

Geospatial considerations of VBD transmission

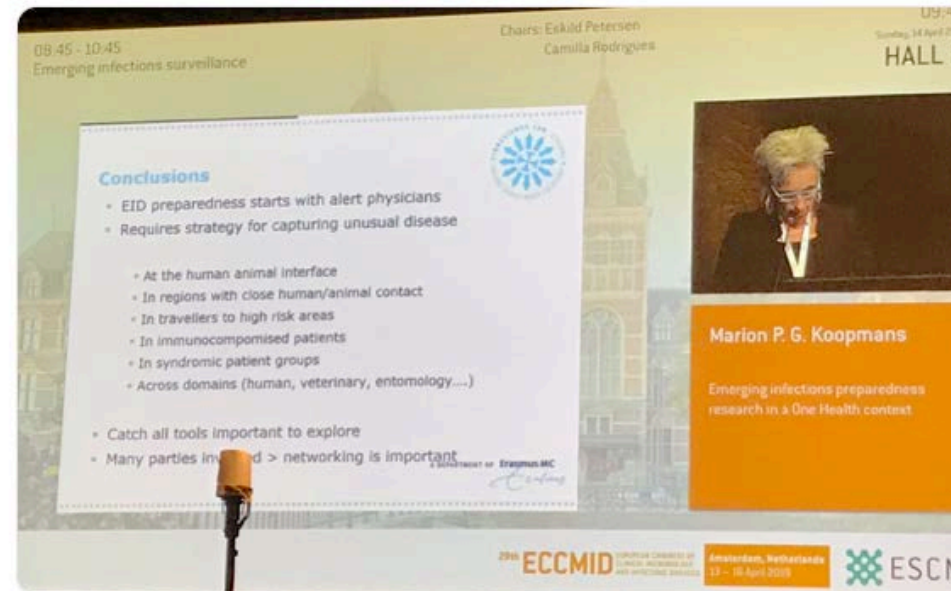
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Surveillance of VBD



.@MarionKoopmans “Emerging infectious diseases surveillance starts with alert physicians”. #ECCMID2019



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- Why are clinicians often the first step to detection? Why not arthropod surveillance?
- We only find what we're looking for:
 - Knowledge (what's next? In what mosquito? Maybe a tick?)
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Dengue

Chikungunya

Zika

Yellow Fever

Eastern equine encephalomyelitis

St. Louis Encephalitis

West Nile

Mayaro

Usutu

Spondweni

Oropouche

Bunyamwera

Ngari

Rift Valley Fever

African Swine Fever

Tick-borne Encephalitis

Zika virus

- Detection in the Americas – difficult because *everything looks the same*

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Aches & Pains
Tiredness
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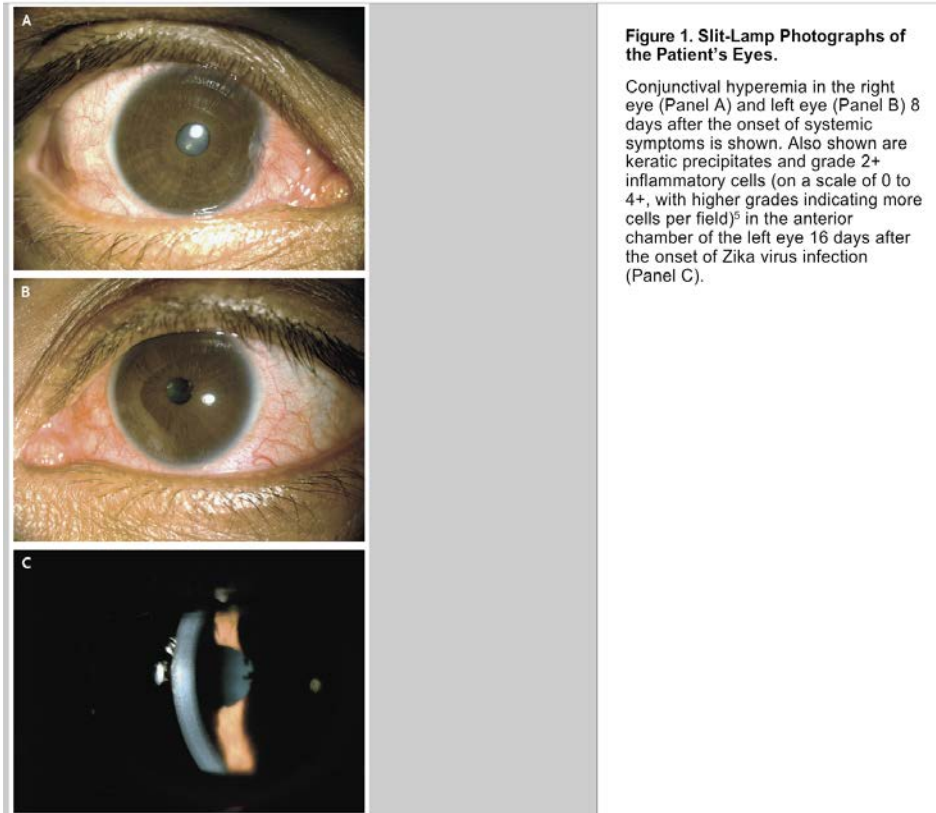
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Dengue-like illness with conjunctivitis


