# Modelling cervical cancer inequalities worldwide with and without enhanced HPV vaccination and screening efforts

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Single-Dose HPV Vaccine EVALUATION CONSORTIUM

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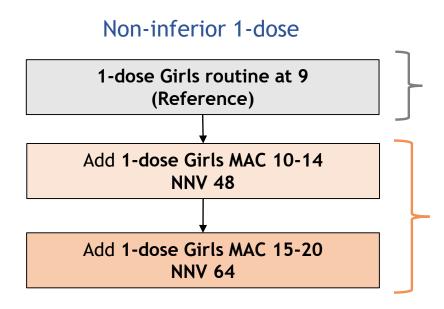
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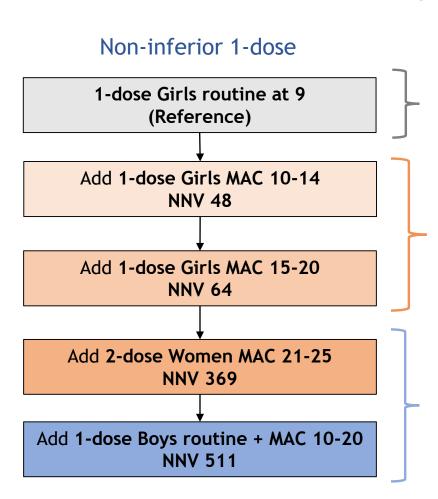
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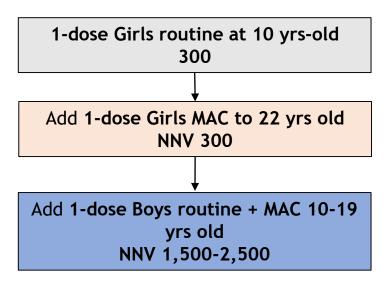
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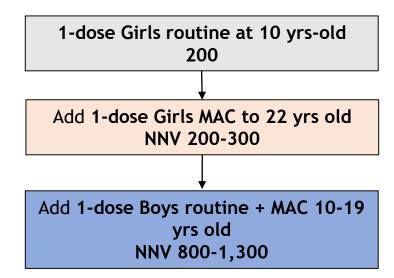
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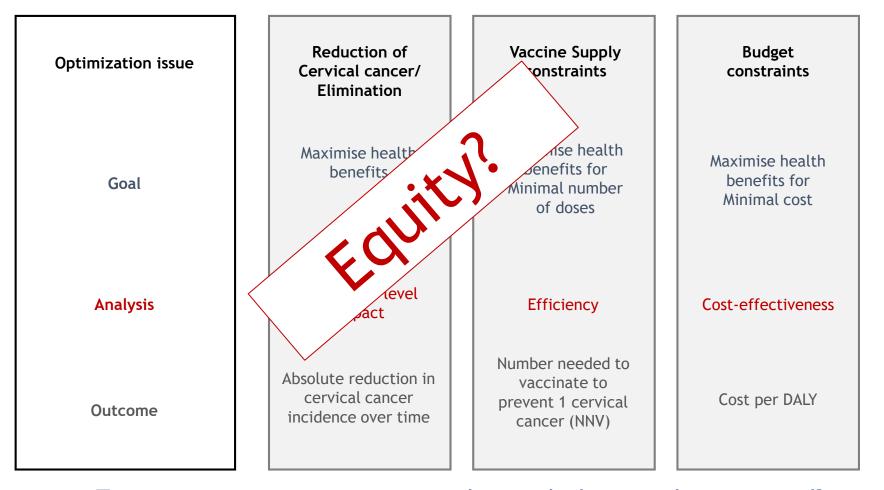
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### Global inequalities & cervical cancer elimination

- About 85% of cervical cancers worldwide occur in LMICs<sup>1</sup>
  - driving factor for these current inequalities is disparity in access to screening
  - 26% of women ever screened in LMICs vs 83% in HICs<sup>2</sup>
- To reduce worldwide inequalities, the WHO announced a global call for action to eliminate cervical cancer
  - reduce cervical cancer incidence below 4/100,000 women-years in all countries
  - WHO target: vaccinate 90% of girls, screen 70% of women, and treat 90% of pre-cancers/cancers<sup>3</sup>
- Large inequities in HPV vaccine distribution remain between LMICs and HICs
  - 28% of girls vaccinated in LMICs vs 66% in HICs (2020)<sup>4</sup>
  - about 50% of LMICs vs >90% of HICs have vaccination programs for girls<sup>5</sup>
  - despite mathematical models consistently showing the high projected population-level impact, efficiency and costeffectiveness of vaccinating girls and young women<sup>6-9</sup>
- Inequalities in cervical cancer are set to increase due to unequitable vaccine distribution

<sup>1.</sup> Globocan; 2. Bruni et al. Lancet Global Health 2022; 3. Brisson, Kim, Canfell et al. Lancet 2020; 4. Bruni (personal communication), 5. HPV Dashboard (2022); 6. Jit et al. Vaccine 2014; 7. Drolet, Laprise et al. Lancet Infec Dis 2021; 8. Bénard et al. Lancet Public Health 2023; 9. Bénard POSTER 200 IPVC 2024

## Objective

Using mathematical modelling, to project and compare the trends in cervical cancer incidence in Low- and Lower-Middle Income (LMICs) vs High-Income Countries (HICs):

- assuming the status quo in HPV vaccination and screening coverage, and
- under various enhanced prevention strategies for LMICs
- To examine the following questions:
  - Are we currently on the path to cervical cancer elimination?
  - What is the potential evolution of inequalities in cervical cancer worldwide under current screening and vaccination coverage?
  - What would be the potential impact of enhanced prevention strategies on inequalities and elimination?

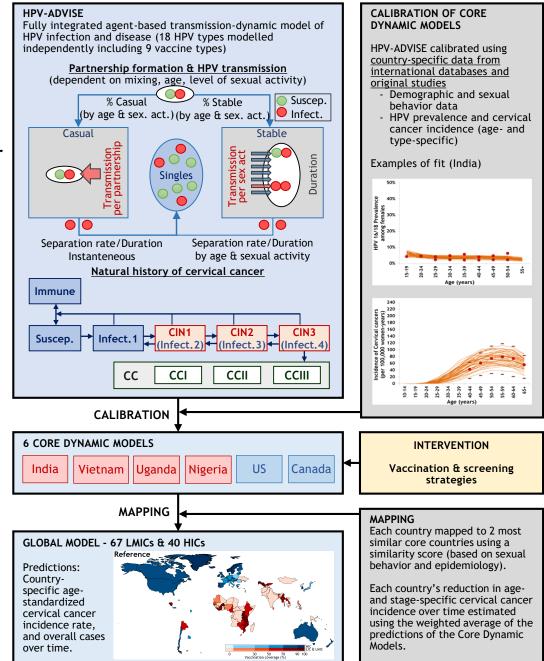
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#### Methods HPV-ADVISE overview

Model Structure, Core Modelled Countries & Mapping

- HPV-ADVISE<sup>1</sup>
- Agent-based transmission-dynamic model of HPV infection & cancer
  - Stratified by sex, age, level of sexual activity & screening behaviour
- 18 HPV types modelled individually:
  - 9-valent vaccine types + 9 other high-risk types
- Fit HPV-ADVISE to 6 core countries (India, Vietnam, Nigeria, Uganda, US and Canada)
  - Demographic and sexual behaviour
  - HPV prevalence and cervical cancer incidence (age & type-specific)
  - Data from international databases and original studies<sup>6</sup>
- Mapped the results from the 6 modelled core countries

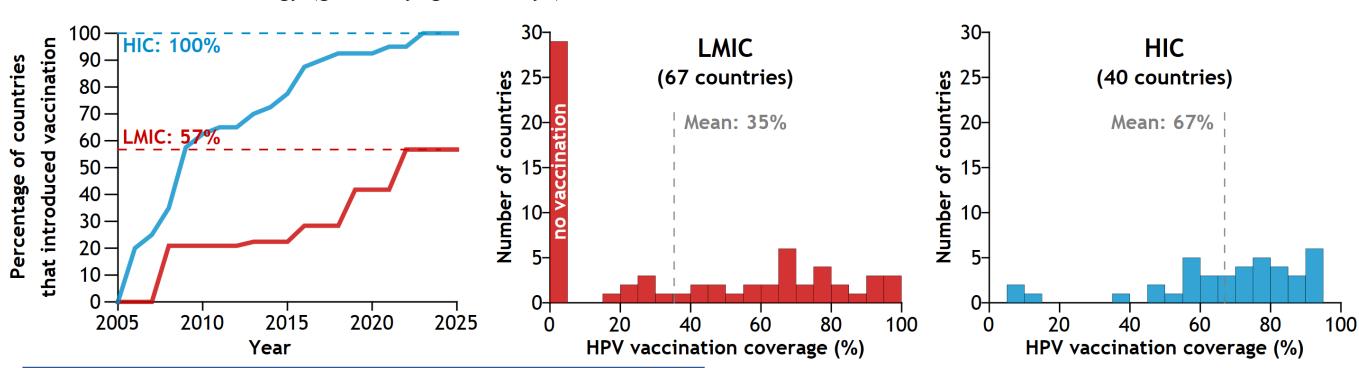
Using previously developed mapping algorithm
 Each 67 LMIC & 40 HIC was mapped to the 2 most similar core countries based on sexual activity and epidemiology<sup>2</sup>
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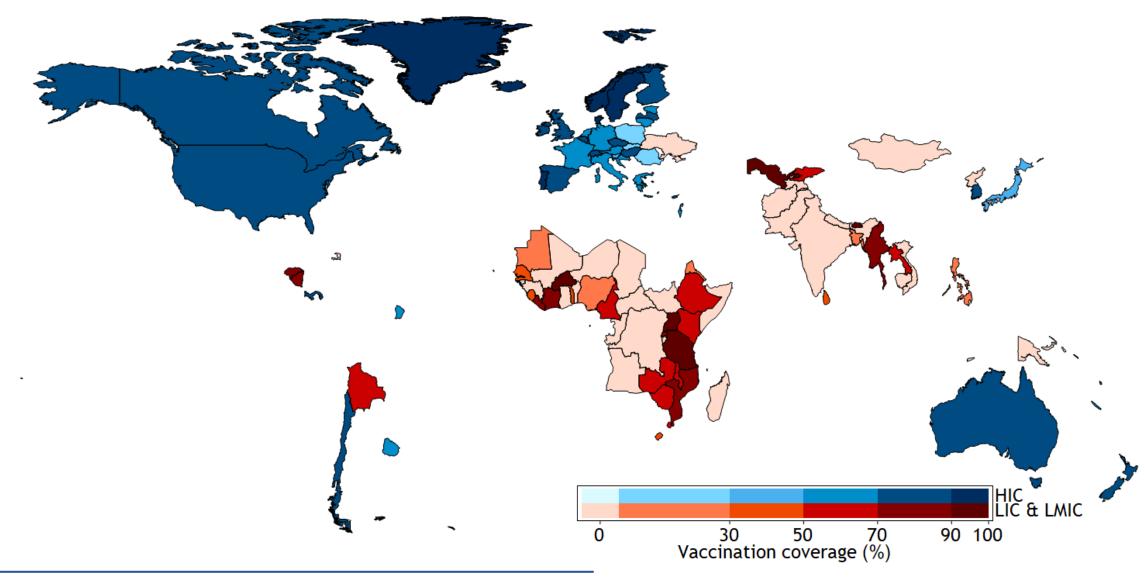
- Modelled the vaccination strategy for 67 LMICs and 40 HICs
  - vaccine used (2/4-valent, 9-valent)
  - year of start of vaccination
  - vaccination coverage
  - vaccination strategy (girls-only, girls & boys)



REF: HPV dashboard 2025 (2023 data); Note: only 1 of 67 LMIC has gender-neutral vaccination

