syndrome is mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive. Furthermore, the  
 467 infectious syndrome hierarchy is internally consistent across any metric (eg, number, cause  
 468 fraction)—aggregating across Level 3 syndromes gives us Level 2 syndromes, aggregating the Level 2  
 469 syndromes gives us Level 1 syndromes, and the total of Level 1 syndromes is equal to the value of  
 470 sepsis (figure 4.4.2.1).

471 Level 0: All International Classification of Diseases 9<sup>th</sup> (ICD-9) or 10<sup>th</sup> revision (ICD-10) coded deaths  
 472 divided into three groups:

- 473 • Explicit sepsis (A40, R65.2 in ICD-10 and 039 in ICD-9): Any death has specific ICD code for  
 474 sepsis in the MCoD chain or hospital diagnoses was considered explicit sepsis<sup>13</sup>



- 475 • Implicit sepsis: Any death that has an infectious disease code in the underlying cause or  
476 cause chain and a specific organ dysfunction code was considered implicit sepsis
- 477 • Non-sepsis: Any death that does not meet either of the two above criteria.

478 Of the estimated infection-related deaths with explicit sepsis or implicit sepsis and infectious  
479 diseases, 59.4% occur with communicable, maternal, neonatal, and nutritional underlying causes  
480 of death. 38.9% infection related deaths occur with non-communicable disease as the  
481 underlying cause of death, and 1.7% occur with injuries as the underlying cause of death.

482 Level 1: All implicit and explicit sepsis deaths were divided into 12 Level 1 infectious syndromes and  
483 an “other” category (table 4.4.1.1).

484 *Table 4.4.1.1: Level 1 of infectious syndromes*

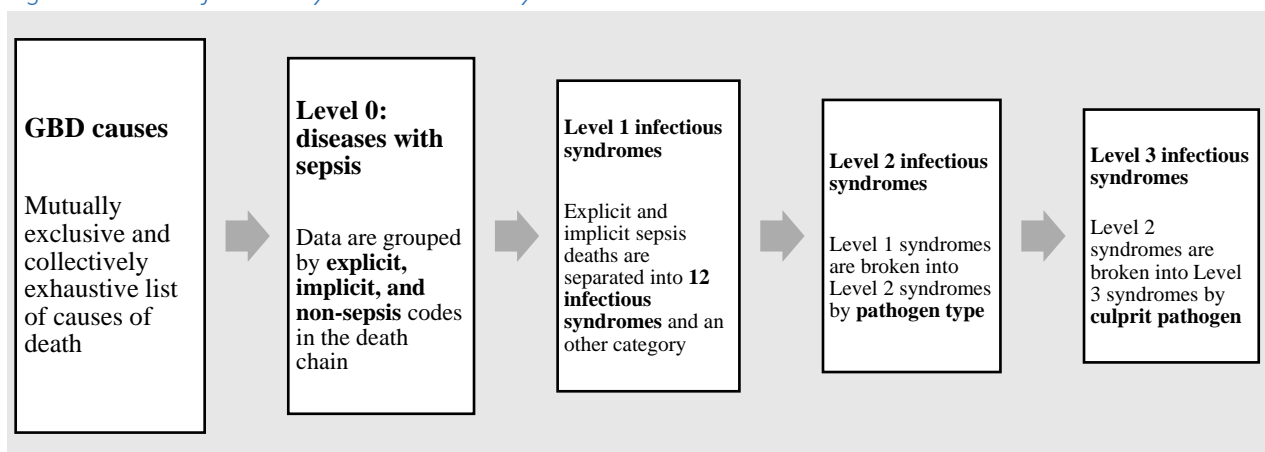
	Infectious syndrome
1	Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems
2	Bloodstream infections
3	Gonorrhoea and chlamydia
4	Diarrhoea
5	Endocarditis and other cardiac infections
6	Infections of bones, joints, and related organs
7	Lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax
8	Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections
9	Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections
10	Tuberculosis
11	Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
12	Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis
13	Other infections

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486 Level 2: Each Level 1 infectious syndrome was divided into Level 2 infectious syndromes based on  
487 the pathogen type (eg, bacterial, fungal, viral) causing the infection. Examples include specified  
488 bacterial, unspecified bacterial, fungal, viral, and unspecified pathogen.

489 Level 3: Each specified bacterial infectious syndrome in Level 2 was divided to Level 3 infectious  
490 syndromes by the bacterium causing infection.

491 *Figure 4.4.2.1. Infectious syndrome hierarchy*



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493 [Section 4.4.2: Informative ranking](#)

494 Due to our data often having multiple diagnoses associated with each record, a single case of sepsis  
495 could potentially map to multiple candidate infectious syndromes. Because multiple infectious  
496 syndrome assignments pose a risk of double counting, we employed an informative ranking  
497 hierarchy. The informative ranking allowed us to determine the infectious syndrome that provided  
498 the most information on the culprit pathogen. The goal of this hierarchy was to produce the most  
499 accurate pathogen burden estimate such that when there were multiple infectious syndromes, we  
500 prioritised the syndrome with the most distinctive distribution. For example, bloodstream infections  
501 (BSIs) are common infections in sepsis but there is often an earlier source of the infection such as a  
502 UTI, cellulitis, or LRI, and each has a unique pathogen distribution that provides more information  
503 than the distribution of BSI. In the event that a patient record reflected both BSI and LRI, we would  
504 assign the infectious syndrome based on the pathogen distribution that would be the most proximal  
505 aetiologic syndrome, LRI (see table 4.4.2.1).

506 [Table 4.4.2.1. Level 1 Infectious syndrome informative ranking hierarchy](#)

507 Organised from most informative (top) to least (bottom).

<b>Level 1 infectious syndrome informative ranking hierarchy</b>
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections
Lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs
Diarrhoea
Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis
Other infections
Bloodstream infections

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509 [Section 4.4.3: Two modelling pathways](#)

510 After mapping the underlying and chain causes of death, our database went through two separate  
511 modelling pathways. The first model estimated the fraction of deaths that are sepsis-related in each  
512 GBD cause; these sepsis-related deaths for non-infectious GBD causes were combined with GBD  
513 deaths for infectious causes to create the total envelope of all deaths where infection plays a role.  
514 The second pathway estimated each infectious syndrome as a fraction of sepsis-related mortality in  
515 each GBD cause. In the last step of infectious syndrome estimation, the fractions of sepsis by Level 1  
516 infectious syndromes were squeezed to sum to one so as to not exceed the sepsis mortality  
517 envelope and multiplied by the sepsis estimate in each GBD cause by country and territory, age, and  
518 sex in 2019.

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520 [Section 4.5: First pathway: deaths where infection plays a role](#)

521 [Section 4.5.1: Sepsis model](#)

522 We used a mixed-effects binomial logistic regression to model the logit of the fraction of sepsis-  
523 related deaths by GBD cause-age-sex-location, consistent with the modelling approach used by Rudd  
524 et al.<sup>13</sup> Sex and Healthcare Access and Quality Index (HAQ Index)<sup>14</sup> were included as covariates and a  
525 nested random effect on underlying cause of death was included. A separate model was run for each

526 GBD 2019 age group (0–6, 7–27, 28–364 [days], 1–4, 5–9, 10–14, 15–19, 20–24, 25–29, 30–34, 35–  
 527 39, 40–44, 45–49, 50–54, 55–59, 60–64, 65–69, 70–74, 75–79, 80–84, 85–89, 90–94, 95+ [years]):

528 
$$\text{sepsis related deaths} \sim B(\text{total deaths}, \text{sepsis fraction}) \quad (4.5.1.1)$$

529 
$$\text{logit}(\text{sepsis fraction}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * \text{HAQ Index} + \beta_2 * \text{sex} + \pi_{\text{level 1, level 2}}$$

530 Where  $\pi_{\text{level 1, level 2}}$  is a nested random effect on underlying cause of death. The nested random-  
 531 effect’s structure in the model on underlying cause of death allowed the prediction of sepsis  
 532 fractions where data were limited by borrowing information from diseases within the same group.  
 533 There were 22 groups of underlying causes of death, each categorised by physiological relatedness.  
 534 We produced our predictions and uncertainty intervals (UIs) by generating 1000 draws from the  
 535 normal distribution of the fixed coefficients, separately for each GBD location, age group, sex, and  
 536 cause in 2019. The means of our results were used for the point estimates and the 95% UIs were  
 537 delineated using the 2.5<sup>th</sup> and 97.5<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the draws. Uncertainty is attributable to sample  
 538 size variability between data sources, data availability, and model specifications.

539 All underlying causes of death that are infectious diseases were included in the model; however, for  
 540 these causes we used the GBD death estimates rather than the modelled sepsis estimate, since  
 541 infection inherently plays a role in these deaths even if the pathway doesn’t include sepsis. These  
 542 causes and their associated infectious syndromes are listed in table 4.5.1.1.

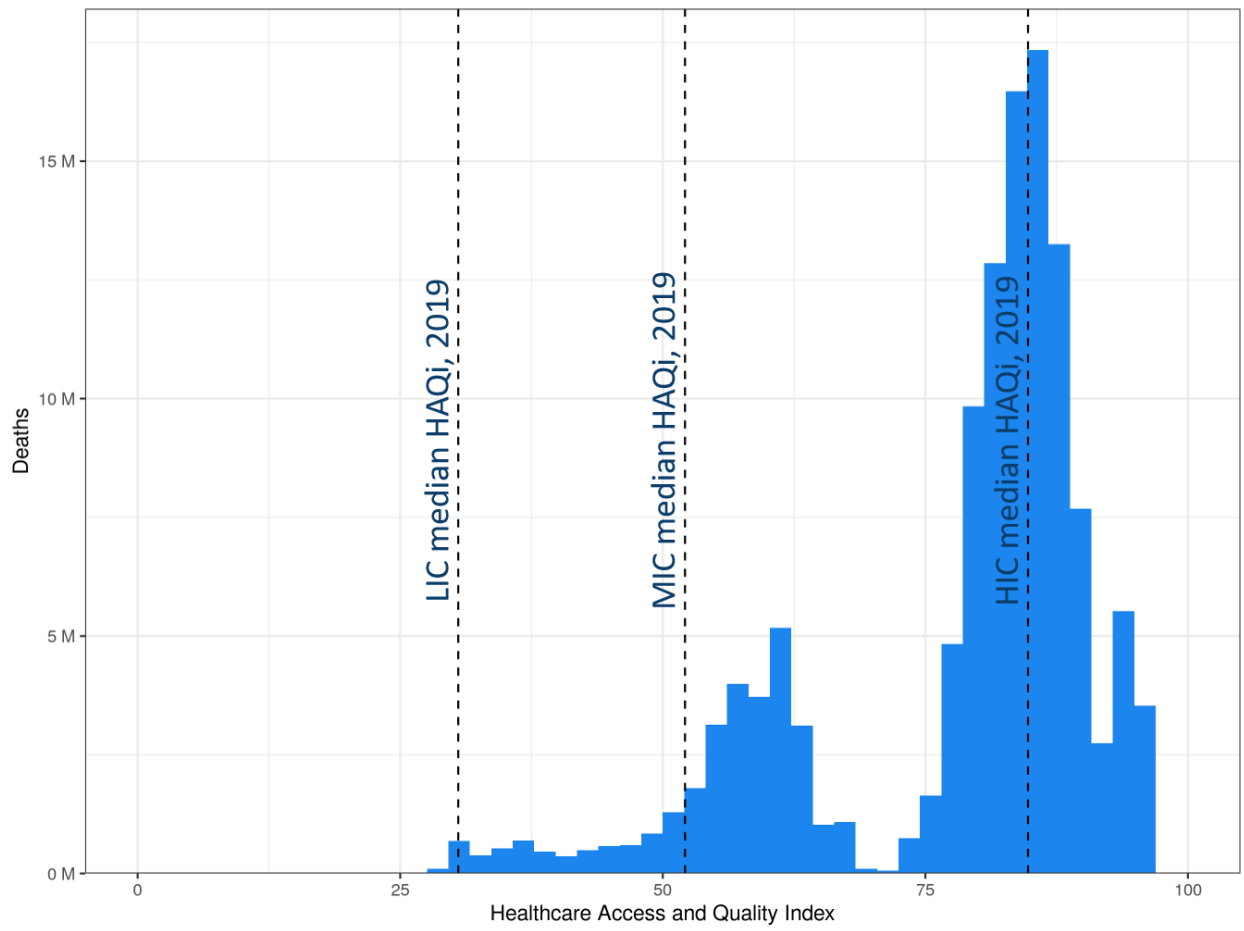
543 *Table 4.5.1.1. Underlying causes that are infectious diseases and their corresponding syndromes*

Cause name	Infectious syndrome
Appendicitis	Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections
Bacterial skin diseases	Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems
Chlamydial infection	Gonorrhoea and chlamydia
Diarrhoeal diseases	Diarrhoea
Endocarditis	Endocarditis and other cardiac infections
Gonococcal infection	Gonorrhoea and chlamydia
Invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella	Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
Lower respiratory infections	Lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax
Maternal sepsis and other maternal infections	Bloodstream infections
Meningitis	Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections
Neonatal sepsis and other neonatal infections	Bloodstream infections
Paratyphoid fever	Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
Tuberculosis	Tuberculosis
Typhoid fever	Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
Upper respiratory infections	Lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax
Urinary tract infections and interstitial nephritis	Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis

544 For all other causes, we calculated the number of sepsis-related deaths in 2019 by multiplying our  
 545 predictions of cause-, age group-, sex-, year-, and location-specific sepsis fractions by GBD 2019  
 546 death estimates. Finally, we aggregated our results to arrive at regional and global sepsis-related  
 547 mortality in non-infectious underlying causes of death, which we combined with the GBD infectious  
 548 disease deaths estimates to create the mortality envelope of all deaths related to infection.

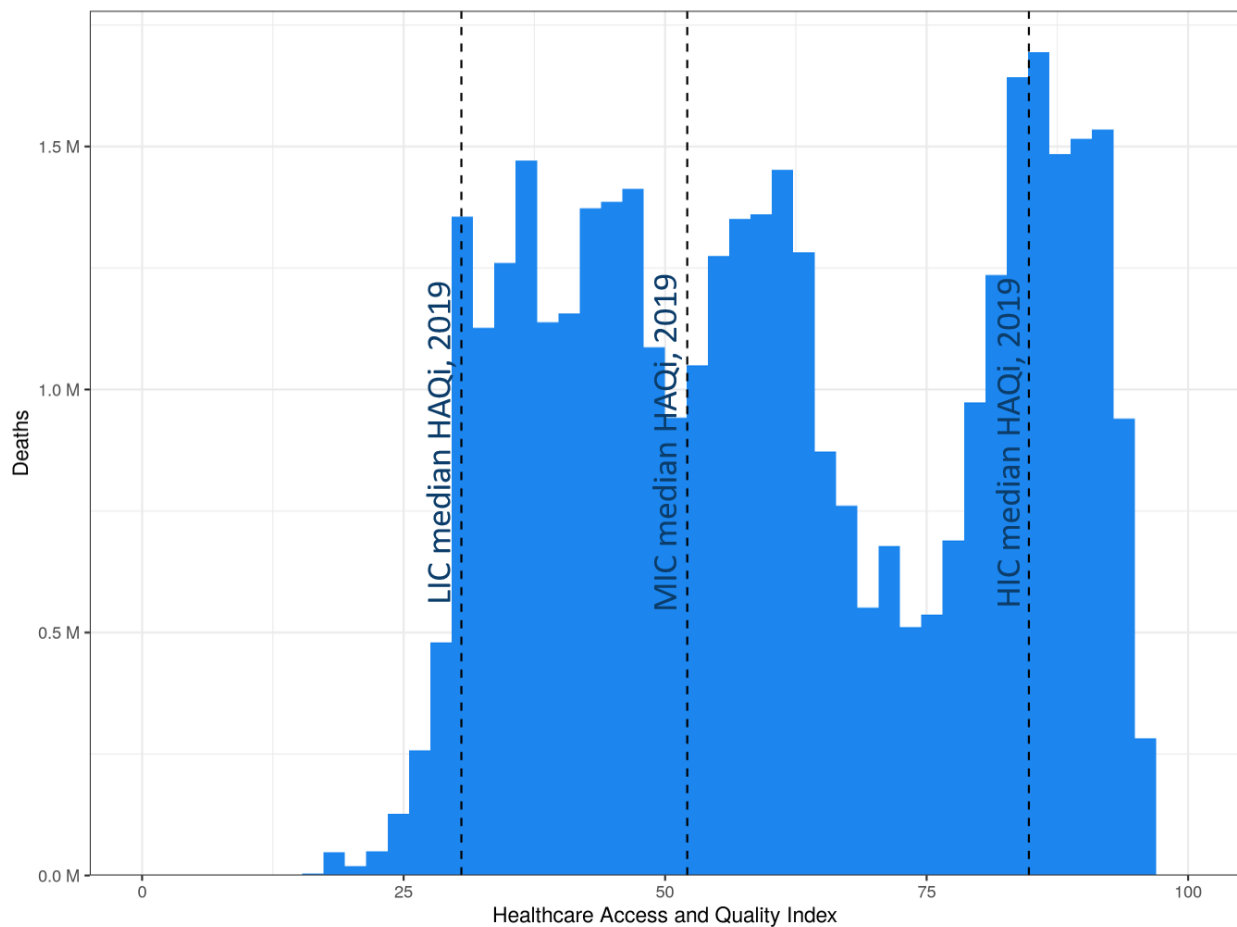
549 For transparency, histograms of the available input data by HAQ Index are shown below. MCoD  
 550 input data is used to estimate the proportion of non-infectious disease that involves sepsis, while  
 551 the GBD mortality data for Group 1 causes (communicable, maternal, neonatal, and nutritional  
 552 diseases) is inclusive and representative of the input data used to estimate mortality associated with  
 553 primary infection underlying cause.

554 *Figure 4.5.1.1. MCoD input data by HAQ Index*



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556 *Figure 4.5.1.2. GBD mortality input data for Group 1 (communicable, maternal, neonatal, and*  
 557 *nutritional diseases) by HAQ Index*



558  
 559 HIC = high-income country, LIC = low-income country, MIC = middle-income country

560 [Section 4.6: Second pathway: fraction of deaths where infection plays a role by](#)  
 561 [infectious syndrome in each GBD cause](#)

562 We used a mixed-effects binomial logistic regression to model the logit of the infectious syndrome  
 563 fraction of sepsis-related mortality by GBD cause. The model covariates varied by infectious  
 564 syndrome (table 4.6.1). All models included HAQ Index as a covariate and most included a summary  
 565 exposure value (SEV) scalar calculated for GBD 2019.

566 The pathogen distribution for hospital-acquired infections (HAIs) and community-acquired infections  
 567 (CAIs) differs markedly for some infectious syndromes.<sup>15–20</sup> To more accurately estimate the burden  
 568 of pathogens responsible for infection, we separated infectious syndromes into hospital-acquired  
 569 and community-acquired for LRI+ and UTI. For all ICD-coded administrative datasets (hospital  
 570 discharge, MCoD, and linkage), we assumed that an infection was community-acquired if it was the  
 571 primary diagnosis or underlying cause of death. Similarly, an infection was considered hospital-  
 572 acquired if it was not the primary diagnosis or underlying cause of death. We recognise that this is a  
 573 strong assumption that will not always be correct; however, there is no established method for  
 574 determining HAI versus CAI in administrative data.<sup>21,22</sup> We considered it to be more important to  
 575 estimate hospital- and community-acquired separately to account for their distinct pathogen  
 576 distributions despite the strong assumptions involved. We present the fraction of all infectious  
 577 syndrome deaths in 2019 that our model predicted to be hospital-acquired for LRI+ and UTI in table

578 4.6.2 for transparency.

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580 *Table 4.6.1: Infectious syndrome model covariates and age groups*

Infectious syndrome	Covariates	Age groups modelled
Bloodstream infections	HAQ Index <sup>14</sup> Sex SEV scalar of maternal sepsis <sup>23</sup> SEV scalar of neonatal sepsis <sup>23</sup>	GBD 2019 age groups
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	HAQ Index Sex	0–9, 10–14, 15–19, 20–24, 25–39, 40–44, 45–49, 50–54, 55–59, 60–64, 65–69, 70–74, 75–79, 80–84, 85–89, 90–94, 95+
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	HAQ Index Sex SEV scalar of age-standardised endocarditis <sup>23</sup>	GBD 2019 age groups
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	HAQ Index Sex SEV scalar of age-standardised meningitis <sup>23</sup>	GBD 2019 age groups
Diarrhoea	HAQ Index Sex SEV scalar of age-standardised diarrhoea <sup>23</sup>	GBD 2019 age groups
Other infections	HAQ Index Sex	GBD 2019 age groups
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	HAQ Index Sex	GBD 2019 age groups
CAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	HAQ Index Sex SEV scalar of age-standardised LRIs <sup>23</sup>	Neonatal, Post neonatal–5, 5–69, 70+
HAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	HAQ Index Sex SEV scalar of age-standardised LRIs	Neonatal, Post neonatal–5, 5–69, 70+
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	HAQ Index Sex SEV scalar of age-standardised no access to handwashing facility <sup>23</sup>	GBD 2019 age groups
CAI urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis	HAQ Index Sex SEV scalar of age-standardised no access to handwashing facility	0–39, 40+
HAI urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis	HAQ Index Sex SEV scalar of age-standardised no access to handwashing facility	0–39, 40+

581 CAI=community-acquired infection. HAI=hospital-acquired infection. HAQ Index=Healthcare Access and Quality Index. LRI=lower  
 582 respiratory infection. SEV=summary exposure value. SEVs are a risk-weighted prevalence calculated based on exposure, from 0, where the  
 583 entire population (among the age groups where exposure is possible) is exposed at the minimum risk level, to 100, where the entire  
 584 population is exposed at the maximum risk exposure level.

