

# H5N1 vaccine in Hungary Development, evaluation, production

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# Background

**INTERPANDEMIC  
INFLUENZA  
VACCINE  
PRODUCTION**

**„ A purified precipitated virus obtained by a new, simple method.”**

**Gy. Takátsy, Acta Microbiol. Hung. 1953.**



**Dr Gyula Takátsy  
1914-1980**

**Registration of FLUVAL<sup>AB</sup> influenza vaccine,**

**Onminvest Ltd; 1995**

**Registration number:**

**National Institute of Pharmacy,**

**Hungary: OGYI-T-8998/01.**

# FLUVAL AB

## Active ingredient:

Influenza A/New Caledonia/20/99(H1N1) min. 15 µg HA,

Influenza A/NYHC(H3N2) min. 15 µg HA

Influenza B/Shanghai/361/02 min. 15 µg HA.

## Adjuvant:

Al*** ( in AlPO <sub>4</sub> form)	Ph.Hg.VII.	0,25 mg
NaCl	Ph.Hg.VII.	1,66 mg
KCl	Ph.Hg.VII.	0,04 mg
KH <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	Ph.Hg.VII.	0,31 mg
Na <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub> x 2H <sub>2</sub> O	Ph.Hg.VII	0,19 mg
Merthiolát	Ph.Hg.VII.	0,05 mg
Aqua destillata pro inj.	Ph.Hg.VII	ad 0,5 ml

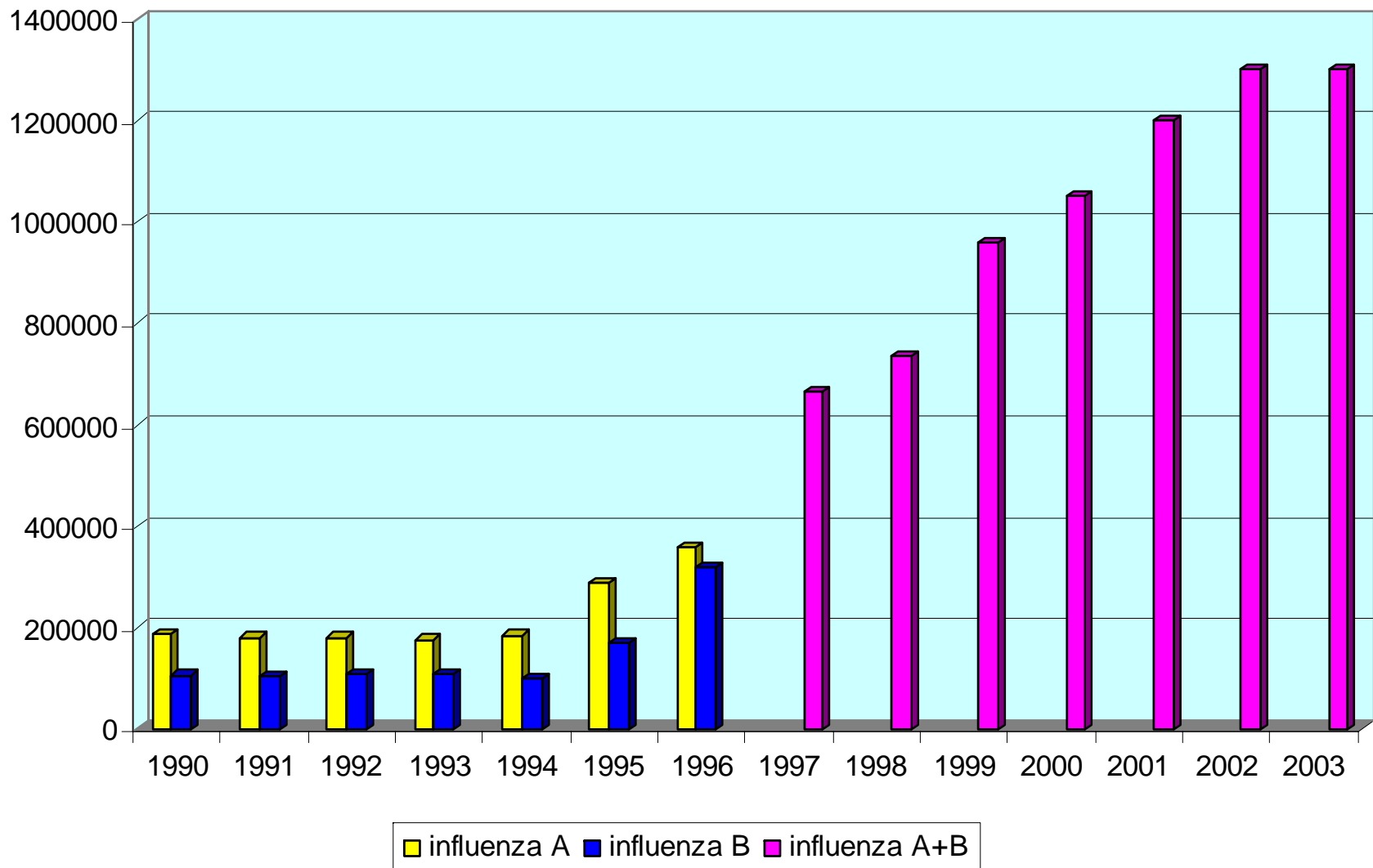
# INFLUENZA VACCINE PRODUCTION 1972, HUNGARY

