Know thy system The 'known knowns' and the 'known unknowns' of VBD

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Dick et al. Am. J. Trop. Med. Hyg. 2012

YEAR 2005 ARGENTINA 26,612 BOLIVIA 84,047 MEXICO 249,763 COLOMBIA 51,543 VENEZUELA 65,569 BRAZIL 528,863

2008







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Countries, territories and areas showing the distribution of Zika virus, 2013 - 2016



Courtesy of Drs Vicari& Aldighieri, PAHO -Health Emergencies Department







Salje et al. Science. 2017

Vector-borne diseases

- Known unknowns
 - VBD continue to be public health threats what?
 - Interconnectivity of the global population means transmission /introduction is a flight away – where?
 - Urbanization and vector habitat suitability increasing worldwide who?
 - Viral and vector pheno- and genotype diversity can be high how?
 - Affects control efforts and efficacy testing of such why?

Known Knowns and Known Unknowns

- 1977 meeting in SE Asia to discuss DENV research
- 2019 meeting in SE Asia to discuss DENV and other VBD research





Vector-borne diseases

- One of the focuses of my lab:
 - Extrinsic and intrinsic factors that affect transmission and risk of arbovirus (more broadly, VBD) infections. Specifically:
 - vector:virus interactions
 - vector:host interactions





Vectorial capacity



Anderson, J.T., R., Rico-Hesse. 2006. Aedes aegypti vectorial capacity is determined by the infecting genotype of dengue virus. American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene. 75(5):886-892

Vectorial capacity



- 1. Vector competence/ EIP
- 2. Mosquito mortality
- 3. Biting Rate



Question: What is the interplay between virus:vector kinetics and vector life traits?

- Affected mosquitoes at different day-postemergence
- Difference in EIP50 among age groups?
- Difference in mortality between infected/uninfected?



Mortality & Vector competence

• Average time to death ~ 25 days



Treatment	dpi (Age)	% Transmission (n)
ΖΙΚΥ	5 (10)	0 (10)
	8 (13)	0 (10)
	11 (16)	10 (10)
	12 (17)	10 (10)
	15 (20)	10 (10)
	18 (23)	60 (10)
	23 (28)	60 (10)
M.ZIKV	5 (17)	0 (10)
	8 (20)	0 (10)
	11 (23)	0 (10)
	16 (28)	0 (10)
S.ZIKV	5 (17)	0 (10)
	8 (20)	0 (10)
	11 (23)	10 (10)
	16 (28)	0 (10)

- No differences observed in EIP among treatments
- EIP₅₀ ~ 18 days

Biting rate

- No differences among treatments
- Apparent age effect





Age-structured vectorial capacity equation

$$VC_{age} = \frac{m(z_{age}a_{age} * z_i a_i)b\prod_{1}^{i} p_i}{-\ln(p_{age})}$$



Age-structured vectorial capacity equation



Age-structured vectorial capacity equation

SCIENTIFIC REPORTS

OPEN First report on the application of near-infrared spectroscopy to predict the age of *Aedes albopictus* Skuse

Received: 27 October 2017 Accepted: 12 June 2018 Published online: 25 June 2018

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Check for updates

METHOD ARTICLE

Prediction of mosquito species and population age structure using mid-infrared spectroscopy and supervised machine learning [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]

Mario González Jiménez (D^{1*}, Simon A. Babayan^{2*}, Pegah Khazaeli¹, Margaret Doyle², Finlay Walton (D¹, Elliott Reedy¹, Thomas Glew¹, Mafalda Viana², Lisa Ranford-Cartwright (D², Abdoulaye Niang³, Doreen J. Siria⁴, Fredros O. Okumu (D^{2,4}, Abdoulaye Diabaté³, Heather M.

Ferguson², 🔀 Francesco Baldini 🍺², 🔀 Klaas Wynne 🍺¹

Vector-borne diseases

How will climate change add to the unknown?







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Climate change and DENV transmission



Climate change and DENV transmission





Climate change and transmission +1 °C +2 °C (A) Miami (B) Los Angeles (C) San Juan 1500 0.06 1500 within one year of initial introduction 1000 0.04 1000 cumulative reported incidence 0.02 500 500 0 0 0 Feb May Aug Nov Feb May Aug Nov Feb May Aug Nov (F) El Paso (D) Atlanta (E) New Orleans 1500 1500 100 1000 1000 50 500 500 0 0 0 Feb May Aug Nov Feb May Aug Nov Feb May Aug Nov time of initial introduction

Climate change and transmission



Climate change and transmission

- Assumptions (selected):
 - No phenotypic diversity in either mosquito or virus
 - Biting Rate not age-specific
 - No age-structure in the model
- Meaning:
 - We have an idea of what could happen



Climate Change

• Other effects

PLOS NEGLECTED TROPICAL DISEASES

RESEARCH ARTICLE Loss of cytoplasmic incompatibility in Wolbachia-infected Aedes aegypti under field conditions

Perran A. Rosso¹*, Scott A. Ritchie^{2,3}, Jason K. Axford¹, Ary A. Hoffmann¹



Tropical Medicine and Infectious Disease



Article

Cross-Generational Effects of Heat Stress on Fitness and Wolbachia Density in Aedes aegypti Mosquitoes

Isabelle Jia-Hui Foo^{1,2}, Ary A. Hoffmann² and Perran A. Ross^{2,*}

Summary

- What do we know?
 - We know what the threats are
 - We know (some of) the drivers of risk
 - We know the challenges

- What do we know we do not know?
 - Actual transmission rates
 - Nuances of effectors
 - Technicalities of how to address

Summary

- Unknown unknowns
 - The one everybody wants to know: What's next?



By Susan Scutti, CNN () Updated 12:27 PM ET, Mon March 12, 2018





Orthobunyaviruses in RVFV negative samples



*all cases of hemorrhagic fever were fatal

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