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Measles

in children

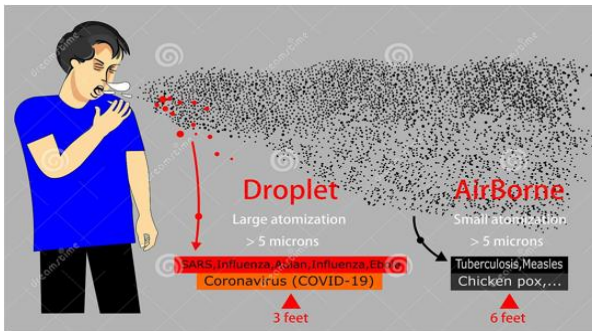
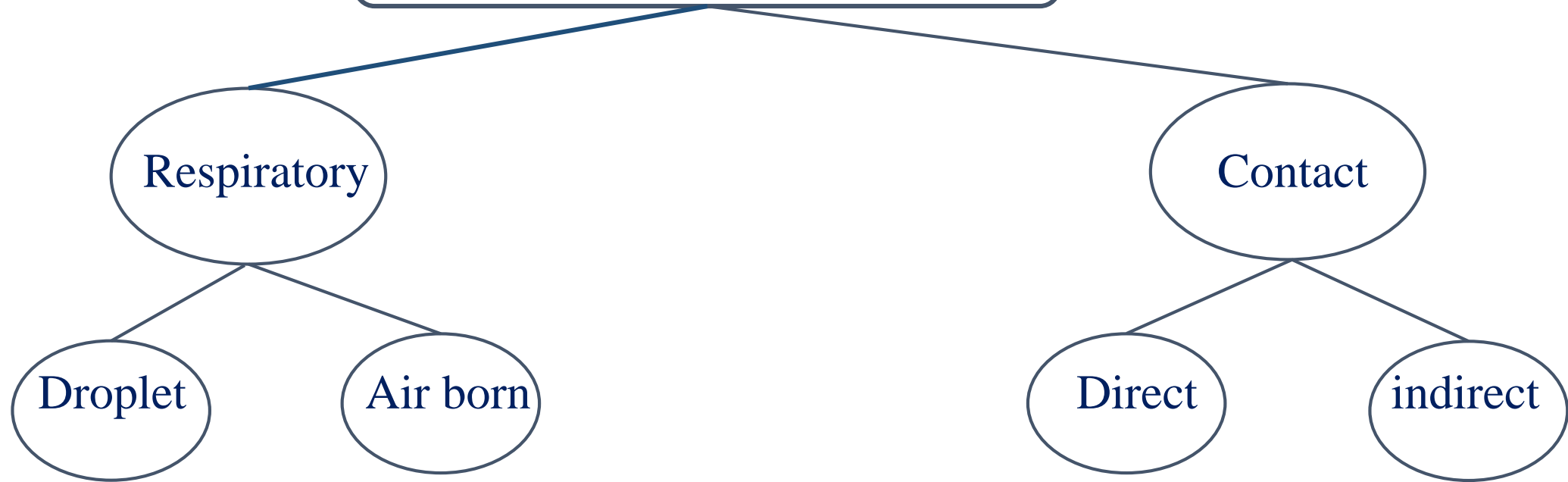


Measles disease*

- Measles virus is a single-stranded RNA virus that cause a disease characterized by fever, cough, coryza, conjunctivitis, an erythematous maculopapular confluent rash, and a pathognomonic enanthem.
- Highly contagious disease in nonimmune persons.
- No animal reservoir exists.
- MV is inactivated rapidly by *heat, ultraviolet light, lipid solvents* such as *ether* and *chloroform*, and extreme degrees of *acidity and alkalinity* (i.e., pH <5 and >10)
- Asymptomatic Contagious carriers are *unknown*, and persons with *acute asymptomatic infection probably are not contagious*.

