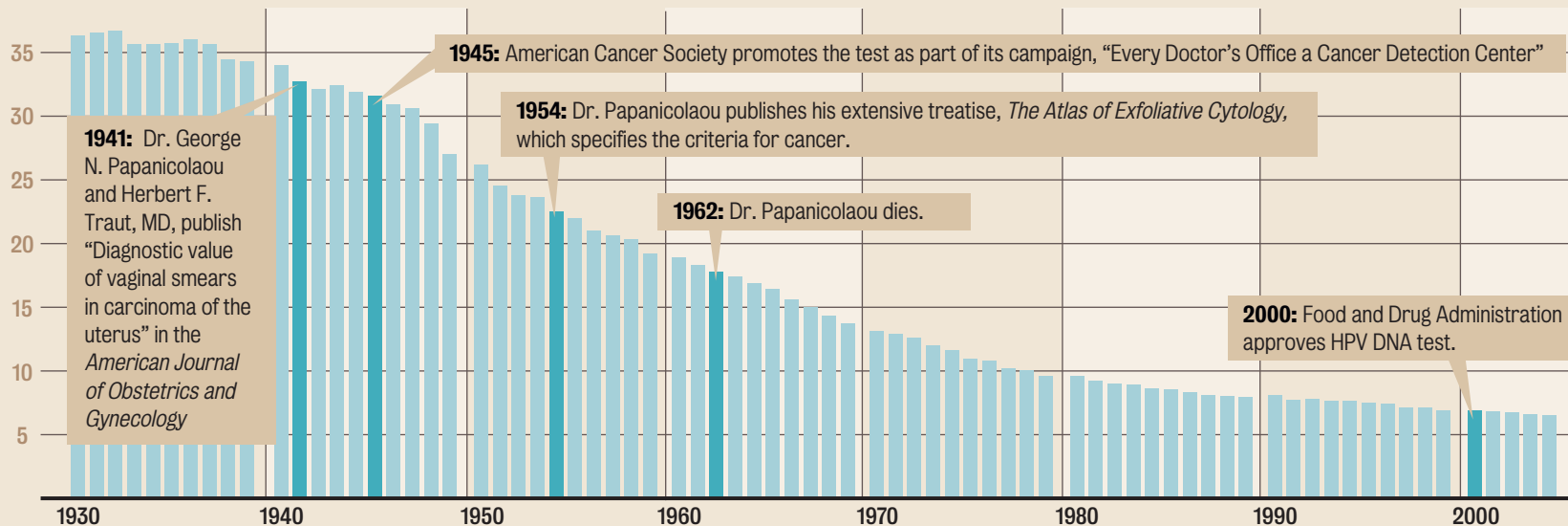


MEASURING THE IMPACT

The Pap smear is credited with significantly decreasing the death rate from cervical cancer. Mortality rates for this disease alone are not available for all years, but the combined rates for this carcinoma along with uterine cancer went down by 82% from 1931 to 2004.

AGE-ADJUSTED DEATH RATE PER 100,000 (cervical and uterine cancer)



SOURCE: AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION