



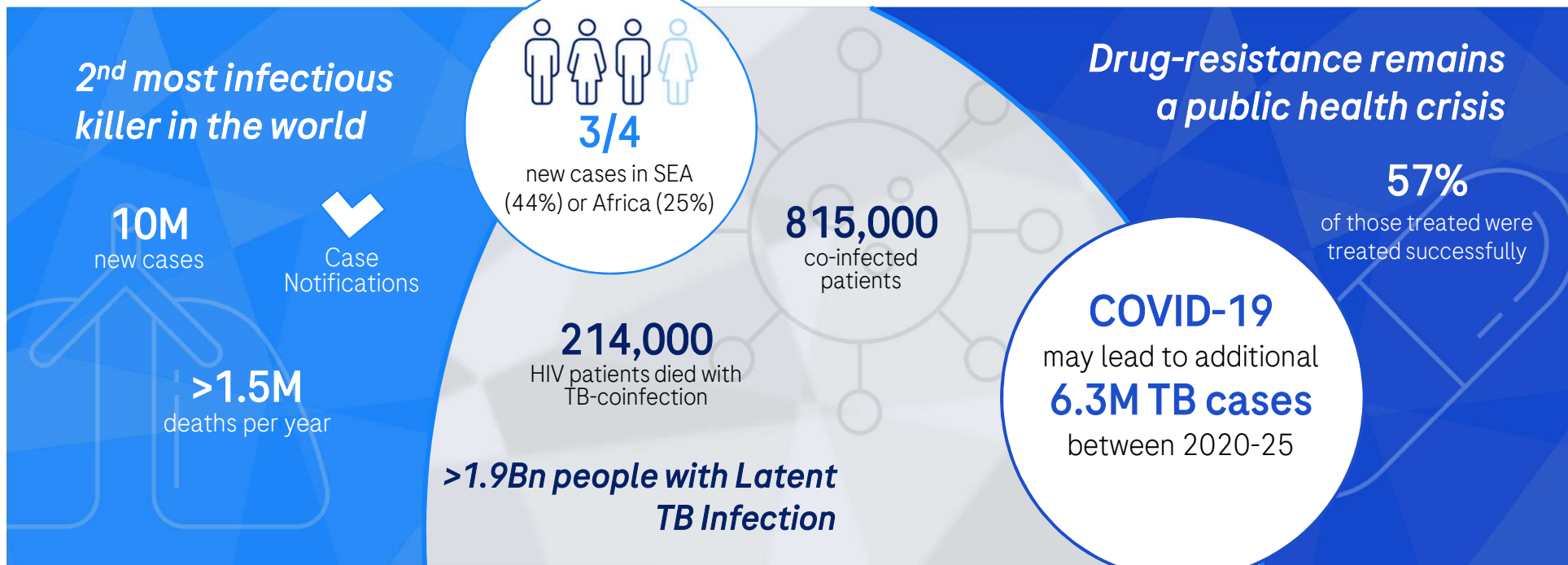
## **Role of network optimisation to achieve 95-90-0 for MTB disease elimination: Scaling up testing**

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# Tuberculosis

Snapshot through 2020



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# Impact of COVID on TB services

Programmes are re-thinking the diagnostic future post-pandemic

59%



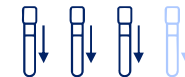
Advocates from global fund eligible countries reported **resources for people with TB being diverted** to respond to COVID-19

73%



Reported people with TB to be facing **significant challenges accessing treatment and care**

>18%



Newly diagnosed patients fell from 7.1 million in 2019 to 5.8 million in 2020

>65%



Policy and program officers reported healthcare facilities to be **reducing TB services** during the pandemic

Africa and Asia



Diagnosis and screening **FELL OVER 40%** due to Covid-19 Disruptions

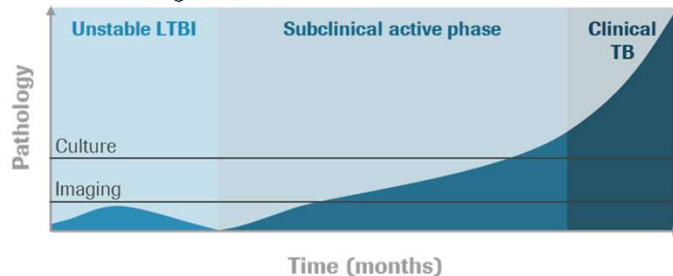
Stop TB Partnership, et al. The impact of COVID-19 on the TB epidemic: A community perspective; 2020.

