

Economic analysis of novel TB regimens

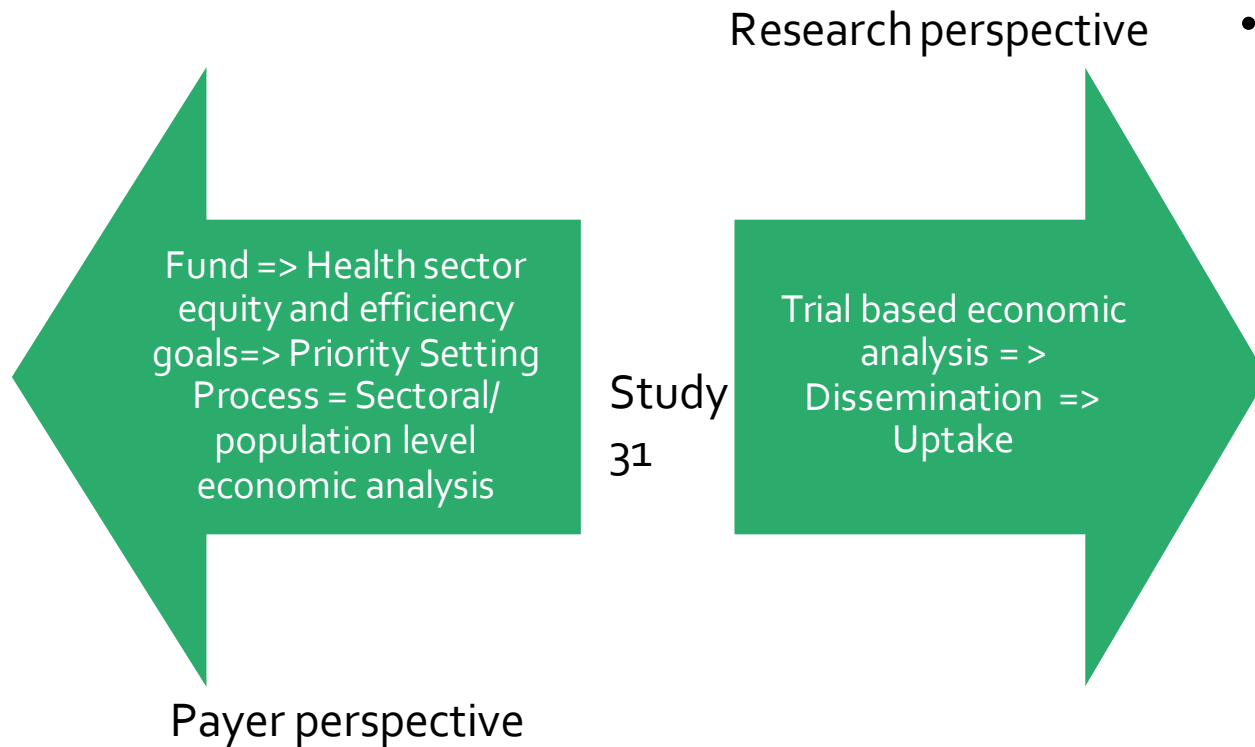
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The starting point is uptake not the end point



- Talk about:
 - how priority setting systems are evolving, with a focus on national level payers and development partners
 - reflect on why have previously effective TB interventions not been funded to scale
 - specific case of shortened and universal TB regimens and aspects of the analyses that may be particularly promising
 - promote discussion about future analyses

Understanding how that sectoral process works is pivotal to designing the analysis, but why limited uptake and potentially intervention design

National priority setting systems are evolving

- In simple terms national systems:
 - National Strategic plans (incremental 3-5 years)
 - Development Assistance (global and funding applications)
 - **UHC Benefit Packages (framing of what is in or out)**
 - **Health Technology Assessment (incremental to benefit package)**

Several countries UHC benefit packages: Pakistan, India, Ethiopia..

Several countries initiate HTA: China, India, South Africa, but also Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya...

