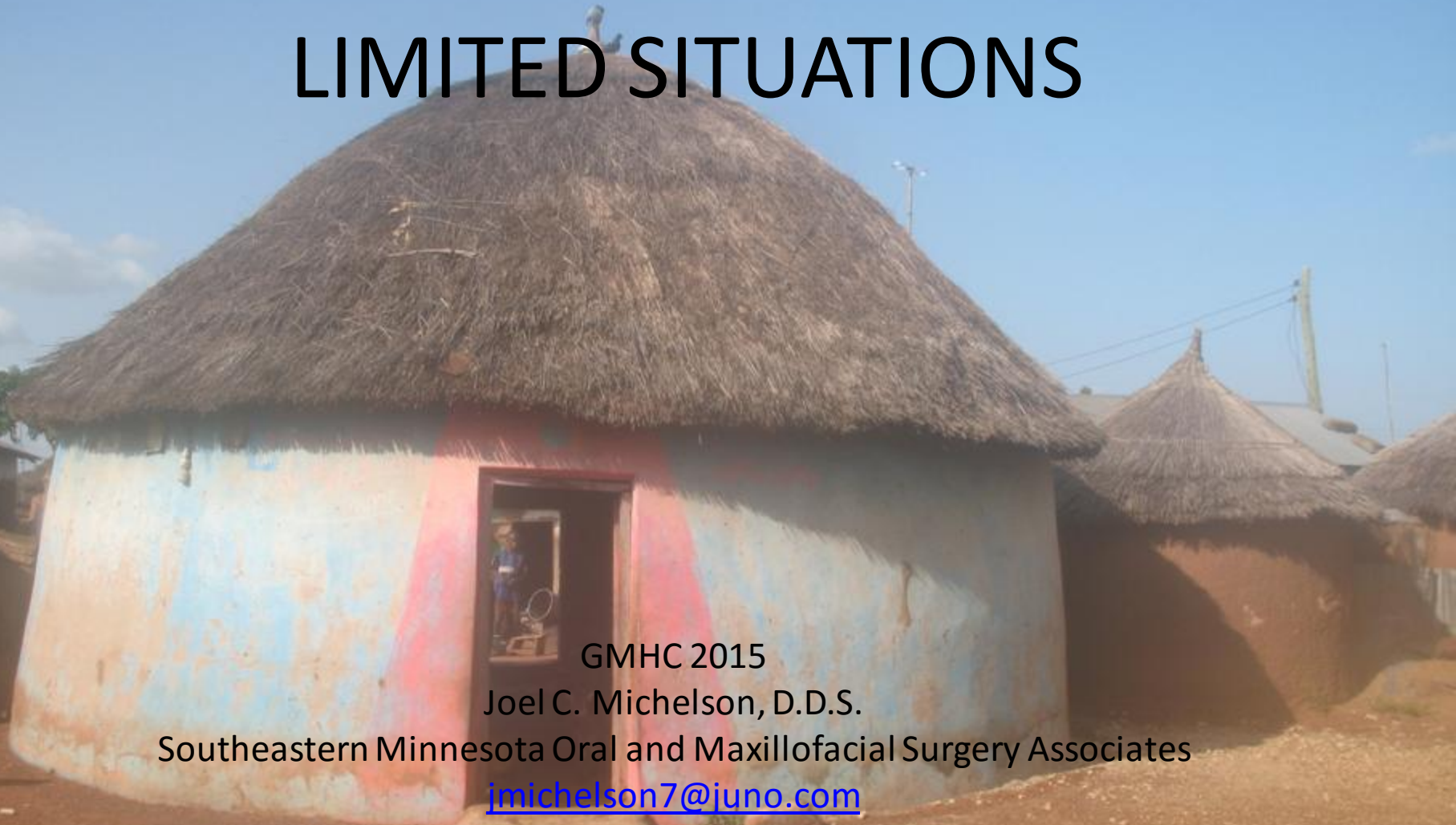


# STRATEGIES FOR PREVENTION OF DENTAL CARIES IN RESOURCE LIMITED SITUATIONS



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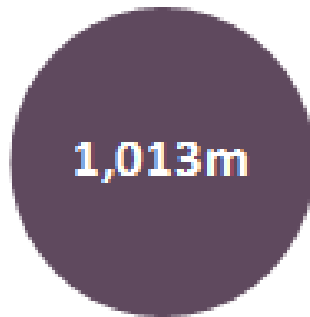
# ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PEOPLE AFFECTED BY COMMON DISEASES

- Tooth decay is the most prevalent of conditions, affecting almost half (44%) of the world population in 2010, followed by tension-type headache (21%), migraine (15%), severe periodontitis (11%), diabetes (8%) and asthma (5%).

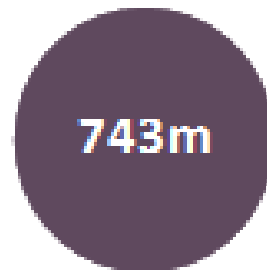
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**untreated decay of  
primary and  
permanent teeth**



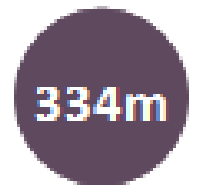
**migraine**



**severe  
periodontitis**



**diabetes**



**asthma**

# Global Scope of Oral Disease

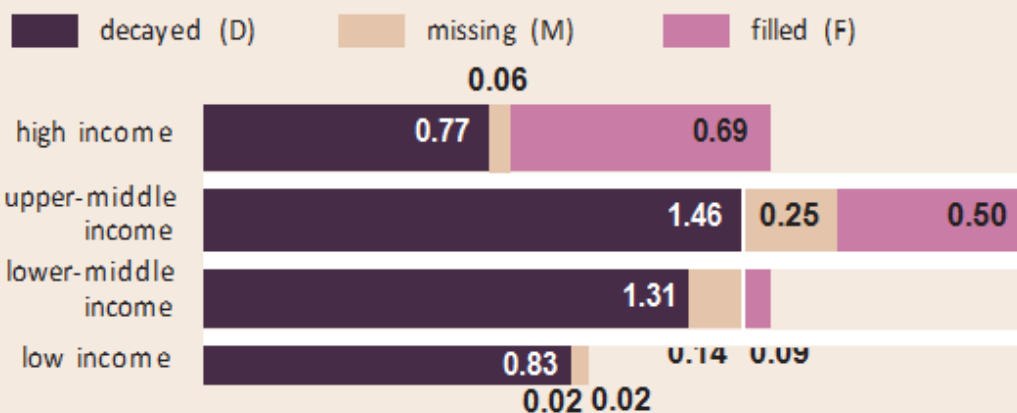
- Most of the world's population will suffer from oral disease in their lifetime, ranging from caries, periodontal diseases and tooth decay to oral cancer.
- Only 60% of the world's population enjoys access to oral healthcare.
- 60%-90% of school children worldwide have dental caries.
- Toothache is the number one reason for absenteeism from schools in many countries.

## GLOBAL DISTRIBUTION OF TOOTH DECAY

Average number of affected teeth for 12-year-olds

by country income group

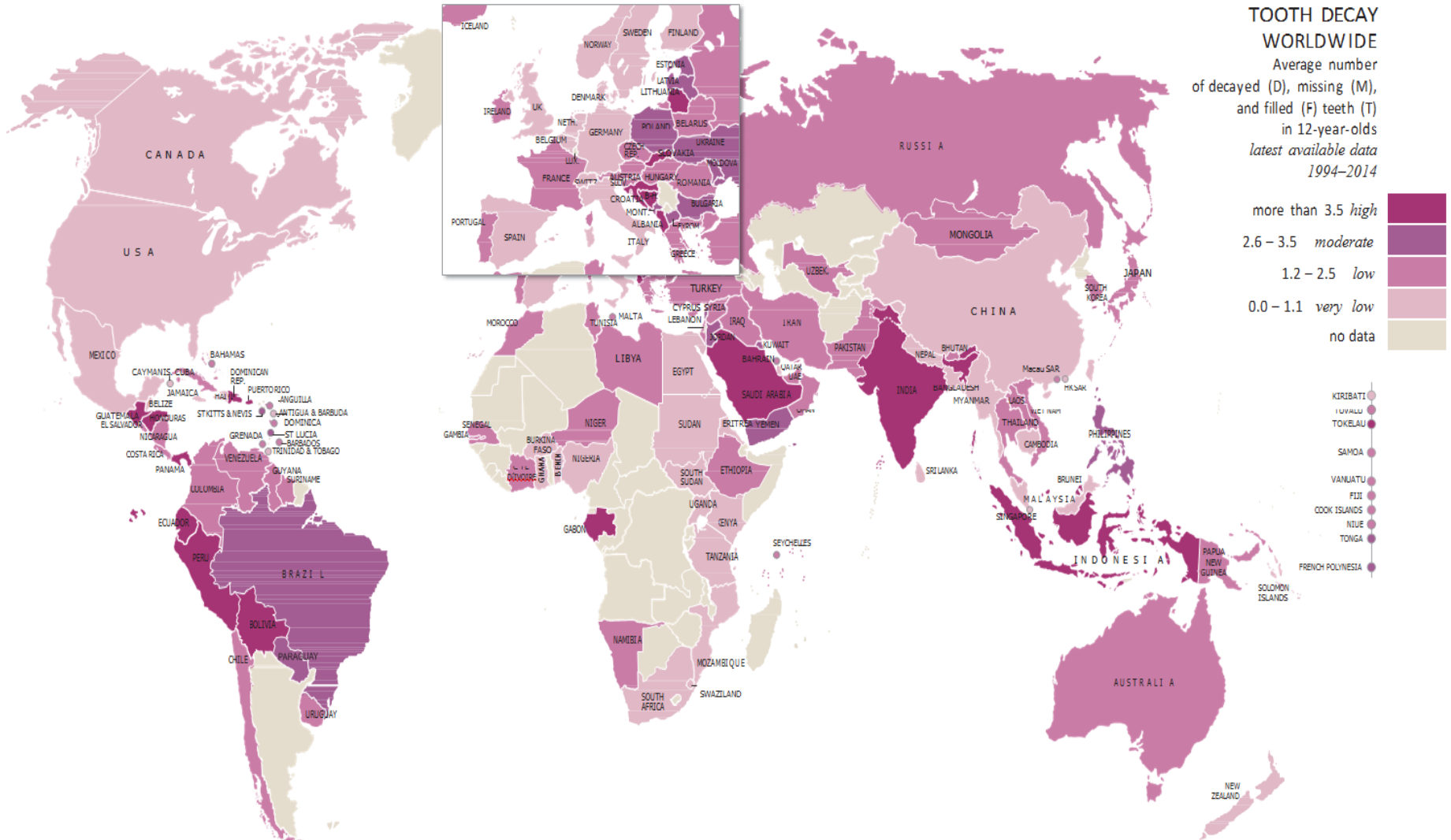
2000 or latest available data



## The DMFT Index

The DMFT index is generally used to report tooth decay in epidemiological studies. It records the number of decayed (D), missing (M) and filled (F) teeth (T). While DMFT is not the only measure and has limitations, the oral health status of populations is often summarized as a DMFT score (usually of 12-year-olds). A DMFT score of 1.0 means that 1 of the 32 adult teeth is either decayed, missing or filled. Scores for individuals are full numbers, for populations they can have decimal values.

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# Global Scope of Oral Disease

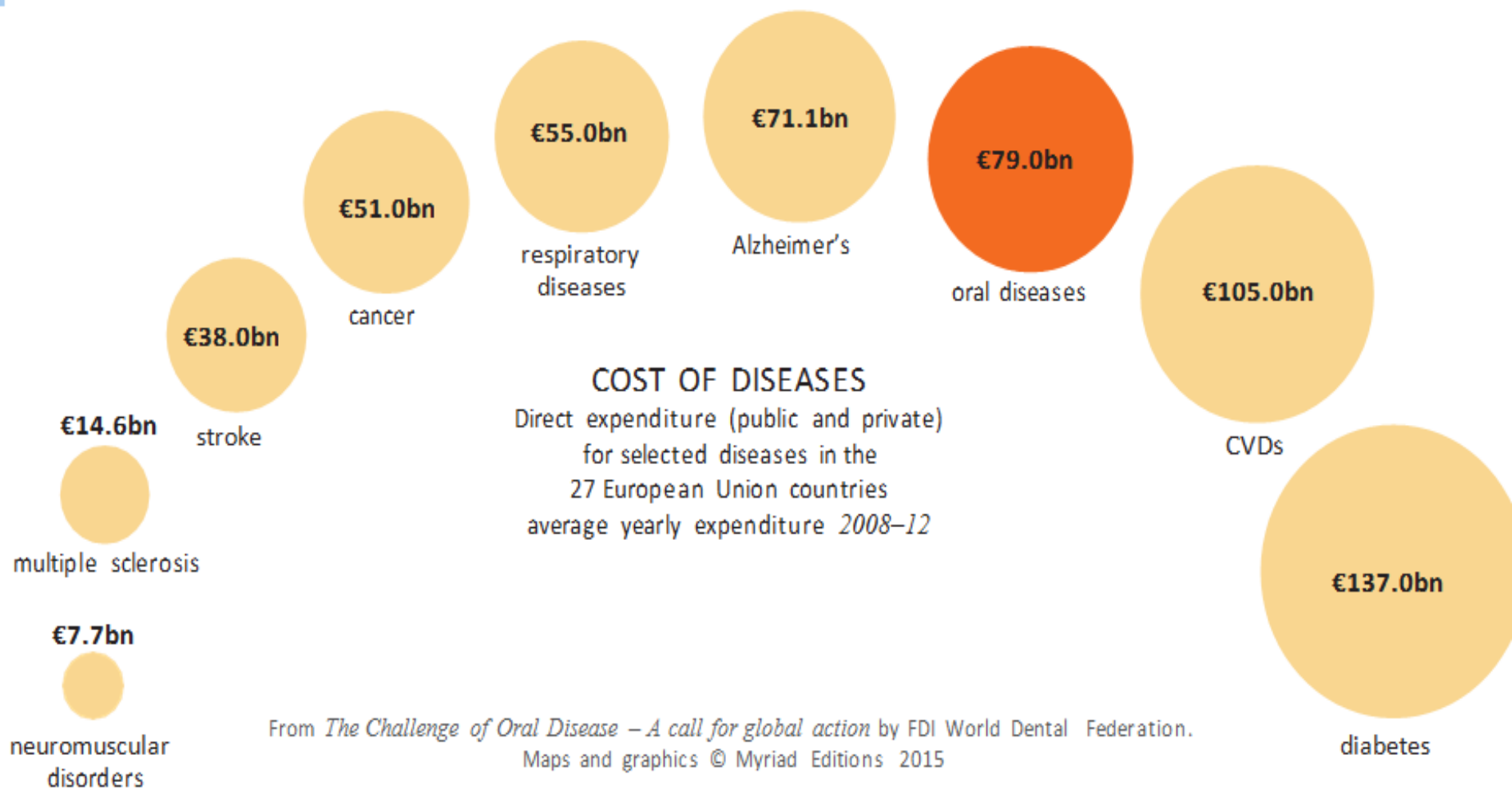
- Although the burden of oral diseases is decreasing in developed countries, gum complications are becoming more common, especially in older people. Major risk factors such as tobacco and alcohol use and a diet high in fat, salt and sugar contribute to a range of chronic diseases including oral disease