# Diagnosing tuberculosis is multi-faceted and complex

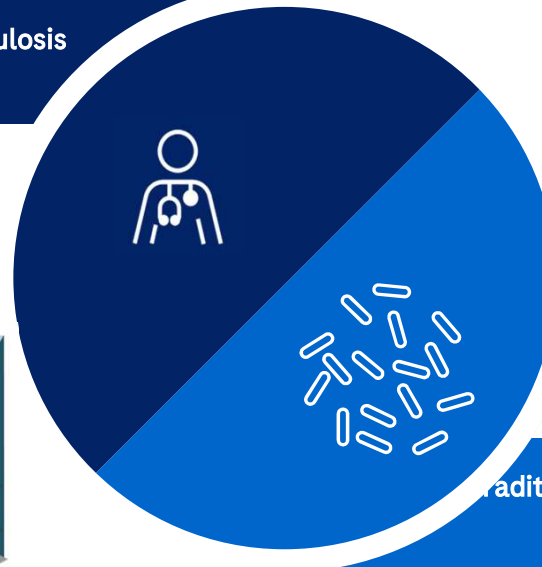
Managing respiratory diagnosis

## Multiple progression pathways make tuberculosis challenging to diagnosis

- Clinical phases influenced by predisposing factors and access to care
- Imaging, smear, culture and PCR commonly used in combination physician diagnosis



Esmail et al Philos Transact Royal Soc 2014



- Swab studies to evaluate alternative sample types ongoing
- Goal to reach more patients with an easier to collect, transport and process sample

Traditional raw sputum sample collection is challenging for some patients

# WHO Guidelines to Support Scale-Up

From treatment algorithms to diagnostic products

## Expanding Testing Options Can Support Eradication Efforts



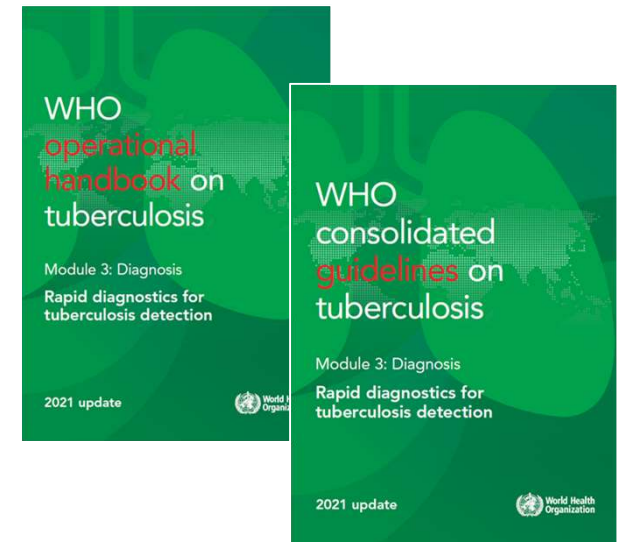
**Cross-Program testing  
can make all  
programmes more  
resilient to disruptions**