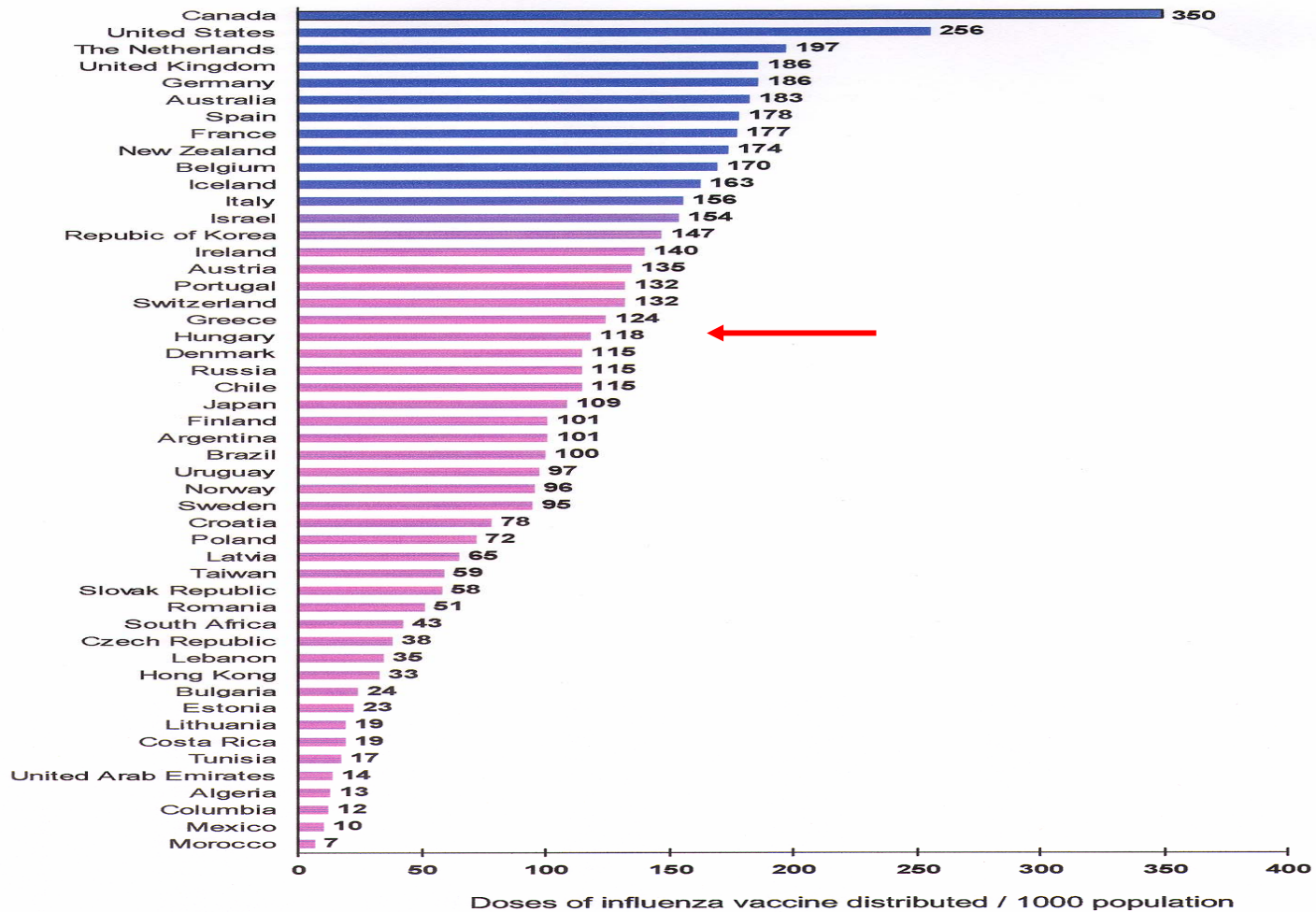


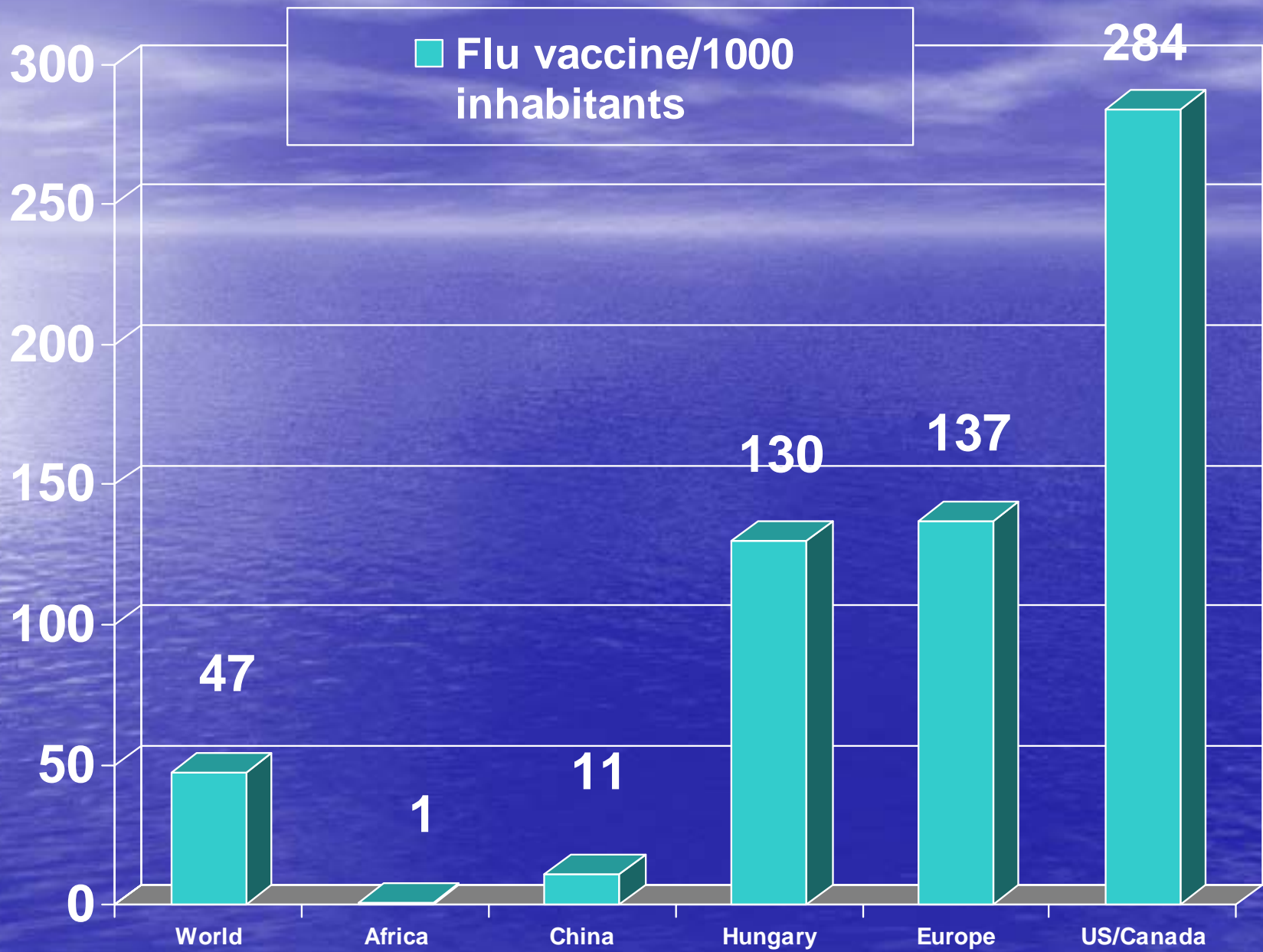
# INFLUENZA VACCINE PRODUCTION 1995, HUNGARY