* Other names: *Morbilli, Rubeola*

The routes of transmission

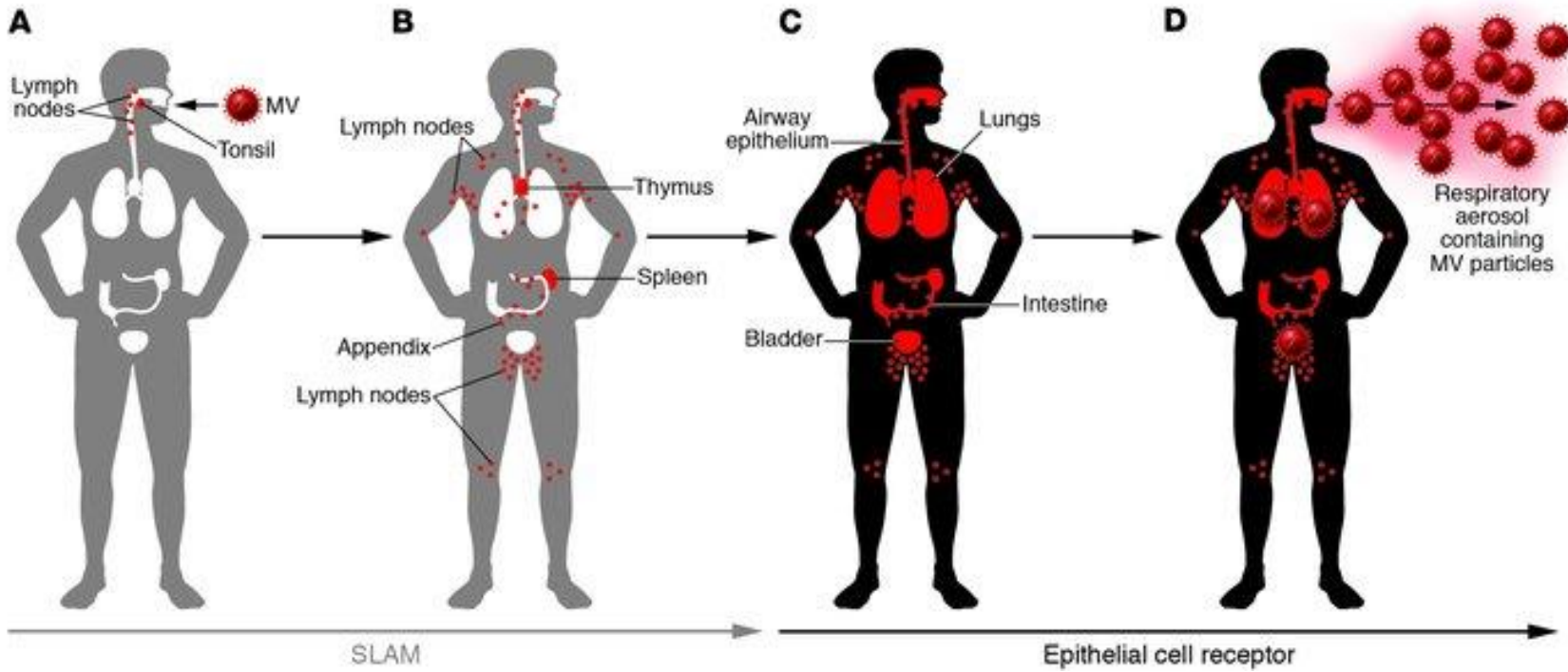


❖ The measles virus can live on contaminated surfaces and in the air for **up to two hours**.

Age Incidence

- The age-related incidence and percentage Of measles cases by age group have changed markedly after global immunization.
- However children under the age of 5 still seem to make up a large population of measles patients.
- Measles in heavily populated but developing countries has its greatest incidence in children younger than 2 years.

Pathogenesis



A MV enters humans through the respiratory route and initiates its infectious cycle in lymphoid organs in the upper respiratory tract by using SLAM as a receptor.



B MV-infected lymphocytes enter the bloodstream, and MV propagates in lymphoid organs throughout the body

C MV-infected immune cells appear to transmit MV to epithelial cells in various organs (e.g., airway, intestine, bladder). A putative epithelial cell receptor appears to play an important role in MV infection of epithelial cells

D MV then replicates in epithelial cells and actively releases progeny viruses into the airway. Consequently, respiratory aerosols of patients contain large amounts of MV particles.

Clinical stages

□ There are three distinct phases:

I. Incubation :10 days (range, 8–12 days).

II. Prodromal :3 days (range, 2–4 days). characterized by:

➤ Fever, Malaise, Conjunctivitis, and upper respiratory symptoms such as Cough, Nasal discharge, and Sneezing. These symptoms worsen during a 2- to 4-day period.