**Investing in alternative  
sample types to reach  
more people**



**Installation base already  
exists in urban areas for  
high volume testing**



WHO operational hand book on Tuberculosis: Rapid diagnostics for TB detection

# WHO Operational Handbook on Tuberculosis updated

New test options in the guidance

**Table 2.1. New classes of technologies recommended and associated products evaluated**

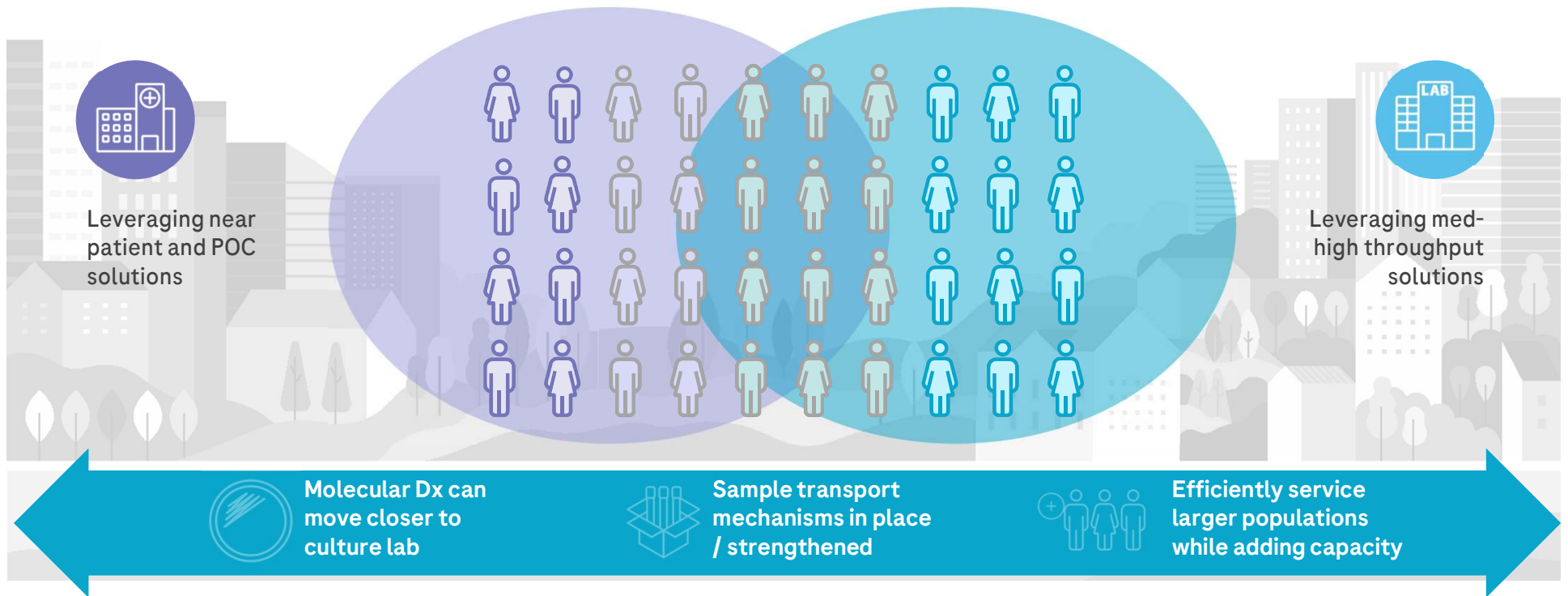
Technology class	Products included in evaluation
Moderate complexity automated NAATs for detection of TB and resistance to rifampicin and isoniazid	Abbott RealTime MTB and Abbott RealTime MTB RIF/INH (Abbott) BD MAX MDR-TB (Becton Dickinson) <b>cobas MTB and cobas MTB-RIF/INH (Roche)</b> FluoroType MTBDR and FluoroType MTB (Bruker/Hain Lifescience)
Low complexity automated NAATs for detection of resistance to isoniazid and second-line anti-TB agents	Xpert MTB/XDR (Cepheid)
High complexity reverse hybridization-based NAATs for detection of resistance to pyrazinamide	Genoscholar PZA-TB II (Nipro)



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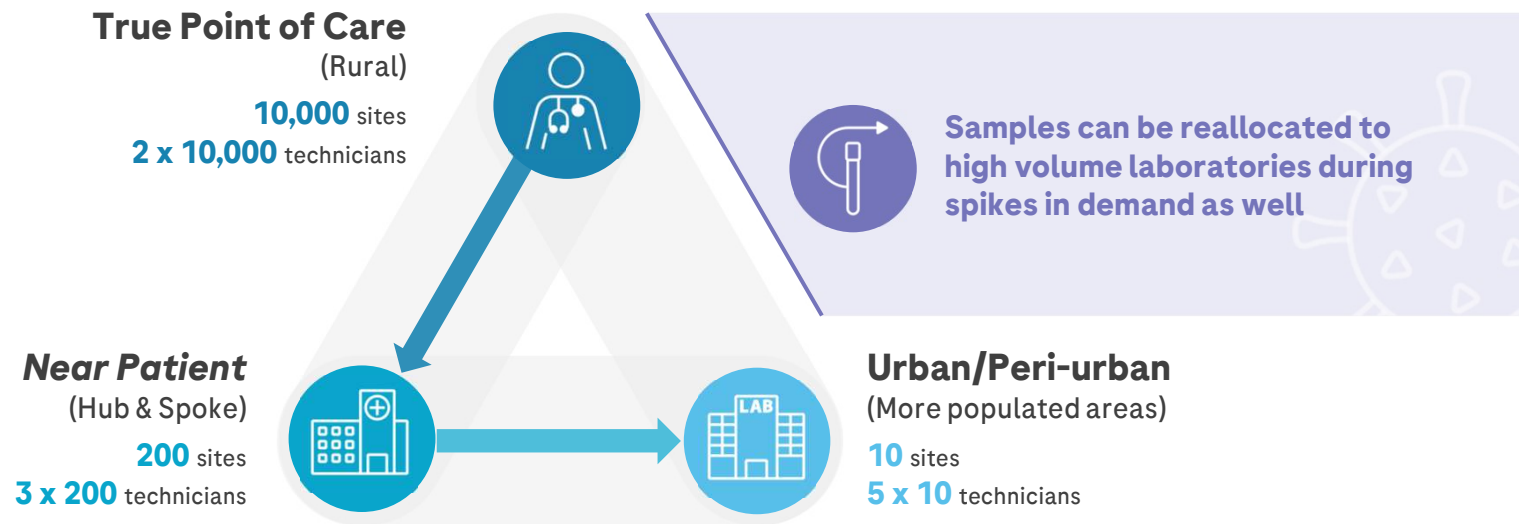
# Lab ecosystems include a testing continuum

