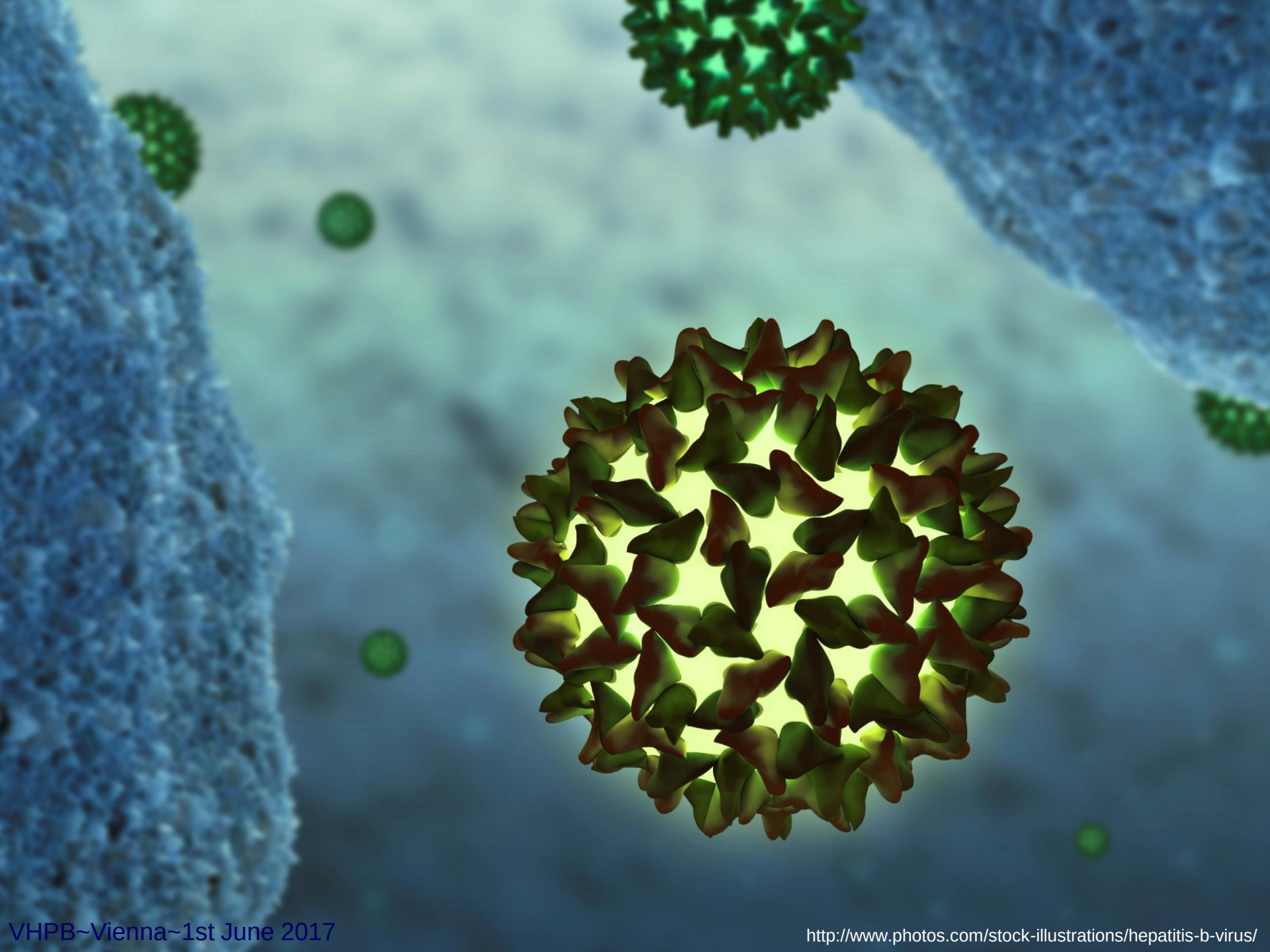






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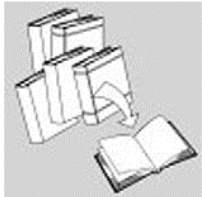
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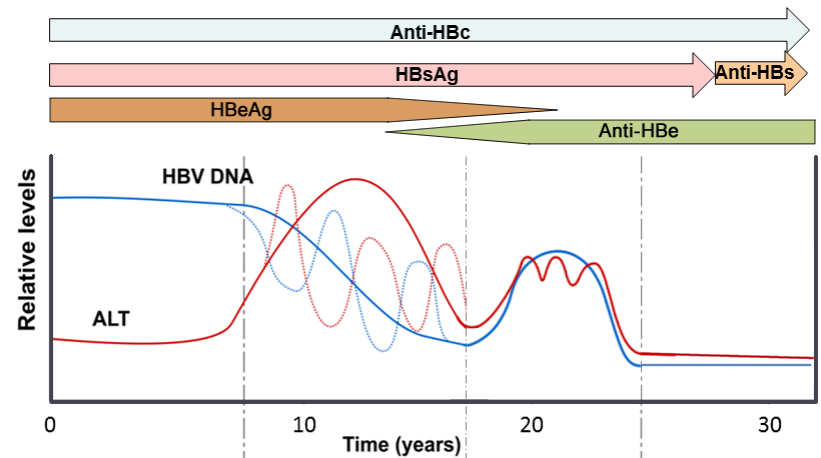
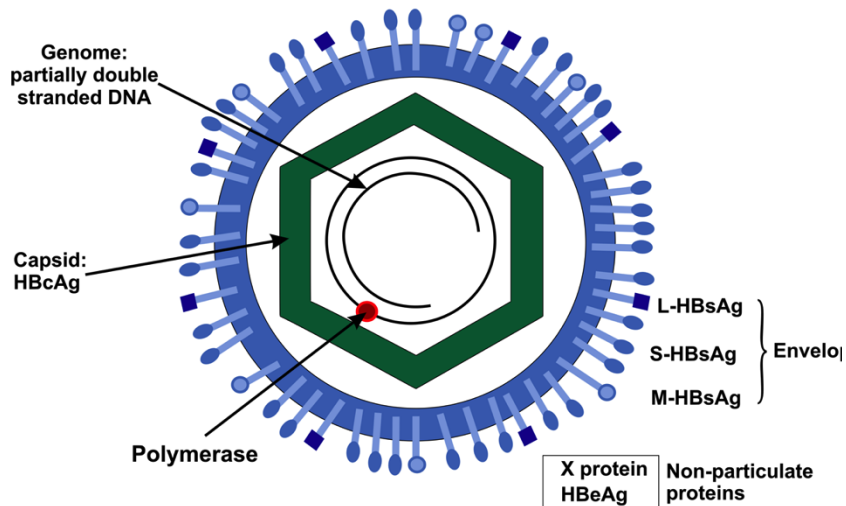
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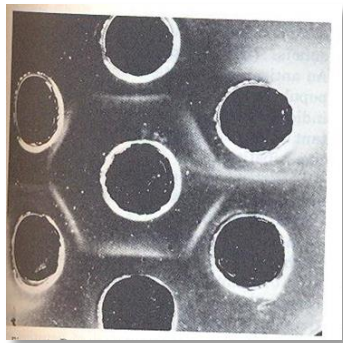
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HBeAg



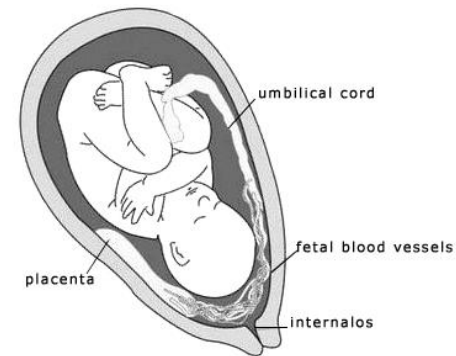
Liver activity	Mild or no necroinflammation	Moderate to severe necroinflammation	Necro-inflammation	Absent
Phase	High replicative/ low inflammatory	Immune clearance	HBeAg-negative Chronic Hepatitis	Non-replicative