585 *Table 4.6.2: Model predictions for proportion of deaths in 2019 that were hospital-acquired by GBD*  
 586 *super-region and infectious syndrome*

Infectious syndrome	Super-region	Proportion (95% UI)
Lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	Global	17.4% (13.1 - 22.4)
	Southeast Asia, east Asia, and Oceania	23.3% (18.0 - 28.9)
	Central Europe, eastern Europe, and central Asia	27.9% (20.5 - 35.8)

	High-income	17.8% (12.5 - 24.8)
	Latin America and Caribbean	24.8% (19.1 - 30.7)
	North Africa and Middle East	22.2% (17.7 - 26.8)
	South Asia	16.4% (13.0 - 20.1)
	Sub-Saharan Africa	9.3% (6.9 - 12.8)
Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis	Global	39.1% (32.4 - 61.5)
	Southeast Asia, east Asia, and Oceania	64.5% (48.4 - 74.7)
	Central Europe, eastern Europe, and central Asia	48.4% (32.4 - 61.5)
	High-income	27.2% (15.8 - 40.7)
	Latin America and Caribbean	28.5% (20.2 - 40.6)
	North Africa and Middle East	73.0% (58.2 - 80.0)
	South Asia	29.9% (20.2 - 40.7)
	Sub-Saharan Africa	24.9% (18.0 - 31.1)

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588 The infectious syndrome models were specified as mixed-effects binomial logistic regressions, one  
589 for each infectious syndrome and age group:

$$590 \quad \text{syndrome related deaths} \sim B(\text{total sepsis deaths}, \text{syndrome fraction}) \quad (4.6.2.1)$$

$$591 \quad \text{logit}(\text{syndrome fraction}) = \beta_0 + \beta * X + \pi_{\text{level 1}, \text{level 2}}$$

592 where  $\beta$  and  $X$  are vectors of length  $n + 1$  for  $n$  covariates and  $\pi_{\text{level 1}, \text{level 2}}$  is a nested random  
593 effect on underlying cause of death. The granularity of the age groups estimated for each infectious  
594 syndrome was chosen based on the age pattern of the infectious syndrome and the limitations of  
595 data sparsity.

596 As in the first pathway, we derived our predictions and UIs by generating 1000 draws from the  
597 normal distribution of the fixed coefficients separately for each GBD location, age group, sex, and  
598 cause in 2019. We used the means of our results for the point estimates and the 95% UIs were  
599 delineated using the 2.5th and 97.5th percentiles of the draws.

#### 600 [Section 4.6.1: Aggregation to the sepsis mortality envelope](#)

601 We calculated the number of deaths attributable to each infectious syndrome in 2019 by multiplying  
602 our predictions of cause-, age group-, sex-, year-, and location-specific infectious syndrome fractions  
603 by our sepsis-mortality estimates from the first pathway. All infectious syndrome fractions were  
604 squeezed to sum to one prior to multiplication in order to ensure that we did not exceed the sepsis  
605 mortality envelope.

606 Finally, we aggregated our results to arrive at regional and global sepsis-related mortality by  
607 infectious syndrome.

#### 608 [Section 4.6.2: Infectious syndromes using GBD 2019 results](#)

609 Out of the 12 explicit Level 1 infectious syndromes included in our hierarchy, we excluded (i)  
610 tuberculosis (TB), (ii) typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella, and (iii)  
611 gonorrhoea and chlamydia from our binomial mixed-effects linear regression model. Instead, we  
612 used the published results from GBD 2019<sup>2</sup> for these causes of death, as we believe the GBD 2019  
613 estimates fully represent these infectious syndromes because they are usually not intermediate  
614 causes of death.

615 **Section 4.7: Model validation**

616 Infectious syndrome modelling aims to predict which cases of infection belong to a specific  
 617 infectious syndrome, which is a multi-class classification problem. We therefore use the Area Under  
 618 the Receiver Operating Characteristics (ROC) Curve (AUC) to evaluate model performance. The ROC  
 619 Curve is determined by the sensitivity (or true positive rate) and the specificity (or false positive rate)  
 620 of the model, and a higher AUC score indicates that the model is capable of discerning between the  
 621 different categories. Accuracy is a related measure which considers the proportion of true positives  
 622 and true negatives predicted by the model with respect to the total number of predictions.

623 We used 5-fold cross validation to assess out-of-sample model performance. This validation withheld  
 624 20% of the sample from the analysis and measured predictive performance on the withheld data.  
 625 This procedure was repeated 5 times such that each data point was included in exactly one set of  
 626 withheld data. Table 4.7.1 reports the Accuracy and AUC score<sup>24</sup> for each of the age groups within  
 627 the infectious syndrome models and table 4.7.2 reports the same metrics for the sepsis models. 99%  
 628 of the models have an AUC score between 0.7 and 1, indicating an overall excellent performance of  
 629 this modelling framework.

630 *Table 4.7.1: Accuracy and AUC score for out-of-sample validation of infectious syndromes models*

Model	Age group name	Accuracy	AUC score
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	1 to 4	1.00	0.87
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	10 to 14	0.99	0.87
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	15 to 19	0.98	0.90
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	20 to 24	0.99	0.93
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	25 to 29	0.99	0.94
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	30 to 34	0.99	0.95
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	35 to 39	0.99	0.94
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	40 to 44	0.98	0.94
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	45 to 49	0.98	0.93
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	5 to 9	0.99	0.87
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	50 to 54	0.98	0.92
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	55 to 59	0.97	0.92
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	60 to 64	0.97	0.92
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	65 to 69	0.97	0.92
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	70 to 74	0.98	0.92
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	75 to 79	0.98	0.93
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	80 to 84	0.98	0.94
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	85 to 89	0.98	0.95
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	90 to 94	0.98	0.96
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	95 plus	0.98	0.97
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	Early Neonatal	0.99	0.94
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	Late Neonatal	0.99	0.98
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	Post Neonatal	1.00	0.89
Bloodstream infections	1 to 4	0.91	0.95
Bloodstream infections	10 to 14	0.85	0.92
Bloodstream infections	15 to 19	0.84	0.91
Bloodstream infections	20 to 24	0.89	0.94



Bloodstream infections	25 to 29	0.92	0.94
Bloodstream infections	30 to 34	0.93	0.94
Bloodstream infections	35 to 39	0.92	0.93
Bloodstream infections	40 to 44	0.90	0.92
Bloodstream infections	45 to 49	0.89	0.90
Bloodstream infections	5 to 9	0.87	0.94
Bloodstream infections	50 to 54	0.88	0.89
Bloodstream infections	55 to 59	0.88	0.87
Bloodstream infections	60 to 64	0.88	0.87
Bloodstream infections	65 to 69	0.89	0.87
Bloodstream infections	70 to 74	0.90	0.88
Bloodstream infections	75 to 79	0.91	0.89
Bloodstream infections	80 to 84	0.92	0.91
Bloodstream infections	85 to 89	0.93	0.92
Bloodstream infections	90 to 94	0.94	0.93
Bloodstream infections	95 plus	0.94	0.95
Bloodstream infections	Early Neonatal	0.94	0.96
Bloodstream infections	Late Neonatal	0.95	0.96
Bloodstream infections	Post Neonatal	0.93	0.96
CAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	5 to 69	0.99	0.99
CAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	70+ years	0.99	1.00
CAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	Neonatal	0.95	0.96
CAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	Post Neonatal to 5	0.99	1.00
CAI urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis	0 to 39	1.00	1.00
CAI urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis	40 plus	1.00	1.00
Diarrhoea	1 to 4	0.99	1.00
Diarrhoea	10 to 14	0.99	0.99
Diarrhoea	15 to 19	0.99	0.99
Diarrhoea	20 to 24	0.99	1.00
Diarrhoea	25 to 29	0.99	1.00
Diarrhoea	30 to 34	0.99	1.00
Diarrhoea	35 to 39	0.99	1.00
Diarrhoea	40 to 44	0.99	0.99
Diarrhoea	45 to 49	0.99	0.99
Diarrhoea	5 to 9	0.99	0.99
Diarrhoea	50 to 54	0.99	0.98
Diarrhoea	55 to 59	0.99	0.97
Diarrhoea	60 to 64	0.99	0.97
Diarrhoea	65 to 69	0.99	0.96
Diarrhoea	70 to 74	0.99	0.96
Diarrhoea	75 to 79	0.99	0.97
Diarrhoea	80 to 84	0.99	0.97
Diarrhoea	85 to 89	0.99	0.98
Diarrhoea	90 to 94	0.99	0.98

Diarrhoea	95 plus	0.99	0.99
Diarrhoea	Early Neonatal	1.00	1.00
Diarrhoea	Late Neonatal	1.00	1.00
Diarrhoea	Post Neonatal	0.98	0.99
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	1 to 4	0.99	0.94
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	10 to 14	0.99	0.97
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	15 to 19	0.99	0.96
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	20 to 24	0.99	0.96
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	25 to 29	0.99	0.97
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	30 to 34	0.99	0.97
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	35 to 39	0.99	0.97
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	40 to 44	0.99	0.97
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	45 to 49	0.99	0.96
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	5 to 9	0.99	0.95
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	50 to 54	0.99	0.96
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	55 to 59	0.99	0.95
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	60 to 64	0.99	0.95
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	65 to 69	0.99	0.95
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	70 to 74	0.99	0.96
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	75 to 79	0.99	0.96
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	80 to 84	0.99	0.97
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	85 to 89	0.99	0.98
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	90 to 94	0.99	0.98
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	95 plus	0.99	0.98
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	Early Neonatal	0.99	0.98
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	Late Neonatal	0.99	0.98
Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	Post Neonatal	0.99	0.89
HAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	5 to 69	0.96	0.89
HAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	70+ years	0.96	0.89
HAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	Neonatal	0.99	0.50
HAI lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	Post Neonatal to 5	0.97	0.94
HAI urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis	0 to 39	0.99	0.77
HAI urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis	40 plus	0.99	0.86
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	0 to 9	0.99	0.94
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	10 to 14	0.99	0.95
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	15 to 19	0.99	0.88
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	20 to 24	0.99	0.82
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	25 to 29	0.99	0.85
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	30 to 34	0.99	0.83
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	35 to 39	0.99	0.85
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	40 to 44	0.99	0.84
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	45 to 49	0.99	0.84
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	50 to 54	0.99	0.88
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	55 to 59	0.99	0.89

Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	60 to 64	0.99	0.90
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	65 to 69	0.99	0.90
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	70 to 74	0.99	0.91
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	75 to 79	0.99	0.92
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	80 to 84	0.99	0.93
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	85 to 89	0.99	0.94
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	90 to 94	0.99	0.94
Infections of bone, joints, and related organs	95 plus	0.99	0.95
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	1 to 4	0.98	0.98
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	10 to 14	0.97	0.98
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	15 to 19	0.98	0.97
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	20 to 24	0.99	0.97
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	25 to 29	0.99	0.98
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	30 to 34	0.99	0.98
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	35 to 39	0.99	0.97
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	40 to 44	0.99	0.96
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	45 to 49	0.99	0.96
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	5 to 9	0.97	0.97
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	50 to 54	0.99	0.94
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	55 to 59	0.99	0.93
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	60 to 64	0.99	0.93
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	65 to 69	0.99	0.92
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	70 to 74	0.99	0.92
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	75 to 79	0.99	0.91
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	80 to 84	0.99	0.92
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	85 to 89	0.99	0.92
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	90 to 94	0.99	0.93
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	95 plus	0.99	0.92
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	Early Neonatal	0.99	0.99
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	Late Neonatal	1.00	0.99
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	Post Neonatal	0.99	0.98
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	1 to 4	0.99	0.97
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	10 to 14	0.97	0.96
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	15 to 19	0.96	0.96
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	20 to 24	0.97	0.97
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	25 to 29	0.98	0.98
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	30 to 34	0.98	0.98
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	35 to 39	0.98	0.98
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	40 to 44	0.97	0.97
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	45 to 49	0.97	0.96
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	5 to 9	0.98	0.97
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	50 to 54	0.96	0.95
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	55 to 59	0.96	0.95
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	60 to 64	0.96	0.95

Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	65 to 69	0.96	0.95
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	70 to 74	0.97	0.96
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	75 to 79	0.97	0.97
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	80 to 84	0.98	0.98
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	85 to 89	0.98	0.98
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	90 to 94	0.98	0.98
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	95 plus	0.99	0.98
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	Early Neonatal	0.99	0.97
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	Late Neonatal	0.99	0.97
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	Post Neonatal	0.98	0.94

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632 *Table 4.7.2: Accuracy and AUC score for out-of-sample validation of sepsis models*

Model	Age group name	Accuracy	AUC score
Sepsis	1 to 4	0.89	0.93
Sepsis	10 to 14	0.90	0.92
Sepsis	15 to 19	0.95	0.94
Sepsis	20 to 24	0.95	0.94
Sepsis	25 to 29	0.94	0.95
Sepsis	30 to 34	0.93	0.94
Sepsis	35 to 39	0.93	0.93
Sepsis	40 to 44	0.93	0.91
Sepsis	45 to 49	0.93	0.88
Sepsis	5 to 9	0.89	0.92
Sepsis	50 to 54	0.93	0.86
Sepsis	55 to 59	0.94	0.84
Sepsis	60 to 64	0.94	0.83
Sepsis	65 to 69	0.94	0.83
Sepsis	70 to 74	0.95	0.84
Sepsis	75 to 79	0.95	0.85
Sepsis	80 to 84	0.96	0.87
Sepsis	85 to 89	0.96	0.88
Sepsis	90 to 94	0.96	0.90
Sepsis	95 plus	0.96	0.92
Sepsis	Early Neonatal	0.91	0.87
Sepsis	Late Neonatal	0.87	0.88
Sepsis	Post Neonatal	0.88	0.89

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## 634 Section 5: Case fatality ratios

### 635 Section 5.1: Input data

636 Case fatality ratios (CFRs) were modelled for the pathogens and infectious syndromes of interest  
637 using all available data detailing the organism responsible for infection, the infectious syndrome, and  
638 patient outcome. This included hospital and microbial data, totalling 19.7 million isolates and cases.

639 We additionally included 52 907 cases from literature sources for CNS infections, which had been  
640 previously extracted for a systematic review in GBD.

## 641 [Section 5.2: Data Processing](#)

642 All input data sources were processed as described in sections 6.2.1–6.2.4 and section 6.2.7 and  
643 pathogens of interest were chosen as described in section 6.2.5. Input data for the CFR models were  
644 aggregated based on data source, year, GBD location, and age group (as well as hospital/community  
645 acquired status, in the case of the lower respiratory and urogenital infectious models). For lower  
646 respiratory and blood stream infections, for which CFRs could be vastly different in neonates, we  
647 modelled the following age groups: neonatal, post-neonatal–5 years, 5–50 years, 50–70 years, and  
648 70 years and older. For all other infectious syndromes, we modelled the following age groups:  
649 neonatal–5 years, 5–50 years, 50–70 years, and 70 years and older. We excluded from the analysis  
650 any source-location-year-age with fewer than five cases and zero deaths.

651 To allow us to implement our Bayesian, mixed-effect linear modelling tool (described below), CFRs  
652 were logit-transformed. We used the delta method to compute the standard error of CFRs in logit  
653 space. To incorporate data with zero deaths, or with an equal number of deaths and cases, we  
654 applied a 1% offset, such that the CFRs for data with zero deaths was represented as 1% and the CFR  
655 for data with an equal number of deaths and cases was represented as 99%.

## 656 [Section 5.3: Modelling overview](#)

657 Pathogen-specific CFRs were modelled separately by infectious syndrome and were calculated as a  
658 function of HAQ Index and age. We used the HAQ Index to extrapolate CFRs determined from the  
659 input data, which often had a broad but not comprehensive geographic scope, to all 204 GBD  
660 countries and territories. To account for heterogeneity across the sources of input data, we  
661 implemented a mixed-effects meta-regression framework, modelling data source as a random  
662 effect. We further incorporated a binary fixed-effect denoting whether the data source only included  
663 intensive care unit (ICU) patients, for which CFRs were expected to be higher.

664 The pathogens of interest for each infectious syndrome were determined by prevalence in the data  
665 and expert opinion, with the goal of modelling approximately 90% of specified-pathogens associated  
666 with each infectious syndrome (see section 6.2.5). Because each data source generally reported only  
667 a set of the pathogens we evaluated in our research, the input data for the pathogens varied in  
668 geographic coverage; nearly all pathogens were well reported in high-income areas, but some  
669 pathogens were not well represented in the smaller subset of data we collected from low- and  
670 middle-income locations.

671 For those pathogens with ‘rich’ data, defined by our method as having at least ten high-quality data  
672 points below a moderate HAQ Index (0.7), we modelled a unique effect of HAQ Index, achieved by  
673 interacting the HAQ Index fixed-effect with the pathogen-specific fixed-effect. This process, referred  
674 to from here on as the ‘interaction model,’ allowed the relative deadliness of pathogens to vary  
675 depending on a location’s HAQ Index. For those pathogens with fewer than 10 high quality data  
676 points below 0.7 HAQ Index, or those whose results in the interaction models indicated an  
677 unrealistically large influence of HAQ Index (eg, 70% CFR in low HAQ Index countries, 1% CFR in high  
678 HAQ Index countries), we modelled a pathogen-specific intercept with an HAQ Index fixed-effect  
679 shared across the pathogens. As a consequence of the single fixed-effect on HAQ Index, a pathogen  
680 that was predicted to be the deadliest in low HAQ Index countries would also be predicted to be the  
681 deadliest in high HAQ Index countries in these ‘intercept models.’ To estimate the CFRs for other  
682 known bacteria, which either were not selected as a pathogen of interest or lacked sufficient data  
683 for inclusion in the intercept models, we pooled all bacterial data together and estimated a single

684 CFR curve from age, HAQ Index, and the data source heterogeneity covariates. Thus, up to three  
685 models were run for each infectious syndrome:

- 686 1) an interaction model including data for all data rich pathogens and ‘other specified  
687 bacteria’ (which was included to inform the overall influence of HAQ Index on CFR,  
688 predictions were only generated for the data rich pathogens),
- 689 2) an intercept model including data for data rich and data sparse pathogens, as well as  
690 ‘other specified bacteria’ (predictions were only generated for the data sparse  
691 pathogens), and
- 692 3) an ‘other bacteria’ model that included data for all bacterial pathogens (predictions  
693 were generated by HAQ Index and age, without any pathogen specific term).

694 Details of the CFR modelling framework used to assess the pathogens for each infectious syndrome  
695 have been published previously.<sup>1</sup> Whenever needed, the CFR for any bacterial pathogen “not  
696 explicitly modelled” was estimated using the ‘other bacteria’ model for subsequent steps of our  
697 modelling processes.

698 For some infectious syndromes, the relative deadliness of a pathogen may be strongly determined  
699 by either the age of the patient or whether the infection was community- or hospital-acquired. For  
700 bloodstream infections, we ran two distinct sets of CFR models, one for neonates (0-27 days) and  
701 another for post neonates, to capture the differing dynamics of pathogen deadliness in these two  
702 populations. As is done for our other modelling processes, we also separate community-acquired  
703 and hospital-acquired cases in our CFR models for lower respiratory and urogenital infections.  
704 Because some data sources did not provide enough information to infer whether an infection was  
705 community- or hospital-acquired, but still included important information on the relative  
706 pathogenesis and the difference in CFRs across varying HAQ indices, infections of unknown origin  
707 were included in both the community-acquired and hospital-acquired models for these two  
708 syndromes. Any bias in these ‘unknown origin’ infections was adjusted for using a binary fixed-effect  
709 representing an ‘unknown origin’ infection, and predictions were generated for the community- and  
710 hospital-acquired infections only.

## 711 [Section 5.4 Modelling framework](#)

712 The data were analysed using a meta-analytic mixed effects structure. The main model can be  
713 specified as follows:

$$714 \quad \text{logit}(y_i) = X_i\beta + u_i1 + \epsilon_i, \quad \epsilon_i \sim N(0, \Sigma_i), \quad u_i \sim N(0, \gamma) \quad (5.4.1)$$

715 where

- 716 •  $y_i$  contains CFRs for data source  $i$
- 717 • Design matrix  $X_i$  contains as columns the following covariates
  - 718 ○ in all models:
    - 719 ▪ HAQ Index
    - 720 ▪ dummy-coded indicator for age group
    - 721 ▪ dummy-coded ICU indicator for data source (1 if data source only compiles  
722 information on ICU patients, 0 if a mix between ICU/non-ICU patients)
  - 723 ○ in ‘interaction’ and ‘intercept’ models:
    - 724 ▪ dummy-coded indicator for pathogen
  - 725 ○ in ‘interaction’ models only:
    - 726 ▪ interaction between pathogen and HAQ Index (product of dummy-coded  
727 pathogen columns and HAQ Index)

- 728 ○ in models evaluating community/hospital acquired infection (LRI+, UTI):
- 729     ▪ dummy-coded variable indicating source of infection (1 if unknown source, 0
- 730     if community OR hospital acquired, depending on whether the model is
- 731     evaluating community or hospital infections)
- 732 •  $\beta$  are fixed effect multipliers
- 733 •  $\epsilon_i$  are observation error terms with known variances
- 734 •  $u_i$  are data source-specific random intercepts with unknown covariance  $\gamma$

735 The underlying program used to fit the model (meta-regression, Bayesian, regularised, trimmed  
736 [MR-BRT]) is described elsewhere.<sup>25</sup> The program allows specification of priors on  $\gamma$  and  $\beta$ .

