

The next outbreak? We're not ready

Today virus outbreak is more dangerous than a nuclear war.

Have tools, but lack of people and investment.

Outbreak prevention

Better to prevent outbreaks than deal with the disease.

Tools to be implemented.

- we used to think that nuclear war is a disaster, but nowadays catastrophe looks like a virus.
- very little amount of money invested in epidemic prevention
- 2015 Ebola outbreak; no healthcare providers ready to go, delayed reports → too slow, lack of workers, 100 people died
- life is different from movies: many things could be done during the outbreak were never done.
- SARS break did not spread to urban areas as Ebola does not spread through air
- Spanish flu spread through air, outbreak in 1918, 33M people died
- we have tools, but need to put them in the system:
 1. strong hc system in poor countries
 2. medical reserve corps →
 3. with military units
 4. simulations → germ games
 5. investment.

SARS breaks are dangerous and hard to prevent, but with the right training and investment, people can be prepared for the next epidemic.