*Network optimisation around systems built for specific environments creates service delivery efficiencies*



# Scaling testing with a multiple partner approach

Supporting the creation of program dynamics with broader diagnostic options



Dynamic flexibility for the program



Reduced risk of sole supplier

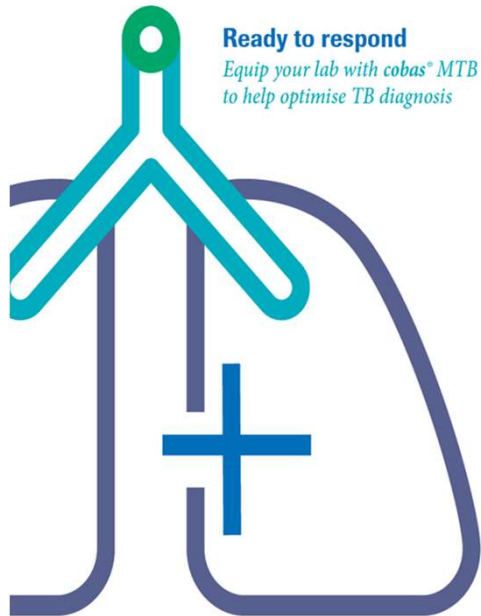


Benefit to patients in all settings

| Values are representative.



# Optimised Diagnosis - Three TB tests in the portfolio



**Ready to respond**  
 Equip your lab with cobas® MTB  
 to help optimise TB diagnosis

**cobas® MTB**

Detects *M. tuberculosis* in raw and processed sputum using two selective sets of primers and two probes uniquely targeting separated regions (**dual-target** – 16S rRNA gene and *esx* genes *esxJ*, *esxK*, *esxM*, *esxP*, and *esxW*) with 86.6% smear-negative sensitivity.

**cobas® RIF/INH**

Designed as a reflex test together with cobas® MTB to detect Rifampicin-resistance associated mutations of the *rpoB* gene and Isoniazid-resistance associated mutations in the *katG* and *inhA* genes, of *M. tuberculosis* to enable rapid treatment optimization

**cobas® MAI**

Duplex test designed to detect and differentiate *M. avium* and *M. intracellulare* DNA directly in respiratory specimens. Targets two prevalent species of the Mycobacterium avium complex (MAC) that are commonly associated with pulmonary nontuberculous mycobacterial disease

# Flexibility with three sample types

## Raw Sputum

*Un-processed sputum. Sometimes used for direct AFB smear.*



## Sputum Sediment

*Sputum pre-treated by the NALC-NaOH method, which kills accompanying bacterial flora while keeping mycobacteria alive.*

*Typically used for routine testing including AFB smear, culture verification and PCR.*

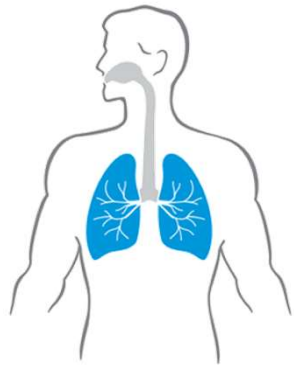


## Bronchoalveolar Lavage (BAL) Sediment

*BAL pre-treated by the NALC-NaOH method, which kills accompanying bacterial flora while keeping mycobacteria alive.*