- 737 • Prior on  $\gamma$ , data source random effect: Many input data-sources cover only a single country,
- 738 leading to low variability in HAQ Index within each data-source. Such collinearity adversely
- 739 influenced the accuracy of the estimated effect of HAQ Index, which was instrumental in
- 740 extrapolating trends from the input data to global results. To emphasise the contribution of
- 741 HAQ Index over data-source in the modelled estimates, we implemented a strong Gaussian
- 742 prior (mean 0, standard deviation 0.001) on  $\gamma$ .
- 743 • Prior on  $\beta$  for HAQ Index: There were a handful of cases in which the estimated effect of
- 744 HAQ Index on CFRs given our data was clinically implausible. For skin and neonatal
- 745 bloodstream infections, we had very limited data from low HAQ Index locations, with
- 746 available data indicating a very intense influence of HAQ Index. Initial model results for these
- 747 syndromes indicated more than 10-fold higher CFRs in low HAQ Index countries relative to
- 748 high HAQ Index countries. To attenuate the effect of HAQ Index in these models we
- 749 implemented a weakly informative Gaussian prior on the HAQ Index  $\beta$  with mean 0 and
- 750 standard deviation 0.2.

751  
752 Similarly, the peritoneal and intra-abdominal infection CFR models did not have enough  
753 input data from low HAQ Index countries to estimate a sensible HAQ Index-CFR trend; initial  
754 models indicated very strong positive associations between CFR and HAQ Index such that  
755 the CFR in low HAQ Index countries were nearly zero. To amend this, we implemented an  
756 informative Gaussian prior on the HAQ Index  $\beta$  with mean equal to the coefficient estimate  
757 for HAQ Index in the adult BSI models. The standard deviation for this prior was 0.2.

758  
759 For the urogenital infection models (which were ran separately for community- and hospital-  
760 acquired infections) and those for hospital-acquired lower respiratory infections, there was  
761 substantial collinearity between HAQ Index and the indicator variable for infections of  
762 unknown origin; data that did not indicate the origin of infection were generally sourced  
763 from countries with much lower HAQ Indices and much higher baseline CFRs. To emphasise  
764 the attribution of this effect to HAQ Index, rather than 'unknown infection origin,' we  
765 implemented an informative Gaussian prior on the HAQ Index  $\beta$ . The mean of this prior was  
766 centered at a value estimated for the coefficient of HAQ Index on CFR from weighted simple  
767 linear regression, with the weights equal to the inverse of the standard error of the CFRs.  
768 The standard deviation for this prior was 0.2.

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770 *Table 5.4.1: Number of data points and parameters estimated in each case fatality ratio model*

Infectious syndrome	Sub-model	CFR model type	Data points (source-location-years)	Estimated parameters
CNS	-	Interaction	2094	13
CNS	-	Intercept	2756	15
CNS	-	Other	2756	7
Intra-abdominal	-	Intercept	639	12
Intra-abdominal	-	Other	639	6
LRI+	Community-acquired	Intercept	10485	23
LRI+	Community-acquired	Other	10485	8
LRI+	Hospital-acquired	Intercept	10122	23
LRI+	Hospital-acquired	Other	10122	8
Skin	-	Intercept	1866	15
Skin	-	Other	1897	6
Bone+	-	Intercept	432	12
Bone+	-	Other	432	5
UTI	Community-acquired	Intercept	1596	20
UTI	Community-acquired	Other	1596	7
UTI	Hospital-acquired	Intercept	1844	20
UTI	Hospital-acquired	Other	1844	7
BSI	Neonatal	Intercept	1413	18
BSI	Neonatal	Other	1271	3
BSI	Non-neonatal	Interaction	7468	24
BSI	Non-neonatal	Intercept	10842	25
BSI	Non-neonatal	Other	10842	6
Diarrhoea	-	Intercept	4041	14
Diarrhoea	-	Other	3525	6

771 BSI = Bloodstream infections. CNS = Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections. LRI+ = Lower respiratory infections  
 772 and all related infections in the thorax. Intra-abdominal = Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections. Skin = Bacterial infections of the skin  
 773 and subcutaneous systems. UTI = Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis. Bone+ = Infections of bones, joints, and related organs.

774 **Section 5.5 Predictions and uncertainty**

775 Predictions for 2019 CFRs were generated for each country, age group, and pathogen as a function  
 776 of each country’s HAQ Index, assuming mixed ICU/non-ICU patients and, in the case of models for  
 777 UTI and LRI+, that the infection was community- or hospital-acquired (in contrast to infections of  
 778 unknown origin). For pathogens with insufficient data to estimate a syndrome-specific CFR, we  
 779 predicted out using the ‘other bacteria’ CFR associated with the infectious syndrome. Importantly,  
 780 all of the CFRs we calculate by infectious syndrome are independent of that syndrome’s underlying  
 781 cause.

782 Uncertainty estimates were generated using asymptotic uncertainty intervals. Specifically, for the  
 783 model, the posterior uncertainty for the coefficients  $\beta$  is Gaussian, with mean and variance given  
 784 below:

785 
$$\hat{\beta} = (\sum_i X_i^T V_i^{-1} X_i)^{-1} (\sum_i X_i^T V_i^{-1} y_i) \tag{5.5.1}$$

786 
$$Var(\hat{\beta}) = (\sum_i X_i^T V_i^{-1} X_i)^{-1} \tag{5.5.2}$$

787 where



788 
$$V_i = 11^T + \hat{\gamma}I \tag{5.5.2}$$

789 The variance-covariance matrix was used to obtain 1000 draws for the coefficients, which are then  
790 used to get intervals for the predictions.

## 791 Section 6: Pathogen distribution

### 792 Section 6.1: Input data

793 With this model, we aimed to estimate the distribution of pathogens causing each infectious  
794 syndrome. To get input data for this model, we gathered all available data sources described in  
795 section 2 that meet the following criteria:

- 796 • Sufficient diagnosis (for patient- or admission-level datasets) or sample specimen type (for  
797 isolate- or culture-level datasets) information for us to determine the infectious syndrome
- 798 • Information on which pathogen(s) caused the infection or which pathogen(s) were detected  
799 in an infectious sample, as determined through culture or genomic-based methods
- 800 • Did not have a strongly biased sampling framework across pathogens (for example, did not  
801 deliberately sample until 100 cases of every pathogen of interest had been obtained)

802 The input data source types that met these criteria were:

- 803 • Multiple causes of death data
- 804 • Hospital discharge
- 805 • Linkage data
- 806 • Microbial data with and without outcome information
- 807 • Literature studies from the aetiology literature reviews
- 808 • Mortality surveillance (Child Health and Mortality Prevention Surveillance [CHAMPS])

809 From these sources combined, there was a total of 343 million isolates and cases. Table S1 provides  
810 a detailed breakdown of this total.

### 811 Section 6.2: Data processing

#### 812 Section 6.2.1: Extraction and standardisation

813 We extracted and standardised the location, year, age, sex, diagnoses, specimen type, pathogens,  
814 and hospital- and community-acquired (HAI and CAI) status of each record in every dataset. HAI or  
815 CAI status in microbial data was determined as described in section 2.3, while in MCoD, hospital  
816 discharge, and linkage data, a record was considered CAI if the infectious syndrome was the primary  
817 or underlying diagnosis and HAI otherwise, as described in section 4. These datasets report a variety  
818 of metrics, including deaths, admissions, cases, cultures, and isolates. While these metrics are not  
819 completely comparable (for example, a single patient may often have multiple cultures taken during  
820 a single hospital admission), we chose to standardise them into two categories: “deaths,” for any  
821 unit associated with an outcome of death, and “cases,” for any unit regardless of outcome. We  
822 assigned a unique identifier, sample ID, to track each unique unit of analysis whenever a dataset  
823 included enough line-level data to make this possible. We did not track the relationship between  
824 sample ID and patient or admission, in many cases because this was not possible; an improvement  
825 to future analyses may be to track this information and account for multiple isolates or cultures from  
826 a single admission. The majority of the data informing culprit pathogen were from microbiological  
827 analysis of various isolates, but we also considered antigen testing, such as the urinary strep antigen,  
828 and polymerase chain reaction (PCR)-based testing when assigning the pathogen responsible for  
829 infection.

830 [Section 6.2.2: Assigning infectious syndrome](#)

831 After standardising the data, we mapped every sample ID or tabulated figure in the data to  
 832 infectious syndrome based on its diagnoses and specimen type. Infectious syndrome was assigned  
 833 first based on any diagnosis associated with a given sample ID or tabulated figure. For samples IDs or  
 834 tabulated figures with multiple diagnoses and/or an underlying diagnosis, we followed the rules laid  
 835 out in section 4 for assigning infectious syndrome based on multiple causes. If a dataset contained  
 836 no diagnoses or the diagnoses provided no information on infectious syndrome, we assigned  
 837 infectious syndrome based on specimen type (table 6.2.2.1). This is an imprecise method because a  
 838 patient may have a sample taken from an organ system that is not the site of their primary infection,  
 839 most commonly from the blood. Finally, if neither diagnosis nor specimen information provided  
 840 information on infectious syndrome, we assigned infectious syndrome based on pathogen for a  
 841 select number of pathogens (table 6.2.2.2).

842 [Table 6.2.2.1: Syndrome assignment based on standardised specimen types](#)

Standard specimen	Assigned to syndrome
Blood	Bloodstream infections
Bone & joint	Infections of bones, joints, and related organs
Catheter	Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems
Cerebrospinal fluid	Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections
Gastrointestinal tract & bowel	Diarrhoea
Urinary tract infection	Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis
Intra-abdominal	Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections
Rectal/stool	Diarrhoea
Lower respiratory	Lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax
Skin	Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems
Upper respiratory	Other infections
Urogenital	Other infections
Other and unspecified specimens	No infectious syndrome

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844 [Table 6.2.2.2: Syndrome assignment based on pathogen for entries lacking diagnostic and specimen](#)  
 845 [information](#)

Pathogen	Assigned to syndrome
<i>Salmonella</i> Typhi	Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
<i>Salmonella</i> Paratyphi	Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
<i>Salmonella</i> Typhi or Paratyphi	Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
Non-typhoidal <i>Salmonella</i> species	Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>	Tuberculosis
<i>Neisseria meningitidis</i>	Central nervous system infections
<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i>	Gonorrhoea and chlamydia

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847 [Section 6.2.3: Contaminants and no aetiology detected](#)

848 Some pathogens cause disease so rarely or are so commonly contaminants that we considered them  
849 to be contaminants, unlikely to be the true cause of disease. Examples include many  
850 *Corynebacterium* species and *Staphylococcus epidermidis*. We dropped all such contaminants from  
851 the analysis, as well as any record listed by treating clinicians in the data as a contaminant.  
852 Contaminants are identified at the most-detailed species or serotype level reported in the data;  
853 thus, in the broad pathogen categories that are eventually modelled, like fungi in LRI+, specific  
854 contaminant species have already been removed.

855 We also dropped from the analysis all records where no pathogen was detected, or the patient  
856 diagnosis indicated an unspecified bacterium. This assumes that the distribution of pathogens  
857 among cases with known aetiology are the same as those with unknown aetiology; in other words,  
858 that the probability of detection is the same for every pathogen. This assumption may break down if  
859 certain pathogens are more difficult to detect than others, or in cases where a pathogen is  
860 irregularly tested for within a laboratory.

861 [Section 6.2.4: Polymicrobial infections](#)

862 A single infection may be caused by multiple bacteria, and the co-occurrence of several bacteria can  
863 have significant effects on the treatment and outcome of disease. Some of our line-level data  
864 sources report multiple pathogens per individual record, allowing us to quantify the extent of  
865 polymicrobial infection. Other data sources tabulate over pathogen with no linking clinical  
866 information, thereby masking this information, or do not report the co-occurrence of additional  
867 bacteria.

868 For data sources where multiple pathogens were listed per sample ID, we classified these cases  
869 according to the following criteria. First, if a case contained more than one of “unspecified bacteria,”  
870 “virus,” “fungus,” and another pathogen(s), we chose to drop all these pathogens except the one(s)  
871 most likely to be responsible for disease, with the following ranking from most to least likely:

- 872 1. Another pathogen(s)
- 873 2. Unspecified bacteria
- 874 3. Virus
- 875 4. Fungus

876 For example, for a sample ID with pathogens *Escherichia coli*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, and a virus,  
877 we would drop the virus and retain both the *E. coli* and *A. baumannii*. After applying this drop, we  
878 considered any sample ID that contained more than one pathogen to be polymicrobial and  
879 polymicrobial was treated as a distinct pathogen category in all further analysis. This scheme was  
880 designed to best interrogate the contribution of bacterial disease and thus certain co-occurrence  
881 profiles, like a viral infection co-occurring with a fungal infection, were considered to be  
882 uninformative. Futures studies will seek to better understand the interplay of a more varied set of  
883 polymicrobial co-infections.

884 By standardising all datasets that report polymicrobial infections into distinct mono-pathogen and  
885 poly-pathogen categories, we created an inconsistency between these datasets and datasets that do  
886 not report the co-occurrence of pathogens. For example, a dataset that reports the co-occurrence of  
887 *E. coli* and *A. baumannii* would be standardised into three groups, mono-*E.coli*, mono-*A. baumannii*,  
888 and co-occurring *E. coli* and *A. baumannii*, while a dataset that reports *E. coli* and *A. baumannii*  
889 separately would have two categories that both have some unknown overlap. In order to allow us to  
890 use both data types, we chose to assume that the relative prevalences of pathogens in datasets that

891 do not report co-occurrence would be comparable to their mono-pathogenic counterparts in  
892 datasets that do report co-occurrence. This assumes that the co-occurrence of pathogens is random  
893 and is not correlated for certain pathogens. We did not have sufficient data to fully test the validity  
894 of this assumption, given that few datasets report the full universe of pathogens which may co-  
895 occur.

#### 896 [Section 6.2.5: Selecting pathogens for estimation](#)

897 For each infectious syndrome, we selected roughly 10–20 pathogens to estimate explicitly in the  
898 pathogen distribution based on the following criteria:

- 899 • The prevalence of each pathogen in the raw data
- 900 • Clinical knowledge about the primary aetiologies of each infectious syndrome
- 901 • The amount of available data, which limits the number of pathogens that can be estimated  
902 successfully

903 In addition to the  $n$  pathogens for a given syndrome that we estimate explicitly, we also included an  
904 “other specified pathogens” category for every infectious syndrome, to which we mapped all other  
905 aetiologies identified in the data. Thus, the set of estimated pathogens for each infectious syndrome  
906 is mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive of all possible aetiologies. Polymicrobial infections  
907 were either estimated explicitly or included in the “other” category, making all explicitly estimated  
908 individual pathogens mono-pathogenic. In addition to these criteria, we also considered the  
909 following factors:

- 910 • Components of this work were motivated by an analysis on the burden of antimicrobial  
911 resistance in bacteria; we therefore erred on the side of estimating bacteria with strong  
912 evidence of AMR, rather than bacteria with low evidence of AMR or non-bacterial  
913 aetiologies. Estimates for diarrhoeal pathogens were sourced from affiliated research on the  
914 GBD and selected pathogens using a different procedure. Please refer to Section 6.4.2 for  
915 more details.
- 916 • Clinically relevant aetiologies differ from syndrome to syndrome, and we were unable to  
917 estimate all pathogens explicitly in every syndrome due to a lack of data. Therefore, the  
918 “other” pathogen category is composed of slightly different pathogens for every infectious  
919 syndrome, and can occasionally contain pathogens that are explicitly estimated for another  
920 infectious syndrome.
- 921 • We sought to include enough explicitly estimated pathogens to ensure that the “other”  
922 category remained below 10% for all infectious syndromes.

923 For a list of pathogens covered in each infectious syndrome model, please refer to table 6.3.2.

#### 924 [Section 6.2.6: Estimating unbiased other and polymicrobial categories](#)

925 One of the central challenges of estimating pathogen distributions was that not every data source  
926 tested for or reported every possible aetiology of a given infectious syndrome. For example, many  
927 literature studies on the aetiologies of meningitis only report on bacterial aetiologies. Some  
928 surveillance systems, like the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Active Bacterial  
929 Core surveillance (ABCs), only collect data on certain pathogens of interest. Only certain pathogens  
930 are referenced explicitly in the International Classification of Diseases (ICD), limiting which  
931 pathogens can be identified from ICD-based data types like MCoD and hospital discharge. Finally,  
932 some datasets reported only a subset of the pathogens that we are interested in for a given  
933 infectious syndrome, reporting the remaining aetiologies in an aggregate “other” category. These  
934 practices have led to inconsistencies in the “other” and “polymicrobial” categories across data

935 sources. Datasets can either over or under-report “other,” and datasets that report fewer specific  
936 pathogens will automatically report fewer polymicrobial infections.

937 To address this problem, we maintained a list of data sources that we believe have sufficient testing  
938 and reporting to give unbiased estimates of “other” and “polymicrobial” for all syndromes. We  
939 dropped any data on “polymicrobial” or “other” that did not come from these data sources. These  
940 data sources all had a complete sampling framework (e.g., they do not limit the scope of aetiologies  
941 that they test for) and reported their results without any deliberate aggregation. While we believe  
942 this list provided an accurate starting place for the estimation of “other” and “polymicrobial,” future  
943 work to improve this method would involve a more detailed analysis of sampling framework and  
944 reporting categories in each dataset, specific to each infectious syndrome.

945 There were two major exceptions to this method for handling “other specified pathogens.” First,  
946 determining the pathogenic aetiology of LRI with microbiology represents challenges that have been  
947 well described previously.<sup>26,27</sup> In order to account for this limitation, we utilised a vaccine probe  
948 design to inform the *Streptococcus pneumoniae* cause fraction of LRI, consistent with the approach  
949 used in the GBD aetiology estimation process.<sup>28</sup> In brief, we extracted the vaccine efficacy of the  
950 pneumococcal vaccine against all pneumonia from 18 vaccine probe studies with randomised-  
951 control trial, before-after, and cohort designs among children and adults. We then calculated the  
952 PAF of pneumonia due to *S. pneumoniae* in each study (*Strep Base PAF*) based on these vaccine  
953 efficacies ( $VE_{all\ pneumonia}$ ), the vaccine efficacy of pneumococcal vaccine against vaccine-type  
954 pneumococcal pneumonia as pooled from three studies (two in children and one in adults) ( $VE_{vtp}$ ),  
955 the percentage of the population covered by the pneumococcal vaccine as modelled in GBD (100%  
956 for RCTs) ( $Cov_{PCV3}$ ),<sup>29</sup> and the percent of serotypes covered by the vaccine<sup>30</sup> ( $Cov_{serotype}$ )  
957 (equation 6.2.6.1). We modelled a global age-specific PAF for *S. pneumoniae* based on these data in  
958 the MR-BRT environment and finally adjusted this PAF based on the vaccine coverage in children in  
959 every GBD location in 2019 and optimal vaccine efficacy in children (*Strep Final PAF*) (equation  
960 6.2.6.2). In adults (age 5+), we assumed the effects of vaccination on adults would be primarily  
961 indirect from vaccination in children, and included an adjustment factor on the vaccine efficacy to  
962 account for this, derived from Grijalva et al.<sup>31</sup>

$$963 \quad \textit{Strep Base PAF} = \frac{VE_{all\ pneumonia}}{VE_{vtp}Cov_{PCV3}Cov_{serotype}} \quad (6.2.6.1)$$

$$964 \quad \textit{Strep Final PAF} = \frac{\textit{Strep Base PAF}(1 - Cov_{PCV3}Cov_{serotype}VE_{PCV3\ Optimal})}{1 - (\textit{Strep Base PAF})Cov_{PCV3}Cov_{serotype}VE_{PCV3\ Optimal}} \quad (6.2.6.2)$$

965

966 In this vaccine probe analysis,  $(1 - \textit{Strep Final PAF})$  is not consistent with the “other” category in  
967 our model, since it includes all non-*S. pneumoniae* aetiologies. We retained all of the data from the  
968 vaccine probe analysis as two categories, *S. pneumoniae* and “not *S. pneumoniae*” and addressed  
969 the inconsistencies between them and our other data using our modelling framework.

970 The second major exception involves several literature studies on the proportion of neonatal  
971 bacterial meningitis caused by *Streptococcus agalactiae* (Group B *Streptococcus*; GBS). We found  
972 that these literature studies were important to our estimation of the pathogen distribution of  
973 neonatal meningitis, which is distinct from other age groups because of its high proportion of GBS.  
974 However, these studies either only reported or were only extracted with two categories, GBS and

975 “other bacterial, not GBS.” We retained both these categories and addressed the inconsistencies  
976 between them and our other data using our modelling framework.