Function of HBeAg

- Not required for viral assembly or replication but is important for natural infection *in vivo*.
- Clinically
 - Index of viral replication
 - Infectivity
 - Severity of disease
 - Response to antiviral treatment

- Immunoregulatory protein
 - Immunogen
 - Tolerogen
 - ↓ Innate IR



HBeAg Expression and Mother-to-Child Transmission

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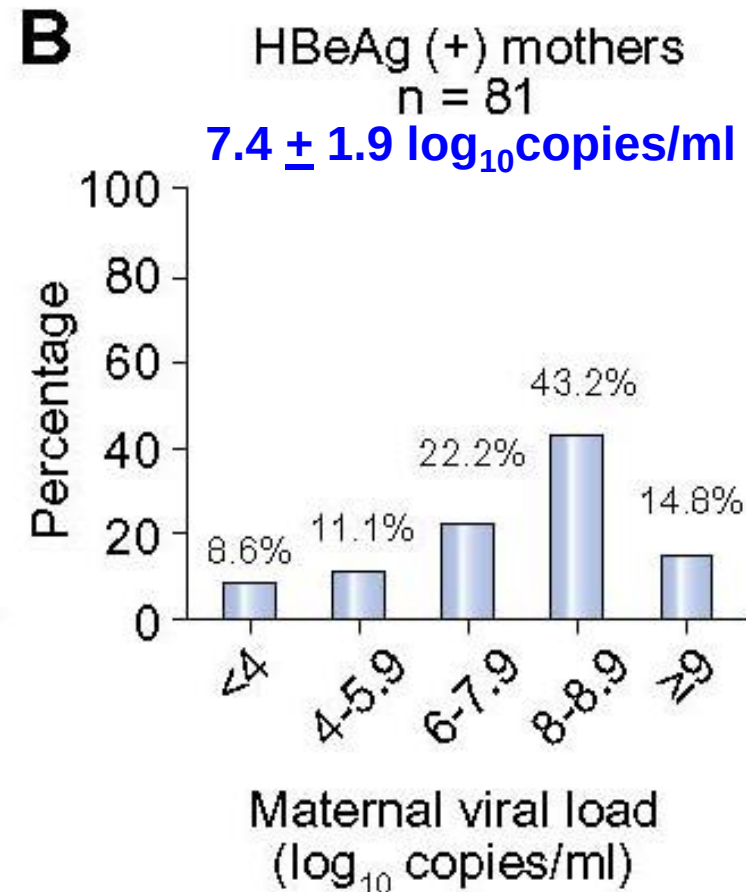
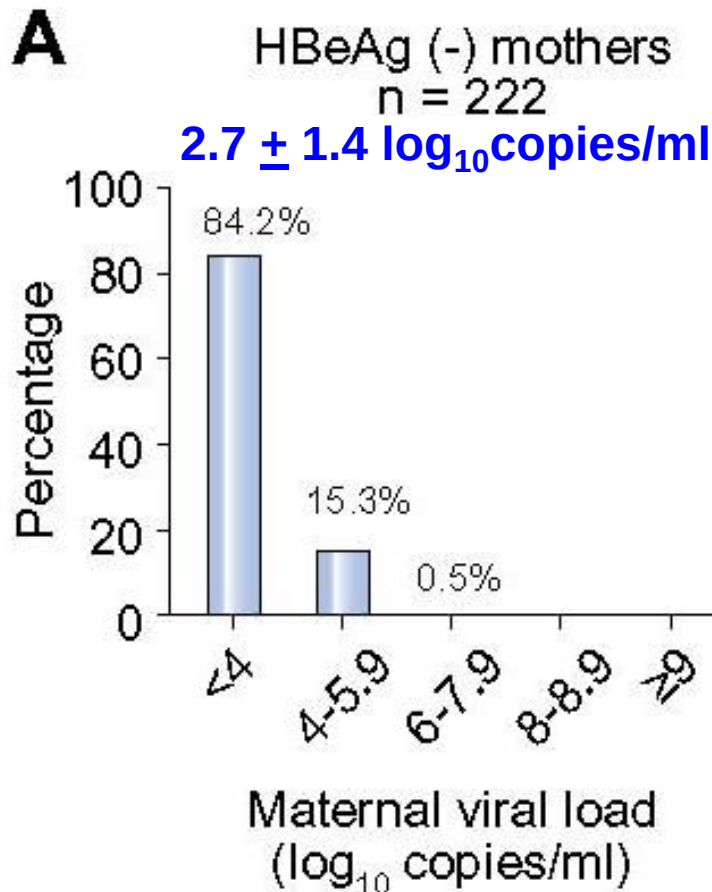
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HBeAg+ve vs HBeAg-ve
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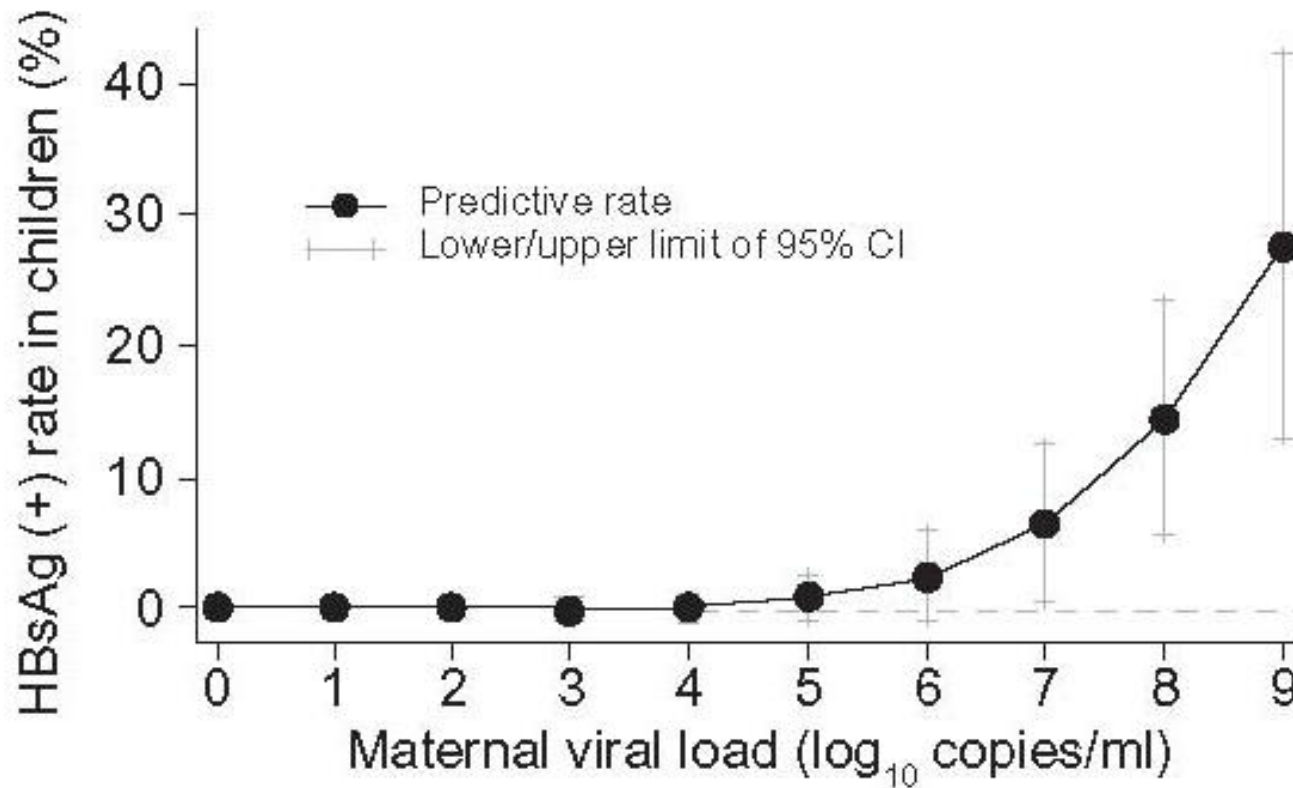


