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General information

Population size	Category	5.5 million
Structure of surveillance of meningococcal disease	Statutory notification of disease	Yes
	Enhanced surveillance	Yes
	Centralized Laboratory Surveillance	Yes
NRL: repertoire of typing targets	Serogroup	Yes
	PorA antigen sequence typing	Yes
	FetA antigen sequence typing	Yes
	Vaccine Antigen sequence typing (e.g. fhbp)	Yes
	Antibiotic resistance gene typing	Yes
	MLST (7 loci)	Yes
	Genome sequencing	Yes
Meningococcal vaccine recommendation	Polysaccharide vaccines (not conjugated)	Yes: military conscripts ad 2016
	MenC conjugate	Yes (rarely)
	MenACWY conjugate	Yes (risk groups, conscripts 2017?-)
	Protein vaccines targeting MenB	No recommendation yet
Uptake of Men WY vaccines	estimated % per target group size	< 1% nationally (conjugates)

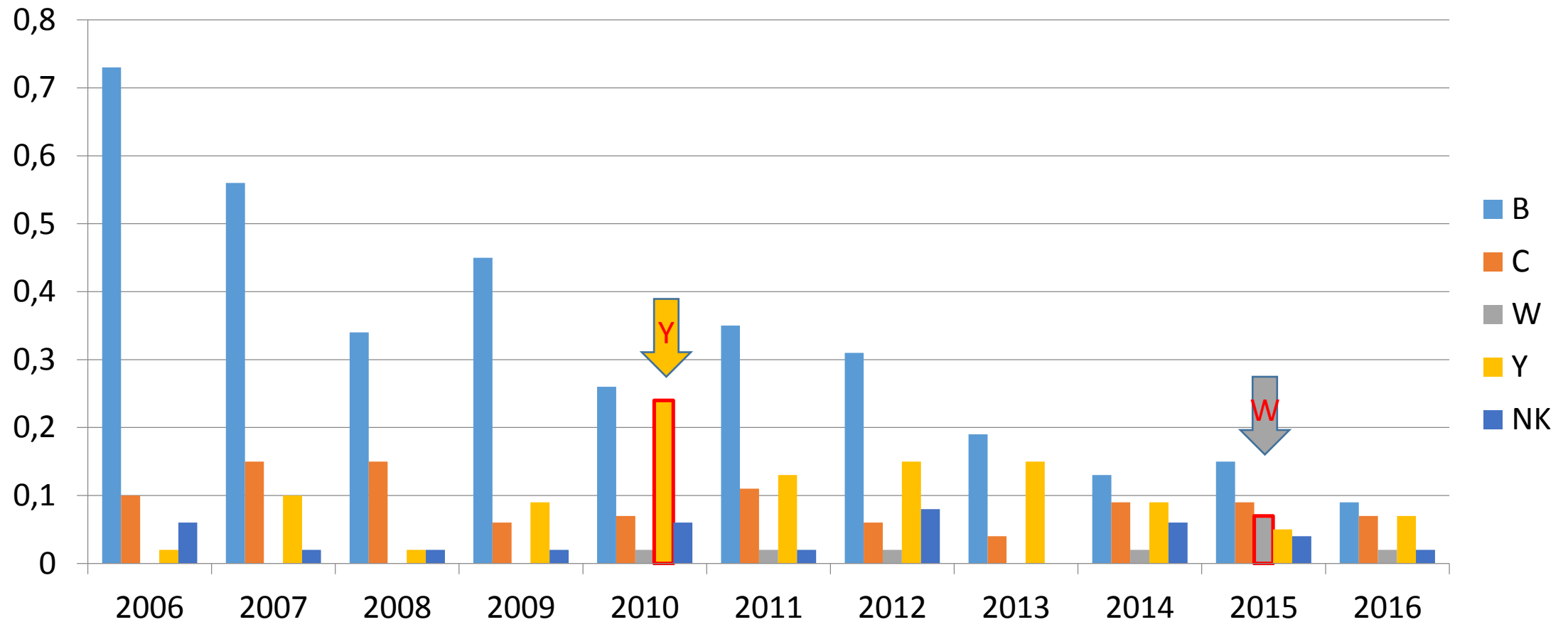


Basic numbers for 2015

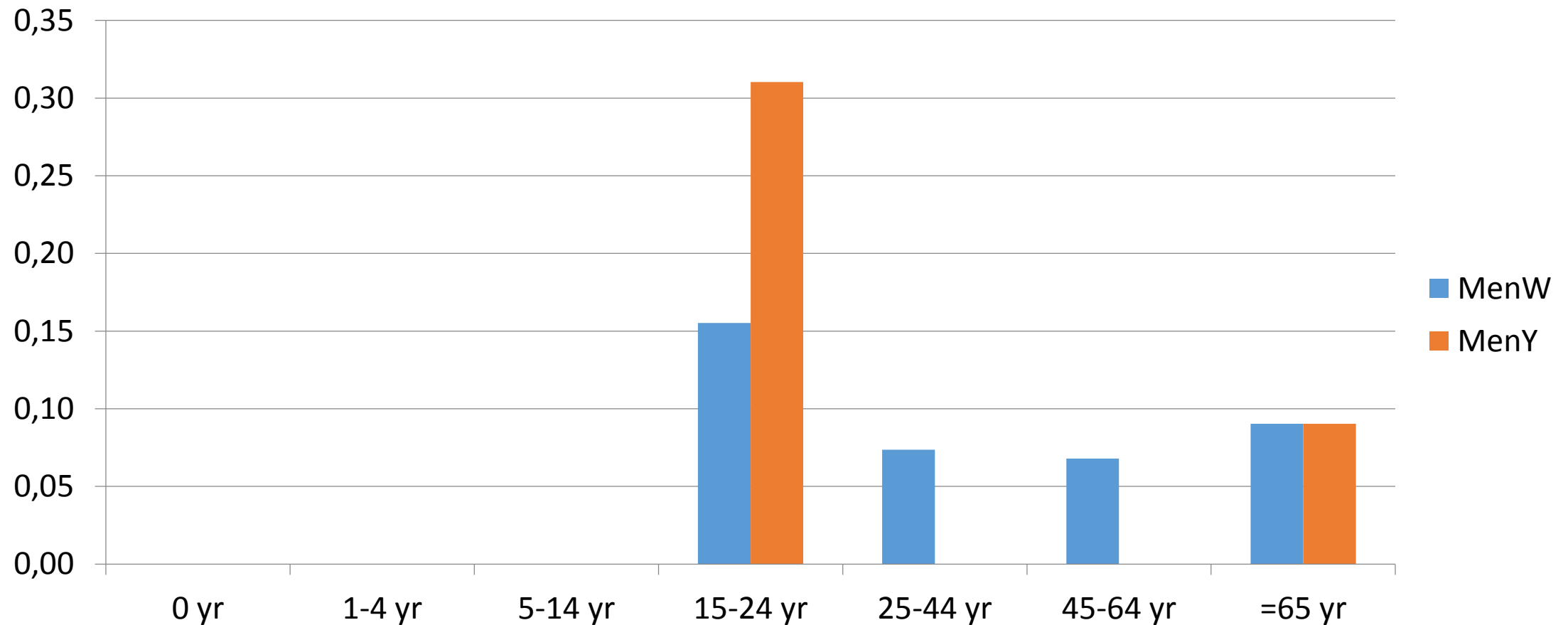
No of reported cases of invasive meningococcal disease * (incidence rate)	N=22 (0.40 /100,000)
Proportion of reported cases of invasive meningococcal disease, whose strains or samples were processed at NRL (= <i>laboratory surveillance coverage of reported cases</i>)	91% (20/22)
MenW <ul style="list-style-type: none">• no of cases,• incidence rate,• % of all cases	N=4 0.07/100,000 18%
MenY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• no of cases,• incidence rate,• % of all cases	N=3 0.05/100,000 14 %

* please use [ECDC case definition](#)