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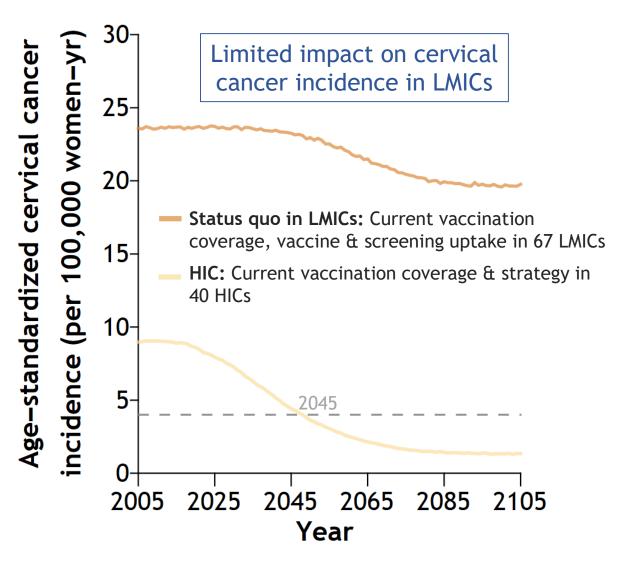
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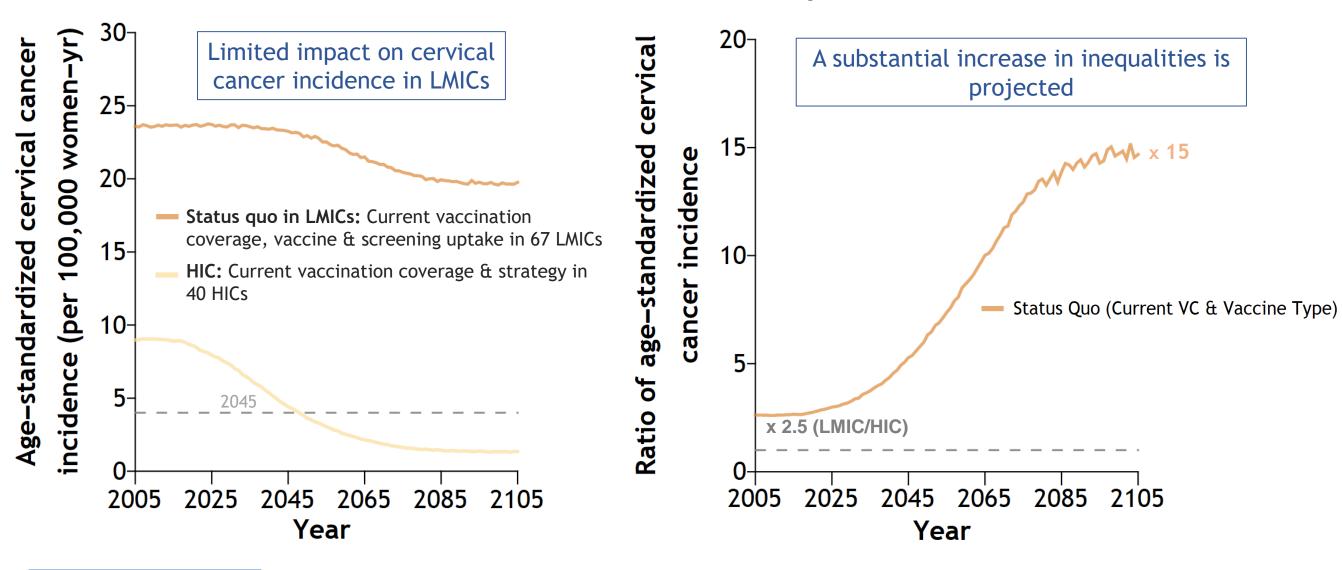
- Enhanced strategies for the 67 LMICs
  - 1. 9-valent: All countries use the 9-valent
  - 2. Girls-only: 90% vaccination coverage for 9-year-old girls
  - 3. Gender-neutral & MACs: 90% coverage for 9-year-old girls and boys & multi-age-cohort (MAC) vaccination to age 25 years for women and 20 years for men
  - 4. WHO targets: 90% vaccination coverage & 70% screening coverage (twice lifetime) elimination targets
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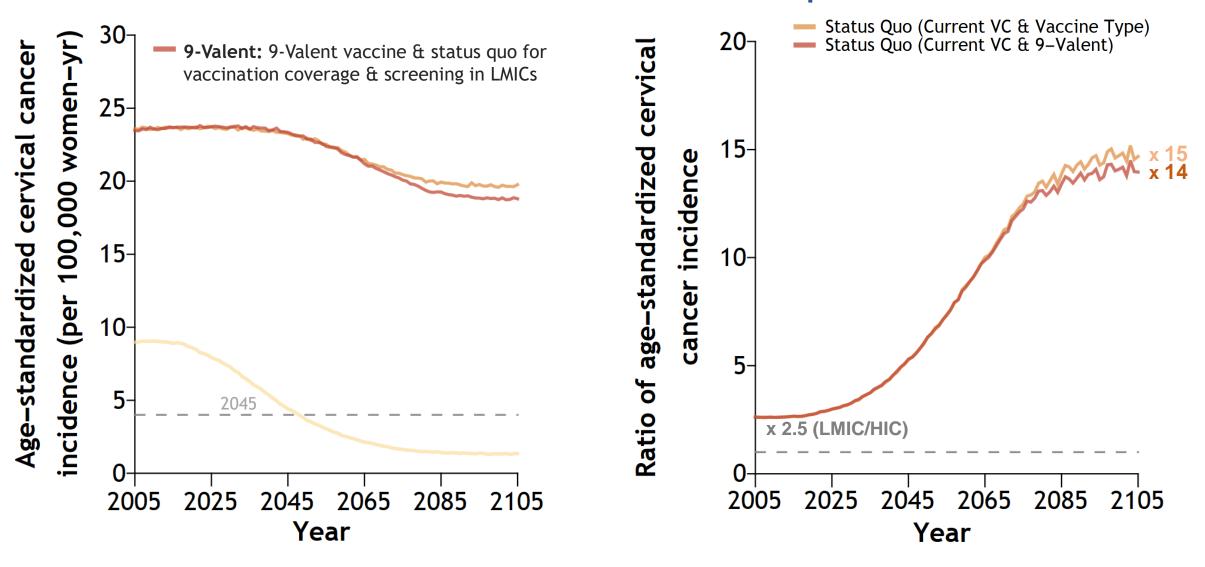
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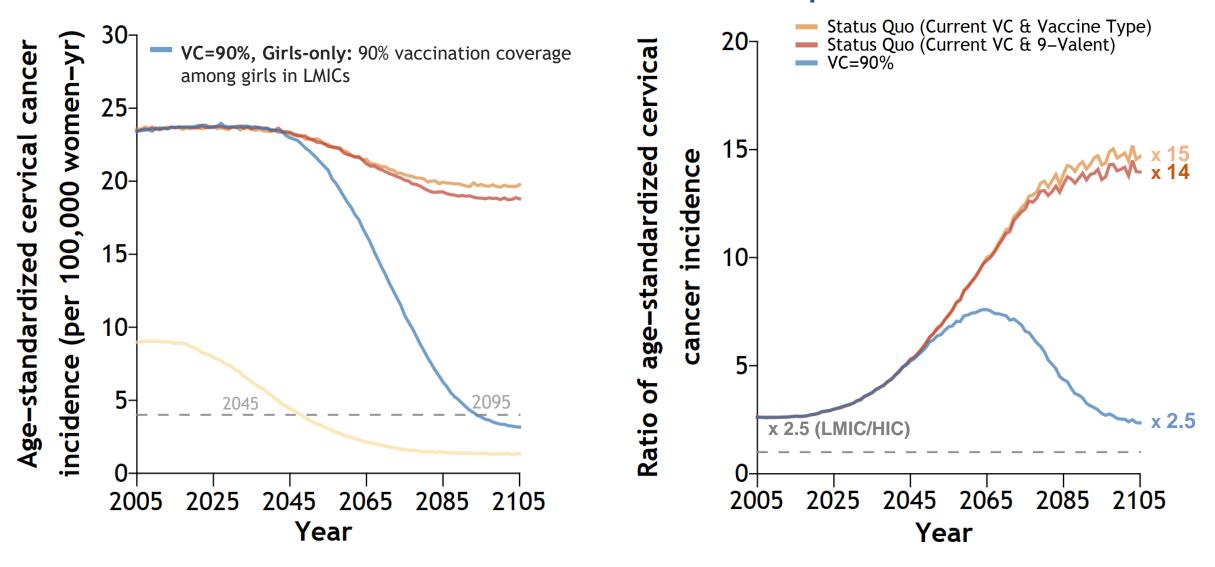
- 100% vaccine efficacy & lifelong duration of protection
- Maximum HPV vaccination coverage is reached in 2025
- 9-valent vaccination is used in all scenarios except the status quo

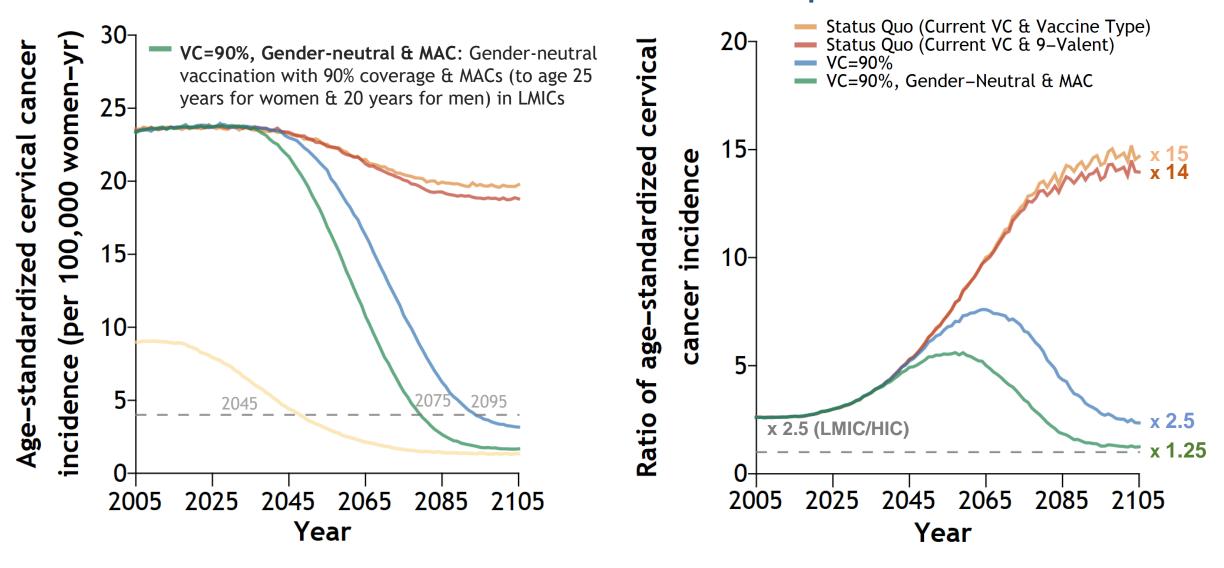
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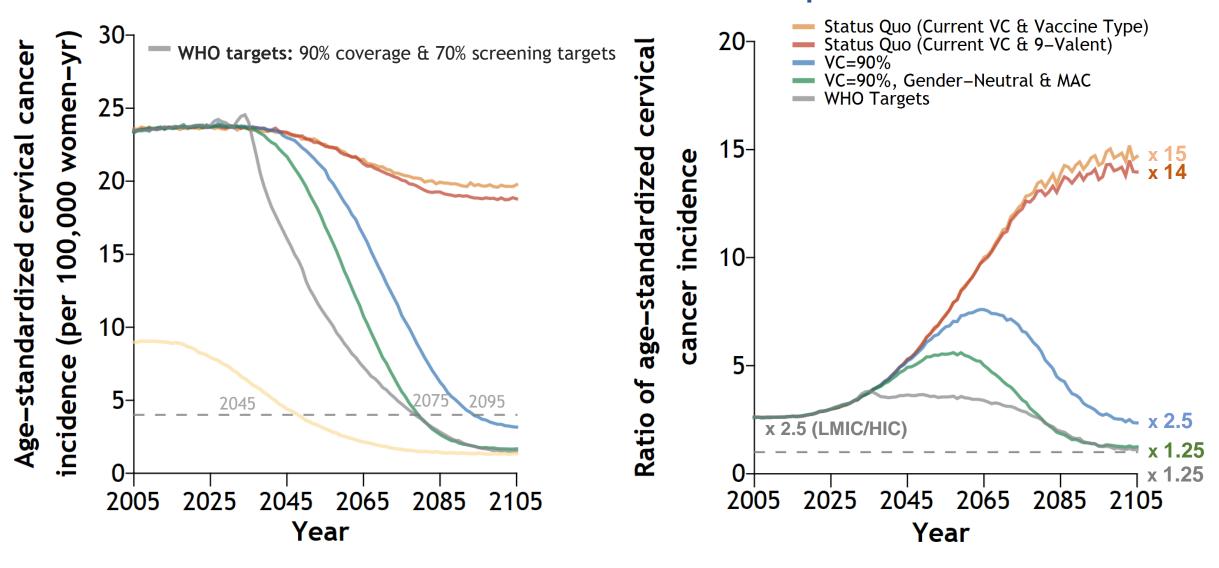


