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## Data-driven Global Pandemic Management

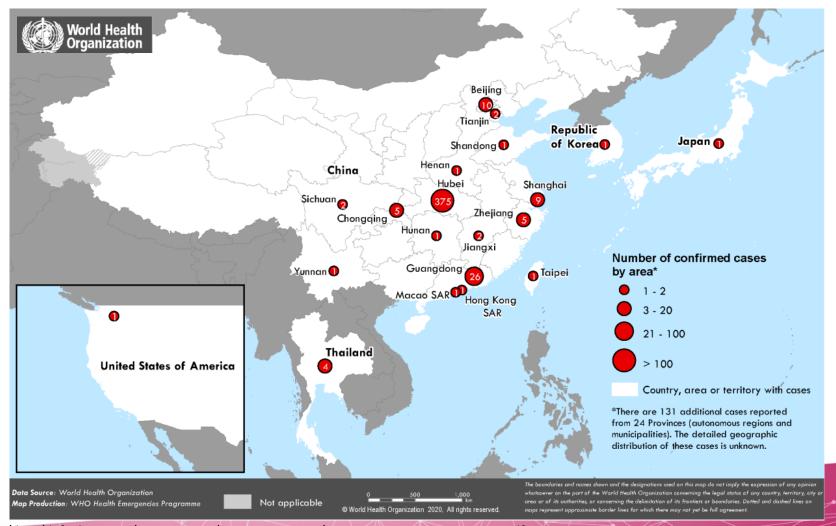
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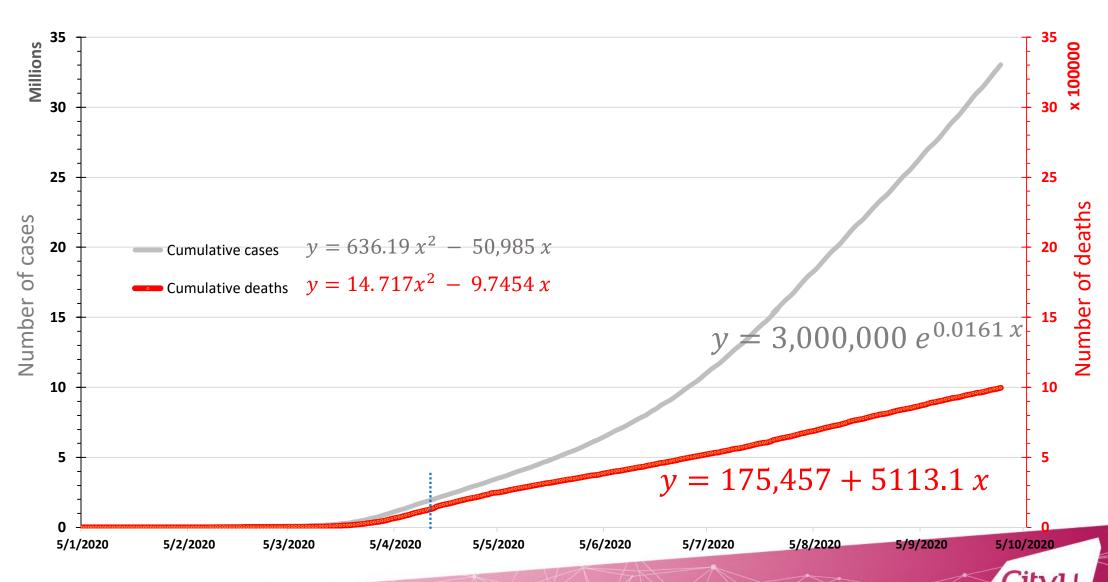
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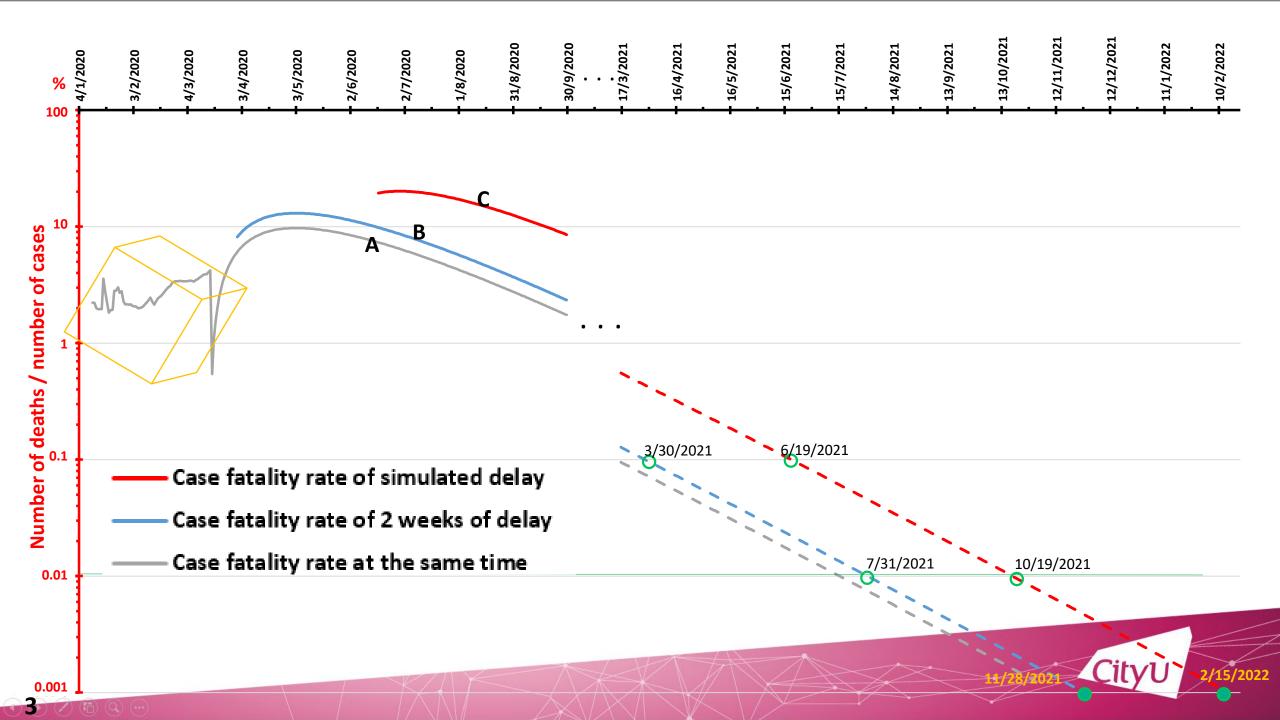
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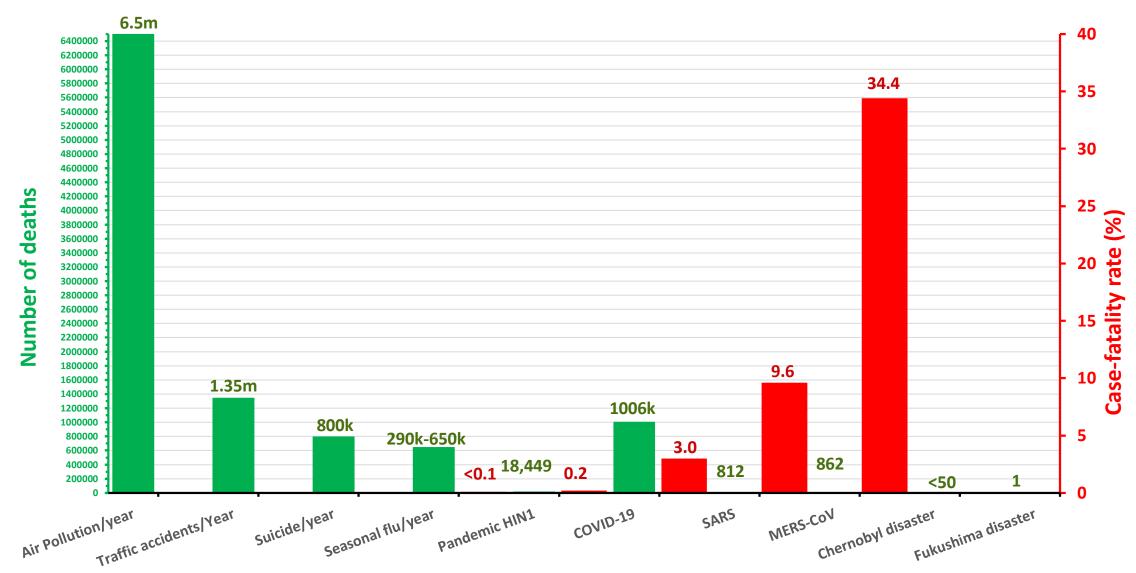
# Countries, territories or areas with reported confirmed cases of Covid-19, 23 January 2020