# Coverage of Vaccination 1990-2003, Hungary







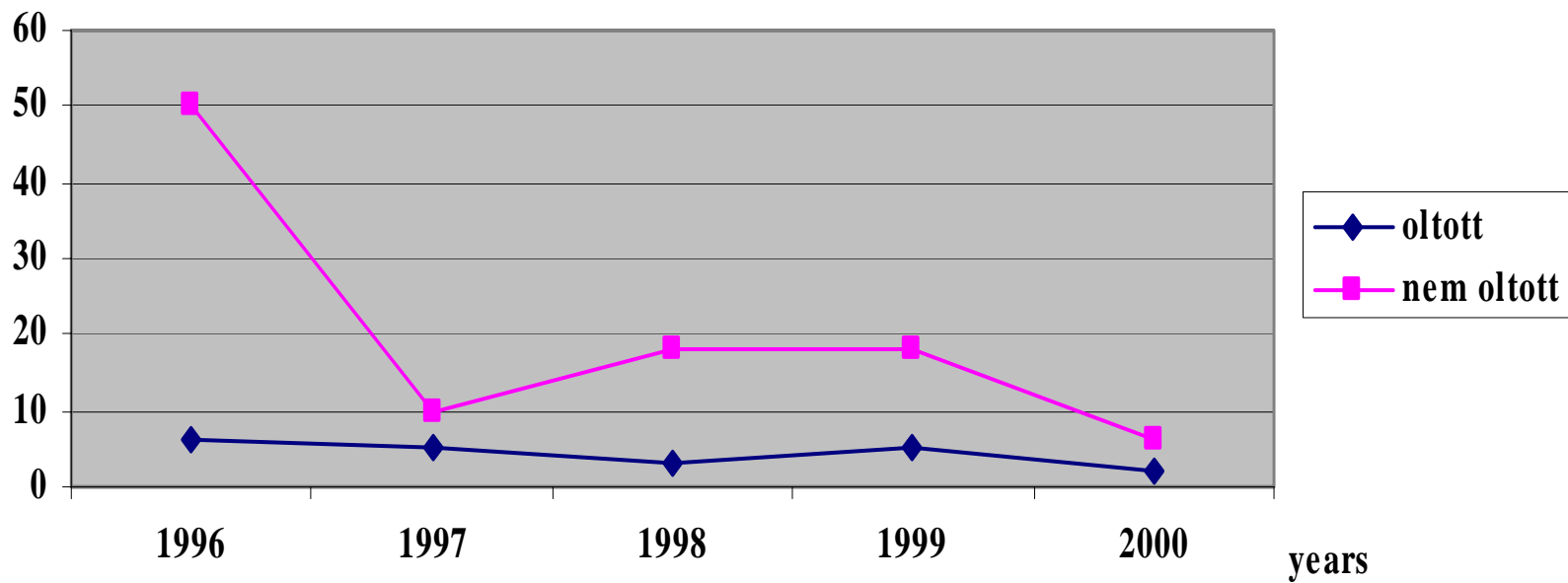
# ANNUAL UPDATE STUDIES AND CHMP CRITERIA FOR IMMUNOGENECITY OF FLUVALAB IN HEALTHY ADULTS

YEAR	strain (sub-) type	Seroprotection Rate	Seroconversion /4-fold /Increase rate	Mean fold Increase	CHMP Requirement met
		CHMP criteria			
		> 70 %	> 40 %	>2,5	
1997	A/H1N1	84 % +	41 % +	3,0 +	YES
	A/H3N2	85 % +	46 % +	3,4 +	
	B	75 % +	43 % +	3,3 +	
1998	A/H1N1	86 % +	56 % +	4,7 +	YES
	A/H3N2	82 % +	50 % +	3,6 +	
	B	86 % +	68 % +	4,2 +	
2000	A/H1N1	84 % +	72 % +	3,5 +	YES
	A/H3N2	70 % -	56 % +	3,3 +	
	B	72 % +	62 % +	3,0 +	
2001	A/H1N1	84 % +	47 % +	3,4 +	YES
	A/H3N2	84 % +	46 % +	3,1 +	
	B	79 % +	49 % +	3,4 +	
2002	A/H1N1	88 % +	62 % +	3,3 +	YES
	A/H3N2	90 % +	66 % +	3,9 +	
	B	80 % +	54 % +	3,9 +	
2005	A/H1N1	72 % +	46 % +	3,38 +	YES
	A/H3N2	76 % +	54 % +	2,56 +	
	B	86 % +	48 % +	3,68 +	