# Global Scope of Oral Disease

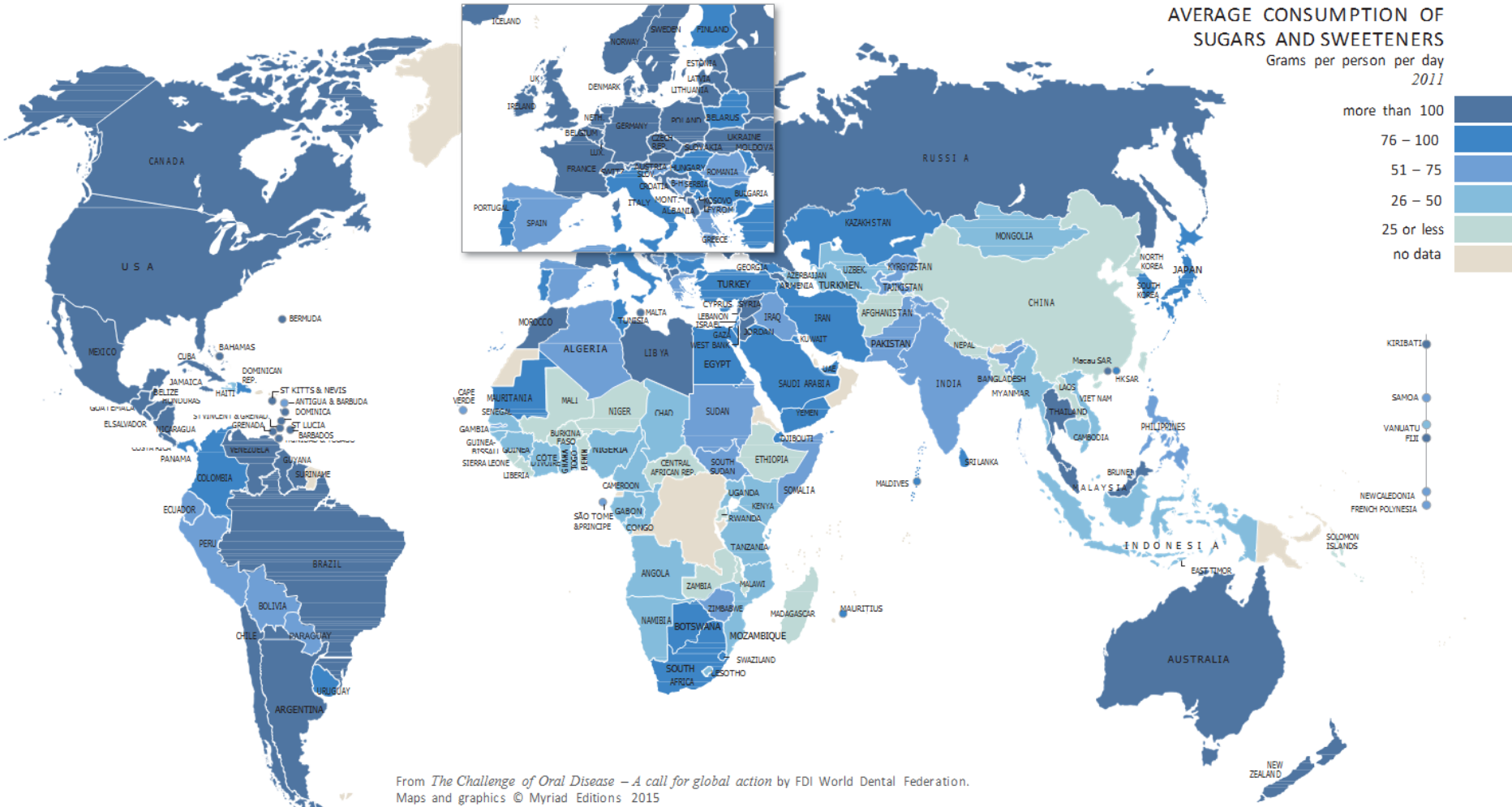
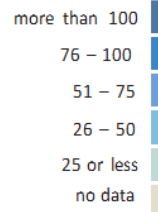
- High consumption of sugar is the number one risk factor for tooth decay and diabetes. Almost 80% of diabetes deaths occur in low-middle income countries.







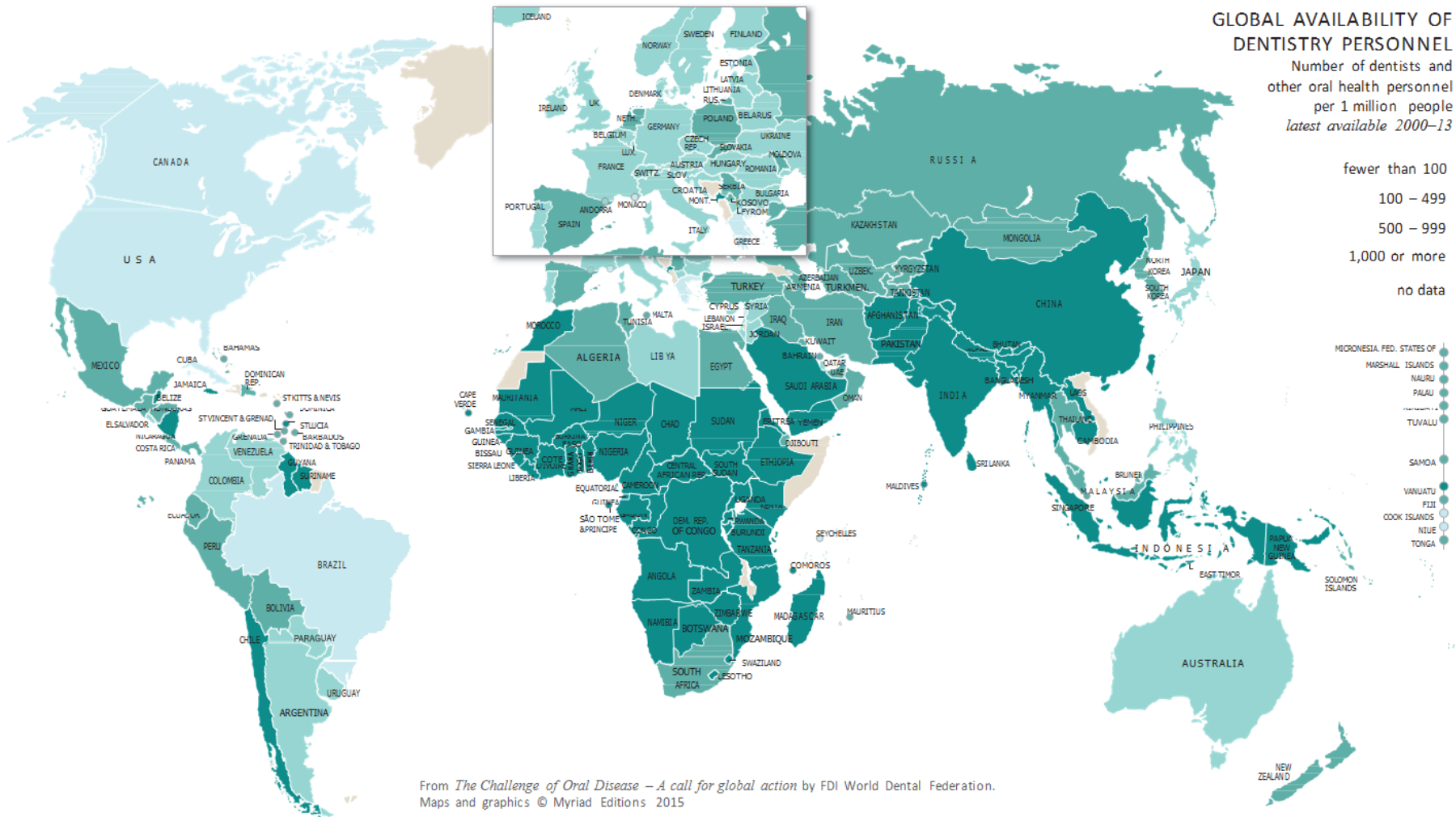
**AVERAGE CONSUMPTION OF SUGARS AND SWEETENERS**  
Grams per person per day  
2011



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# Global Scope of Oral Disease

- There are over one million qualified dentists worldwide who, using modern dental treatments can restore almost all functions and aesthetics of a healthy dentition. However, they are not equally distributed around the world leaving many of the poorest and most needy regions with fewer than one dentist per 300,000 population.



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# Global Scope of Oral Disease

- Given the extent of the problem, oral diseases are major public health concern. Their impact on individuals and communities, as a result of pain and suffering, impairment of function and reduced quality of life, is considerable. Moreover, traditional treatment of oral disease is extremely costly, the fourth most expensive disease to treat in most industrialized countries. In low-income countries, if treatment were available, the costs of treating childhood dental caries alone would exceed the total health care budget for children.

# Global Scope of Oral Disease

- Dental caries is the most untreated disease in the world afflicting more than 2.4 billion people. People that do not have access to dental care are often suffering in pain for years.
- Dental disease is often be devastating to a person's quality of life and self perception.
- The primary dental treatment offered in most of these situations is tooth extraction.

# # of Dentists/Population per Dentist

4,863	1,085	3	Finland
20,800	2,964	3	France
20	66,550	3	Gabon
20	85,450	3	Gambia
1,125	3,907	3	Georgia
52,202	1,582	3	Germany
100	234,780	3	Ghana
17,900	623	3	Greece
20	5,300	4	Grenada
2,046	6,527	4	Guatemala
60	156,167	4	Guinea
13	130,385	3	Guinea-Bissau
20	36,900	3	Guyana
60	159,967	3	Haiti
500	14,212	3	Honduras

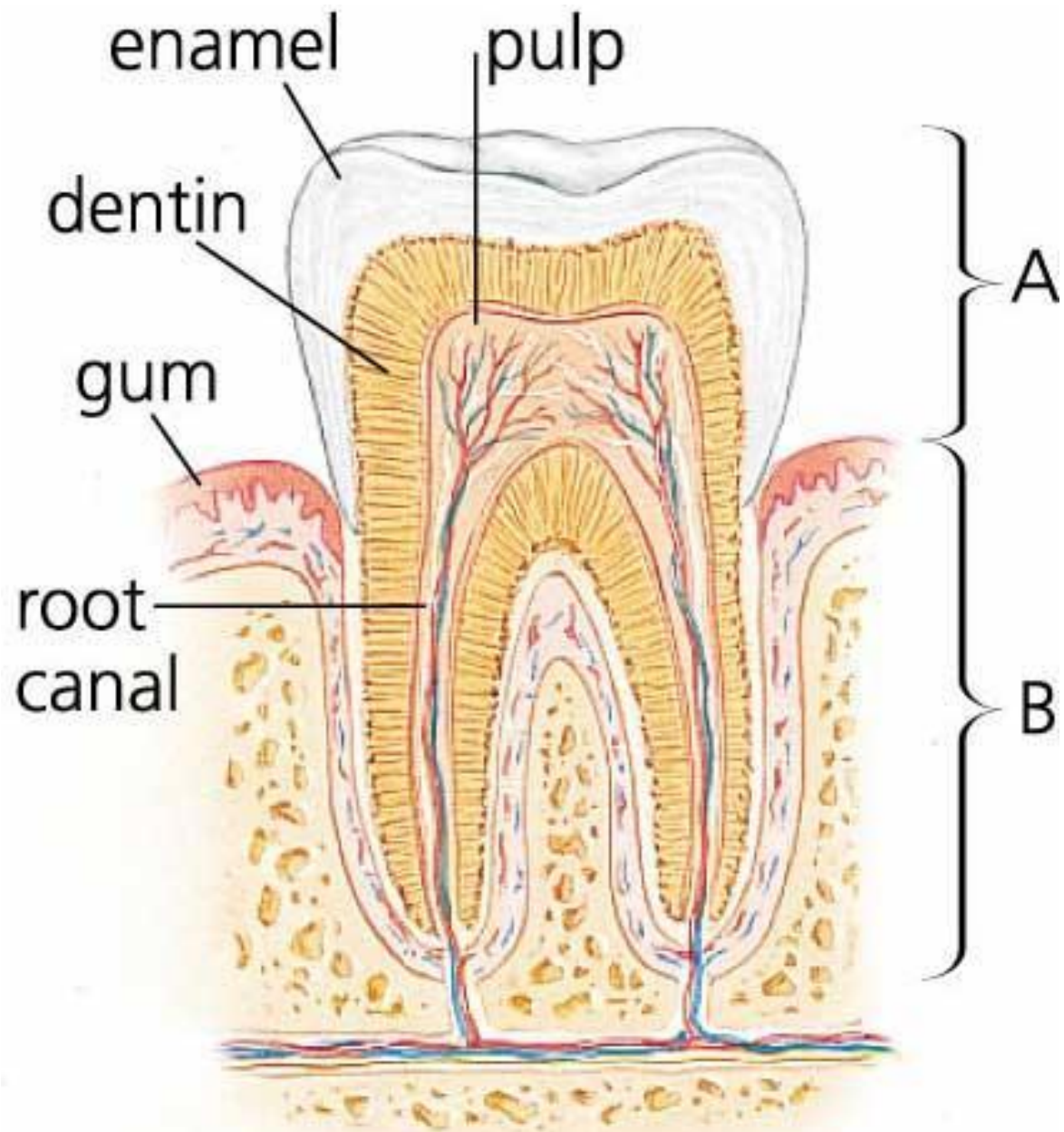
# DENTISTRY 101





# TOOTH

- HARDEST PART OF THE HUMAN BODY
- COMPOSED OF THE MINERAL HYDROXYAPATITE
- HARD OUTER SURFACE OF THE TOOTH IS CALLED ENAMEL
- SOFTER CORE IN CALLED DENTIN



# Permanent and Baby Teeth



# Plaque and Decay

- **Plaque** is a soft, sticky, layer of bacteria and their products, growing on the teeth and gums.
- When plaque remains on the teeth, it combines with food and sugar to make acid. The acid can cause tooth decay and the bacterial toxins can cause gum disease.