# One Patient sample, 1 pre-analytic treatment, 2 results



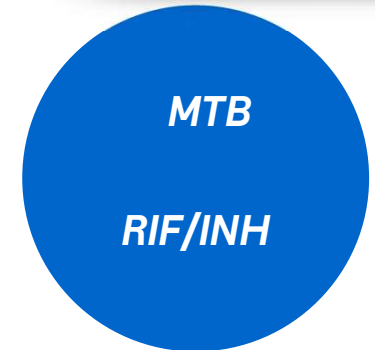
1 Patient Sample



1 MIS treatment



1 Sonication

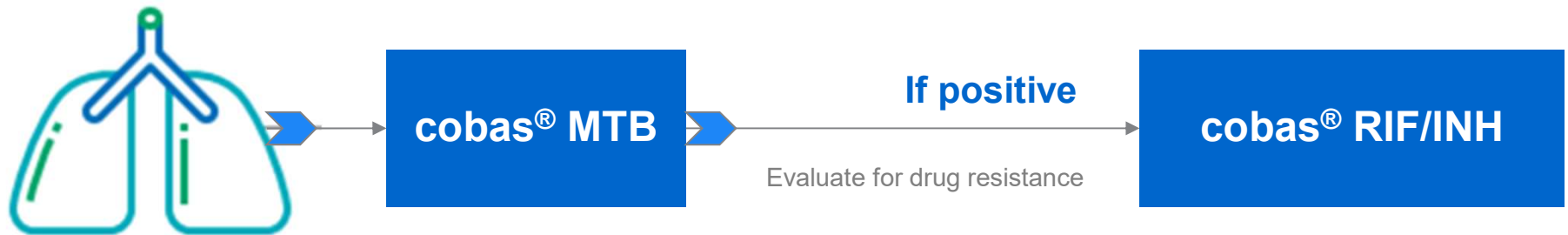


2 results

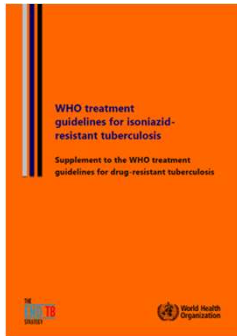
# Differential diagnosis to support clinical decisions

If patient presents with TB symptoms

Reflex MDR testing



# Integrated RIF/INH testing to help identify MDR-TB

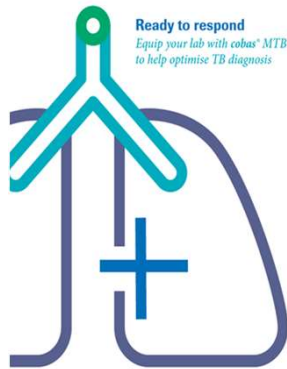


2018. World Health Organization. ISBN 978-92-4-155007-9

Global surveillance on MDR TB based on RIF resistance

About 8% of TB patients worldwide are estimated to have rifampicin susceptible, isoniazid-resistant TB (Hr-TB)

Globally, Hr-TB is more prevalent than MDR-TB. Efforts need to be made by all countries to move towards universal testing of both isoniazid and rifampicin at the start of TB treatment



**cobas® RIF/INH**

No extra sample  
Same sample from  
**cobas® MTB**

No extra cost.  
Included in the **USD 9.90** Cobas  
MTB, reagents and consumables  
pricing model.\*

\*Pre-analytic instrument (sonicator) also included



# cobas® MTB test performance

Dual target MTB tests typically have approximately 85% smear-negative sensitivity

Firm	Optimal Capacity per Run	High sensitivity		Resistance
		MTB Smear Negative	LoD	
<b>Roche cobas® MTB</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>86.6%</b> (IFU)	<b>7.6 – 8.8 CFU/mL</b> (IFU)	<b>MDR</b> Same collection
<b>Abbott m2000 MTB</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>81%</b> (IFU)	<b>17 CFU/mL</b> (IFU)	<b>MDR</b> Depends
<b>BD MAX MTB/XDR</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>81.5-85.1%</b> (IFU)	<b>20 CFU/mL</b> (IFU)	<b>MDR</b> Same collection
<b>Cepheid MTB/RIF Ultra</b>	<b>4 – 16</b>	<b>84% (+17%)</b> (WHO publication)	<b>16 CFU/mL</b> (WHO publication)	<b>MDR, XDR</b> Depends

Note: Performance data is for information purposes only and cannot be directly compared because a head-to-head study was not done.

Instructions for Use. Roche cobas MTB. Doc. Rev. 1.0. Jun, 2018. | Instructions for Use. Abbott RealTime MTB. REF 08N15. June 2015. | World Health Organization. WHO Meeting Report of a Technical Expert Consultation: Non-inferiority analysis of GeneXpert MTB/RIF Ultra compared to GeneXpert MTB/RIF. Geneva: World Health Organization; 2017 (WHO/HTM/TB/2017.04). Licence: CC BY-NC-SA 3.0 IGO. | Obasanya J, et al. FluoroType MTB system for the detection of pulmonary tuberculosis. ERJ Open Res 2017; 3: 00113-2016 [https://doi.org/10.1183/23120541.00113-2016].

# External publications for cobas<sup>®</sup> MTB

Demonstrated performance in sensitivity and accuracy in various context



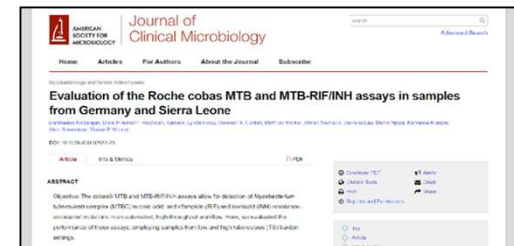
*Margaretha de Vos et al.*

- FIND study assessed 4 platforms
- Roche has similar or lower LoD for MTBC compared to Xpert MTB/RIF



*Lesley Scott et al.*

- Performance of MTB assay in high HIV burden settings (South Africa)
- cobas MTB sensitivity was unaffected by HIV coinfection