HBV Viral Load

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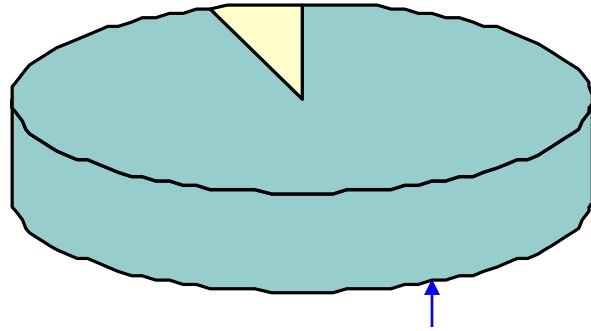


Predictive Rates of HBV Infection versus Maternal VL



Regional Differences in HBeAg-positivity

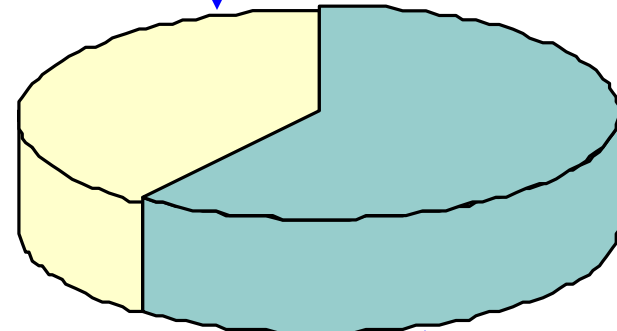
HBeAg+ve



HBeAg-ve

Sub-Saharan Africa

HBeAg+ve



HBeAg-ve

South East Asia

HBeAg-positivity and Genetic Factors?

Perinatal transmission of hepatitis B virus in high-incidence countries

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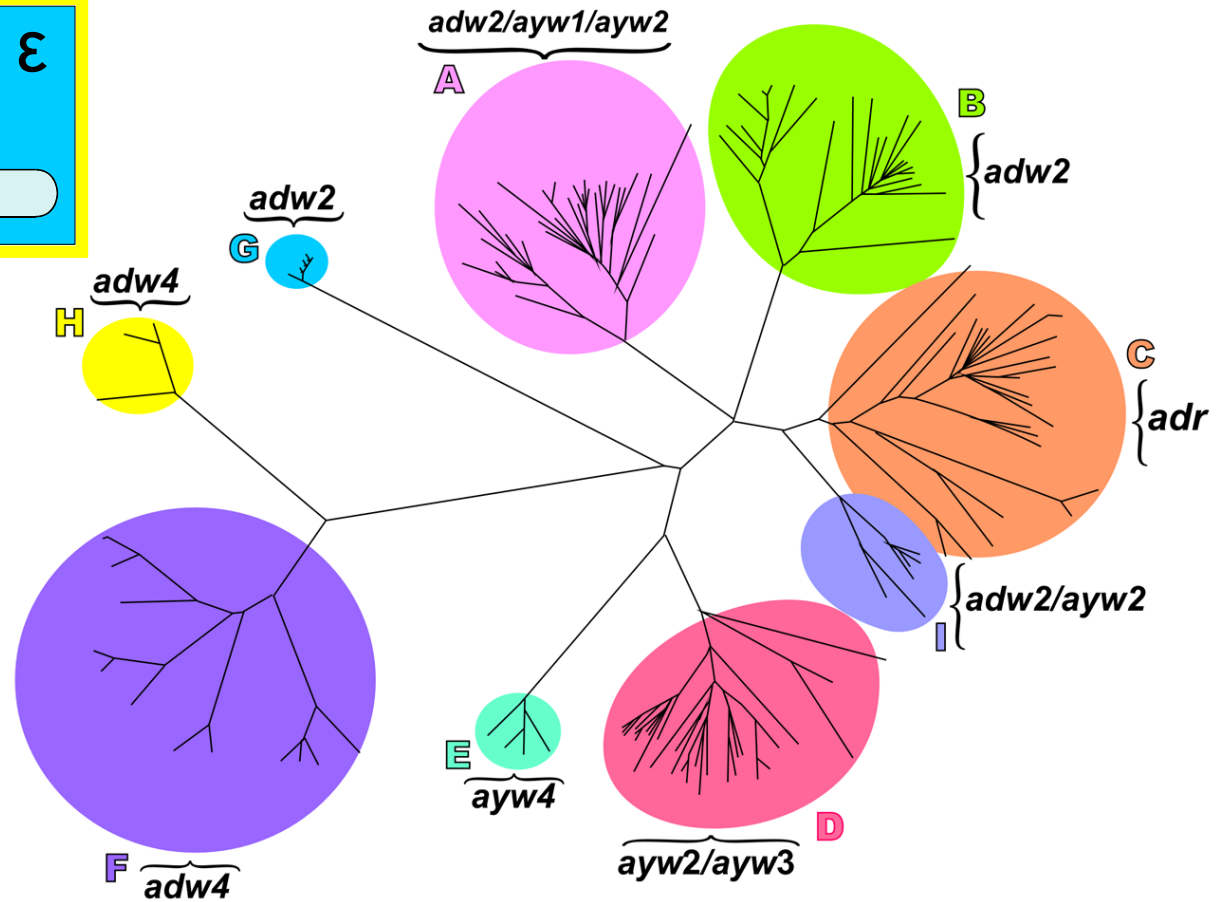
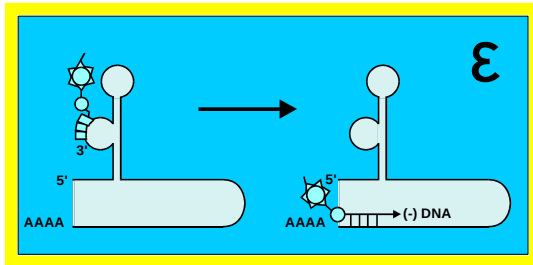
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Genetic factors in perinatal transmission of HBV

The expression of HBeAg seems to be determined genetically: most Chinese carrier women but rather fewer African carrier women are HBeAg-positive and throughout children born to Chinese carrier mothers, 40–70% become carriers; to African mothers about 30%; to Asian mothers about 6–8% and to European mothers almost none (Derso et al., 1978; Stevens et al., 1975; Wong et al., 1980).