# Plaque = Biofilm

Streptococcus mutans  
Lactobacillus

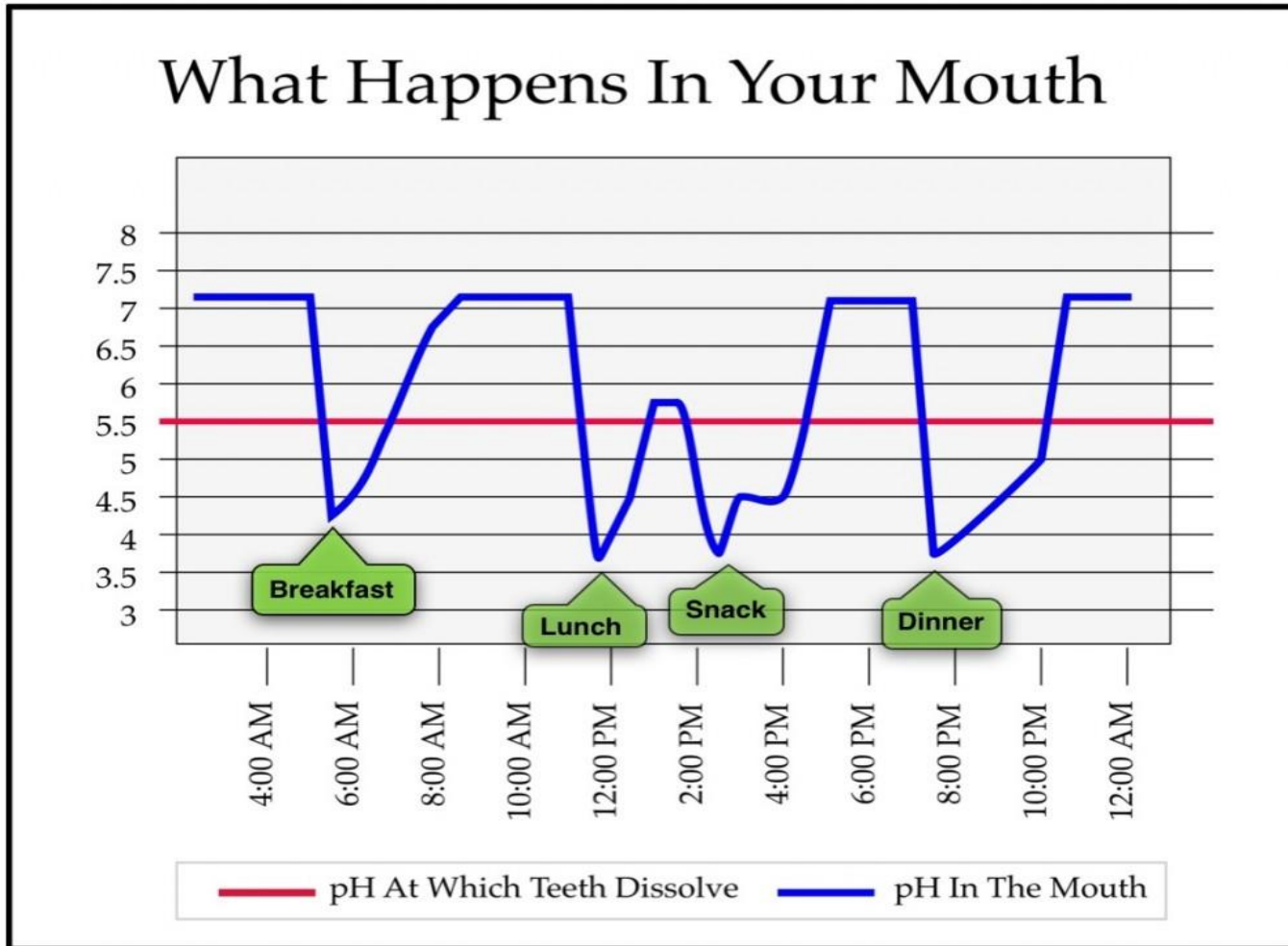




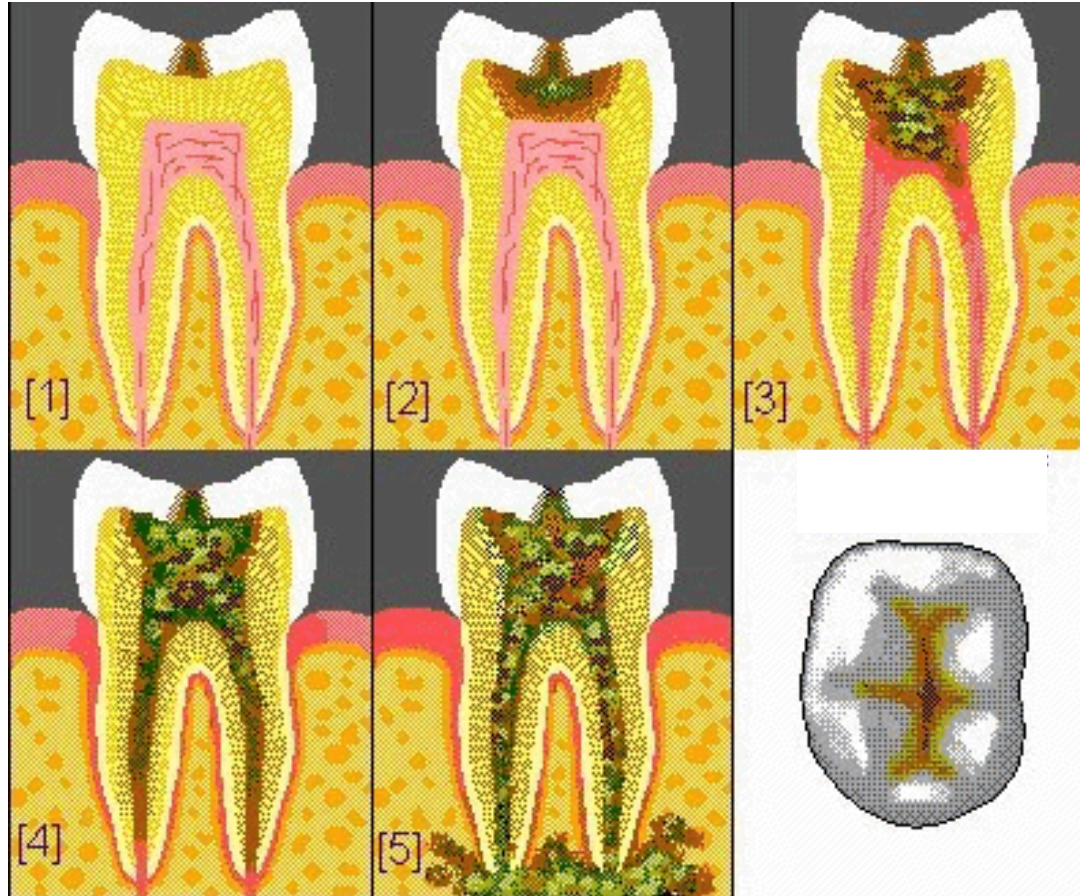
# CLINICAL DECAY



# Demineralization/Remineralization



# Stages of Decay

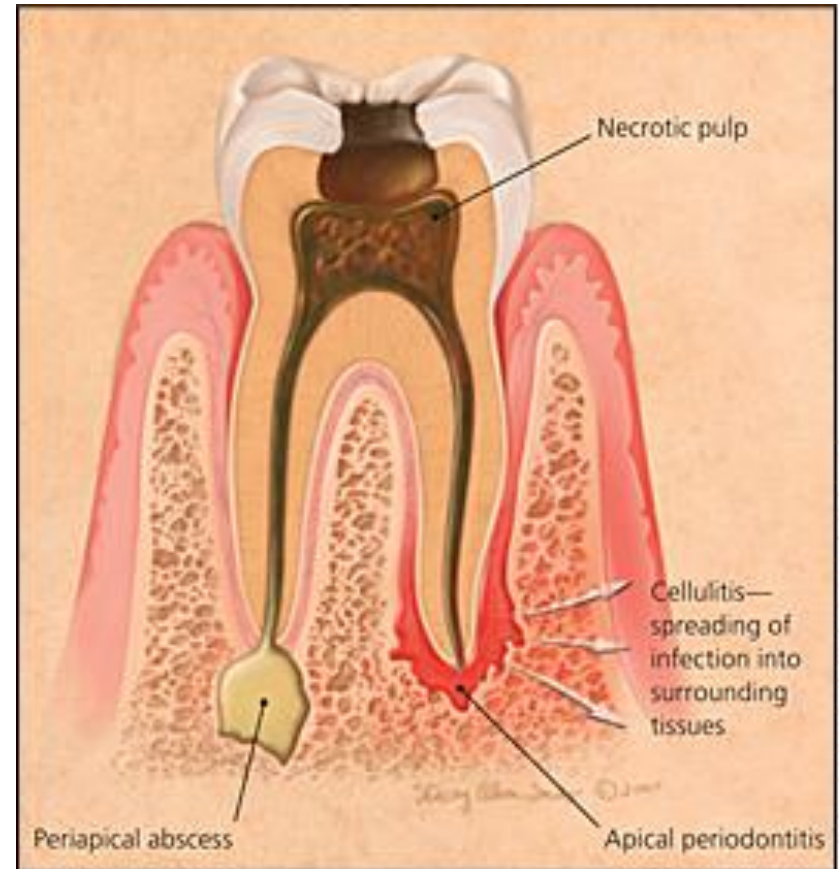




# Pulpitis

## Definition:

- Inflammation of the inside of the tooth.
- 2 types of Pulpitis:
- -TREATABLE- needs a filling
- -UNTREATABLE- needs a root canal or extraction



# PERIODONTITIS



Early Periodontitis

Moderate Periodontitis

Advanced Periodontitis

# Plaque Control = Remove Biofilm





# Removing Plaque

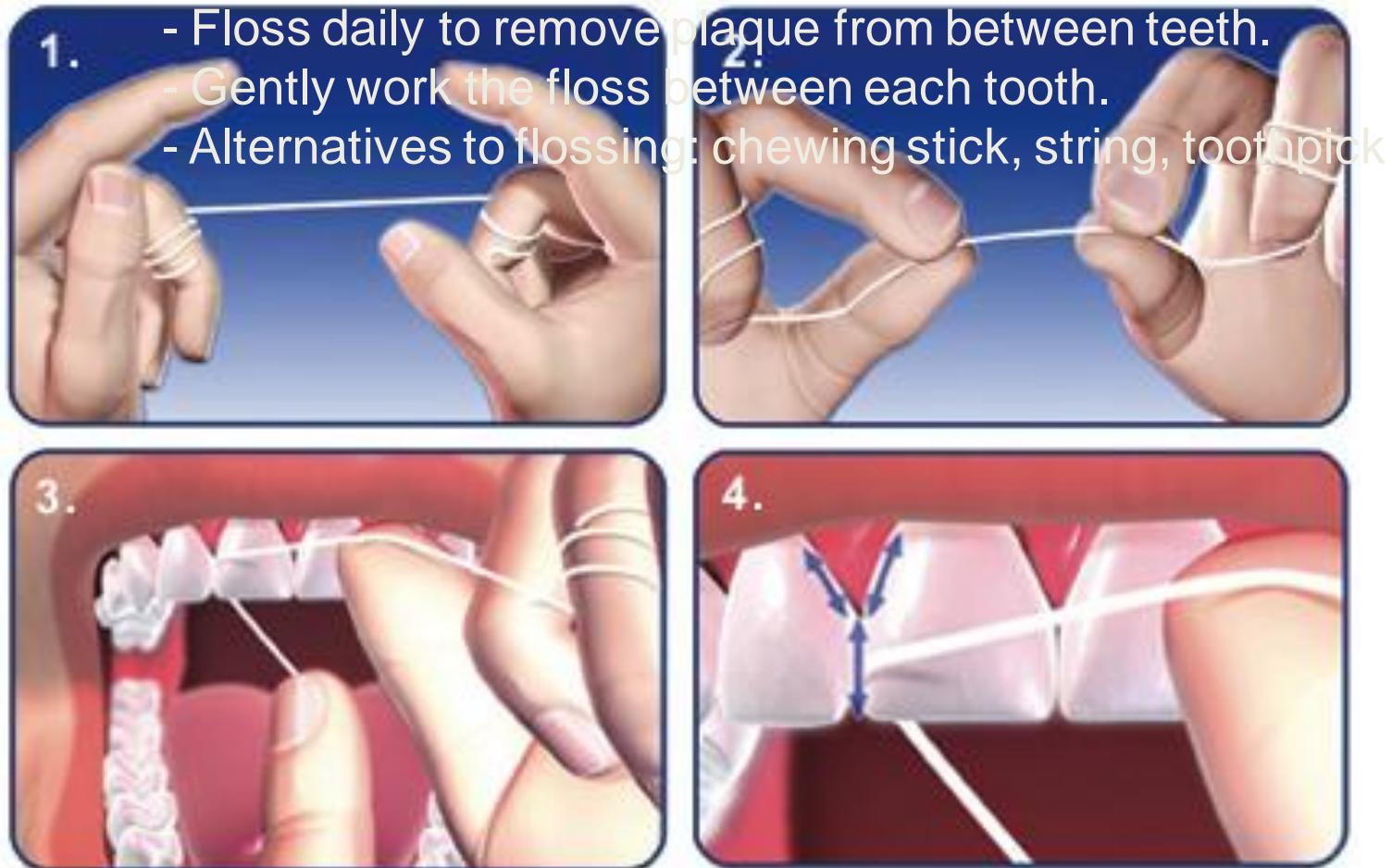
- How to brush your teeth:

1. Brush every surface of each tooth using fluoride toothpaste.
2. Brush twice a day for 3 minutes, with brush angled to the gum-line.
3. Brush or scrape the tongue.