Not characteristic of either dengue or chikungunya


Also, as the outbreak progresses, we get better at distinguishing the rash

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- Targeted **proactive** arthropod surveillance (Ta**P**AS) model

Dictionary

Search for a word 

 ta·pas
/tapəs/

noun

small Spanish savory dishes, typically served with drinks at a bar.
"a tapas bar"

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2. Develop pan-group molecular detection tests

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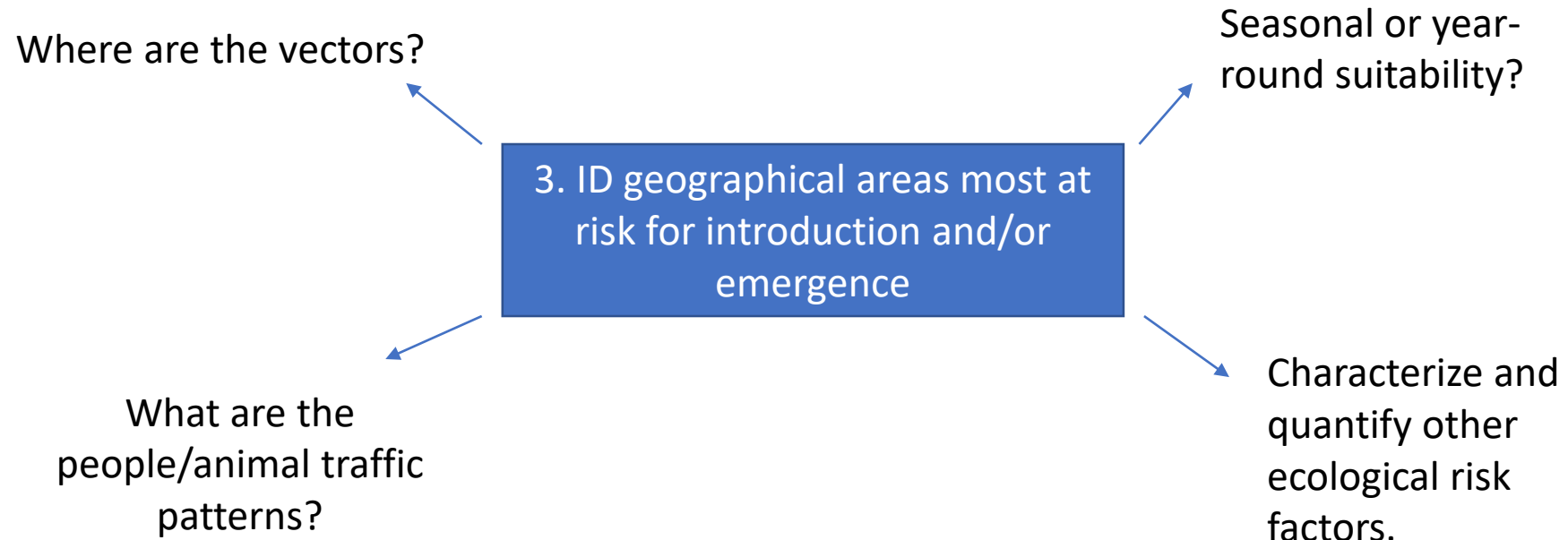
What has or is currently circulating globally in efficient systems?