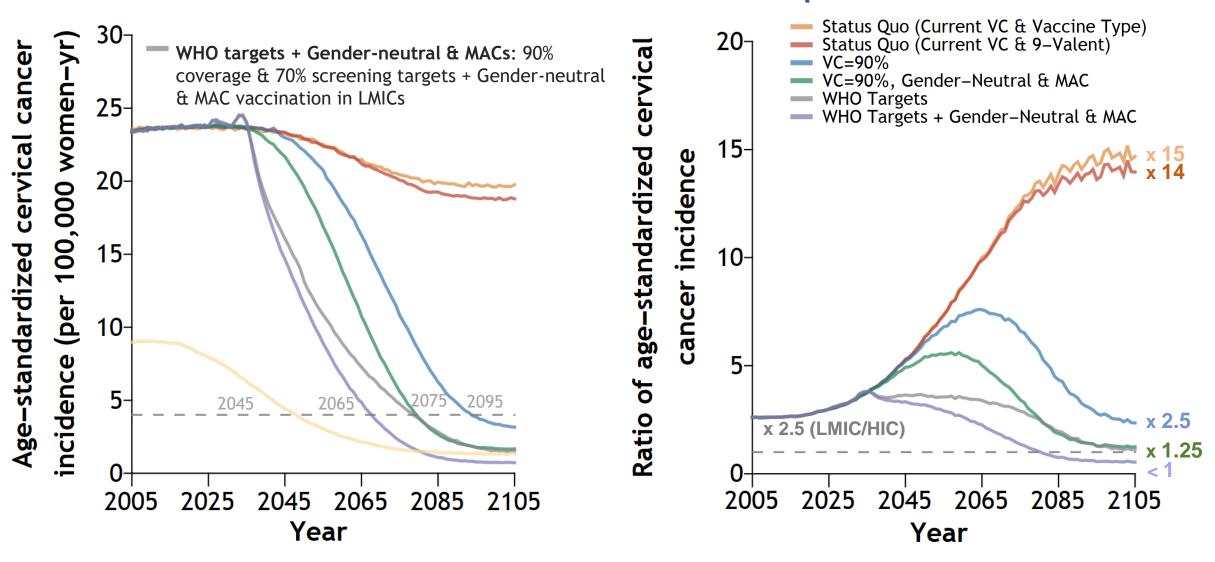


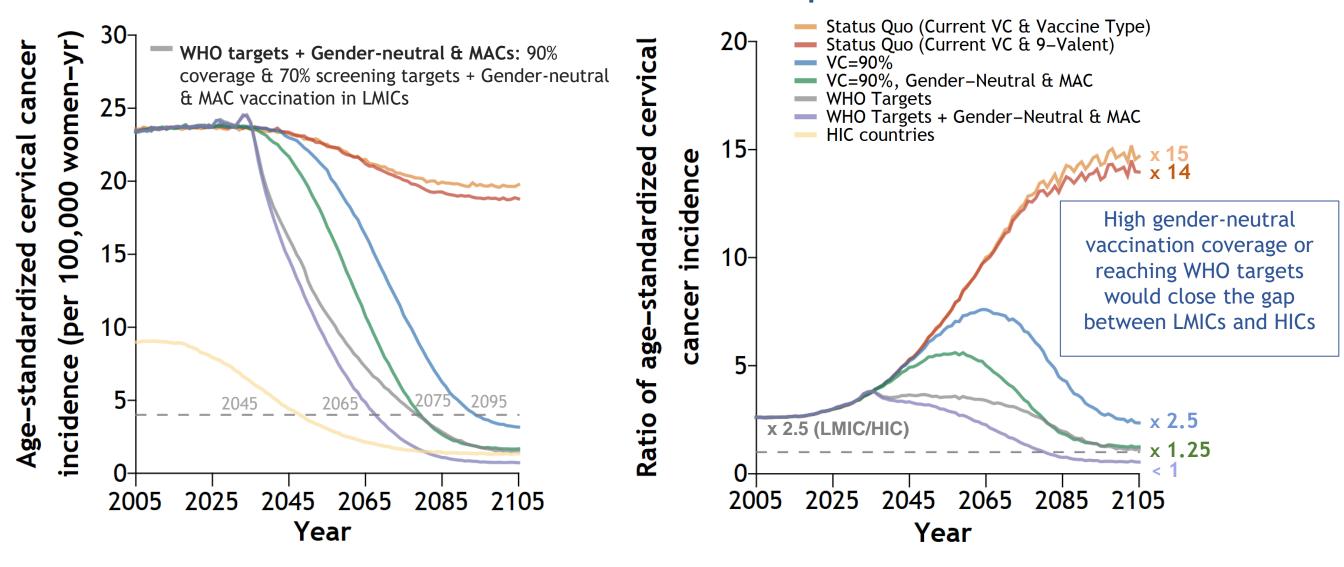








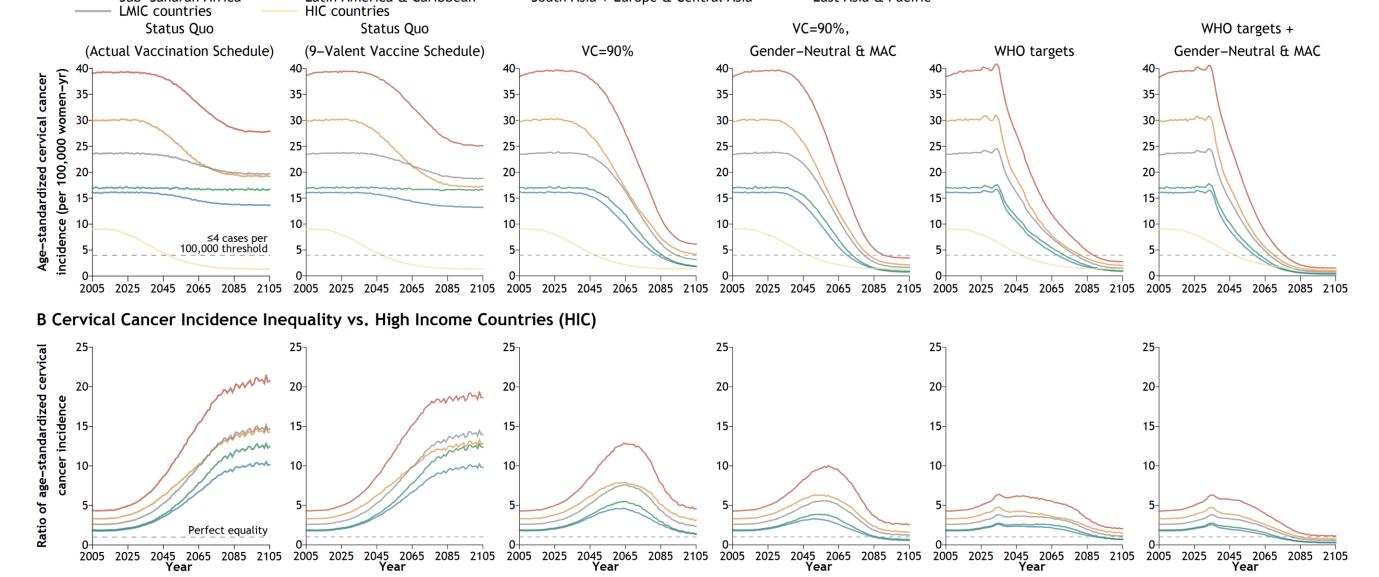




## Differential inequalities by region

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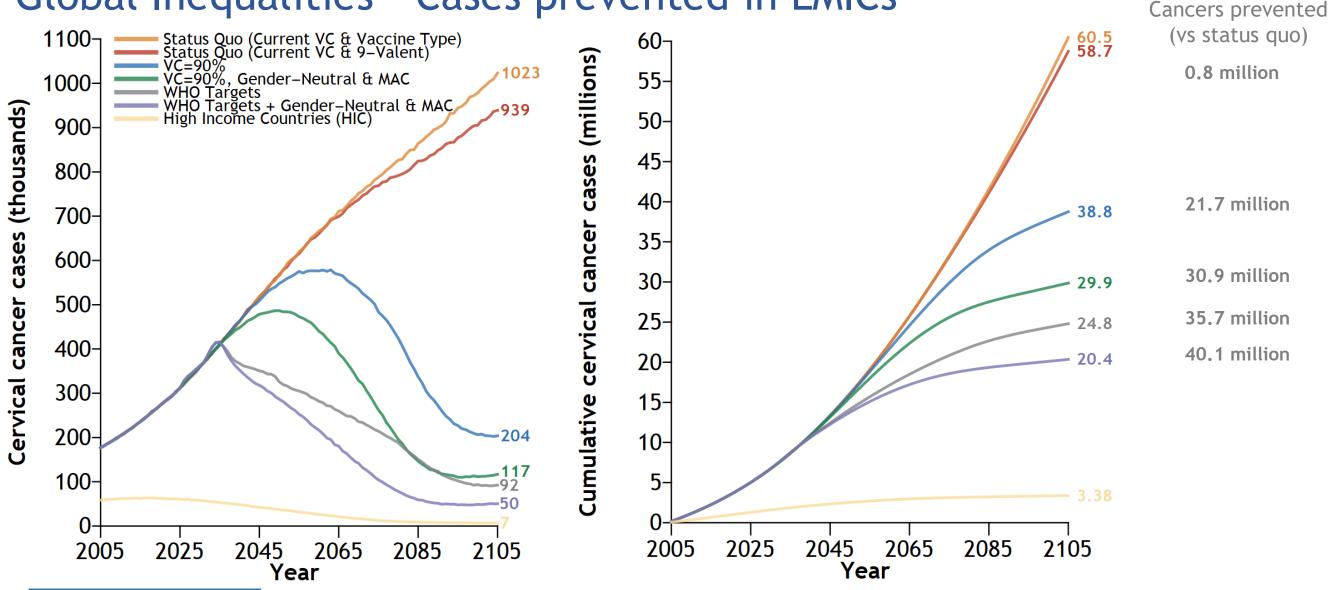
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## A different perspective - cases prevented

## Global Inequalities - Cases prevented in LMICs

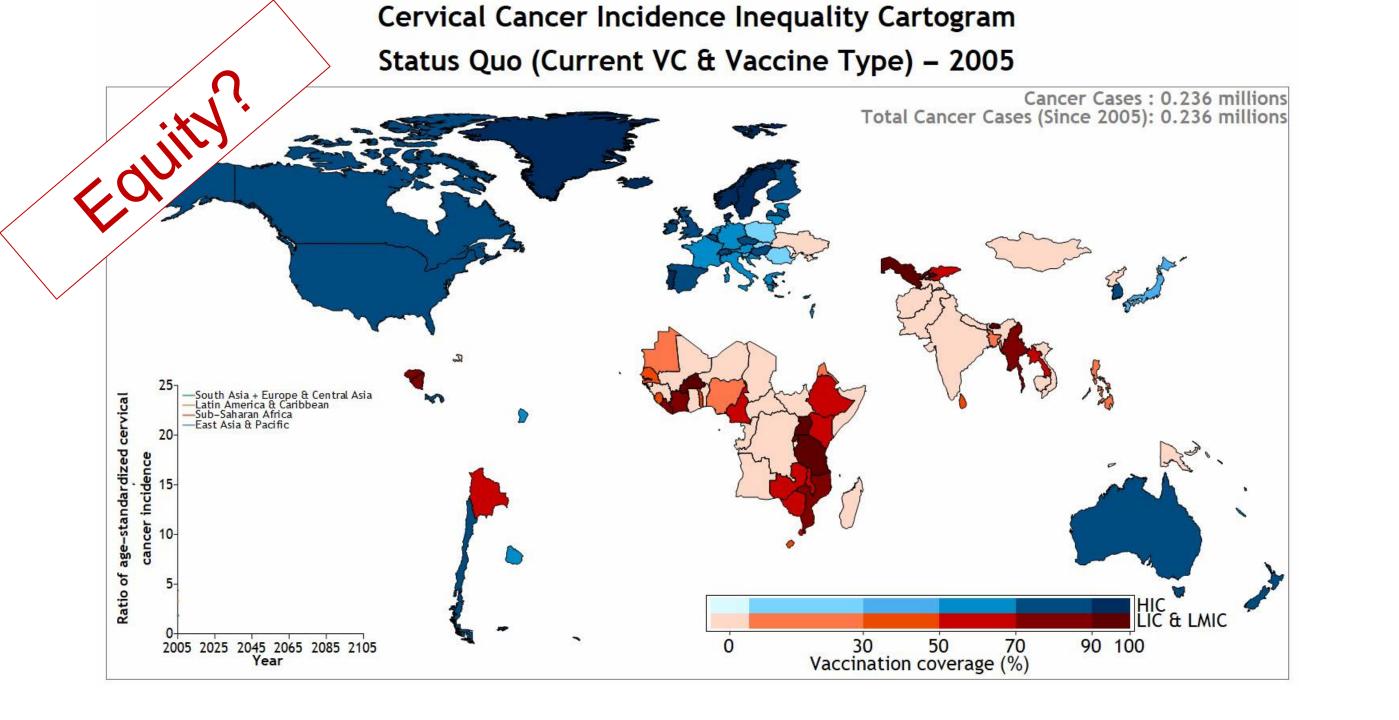


HPV-ADVISE projections; Ratio = age-standardized incidence in LMICs vs HIC

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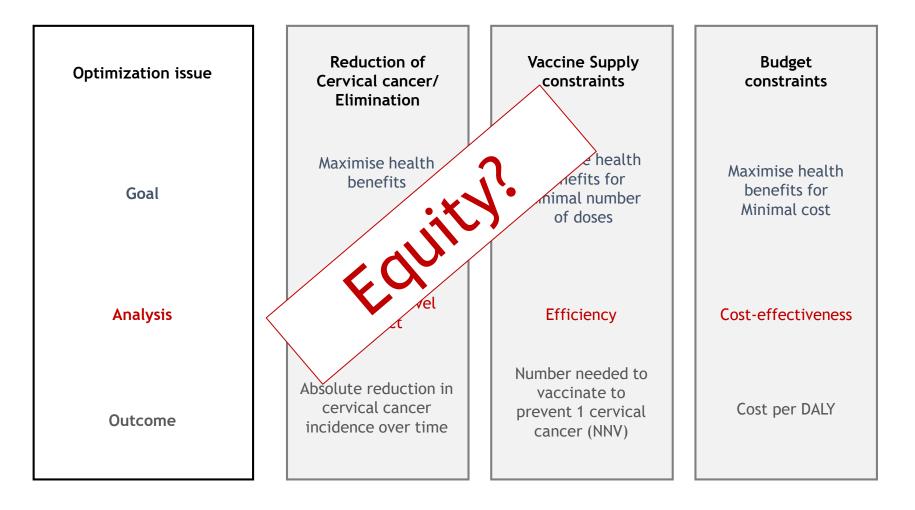
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- However, large inequities in HPV vaccine distribution remain between LMICs and HICs
  - partly due to restrained resources, competing health problems, delays due to past vaccine supply constraints & COVID-19
  - NNV to vaccinate girls/young women in LMICs = 45-65<sup>1</sup> vs NNV for the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose in HICs > 12,000<sup>2</sup>
- Substantial increases in cervical cancer inequalities are projected without significantly enhanced vaccination and screening efforts
  - only high gender-neutral vaccination coverage or high screening uptake would close the gap between LMICs and HICs
  - without such efforts Global elimination of cervical cancer will not be reached
- What can be done?
  - 1-dose vaccination, less expensive vaccines and increased supply can help reduce current inequalities in vaccination coverage

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## Questions?

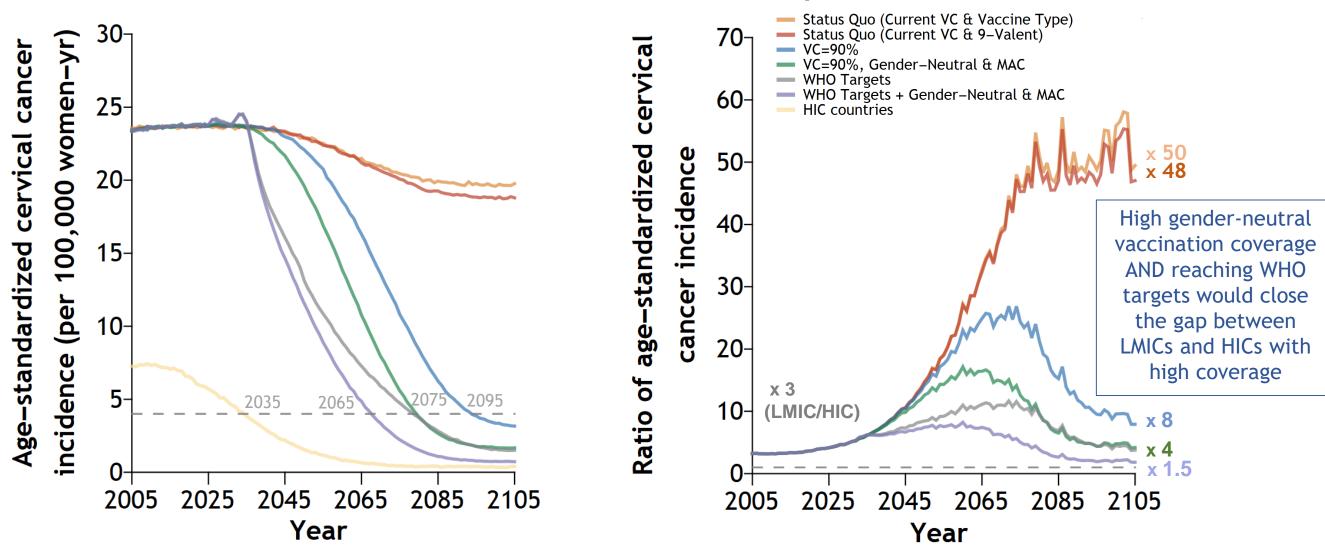
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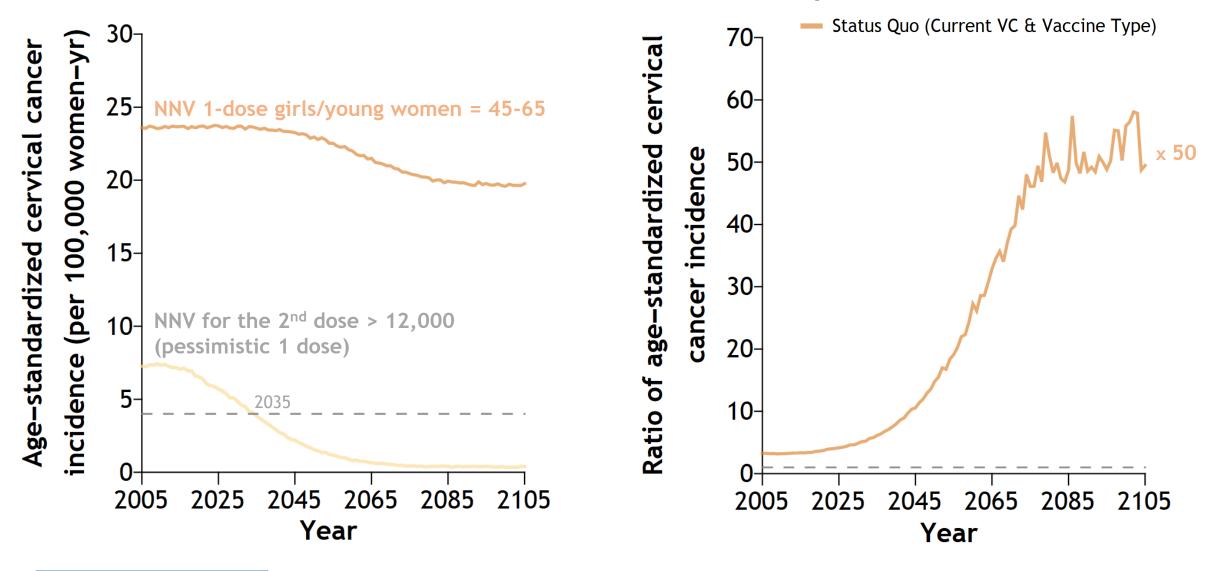
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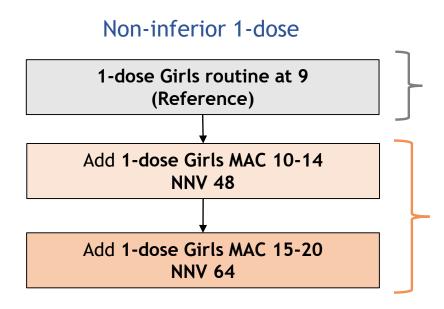
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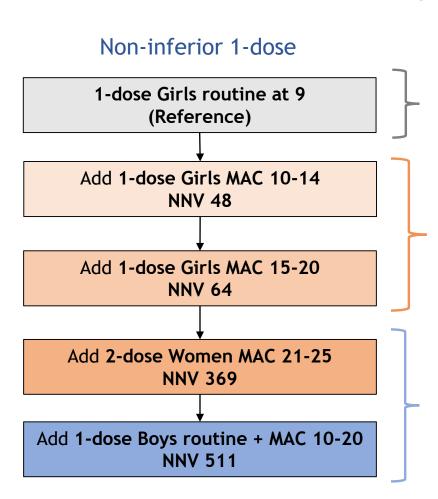
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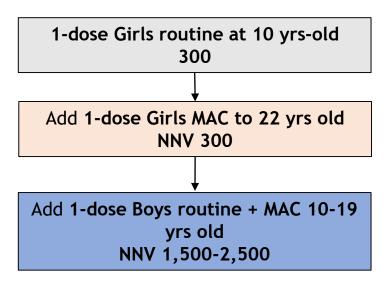
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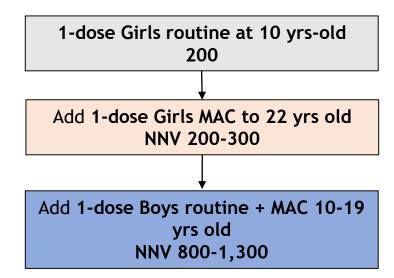
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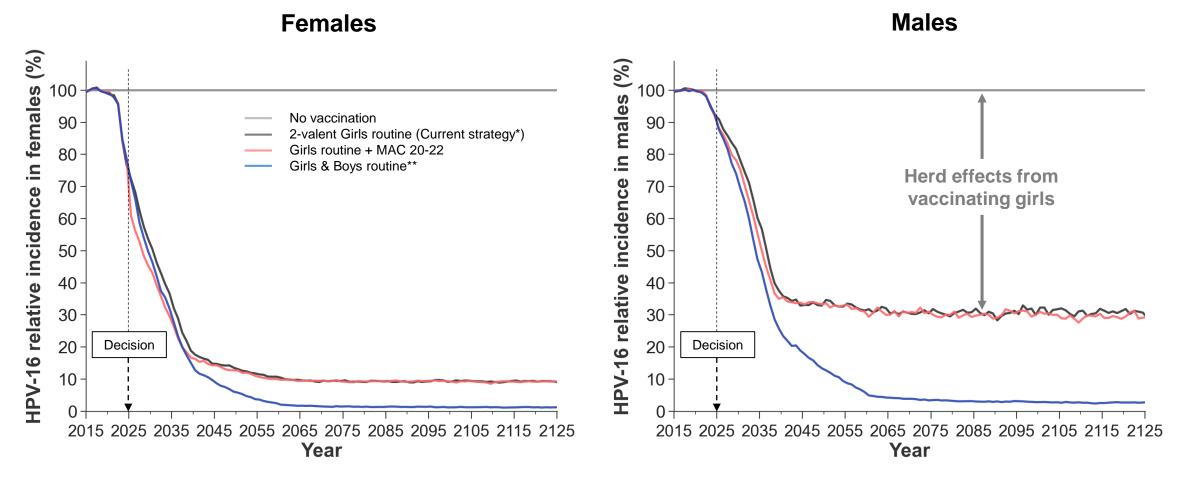
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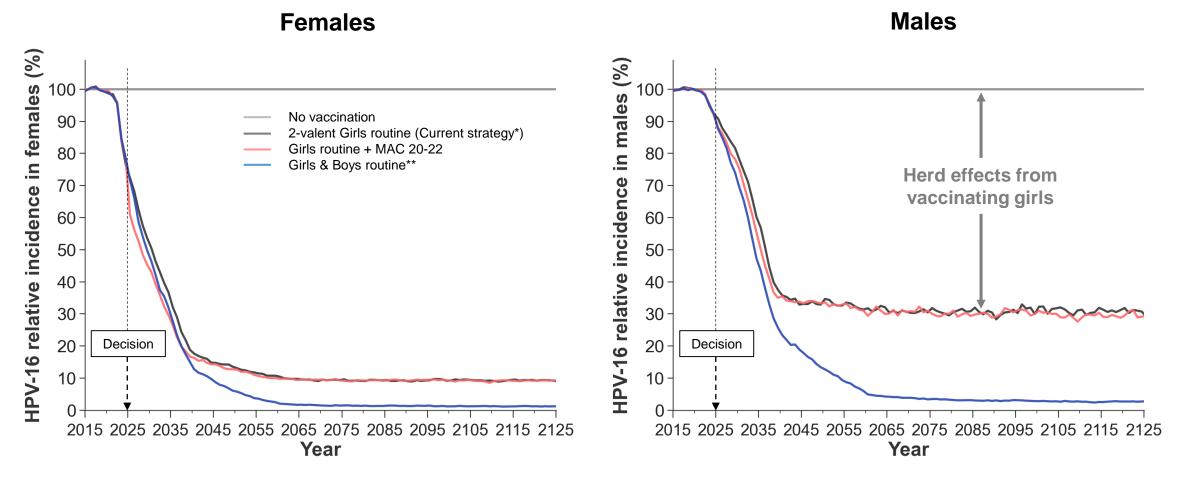