# Removing Plaque

## How to floss your teeth:



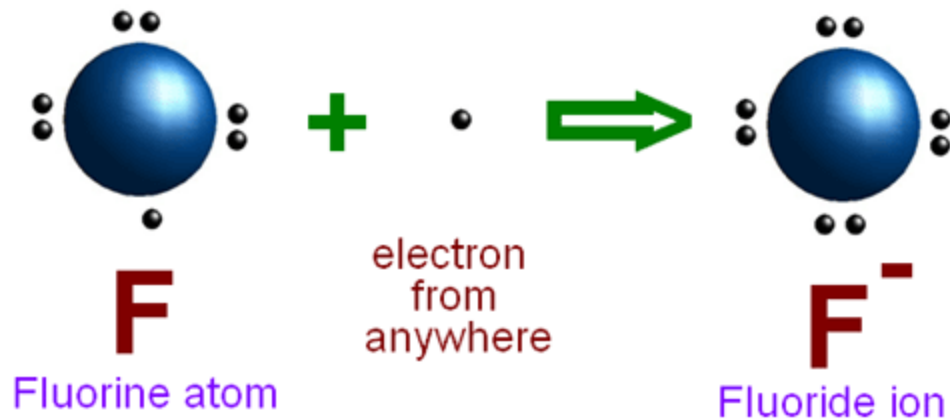
# Prevention of Caries

- Remove Bacteria/Plaque
- Limit Sugars to Meals
- Strengthen Enamel
  - Fluoride
    - Topical
    - Systemic



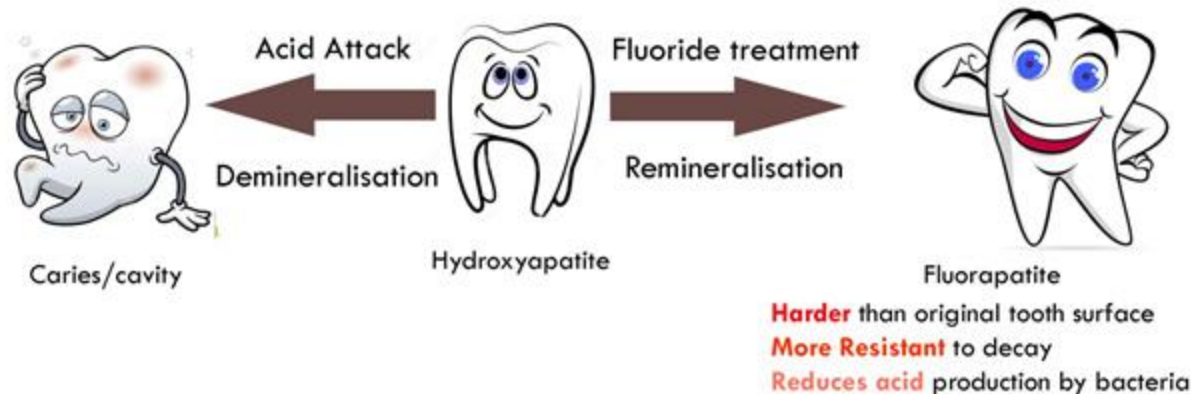
# Fluoride

- Turns Hydroxyapatite to Fluorapatite
- Enamel becomes more resistant to decalcification
- **Systemic** – water, tablets, salt
- **Topical** – rinses, toothpaste, gels/varnishes, water



# Fluoride Anticaries Benefits

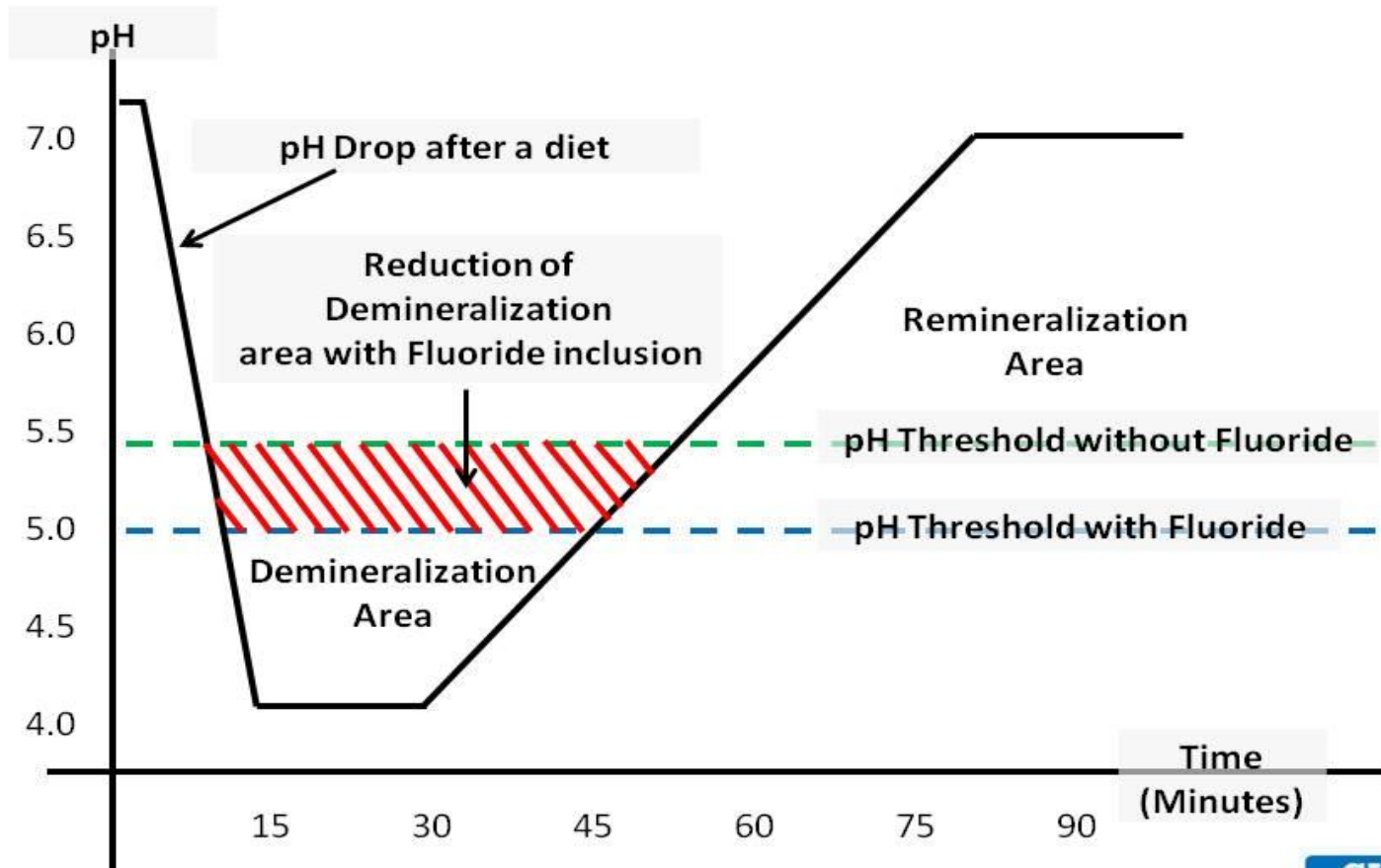
- Slows tooth demineralization
- Promotes tooth remineralization
- Slows or stops tooth erosion
- Inhibits dental plaque bacteria reducing acid production





# Effect Of Fluoride On Demineralization

Re/ De mineralization Vs. pH

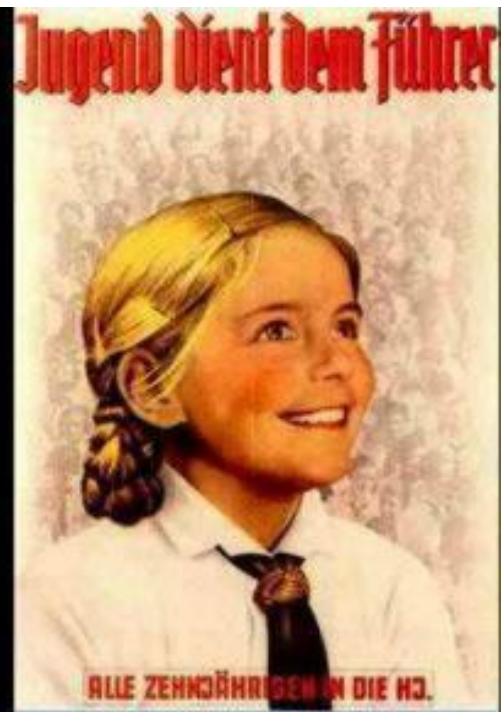


# FLUORIDE

- Only anticaries agent recognized by the FDA
- Publically available via community water, salt, toothpastes and oral rinses.
- Professionally available via varnishes, gels/mousse, sealants, prophylaxis pastes and supplements

"QUOTES FOUND  
ON THE INTERNET  
ARE NOT ALWAYS  
ACCURATE."

- Abraham Lincoln



# FLUORIDE

Nazi Germany used water fluoridation in concentration camps to sterilise the humans and force them into calm submission.

- Joseph Borkin, "The Crime and Punishment of I.G. Farben"



# Fluorosis

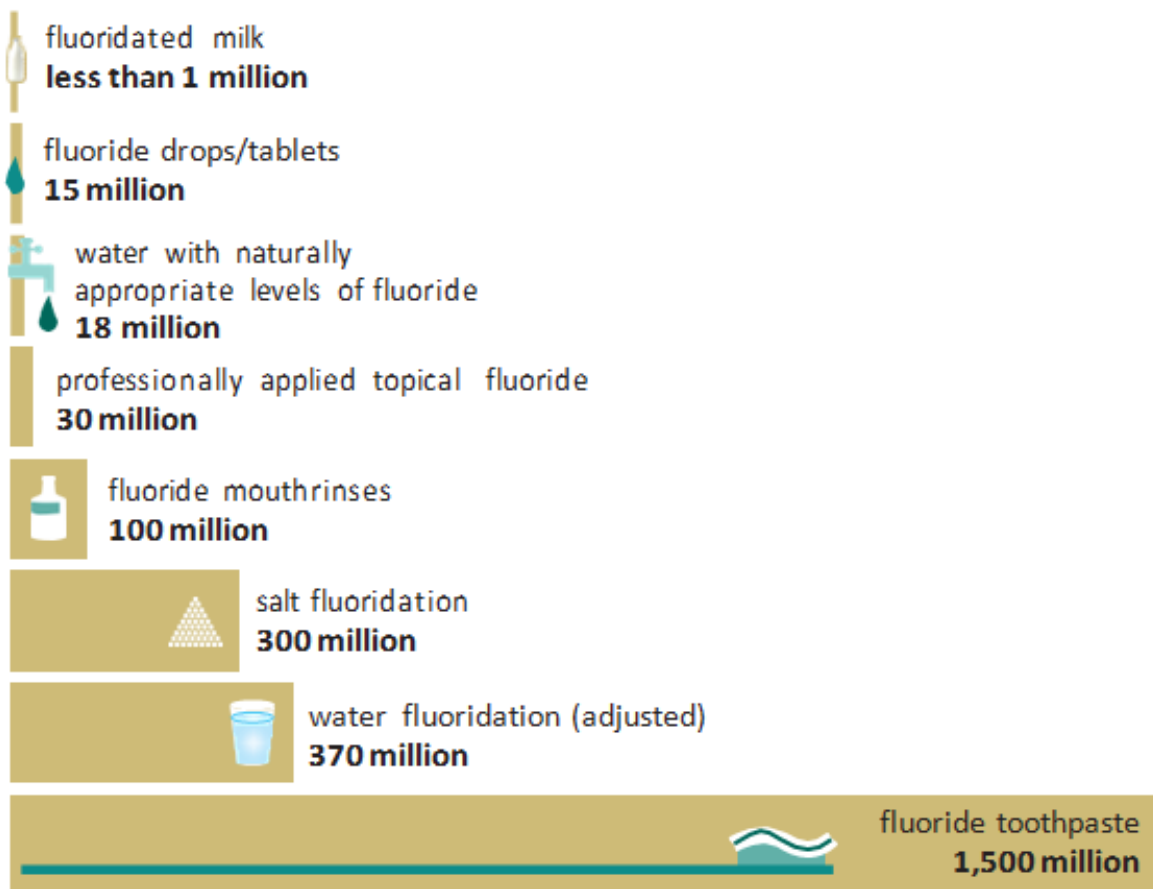


# GLOBAL FLUORIDE USE

Estimated number of  
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different sources of  
*fluoride 2001*

*salt 2013*

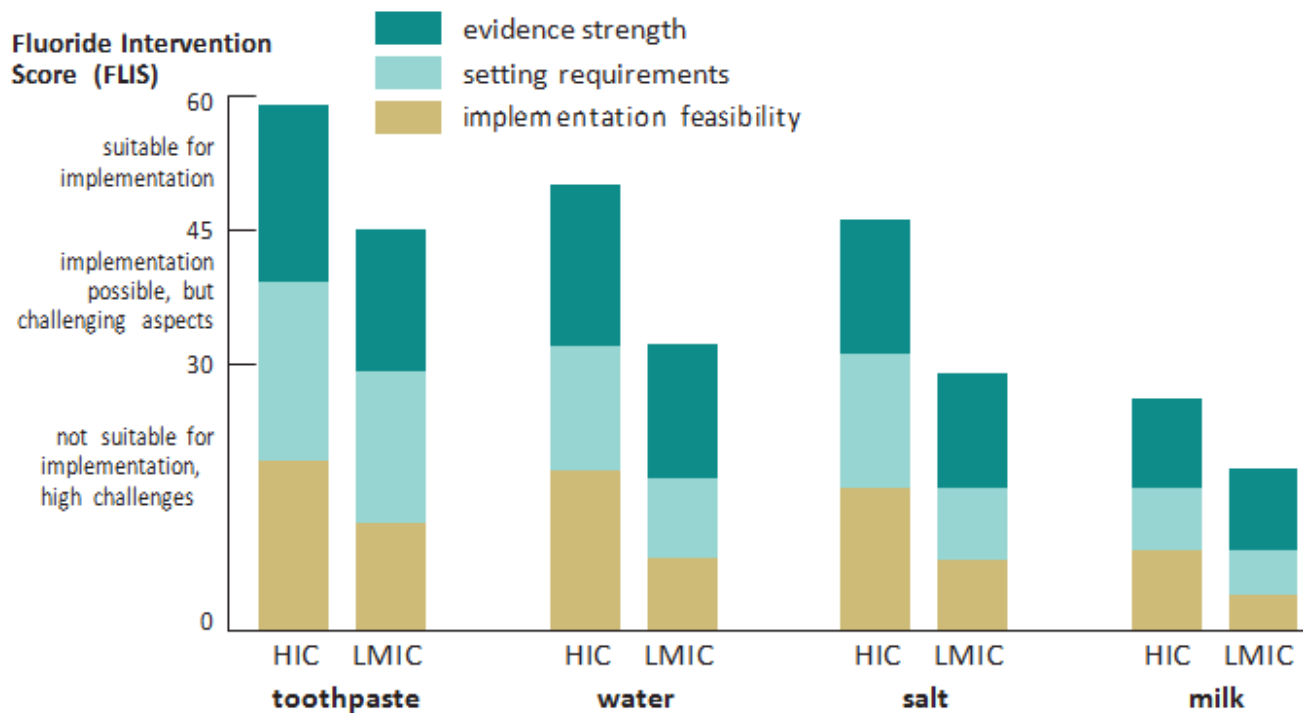
*water 2012*





## CHOOSING THE RIGHT FLUORIDE INTERVENTION

Estimated suitability of fluoride interventions in high-income (HIC) and low-/middle-income (LMIC) country settings using the Fluoride Intervention Score (FLIS)



### Criteria for selecting a fluoride intervention:

- 1 Strength of scientific evidence:**
  - Effectiveness
  - Efficiency
  - Safety
  - Compliance
- 2 Setting requirements:**
  - Feasibility
  - Equity
  - Legislation
  - Fluoride mapping
- 3 Implementation feasibility:**
  - Quality assurance
  - Sustainability
  - Surveillance
  - Communication

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# DIRECT COST OF CARIES PREVENTION PROGRAMS

<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>ANNUAL COST PER PERSON</b>
<b>Sealants</b>	<b>\$21.17</b>
<b>Fluoride Supplements</b>	<b>\$2.53</b>
<b>Water Fluoridation</b>	<b>\$0.54</b>
<b>Salt Fluoridation</b>	<b>\$0.06</b>