The Genotypes of HBV



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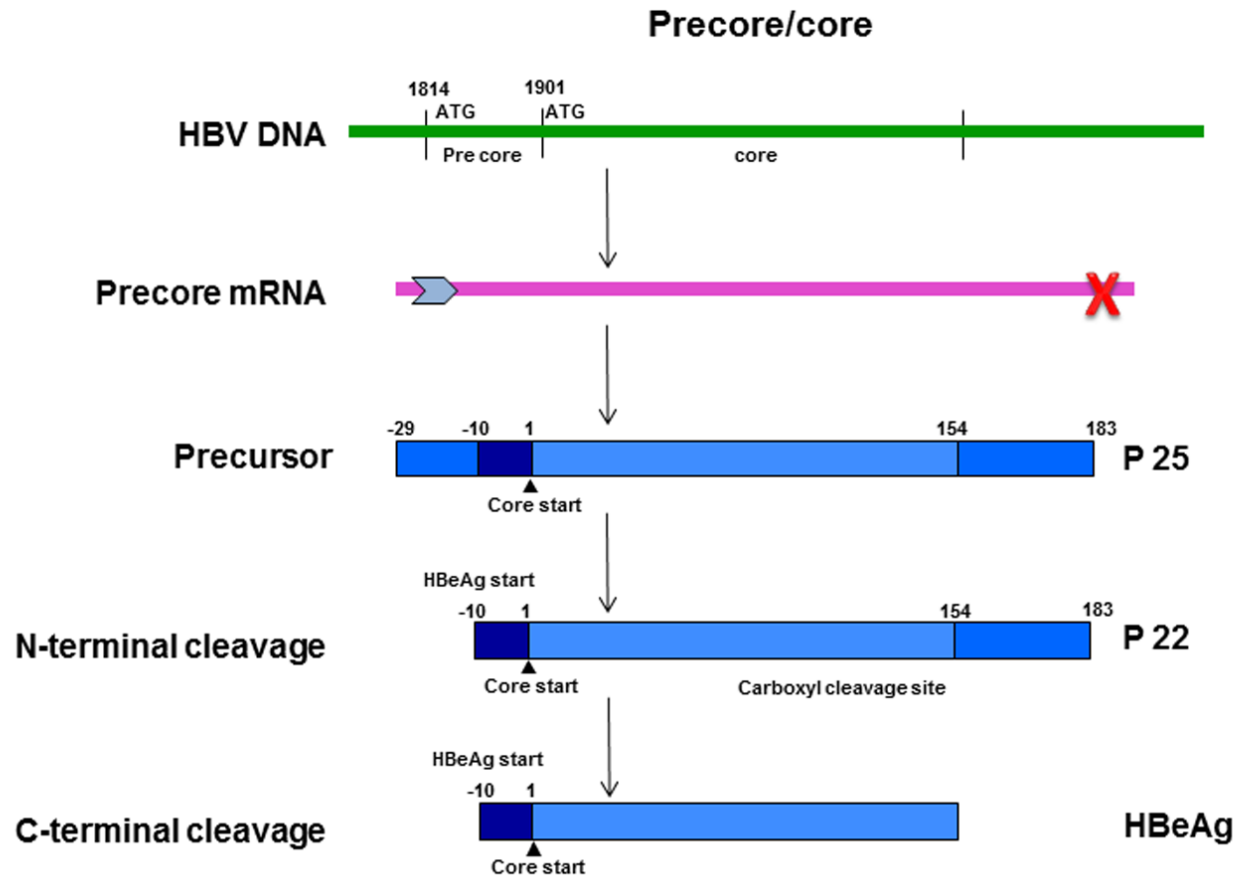
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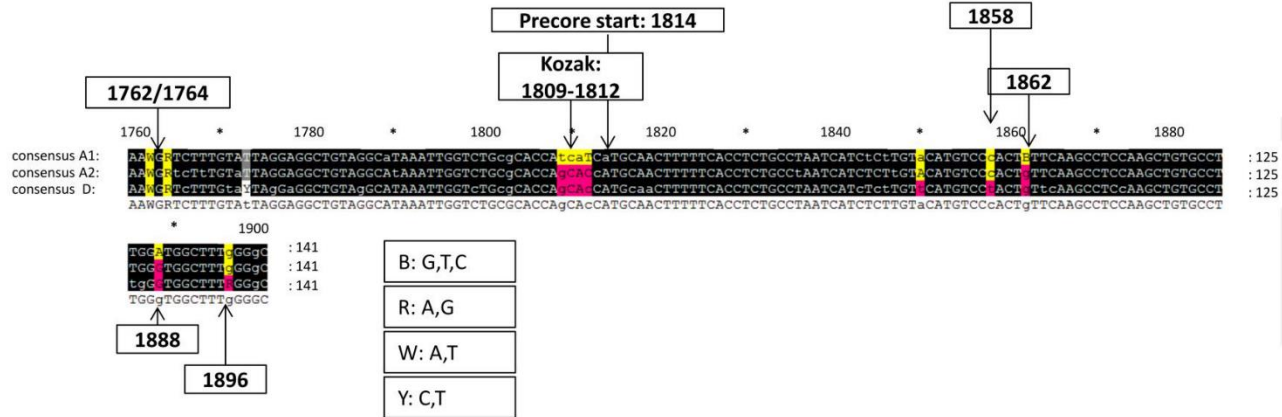
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Expression of HBeAg

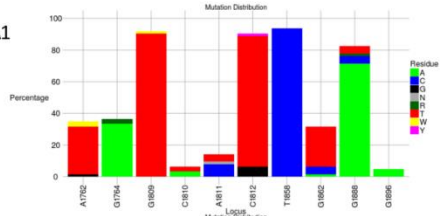


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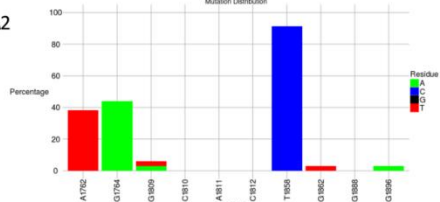


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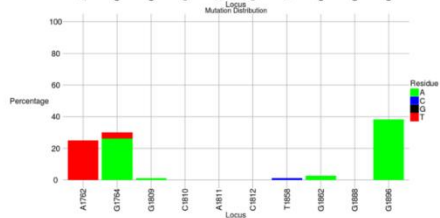
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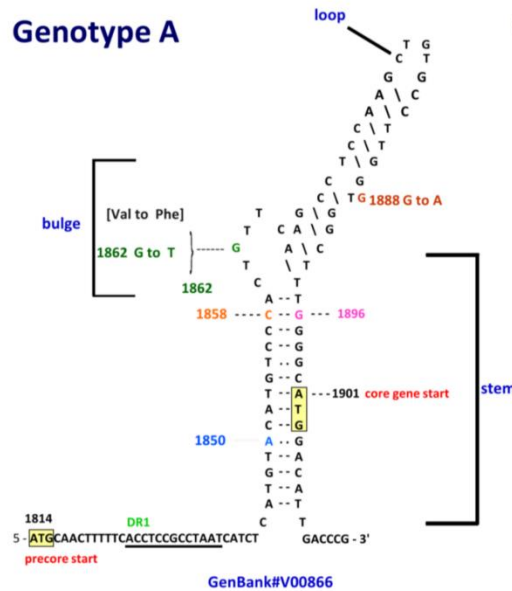


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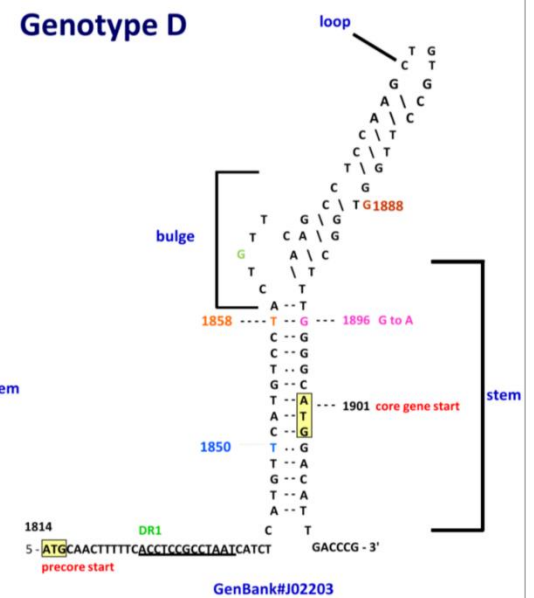