DS-TB treatment/MDR TB treatment always considered

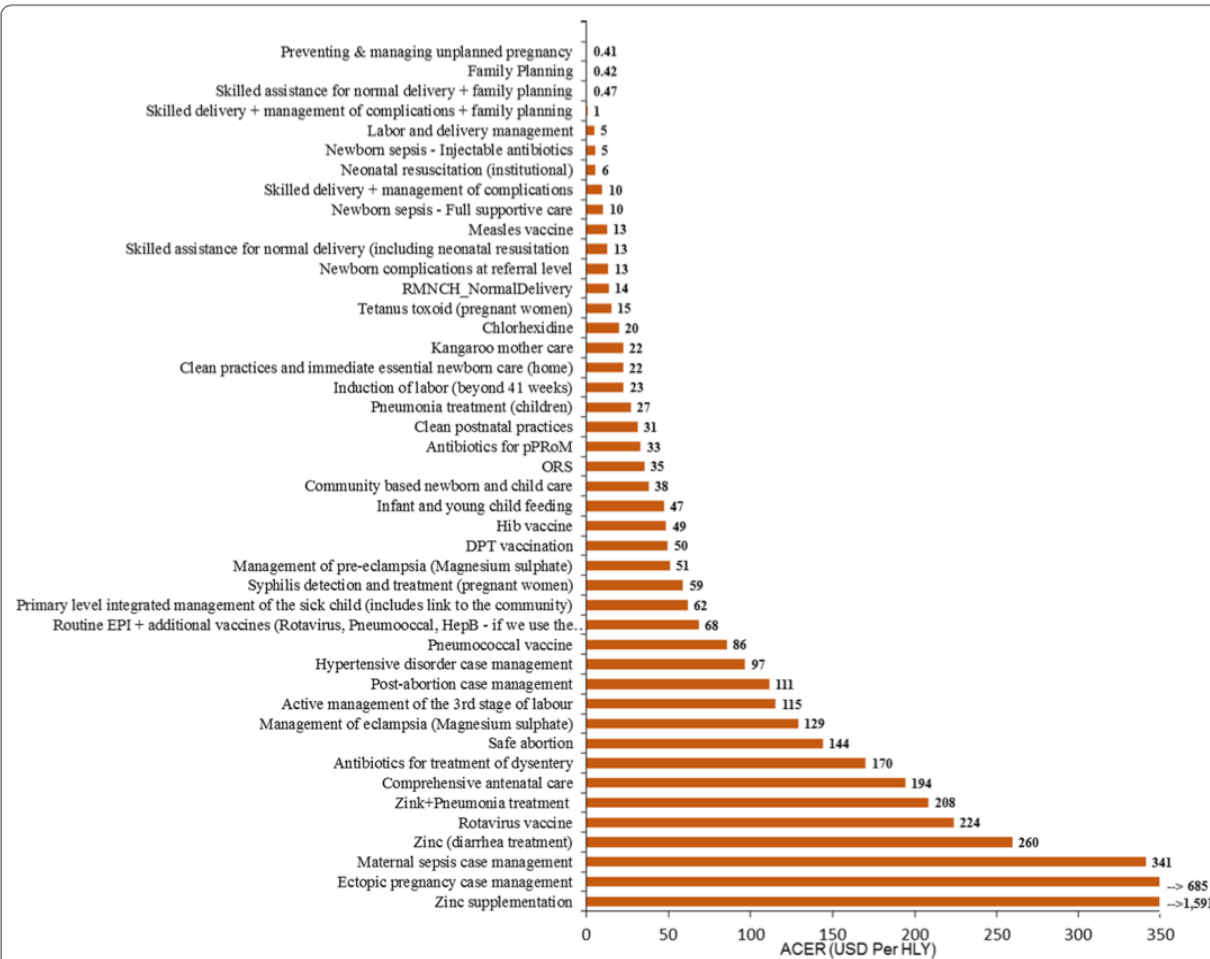


Fig. 1 ACERs for RMNCH (Trimmed at US\$350)