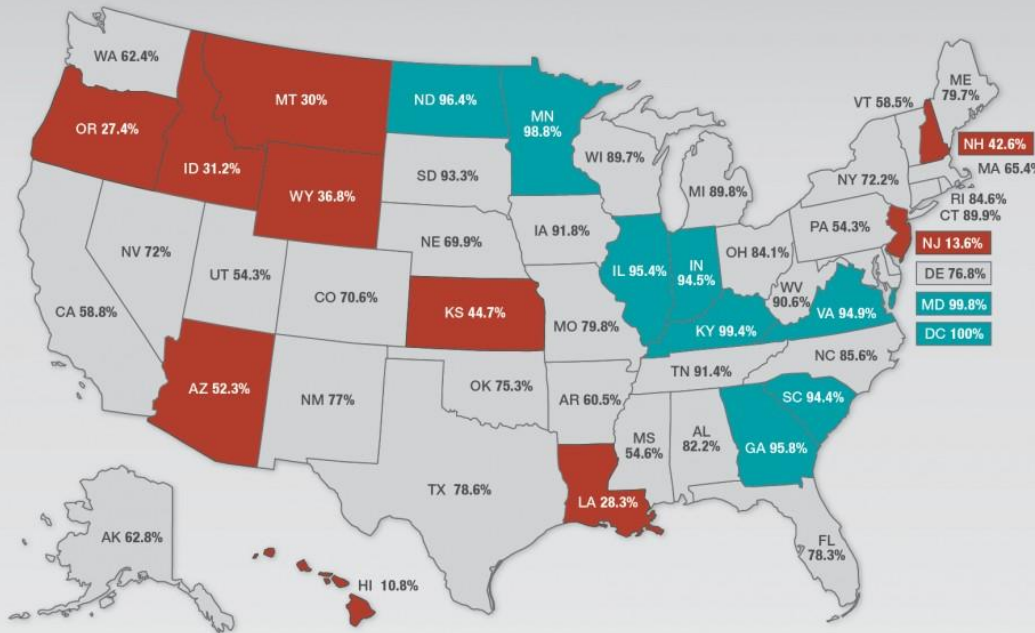


# Water Fluoridation

## Community water fluoridation: The top 10 and bottom 10

# 74 million

Americans who are on public water systems lack access to fluoridated drinking water



Percentage of residents on public water systems who are receiving fluoridated water in each state<sup>1</sup>

- Top 10 states with highest percentage of fluoridation
- Bottom 10 states with lowest percentage of fluoridation

The CDC has recognized **water fluoridation** as one of “10 great public health achievements of the 20th century.”<sup>2</sup>

1 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, “2008 Water Fluoridation Statistics”. Data covers only residents whose homes are connected to public water systems.  
2 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, “Ten Great Public Health Achievements—United States, 1900–1999”, <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/00056796.htm>

# Dental Care In the US At The Time of Water Fluoridation

- >75% of adults over 65 were edentulous
- First molar extractions in children were routine
- 3-4 new cavities per year were typical in school aged children
- 10% rejection of recruits during WWII for not having at least 6 opposing teeth, 40 % of those accepted needed immediate dental care

# Water Fluoridation Benefits

- 70 years of experience (0.7 to 1.2 ppm)
- Reduces caries in children 18-40%
- Reduces caries 11-15% for high risk children
- Reduces adult caries by 31%



## FLUORIDE IN WATER

Percentage of population with access to appropriate adjusted or natural levels of fluoride in water  
2012

76% – 100%

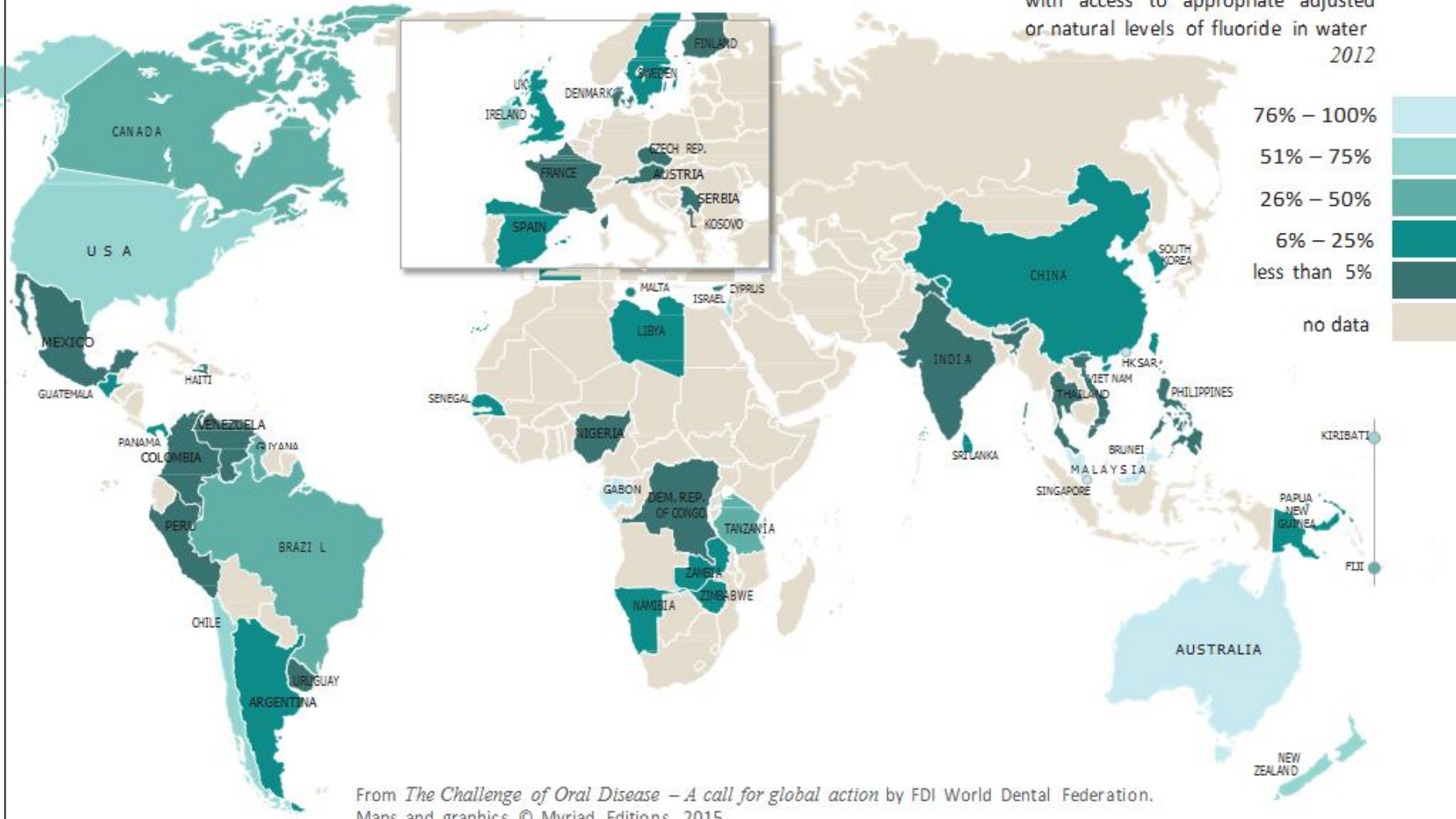
51% – 75%

26% – 50%

6% – 25%

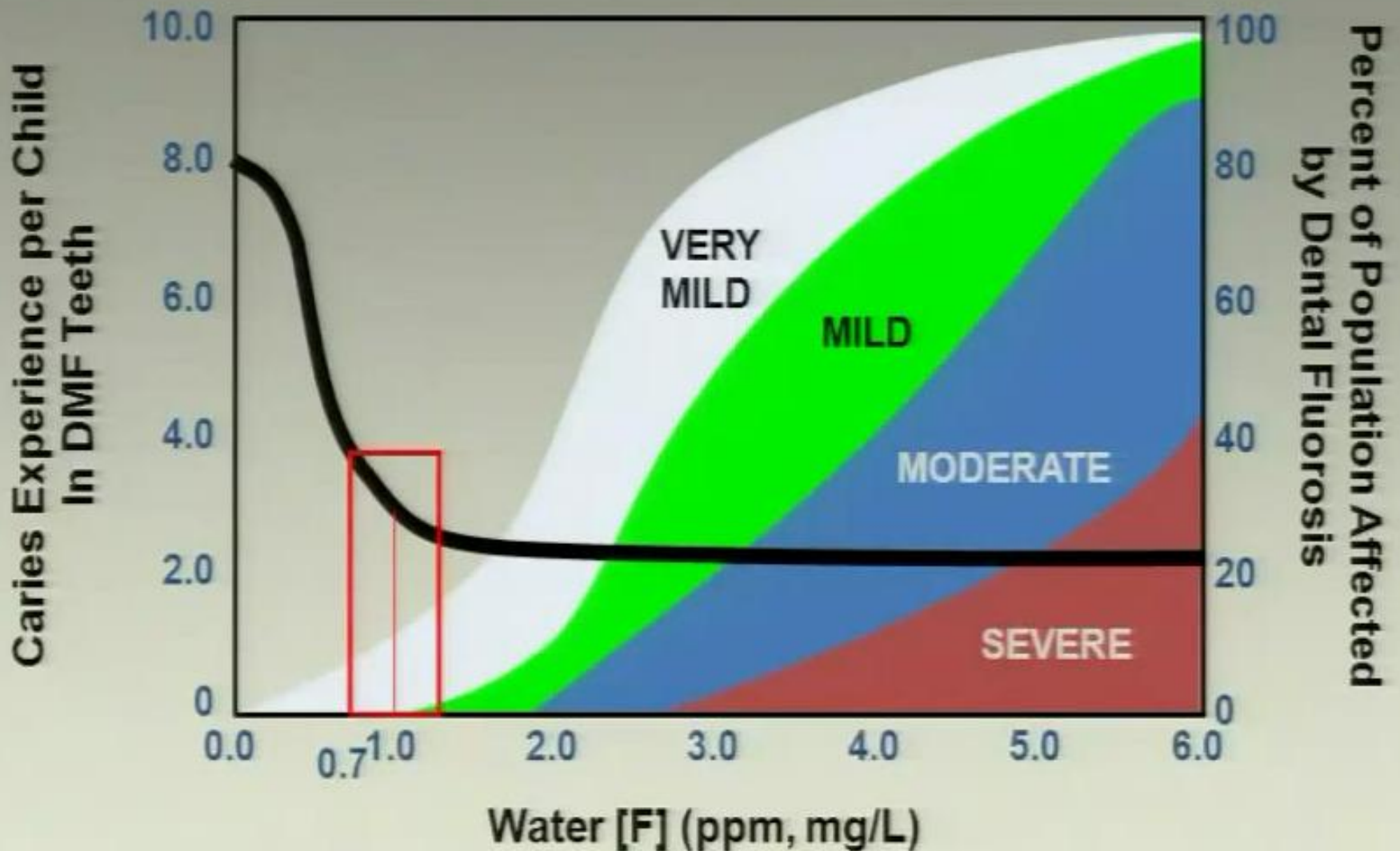
less than 5%

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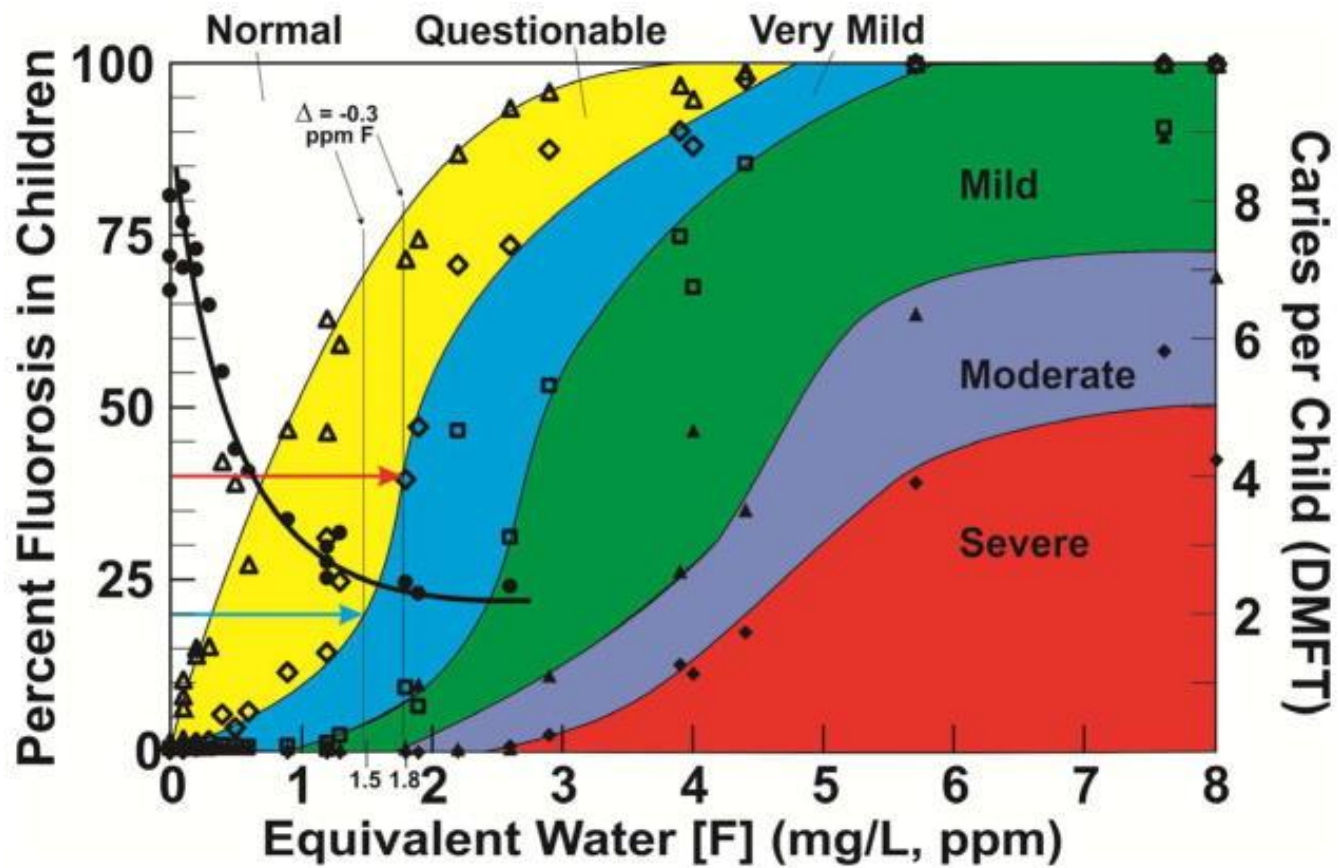
# HT Dean's Chart



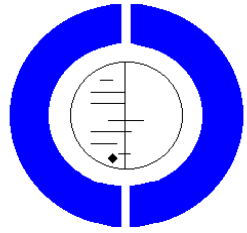
# Halo Effect

- With increased use of processed foods and beverages made with fluoridated water and use of fluoridated toothpaste the ingestion of fluoride increases and is distributed to areas that do not have community water fluoridation.



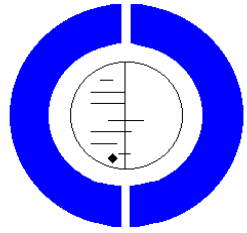


J Evid Based Dent Pract. 2014 Jun; 14 Suppl: 95–102.



# Water Fluoridation to Prevent Tooth Decay – 2015 Cochrane Review

- Found “that water fluoridation is effective at reducing levels of tooth decay among children. The introduction of water fluoridation resulted in children having 35% fewer decayed, missing and filled baby teeth and 26% fewer decayed, missing and filled permanent teeth. We also found that fluoridation led to a 15% increase in children with no decay in their baby teeth and a 14% increase in children with no decay in their permanent teeth. These results are based predominantly on old studies and may not be applicable today.”