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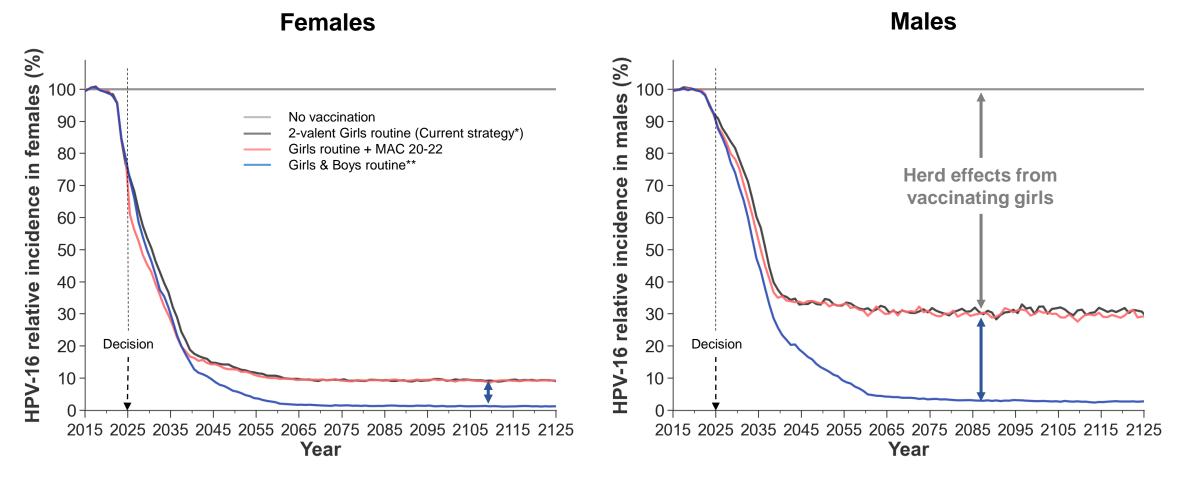
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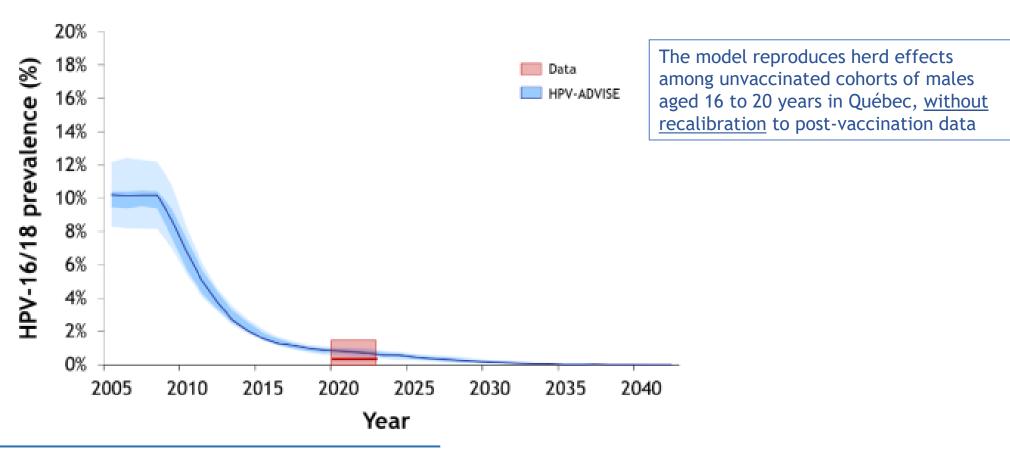
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#### HPV-ADVISE Example of model reproducing post-vaccination data

Post-vaccination data among unvaccinated cohorts of males in Québec, Canada

#### HPV-16/18 prevalence over time

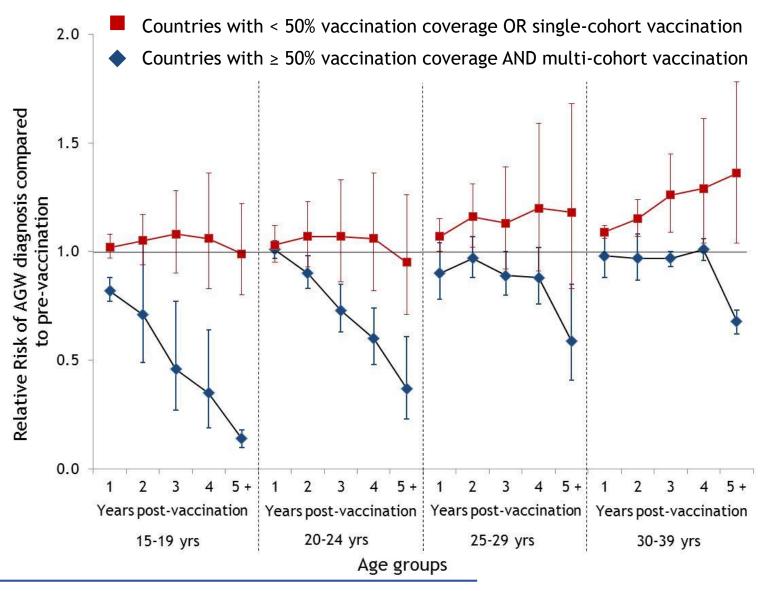


Data (red dots and 95% CI): Collected in 2020-2022 among unvaccinated cohorts of males aged 16 to 20 years in Québec, Canada. 16-to-20-year-old females were vaccinated with the quadrivalent vaccine, males of that age group were not vaccinated. The change in HPV prevalence represent herd effect from females-only vaccination.

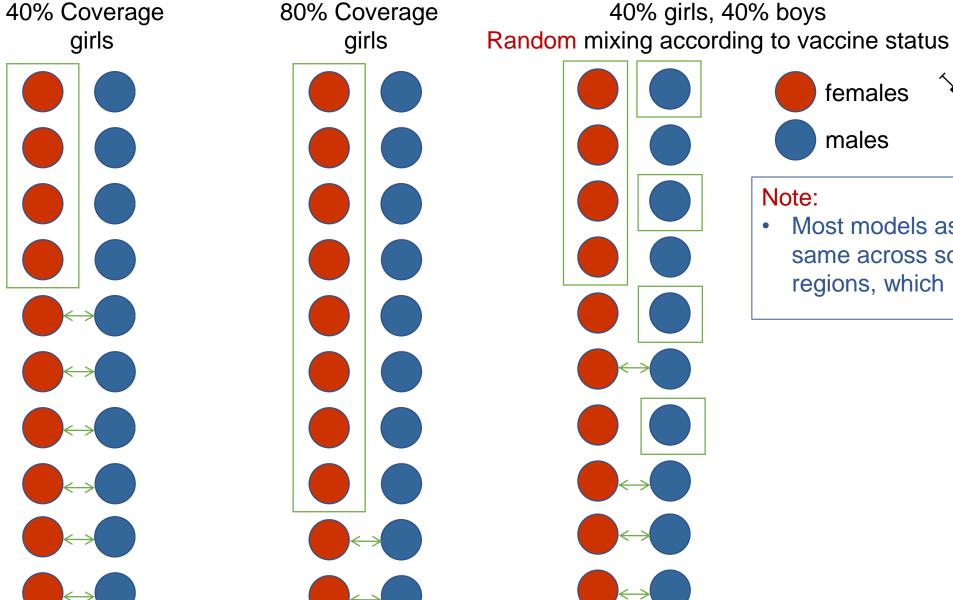
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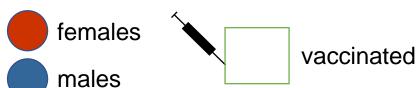
#### Herd immunity impact of female-only coverage

Anogenital warts - boys/men - Meta Analysis of population-level data&



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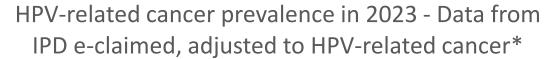


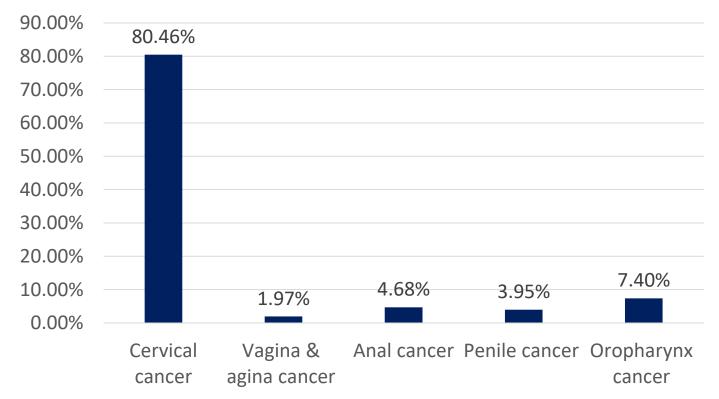


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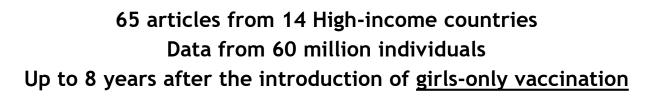
**Table**: Estimated Cost and Proportional Burden of HPV-Related Diseases with 2023's prevalence\*\*

| Disease             | Total Cost of treatment | % Burden |
|---------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Cervical cancer     | 2,716,738,886.52        | 89.09%   |
| Non-cervical cancer | 327,423,377.48          | 10.74%   |
| Anogenital wart**   | 5,392,209.00            | 0.18%    |

<sup>\*</sup>Adjust by Attribution factor from IARC, 2017

<sup>\*\*</sup> Total Anogenital warts cost is from the total reimbursement in 2023, OPD individual (NHSO)

#### Studies included



Belgium

Denmark

England

Germany

Italy

**North America** 

Canada USA Europe

Australia

Netherlands Norway

Scotland Spain

Sweden

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#### Single age cohort vaccination

(vaccinating 1 age group every year)

Canada (Manitoba, Ontario), Belgium, Norway, Italy, Spain

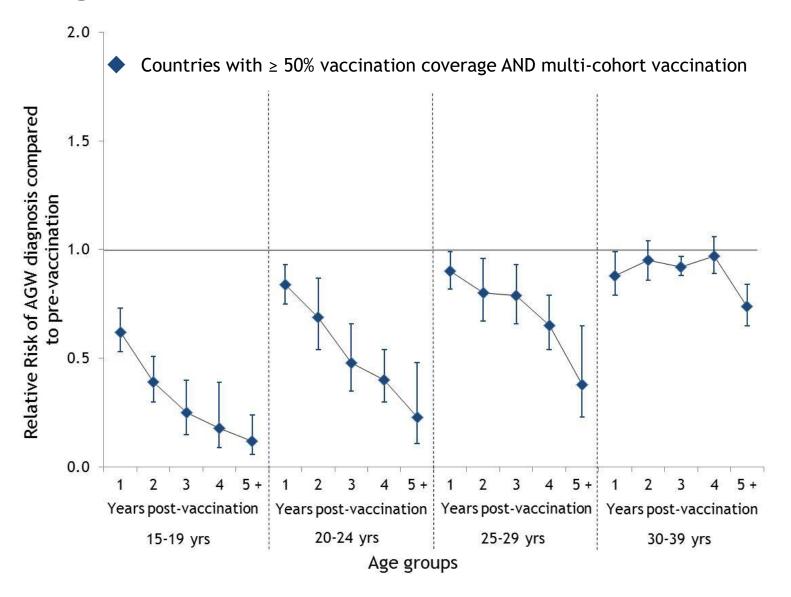
#### Multiple age cohort vaccination

(vaccinating multiple age groups during the first years of the program)