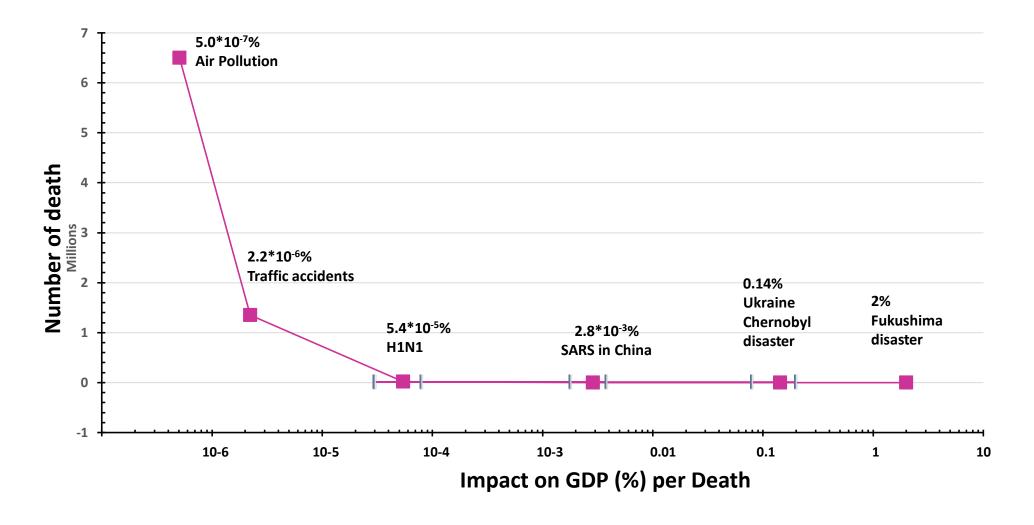
#### Cumulative cases and deaths of COVID-19 since Jan 2020