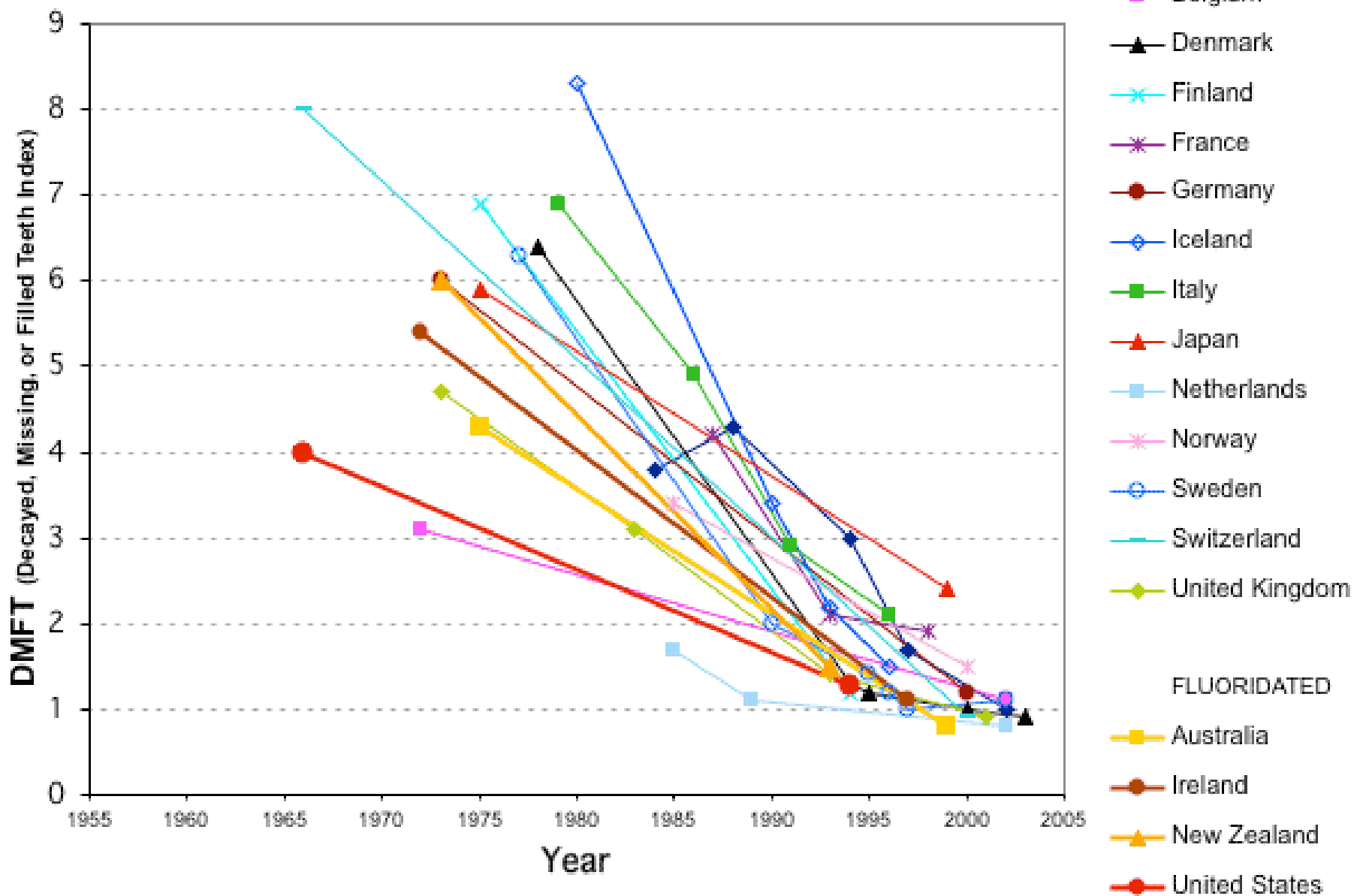
# Water Fluoridation to Prevent Tooth Decay – Cochrane Review

- “Overall, the results of the studies reviewed suggest that, where the fluoride level in water is 0.7 ppm, there is a chance of around 12% of people having dental fluorosis that may cause concern about how their teeth look.”
- Found “insufficient information to determine whether fluoridation reduces differences in tooth decay levels between children from poorer and more affluent backgrounds.”

# Tooth Decay Trends: Fluoridated vs. Unfluoridated Countries

Data from the World Health Organization - <http://www.whocollab.od.mah.se/>

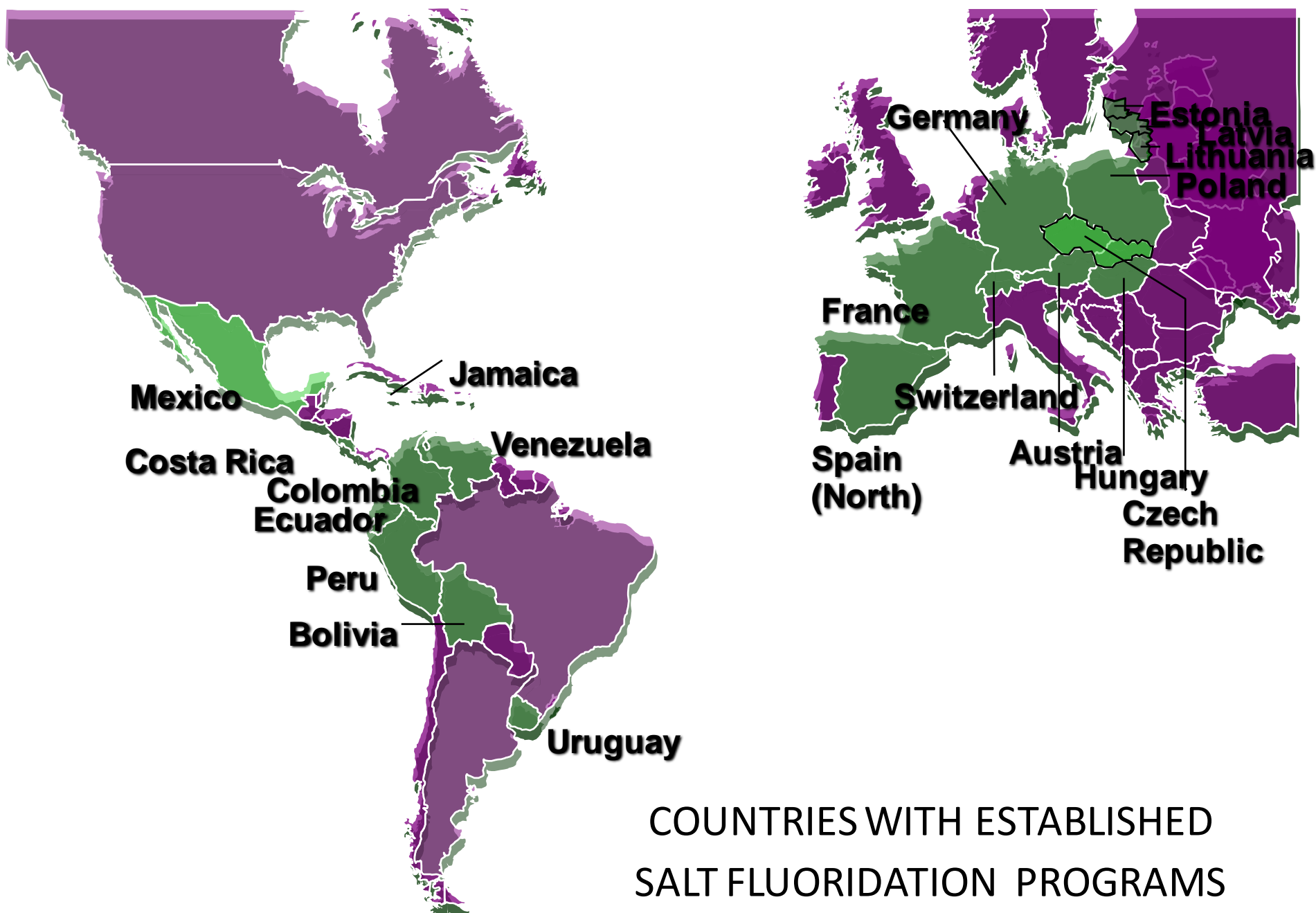
Graph produced by Chris Neurath, FAN



# Salt Fluoridation

- Community fluoridation program alternative – Salt fluoridation is the controlled addition of a fluoride compound to salt so as to have a cariostatic effect.
- 250 ppm F added to salt usually in combination with iodine





COUNTRIES WITH ESTABLISHED  
SALT FLUORIDATION PROGRAMS



# PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S MULTI-YEAR PLAN FOR SALT FLUORIDATION IN THE AMERICAS

Source: PAHO 11/00



**Established Programs** Mexico, Belize, Costa Rica, Jamaica, Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Uruguay

**New Programs** El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Guatemala

**New Programs:**  
**Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam**



# Safety

**Fluorine is compatible with iodine**

- **Does not potentiate iodine deficiency**
- **No effect on thyroglobulin content of thyroid gland**

**In order for an adult (80 kg.) to suffer from acute toxicity, 1.6 kg. of salt fluoridated at 250 ppm of fluoride would have to be consumed in a short period of time.**

# DENTAL CARIES IN COUNTRIES WITH CONSOLIDATED NATIONAL SALT FLUORIDATION PROGRAMS

COUNTRY	BASELINE STUDIES		FOLLOW-UP STUDIES		CARIES
	YEAR	DMFT-12	YEAR	DMFT-12	REDUCTION (%)
Colombia	1980	4.8	1998	2.3	52.1
Costa Rica	1988	8.4	1999	2.5	70.6
Jamaica	1984	6.7	1995	1.1	83.9
Mexico	1987	4.6	1996	2.5	45.7
Uruguay	1992	4.1	1999	2.4	41.5

Source: PAHO. Jan. 2001

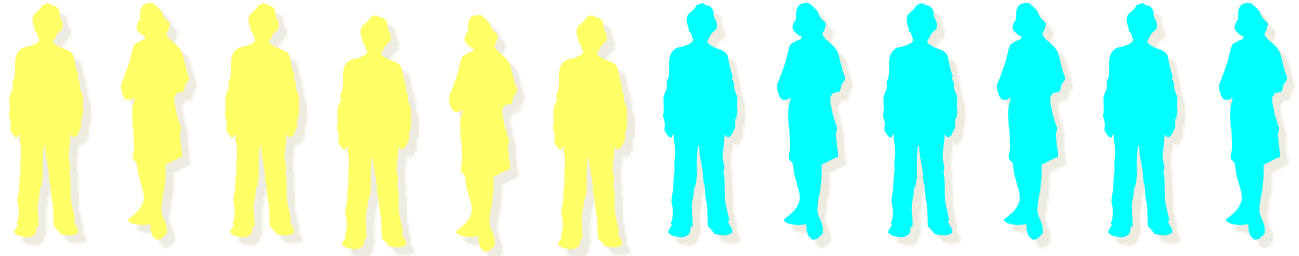
# **PUBLIC HEALTH EFFICACY**

**Depends on:**

- **Availability of F salt**
  - **Distribution and marketing**
- **Affordability**
  - **Package size**
- **How F salt is consumed**
  - **Table salt**
  - **Institutional usage**
    - **e.g. restaurants, schools**
    - **e.g. baking**

# PAHO Cost-Benefit Analysis

## Bolivia



**Assuming 50% of population covered by dental services @ US \$10 per visit:**



**\$136 savings**



**\$1 Investment**



**In 6 years**



The investment to implement the program (planning, execution, monitoring, evaluation, social marketing) has been estimated at

**Bolivia**

US \$347,000

(25 salt fluoridation plants)

which corresponds to

US \$.50

per person for the 6 years of the program



# **Salt Fluoridation Technology**

**There are two methods:**

- **Dry method**
- **Wet method**

# Salt Fluoridation Technology

## Dry method:

- **Usually used for batch processes**
- **Usually used for small scale production (<10 ton/day)**
- **Sodium fluoride the additive of choice for dry method**
- **Iodide compound may be added at the same time**
  - **A premix is normally used (200 ppm F and 60 ppm Iodide)**
- **Best suited for salt size <30 mesh**

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# **SALT FLUORIDATION TECHNOLOGY**

## **Wet method:**

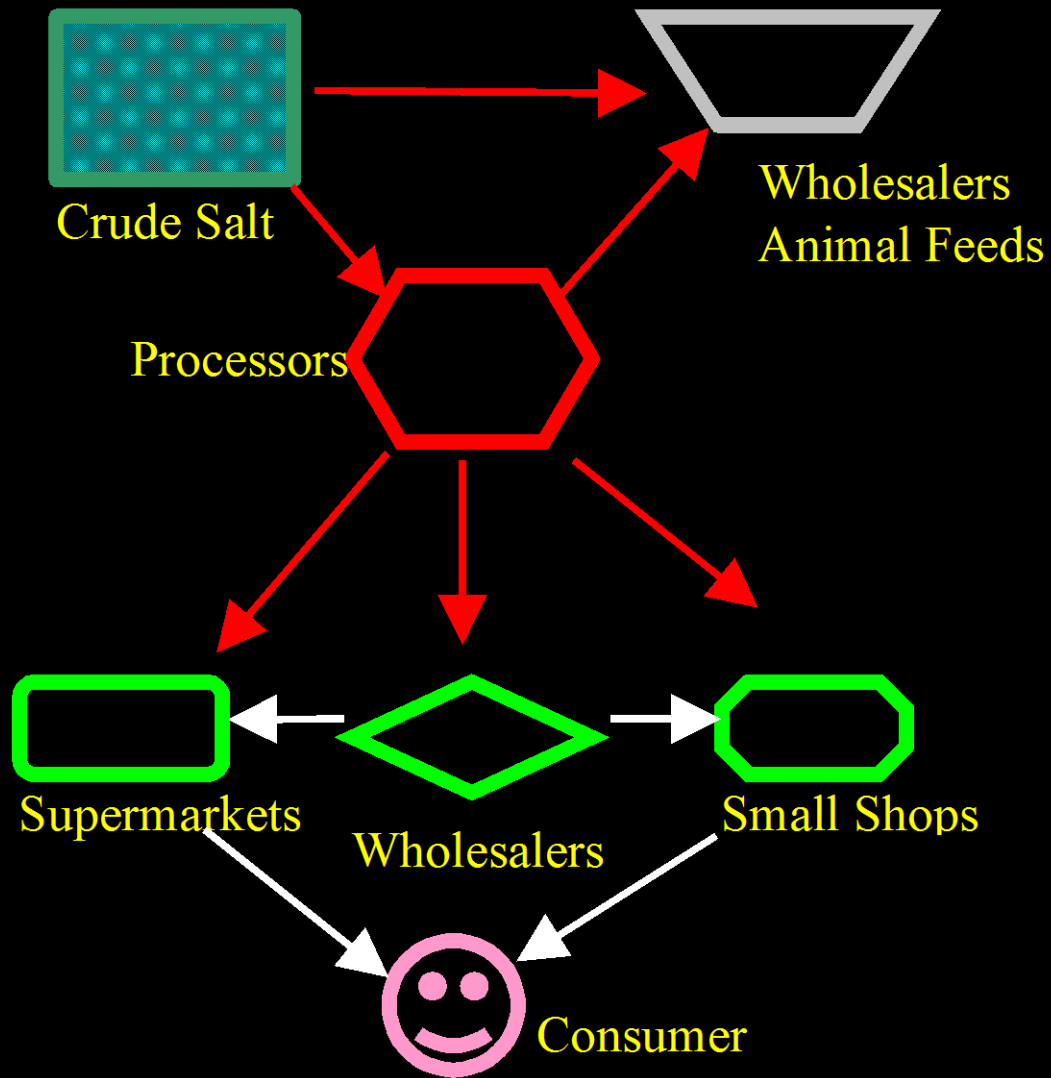
- **Usually used for continuous processes.**
- **Usually used in larger production facilities.**
- **Potassium fluoride the additive of choice for wet method.**
- **Iodide compound may be mixed in the same solution tank or added simultaneously.**
- **Best for coarse salt (>20 mesh).**