Canada (Quebec), USA, UK, Denmark, Sweden, Germany, The Netherlands, Australia

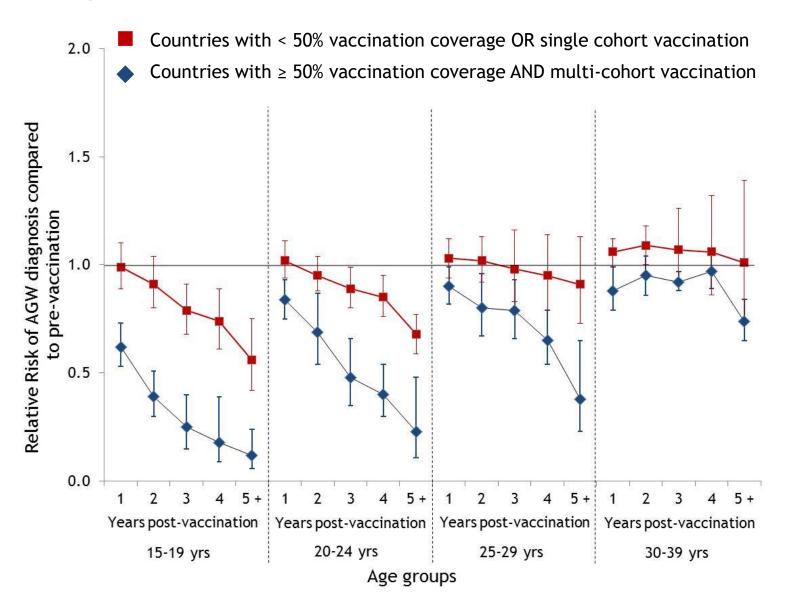
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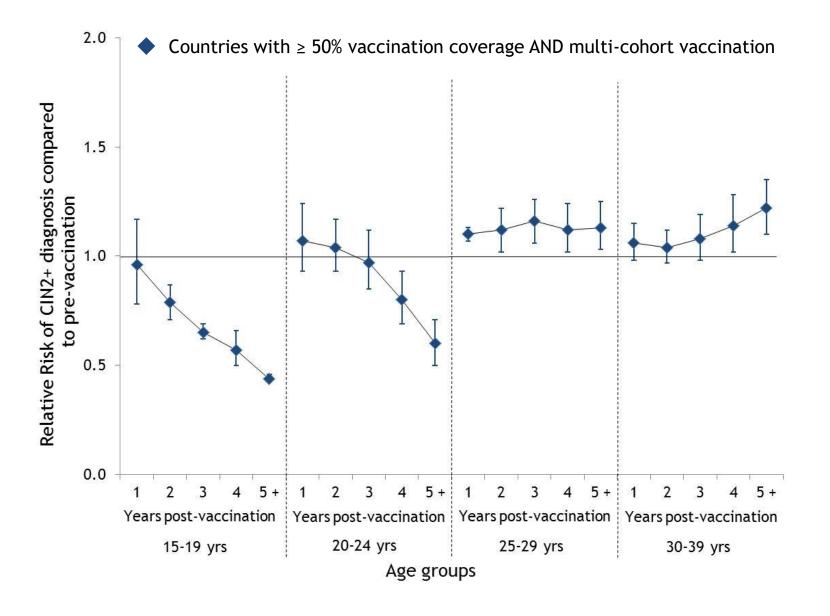


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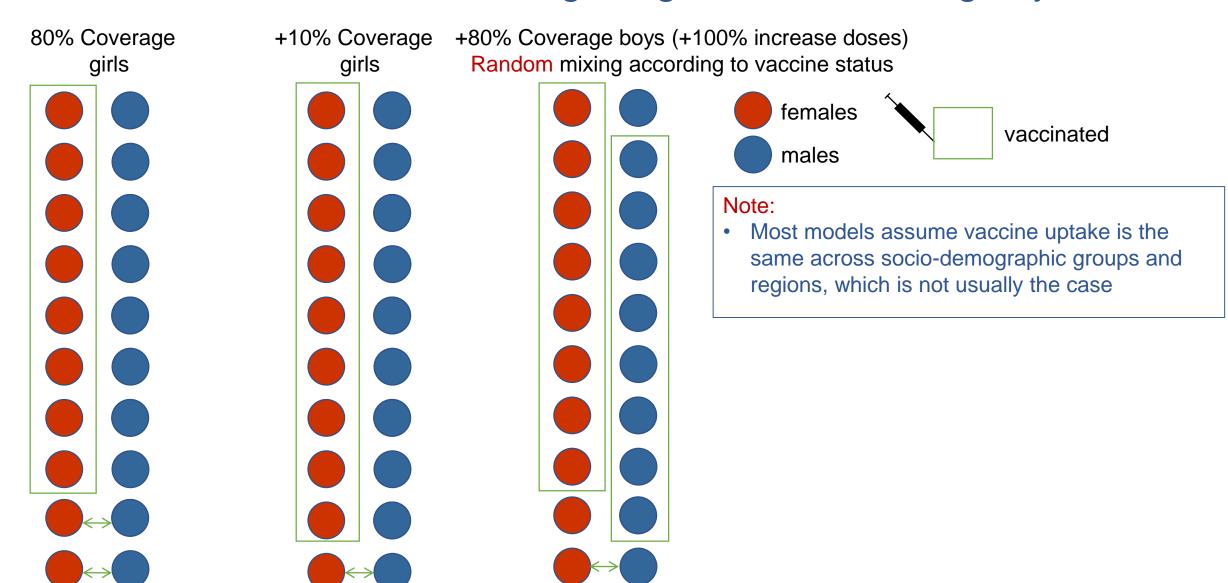
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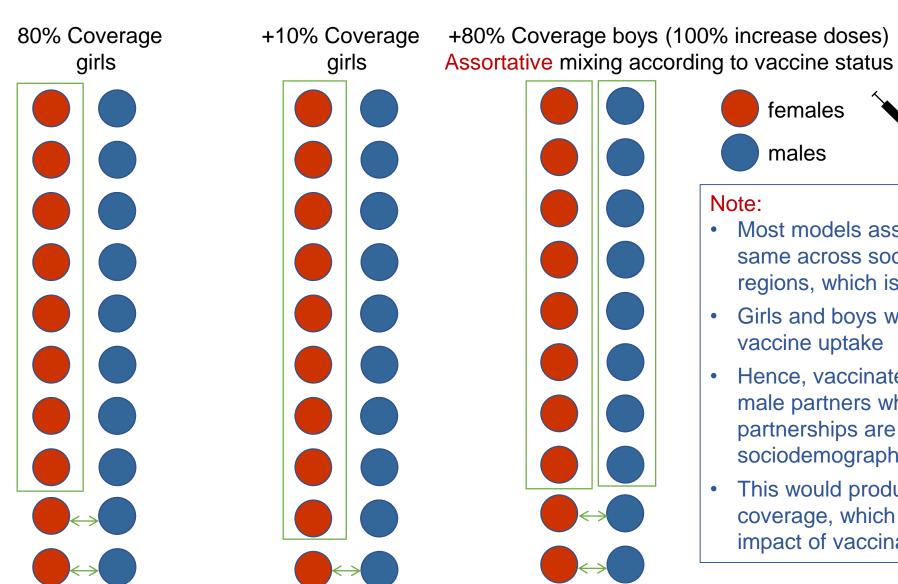
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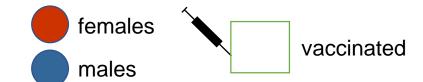


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#### Note:

- Most models assume vaccine uptake is the same across socio-demographic groups and regions, which is not usually the case
- Girls and boys will have similar determinants of vaccine uptake
- Hence, vaccinated females will more likely have male partners who are also vaccinated, as partnerships are assortative according to sociodemographic characteristics (like-with-like)
- This would produce redundancy in vaccination coverage, which can limit the herd effects and impact of vaccinating boys

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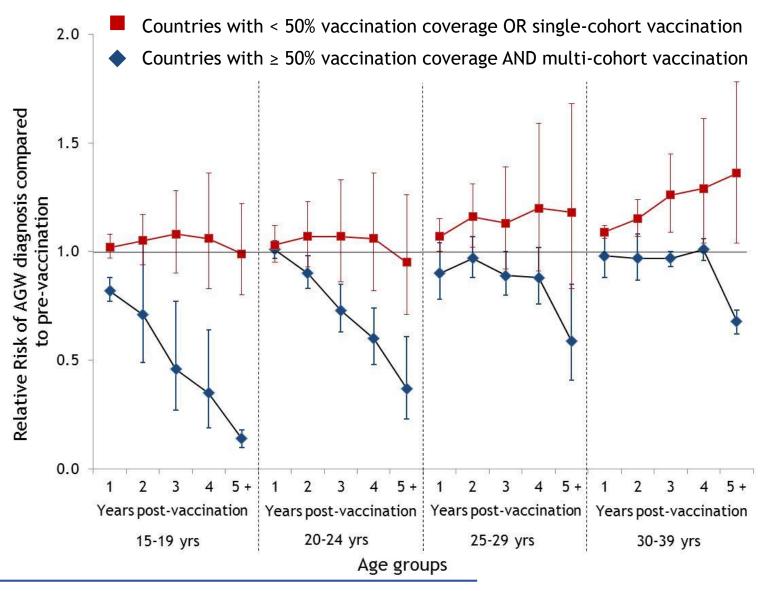
Cost per DALY

To prioritize, it is important to understand what is to be optimized? Prioritization will depend on the stated goals and outcomes of HPV vaccination. Ranking of strategies will depend on the optimization goal.

# Supplementary information

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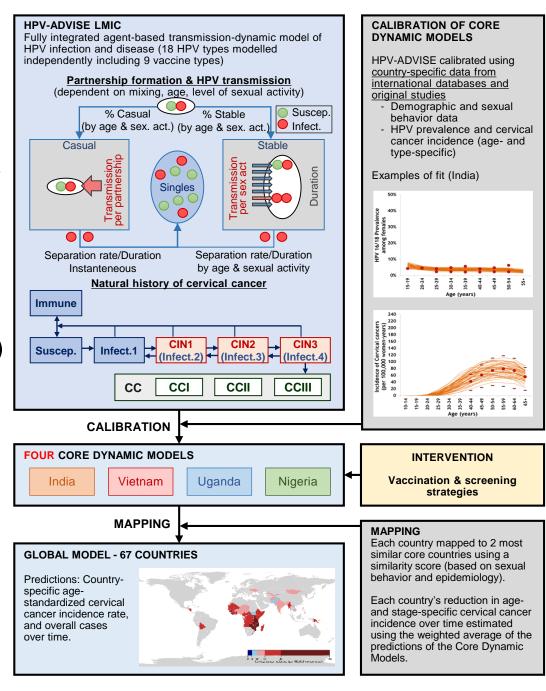
Anogenital warts - boys/men - Meta Analysis of population-level data&



#### Methods HPV-ADVISE overview

Model Structure, Core Modelled Countries & Mapping

- HPV-ADVISE LMIC<sup>1</sup>
- Agent-based transmission-dynamic model of HPV infection & cancer
  - · Stratified by sex, age, level of sexual activity & screening behaviour
- 18 HPV types modelled individually:
  - 9-valent vaccine types + 9 other high-risk types
- Fit HPV-ADVISE to 4 core LMICs (India, Vietnam, Nigeria & Uganda)
  - · Demographic and sexual behaviour
  - HPV prevalence and cervical cancer incidence (age & type-specific)
  - Data from international databases and original studies<sup>&</sup>
- Mapped 67 LMICs to the results obtained from the core countries
  - Using previously developed mapping algorithm
  - LMIC was mapped to the 2 most similar core LMICs based on sexual activity and epidemiology<sup>2</sup>



REF: 1. Drolet, Laprise et al., Lancet ID 2021; 2. Brisson, Kim & Canfell et al, The Lancet (2020); &: Demographic and Health Surveys, Multiple Indicator Survey, ICO information Centre on HPV and Cancer, United Nations Statistics Division, HIV and AIDS HUB for Asia Pacific-Evidence to action, WHO Global Health Observatory data repository, original studies from Dr Alary and IARC

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  - Initial strategy: Girls-only routine vaccination at 9 years old
  - Estimated the incremental NNVs of all strategies vs the initial strategy
  - Kept the strategy with the lowest incremental NNV (vs the initial strategy); this strategy became the new comparator
  - Estimated incremental NNVs of all strategies vs this new comparator to identify the next most efficient strategy
  - Repeated this process to identify the efficiency frontier

Note: We calculated the incremental NNVs of all vaccination scenarios versus the reference scenario, for each of the 50 parameter sets. The algorithm identified the vaccination scenario with the lowest incremental NNV for each of the 50 parameter sets. The scenario that was identified most often as producing the lowest incremental NNV over the 50 parameter sets was chosen as the most efficient scenario.

# Methods Countries - Global analysis

Table: List of countries included in the global analysis

| Country (n=67)                        |                      |                       |                 |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Afghanistan                           | Eswatini Mali Sierra |                       | Sierra Leone    |  |  |
| Angola                                | Ethiopia             | Mauritania            | Solomon Islands |  |  |
| Bangladesh                            | Gambia               | Mongolia              | Somalia         |  |  |
| Benin                                 | Ghana                | Mozambique            | South Soudan    |  |  |
| Bhutan                                | Guinea               | Myanmar               | Sri Lanka       |  |  |
| Bolivia                               | Guinea-Bissau        | Nepal                 | Tajikistan      |  |  |
| Burkina Faso                          | Haiti                | Nicaragua             | Tanzania        |  |  |
| Burundi                               | Honduras             | Niger                 | Timor-Leste     |  |  |
| Cambodia                              | India                | Nigeria               | Togo            |  |  |
| Cameroon                              | Ivory Coast          | Pakistan              | Uganda          |  |  |
| Cape Verde                            | Kenya                | Papua New Papua       | Ukraine         |  |  |
| Central African Republic              | Kyrgyz Republic      | Philippines           | Uzbekistan      |  |  |
| Chad                                  | Lao PDR              | Republic of the Congo | Vanuatu         |  |  |
| Comoros                               | Lesotho              | Rwanda                | Vietnam         |  |  |
| Democratic People's Republic of Korea | Liberia              | Samoa                 | Zambia          |  |  |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo      | Madagascar           | Sao Tome and Principe | Zimbabwe        |  |  |
| Eritrea                               | Malawi               | Senegal               |                 |  |  |

## Methods Country grouping - Cervical cancer burden\*

Table: List of countries included in the country grouping by cervical cancer burden\*

|   |                                  |                                       | Country          |                       |          |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Very high burden setting (incidence* > 40/100,000 women-year, n=18)       | Burundi                          | Gambia                                | Liberia          | Mozambique            | Zambia   |
|   | Bolivia                          | Guinea                                | Madagascar       | Senegal               | Zimbabwe |
|   | Comoros                          | Guinea-Bissau                         | Malawi           | Tanzania              |          |
|   | Eswatini                         | Lesotho                               | Mali             | Uganda                |          |
| High burden setting (incidence 20-40/100,000 women-year, n=25)            | Angola                           | Ghana                                 | Mongolia         | Republic of the Congo | Togo     |
|   | Cameroon                         | Honduras                              | Myanmar          | Rwanda                |          |
|   | Central African Republic         | India <mark>.</mark>                  | Nepal            | Sierra Leone          |          |
|   | Chad                             | Ivory Coast                           | Nicaragua        | Solomon Islands       |          |
|   | Democratic Republic of the Congo | Kenya                                 | Nigeria          | Somalia               |          |
|   | Ethiopia                         | Mauritania                            | Papua New Guinea | South Soudan          |          |
| Moderate burden setting<br>(incidence 10-20/100,000 women-<br>year, n=21) | Afghanistan                      | Cambodia                              | Kyrgyz Republic  | Sao Tome and Principe | Vanuatu  |
|   | Bangladesh                       | Cape Verde                            | Lao PDR          | Sri Lanka             |          |
|   | Benin                            | Democratic People's Republic of Korea | Niger            | Timor-Leste           |          |
|   | Bhutan                           | Eritrea                               | Philippines      | Ukraine               |          |
|   | Burkina Faso                     | Haiti                                 | Samoa            | Uzbekistan            |          |
| Low burden setting (incidence < 10/100,000 women-year, n=3)               | Pakistan                         | Tajikistan                            | Vietnam          |                       |          |

<sup>\*</sup>Age-standardized cervical cancer incidence calculated using country- and age-specific cervical cancer incidence from Globocan 2020 and the 2015 world standard population (from the United Nations World Population Prospect, 2017 revision).