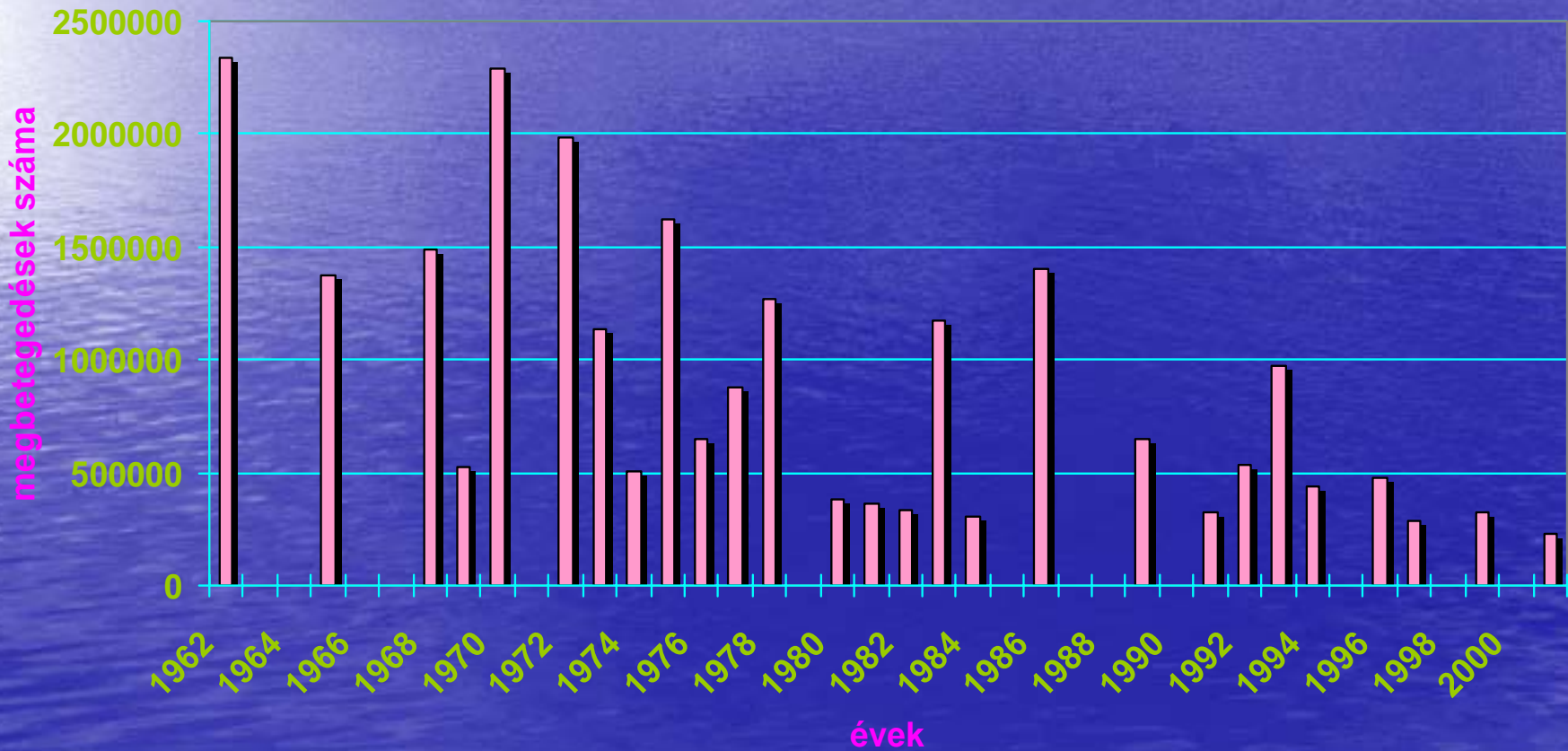
# ANNUAL UPDATE STUDIES AND CHMP CRITERIA FOR IMMUNOGENECITY OF FLUVALAB IN ELDERLY