### 977 [Section 6.2.7: Age-sex splitting](#)

978 We standardised age and sex across all datasets to the following most-detailed groups using the GBD  
979 causes of death age-sex splitting algorithm for age:<sup>32</sup> 0–6, 7–27, and 28–364 days, and 1–4, 5–9, 10–  
980 14, 15–19, 20–24, 25–29, 30–34, 35–39, 40–44, 45–49, 50–54, 55–59, 60–64, 65–69, 70–74, 75–79,  
981 80–84, 85–89, 90–94, 95+ years; and sex: male and female. This algorithm is based on the  
982 assumption that age-sex pattern of the death or case rate for a given infectious syndrome or  
983 pathogen is inherent to the pathology of the disease and is therefore constant across location and  
984 year.

985 To apply the algorithm, we first calculated distinct age-sex weights for every infectious syndrome  
986 and pathogen, separately for deaths and cases. These weights are the aggregate death and case  
987 rates across all datasets that report every detailed age-sex group. If we were to use a dataset that  
988 only reported some of the detailed age-sex groups, then the unreported age-sex groups would be  
989 biased downwards in the weight distribution. Calculating rates based on raw data counts could lead  
990 to extremely low rates, since we are typically comparing the entire population of a given location-  
991 year to deaths or cases captured within a single study, hospital, or surveillance system. Since the  
992 age-sex splitting algorithm only relies on the relative distribution of the weights, however, rather  
993 than their absolute level, this bias ultimately had no effect. For any infectious syndrome or pathogen  
994 combination for which we did not have enough data to create plausible age-sex weights, we used a  
995 set of all-pathogen weights for that infectious syndrome instead.

996 Since we split cases and deaths independently, it is possible for a detailed age-sex group produced  
997 by the splitting algorithm to contain fewer cases than deaths. When this occurred, we capped the  
998 deaths to match the cases. For future improvement, a possible solution to this problem may be to  
999 split deaths, survivors, and cases without indication of outcome separately.

### 1000 [Section 6.2.8: Standardising measures](#)

1001 The input data sources reported a variety of combinations of measures, including some that  
1002 reported deaths only, some that reported cases only, and some that reported both cases and  
1003 deaths. In order to standardise these measures to cases, we estimated infectious syndrome- and  
1004 pathogen-specific CFRs (see section 5) and used these CFRs to convert all deaths-only datasets to  
1005 cases. For any infectious syndrome or pathogen combination for which we did not have enough data  
1006 to estimate plausible CFRs, we used a set of all-bacteria CFRs for that infectious syndrome instead.  
1007 All modelling was done in case space.

1008 Several of our microbial databases came exclusively from ICUs and were therefore heavily biased  
1009 towards severe illness. In order to mitigate this bias, we dropped all information on cases in ICU-only  
1010 datasets and recalculated implied cases based on reported deaths and our CFRs. No similar  
1011 adjustment was made to attempt to account for biases between hospitalised and un-hospitalised  
1012 populations, although we did account for HAI versus CAI for two infectious syndromes—LRI and  
1013 thorax infections and UTI—within our modelling framework.

## 1014 [Section 6.3: Modelling framework](#)

### 1015 [Section 6.3.1: Overview](#)

1016 To model the distribution of pathogens for each infectious syndrome, we developed a method for  
1017 the multinomial estimation of partial and compositional observations (MEPCO). We assumed that  
1018 the aetiologies of a given infectious syndrome followed a multinomial distribution. Due to

1019 inconsistencies in which pathogens are tested for and reported by different data sources, each data  
 1020 source contained partial observations of the possible outcomes of the underlying multinomial  
 1021 distribution. Certain data sources like the vaccine probe estimates and the GBS neonatal meningitis  
 1022 studies represent compositional observations, where pathogens like “not *S. pneumoniae*” and “other  
 1023 bacterial, not GBS” represent aggregates of more detailed pathogens.

1024 In order to use both partial and compositional data, we constructed a network model with the  
 1025 dependent variable as the log ratio of cases between different pathogens and estimated over a  
 1026 flexible parameterisation of multinomial parameters using a maximum likelihood approach. Consider  
 1027 a given infectious syndrome with a multinomial distribution of  $n$  mutually exclusive, collectively  
 1028 exhaustive aetiologies with probabilities  $p = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$ , so that each  $p_j \in (0,1)$  and  $\sum_j p_j = 1$ . The  
 1029 likelihood of an observation of  $c = (c_1, \dots, c_n)$ , where  $c_j =$  number of cases of pathogen  $j$  in a total  
 1030 sample of  $N$  infections ( $\sum_j c_j = N$ ), is:

$$1031 \quad P(c|p) = N! \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{p_j^{c_j}}{c_j!} \quad (6.3.1.1)$$

1032 We modelled the probabilities using a composition of a link function with a linear predictor:

$$1033 \quad p_{i,j} = \exp(x_{i,j}^T \beta_j) \quad (6.3.1.2)$$

1034 for observations  $i$ , a vector of covariates  $x_{i,j}$ , and a vector of coefficients  $\beta_j$  for each pathogen  $j$ .  
 1035 Table 6.3.2 shows the covariates used for infectious syndrome model; a typical specification  
 1036 included an intercept term, HAQ Index, a categorical age group dummy for large age bins, and any  
 1037 relevant vaccine coverage proportions by country.

1038 Aetiology probabilities were not directly observed. Rather, we observed ratios between sums of  
 1039 these probabilities, which reduce to ratios between sums of cases within each study. These  
 1040 observations therefore take the form:

$$1041 \quad y_i = \frac{\text{cases of pathogen A}}{\text{cases of pathogen B}} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n w_{i,j}^a \exp(x_{i,j}^T \beta_j)}{\sum_{j=1}^n w_{i,j}^b \exp(x_{i,j}^T \beta_j)} \quad (6.3.1.3)$$

1042 where  $w_{i,j}^a$  is a weight of 0 or 1 that selects the mutually exclusive, collectively exhaustive most-  
 1043 detailed pathogens that make up observed pathogen A, which may be a composite observation. For  
 1044 example, for the “other bacterial, non-GBS” pathogen,  $w_{i,j}$  would be 1 for *Staphylococcus aureus*, *S.*  
 1045 *pneumoniae*, *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Neisseria meningitidis*, *Listeria monocytogenes*, *K.*  
 1046 *pneumoniae*, *E. coli*, and other pathogens and 0 for GBS and virus. We dropped all observations  
 1047 where either the numerator or denominator had 0 observed cases in order to make this calculation  
 1048 and a forthcoming log transform possible. This may bias the model towards overestimating less  
 1049 common pathogens.

1050 It is not possible to infer all coefficients  $\beta_j$  from the observations, since they are all relative.  
 1051 However, if we fix all of the coefficients for one pathogen to 0 as a reference group, then we obtain  
 1052 a well-posed inverse problem, as long as there is enough data to estimate the remaining coefficients.  
 1053 Without loss of generality, we assumed  $\beta_1 = 0$  for all elements and obtain estimates of the  
 1054 remaining  $\beta_2, \dots, \beta_n$  by minimising the sum of the residuals between log-transformed observations  $y$   
 1055 and corresponding log-transformed predictions from equation 6.3.1.3:

1056 
$$\min_{\beta_2, \dots, \beta_n} f(\beta) := \sum_i \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} \left[ \ln(y_i) - \ln \left( \sum_{j=1}^n w_{i,j}^a \exp(x_{i,j}^T \beta_j) \right) + \ln \left( \sum_{j=1}^n w_{i,j}^b \exp(x_{i,j}^T \beta_j) \right) \right]^2 \quad (6.3.1.4)$$

1057 where  $\sigma_i^2$  are variances corresponding to the data points. Equation 6.3.1.4 is a nonlinear likelihood  
 1058 minimisation problem that that we optimised using a standard implementation of the Gauss-Newton  
 1059 method.<sup>33</sup> We then re-normalised the optimal coefficients to obtain final predictions of the  
 1060 probabilities of each pathogen:

1061 
$$p_{i,j} = \frac{\exp(x_{i,j}^T \beta_j)}{\sum_j \exp(x_{i,j}^T \beta_j)} \quad (6.3.1.5)$$

1062 To quantify the uncertainty of this estimate, we used the Fisher information matrix to obtain the  
 1063 posterior distribution of  $(\beta_2, \dots, \beta_n)$ . The Fisher information is a simple and efficient technique,  
 1064 widely used in both frequentist and Bayesian analysis.<sup>34</sup> The Fisher information matrix for all  
 1065 pathogens except for the reference was obtained by inverting the Gauss-Newton Hessian  
 1066 approximation at the final iterate. This technique gave us a posterior distribution that allowed us to  
 1067 sample draws of  $\beta = (\beta_1 = 0, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n)$ . For each  $\beta$  draw and given feature  $x$ , we obtained a  
 1068 corresponding draw of  $p$  using equation 6.3.1.5.

1069 Finally, to convert  $p_{i,j}$  for a given demographic group  $i$  from case space to deaths space, we  
 1070 transformed using our CFR estimate for demographic  $i$ :

1071 
$$p_{i,j}^{deaths} = \frac{p_{i,j} \times CFR_i}{\sum_j p_{i,j} \times CFR_i} \quad (6.3.1.6)$$

1072 This network regression with covariates framework allowed us to use partial and composite  
 1073 data that reported on one or only a few pathogens, or that reported multiple pathogens aggregated  
 1074 together. Networks, however, can be unstable with sparse data and stable estimates have in some  
 1075 cases required the use of Bayesian priors in these models. In particular, we imposed weakly  
 1076 informative Gaussian priors with mean 0 and non-zero variance on all coefficients except intercepts,  
 1077 to drive the model away from spurious effects driven by data sparsity. These priors were based on  
 1078 expert opinion and can be improved with further empirical validation in the future. Table 6.3.4  
 1079 provides a list of these priors.  
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1081 *Table 6.3.2: Pathogens assessed, covariates, and age groups for each infectious syndrome*

Infectious syndrome	Pathogens assessed	Model covariates	Age groups
Bloodstream infections	<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> , <i>Citrobacter</i> spp., <i>Enterobacter</i> spp., <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> , <i>Enterococcus faecium</i> , other enterococci, <i>Escherichia coli</i> , fungus, group A <i>Streptococcus</i> , group B <i>Streptococcus</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , <i>Neisseria meningitidis</i> , non-typhoidal <i>Salmonella</i> , polymicrobial, <i>Proteus</i> spp., <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Salmonella</i> Typhi, <i>Serratia</i> spp., <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> , <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	HAQ Index, <sup>14</sup> age group, age-standardised proportion of intravenous drug use, <sup>23</sup> proportion coverage by PCV3 vaccine, <sup>35</sup> indicator variable for Europe	Neonatal, Post-neonatal–5, 5–50, 50–70, 70+
Infections of bones, joints, and related organs	<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> , <i>Enterococcus faecium</i> , other enterococci, <i>Escherichia coli</i> , group A <i>Streptococcus</i> , group B <i>Streptococcus</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	HAQ Index, age group	Under 5, 5–50, 50–70, 70+



Endocarditis and other cardiac infections	See bloodstream infection pathogens	Not explicitly modelled. Pathogen distribution for bloodstream infections is used.	Neonatal, Post-neonatal–5, 5–50, 50–70, 70+
Diarrhoea	Adenovirus, <i>Aeromonas</i> spp., Amebiasis, <i>Campylobacter</i> spp., <i>Clostridium difficile</i> , cryptosporidium, enteropathogenic <i>Escherichia coli</i> , enterotoxigenic <i>Escherichia coli</i> , non-typhoidal <i>Salmonella</i> , norovirus, rotavirus, <i>Shigella</i> spp., <i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	Not modelled here. GBD diarrhoea aetiology estimates are used.	GBD most detailed age groups
Lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax	<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> , <i>Chlamydia</i> spp., <i>Enterobacter</i> spp., <i>Escherichia coli</i> , fungus, group B <i>Streptococcus</i> , <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , <i>Legionella</i> spp., <i>Mycoplasma</i> spp., polymicrobial, <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> , <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> , virus	HAQ Index, proportion coverage by PCV3 vaccine, proportion coverage by Hib3 vaccine, <sup>35</sup> age group, HAI/CAI	Neonatal, Post-neonatal–5, 5–50, 50–70, 70+
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	<i>Escherichia coli</i> , group B <i>Streptococcus</i> , <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> , <i>Neisseria meningitidis</i> , <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> , <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> , virus	HAQ Index, proportion coverage by PCV3 vaccine, proportion coverage by Hib3 vaccine, age group, proportion of population covered by '10-'15 MenAfriVac rollout <sup>32,36</sup>	Neonatal, Post-neonatal–5, 5–50, 50–70, 70+
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	<i>Citrobacter</i> spp., <i>Enterobacter</i> spp., <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> , <i>Enterococcus faecium</i> , <i>Escherichia coli</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , other <i>Klebsiella</i> species, <i>Proteus</i> spp., <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Serratia</i> spp., <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	HAQ Index, age group	Under 5, 5–50, 50–70, 70+
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> , <i>Enterobacter</i> spp., <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> , other enterococci, <i>Escherichia coli</i> , group A <i>Streptococcus</i> , group B <i>Streptococcus</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , <i>Proteus</i> spp., <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	HAQ Index, age group	Under 5, 5–50, 50–70, 70+
Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis	<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> , <i>Citrobacter</i> spp., <i>Enterobacter</i> spp., <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> , <i>Enterococcus faecium</i> , other enterococci, <i>Escherichia coli</i> , group B <i>Streptococcus</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , <i>Morganella</i> spp., <i>Proteus</i> spp., <i>Providencia</i> spp., <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Serratia</i> spp., <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	HAQ Index, age group, HAI/CAI	Under 5, 5–50, 50–70, 70+

1082 Group A *Streptococcus* = *Streptococcus pyogenes*. Group B *Streptococcus* = *Streptococcus agalactiae*. HAQ Index = Healthcare Access and  
1083 Quality Index. HAI/CAI = hospital-acquired infection/community-acquired infection.

1084 **Table 6.3.3: Number of data points and parameters in each pathogen distribution model**

Infectious syndrome	Subtype	Number of data points	Number of parameters
LRI+		158967	135
BSI		126417	180
Skin		1105	55
CNS	Neonatal	25615	81
CNS	Post neonatal	25579	81
UTI		23662	96
Bone+		1870	45
Intra-abdominal		2458	55

1085 BSI = Bloodstream infections. CNS = Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections. LRI+ = Lower respiratory infections  
1086 and all related infections in the thorax. Intra-abdominal = Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections. Skin = Bacterial infections of the skin  
1087 and subcutaneous systems. UTI = Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis. Bone+ = Infections of bones, joints, and related organs.

1088 **Table 6.3.4. Gaussian prior standard deviations for non-intercept coefficients for each pathogen  
1089 distribution model**

Infectious syndrome	Sub-type	Gaussian prior mean	Gaussian prior standard deviation
BSI		0	0.1
CNS	Neonatal	0	0.1

CNS	Non-neonatal	0	0.1
LRI+		0	0.1
Intra-abdominal		0	0.3
Skin		0	0.3
UTI		0	0.02 for <i>A. baumannii</i> /HAQ Index coefficient 0.1 for all others
Bone+		0	0.5

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## 1093 [Section 6.4: Exceptions and special handling](#)

1094 There were several notable exceptions and special handling decisions made for each individual  
1095 pathogen distribution model. We hope to address many of these exceptions with more sustainable  
1096 methods in our future work.

### 1097 [Section 6.4.1: Cardiac infections](#)

1098 For cardiac infections, we used the pathogen distribution for bloodstream infections rather than  
1099 estimating specific distributions for these syndromes, due to a lack of complete literature reviews on  
1100 the aetiologies and case-fatality rates of these syndromes. We consider this to be a serious limitation  
1101 of our methodology, but do not anticipate that is seriously impactful on our final estimates, since  
1102 cardiac infections are the third-lowest syndrome by deaths, comprising just 0.91% (95% UI 0.69–  
1103 1.17) of all sepsis deaths.

### 1104 [Section 6.4.2: Diarrhoea](#)

1105 In diarrhoea patients, cultures of specimens taken from the gastrointestinal tract, bowels, rectum, or  
1106 stool are almost always affected by contaminants or pathogens that are not the cause of diarrhoea.  
1107 For this reason, we believe that our input data and modelling framework are not able to accurately  
1108 capture the aetiologies of diarrhoea. We chose to use GBD estimates of the aetiologies of diarrhoea  
1109 in deaths instead of running our own model.<sup>37</sup> These estimates are based on the odds ratio of having  
1110 diarrhoea given the detection of a pathogen, obtained from the Global Enteric Multicenter Study,  
1111 therefore removing the influence of any pathogen that does not increase the risk of diarrhoea.

1112 A major limitation of using this study is that the GBD diarrhoea aetiology estimates are population  
1113 attributable fractions (PAFs) for each pathogen. These PAFs may add to greater than 1 and the  
1114 authors made no attempt to quantify the extent of co-occurrence of pathogens. This is inconsistent  
1115 with the pathogen distribution estimation method used in our study, which quantifies polymicrobial  
1116 infections and estimates all pathogens as mono-infections. In order to avoid duplication of cases in  
1117 our framework, we had to make some assumptions about the co-occurrence of pathogens in  
1118 diarrhoea. We chose to normalise the PAFs to 1 for any demographic where the sum of GBD  
1119 diarrhoea aetiology PAFs was greater than 1. This assumed that co-occurrence of pathogens was  
1120 random and that the “other” pathogens category was negligible in these demographics. We made  
1121 no adjustment to demographics where the PAFs added to less than 1. To convert the fatal PAFs to a  
1122 distribution of aetiologies in incidence, we rescaled the distribution according to our estimates of the  
1123 pathogen-specific case fatality ratios of diarrhoea, calculated as described in section 5.

### 1124 [Section 6.4.3: Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems](#)

1125 Certain skin and subcutaneous samples are easily affected by contaminants, colonization, and other  
1126 pathogens that are not the cause of infection. For this reason, we considered microbial data and  
1127 mortality surveillance to be too difficult to extract meaningful aetiology information from, and  
1128 instead used only ICD-coded databases (multiple cause of death, hospital discharge, and linkage  
1129 data) and literature studies as inputs into our model of the pathogen distribution of skin infections.

1130 [Section 6.4.4: Lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax](#)  
 1131 We dropped all laboratory-based microbiological data on *S. pneumoniae* for community-acquired LRI  
 1132 and thorax infections in non-neonatal age groups. This ensured that data from the vaccine probe  
 1133 analysis for *S. pneumoniae*, which we trusted to be most accurate, would predominate. Our model  
 1134 also predicted a high fraction of polymicrobial in neonates for community-acquired infections for  
 1135 this infectious syndrome based off of only 1 study, CHAMPS. We found this to be implausible and so  
 1136 dropped polymicrobial from the estimates for this age group in community-acquired infections and  
 1137 renormalised the proportions for all other pathogens to 1.

1138 [Section 6.4.5: Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections](#)  
 1139 Because dedicated anaerobic cultures were not routinely performed for peritoneal samples, we  
 1140 dropped all anaerobes observed in the data for and excluded anaerobes as an aetiology of intra-  
 1141 abdominal infections.

1142 [Section 6.4.6: Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections](#)  
 1143 Due to the unique pattern of meningitis in neonates, particularly the high prevalence of GBS, we  
 1144 modeled neonatal and adult central nervous syndrome infections separately.

1145 [Section 6.4.7: Infectious syndromes not modelled](#)  
 1146 For three infectious syndromes, we did not run a pathogen distribution model. These syndromes are  
 1147 all caused by distinct pathogens whose individual burdens are already estimated in GBD as separate  
 1148 causes of death. For these syndromes, we simply used GBD estimates (table 6.4.7.1)

1149 [Table 6.4.7.1: Infectious syndromes for which we used GBD estimates to obtain the pathogen](#)  
 1150 [distribution](#)

Infectious syndrome	Pathogens	GBD causes
Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella	<i>Salmonella</i> Typhi	Typhoid fever
	<i>Salmonella</i> Paratyphi	Paratyphoid fever
	Non-typhoidal <i>Salmonella</i>	Invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella
Tuberculosis	<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>	Tuberculosis
Gonorrhoea and chlamydia	<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i>	Gonococcal infection
	<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i>	Chlamydial infection

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 1152 [Section 6.5: Model validation](#)  
 1153 To assess model validity, we calculated the root mean square error (RMSE) and coefficient of  
 1154 determination ( $R^2$ ) for each pathogen distribution model in proportion space for both in-sample and  
 1155 out-of-sample predictions (Table 6.5.1). Proportions were predicted for each observation using the  
 1156 specific denominator observed from that study. For example, if a given study reported on only *E. coli*  
 1157 and *S. pneumoniae*, the predictions for model validation for this study were calculated as  
 1158 proportions of the total for *E. coli* and *S. pneumoniae*. In order to calculate out-of-sample fit, we  
 1159 perform non-exhaustive cross-validation, with each round of the validation holding out 1 country of  
 1160 data at a time. This leave-one-country-out approach simulates the prediction task of estimating the  
 1161 pathogen distribution of a country for which we have no data.

1162  $R^2$  ranges from 0.784 to 0.867 in-sample and from 0.755 to 0.837 out of sample, indicating good  
 1163 model fit with only modest losses when data are moved out of sample. RMSE ranges from 0.129 to  
 1164 0.149 in-sample and from 0.141 to 0.159 out of sample. Given that the data are expected to vary  
 1165 from the model predictions according to the observation-level variance, and the fact that the RMSEs  
 1166 are relatively consistent between in-sample and out-of-sample, these RMSEs are reasonable.  
 1167 Overall, these metrics show that these models have good fit and good out-of-sample predictive  
 1168 ability.