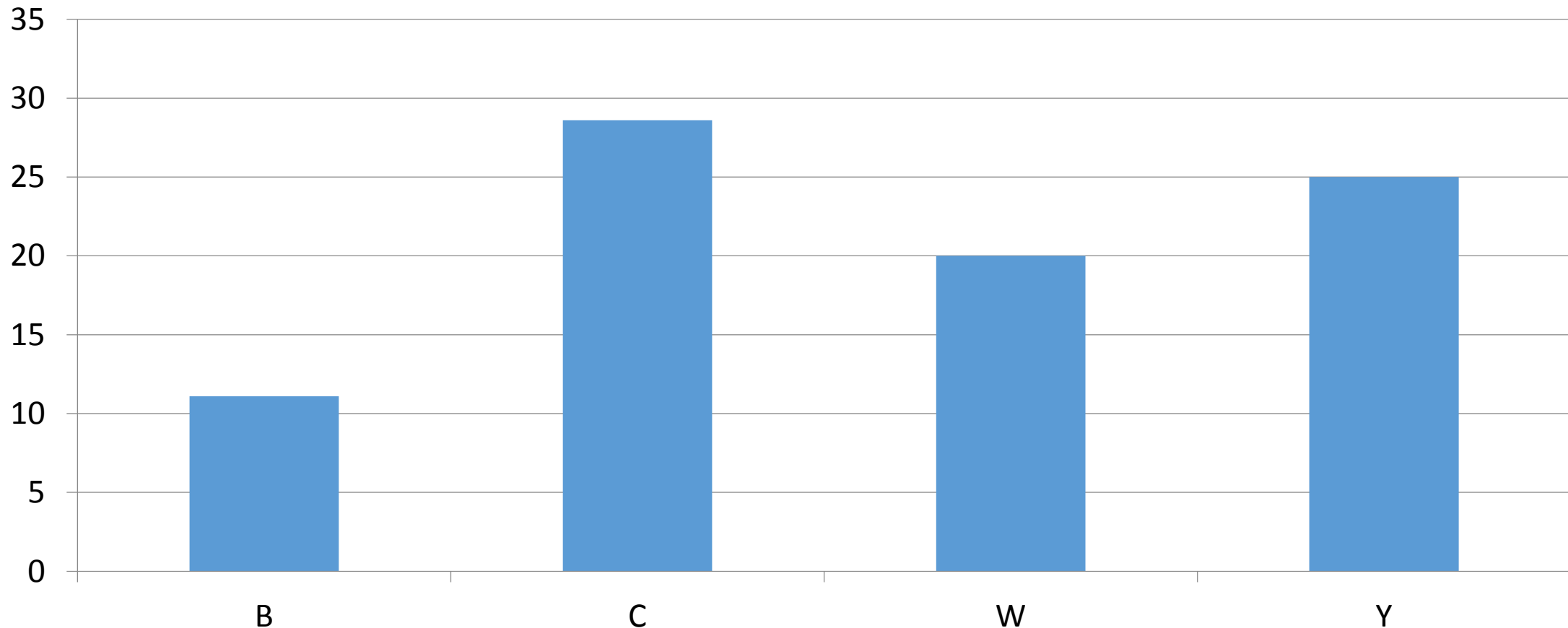
Incidence rates for serogroups B, C, W, and Y from 2006-2016



Age specific incidence rates in 2015 for serogroups W and Y



Case fatality rates 2015 (in %) for serogroups B, C, W, Y





Sequence typing of **MenW** in 2015

Year	2015
Dominant variant according to the typing method used	W:P1.5,2: F1-1: ST-11 (cc11)
Dominant variant according to the typing method used, in % of all MenW cases	75 % (3/4)
cc11 in % of all serogroup W cases	75% (3/4)

Outbreaks caused by serogroups W and Y 2012 - 2016



	MenW	MenY
Number of outbreaks or clusters	1 (2015)	1 (2013)
Total number of patients involved	3	2
Settings	spatio-temporal cluster	spatio-temporal cluster