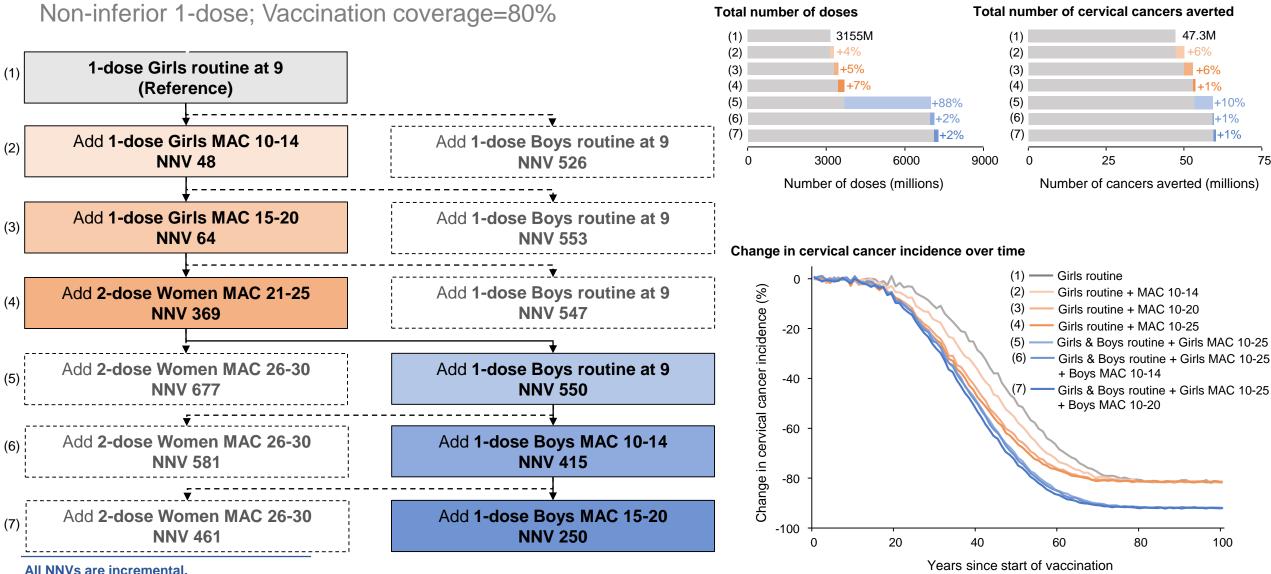
## Methods Global analysis and country groupings

Table: Characteristics by country groupings

|  | Cervical cancer incidence per 100,000 women-year* | HPV prevalence among women (any type) <sup>1</sup> | Lifetime number of sexual partners, women <sup>2</sup> | First sexual intercourse by exact age 15 (%), women <sup>2</sup> |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
|  | Median (25th – 75th percentile)                   | Median (25th – 75th percentile)                    | Median (25th – 75th percentile)                        | Median (25th – 75th percentile)                                  |  |
| Cervical cancer burden (incidence per 100,000 women-year*) |   |  |  |  |  |
| Very high burden setting (>40)                             | 57.2 (45.2 – 69.0)                                | 26.6 (19.6 – 33.6)                                 | 2.1 (1.6 – 2.4)  | 13.6 (9.0 – 19.6)  |  |
| High burden setting (20-40)                                | 26.6 (23.2 – 31.5)                                | 19.6 (16.8 – 24.0)                                 | 1.7 (1.4 – 2.3)  | 18.2 (10.7 – 24.0)¥  |  |
| Moderate burden setting (10-20)                            | 15.4 (12.5 – 17.7)                                | 14.0 (9.4 – 19.6)                                  | 1.7 (1.4 – 2.1)  | 11.1 (1.5 – 14.4)  |  |
| Low burden setting (<10)                                   | 7.6 (7.3 – 8.5)                                   | 9.4 (8.3 – 11.7)                                   | 1.3 (1.2 – 1.7)  | 0.7 (0.5 – 3.5)  |  |
| Income level (World Bank, 2022 classification)             |   |  |  |  |  |
| Low income   | 28.1 (21.9 – 45.3)                                | 24.0 (19.6 – 33.6)                                 | 2.0 (1.5 – 2.3)  | 19.9 (11.3 – 24.4)   |  |
| Lower-middle income  | 21.5 (15.6 – 38.1)                                | 17.4 (12.4 – 22.1)                                 | 1.7 (1.4 – 2.3)  | 10.4 (5.9 – 16.6)  |  |

REF: 1. Bruni et al, JID 2010, 2. Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS). NOTE: \*Age-standardized cervical cancer incidence calculated using country- and age-specific cervical cancer incidence from Globocan 2020 and the 2015 world standard population (from the United Nations World Population Prospect, 2017 revision). \*In the high incidence group, the proportion of women who had their first sexual intercourse by exact age 15 varied noticeably depending on the main religion of the country.

## Global analysis - Decision tree



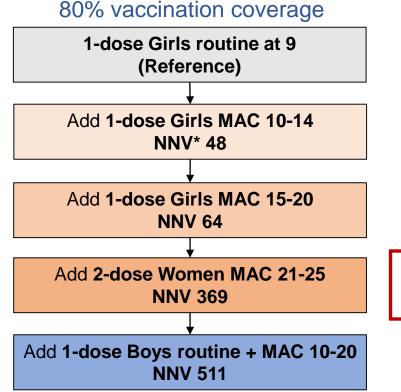
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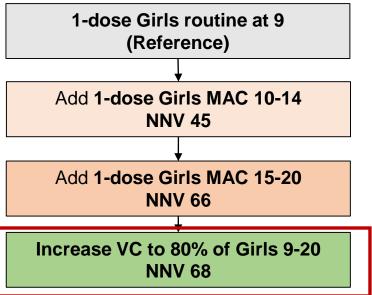
What are the most efficient strategies in countries with lower (40%, 70%) or higher (90%) vaccination coverage (assuming non-inferior 1 dose)?

## Global analysis — 40% coverage

Non-inferior 1-dose



#### 40% vaccination coverage

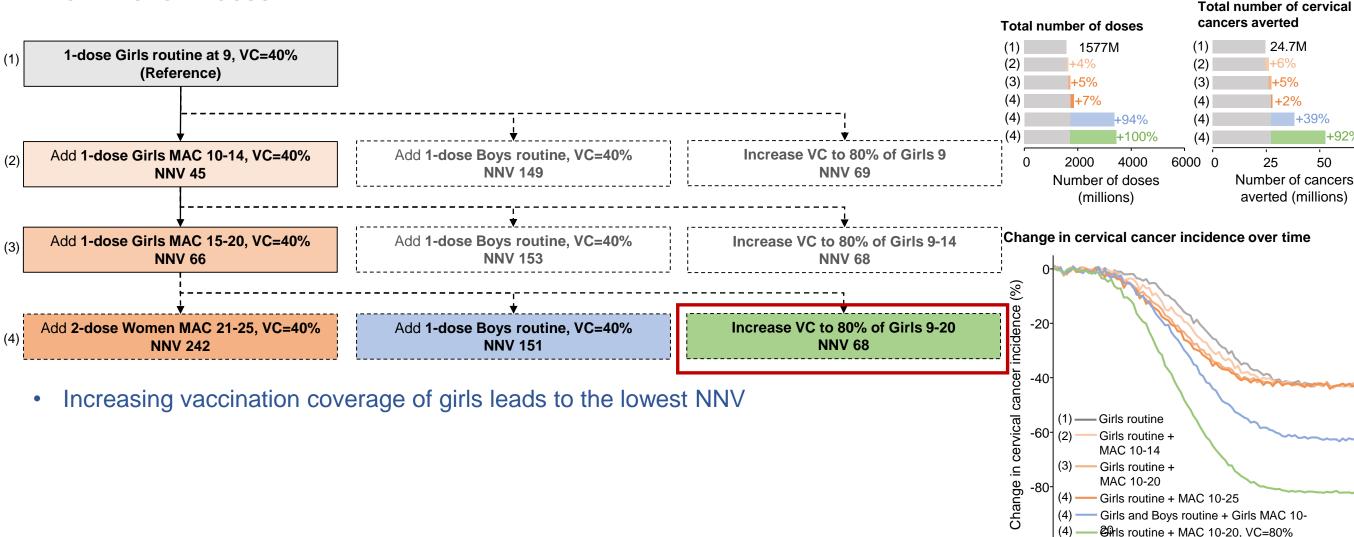


#### With 40% routine vaccination coverage:

 once girls are vaccinated up to 20 years old, the next most efficient strategy is to increase
 1-dose vaccination coverage among girls in these age groups

#### Global Analysis – Decision tree, 40% coverage

Non-inferior 1-dose



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Years since start of vaccination

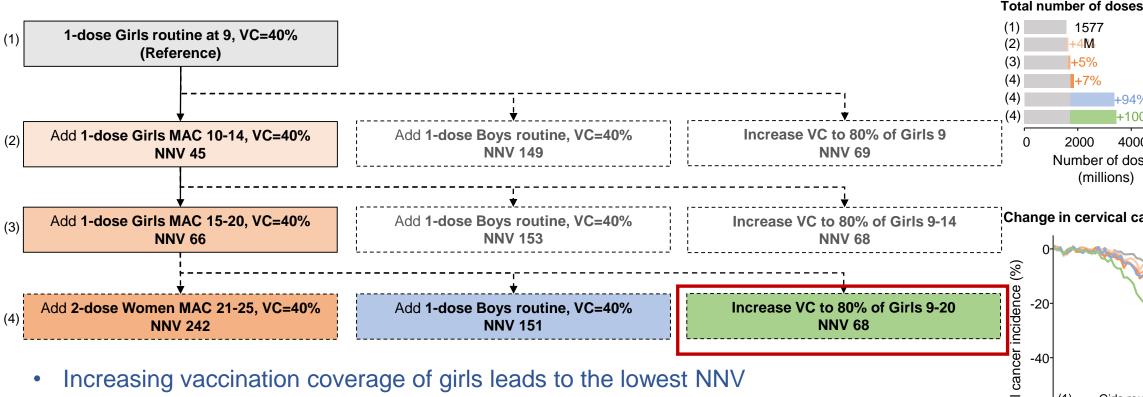
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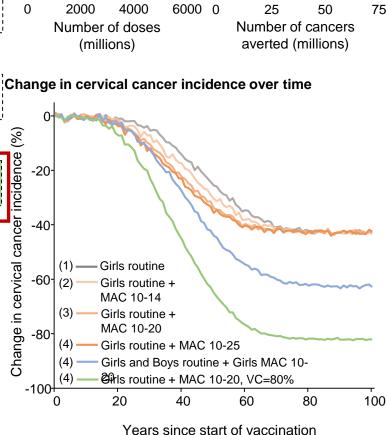
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#### Global Analysis — Decision tree, 40% coverage

Non-inferior 1-dose



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Total number of cervical

24.7M

+5%

cancers averted

(1)

(4) (4)

1577

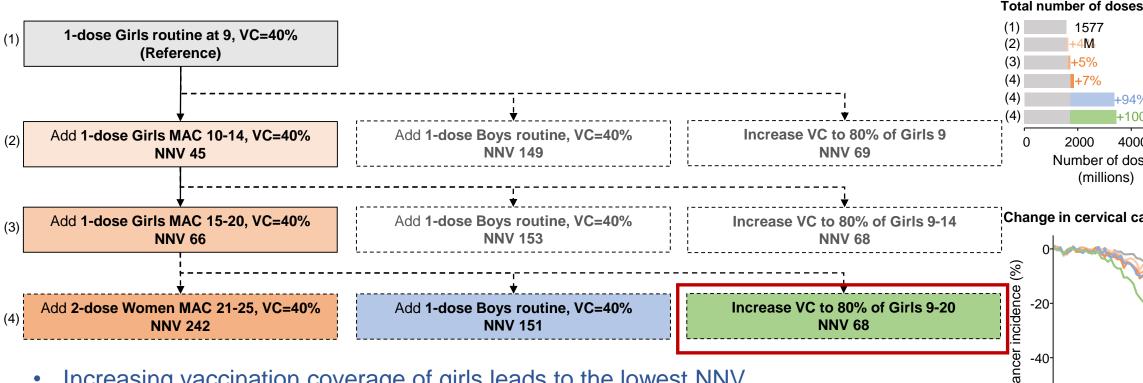
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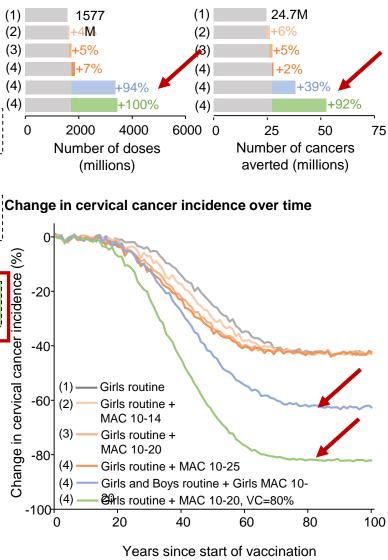
Non-inferior 1-dose



- Increasing vaccination coverage of girls leads to the lowest NNV
- For the same number of additional doses, doubling the coverage of girls (from 40% to 80%) leads to 3 times more CC averted than vaccinating boys (40% coverage)
- The impact on CC reduction is much more important when increasing coverage of girls compared to adding the vaccination of boys

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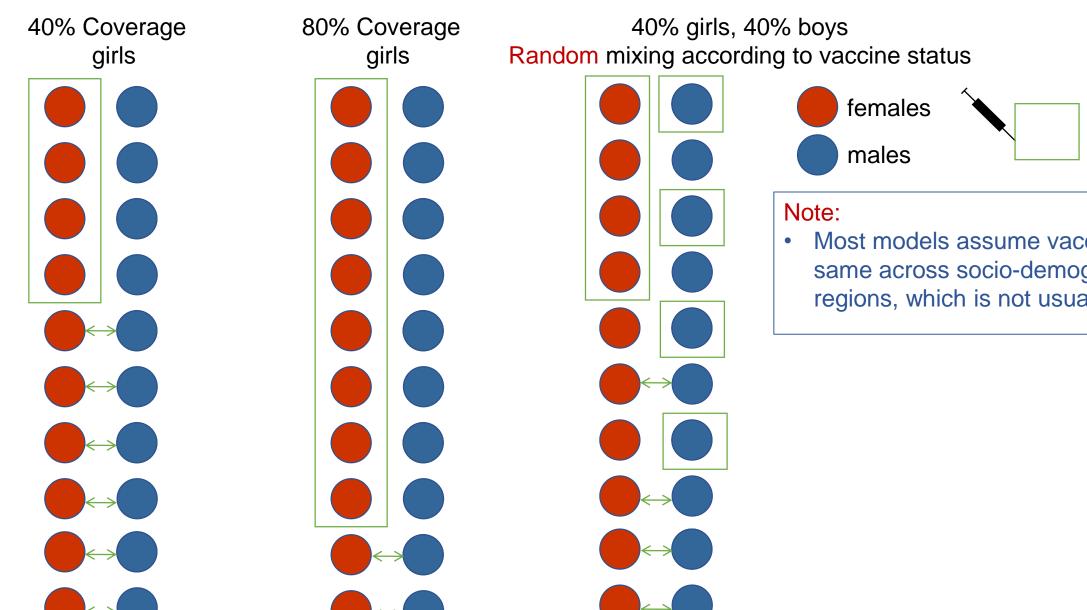
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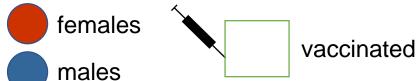


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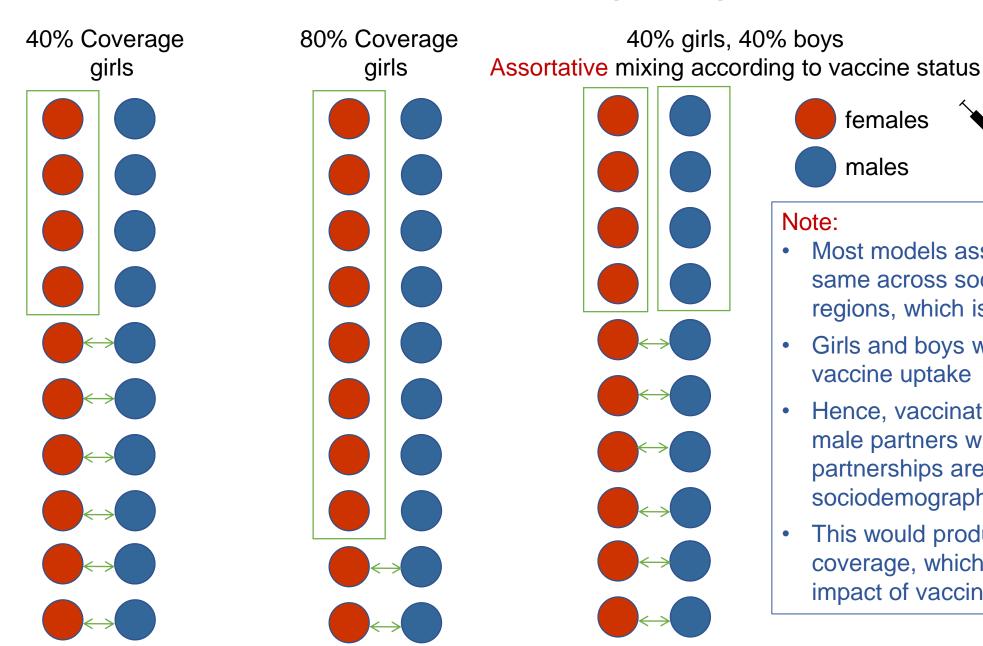
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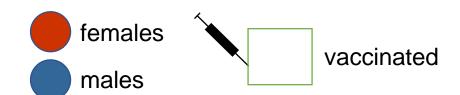