III. Exanthem which begins as a rash on the scalp and behind the ears.

➤ Infectious period: 3-5 days before to 4 days after the appearance of the rash.

□ Conjunctivitis



- Bulbar and palpebral
- Associated with considerable lacrimation older patients in particular are bothered by photophobia, which frequently is severe.
- Conjunctivitis of varying severity is noticed in the **half of the cases** without using ophthalmological instrumentation.
- Using ophthalmological instrumentation, the mild forms of conjunctivitis can be diagnosed, in near to all of patients
- Slit-lamp examination reveals both *corneal* and *conjunctival* lesions

□ Cough

- Frequently is troublesome.
- It worsens throughout the prodromal period and often has a brassy quality(hard&loud) suggesting laryngeal and tracheal involvement.
- The cough may persist for 10 days or more.



□ Koplik spots*

- On day 10 ± 1
- Pathognomonic enanthem of measles.
- White or bluish-white specks on a bright-red mucosal surface.
- First arise on the buccal mucosa opposite the lower molars but usually spread quickly to involve most of the buccal and lower labial mucosa.
- Initially, only a few lesions appear, but within 12 hours the number usually is uncountable.



* *The term Koplik spot derives its name from Dr. Henry Koplik of New York, who first described them in 1896.*

□ Enanтем

- During the prodromal period, Erythematous maculopapular lesions also are observed occasionally on the palate.
- At the end of the prodromal period, the posterior pharyngeal wall usually is erythematous, and the patient may complain of a **sore throat**.

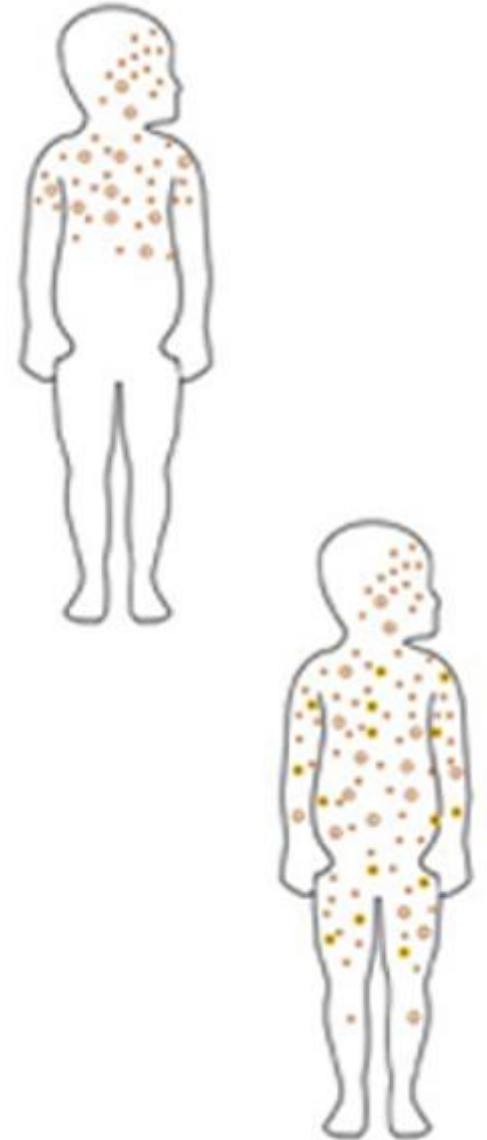


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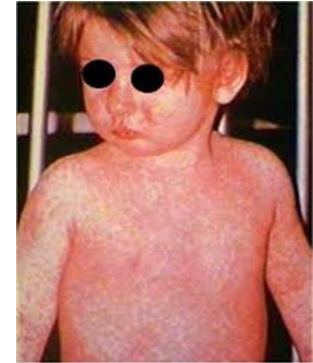
- Early in the prodromal phase, a transitory rash occasionally has been observed.
- It has been *urticarial* or *macular*, has occurred with the initial onset of fever, and has disappeared before onset of the typical exanthem.