*Nadarajan et al.*

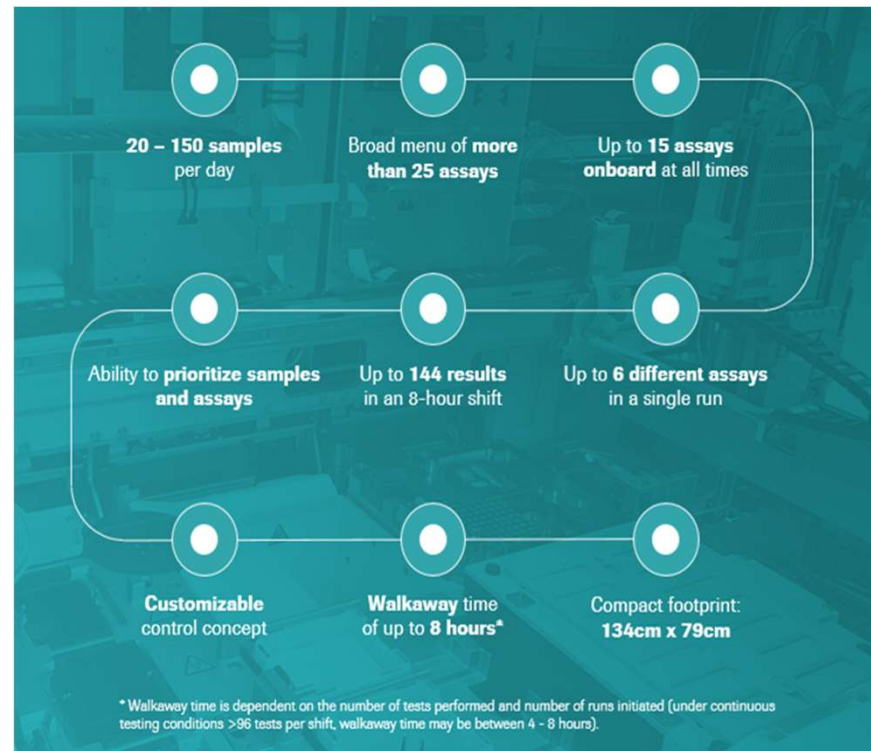
- Performance evaluation
- Accurate detection of MTBC DNA and resistance-associated mutations in respiratory samples

# The new cobas® 5800 System to expand reach of testing

*Compact footprint with flexible sample processing, integrated testing and full automation*