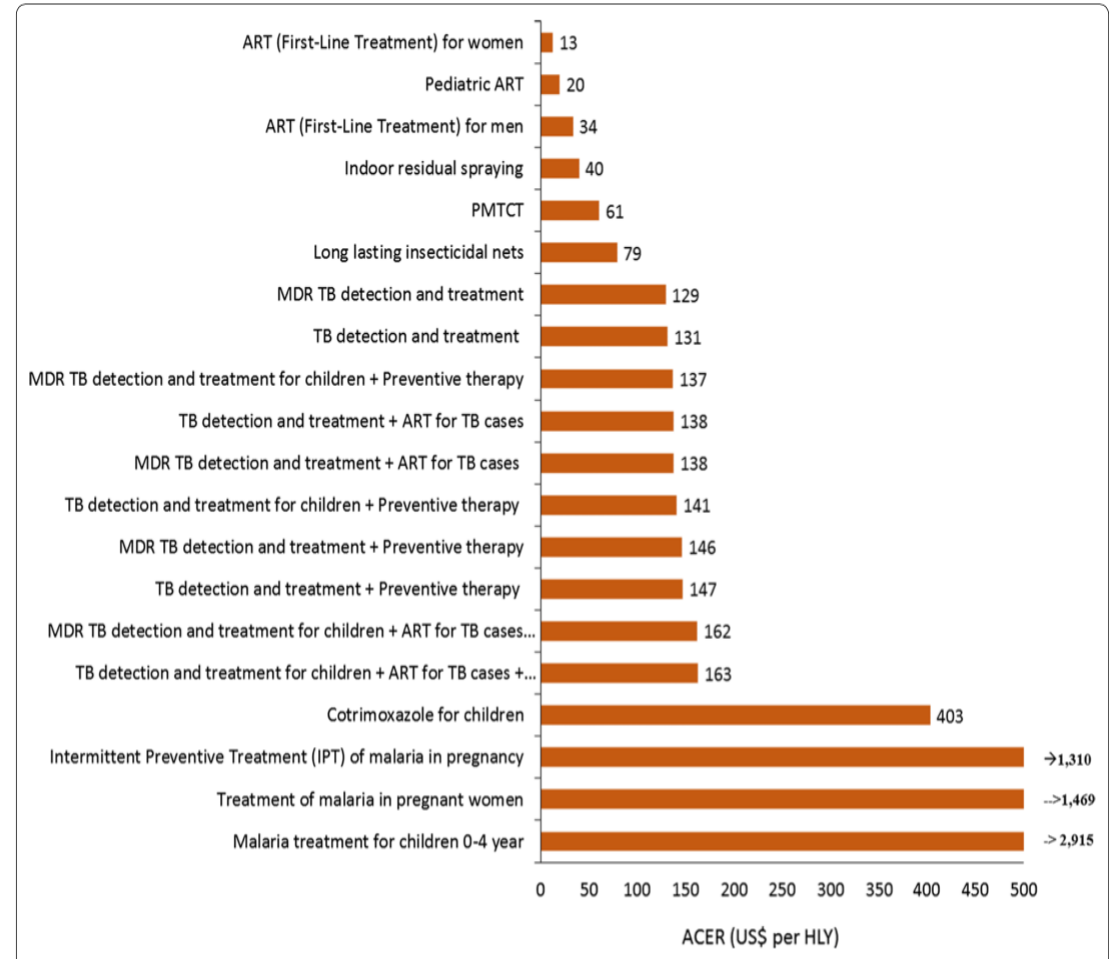
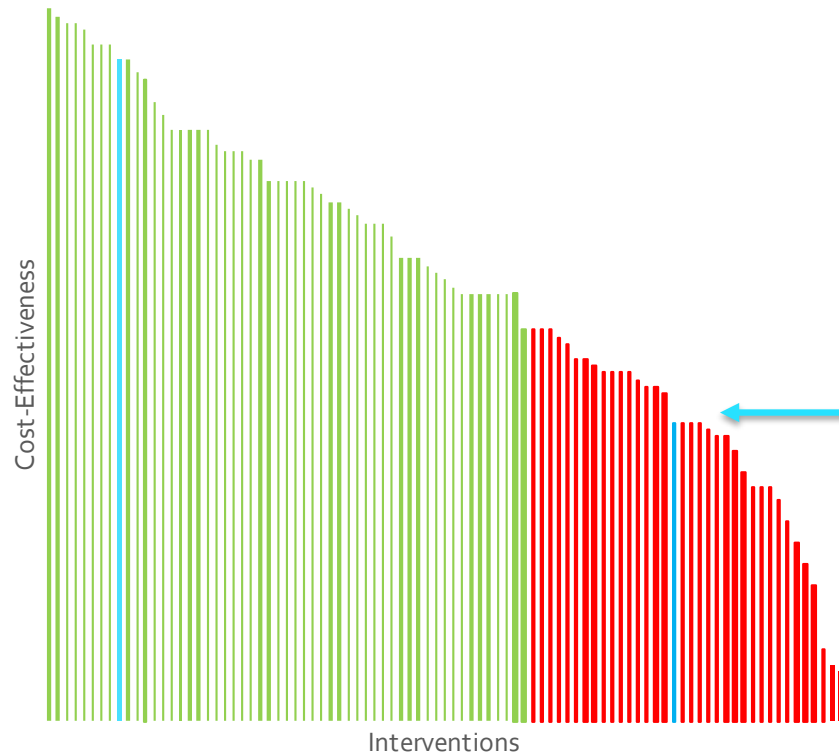