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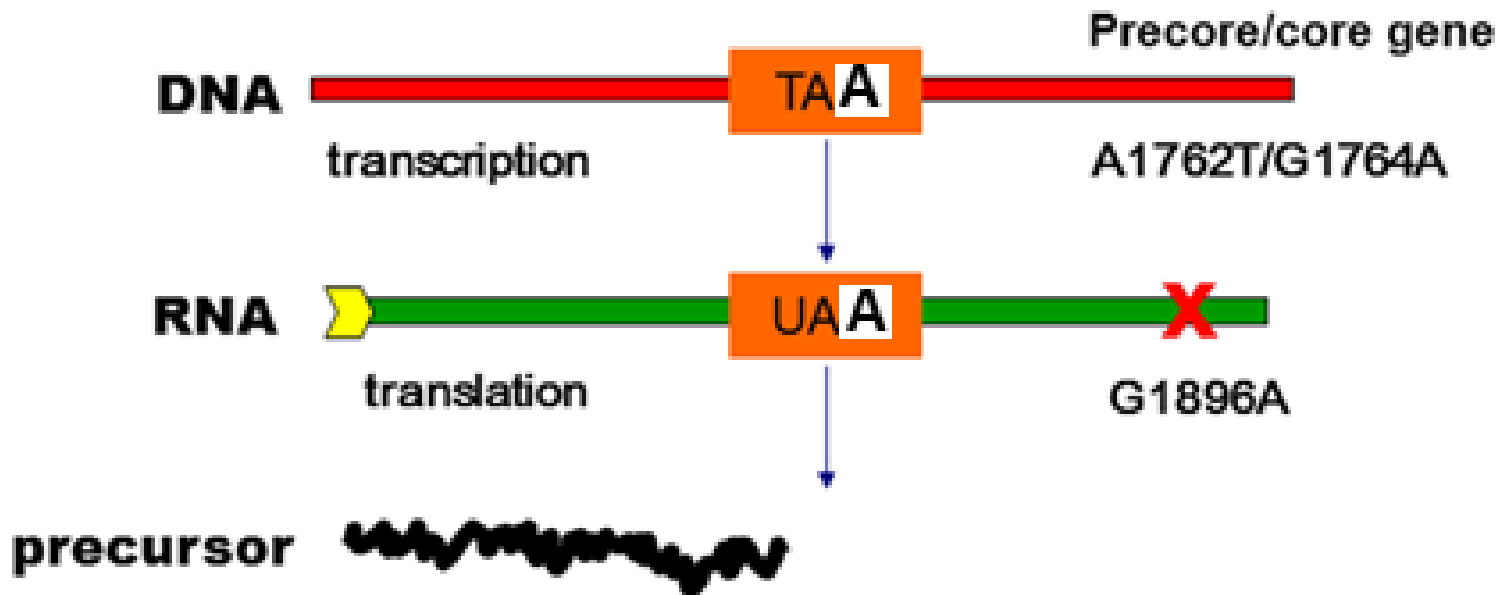
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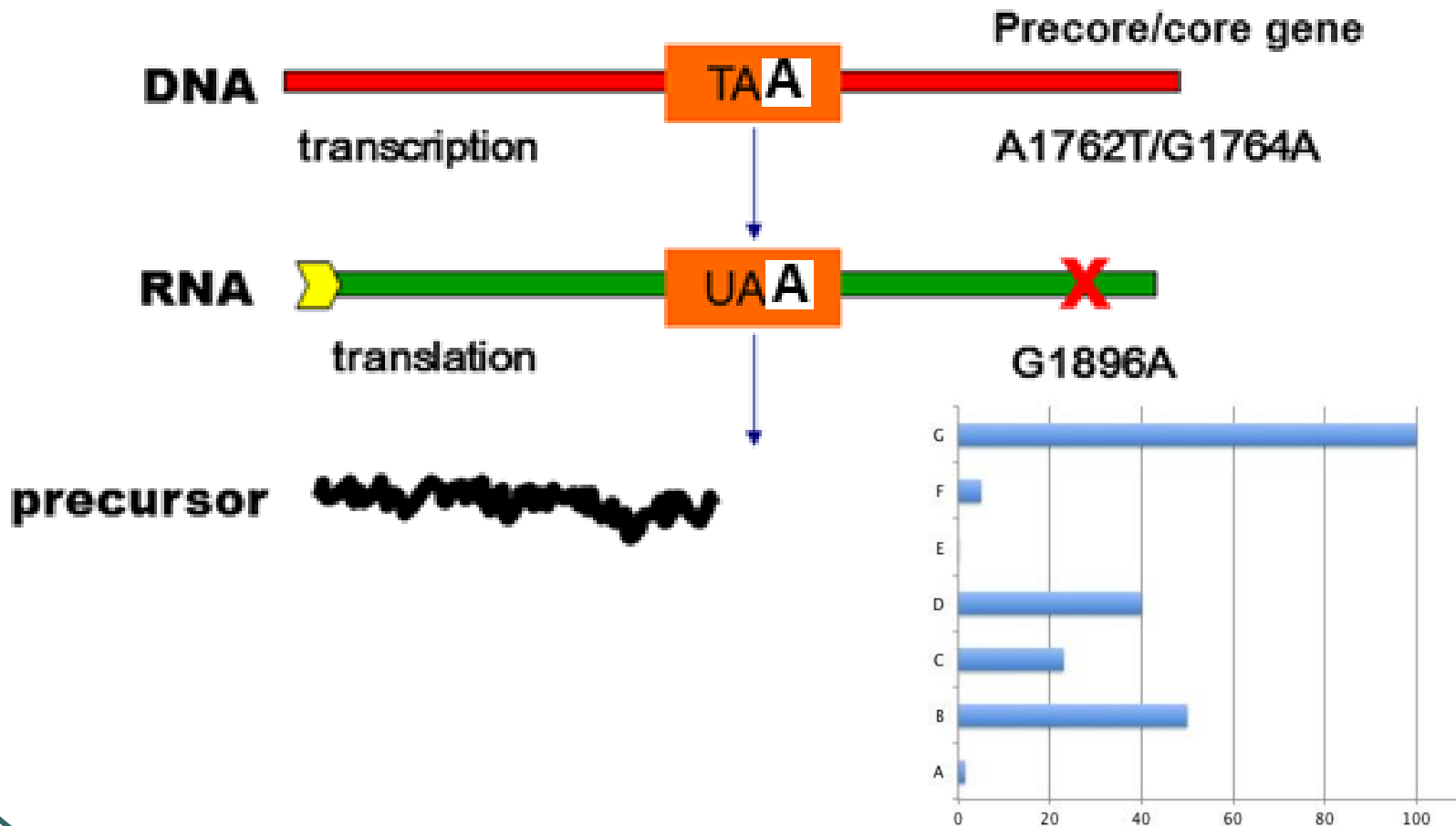
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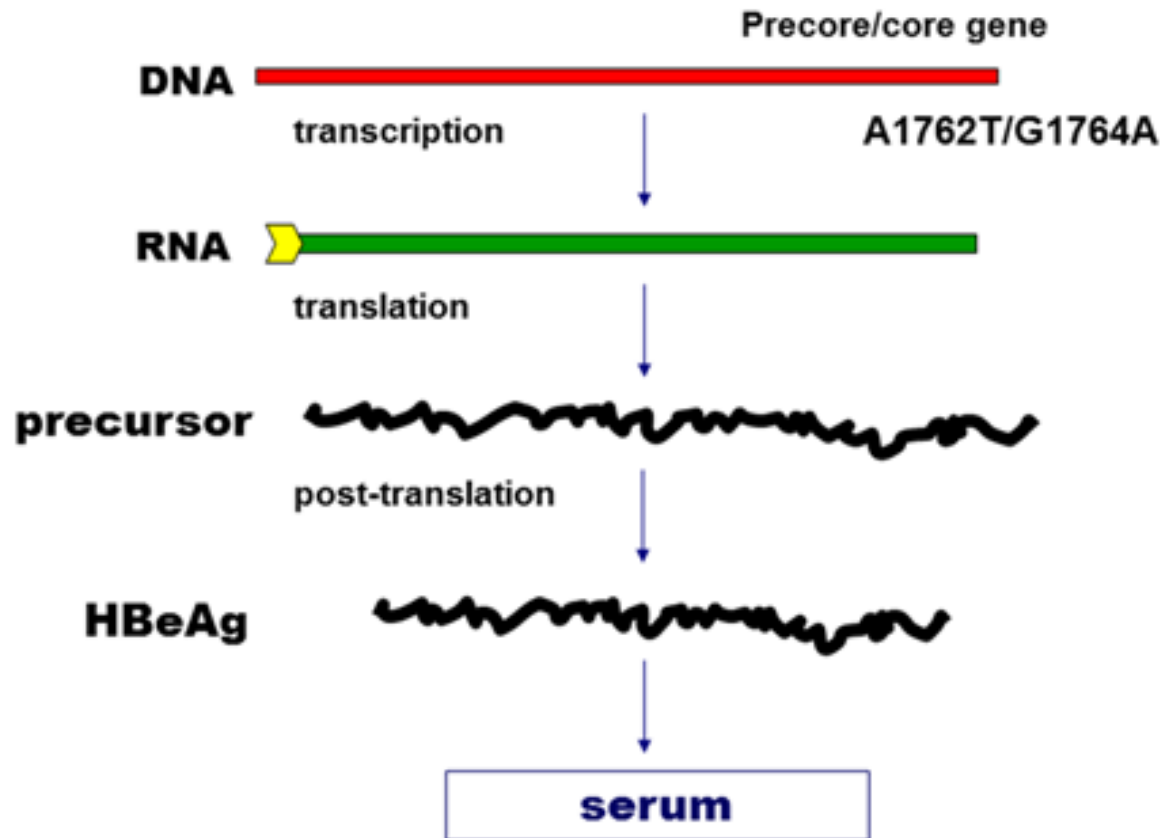