Automation  
Consolidation  
Integration  
Standardization

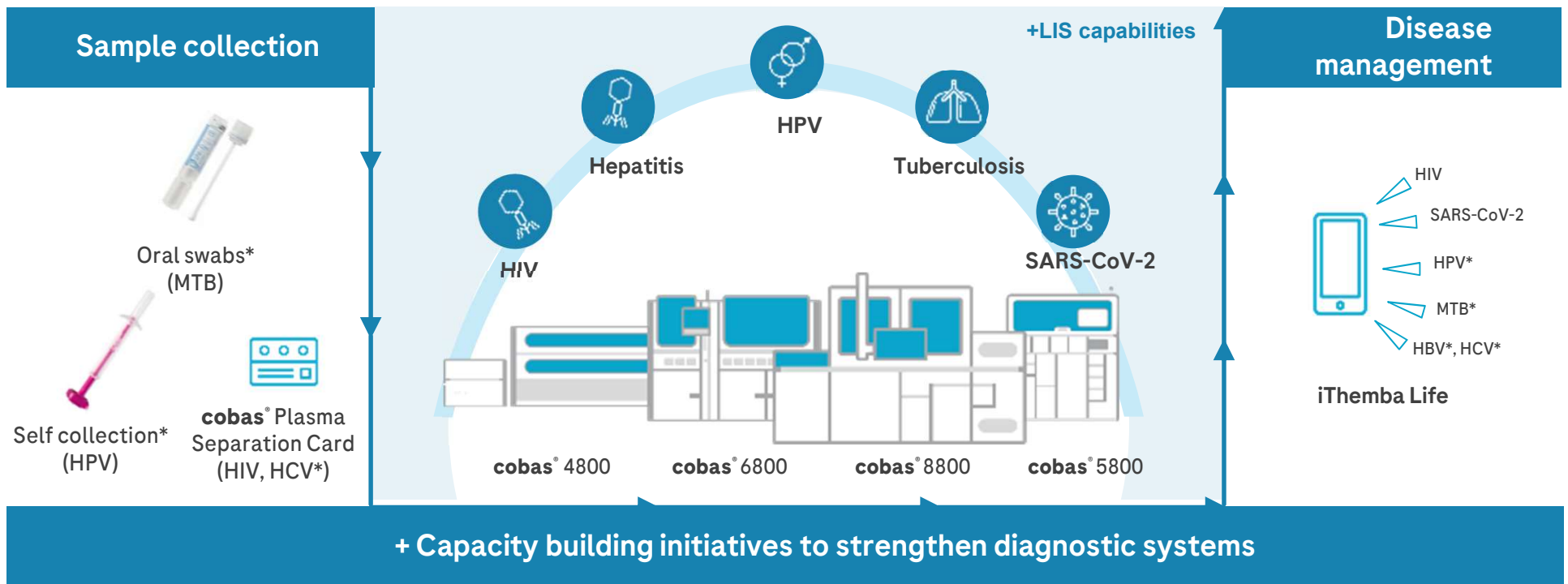


Source: cobas® 5800 brochure



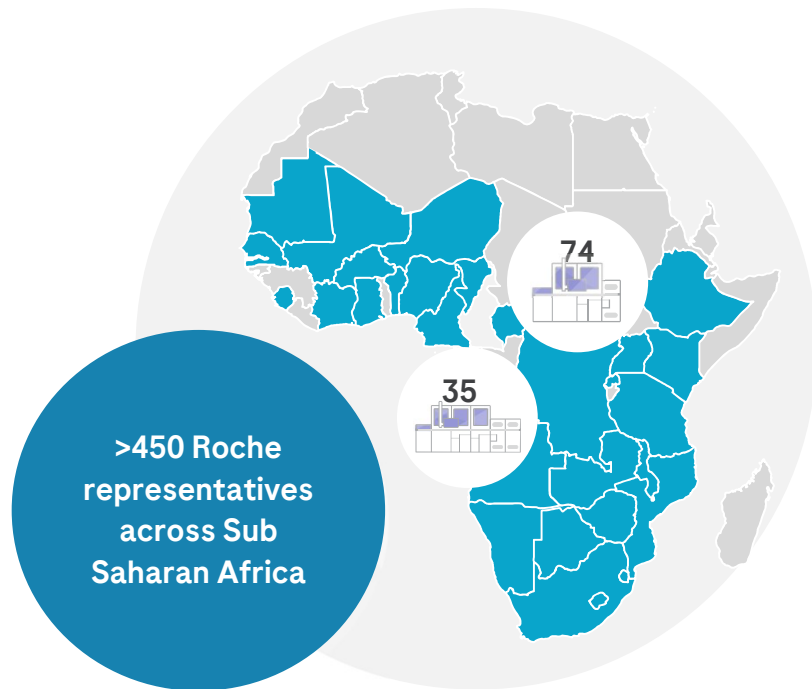
# Supporting integrated testing & end to end solutions

Consideration for sample collection, transport to result return approaches customised for country needs

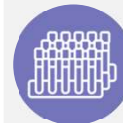


# Roche experience, presence and commitment across Africa

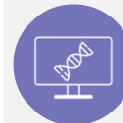
Decades of support in scaling up HIV VL and EID programs can be leveraged to support TB programs



Support **network optimisation for TB** programs to complement current approaches **building capacity, scale and reach**



**Reduce risk** for programs and laboratories creating **more testing options** and ability to **integrate TB testing** with existing systems



Support **patient disease management** (adherence for treatment success & MDR) with **digital solutions** (eg iThemba Life)