□ Exanthem Period

- In typical measles, the exanthem appears on approximately the **14th** day after exposure.
- The exanthem occurs at approximately the **peak of the respiratory symptoms** and when the temperature usually is approximately 39.5°C.
- First appears behind the ears and on the forehead at the hairline.
- Spread of the rash is centrifugal from the head to the feet



- By the third day, the rash has involved the face, neck, trunk, upper extremities, buttocks, and lower extremities sequentially.
- The rash initially is erythematous and maculopapular but progresses to confluence in the same centrifugal manner as it is spread.
- Confluence always is more prominent on the face; frequently, the lesions on the lower extremities remain discrete.
- The exanthem begins to clear on the third to fourth day, again following the centrifugal course of progression.
- The duration of the exanthem usually is 6 to 7 days.



- With healing, a fine desquamation frequently occurs in confluent areas with brownish discoloration.



Clinical course

The patient is a child who develops fever, runny nose, and sneezing about 10 days after contact

Gradually the fever increases. Conjunctivitis and cough appear and about 3 to 4 days after the onset of the symptoms, skin rashes appear

1-2 days before until 1 day after skin rash Koplik spots are visible

On the second or third day of the rash fever generally peaks, and then falls by lysis during next 24-hour

Conjunctivitis and nasal discharge usually improves as the fever subsides

Maculopapular rash begins from the head & neck and distributes downward

Rash lasts for about 6-7 days and will disappear in the same manner

Pilling may appear after skin rash



Clinical course

- Fever that persists after the third or fourth day of exanthem usually is an indication of a complication.
- Conjunctivitis and nasal symptoms generally subside at about the time of defervescence.
- Continued nasal discharge, whether purulent or not, suggests bacterial secondary infection.
- With the appearance of the rash, the cough loosens up, and in older persons it frequently becomes productive.

Diagnosis

❑ In the absence of a recognized measles outbreak, confirmation of the clinical Diagnosis by **Serologic evidences** is often recommended.

➤ IgM

- Appears 1-2 days after the onset of the rash and remains detectable for about 1 mo.
- If a serum specimen is collected <72 hr after onset of rash and is negative for antibody, a 2nd specimen should be obtained.

➤ IgG

4-fold rise in in acute and convalescent specimens collected 2-4 wk apart

Laboratory Findings

- During the periods of prodrome and rash, the total WBCs low.
(The most marked reduction, in absolute lymphocytes Counts)
- Thrombocytopenia (maybe)
- Elevated CRP (maybe)

Modified Illness

- Modified measles is an infection that occurs in a partially immune person.
- Mild illness & regular sequence of events:
 - Shorter prodromal period
 - Minimal cough, coryza, and fever
 - ± Few and transient koplik spots
 - The Regular progression pattern of the exanthema without confluence.

Modified measles

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Measles in Developing Countries

- High mortality rate (in much of Africa 10%,)
- Risk factors of mortality :
 - Age (disease of young children)
 - Medical facilities
 - Nutritional status of the infected children (thought to be the single overriding factor)
- Low serum retinol concentrations nearly always are present in children with measles in developing countries.
- Low retinol levels correlate directly with measles mortality, and treatment with vitamin A reduces this mortality rate

Complications of Measles

Risk factors:

1. Age: younger than 5 yr (especially <1 yr of age) and older than 20 yr
2. Crowding
3. Severe malnutrition in children (suboptimal immune response)
4. Low serum retinol levels in children(morbidity and mortality)*
5. Immunocompromised situation(malignancy,chemotherapy,organ transplant ...)

*Measles infection decrease serum retinol concentrations,subclinical cases of hyporetinolemia may be made symptomatic during Measles

Complications of Measles

- Pneumonia (most common cause of death)
- Other respiratory Complications
- Gastrointestinal
- Cardiac
- Neurologic

Pneumonia

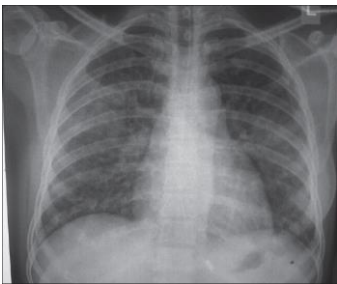
Giant cell pneumonia

Primary viral infection

- Early in the course of the illness
- Most common



Hilar
adenopathy



Bilateral hyperinflation
with diffuse
fluffy infiltrates



Unilateral
segmental
lobar pneumonias

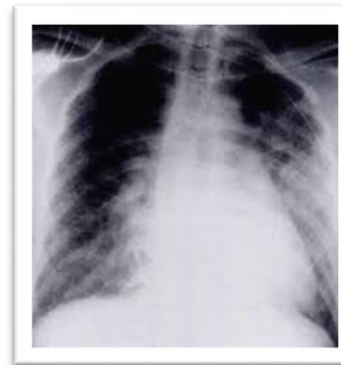
Secondary pneumonia

Bacterial

Streptococcus pneumoniae,
Haemophilus influenzae
Streptococcus pyogenes
Staphylococcus aureus