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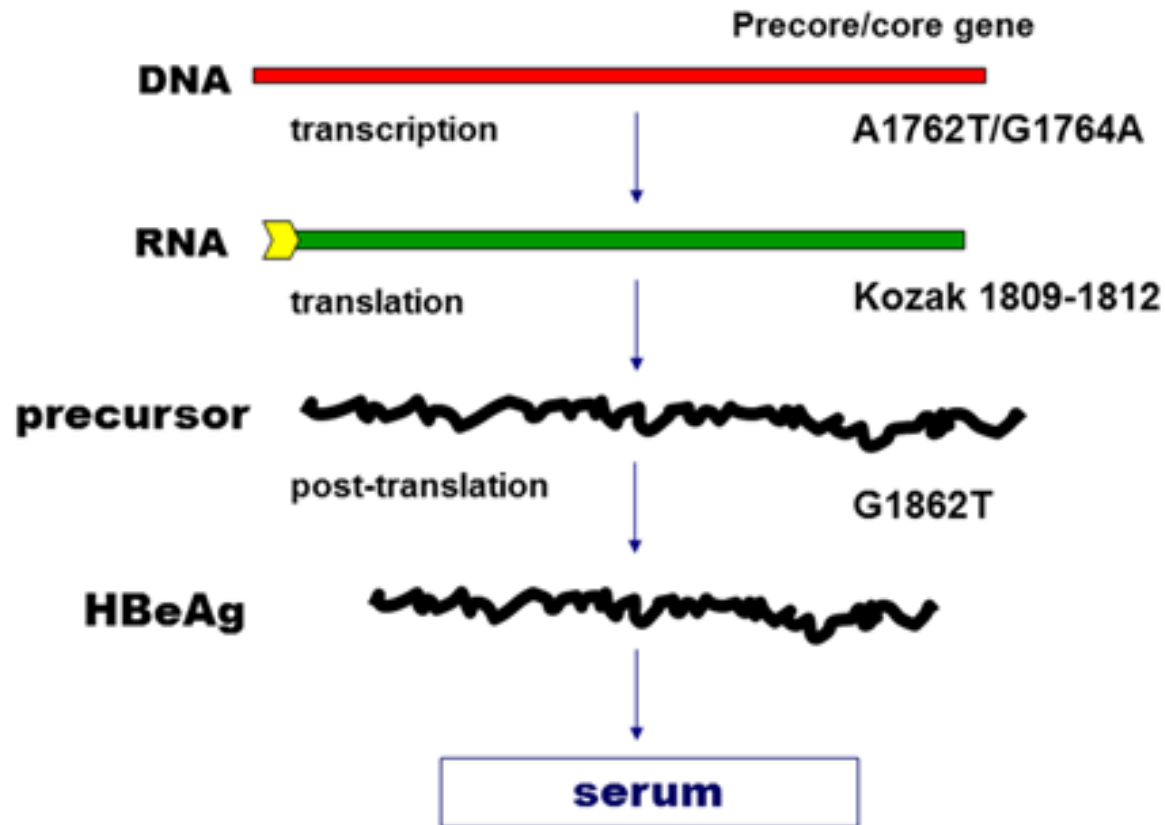
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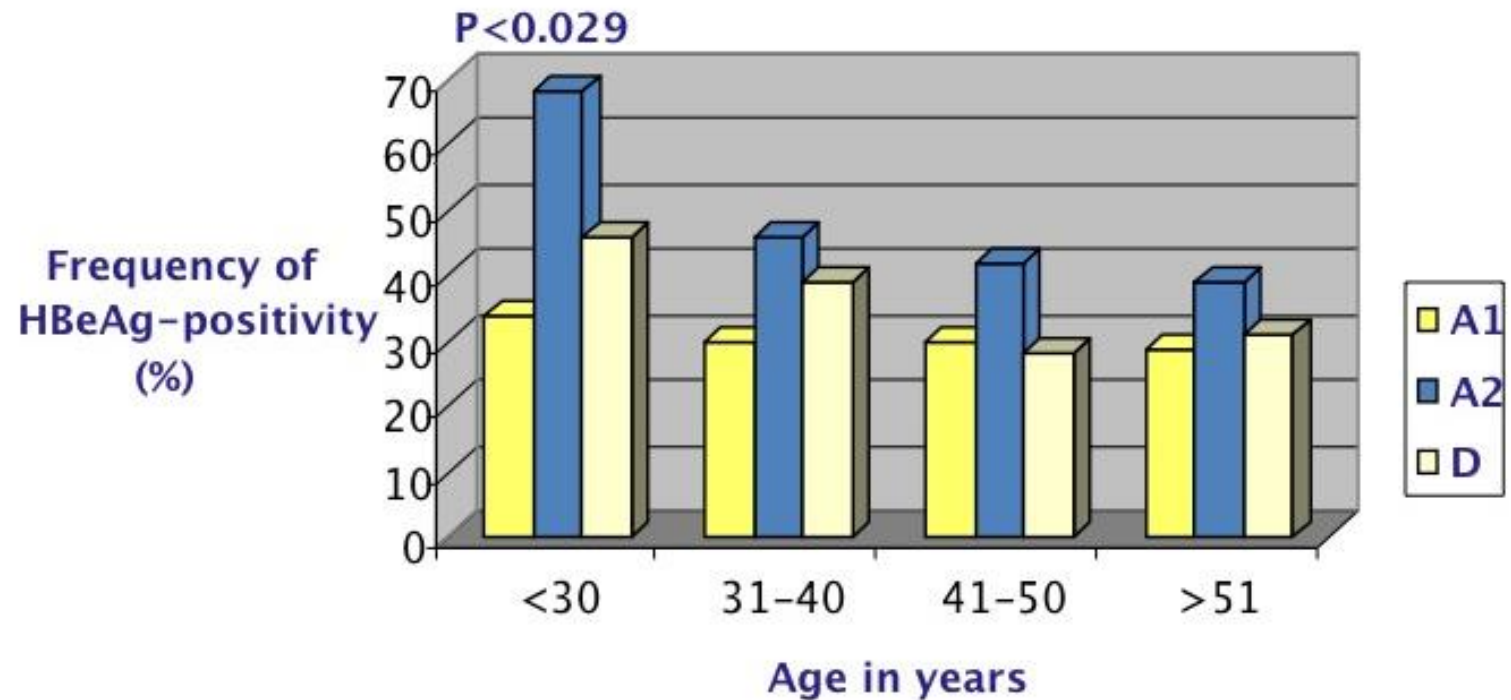