YEAR	strain (sub-) type	Seroprotection Rate	Seroconversion /4-fold /Increase rate	Mean fold Increase	CHMP Requirement met
		CHMP criteria			
		> 60 %	> 30 %	>2,0	
<b>1997</b>	<b>A/H1N1</b>	52 % -	32 % +	2,9 +	<b>YES</b>
	<b>A/H3N2</b>	68 % +	38 % +	2,8 +	
	<b>B</b>	58 % -	31 % +	3,1 +	
<b>1998</b>	<b>A/H1N1</b>	62 % +	36 % +	2,9 +	<b>YES</b>
	<b>A/H3N2</b>	70 % +	44 % +	2,7 +	
	<b>B</b>	78 % +	58 % +	4,0 +	
<b>2000</b>	<b>A/H1N1</b>	68 % +	44 % +	2,6 +	<b>YES</b>
	<b>A/H3N2</b>	70 % +	52 % +	2,8 +	
	<b>B</b>	74 % +	56 % +	2,8 +	
<b>2001</b>	<b>A/H1N1</b>	67 % +	40 % +	2,9 +	<b>YES</b>
	<b>A/H3N2</b>	69 % +	38 % +	2,8 +	
	<b>B</b>	70 % +	41 % +	2,7 +	
<b>2002</b>	<b>A/H1N1</b>	72 % +	38 % +	3,1 +	<b>YES</b>
	<b>A/H3N2</b>	82 % +	36 % +	3,2 +	
	<b>B</b>	88 % +	44 % +	3,9 +	
<b>2005</b>	<b>A/H1N1</b>	72 % +	36 % +	3,29 +	<b>YES</b>
	<b>A/H3N2</b>	70 % +	32 % +	3,07 +	
	<b>B</b>	84 % +	38 % +	3,16 +	

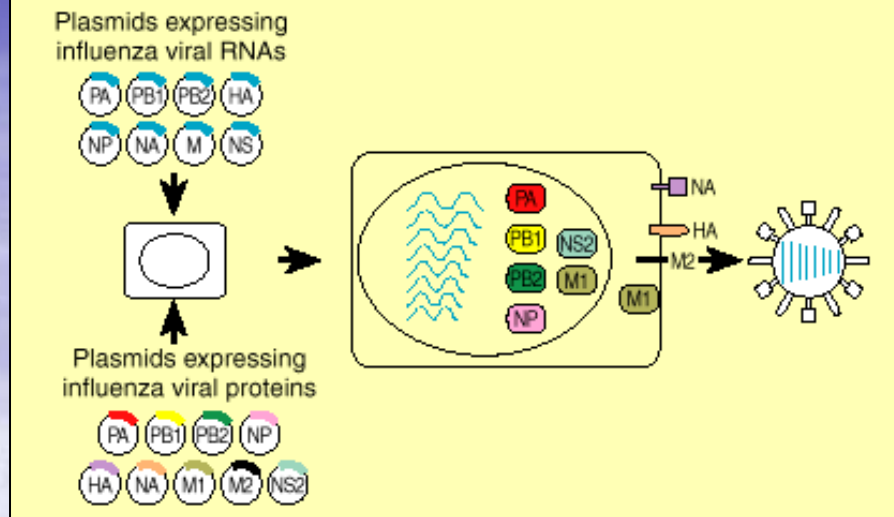
## Influenza megbetegedések kumulatív incidencia hányada az oltottak és oltatlanok csoportjában



# Flu epidemics in Hungary 1962-2001



# H5N1 vaccine in Hungary



- **Virus:** (NIBRG-14) .