Fig. 2 ACERs for HIV, TB and malaria interventions (Trimmed at US\$500)

Eregata, GT. Et al. Generalised cost-effectiveness analysis of 159 health interventions for the Ethiopian essential health package. Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation (2021) 19:2

High coverage few interventions, low coverage all in interventions

EPHS, Pakistan



- Pakistan Essential Package Health Services (District)
- Current spending US\$8 per capita (green), US\$ 12 per capita (red)
- DS treatment US\$17 per DALY averted (11th)
- DR-TB at US\$757 per DALY averted
 - Technical working group, but national committee did not

US\$ 6 COVID-19 vaccine
CE ranking: 72
ICER: US\$781/DALY averted
309K DALYs averted
Total cost: US\$510.5 million
Cost per capita: US\$ 2.29

- Trade-off between doing the most cost-effective TB interventions at full coverage or doing all
- Depends on budget structures

Most analyses examining non-inferior DS and DR regimens find shortened regimens to be cost-saving or highly cost-effective at prices of around US 1 to US 5 dollars a day compared to standard of care

- Limited direct impact on outcomes/ transmission (1-4% incidence)
- Indirect health improvement as funds reallocated or
- Cost reduction to health services and households
 - Substantial gains (4-week regimen approx 60% reduction)
 - Absolute terms most benefit is household costs

Cost-effectiveness highly dependent on:

- Guideline adherence (South Africa)
- Cost of current delivery (Bangladesh exception)
- Base line level of default

Pricing for a UDR – Thinking about the future

Attribute	Target
Indication	Regimen is first line treatment without DST requirement
Target Population	All groups irrespective of HIV status
Efficiency and duration	Not inferior to RIF-sensitive TB standard of care (RS SOC) in ≤ 2 mo regimen
Safety	<p>Incidence/severity of AEs better than DS SOC</p> <p>No active clinical/lab monitoring for toxicity (except in special pops)</p> <p>No ECG monitoring of QT interval</p>
Drug-Drug Interactions and Metabolism	<p>No dose adjustment w/other meds</p> <p>Ability to safely use regimen w/o active lab test monitoring</p>
Barrier to emergence of drug resistance	<p>Mutation rates not $> 1/10^9$; essentially no acquired resistance ($< 0.1\%$)</p> <p>No pre-existing resistance</p>
Formulation, dosage, route of administration	<p>Oral, once daily, no special weight banding</p> <p>≤ 3 novel antibacterial compounds; 2 of 3 or all in FDC</p>
Stability/shelf life	Stable > 3 years in climate zones 3 and 4 at 30C / 75% RH