Viral

Parainfluenza
Adenoviruses



❑ Other Respiratory Complications

- Otitis media:
 - ✓ Most common complication
 - ✓ Pathogens are the same as otitis media without measles
- Mastoiditis
 - ✓ today it is rare
- Laryngitis, Croup, Bacterial tracheitis
- Deep neck abscess
(Secondary bacterial infection of the cervical lymph nodes)

- **Gastrointestinal**

- ✓ Dehydration (Diarrhea and vomiting are common in acute measles)
- ✓ Appendicitis or abdominal pain (Obstruction of the appendiceal lumen by lymphoid hyperplasia)
- ✓ Hepatitis

- **Cardiac Manifestations**

- ✓ Myocarditis and pericarditis

- **Other Manifestations**

- ✓ Postinfectious thrombocytopenic purpura
- ✓ Mesenteric lymphadenitis
- ✓ Febrile seizures (<3%)

Neurologic

Encephalitis

- 1-3 / 1,000 cases
- Adolescents&adults > preschool&school-age
- Postinfectious in normal host (immune mediated)
- Direct viral invasion in immunocompromised patients
- Begins during the exanthema
- Seizures , lethargy , irritability, headache and involuntary movements
- CSF:lymphocytic pleocytosis ,↑ protein, ↓ glucose
- Mortality :15%
- long-term sequelae :20–40% (cognitive impairment,motor disabilities, deafness)
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SSPE

- Subacute Sclerosing Panencephalitis
- Slowly progressive disease of the CNS, with an Almost invariably fatal outcome
- Relatively common in endemic countries
- Possible mechanisms;abnormal host immune response to a common infection or mutant virus
- Begin insidiously 7-13 yr after primary infection.
- **Stage 1** :subtle changes in behavior
- **Stage 2**:involuntary movements and repetitive myoclonic jerks
- **Stage 3**:choreoathetosis,immobility, dystonia, and lead pipe rigidity
- **Stage 4**: loss of critical centers of breathing, heart rate, and blood pressure
- Diagnosis at least 1 of (1)measles antibody in CSF (2) characteristic EEG,(3) typical histologic findings in and/or Isolation of virus in brain tissue

Measles in pregnancy

- **Spontaneous abortions**
- **Stillbirths**
- **Congenital measles**
- ✓ Clinical measles infection of mother shortly before birth,
- ✓ Mortality rate: 32%

Treatment

❑ Supportive :there is no approved specific antiviral therapy

- Antipyretics for discomfort and fever
- Airway humidification
- Rehydration
- Ribavirin in immunocompromised patients ?
- **Vitamin A**

Vitamin A

- In the United States, studies in the early 1990s documented that 22–72% of children with measles had low retinol levels.
- It seems that there is an inverse correlation between the level of retinol and severity of illness.
- Vitamin A therapy is indicated for all patients with measles.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} < 6 \text{ mo} : 50,000 \text{ IU} \\ 6 - 11 \text{ mo} : 100,000 \text{ IU} \\ 12 \text{ mo} \leq : 200,000 \text{ IU} \end{array} \right\} \text{ once daily for 2 days}$$

- 3rd dose is recommended 2-4 wk after the 2nd dose, if there are signs and symptoms of vitamin A deficiency

Prophylaxis

1. Pre-exposure:

- Vaccine

1. Postexposure:

a) Vaccine : up to 72h

b) Immunoglobulin: up to 6 days

- Ig is indicated for susceptible household contacts of measles patients, especially infants younger than 6 mo of age, pregnant women, and immunocompromised persons
- Immunocompetent children :intramuscularly immunoglobulin (IMIG):0.5 mL/kg (maximum dose in both cases is 15 mL/kg)
- Severely immunocompromised children and pregnant woman, intravenously immunoglobulin(IVIG) :400 mg/kg