1169 *Table 6.5.1 In-sample and out-of-sample validation metrics for pathogen distribution models*

Infectious syndrome	Model type	R <sup>2</sup>		RMSE	
		In sample	Out of sample	In sample	Out of sample
Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems		0.808	0.771	0.129	0.141
Bloodstream infections		0.822	0.785	0.128	0.141
Infections of bones, joints, and related organs		0.858	0.837	0.141	0.151
Lower respiratory infections and all related infections in the thorax		0.810	0.780	0.142	0.153
Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	Neonatal	0.858	0.803	0.134	0.158
	Non-neonatal	0.867	0.822	0.129	0.150
Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections		0.815	0.812	0.147	0.148
Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis		0.784	0.755	0.149	0.159

1170 *Out of sample metrics calculated using leave-one-country-out cross validation*

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1172 **Section 7: PRISMA Compliance: Preferred Reporting Items for**  
 1173 **Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses**

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1175 **PRISMA 2020 Checklist**

Section and Topic	Item #	Checklist item	Location where item is reported
<b>TITLE</b>			
Title	1	Identify the report as a systematic review.	This report is not a systematic review, so it is not titled as such. The report does contain input data sought from systematic literature reviews, which have been documented in the appendix in Sections 2 and 6.
<b>ABSTRACT</b>			
Abstract	2	See the PRISMA 2020 for Abstracts checklist.	See PRISMA 2020 for Abstracts Checklist below (appendix pp36-37)
<b>INTRODUCTION</b>			
Rationale	3	Describe the rationale for the review in the context of existing knowledge.	The rationale can be found in the “Introduction” section in the main text in paragraphs 1 & 2.
Objectives	4	Provide an explicit statement of the objective(s) or question(s) the review addresses.	The objective can be found in the “Introduction” section in the main text in paragraph 3.

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<b>METHODS</b>			
Eligibility criteria	5	Specify the inclusion and exclusion criteria for the review and how studies were grouped for the syntheses.	The inclusion and exclusion criteria is described in Section 2 of the appendix for systematic reviews and in the Data Inputs section of the main text for all other data types.
Information sources	6	Specify all databases, registers, websites, organisations, reference lists and other sources searched or consulted to identify studies. Specify the date when each source was last searched or consulted.	All searches were conducted in PubMed and this is in section 2.5 of the appendix.
Search strategy	7	Present the full search strategies for all databases, registers and websites, including any filters and limits used.	The search strings and inclusion and exclusion criteria for systematic reviews are described in Section 2 of the appendix.  The inclusion criteria for all other data types is found in the Data Inputs section of the main text.
Selection process	8	Specify the methods used to decide whether a study met the inclusion criteria of the review, including how many reviewers screened each record and each report retrieved, whether they worked independently, and if applicable, details of automation tools used in the process.	The exclusion criteria for the systematic reviews are documented in Section 2 of the appendix and were screened by a Researcher and corresponding author on this report. No automation was used.  The inclusion criteria for all other data types is found in the Data Inputs section of the main text.
Data collection process	9	Specify the methods used to collect data from reports, including how many reviewers collected data from each report, whether they worked independently, any processes for obtaining or confirming data from study investigators, and if applicable, details of automation tools used in the process.	The extraction template for the systematic reviews will be published along with the GHDx upon publication. Articles were screened by a Researcher and corresponding author on this report. No automation was used.

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Data items	10a	List and define all outcomes for which data were sought. Specify whether all results that were compatible with each outcome domain in each study were sought (e.g. for all measures, time points, analyses), and if not, the methods used to decide which results to collect.	The information on outcomes for input data can be found in the “Infectious Syndrome” and “Pathogen Distribution” sections of the main text and in Section 2 of the appendix.
	10b	List and define all other variables for which data were sought (e.g. participant and intervention characteristics, funding sources). Describe any assumptions made about any missing or unclear information.	All information on the variables in the input data are captured above.
Study risk of bias assessment	11	Specify the methods used to assess risk of bias in the included studies, including details of the tool(s) used, how many reviewers assessed each study and whether they worked independently, and if applicable, details of automation tools used in the process.	The potential bias of the input data, modeling, and the associated limitations can be found in the “Limitations” section of the main text.
Effect measures	12	Specify for each outcome the effect measure(s) (e.g. risk ratio, mean difference) used in the synthesis or presentation of results.	NA
Synthesis methods	13a	Describe the processes used to decide which studies were eligible for each synthesis (e.g. tabulating the study intervention characteristics and comparing against the planned groups for each synthesis (item #5)).	This information is available in the “Data Inputs” section of the main text and in Section 2 of the appendix.
	13b	Describe any methods required to prepare the data for presentation or synthesis, such as handling of missing summary statistics, or data conversions.	Detailed methods on the estimation process have been published previously <sup>1</sup> and are available in the “Pathogen Distribution” section of the main text and sections 4 and 5 of the appendix, together with

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			exceptions and special handling decisions.
	13c	Describe any methods used to tabulate or visually display results of individual studies and syntheses.	NA
	13d	Describe any methods used to synthesize results and provide a rationale for the choice(s). If meta-analysis was performed, describe the model(s), method(s) to identify the presence and extent of statistical heterogeneity, and software package(s) used.	Details on the methods can be found in the “Methods” section of the main text, Section 4 and 5 of the appendix and have been published previously. <sup>1</sup>
	13e	Describe any methods used to explore possible causes of heterogeneity among study results (e.g. subgroup analysis, meta-regression).	Details on how heterogeneity of studies was accounted for can be found in Section 4.4 of the appendix.
	13f	Describe any sensitivity analyses conducted to assess robustness of the synthesized results.	This can be found in the “Uncertainty and validity analysis” section of the main text and Section 5.5 of the appendix.
Reporting bias assessment	14	Describe any methods used to assess risk of bias due to missing results in a synthesis (arising from reporting biases).	This can be found in the second paragraph of the “Pathogen Distribution” section of the main text. Further information can be found in Section 4 and 5 of the appendix.
Certainty assessment	15	Describe any methods used to assess certainty (or confidence) in the body of evidence for an outcome.	The method for determining uncertainty is described for each component model in Sections 3.3-5 of the appendix.
<b>RESULTS</b>			
Study selection	16a	Describe the results of the search and selection process, from the number of records identified in the search to the number of studies included in the review, ideally using a flow diagram.	Flow diagrams for every infectious syndrome and underlying pathogen are available in Section 6.

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	16b	Cite studies that might appear to meet the inclusion criteria, but which were excluded, and explain why they were excluded.	We did not encounter studies that meet this definition. Any studies outliered will be included in the citation list on the GHDx and will be available upon publication.
Study characteristics	17	Cite each included study and present its characteristics.	All study citations will be included in the GHDx record for the manuscript and will be available upon publication.
Risk of bias in studies	18	Present assessments of risk of bias for each included study.	The assessment of bias in the input data is available in the limitations section and previously published. <sup>1</sup>
Results of individual studies	19	For all outcomes, present, for each study: (a) summary statistics for each group (where appropriate) and (b) an effect estimate and its precision (e.g. confidence/credible interval), ideally using structured tables or plots.	Because this report is not a systematic review, this was not included.
Results of syntheses	20a	For each synthesis, briefly summarise the characteristics and risk of bias among contributing studies.	The bias of input data and the overall bias in our study can be found in the "Limitations" section of the main text.
	20b	Present results of all statistical syntheses conducted. If meta-analysis was done, present for each the summary estimate and its precision (e.g. confidence/credible interval) and measures of statistical heterogeneity. If comparing groups, describe the direction of the effect.	The results can be found in the "Results" section of the main text, throughout the text in the manuscript and in the "Uncertainty and validity analysis" section of the main text and Sections 3-6 of the appendix.
	20c	Present results of all investigations of possible causes of heterogeneity among study results.	Because this report is not a systematic review, this was not included.
	20d	Present results of all sensitivity analyses conducted to assess the	This can be found in the Uncertainty and validity analysis



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		robustness of the synthesized results.	section of the main text and Section 5.5 of the appendix.
Reporting biases	21	Present assessments of risk of bias due to missing results (arising from reporting biases) for each synthesis assessed.	Assessments and mediation of risk can be found in the pathogen distribution modelling framework and can be found in the "Pathogen Distribution" section in the main text.
Certainty of evidence	22	Present assessments of certainty (or confidence) in the body of evidence for each outcome assessed.	This can be found in the "Uncertainty and validity analysis" section of the main text and Section 3.3-6 of the appendix.
<b>DISCUSSION</b>			
Discussion	23a	Provide a general interpretation of the results in the context of other evidence.	This can be found in the "Research In Context" section of the main text.
	23b	Discuss any limitations of the evidence included in the review.	This can be found in the "Discussion" section of the main text in paragraph 9.
	23c	Discuss any limitations of the review processes used.	The limitations and the exclusion criteria can be found in Section 2 of the appendix.
	23d	Discuss implications of the results for practice, policy, and future research.	This can be found in the "Discussion" section of the main text.
<b>OTHER INFORMATION</b>			
Registration and protocol	24a	Provide registration information for the review, including register name and registration number, or state that the review was not registered.	The entirety of the Global Burden of Disease, Injuries, and Risk Factors Study has been registered and approved through the UW IRB. The systematic reviews contained in this manuscript were not registered on its own.
	24b	Indicate where the review protocol can be accessed, or state that a protocol was not prepared.	We did not prepare a review protocol.

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	24c	Describe and explain any amendments to information provided at registration or in the protocol.	NA
Support	25	Describe sources of financial or non-financial support for the review, and the role of the funders or sponsors in the review.	Financial support can be found in the "Acknowledgments" section of the main text.
Competing interests	26	Declare any competing interests of review authors.	These can be found in the "Competing interests" section of the main text.
Availability of data, code and other materials	27	Report which of the following are publicly available and where they can be found: template data collection forms; data extracted from included studies; data used for all analyses; analytic code; any other materials used in the review.	The data collection forms, citations for all data used, analytic code and the results will be available on the GHDx upon publication.

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Title	1	Identify the report as a systematic review.	No, this is not a systematic review
<b>BACKGROUND</b>			
Objectives	2	Provide an explicit statement of the main objective(s) or question(s) the review addresses.	Yes
<b>METHODS</b>			
Eligibility criteria	3	Specify the inclusion and exclusion criteria for the review.	No
Information sources	4	Specify the information sources (e.g. databases, registers) used to identify studies and the date when each was last searched.	No
Risk of bias	5	Specify the methods used to assess risk of bias in	No

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		the included studies.	
Synthesis of results	6	Specify the methods used to present and synthesise results.	Yes
<b>RESULTS</b>			
Included studies	7	Give the total number of included studies and participants and summarise relevant characteristics of studies.	No
Synthesis of results	8	Present results for main outcomes, preferably indicating the number of included studies and participants for each. If meta-analysis was done, report the summary estimate and confidence/credible interval. If comparing groups, indicate the direction of the effect (i.e. which group is favoured).	Yes
<b>DISCUSSION</b>			
Limitations of evidence	9	Provide a brief summary of the limitations of the evidence included in the review (e.g. study risk of bias, inconsistency and imprecision).	Yes
Interpretation	10	Provide a general interpretation of the results and important implications.	Yes
<b>OTHER</b>			
Funding	11	Specify the primary source of funding for the review.	Yes
Registration	12	Provide the register name and registration number.	N/A

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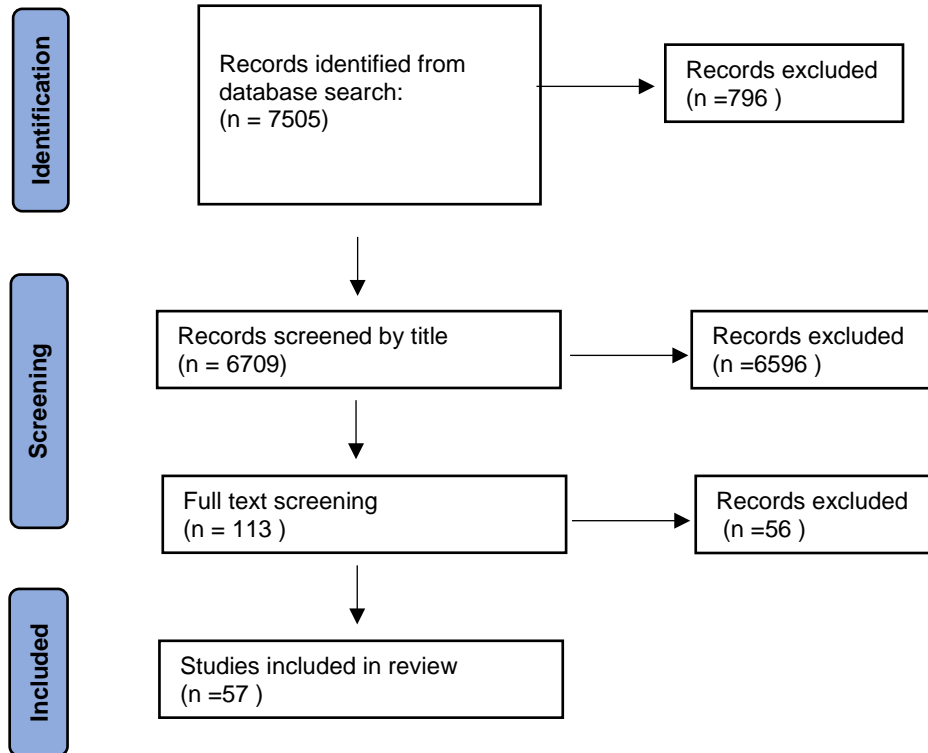
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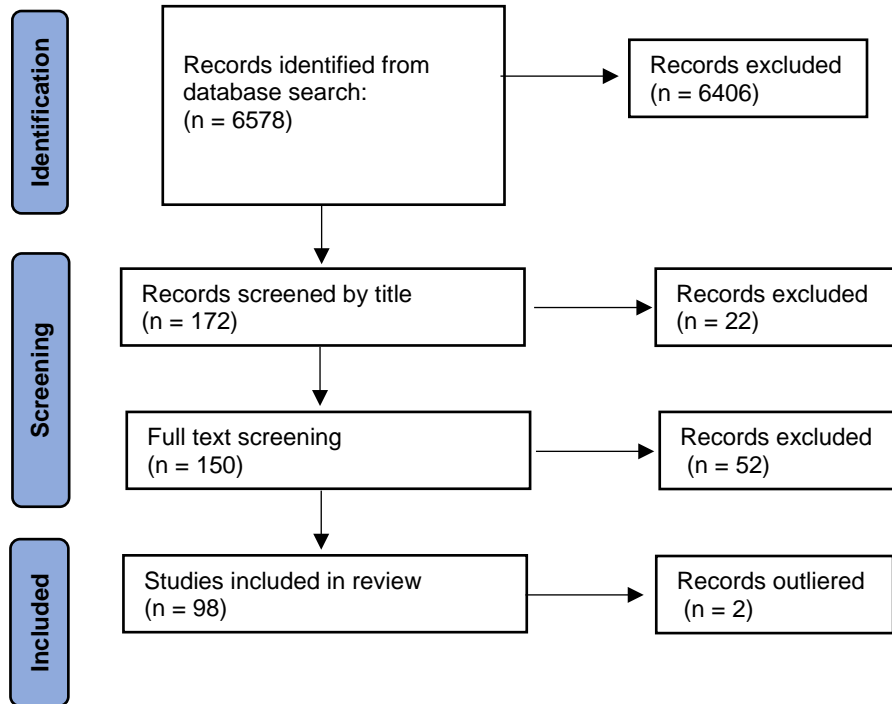
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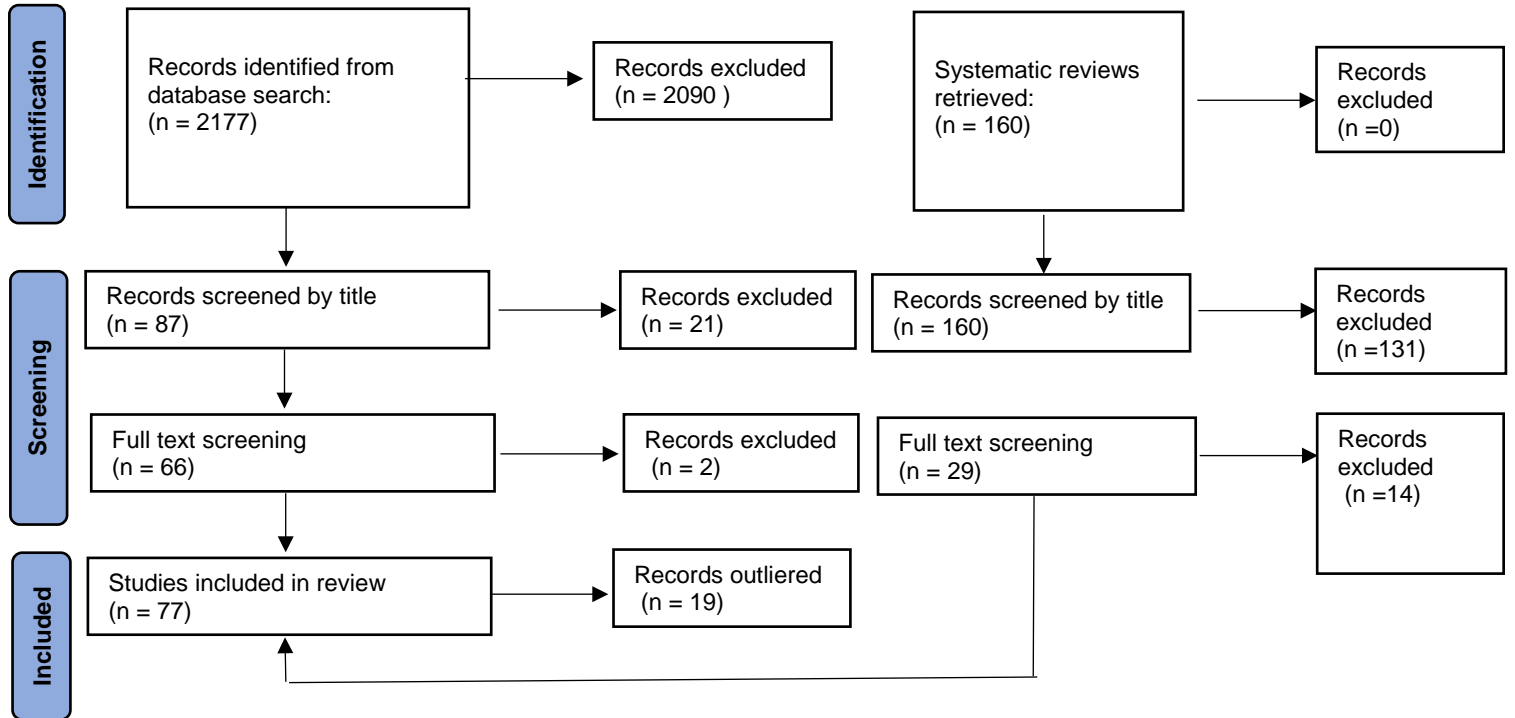
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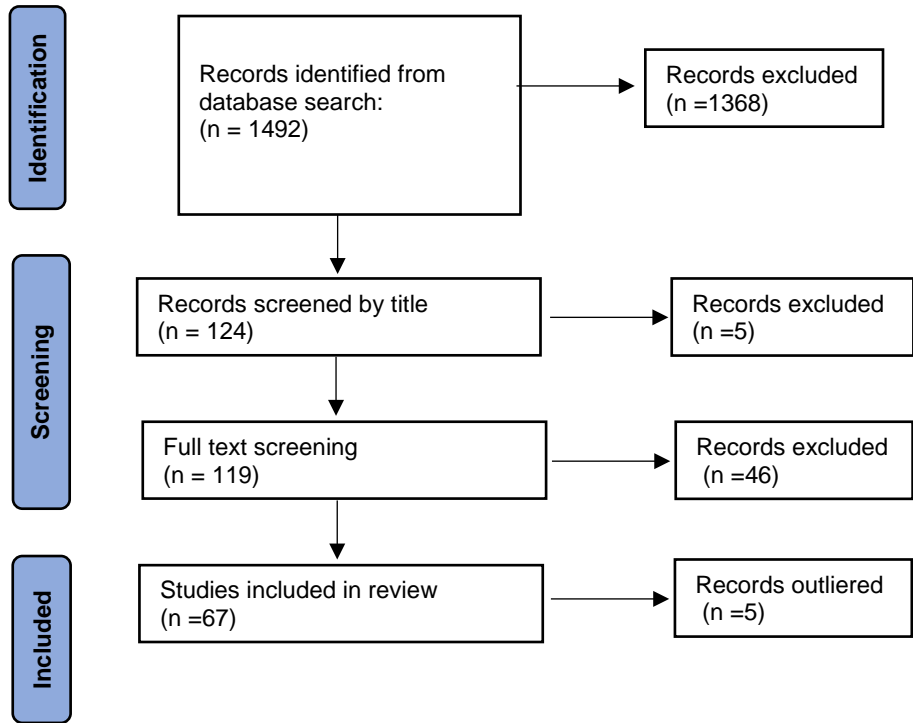
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**Identification of studies via other methods**



