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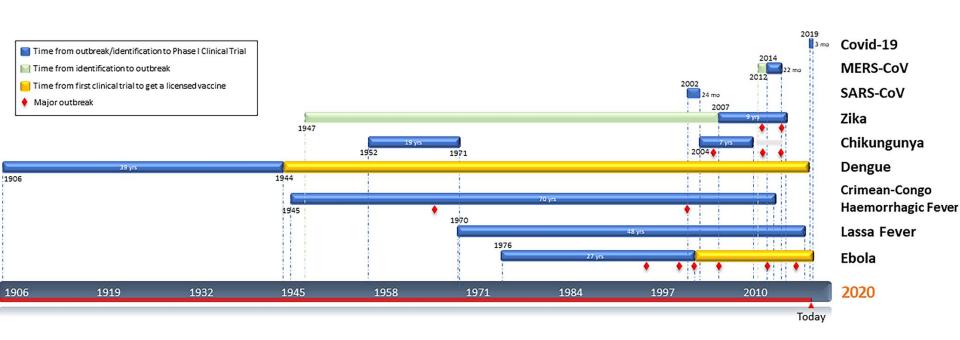


Fig. 1: New emerging diseases vaccine development timeline.

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Potential Challenges: ADE and (VA)ERD

Potential risks associated with vaccine development for COVID-19

Antibodies that bind virus without neutralizing infectivity can cause disease through increased viral replication or formation of immune complexes that deposit in tissue and activate complement pathways associated with inflammation. Thelper 2 cell $(T_H 2)$ -biased responses have also been associated with ineffective vaccines that lead to enhanced disease after subsequent infection. Antibody-dependent enhancement (ADE) of viral replication has occurred in viruses with innate macrophage tropism. Virus-antibody immune complexes and $T_H 2$ -biased responses can both occur in vaccine-associated enhanced respiratory disease (VAERD).

	Antibody-mediated		T cell-mediated
	ADE	VAERD	VAERD
Mechanism	Fc-mediated increase in viral entry	Immune complex formation and complement deposition	T _H 2-biased immune response
Effectors	Macrophage activation and inflammatory cytokines	Complement activation and inflammatory cytokines	Allergic inflammation and T _H 2 cytokines
Mitigation	Conformationally correct antigens and high-quality neutralizing antibody		T _H 1-biasing immunization and CD8+ T cells

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