Scenario 1: status quo: no change

Scenario 2: NSP implementation

Scale up CBNAAT/GeneXpert
Private sector engagement

Scenario 3: NSP implementation and new shortened regimens

9m, MDR/XDR regimen

4m, DS regimen

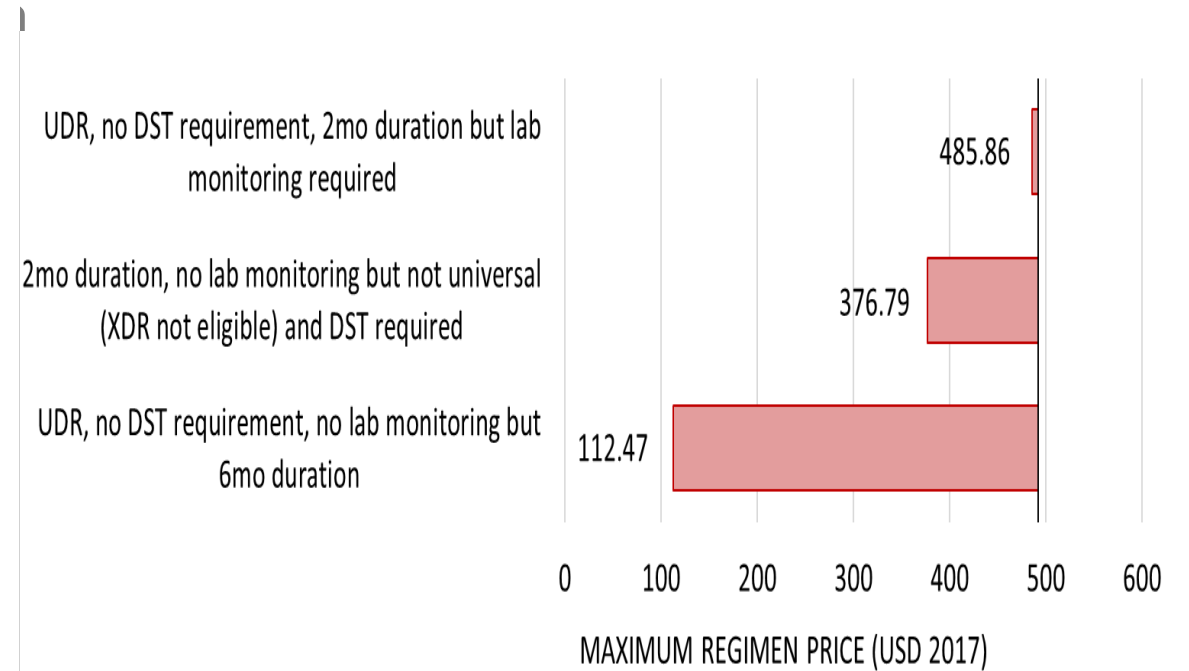
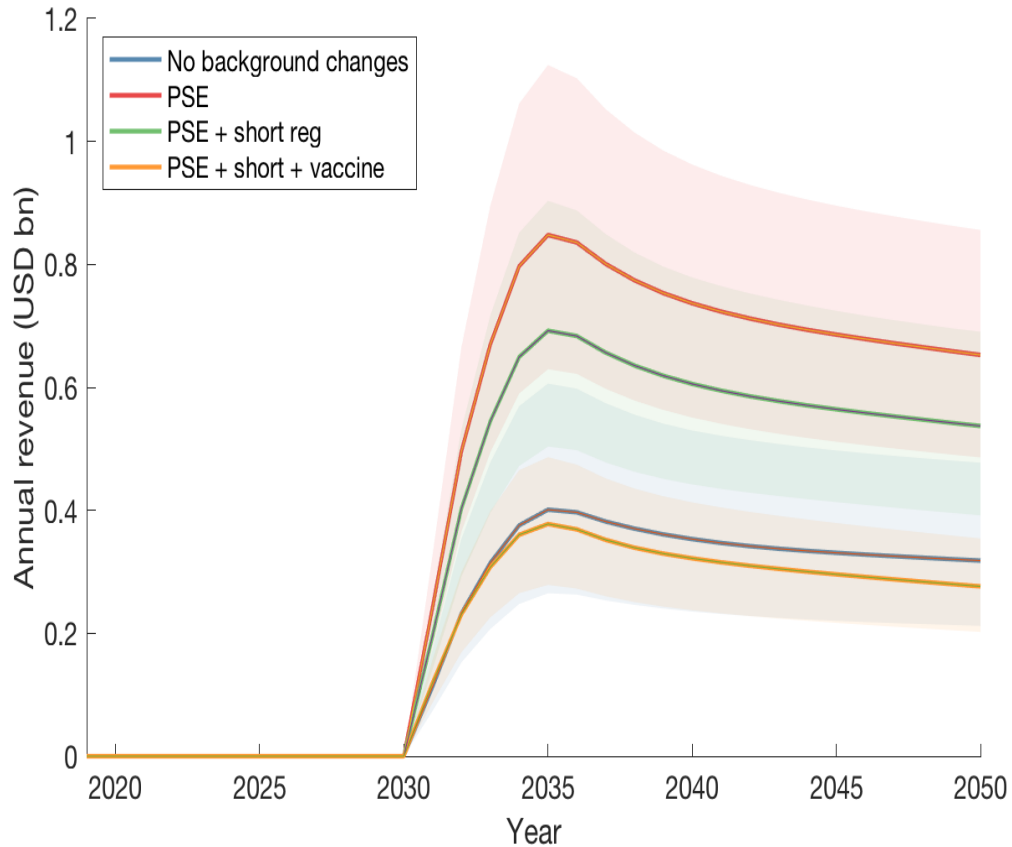
Scenario 4: NSP implementation, new shortened regimens and vaccine