**Virus description:** a reverse genetics derived 2:6 reassortant between A/Viet Nam/1194/2004 (H5N1) and PR8.

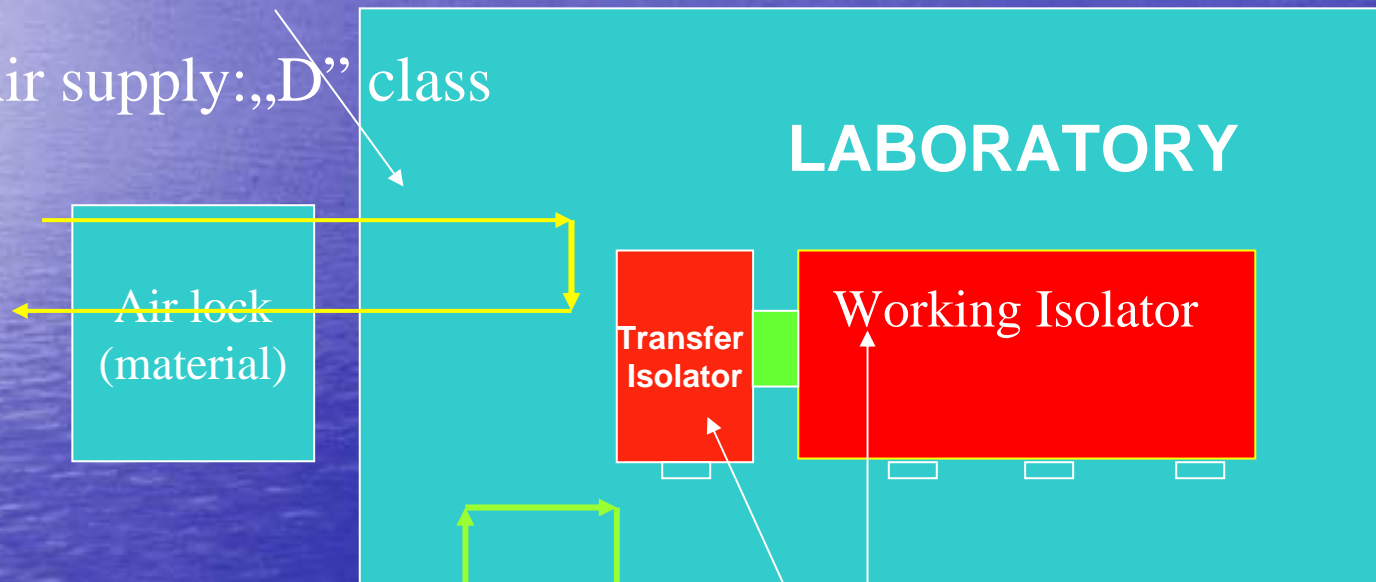
**Passage history:** Vero1, Egg2

- Virus was obtained from NIBSC, London, kindly supplied by Prof. Dr. J. Wood.
- May, 2005

# BSL2+ laboratory

Air pressure: 15 Pa (depression)

Air supply: „D” class



**LABORATORY**

Air lock  
(material)

Transfer  
Isolator

Working Isolator

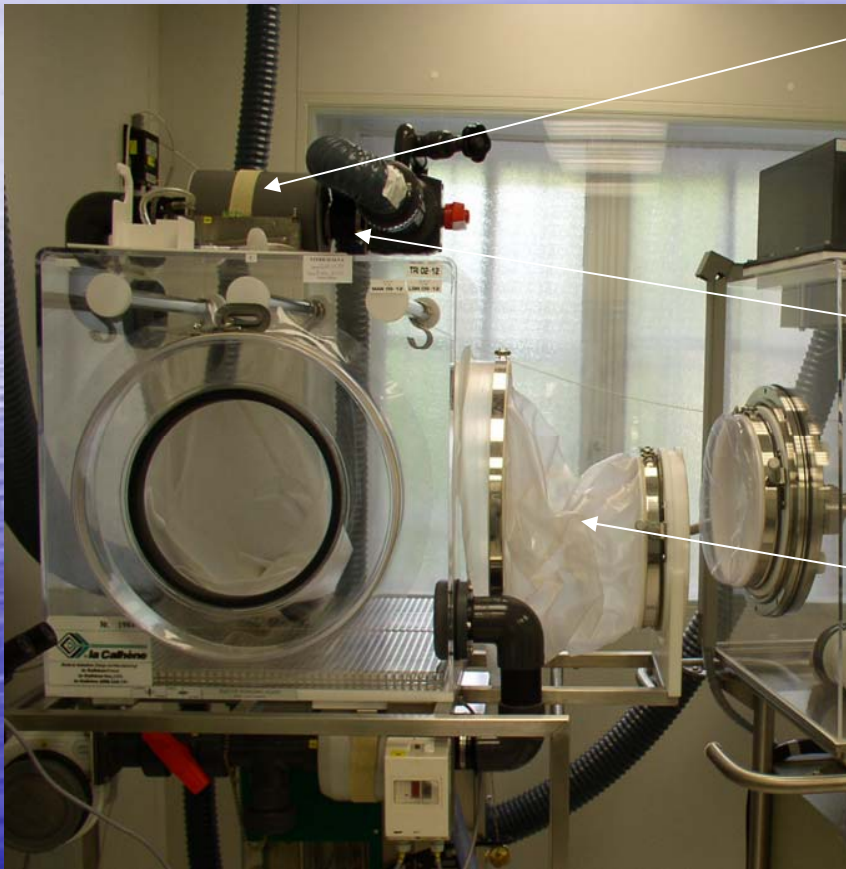
Air lock

(personal)