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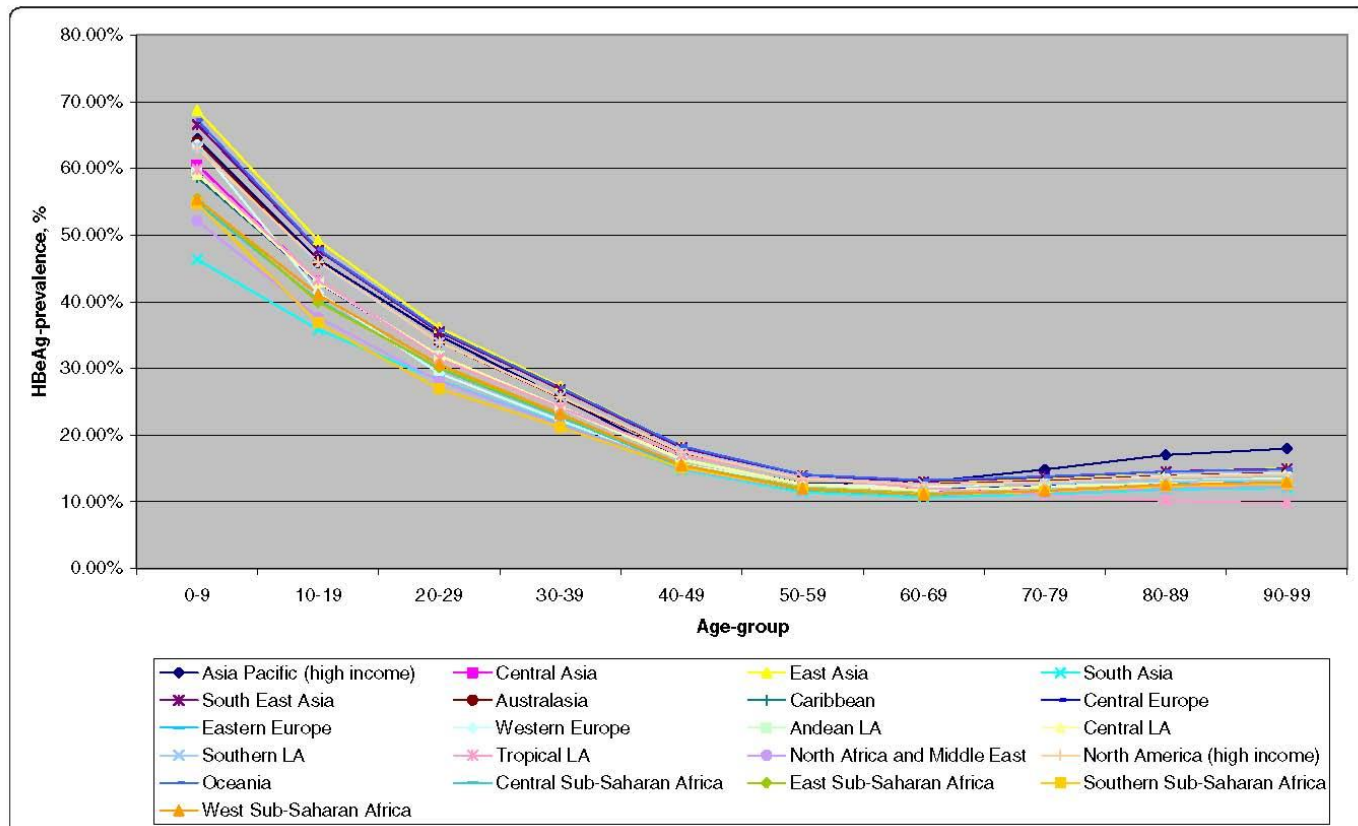
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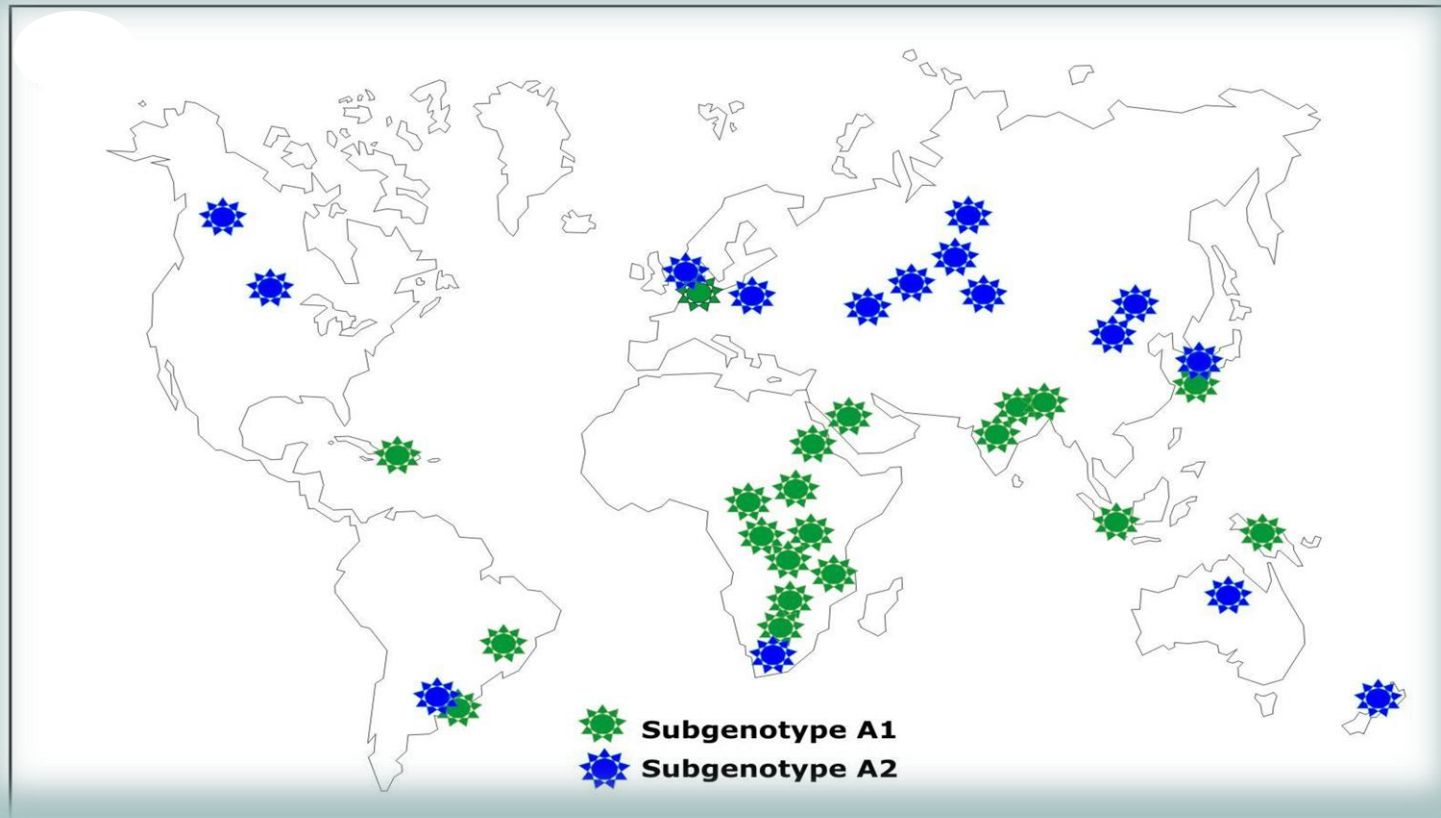
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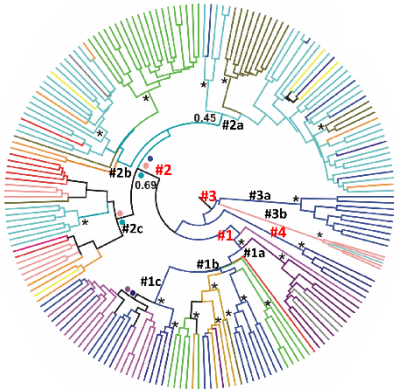