Vaccine

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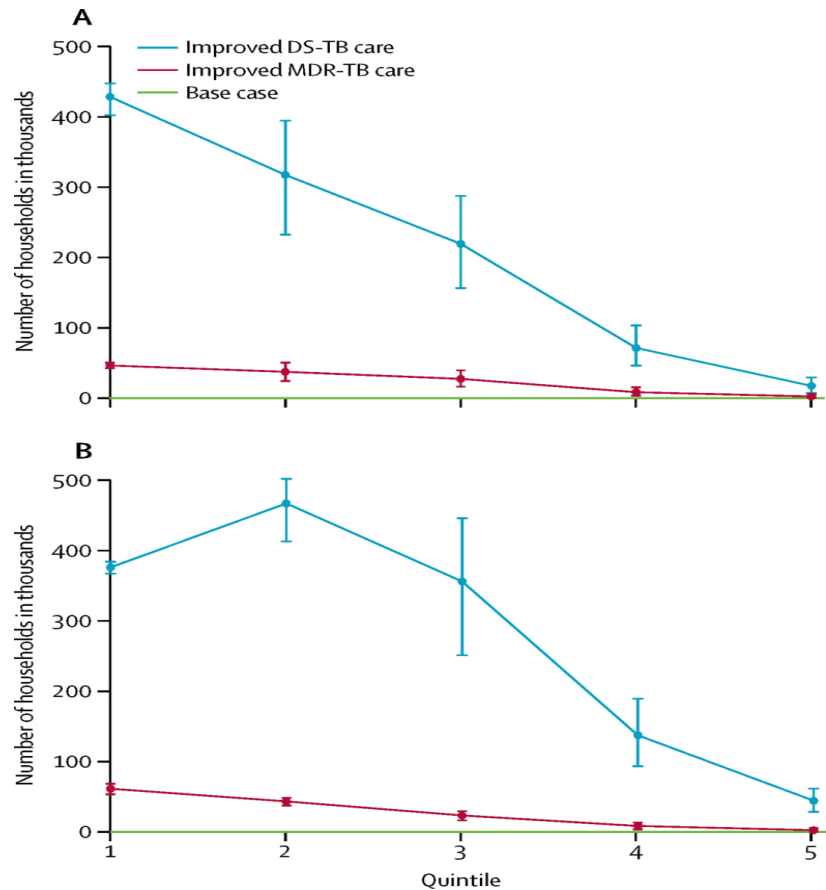
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Taking a societal perspective



- Improvements in TB treatment and care can substantially reduce household costs and avert poverty
- BUT is this a concern of the health sector payer?
- US recommendations to take a societal perspective, but contested
- Can help make the case to other Ministries or the Treasury
 - Varies by setting
 - Factored in to sectoral allocations
 - RoI/ CGE modelling

Verguet S, Riumallo-Herl C, Gomez GB, et al. Catastrophic costs potentially averted by tuberculosis control in India and South Africa: a modelling study. *Lancet Glob Health*. 2017;5(11):e1123-e1132. doi:10.1016/S2214-109X(17)30341-8

- Cost-effectiveness evidence is increasingly required
- We need a better understanding of comparative efficiency within TB **and within the sector in different settings**
- Likely to be different for DS-TB, but for DR-TB it may enable scale-up
- Clear case in terms of poverty reduction, but more work to be done on to understand how to convert this into investment by governments
- Role of evidence brokers, to inform investment and support programmes use economic evidence