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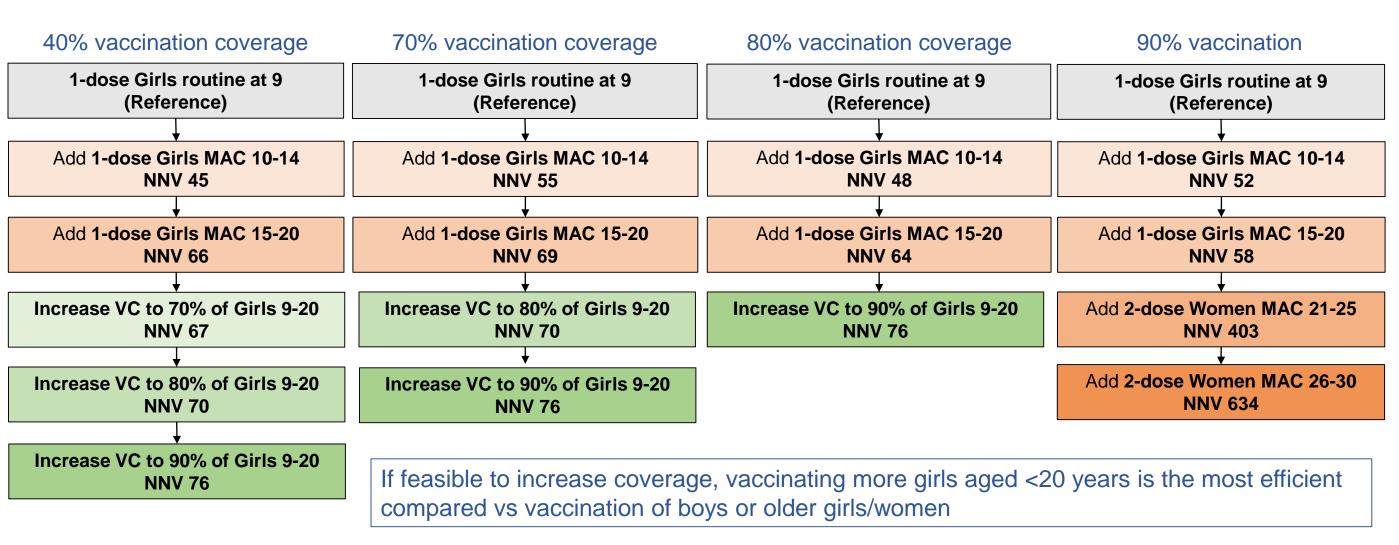


#### Note:

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- Girls and boys will have similar determinants of vaccine uptake
- Hence, vaccinated females will more likely have male partners who are also vaccinated, as partnerships are assortative according to sociodemographic characteristics (like-with-like)
- This would produce redundancy in vaccination coverage, which can limit the herd effects and impact of vaccinating boys

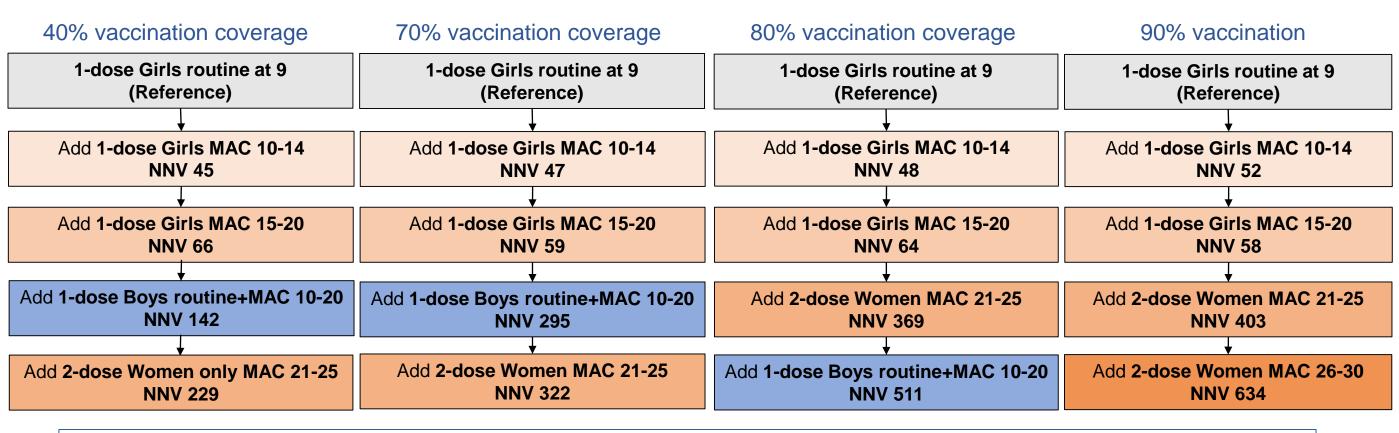
### Global analysis If feasible to increase vaccination coverage of girls

Non-inferior 1-dose



## Global analysis If unfeasible to increase vaccination coverage of girls

Non-inferior 1-dose

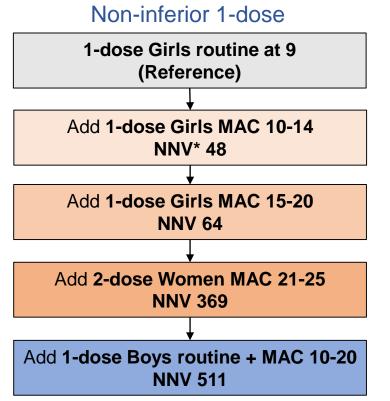


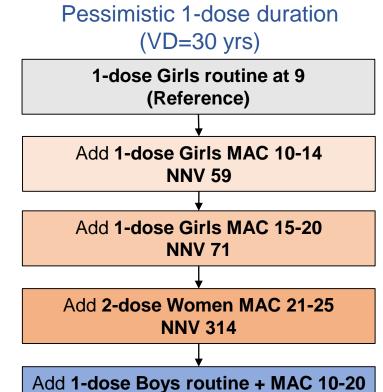
If vaccination coverage is lower than 90% among girls aged < 20 years and it is unfeasible to increase coverage, vaccinating boys can be an efficient use of HPV vaccines (can increase protection of girls through herd-immunity, assuming limited redundancy in vaccine distribution by sociodemographic characteristics)

Are the most efficient strategies the same if the mean duration of protection of 1 dose is 30 years (pessimistic 1-dose scenario)?

#### Global analysis – Shorter duration on protection 1-dose, Efficiency frontier

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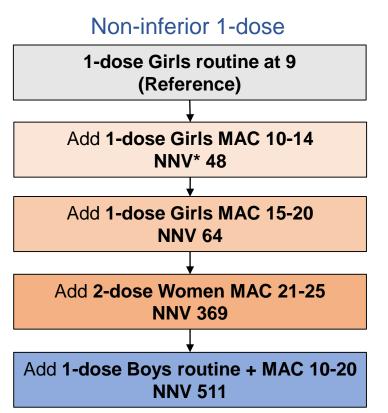
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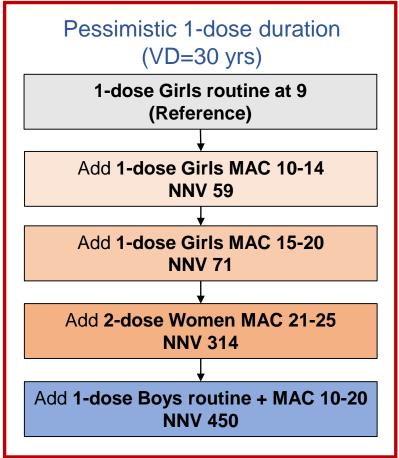
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# Are the most efficient strategies the same in countries with different levels of cervical cancer burden?

Very high: >40 cervical cancers/100,000 w-yrs

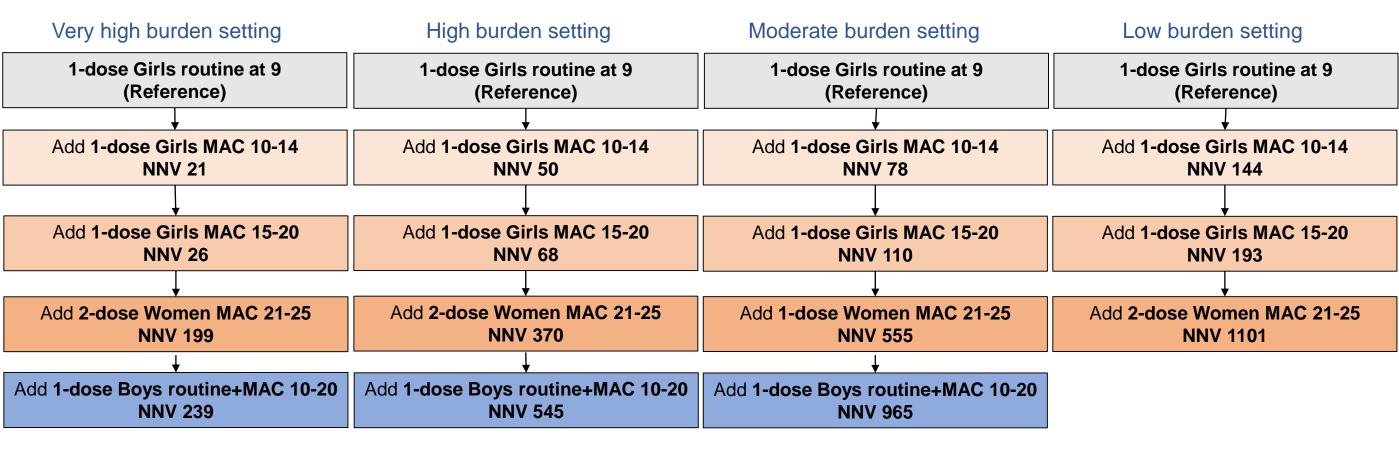
High: 20-40 cervical cancers/100,000 w-yrs

Moderate: 10-19 cervical cancers/100,000 w-yrs

Low: <10 cervical cancers/100,000 w-yrs

#### Global analysis Efficiency frontier by cervical cancer burden

Non-inferior 1-dose



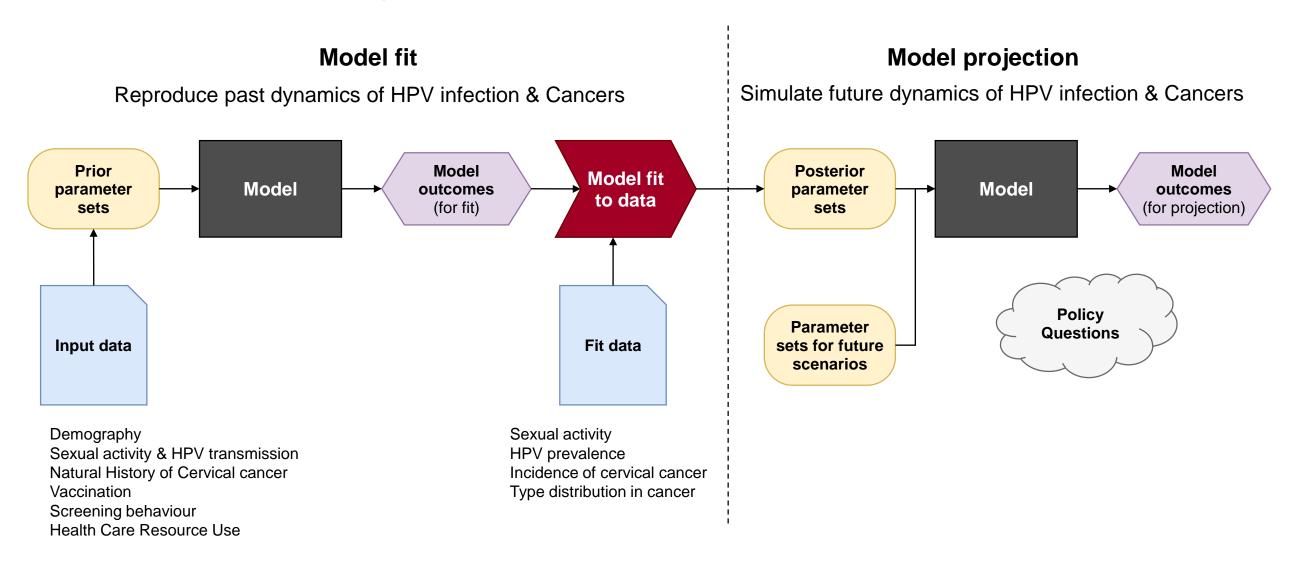
Results are similar for LMICs with a moderate to very high burden. For low burden settings, it is more efficient to vaccinate older women than boys, given the smaller potential of additional benefits from vaccinating boys.

