

**Why do we care about mechanisms?
Developing Countries Perspective
Asthma in the Workplace**

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Nutmeg Workers

- Complex exposure: Dust, Mold, Pesticide
- Complex diseases



Gaps

- Lack of routinely collected data (surveillance system) for any risk factors (unique exposures)
 - Occupational
 - Environmental
- Lack of standard diagnostic methodology
- Lack of human resources
- Lack of infrastructure
- Lack of international support
- Lack of establish networks

Solutions?

- Human capacity?
- Physical capacity (laboratory, equipment)?
- Organizational capacity?
- Research capacity?