Vaccination of measles

in IRAN

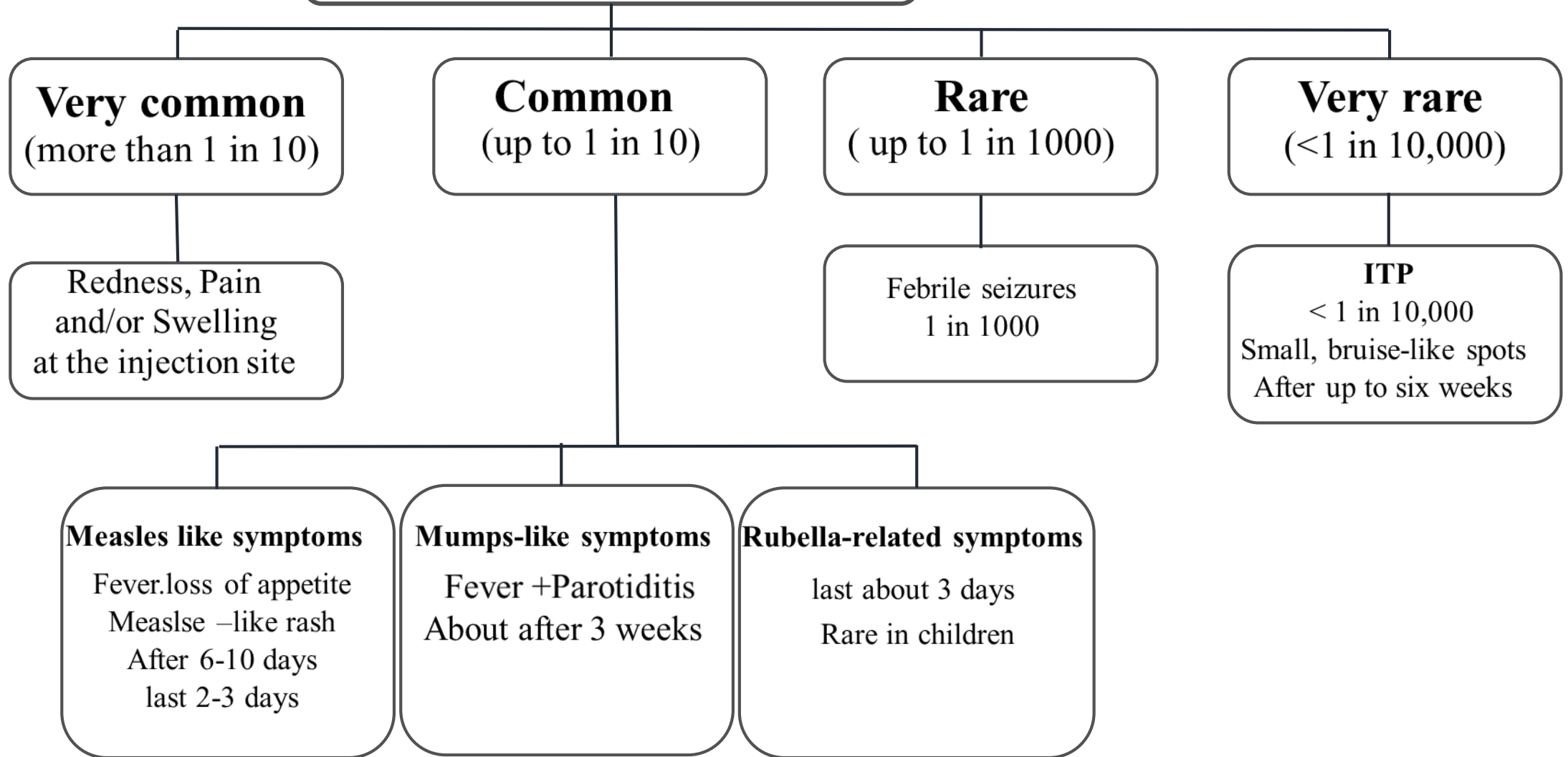
➤MMR

- live attenuated vaccine
- 2 doses in : 12m and 18 m
- 0.5 cc Sub cutaneous, Deltoid muscle

➤Contraindication :

- Pregnancy
- HIV/AIDS
- Immunocompromised situations:
 - ✓ Immune deficiency syndroms, Receiving immunosuppressives, Cancer and recent transplantation

Vaccine complications



*for
your attention*

Thank you