HBeAg Prevalence in HBsAg-positive Females: 2005



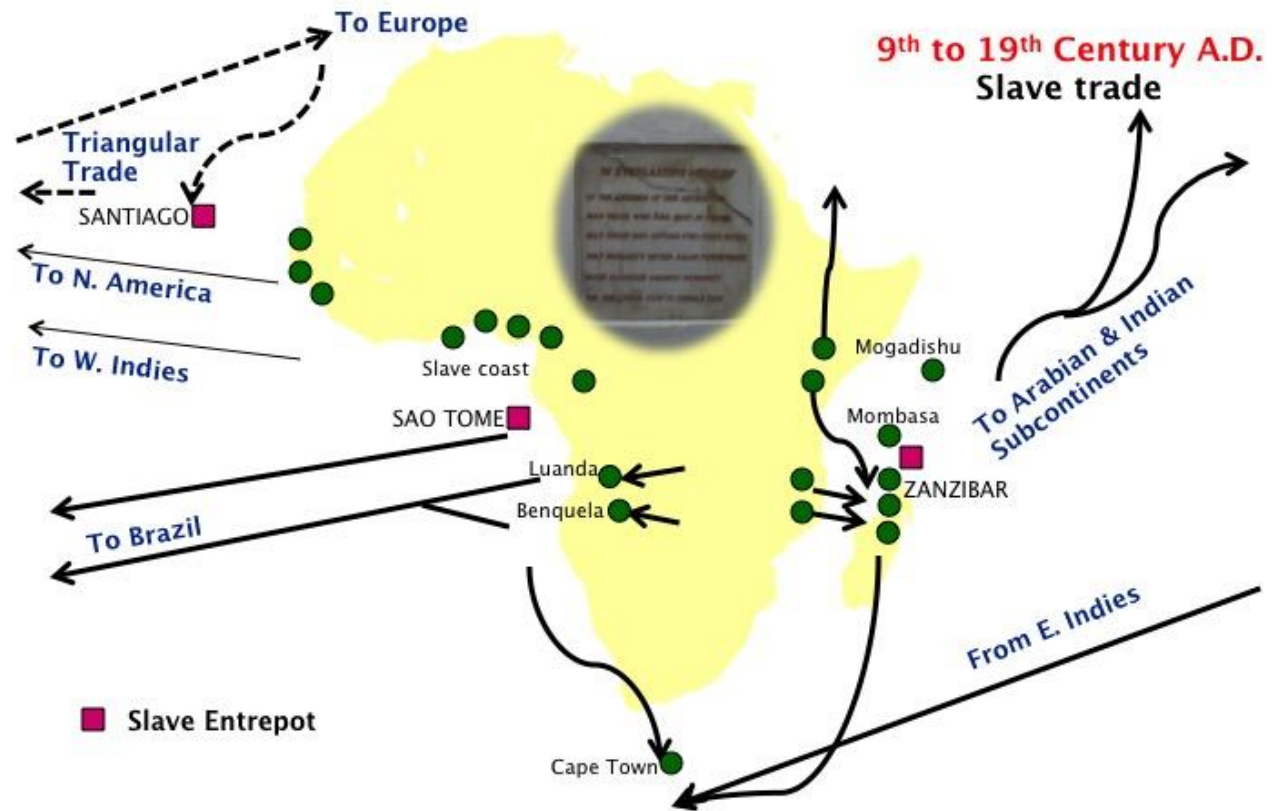
Geographic Distribution of Genotype A





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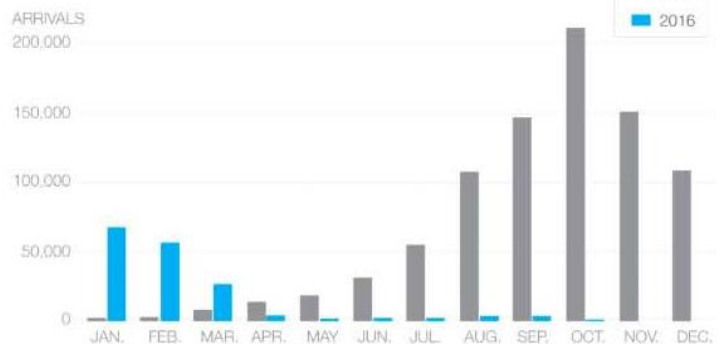


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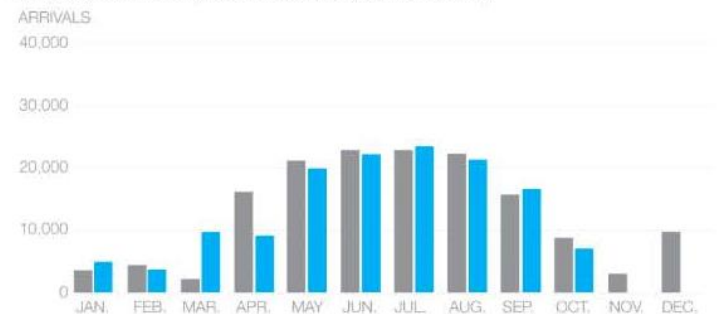
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Comparison of monthly Mediterranean Sea arrivals to Greece



Comparison of monthly Mediterranean Sea arrivals to Italy



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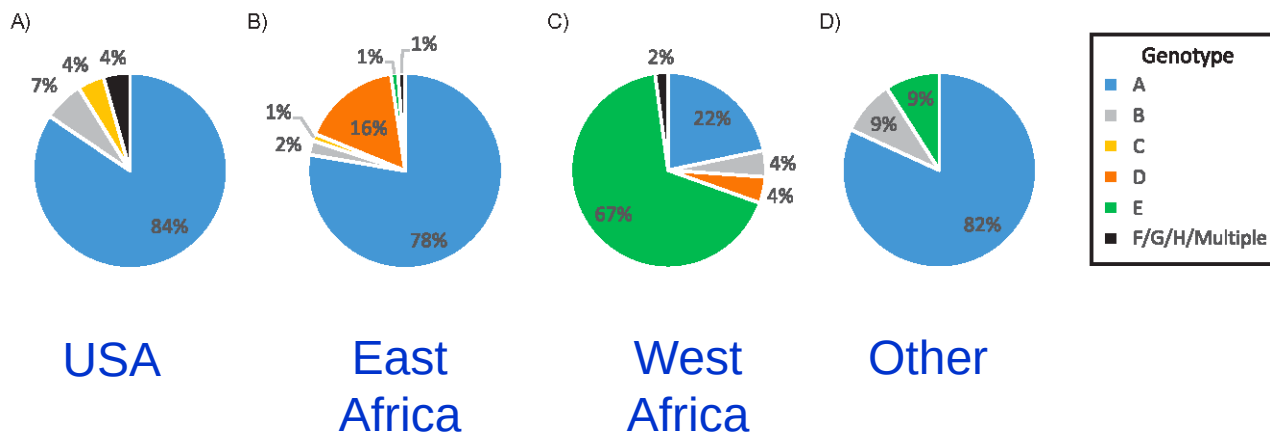
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Comparison of US versus Foreign Born African Americans with Chronic Hepatitis

	USAA	FBAA
Age*	47 years	40 years
Sexual transmission*	59%	3%
HBeAg-positivity*	19%	9%
Phase	CH	IC
Genotype	A2	A1/E



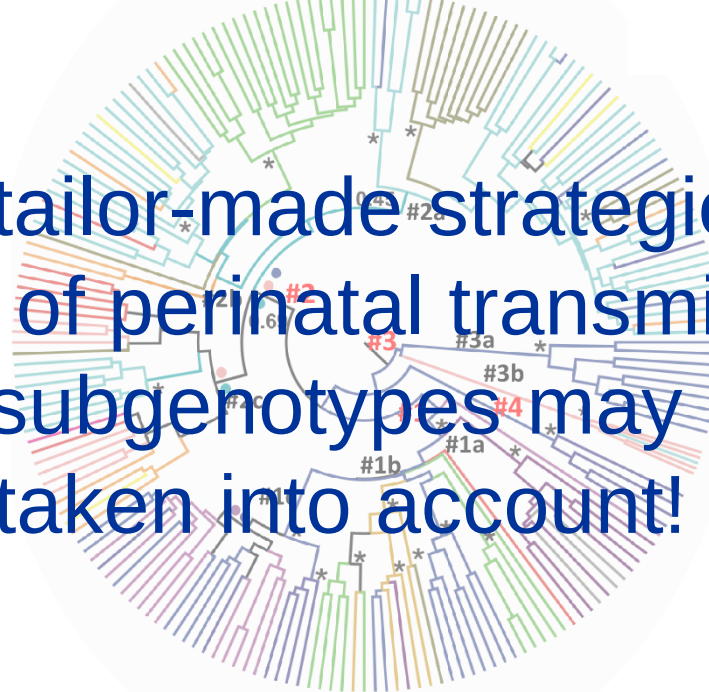
Comparison of MTCT *versus* Horizontal in Japanese Children

	MTCT	Horizontal
Genotype*	C	A or B
HBeAg-negativity at 15 years of age*	33%	45%
Hepatitis < 4 years*	lower	higher
HCC at 30 years	6%	11%

Take Home Message

One size does not fit all!

We need tailor-made strategies for the prevention of perinatal transmission and genotypes/subgenotypes may need to be taken into account!





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