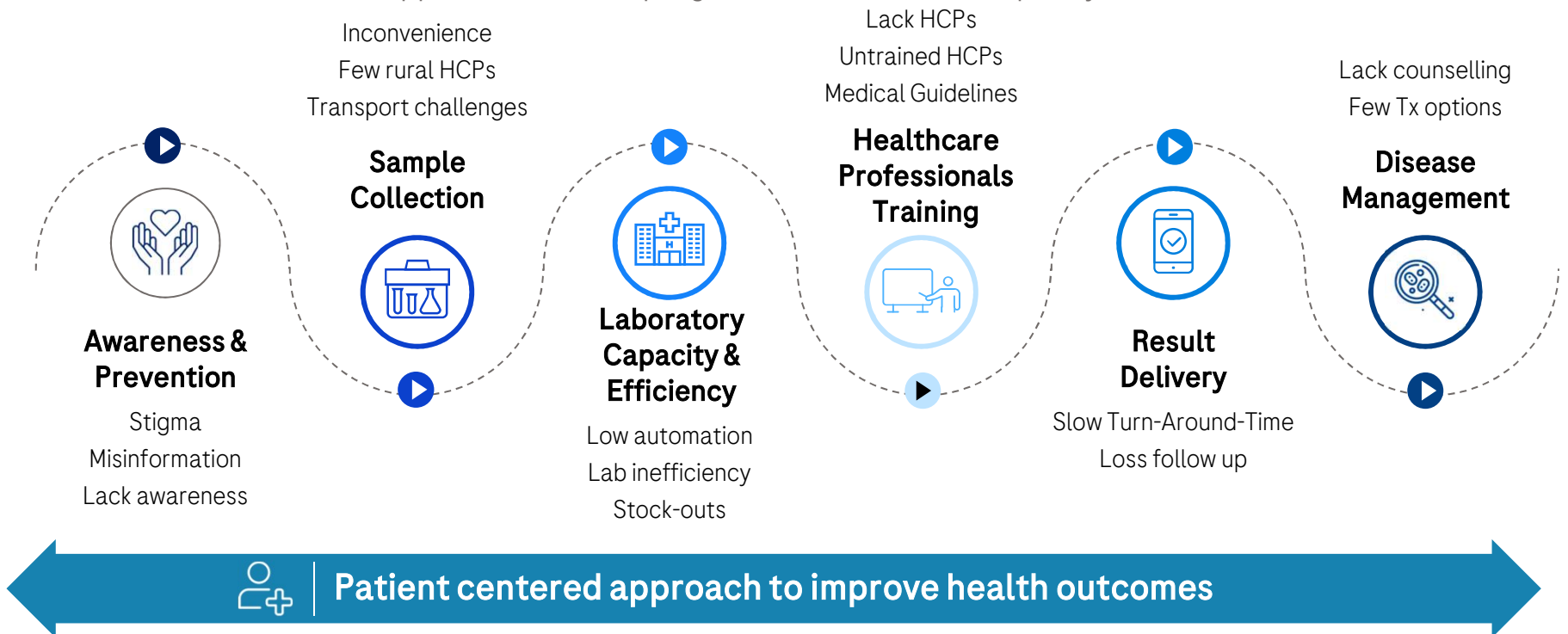


Create programs that are **resilient and can scale** to focus on sustainable **TB eradication**

*| Install base as of December 2021 which represents significant testing capacity*

# Beyond test performance to address challenges along the patient journey

End-to-end solutions to support sustainable programs and build local capacity

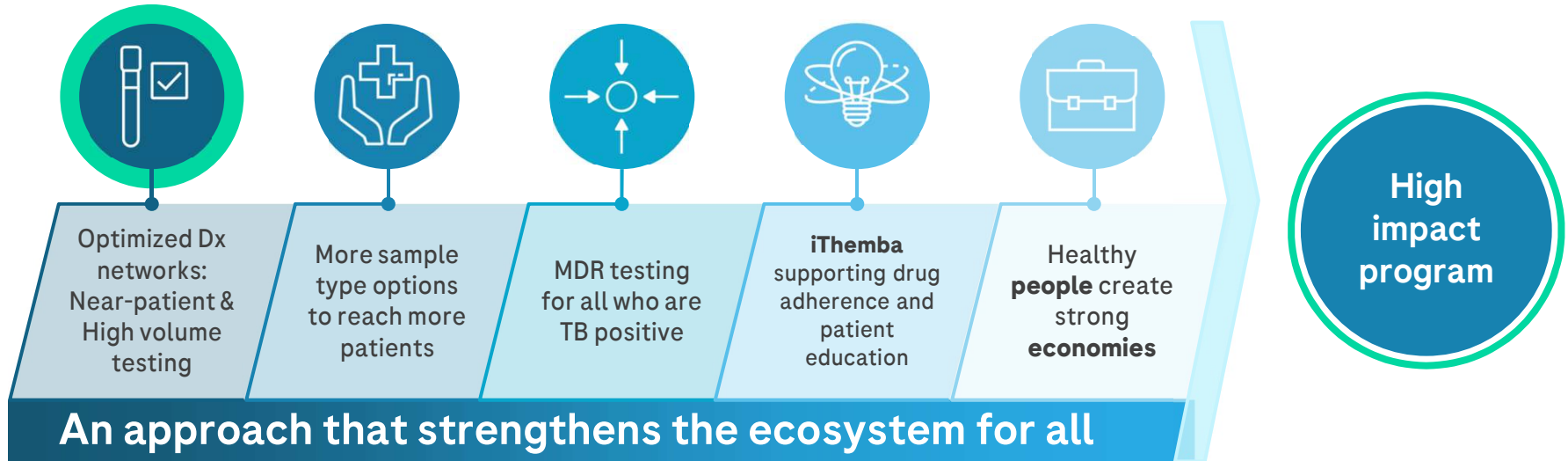


HCP: Health Care Professionals, Tx: Treatment



# Partnering to support scale up of testing for TB elimination

*End to end solutions and expanded diagnostic options support eradication efforts*



**Doing now what patients need next**



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