**Air pressure: 40 Pa ( positive)**

**Air supply: „A” class**

# TRANSFER IZOLATOR



- Pressure detector
- HEPA filters
- Material air-lockó

# WORKING IZOLATOR



- Pressure detector
- HEPA filters
- Gloves
- Particule detector
- Air-lock joint

# Protection of laboratory workers



# Immunogenicity of whole virus vaccine in mouse

Immunization	Animal	HI titer			
		H1	H3	B	H5
H5N1 antigen A NIBRG-14 - 92 µg total virus protein/dose (approx. 30 µg HA) 0,31 mg Al ( in AlPO <sub>4</sub> form)	1	5	5	5	160
	2	5	5	5	160
	3	5	5	5	160
	4	5	5	5	80
	5	5	5	5	160
	<b>GMT</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>139</b>
<i>Control vaccine</i> FLUVAL <sup>AB</sup>	1	160	320	320	5
<i>Control vaccine</i> FLUVAL <sup>AB</sup>	2	320	320	320	5

# Immunogenicity of whole virus vaccine in guinea pigs

Immunization	Animal	HI titer			
		H1	H3	B	H5
<b>H5N1 antigen</b> <b>A NIBRG-14 - 92 µg</b> <b>total virus protein/dose</b> <b>(approx. 30 µg HA)</b> <b>0,31 mg Al</b> <b>(in AlPO<sub>4</sub> form)</b>	1	5	5	5	80
	2	5	5	5	160
	3	5	5	5	160
	4	5	5	5	80
	5	5	5	5	80
	<b>GMT</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>105</b>
<i>Control vaccine</i> FLUVAL <sup>AB</sup>	1	160	320	320	5
<i>Control vaccine</i> FLUVAL <sup>AB</sup>	2	320	320	320	5

- **CLINICAL TRIAL PHASE IV. PROTOCOL**
- **NIBRG-14 H5N1 01-2005 avian influenza virus mock-up vaccine provided by WHO based on recommendation for pandemic preparedness**
- **PERMISSION NUMBER: 19147/05 AD  
19071/40/2005  
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PHARMACY,  
HUNGARY**

# AIM OF THE TRIAL

- to carry out serological tests for mock up vaccine based on WHO recommendation to obtain data for the new active ingredient of the vaccine in consideration of lack of available data

- ***Eligibility criteria:***

- voluntary enrollment,
- age over 18,
- signed written consent of voluntary statement

- ***Exclusion criteria:***

- diseased condition with fever,
- pregnancy,
- allergy to egg proteins or to one of the component of the vaccine

- ***Study procedure:***

- planned sample size 50-150.
- The enrolled eligible healthy voluntareer undergoes data recording, medical examination and blood sampling for immunological tests on the day 0.
- Rapid test is carried out for exclusion of gravidity among women younger than 60, since gravidity is an exlusion criteria. On the day 21 medical examination and blood sampling is performed for immunological tests.
- On the day 90 and 180 medical examination and blood sampling carried out to check possible side effects and for immunological tests.

- Serological data

The following serological assessments will be performed and one of the assessments should meet the indicated requirements:

Number of seroconversions or significant increase in antihaemagglutinin antibody titre  $>40\%$

Mean geometric increase  $>2.5$

The proportion of subjects achieving an HI titre  $\geq 40$  should be  $> 70\%$

Immunization	Personal Code	HI titer	
<p>H5N1 antigen A/NIBRG-14 92 µg total virus protein/dose (approx. 30 µg HA) 0,31 mg Al (in AlPO<sub>4</sub> form)</p>		Pre-vaccinated	Post-vaccinated
	001	5	80
	002	5	160
	003	5	80
	004	5	40
	005	5	40
	006	5	80
	007	5	5
	008	5	5
	009	5	40
	010	5	40
	011	5	40
	012	5	80
	013	5	40
	014	5	40
	015	5	40
	016	5	40
	017	5	80
	018	5	80
	019	5	40
	020	5	40
	<b>GMT</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>42,87</b>

# Preliminary evaluation

Number of seroconversions or significant increase in antihaemagglutinin antibody titre  $>40\%$

**90%**

Mean geometric increase  $>2.5$

**8,57**

The proportion of subjects achieving an HI titre  $\geq 40$  should be  $> 70\%$

**90%**

# Final evaluation

- November – December 2005:
  - Process validation
  
- February 2006
  - Data evaluation after endpoint (days 180) of clinical trial



# Acknowledgements

WHO  
NIBSC