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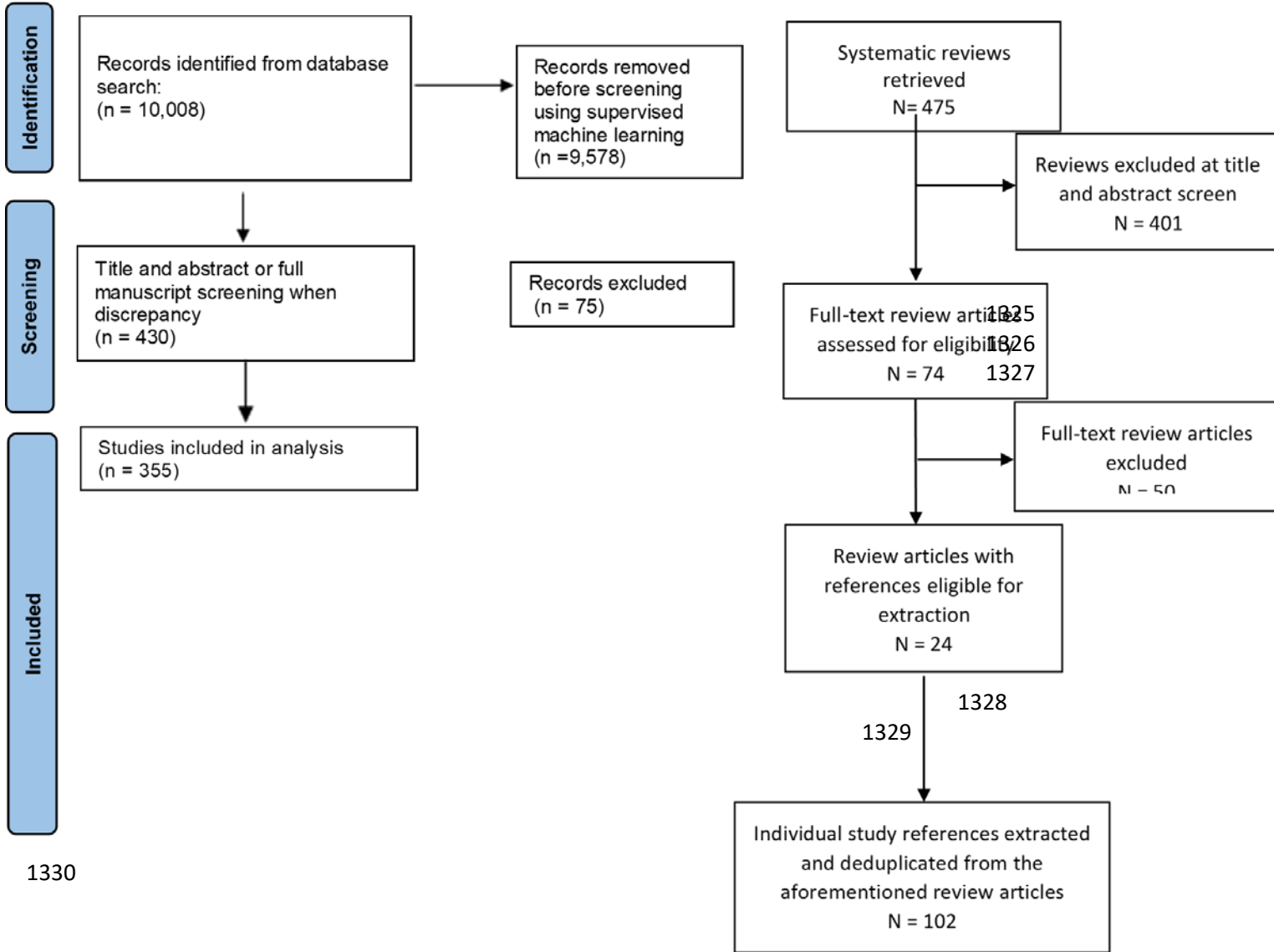
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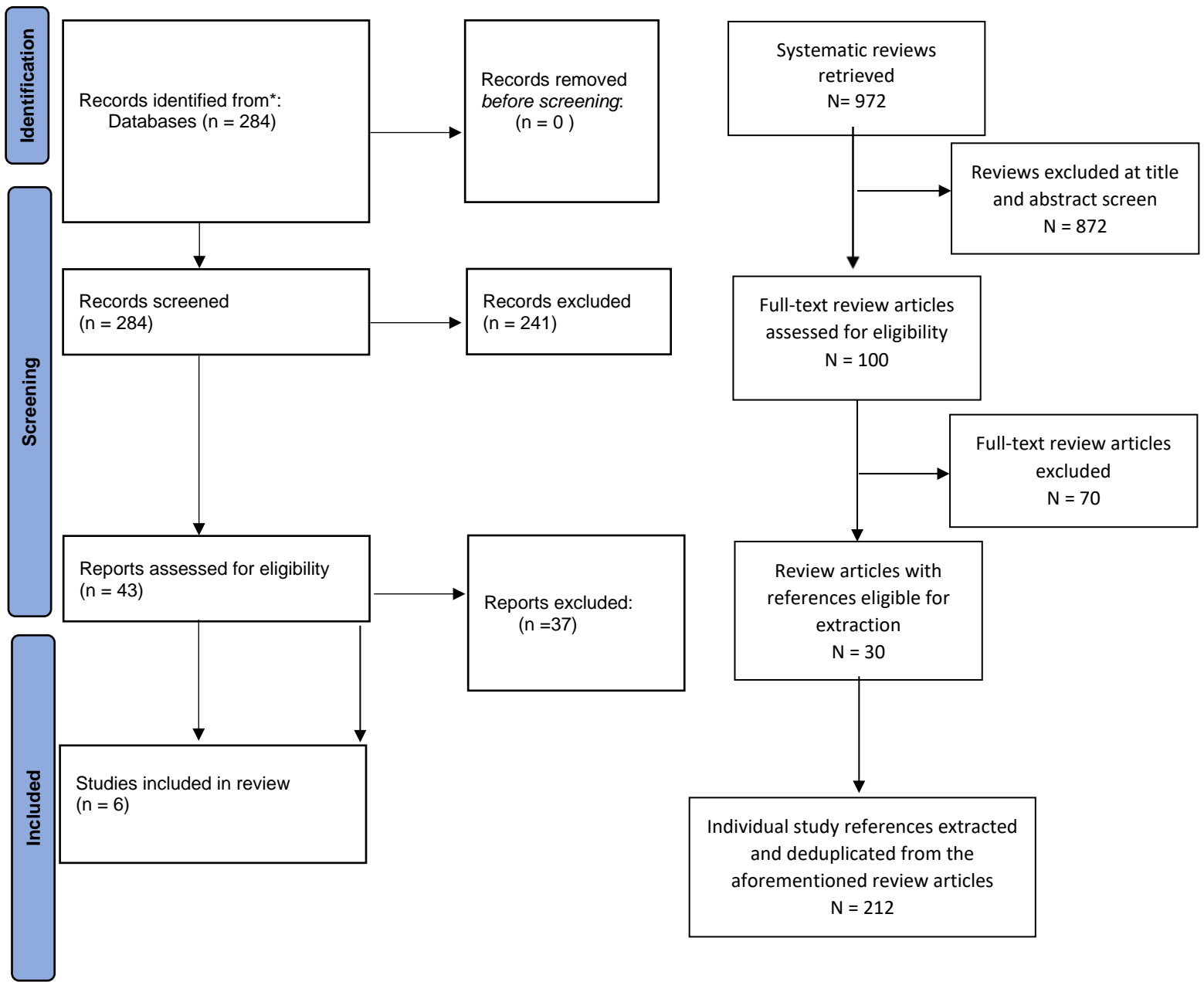


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<b>Objectives and funding</b>		
1	Define the indicator(s), populations (including age, sex, and geographic entities), and time period(s) for which estimates were made.	Main text methods section (overview)
2	List the funding sources for the work.	Main text funding statement and acknowledgements
<b>Data Inputs</b>		
<i><b>For all data inputs from multiple sources that are synthesised as part of the study:</b></i>		
3	Describe how the data were identified and how the data were accessed.	Main text methods section and supplementary appendix sections
4	Specify the inclusion and exclusion criteria. Identify all ad-hoc exclusions.	Supplementary appendix
5	Provide information on all included data sources and their main characteristics. For each data source used, report reference information or contact name/institution, population represented, data collection method, year(s) of data collection, sex and age range, diagnostic criteria or measurement method, and sample size, as relevant.	Some data source information in supplementary appendix; main characteristics of data, metadata, and/or NIDs available at GHDX LINK
6	Identify and describe any categories of input data that have potentially important biases (e.g., based on characteristics listed in item 5).	Main text limitations section and supplementary appendix (biases for input data in each modelling step identified in each section)
<i><b>For data inputs that contribute to the analysis but were not synthesised as part of the study:</b></i>		
7	Describe and give sources for any other data inputs.	GBD 2019 estimates
<i><b>For all data inputs:</b></i>		
8	Provide all data inputs in a file format from which data can be efficiently extracted (e.g., a spreadsheet rather than a PDF), including all relevant meta-data listed in item 5. For any data inputs that cannot be shared because of ethical or legal reasons, such as third-party ownership, provide a contact name or the name of the institution that retains the right to the data.	Data inputs and/or contact information available at <a href="http://ghdx.healthdata.org/gbd-2019/data-input-sources">http://ghdx.healthdata.org/gbd-2019/data-input-sources</a>

Data analysis		
9	Provide a conceptual overview of the data analysis method. A diagram may be helpful.	Main text methods section
10	Provide a detailed description of all steps of the analysis, including mathematical formulae. This description should cover, as relevant, data cleaning, data pre-processing, data adjustments and weighting of data sources, and mathematical or statistical model(s).	Supplementary appendix
11	Describe how candidate models were evaluated and how the final model(s) were selected.	Supplementary appendix
12	Provide the results of an evaluation of model performance, if done, as well as the results of any relevant sensitivity analysis.	Supplementary appendix
13	Describe methods for calculating uncertainty of the estimates. State which sources of uncertainty were, and were not, accounted for in the uncertainty analysis.	Main text methods section (uncertainty analysis) and limitations section (scarcity of data) and supplementary appendix
14	State how analytic or statistical source code used to generate estimates can be accessed.	Link to GitHub code found in main text methods section (overview)
Results and Discussion		
15	Provide published estimates in a file format from which data can be efficiently extracted.	Published estimates are available in the main text results section and in the supplementary appendix. CSV files are available upon request to the corresponding author.
16	Report a quantitative measure of the uncertainty of the estimates (e.g. uncertainty intervals).	Uncertainty intervals are provided for all estimates throughout the main text
17	Interpret results in light of existing evidence. If updating a previous set of estimates, describe the reasons for changes in estimates.	Main text introduction and discussion sections
18	Discuss limitations of the estimates. Include a discussion of any modelling assumptions or data limitations that affect interpretation of the estimates.	Main text limitations section and supplementary appendix

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1443 Section 10: Appendix tables and figures

1444 Table S1: Data inputs by source type.

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**Table 1. Data inputs by source type**

Source type	Number of study-GBD location-years	Sample size	Sample size units	Estimation step used
Multiple cause of death (MCoD)	2980	120,871,372	Deaths	1. Sepsis 2. Infectious syndrome
Hospital discharge	391	192,533,415	Discharges	1. Sepsis 2. Infectious syndrome 3. Case fatality rate 4. Pathogen distribution
Microbial or laboratory data with outcome	1448	3,038,363	Isolates	3. Case fatality rate 4. Pathogen distribution
Microbial or laboratory data without outcome	3767	16,251,075	Isolates	4. Pathogen distribution
Literature studies	811	803,175	Cases, isolates, or pathogen-drug susceptibility tests	3. Case fatality rate 4. Pathogen distribution
Mortality surveillance (Minimally invasive tissue sampling [MITS] from Child Health and Mortality Prevention Surveillance [CHAMPS])	29	2,163	Deaths	1. Sepsis 2. Infectious syndrome 4. Pathogen distribution
Linkage (mortality only)	38	264,010	Deaths	1. Sepsis 2. Infectious syndrome 4. Pathogen distribution
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11,361</b>	<b>342,564,954</b>		

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<i>Legionella spp.</i>	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.8 (0.6-1.1)	1,000 (1,000-2,000)	0.6 (0.5-0.8)	1,000 (1,000-2,000)	0.4 (0.3-0.5)	0 (0-0)	0.5 (0.4-0.7)	6,000 (5,000-7,000)	1.1 (0.9-1.2)	4,000 (4,000-6,000)	0.7 (0.6-0.9)	1,000 (1,000-1,000)	1.2 (1.0-1.4)	8,000 (7,000-9,000)	0.7 (0.6-0.9)	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.0 (0.7-1.3)	0 (0-0)	0.8 (0.6-1.0)	1,000 (1,000-2,000)	0.5 (0.4-0.7)	2,000 (2,000-2,000)	0.9 (0.7-1.1)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	0.7 (0.5-0.9)	10,000 (6,000-15,000)	0.7 (0.4-1.1)	7,000 (5,000-10,000)	0.5 (0.3-0.7)	0 (0-0)	0.5 (0.3-0.7)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	0.6 (0.4-0.8)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.7 (0.4-1.0)	2,000 (1,000-4,000)	0.8 (0.5-1.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.7 (0.4-1.0)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	0.9 (0.7-1.2)	3,000 (2,000-6,000)	0.8 (0.5-1.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.9 (0.7-1.2)	3,000 (2,000-6,000)	0.8 (0.5-1.1)				
<i>Citrobacter spp.</i>	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.7 (0.4-1.1)	1,000 (1,000-2,000)	0.5 (0.3-1.0)	2,000 (1,000-4,000)	0.7 (0.3-1.2)	0 (0-0)	0.2 (0.1-0.3)	1,000 (1,000-1,000)	0.2 (0.1-0.3)	2,000 (1,000-3,000)	0.3 (0.2-0.5)	0 (0-1,000)	0.5 (0.4-0.7)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	0.3 (0.2-0.5)	0 (0-0)	0.6 (0.4-0.9)	0 (0-1,000)	0.9 (0.6-1.4)	2,000 (1,000-2,000)	0.7 (0.4-1.0)	1,000 (1,000-2,000)	0.6 (0.4-0.8)	3,000 (2,000-5,000)	0.7 (0.4-1.1)	14,000 (9,000-22,000)	1.1 (0.7-1.7)	10,000 (6,000-17,000)	0.6 (0.3-0.9)	6,000 (3,000-9,000)	1.0 (0.6-1.6)	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.0 (0.6-1.6)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	1.1 (0.7-1.6)	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.0 (0.6-1.6)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	1.1 (0.7-1.6)	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.0 (0.6-1.6)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	1.1 (0.7-1.6)	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.0 (0.6-1.6)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	1.1 (0.7-1.6)	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.0 (0.6-1.6)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	1.1 (0.7-1.6)
<i>Other Klebsiella species</i>	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.0 (0.5-1.8)	1,000 (1,000-2,000)	0.6 (0.3-0.9)	2,000 (1,000-4,000)	0.8 (0.4-1.3)	0 (0-0)	0.3 (0.2-0.5)	1,000 (2,000-2,000)	0.3 (0.2-0.5)	3,000 (4,000-4,000)	0.4 (0.3-0.7)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.7 (0.4-1.2)	4,000 (2,000-6,000)	0.4 (0.2-0.6)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.9 (0.5-1.6)	0 (0-1,000)	0.7 (0.4-1.3)	2,000 (1,000-4,000)	1.0 (0.5-1.6)	2,000 (1,000-3,000)	0.7 (0.4-1.3)	3,000 (2,000-6,000)	0.8 (0.4-1.4)	13,000 (6,000-23,000)	1.0 (0.5-1.7)	6,000 (3,000-11,000)	0.3 (0.2-0.6)	6,000 (3,000-10,000)	1.1 (0.7-1.8)	1,000 (0-2,000)	1.7 (0.7-3.2)	3,000 (1,000-6,000)	1.9 (0.8-3.5)	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.7 (0.7-3.2)	3,000 (1,000-6,000)	1.9 (0.8-3.5)	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.7 (0.7-3.2)	3,000 (1,000-6,000)	1.9 (0.8-3.5)	1,000 (0-1,000)	1.7 (0.7-3.2)	3,000 (1,000-6,000)	1.9 (0.8-3.5)				
<i>C. difficile</i>	0 (0-0)	0.1 (0.1-0.2)	0 (0-1,000)	0.2 (0.1-0.3)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.2 (0.1-0.4)	0 (0-0)	0.5 (0.3-0.7)	3,000 (2,000-4,000)	0.5 (0.4-0.7)	10,000 (8,000-12,000)	1.4 (1.1-1.7)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.6 (0.5-0.9)	8,000 (6,000-10,000)	0.8 (0.6-1.0)	0 (0-0)	0.2 (0.1-0.6)	0 (0-0)	0.2 (0.1-0.3)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.3 (0.2-0.4)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.3 (0.2-0.4)	0 (0-1,000)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	2,000 (1,000-3,000)	0.1 (0.0-0.2)	4,000 (2,000-9,000)	0.2 (0.1-0.5)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.2 (0.1-0.4)	0 (0-0)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)						
<i>Salmonella Paratyphi</i>	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	22,000 (9,000-42,000)	1.2 (0.5-2.2)	1,000 (0-2,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-2,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	
<i>Aeromonas spp.</i>	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	8,000 (4,000-14,000)	0.7 (0.3-1.2)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)			
<i>L. monocytogenes</i>	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	4,000 (2,000-5,000)	0.2 (0.1-0.3)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)		
<i>Morganella spp.</i>	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	2,000 (1,000-2,000)	0.1 (0.1-0.2)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.1)		
<i>Providencia spp.</i>	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	2,000 (1,000-3,000)	0.2 (0.1-0.3)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	1,000 (0-1,000)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)		
<i>N. gonorrhoeae</i>	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	1,000 (1,000-2,000)	0.1 (0.1-0.1)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)	0.0 (0.0-0.0)	0 (0-0)			

Note: Rows are sorted from largest to lowest global mortality rate.

Table S3: YLLs by pathogen and infectious syndrome in 2019.