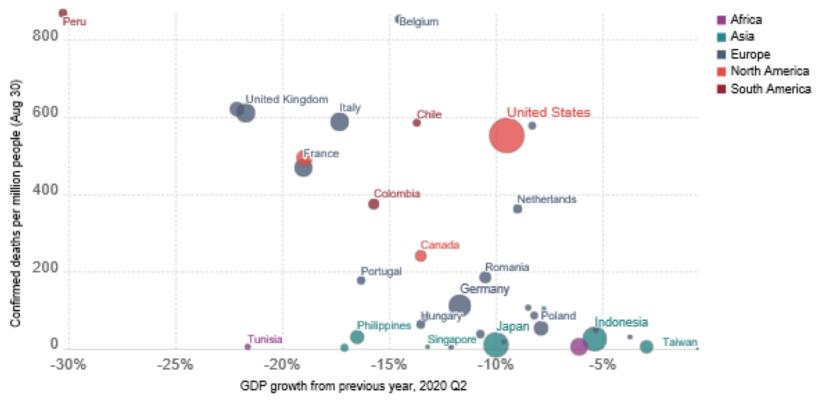
Loss and case-fertility rate caused by pandemic outbreaks, nuclear accidents, air pollution, ... etc. CityU



Loss and economic impact by global pandemics, nuclear accidents, air pollution, ... etc.

## Economic decline in the second quarter of 2020 vs rate of confirmed deaths due to COVID-19



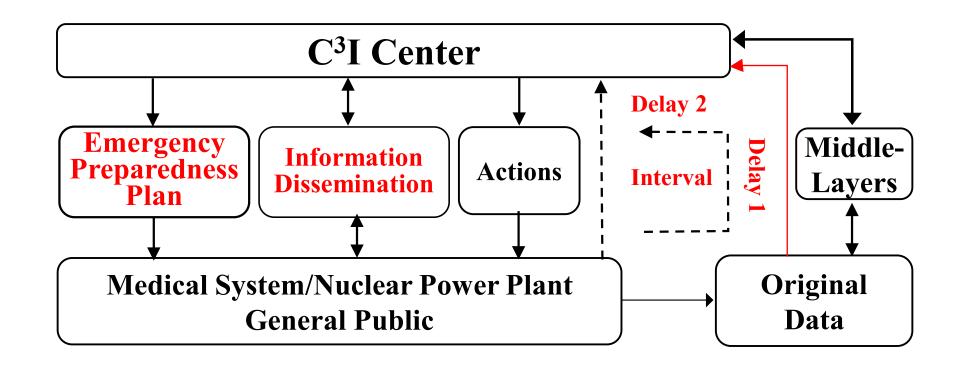


Source: European CDC, Eurostat, OECD and individual national statistics agencies

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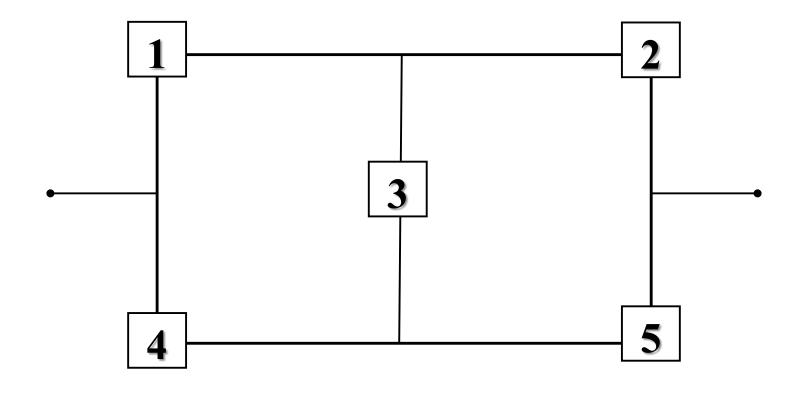
Note: Limited testing and challenges in the attribution of the cause of death means that the number of confirmed deaths may not be an accurate count of the true number of deaths from COVID-19. Data for China is not shown given the earlier timing of its economic downturn. The country saw positive growth of 3.2% in Q2 preceded by a fall of 6.8% in Q1.





An ideal surveillance-response system for pandemic outbreaks and nuclear power plant accidents





A complex system configuration



### **Identifying Critical Elements**

Identifying the critical elements that impact the spread of infectious diseases is just as important as identifying the critical elements in the fault tree of operating nuclear power plants. Such an adoption could greatly reduce the infection rate in highly susceptible communities.

The C<sup>3</sup>I team requires input from engineers, and expertise in infectious diseases, bio-informatics, behaviour science, quality assurance in addition to public health.



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