## In summary — Optimal HPV vaccination strategies in LMICs

- Our model projects that, the most efficient HPV vaccination strategies are to:
  - 1) vaccinate girls/women up to 25 years old (1 dose up to 20 yrs old; 2 doses 21-25 yrs old)
  - 2) vaccinate boys up to 20 years old with 1 dose
- Conclusions are generally consistent across different 1-dose duration assumptions, vaccination coverages, and LMIC cervical cancer burden
- The priority is to adequately protect girls and young women to reduce cervical cancer
  - 85% of HPV-related cancers are cervical cancer among women in LMIC

#### **HPV-ADVISE** Conceptual framework of analysis

Model calibration (fitting process) & projections



#### **HPV-ADVISE** Overview

• **Model type:** Individual-based transmission-dynamic model of HPV infection & diseases

• 6 Components: Demographic

Sexual behaviour & HPV transmission

Natural history of disease

Screening, diagnosis & Treatment

Vaccination

Economic

• **Diseases:** Cervical cancer and Cancers of the anus, oropharynx, penis, vagina & vulva

Anogenital warts

#### **HPV-ADVISE** Demographic component

- Open & stable population
  - Age-specific death rates=crude birth rate
  - Capacity to include changes in birth and death rates over time
- Individuals enter the population before sexual debut
- Risk factors for HPV infection and/or disease:
  - Age (10 to 100 years old)
  - Sex (female, male)
  - Level of sexual activity (from low=0 to high=3)
  - Screening behaviour (from never=0 to frequently screened=4)

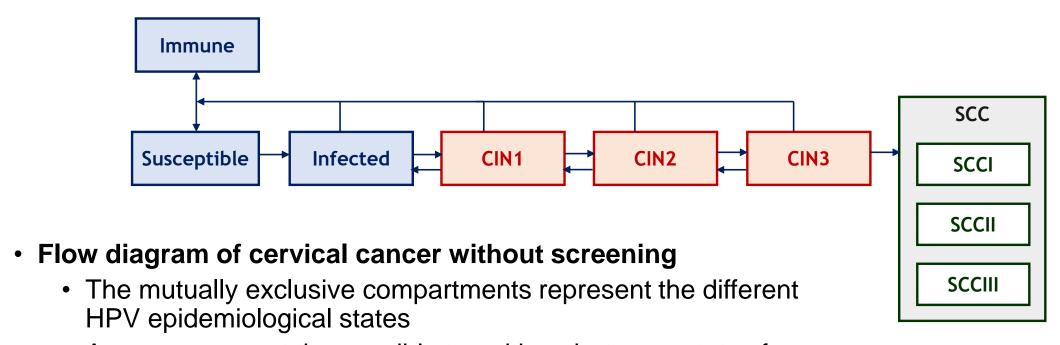
#### **HPV-ADVISE** Sexual behaviour & transmission component

- Stable and casual partnerships
- Casual sexual partnerships between Female Sex Workers and men in stable partnerships
- Parameters are sex-, age- and sexual activity-specific
  - Onset of sexual activity
  - Partner acquisition and separation rates
  - Sexual mixing patterns

#### Partnership formation & HPV transmission (dependant on mixing, age, level of sexual activity) Suscep. % Casual % Stable Infect. (by age & sex. act.) (by age & sex. act.) Stable Casual Singles Separation rate/Duration Separation rate/Duration by age & sexual activity

Instanteneous

#### **HPV-ADVISE** Natural history of disease component (Cervical Cancer)



- Arrows represent the possible transitions between states for each individual
- Transition rates are age- and type- specific
- Natural history of other HPV-related cancers and anogenital warts can also be modeled

#### **HPV-ADVISE** Vaccination component

- Vaccination can be efficacious against up to 18 HPV types (vaccine efficacy is type-specific)
  - 2-valent: HPV-16/18
  - 4-valent: HPV-16/18/6/11
  - 9-valent: HPV-16/18/6/11/31/33/45/52/58
  - Can model cross-protection to types not included in the vaccine
- Vaccine efficacy is modeled as a function of:
  - Take (probability of developing immune protection)
  - Waning protection
  - Reduction in susceptibility to infection per sex act
- Vaccination coverage can vary by:
  - Time
  - Age
  - Sex
  - Sexual activity level
  - Screening behaviour

#### **HPV-ADVISE** Screening component

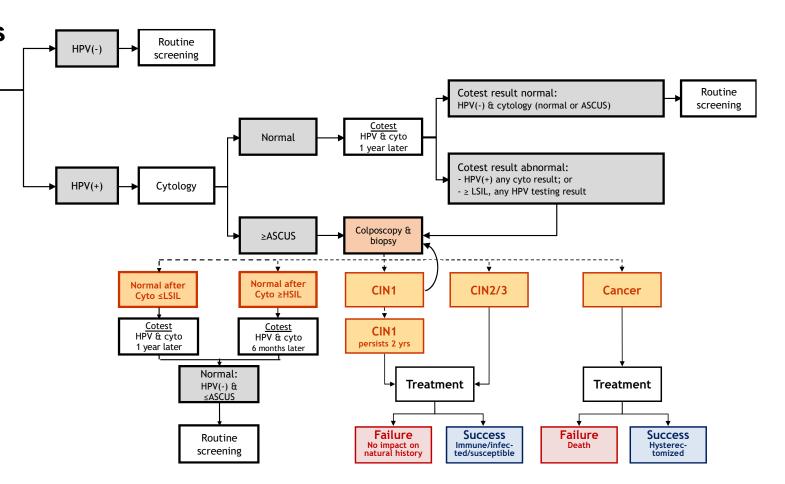
- Women can be categorized into 5 lifetime levels of screening behaviour
  - From short intervals between tests, to infrequently screened, and to never screened

**HPV** testing

every 5 years

Different screening technologies

- HPV testing
- Cytology
- Colposcopy
- Different screening algorithms
  - Pap test as a primary test
  - HPV triage
- Coverage can vary by:
  - Age
  - Sexual activity level
  - Vaccination status



#### **HPV-ADVISE** Economic component

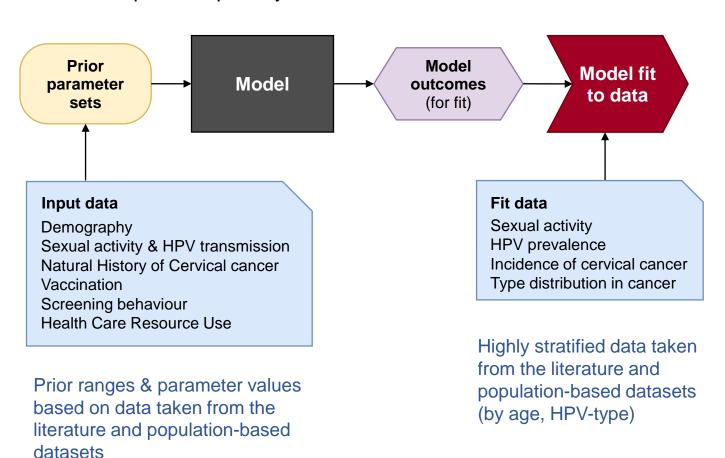
- Health care resource use and Direct / Indirect medical costs
  - Vaccination & Screening costs
  - Medical visits & Hospitalisation
- QALYs or DALYs can be attributed to health outcomes over time
  - CIN, HPV-related cancers, anogenital warts
- Cost-effectiveness and budget impact can be estimated

#### **HPV-ADVISE** Model calibration – Fitting process

Most important & complicated part of the analysis so the model represents Thailand

#### Model fit

Reproduce past dynamics of HPV infection & Cancers



**Uniform prior distributions** are defined for each model parameter

min-max values for each parameter are derived from the literature

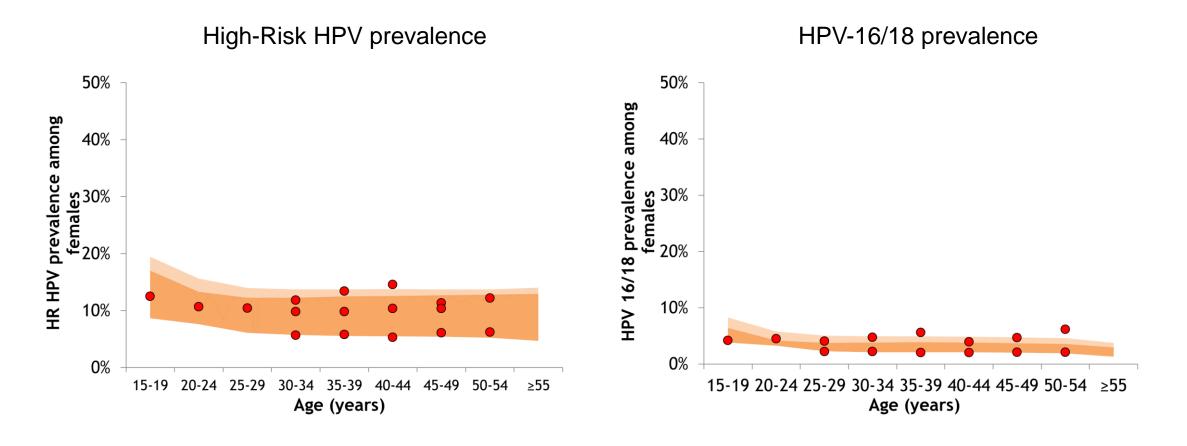
>100,000 of different combinations of parameter values are drawn from the prior distributions

Parameter sets are qualified as producing a "good fit" if the associated model predictions fall simultaneously within pre-specified targets (ranges) of sexual behaviour and epidemiological data

#### **HPV-ADVISE**

#### Example of fit to epidemiology - INDIA

Fit to HPV prevalence among sexually active females

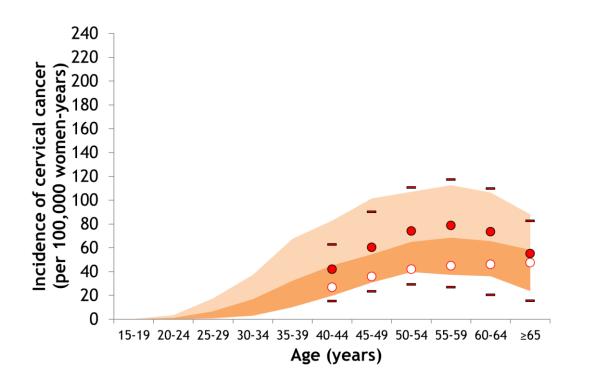


Shaded areas represent the min/max of model predictions generated by the 50 posterior parameter sets. Darker shaded areas represent min/max of 10 best fit parameter sets to Globocan 2020 cervical cancer incidence. For model predictions, we assumed a specificity of 99.7% for the HPV-test (in a HPV negative population, HPV-testing for 13 types with a specificity of 99.7% would result in an overall HPV-prevalence of 3.8%). Red dots represent the observed prevalence data. (Data sources: Dutta 2012, Sauvaget 2011, Basu 2013, and IARC prevalence data)

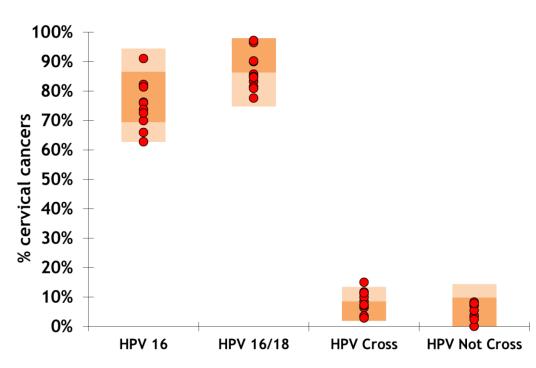
#### **HPV-ADVISE**

# Example of fit to epidemiology - INDIA Cervical cancer

#### Incidence of cervical cancer



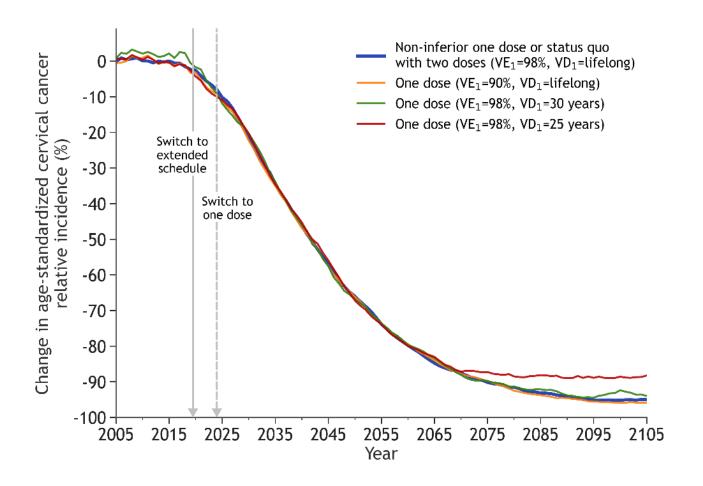
#### HPV type distribution in cervical cancer



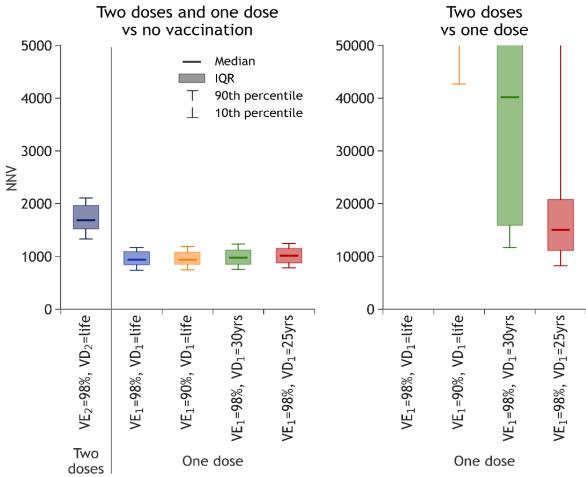
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# 1- and 2-dose vaccination in Canada Impact and efficiency

#### Population-level impact



#### Efficiency - NNV



## 1-dose modeling: Bénard et al. results

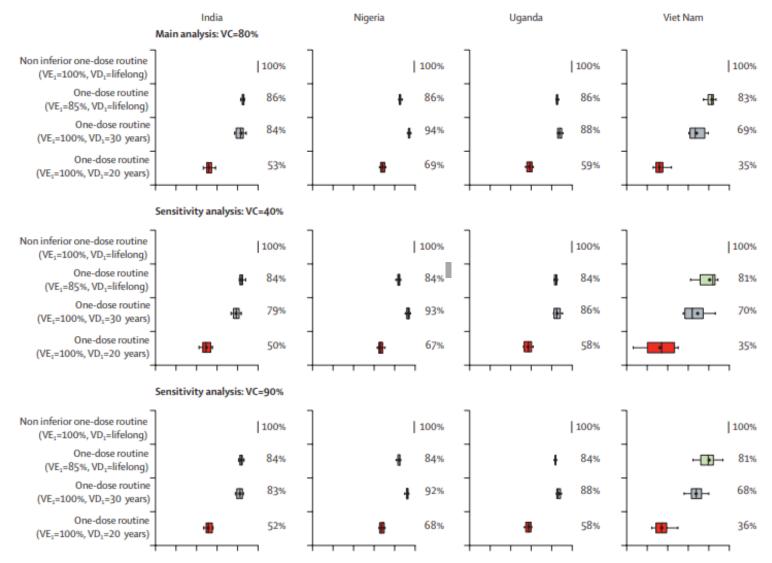
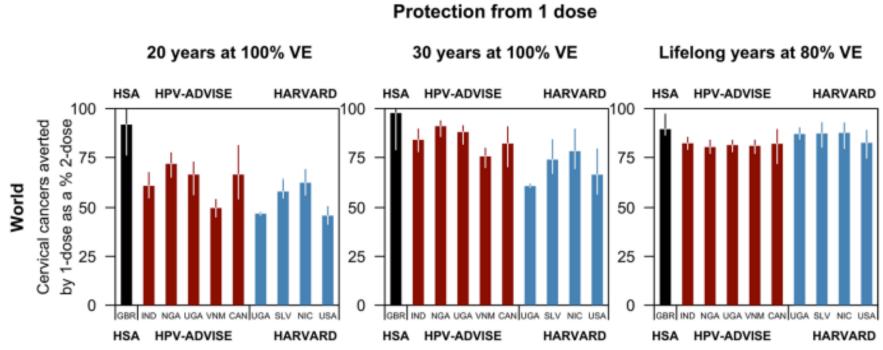


Figure 2: Projected percentage of averted cervical cancers with one-dose versus two-dose routine vaccination of girls aged 9 years, for different vaccination programme assumptions

REF: Bénard, Lancet Public Health 2023

## 1-dose modeling: Prem et al. results



**Fig. 3** Cervical cancers averted by routine one-dose HPV vaccination as a proportion of cervical cancers averted by routine HPV vaccination programmes conferring lifelong protection at 100% vaccine efficacy. The median percentage (intervals: 10–90th percentile) of cancers averted by a one-dose schedule compared to a two-dose programme of the 10 model-country settings: the HSA model in black, HPV-ADVISE model-country pairs in red, and the Harvard model-country pairs in blue. Health outcomes were discounted at 0%. Only cervical cancers caused by HPV 16, 18, 31, 33, 45, 52, and 58, which could be averted by the 9-valent HPV vaccine, were considered

REF: Prem, BMC Med 2023

### Timeline of SAGE / WHO recommendations informed by modelling

- Change from 3 to 2 dose vaccination for girls<sup>1</sup>
  - SAGE (Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization (SAGE)), WHO
- Conduct Multi-Age-Cohort vaccination for girls: Primary target = 9-14 yr-olds<sup>2</sup>
  - SAGE, WHO
- WHO cervical cancer elimination targets: 90% of girls vaccinated, 70% of women screened (twice lifetime), 90% of detected pre-cancers/cancers treated<sup>3,4</sup>
  - SAGE, WHO & World Health Assembly
- 1-dose vaccination can be considered instead of 2 doses<sup>5</sup>
  - SAGE, WHO
- WHO prioritization framework: Girls 9-14 yrs-old -> Girls 15-20 yrs-old -> Women 21-25 yrs-old -> Boys/Men 9-20 yrs-old<sup>6</sup>

2013

2016

<sup>2018</sup> 2022 2024 WHO prioritization (work in progress)

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