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PCR-based in all likelihood

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- a) Cost-benefit analysis
- b) Public support

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- c) Integrate into existing workflows

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Everybody wins!

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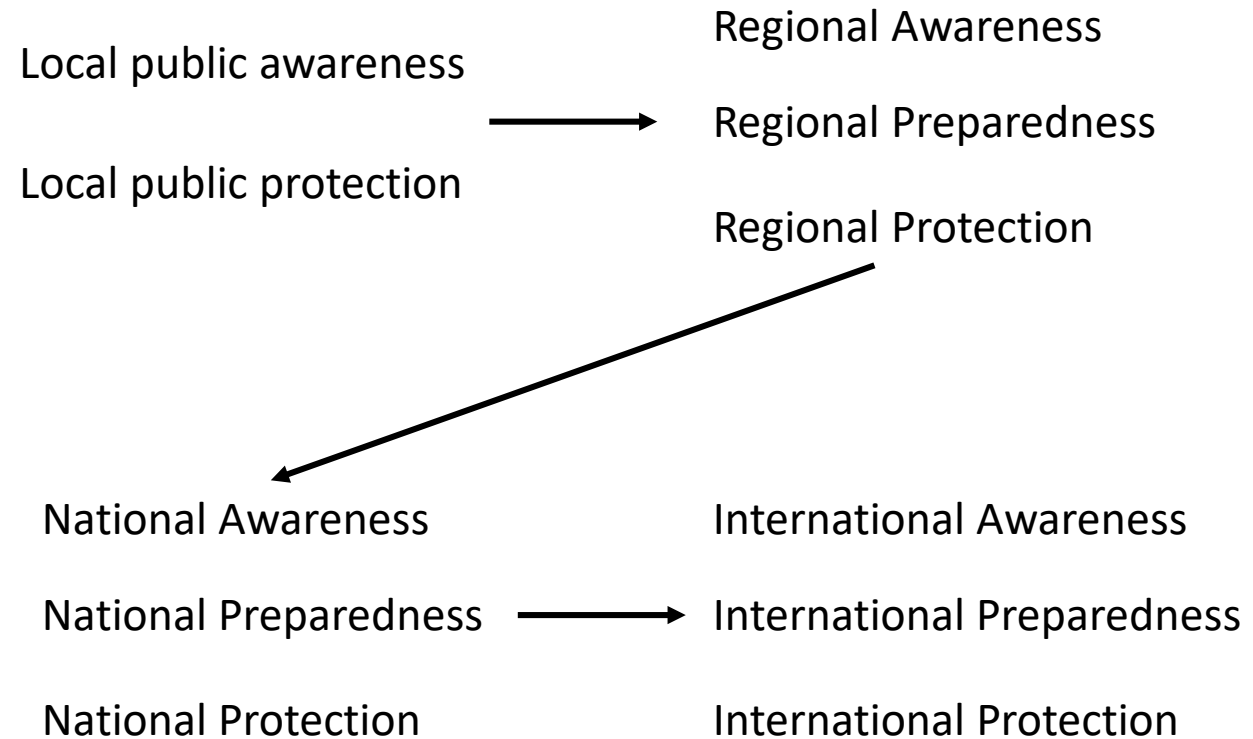
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Realizing TaPAS

The most important factor for success:

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Characterization of local and international arboviral threats:

1. Potential for being zoonoses / human pathogens
2. Arbovirus ecology
 1. Vectors
 2. Viral:vector interactions
 3. Environmental constraints
3. Potential expanded ecologies in disparate geographical areas
 1. Potential reservoirs
 2. Secondary vectors present in “new” area