Pathogen	Bloodstream infections	Cardiac infections	Meningitis and other bacterial central nervous system infections	Diarrhoea	LRI and all related infections of the thorax	Bacterial infections of the skin and subcutaneous systems	Urinary tract infections and pyelonephritis	Typhoid, paratyphoid, and invasive non-typhoidal Salmonella	Gonorrhoea and chlamydia	Peritoneal and intra-abdominal infections	Infections of bones, joints, and related organs
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	7,300,000 (4,260,000-11,200,000)	259,000 (185,000-369,000)	--	--	4,310,000 (2,520,000-6,770,000)	244,000 (15,500-1,070,000)	405,000 (158,000-795,000)	--	--	--	--
<i>Aeromonas</i> spp.	--	--	--	1,410,000 (601,000-2,710,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<i>Campylobacter</i> spp.	--	--	--	5,540,000 (2,190,000-10,900,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<i>Chlamydia</i> spp.	--	--	--	--	4,740,000 (3,480,000-6,360,000)	--	--	--	35,200 (27,300-40,600)	--	--
<i>Citrobacter</i> spp.	1,410,000 (837,000-2,220,000)	--	--	--	--	--	102,000 (69,400-152,000)	--	--	429,000 (241,000-687,000)	--
<i>Clostridioides difficile</i>	--	--	--	871,000 (615,000-1,240,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<i>Enterobacter</i> spp.	5,990,000 (3,770,000-8,940,000)	152,000 (107,000-221,000)	--	--	2,570,000 (1,820,000-3,530,000)	184,000 (56,200-444,000)	281,000 (180,000-437,000)	--	--	1,960,000 (1,180,000-3,060,000)	43,000 (11,500-98,700)
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	3,000,000 (1,950,000-4,430,000)	71,700 (52,500-98,800)	--	--	--	167,000 (13,500-728,000)	443,000 (364,000-546,000)	--	--	3,180,000 (1,770,000-5,020,000)	56,400 (16,300-137,000)
<i>Enterococcus faecium</i>	2,470,000 (1,490,000-3,760,000)	99,900 (72,000-140,000)	--	--	--	--	368,000 (192,000-633,000)	--	--	3,030,000 (1,760,000-4,940,000)	14,700 (4,110-38,200)
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	6,070,000 (3,630,000-9,270,000)	304,000 (216,000-426,000)	1,510,000 (1,040,000-2,230,000)	2,590,000 (1,420,000-4,310,000)	9,700,000 (7,200,000-12,800,000)	390,000 (133,000-864,000)	2,400,000 (1,920,000-3,130,000)	--	--	7,390,000 (4,590,000-11,110,000)	76,500 (21,700-181,000)
Group A <i>Streptococcus</i>	3,430,000 (2,240,000-5,160,000)	97,200 (71,800-137,000)	--	--	--	2,730,000 (1,140,000-5,640,000)	--	--	--	--	145,000 (42,000-340,000)
Group B <i>Streptococcus</i>	2,910,000 (1,800,000-4,330,000)	105,000 (76,900-144,000)	1,340,000 (969,000-1,870,000)	--	11,500,000 (8,510,000-15,200,000)	492,000 (122,000-1,340,000)	243,000 (182,000-328,000)	--	--	--	76,900 (19,100-192,000)
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i>	--	--	679,000 (489,000-957,000)	--	4,920,000 (3,880,000-6,260,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	10,700,000 (6,840,000-15,500,000)	261,000 (194,000-361,000)	2,190,000 (1,520,000-3,150,000)	--	13,500,000 (10,600,000-17,100,000)	148,000 (23,600-532,000)	734,000 (505,000-1,060,000)	--	--	3,860,000 (2,420,000-5,820,000)	37,400 (10,400-90,200)
<i>Legionella</i> spp.	--	--	--	--	1,950,000 (1,240,000-3,130,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--
<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	--	--	903,000 (596,000-1,320,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<i>Morganella</i> spp.	--	--	--	--	--	--	107,000 (68,200-163,000)	--	--	--	--
<i>Mycoplasma</i> spp.	--	--	--	--	4,550,000 (3,650,000-5,710,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--
<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i>	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	104,000 (80,900-119,000)	--	--
<i>Neisseria meningitidis</i>	7,240,000 (4,530,000-11,100,000)	--	2,000,000 (1,530,000-2,670,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Non-typhoidal <i>Salmonella</i>	4,760,000 (3,090,000-7,100,000)	86,900 (64,200-121,000)	--	2,880,000 (277,000-8,060,000)	--	--	--	6,120,000 (3,320,000-9,710,000)	--	--	--
Other <i>Klebsiella</i> species	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,550,000 (797,000-2,760,000)	--
Other enterococci	2,090,000 (1,300,000-3,190,000)	55,200 (38,700-78,200)	--	--	--	263,000 (86,500-626,000)	494,000 (356,000-692,000)	--	--	--	--
<i>Proteus</i> spp.	1,050,000 (627,000-1,640,000)	38,500 (27,800-53,800)	--	--	--	226,000 (73,000-556,000)	450,000 (341,000-609,000)	--	--	878,000 (495,000-1,420,000)	--
<i>Providencia</i> spp.	--	--	--	--	--	--	116,000 (73,200-181,000)	--	--	--	--
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	5,970,000 (3,770,000-8,910,000)	169,000 (126,000-233,000)	--	--	9,140,000 (7,140,000-11,600,000)	424,000 (132,000-1,030,000)	547,000 (312,000-918,000)	--	--	2,620,000 (1,590,000-3,970,000)	42,300 (9,940-109,000)
<i>Salmonella</i> Paratyphi	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,630,000 (673,000-3,190,000)	--	--	--
<i>Salmonella</i> Typhi	5,100,000 (3,170,000-7,540,000)	67,100 (48,200-95,100)	--	--	--	--	--	7,970,000 (3,780,000-13,800,000)	--	--	--
<i>Serratia</i> spp.	3,340,000 (2,130,000-5,100,000)	71,500 (52,400-99,300)	--	--	--	--	100,000 (59,600-163,000)	--	--	489,000 (279,000-780,000)	--
<i>Shigella</i> spp.	--	--	--	7,010,000 (3,150,000-12,400,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	8,470,000 (5,090,000-12,900,000)	388,000 (277,000-543,000)	1,110,000 (798,000-1,560,000)	--	17,600,000 (14,400,000-21,600,000)	1,110,000 (503,000-2,410,000)	486,000 (342,000-714,000)	--	--	4,910,000 (2,900,000-7,490,000)	232,000 (68,400-542,000)

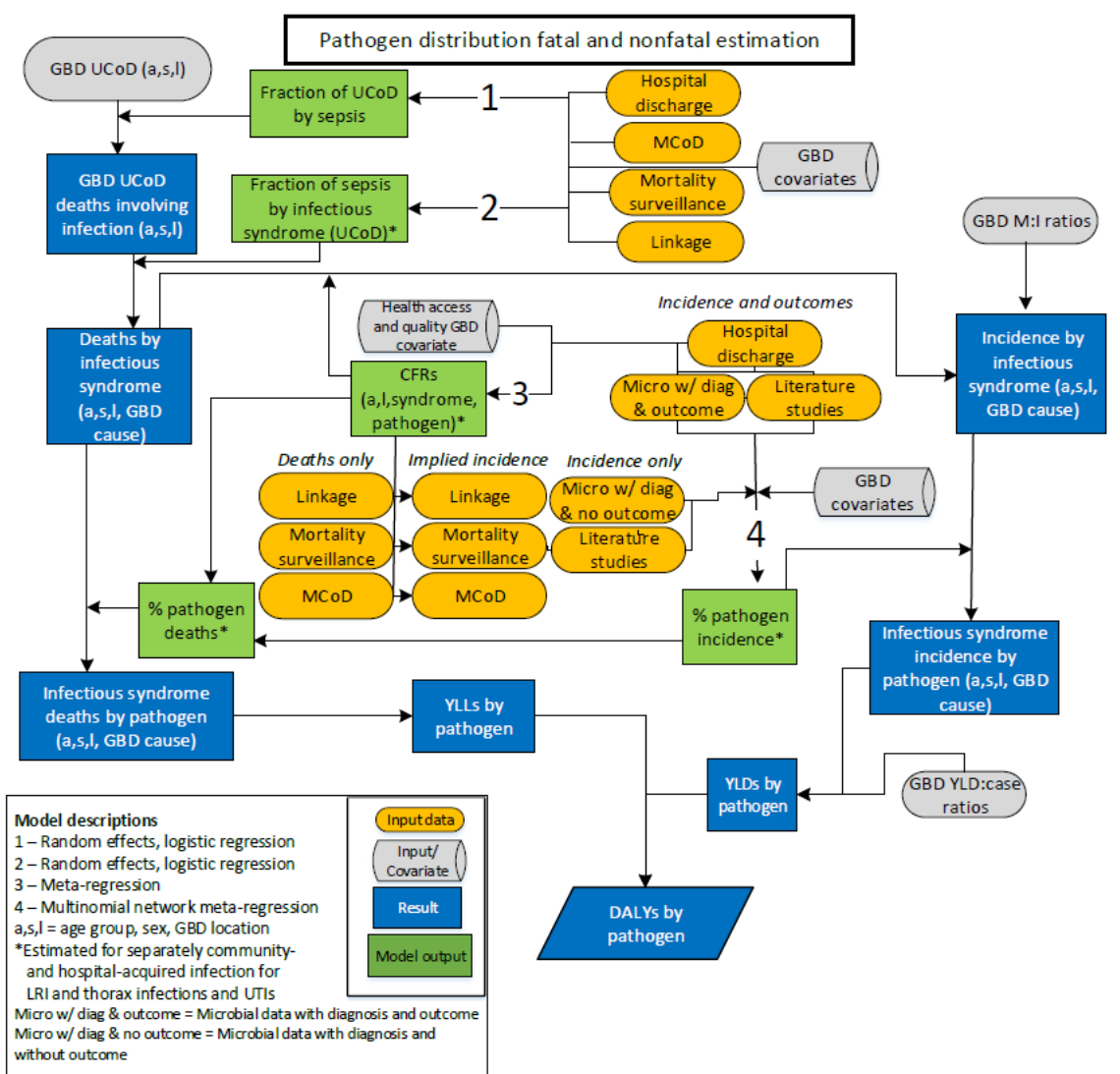
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	4,960,000 (3,070,000-7,410,000)	165,000 (122,000-229,000)	2,720,000 (2,080,000-3,630,000)	--	32,500,000 (27,100,000-39,500,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--
<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	--	--	--	5,240,000 (2,950,000-8,390,000)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Table S4: Deaths by pathogen and the top 3 leading infectious syndromes by GBD super-region in 2019.

Pathogen	Southeast Asia, East Asia, and Oceania			Central Europe, Eastern Europe, and Central Asia			High-income			Latin America and Caribbean			North Africa and Middle East			South Asia			Sub-Saharan Africa		
	BSI	LRI and thorax infections	Intra-abdominal infections	BSI	LRI and thorax infections	Intra-abdominal infections	BSI	LRI and thorax infections	Intra-abdominal infections	BSI	LRI and thorax infections	Intra-abdominal infections	BSI	LRI and thorax infections	Intra-abdominal infections	BSI	LRI and thorax infections	Intra-abdominal infections	BSI	LRI and thorax infections	Intra-abdominal infections
<i>A. baumannii</i>	121,000 (65,100-201,000)	32,800 (17,200-55,700)	--	7,940 (3,830-14,500)	5,010 (2,460-8,570)	--	23,600 (12,400-40,000)	10,100 (5,520-16,900)	--	12,600 (6,870-20,600)	12,700 (6,890-21,300)	--	13,900 (7,480-22,400)	9,280 (4,810-15,300)	--	51,600 (27,900-84,900)	63,100 (34,600-104,000)	--	16,900 (10,900-25,100)	33,200 (19,900-51,600)	--
<i>Chlamydia</i> spp.	--	18,700 (14,200-25,100)	--	--	2,800 (2,240-3,600)	--	--	7,840 (6,480-9,350)	--	--	4,920 (3,910-6,230)	--	--	4,550 (3,420-5,960)	--	--	33,400 (24,500-44,300)	--	--	22,100 (16,100-29,800)	--
<i>Citrobacter</i> spp.	11,000 (5,960-18,400)	--	3,760 (2,210-5,960)	1,930 (648-4,350)	--	1,350 (826-2,010)	2,050 (962-3,730)	--	2,810 (1,840-4,150)	1,500 (850-2,390)	--	1,510 (937-2,290)	1,780 (975-2,920)	--	976 (540-1,570)	9,370 (5,100-15,400)	--	3,700 (1,980-6,430)	5,060 (2,980-8,050)	--	2,160 (1,070-3,860)
<i>Enterobacter</i> spp.	75,200 (41,900-123,000)	12,700 (8,230-19,200)	17,400 (10,500-26,500)	3,640 (1,900-6,430)	3,820 (2,500-5,770)	6,150 (3,840-9,100)	8,790 (4,800-14,500)	10,800 (7,770-14,700)	13,000 (8,490-18,900)	6,800 (3,980-10,500)	5,470 (3,740-7,720)	7,040 (4,540-10,300)	8,960 (5,060-14,100)	3,350 (2,250-4,940)	4,550 (2,610-7,090)	38,900 (22,900-60,500)	12,800 (8,690-18,300)	17,300 (10,100-27,300)	13,700 (9,090-19,800)	15,800 (10,900-22,400)	10,100 (5,450-16,300)
<i>E. faecalis</i>	15,300 (8,610-24,900)	--	26,900 (13,900-46,400)	6,660 (3,560-11,400)	--	10,300 (5,470-17,200)	11,500 (6,120-19,500)	14,500 (10,200-19,500)	22,300 (10,900-41,500)	5,100 (2,930-8,140)	--	10,500 (5,750-17,000)	3,940 (2,240-6,190)	--	6,570 (3,370-11,300)	17,200 (9,890-27,200)	--	23,500 (12,200-39,100)	15,000 (10,100-21,600)	--	12,800 (6,400-21,700)
<i>E. faecium</i>	20,400 (11,200-33,300)	--	28,400 (17,000-45,700)	7,160 (3,800-12,000)	--	10,800 (6,650-16,100)	18,900 (10,200-31,700)	--	24,900 (16,400-36,300)	6,250 (3,470-10,300)	--	11,000 (6,940-16,400)	4,490 (2,450-8,140)	--	6,990 (4,040-11,200)	12,300 (6,870-20,100)	--	23,400 (12,900-40,400)	8,770 (5,620-13,000)	--	12,600 (6,620-22,100)
<i>E. coli</i>	41,900 (22,800-69,200)	24,600 (18,800-32,400)	69,000 (42,600-107,000)	38,300 (20,100-65,700)	5,640 (4,320-7,400)	25,700 (16,500-37,300)	76,200 (40,100-130,000)	17,100 (14,000-20,800)	61,600 (40,000-90,000)	17,400 (9,420-29,000)	11,500 (9,140-14,600)	27,000 (18,400-38,400)	11,400 (6,230-18,700)	9,010 (6,720-12,000)	17,100 (10,500-26,300)	33,400 (18,100-54,800)	48,400 (36,300-64,200)	58,000 (36,300-84,500)	23,600 (15,100-35,000)	64,600 (48,900-84,700)	31,600 (20,200-46,000)
Group A <i>Streptococcus</i>	10,200 (5,920-16,200)	--	--	4,780 (2,560-7,940)	--	--	6,350 (3,410-10,600)	--	4,070 (2,440-6,270)	--	--	3,570 (2,030-5,760)	--	--	11,800 (7,140-18,500)	--	--	15,600 (10,500-22,700)	--	--	
Group B <i>Streptococcus</i>	22,800 (12,600-37,300)	22,800 (17,300-30,500)	--	4,850 (2,580-8,130)	4,690 (3,590-6,190)	--	16,200 (8,670-27,000)	8,590 (7,050-10,400)	--	5,970 (3,400-9,470)	8,410 (6,520-10,800)	--	4,640 (2,580-7,460)	8,630 (6,170-11,700)	--	11,800 (6,860-18,400)	48,600 (35,200-65,400)	--	9,590 (6,450-13,800)	79,900 (59,600-106,000)	--
<i>H. influenzae</i>	--	14,600 (11,300-19,100)	--	--	3,410 (2,730-4,380)	--	--	9,880 (8,180-11,900)	--	--	5,840 (4,660-7,280)	--	--	4,660 (3,580-5,960)	--	--	22,700 (17,800-28,700)	--	--	30,100 (23,600-38,900)	--
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	53,100 (29,700-87,400)	38,900 (29,200-51,400)	36,400 (22,700-55,400)	17,500 (9,370-29,700)	9,300 (7,090-12,500)	12,700 (8,240-18,500)	34,100 (18,300-57,200)	28,000 (22,700-34,400)	28,100 (18,500-41,100)	20,500 (11,700-32,900)	19,300 (15,100-24,500)	14,800 (9,810-21,200)	15,500 (8,790-24,500)	13,700 (10,400-17,900)	9,560 (5,880-14,500)	64,800 (37,200-103,000)	70,600 (53,700-90,700)	36,000 (22,800-55,100)	59,300 (39,500-85,200)	95,700 (76,200-119,000)	20,300 (13,000-31,200)
<i>Legionella</i> spp.	--	10,500 (7,730-14,300)	--	--	2,890 (2,330-3,700)	--	--	20,200 (16,900-23,500)	--	--	4,010 (3,170-5,090)	--	--	2,930 (2,110-4,220)	--	--	9,520 (5,730-15,400)	--	--	6,370 (3,750-10,900)	--
<i>Mycoplasma</i> a spp.	--	21,000 (16,500-27,000)	--	--	4,510 (3,800-5,410)	--	--	12,800 (10,800-15,000)	--	--	5,390 (4,410-6,580)	--	--	5,100 (4,030-6,400)	--	--	22,600 (17,800-28,800)	--	--	18,000 (14,100-23,100)	--
<i>N. meningitidis</i>	16,500 (9,380-26,000)	--	--	3,650 (1,950-6,070)	--	--	2,930 (1,560-4,730)	--	--	5,670 (3,320-8,710)	--	--	6,420 (3,550-10,400)	--	--	31,300 (18,000-50,300)	--	--	43,400 (28,100-64,400)	--	--

Non-typhoidal <i>Salmonella</i>	13,300 (7,640-21,200)	--	--	3,370 (1,790-5,750)	--	--	1,680 (900-2,820)	--	--	3,090 (1,870-4,780)	--	--	3,820 (2,210-6,020)	--	--	32,900 (19,100-51,600)	--	--	29,000 (19,100-42,800)	--	--
Other <i>Klebsiella</i> species	--	--	12,100 (6,540-20,900)	--	--	4,320 (2,440-7,140)	--	--	8,340 (4,750-14,000)	--	--	4,940 (2,680-8,190)	--	--	3,170 (1,630-5,570)	--	--	13,200 (6,350-23,100)	--	--	7,780 (3,630-14,200)
Other <i>enterococci</i>	17,300 (9,490-28,800)	--	--	3,640 (1,670-6,850)	--	--	7,420 (3,770-13,000)	--	--	3,710 (2,080-5,940)	--	--	3,170 (1,750-5,100)	--	--	13,400 (7,440-22,000)	--	--	8,450 (5,340-13,100)	--	--
<i>Proteus</i> spp.	9,160 (5,030-15,500)	--	8,020 (4,860-12,700)	3,340 (1,730-5,800)	--	2,600 (1,640-3,850)	6,570 (3,440-11,200)	--	5,520 (3,670-7,990)	2,880 (1,530-4,940)	--	3,360 (2,120-5,020)	2,070 (1,140-3,470)	--	2,210 (1,290-3,610)	8,410 (4,420-14,300)	--	9,180 (4,920-15,700)	5,150 (3,180-8,020)	--	5,510 (2,830-9,730)
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	44,300 (24,400-72,400)	42,400 (29,400-60,300)	25,200 (15,400-38,700)	8,440 (4,460-14,400)	11,500 (8,120-16,500)	9,840 (6,250-14,400)	21,200 (11,400-35,600)	43,100 (33,500-56,000)	25,200 (16,500-36,600)	12,700 (7,200-20,400)	19,700 (14,700-26,400)	9,420 (6,170-13,600)	9,820 (5,420-15,600)	12,300 (9,010-16,800)	5,920 (3,560-9,220)	38,900 (21,800-63,200)	50,300 (37,900-66,100)	17,900 (10,900-28,600)	27,400 (18,100-39,700)	53,600 (42,900-66,600)	9,300 (5,390-14,800)
<i>Salmonella</i> Typhi	3,950 (2,330-6,190)	--	--	904 (389-1,840)	--	--	491 (239-904)	--	--	1,990 (1,210-3,040)	--	--	3,210 (1,880-4,950)	--	--	18,100 (10,500-28,700)	--	--	41,900 (26,700-60,800)	--	--
<i>Serratia</i> spp.	19,700 (11,000-32,300)	--	3,700 (2,240-5,880)	2,210 (1,190-3,810)	--	1,250 (780-1,880)	4,640 (2,530-7,680)	--	2,170 (1,390-3,200)	4,820 (2,770-7,730)	--	1,530 (962-2,280)	4,380 (2,510-7,070)	--	1,010 (578-1,620)	24,000 (13,800-39,300)	--	4,480 (2,380-7,600)	17,000 (10,900-26,000)	--	2,820 (1,420-5,010)
<i>S. aureus</i>	94,500 (52,500-156,000)	80,900 (62,500-105,000)	40,000 (24,000-61,500)	23,900 (12,700-40,700)	26,300 (20,800-34,200)	15,200 (9,360-22,400)	91,800 (48,900-154,000)	137,000 (114,000-163,000)	31,600 (20,500-46,200)	20,600 (11,400-33,800)	50,600 (41,500-62,100)	15,700 (10,100-23,000)	15,600 (8,520-25,400)	26,600 (20,900-34,000)	9,960 (5,910-15,700)	32,000 (18,000-52,200)	93,400 (72,800-120,000)	36,000 (20,800-56,900)	20,400 (13,700-29,700)	117,000 (95,500-143,000)	20,700 (11,900-32,700)
<i>S. pneumoniae</i>	28,600 (15,800-46,500)	120,000 (95,800-150,000)	--	11,300 (6,020-19,100)	25,900 (21,800-31,500)	--	18,800 (10,000-31,500)	70,800 (60,100-82,300)	9,270 (5,270-14,800)	42,000 (35,300-50,200)	--	7,320 (4,060-11,900)	32,100 (25,800-39,500)	--	26,900 (15,100-42,800)	160,000 (131,000-197,000)	--	23,200 (15,300-34,000)	203,000 (166,000-248,000)	--	--