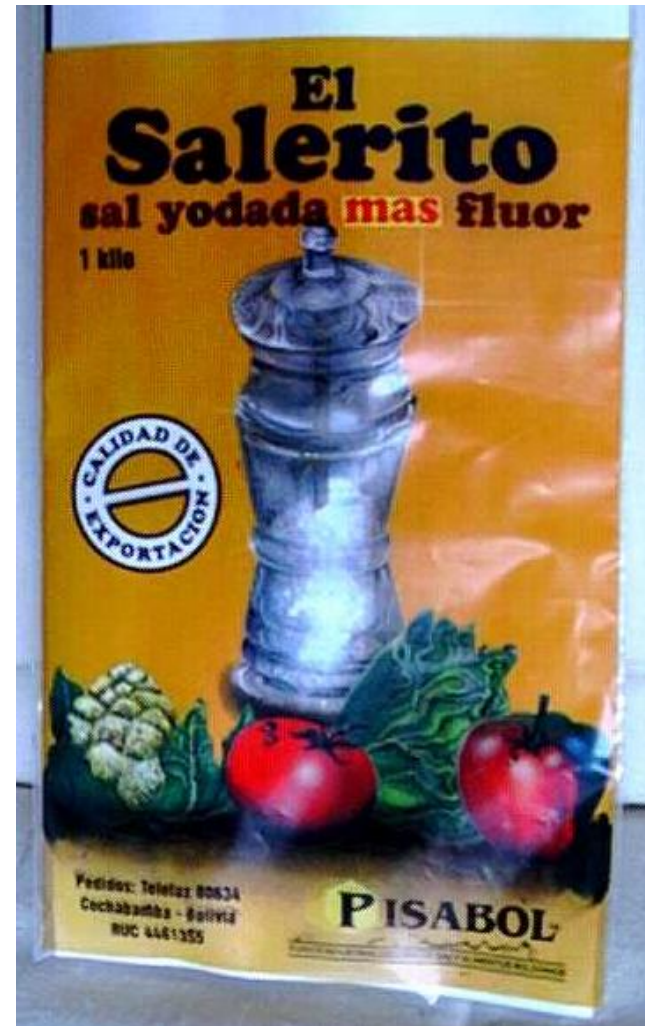


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# Cost of Fluorides

	<i>Sodium Fluoride</i>	<i>Potassium Fluoride</i>	<i>Potassium Fluoride Anhydrous</i>
<i>Formula</i>	NaF	KF.2H <sub>2</sub> O	KF
<i>Mol Wt</i>	42.0	94.13	58.13
<i>Solubility gm/100ml</i>	4.1	100	55
<i>Price U\$/kg</i>	2.5-5.0	2-10	1-8
<i>gm reqr'd per ton Salt</i>	581	778	1238
<i>Cost added per ton Salt</i>	2.76	7.63	9.91

# Salt Fluoridation Program Components

1. Feasibility and country baseline studies
2. Training, quality assurance and control of salt fluoridation
3. Epidemiological surveillance and management of systemic and topical fluorides
4. Information, education and communication
5. Country legislation and legal enforcement of fluoride use and supplementation

# Dental Fluorosis Survey

**The objective of the fluorosis survey is to determine whether there is an acceptable cosmetic consequence of the fluoridation program.**



**Fluorosis is measured using Dean's Index on the vestibular facial surfaces of the six anterior maxillary permanent teeth. These teeth are the most prominent cosmetically.**

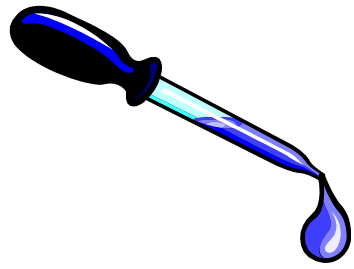




Study of baseline fluoride concentrations of water supplies for human consumption

**This study is essential.**

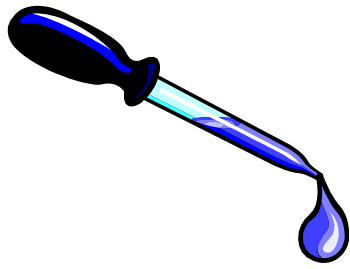
**Continuous monitoring of main sources of water and preparation of a map showing location of water sources with 0.5 to 0.7 and greater PPM Fluoride.**



# Use of Other Fluorides

**The use of professional fluoride applications is not recommended as a mechanism to decrease dental caries in children under 6 years old.**

**The use of fluoridated supplements is not recommended when fluoridated salt is available**



# Use of Other Fluorides

**Continue with oral health promotional programs.**

**Continue with brushing exercises for periodontal health reasons.**

**Toothpaste should contain fluoride concentrations of 1000ppm.**

**The supervise use of fluoridated toothpaste in children under 6 years old - use only pea-sized amount.**



## Adjust Level of Fluoride in Salt

**The recommended range is of 200-250 mg F per kg salt (PPM)**

**The current concentration should be adjusted based on the level of fluorosis observed, depending on the value of the modified Dean's Index, and the baseline of the fluoride concentration in water for human consumption.**

# Effective and Affordable Fluoride Toothpaste



# **“Oral Health through Fluoride for China and Southeast Asia”**

**“Fluoride toothpaste remains the most widespread and significant form of fluoride used globally and the most rigorously evaluated vehicle for fluoride use.”**

**WHO, FDI, IADR, and the Chinese Stomological Association (CSA) Sept.18-19, 2007:**



## TOOTHPASTE FACTS

### Main functions of toothpaste:

**Tooth decay prevention:** standard (1,000 – 1,500ppm) or high fluoride content (2,500 – 5,000ppm).

**Plaque control:** addition of antibacterial substances.

**Reduction of tooth sensitivity.**

**Whitening or bleaching effect.**

**Freshening breath.**

### Best toothbrushing practice:

- Brush twice a day.
- Do not rinse after brushing.
- Use a pea-sized amount of toothpaste.
- For children up to the age of six, supervise their brushing.

**US\$1** spent on promoting the use of fluoride toothpaste in Nepal = savings of **US\$87–US\$356** in treatment costs.

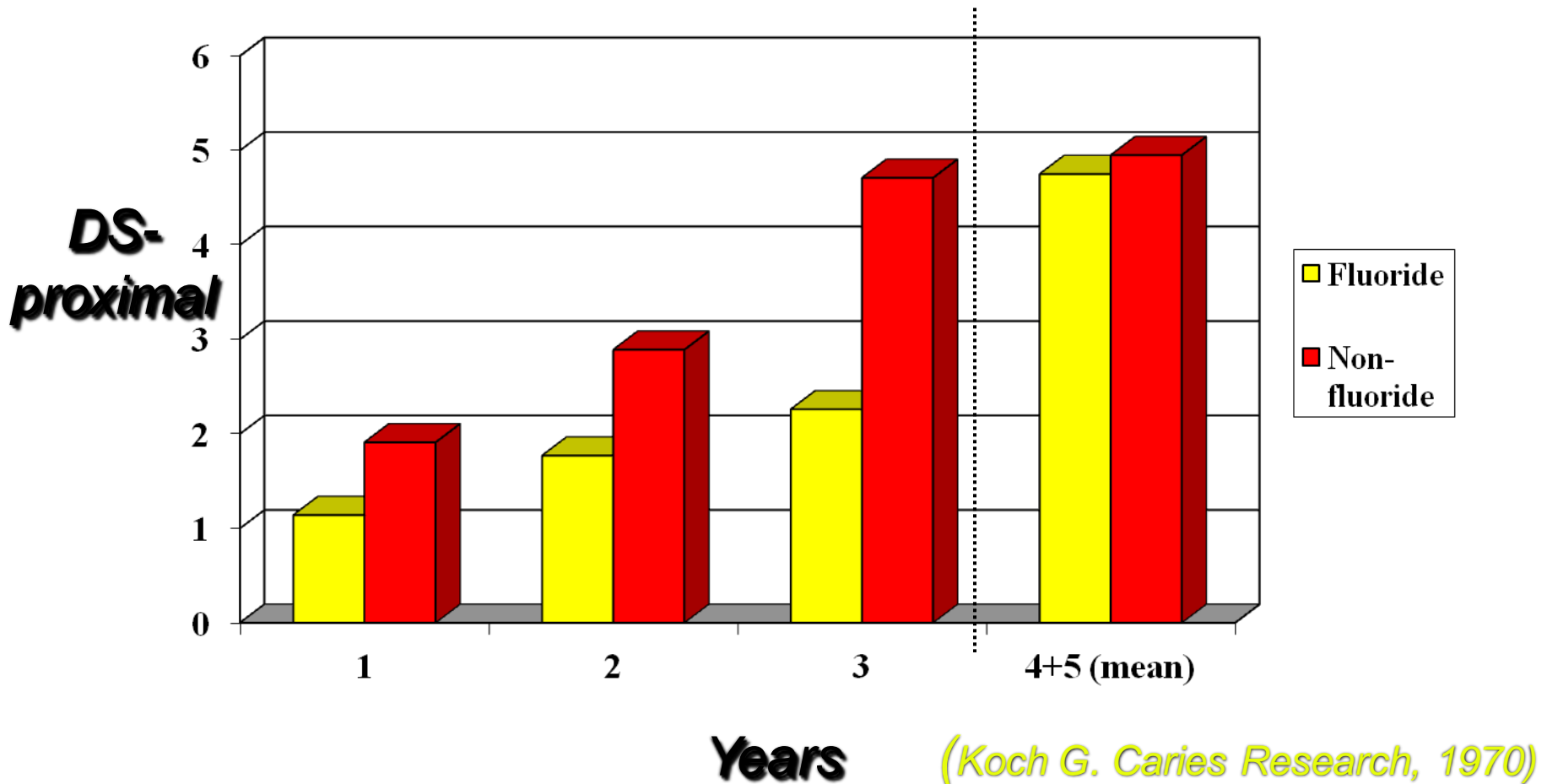
**US\$87–US\$356**

Size of the global  
toothpaste market  
in 2016:

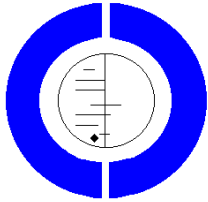
**US\$14bn**

# Non-Fluoride Dentifrices

## Caries increment in proximal tooth surfaces during the five-year test period



# Fluoridated Toothpaste



## Cochrane review

- 74 clinical studies on children and adolescents reviewed
- Effective on permanent & deciduous dentition
- 24% caries reduction, independent of water fluoridation
- Effectiveness increases with higher F concentration, higher baseline caries

*Marinho et al., 2003*

# **Factors to Consider in Fluoride Toothpaste Efficacy**

- Concentration of F**
- Frequency of use**
- Supervision**
- Rinsing habit**
- Bio-availability of F**
- Storage**

# Concentration of Fluoride

Effectiveness increases with stronger concentration of fluoride

- An increase in fluoride of around 500 ppm F in toothpastes containing 1000-2500 ppm F brings an additional 6% reduction in caries

*Stephen, 1988; O'Mullane, 1997*

- An 8% increase in the preventive fraction per 1000 ppm F concentration

*Marinho et al., 2003*

# Low Concentration F Toothpaste

- 250 ppm F toothpaste less effective than 1000 ppm F toothpaste

*Ammari, Bloch-Zupan , Ashley, 2003*

- 500 ppm F toothpaste was less effective than 1000 ppm F toothpaste in controlling the progression of active lesions

*Lima et al., 2008*



# Brushing Frequency

Greater effectiveness with more frequent application

- Brushing twice a day or more with a fluoride toothpaste confers greater caries reductions than brushing once a day or less

*Chesters 1992; O'Mullane 1997; Chestnutt 1998; Ashley 1999*

- 14% increase in the prevented fraction

*Marinho et al, 2003*

# Effect of Supervision

More effective with supervision:

- 11% lower estimate of treatment effect found in trials where the use of fluoride was unsupervised

*Marinho et al, 2003*

# Effect of Rinsing After Brushing

“Subjects using beakers had consistently higher (caries) increments than non-beaker rinsers”

*Chesters et al. Caries Res*  
1992;4:299-304



# Fluoride Compounds

- **Stannous fluoride - antimicrobial; may stain enamel and anterior restorations**
- **Amine fluoride - antimicrobial**
- **Sodium fluoride**
- **Sodium monofluorophosphate (SMFP)**

# Effect of Fluoride Compounds

Comparative efficacy of sodium fluoride and sodium monofluorophosphate

- Two meta-analyses report 7% greater reduction in caries increment with the use of sodium fluoride
- Little clinical significance between them

*Johnson 1993; Stamm 1995*

*However, **Marinho et al. 2003** found no difference in efficacy of different compounds.*

# Bioavailable F and Effectiveness

Toothpaste must contain fluoride in bioavailable form or free available ionized form.

Ericsson (1961) showed with radioactive  $F^{18}$  that fluoride was bound to abrasives in the toothpaste and was therefore not bioavailable for action in the mouth.



# Bio available F and Effectiveness (continued)

NaF cannot be used in toothpaste together with soluble Ca compounds

NaF is soluble and free F will bind to free Ca to form calciumfluoride

Calciumfluoride is insoluble and can therefore not adhere to the surfaces and bacterial bio-film in the mouth

# Bioavailable F and Effectiveness (continued)

Sodium monofluorophosphate (SMFP) can be used together with soluble calcium compounds.

The phosphate fluoride  $(\text{PO}_4)_2\text{F}$  is stable, and hence F will not bind to free calcium in the toothpaste.

The phosphate fluoride  $(\text{PO}_4)_2\text{F}$  is dissociated in the mouth by enzyme phosphatase in saliva so F is freely available to be effective.