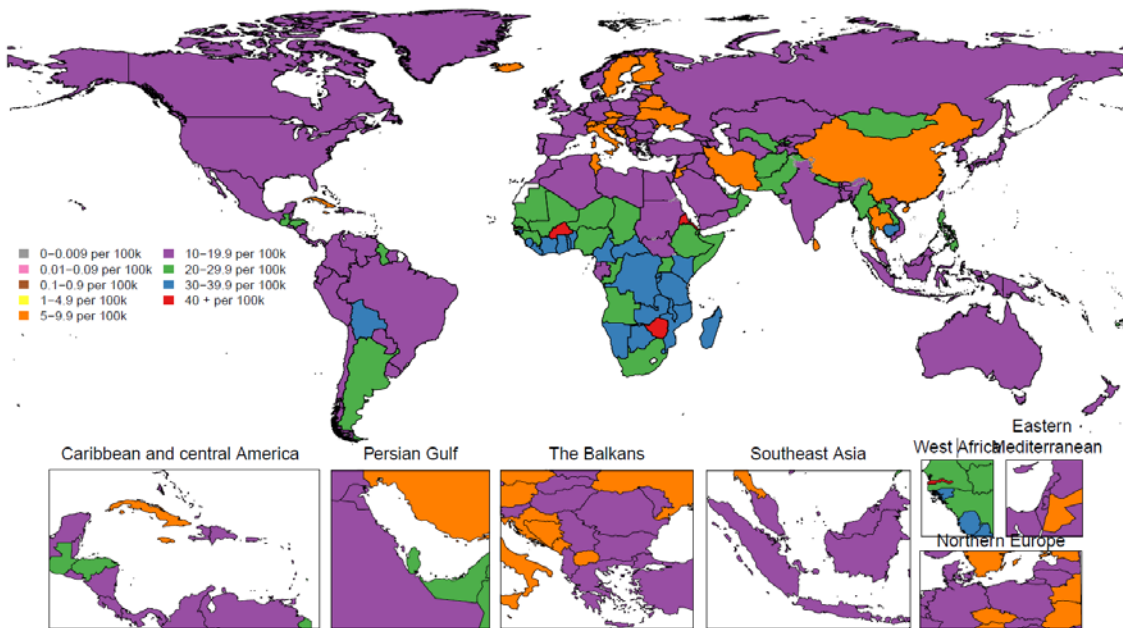
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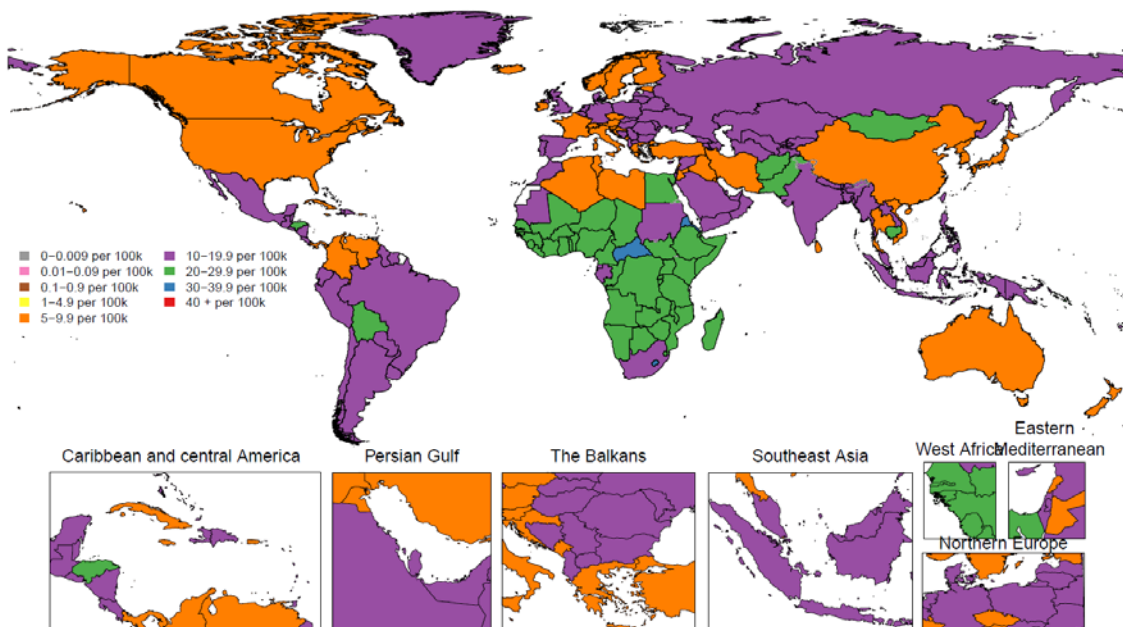
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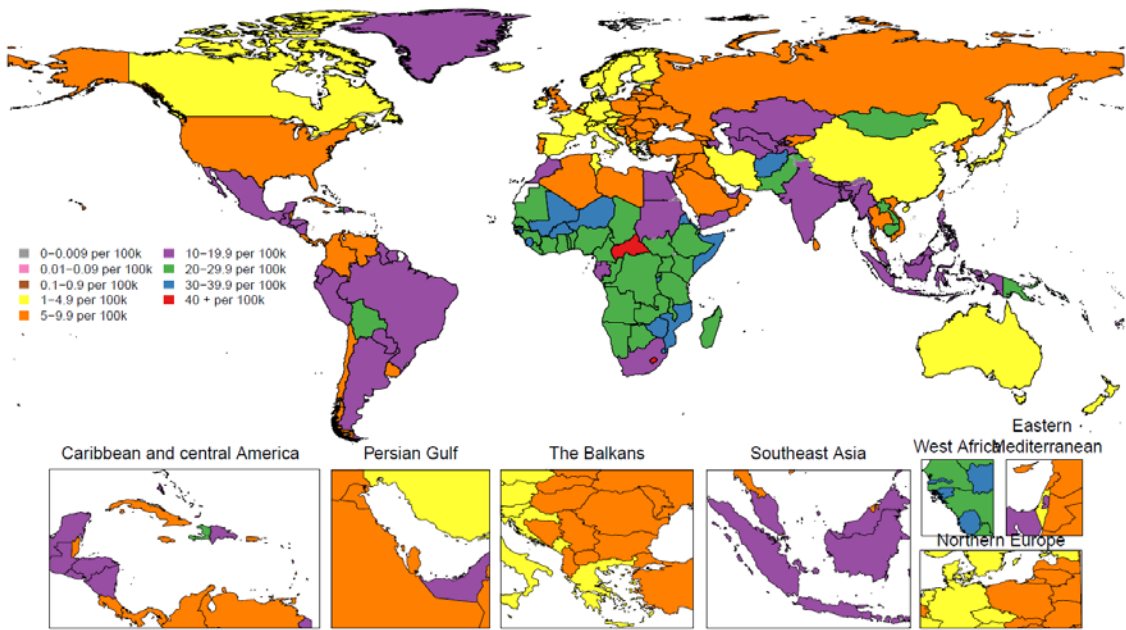
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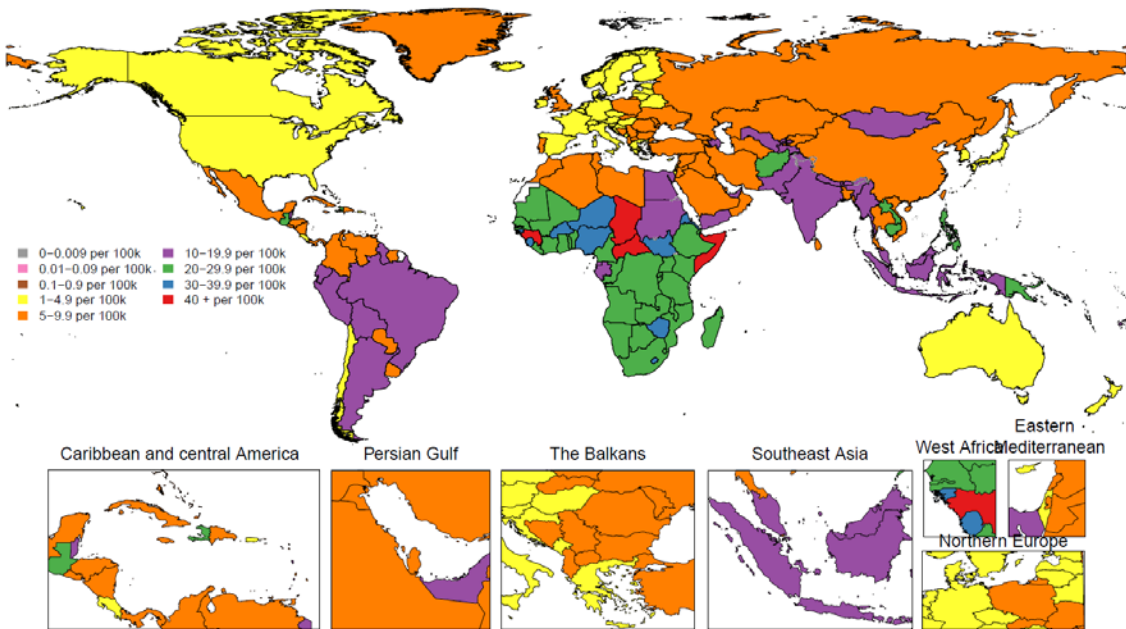
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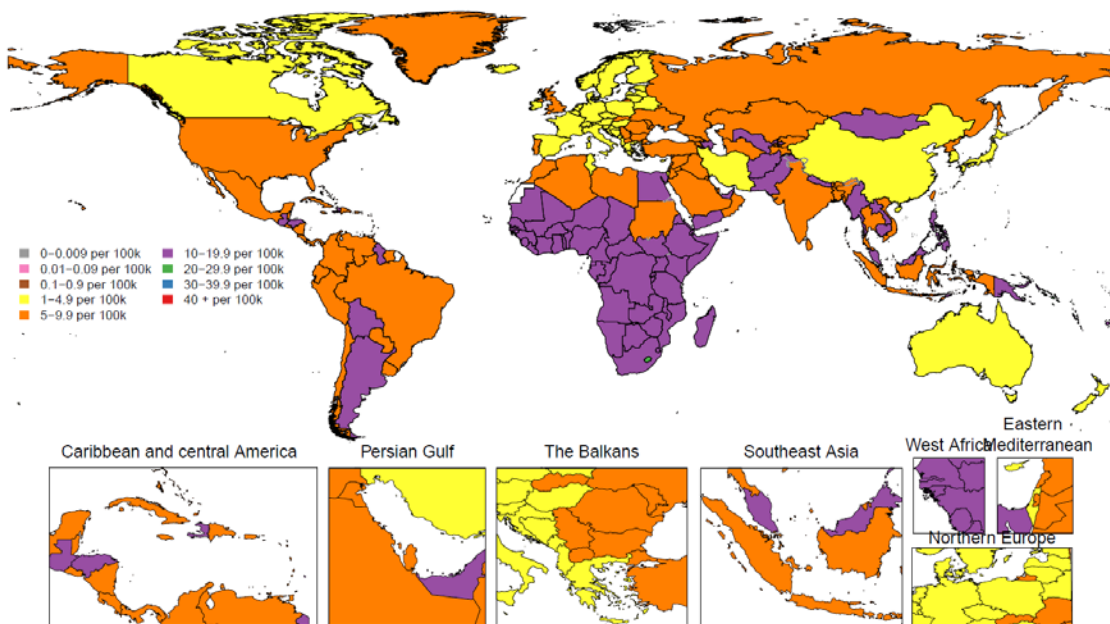
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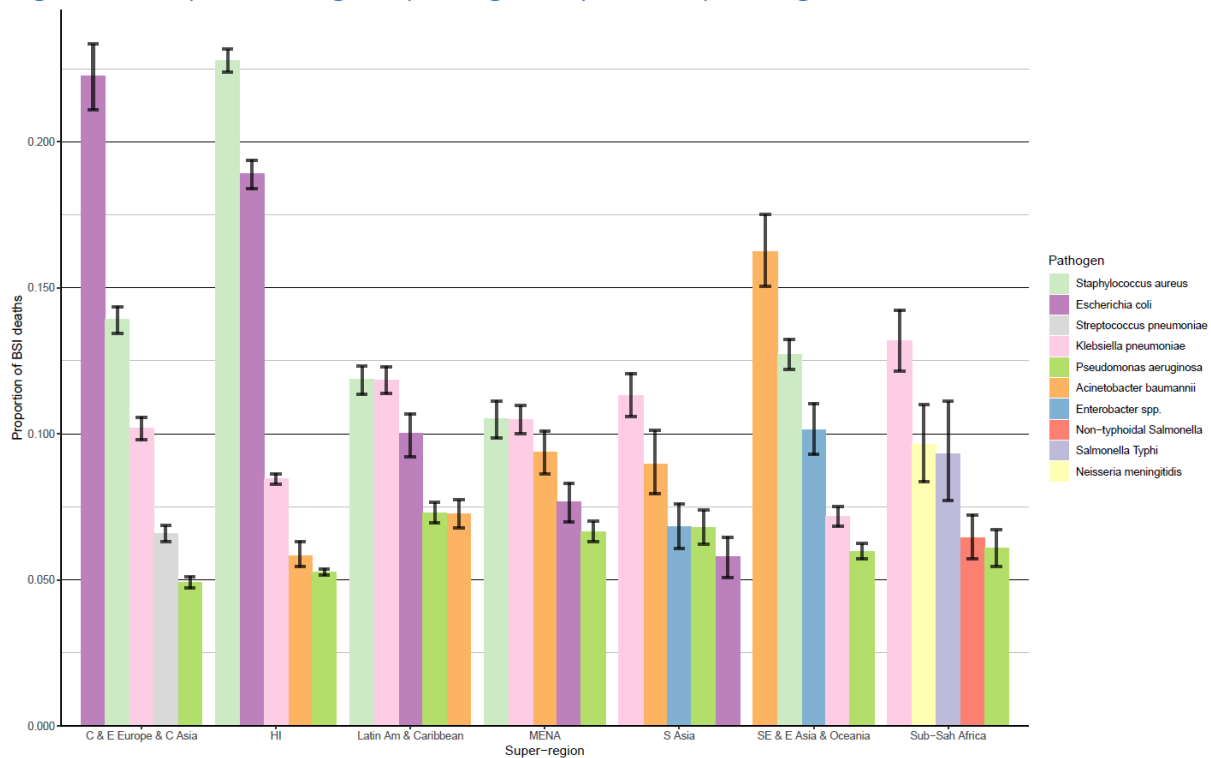


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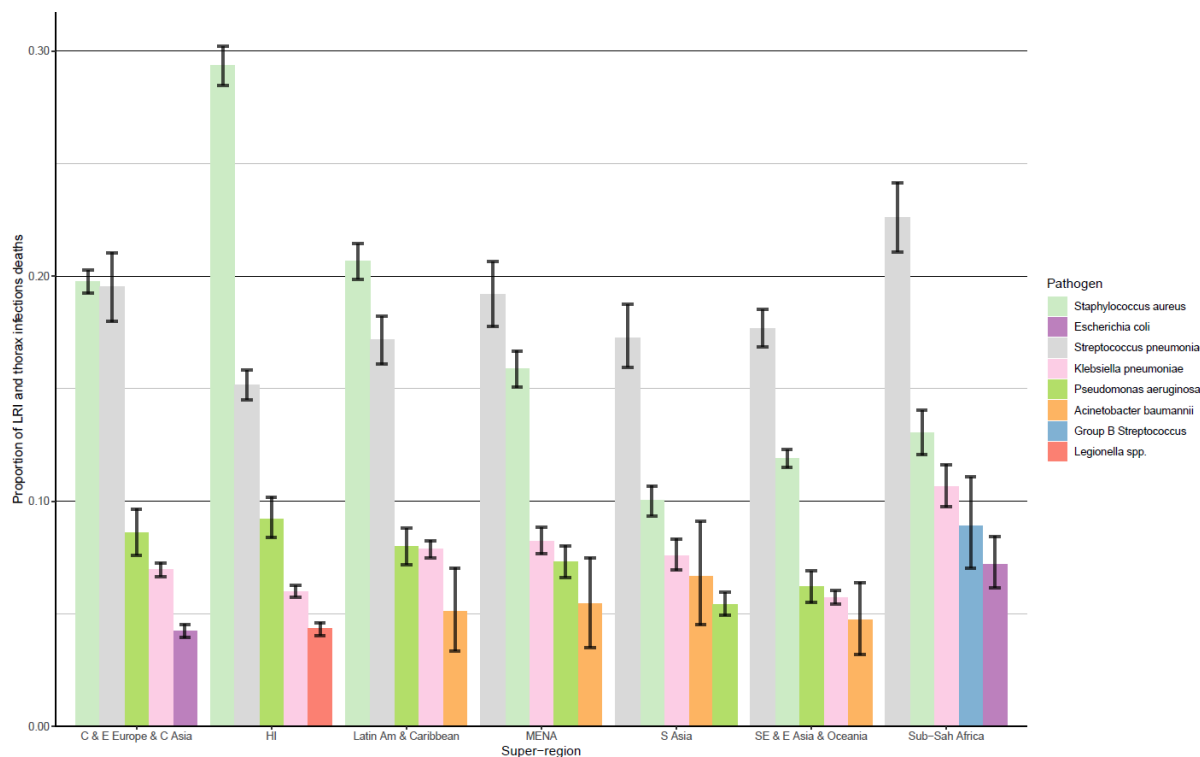
Figure S7: Top 5 Leading BSI pathogens by GBD super-region, 2019.



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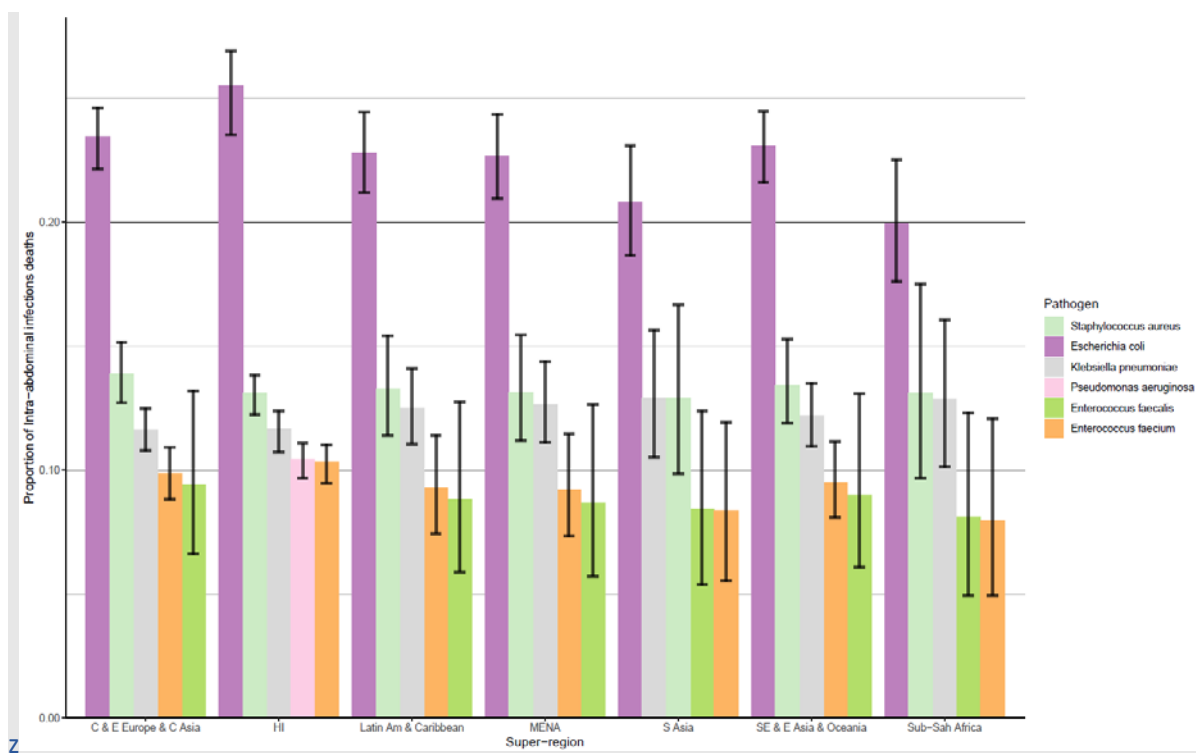
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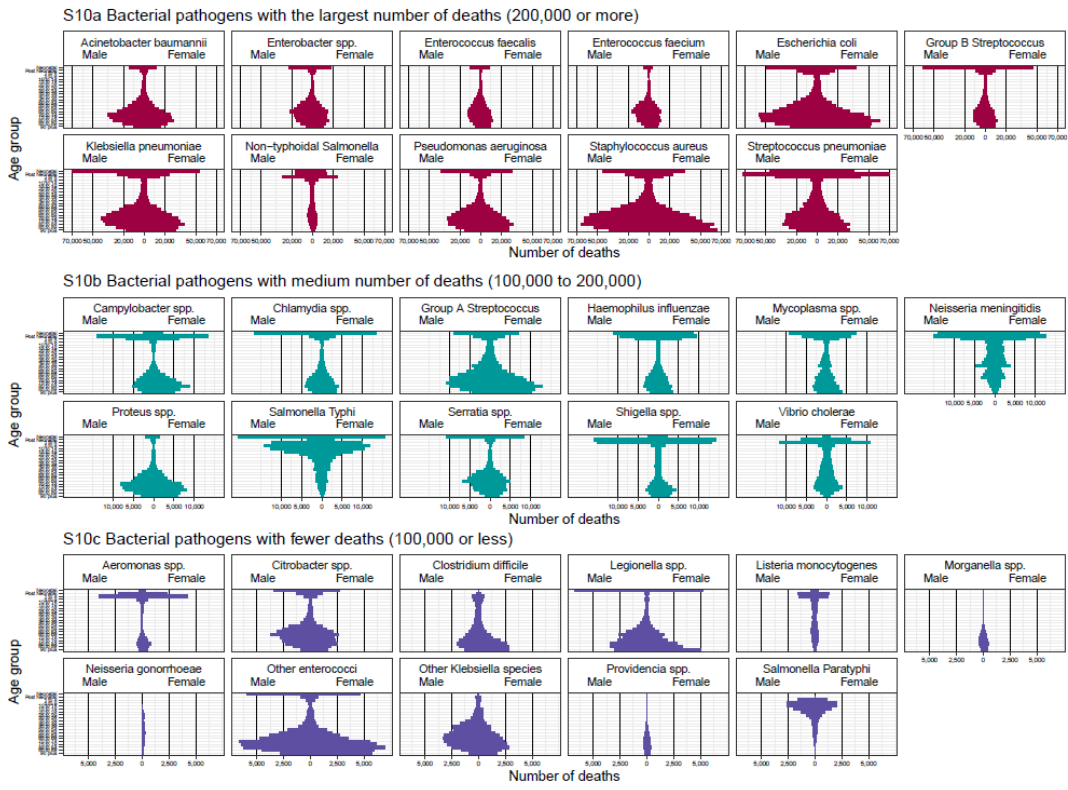
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1505 Figure S10: Global number of deaths by pathogen, age and sex group, 2019.



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