# Bioavailable F and Effectiveness (continued)

Since SMFP can be combined with soluble Ca compounds as abrasives, SMFP might be produced for a lower cost than NaF toothpaste

The disadvantage is that the FP group will dissociate over time, making free F available to bind to free calcium

# Effect of Storage

F toothpaste stored at ambient temp (mean = 28.9°C) vs air conditioning (mean = 26.3°C) over one year in Brazil

- Silica based NaF and SMFP dentrifices were stable at both storage temperatures
- Calcium carbonate based containing SMFP showed decrease in free available F stored at ambient temperatures
  - Up to 40% loss

*Conde, Rebelo, Cury, 2003*

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# **Total and Free Fluoride in Toothpastes from Some Non-Established Market Economy Countries**

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Product name	Company	F concentration (ppm) found in the analysis	
		Total F	Free ionized F
<b>Delident</b>	<b>Charmanuel Level Ltd. India</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>Colgate</b>	<b>Colgate, Egypt</b>	<b>1499</b>	<b>617</b>
<b>Liang Mian Zhen,</b>	<b>Lian Mian, China</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>109</b>
<b>Yongnan</b>	<b>Yongnan, China</b>	<b>1301</b>	<b>263</b>

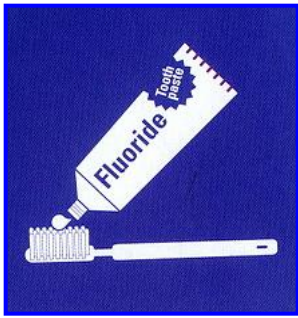
# Toothpaste Shelf Life

70% of the fluoride should be bio-available before the end of the expiry date

Expiry date is 2 years after production

ISO Standard for toothpaste only recommends testing for total fluoride and not testing for bio-available F; and no minimum F concentration for a toothpaste to be classified as a F toothpaste .





# Making fluoride toothpastes affordable

WHO Technical Report Series

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## FLUORIDES AND ORAL HEALTH

“Every effort must be made to develop affordable fluoride toothpastes for general use in developing countries”.

*WHO Expert Group 1994*

# **What is an affordable fluoride toothpaste?**

**"One that is available at a price that allows people on low income to purchase it"**

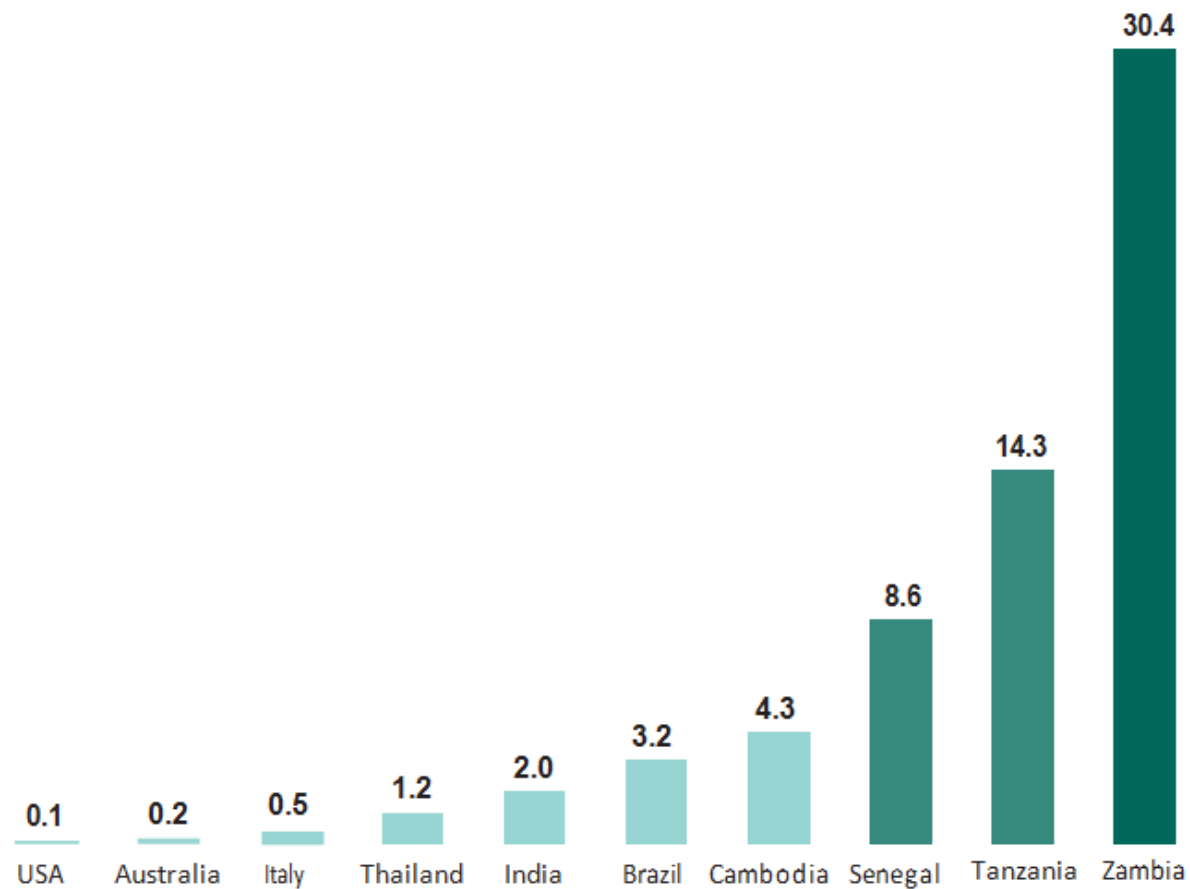
Jones S, Burt BA, Petersen PE, Lennon MA.

The effective use of fluorides in public health.

Bulletin World Health Organ 2005; 83 (9): 670-676.

## AFFORDABILITY OF FLUORIDE TOOTHPASTE

Days of household expenditure by the poorest 10% of the population needed to buy a year's supply of the cheapest fluoride toothpaste per person  
2006



# Making Fluoride Toothpastes Affordable

## Using toothpaste economically

"Research on methods of controlling the amount of toothpaste placed on the brush (for example, by restricting the size of the tube orifice and the size of the brush) should be encouraged."



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Drop technique







# Affordability

- Global inequities exist in the affordability of fluoride toothpaste and can be made more affordable by:
  - Removal of taxation
  - Local production
  - Packaging
  - Efficient usage

# Fluoride Toothpaste Use in Children

- Tooth cleaning routinely right after the first primary tooth eruption
- Toothbrushing with smear amount of fluoride toothpaste, once daily after 6 month old
- 2-6 yr old use pea size of children fluoride toothpaste twice daily



# Millennium Development Goals

## Poor Health Status of Indonesian Children



- 90% of all children suffer from tooth decay
- 60% of all children suffer from intestinal worms
- 18% of all children are malnourished



# Oral Health Problem



- Tooth decay is the main reason for absenteeism from elementary school in West Java (61%)
- Concerning oral disease Indonesian school children rank in the top 10 countries in the world





# Percentage of households/people with access to clean water and sanitation

**44.2 % of the population of West Java lack access to clean water**

**45.8 % lack access to Appropriate Sanitation**



# Infectious Diseases

- Diarrhea and upper respiratory infections are leading causes of death for children in West Java



# Intestinal Worm Infection



- Millions of Indonesians are infected in West Java
- The body of an infected person cannot absorb food properly which leads to malnutrition
- Pre-school and elementary students are the most vulnerable members of the population



# Portrait of Sanitation in the Community



# Focus on Schools



- The place where children, parents and the community gather
- Children spend most of their time in schools
- The ideal place to institutionalize behavioral change and to institute preventive programs



# Use of School Structure



- Teachers serve as role models to children
- Existing school personnel can be trained to implement and monitor existing health programs
- Schools provide quality manpower to ensure proper implementation

# Healthy Hygienic Habits



- Daily tooth brushing with fluoride toothpaste
- Daily hand washing with soap
- Twice a year deworming of all children

# Caries Prevention with Fluoride

## Toothpaste in Children: an Update

- There was strong evidence that daily use of fluoride toothpaste has a significant caries-preventive effect in children compared with placebo (prevented fraction 24%). The effect was boosted by supervised tooth brushing, increased brushing frequency to twice daily, and use of a toothpaste concentration of 1,500 ppm Fluoride.
- Eur Arch Paediatr Dent, 2009 Sep; 10(3):162-7
- [www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/19772846](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/19772846)

# Caries-Preventative Effect of Fluoride Toothpaste: a Systematic Review

...that toothpastes with **1.500 ppm of fluoride had a superior preventive effect compared with standard dentifrices with 1.000 ppm F** in the young permanent dentition (PF 9.7%), and

...that higher caries reductions were recorded in studies with **supervised toothbrushing** compared with non-supervised (PF 23.3%).

Acta Odontol Scand. 2003 De;61(6);347-55

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/14960006>

# Effect of washing hands with soap on diarrhea risk in the community: a Systematic Review

Handwashing could reduce diarrhea risk by 47%

The risks of severe intestinal infections and of shigellosis were associated with reductions of 48% and 59%, respectively

Lancet Infect Dis 2003 May; 3(5):275-81

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/12726975>



# WHO Intestinal Helminth Mass Treatment

- Incidence decrease of 20-50% with mass administration to children 1X per year
- Incidence decrease of 50% or greater with mass administration to children 2X per year
- WHO Expert Committee on Comprehensive School Health Education and Promotion
- [http://whqlibdoc.who.int/trs/WHO\\_TRS\\_870.pdf](http://whqlibdoc.who.int/trs/WHO_TRS_870.pdf)

# Basis for Intervention



- Evidence-based preventive effect of fluoride exposure on tooth decay
- Effectiveness of proper hand washing with soap in reducing common illnesses
- Safety and efficacy of mass administration of deworming medicine in areas of high prevalence



# Cost of Healthy Hygienic Habits Per Child Per Year



Contents of the Packet:

- 8 toothbrushes
- 4 bars of soap
- 1 bottle 500 ml toothpaste with Fluoride 1,450 ppm

Around  
50 Cents





# Creating a School Facility



- Encourages children to develop good and healthy habits
- Paves the way for behavioral change
- Highlights the importance of water and improved sanitation



# Hand Washing and Tooth Brushing Facilities



**Faucets or punched pipes for wetting/rinsing**

**Hand washing and tooth brushing is best done with flowing water**

**An adequate flow of water is necessary with proper drainage**







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# Role of Partners

- Department of Education
- Provincial Leaders
- Local Government Leaders
- Principal and Teachers'
- Health Personnel
- Parents
- Corporate and Individual Sponsors

# Expected Outcomes for Hand Washing, Tooth Brushing and Deworming

- 30 to 40% reduction of diarrhea
- 20 to 30% reduction of respiratory infection
- 50% reduction of worm infections
- 40 to 50% reduction of tooth decay
- Increase of school attendance and improvement in academic performance





# Flouride Rinses

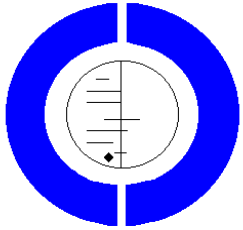
## Fluoride mouthrinses for preventing dental caries in children and adolescents

Regular supervised use of fluoride mouthrinses by children will reduce their tooth decay, even if they drink fluoridated water and use fluoridated toothpaste.

Fluoride mouthrinses for preventing dental caries in children and adolescents Valeria CC Marinho<sup>1,\*</sup>, Julian PT Higgins<sup>2</sup>, Stuart Logan<sup>3</sup>, Aubrey Sheiham<sup>4</sup>  
Editorial Group: [Cochrane Oral Health Group](#)  
Published Online: 21 JUL 2003



# Fluoridated Toothpaste in Combination with other Topical Fluorides

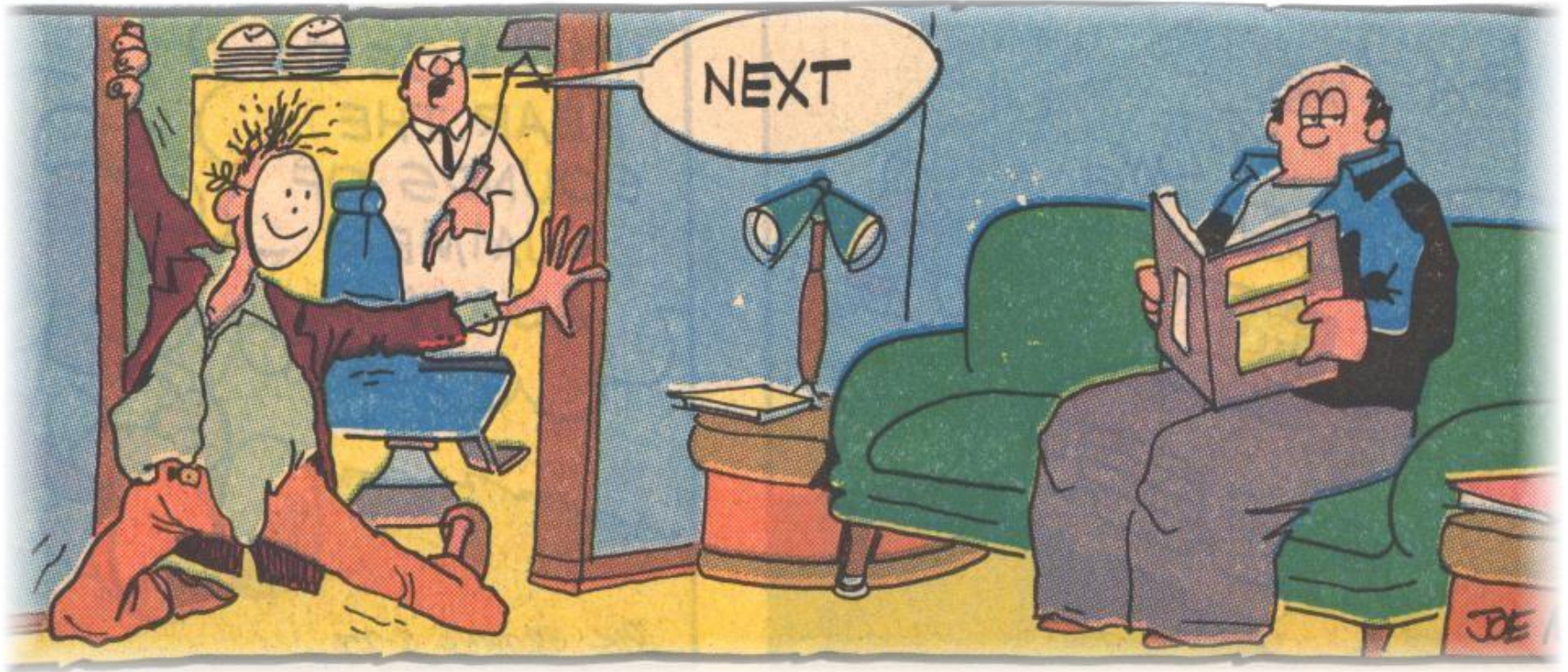


## Cochrane review

- 12 studies included for meta-analysis
- Compared with fluoride toothpaste used alone, topical fluorides (mouthrinses, gels, or varnishes) used in addition to fluoride toothpaste reduce caries by 10% on average.
- Most results not significant statistically nor clinically.

*Marinho et al., 2004*

# QUESTIONS?



# Preach and Heal – Dr. Charles Fielding

Matthew 9: 35

And Jesus was going about all the cities and the villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness.

# **Ultimate Goal = Bringing the Gospel of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ**

When someone is suffering from pain they are not at all interested in hearing what we have to say about spiritual things.

Eliminate their physical pain and they are often very open to spiritual discussions....

Treat only physical problems and they may feel better now but still have no hope for eternity