

Evolution of Emergence and Expansion of Zika virus; differences from Dengue and Chikungunya (and Yellow fever)

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Zika and Chikungunya Transmission Cycles

Cercopithecus spp. (Africa)

Pan troglodytes (Africa)

Papio spp. (Africa)

Erythrocybus patas (Africa)

Galago senegalensis (Africa) ??

Xerus erythropus (Africa) ??

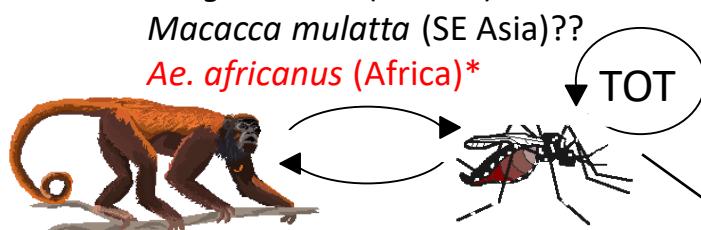
Scotophyllus spp (Africa) ??

Pongo borneo (SE Asia)??

Macacca mulatta (SE Asia)??

Ae. africanus (Africa)*

CHIKV



Ae. africanus (Africa)*

Ae. dalzieli (Africa)

Ae. furcifer (Africa)*

Ae. luteocephalus (Africa)*

Ae. vittatus (Africa)

ZIKV

Rhesus spp (Africa)

Chlorocebus sabaeus (Africa)

Cercopithecus spp (Africa)

Colobus guereza (Africa)

Erythrocebus patas (Africa)

Pongo borneo (SE Asia) ??

Ae. furcifer (Africa)*

Ae. dalzieli (Africa)

Ae. irritans (Africa)

Ae. luteocephalus (Africa)*

Ae. neoafricanus (Africa)

Ae. taylori (Africa)*

Ae. vittatus (Africa)

Ae. fulgens (Africa) ??

Ma. africana (Africa) ??

Anophelene spp

Culex spp.

??

Zone of emergence

Ae. apicoargenteus (Africa)

Ae. furcifer (Africa)*

Ae. hirsutus (Africa)

Ae. metallicus (Africa)

Ae. opok (Africa)

Ae. taylori (Africa)*

Ae. unilineatus (Africa)

Ma. uniformis (Africa)

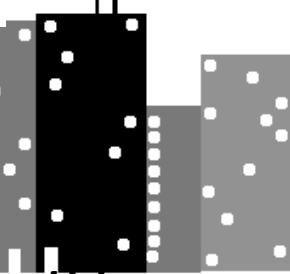
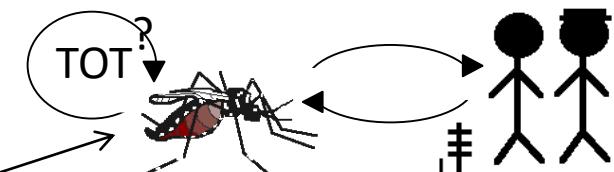
An. coustani (Africa)

Cx. perfuscus (Africa)

Homo sapiens

Ae. aegypti aegypti (global)

Ae. albopictus



Ae. aegypti aegypti (global)

Ae. albopictus ??

Ae. polynesiensis (Polynesia)

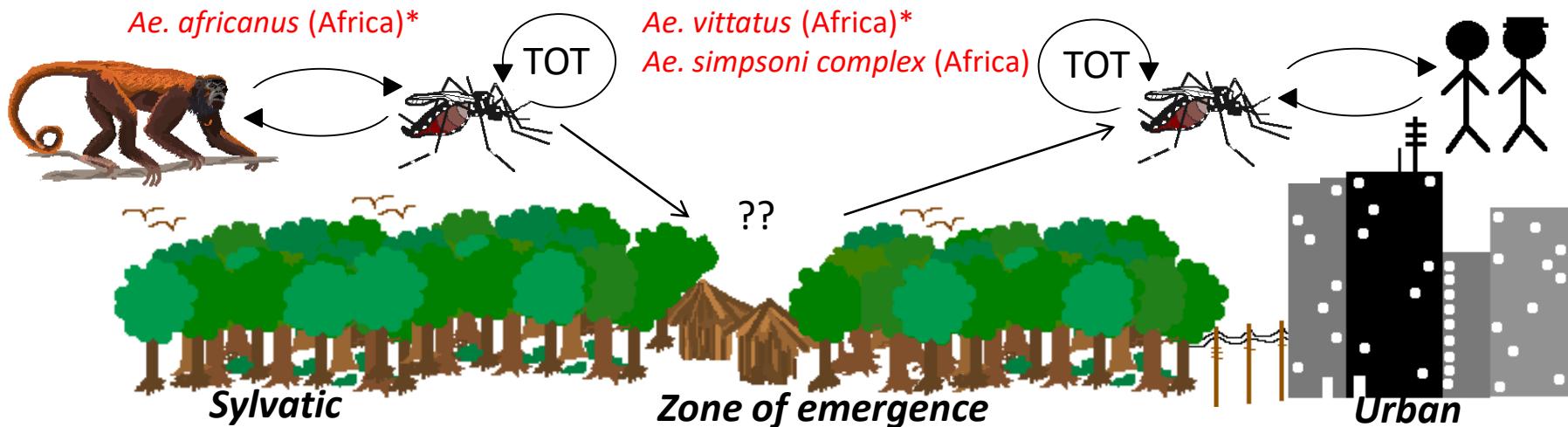
Ae. hensilii (Polynesia)

Homo sapiens

Dengue and Yellow Fever Transmission Cycles

YFV

- Alouatta spp* (S. America)
- Colobus spp* (Africa)
- Cercopithecus spp.* (Africa)
- G. senegalensis* (Africa)
- H. janthinomys* (S. America)
- H. leucocelaenus* (S. America)
- S. chloropterus* (S. America)
- Ae. africanus* (Africa)*



DENV

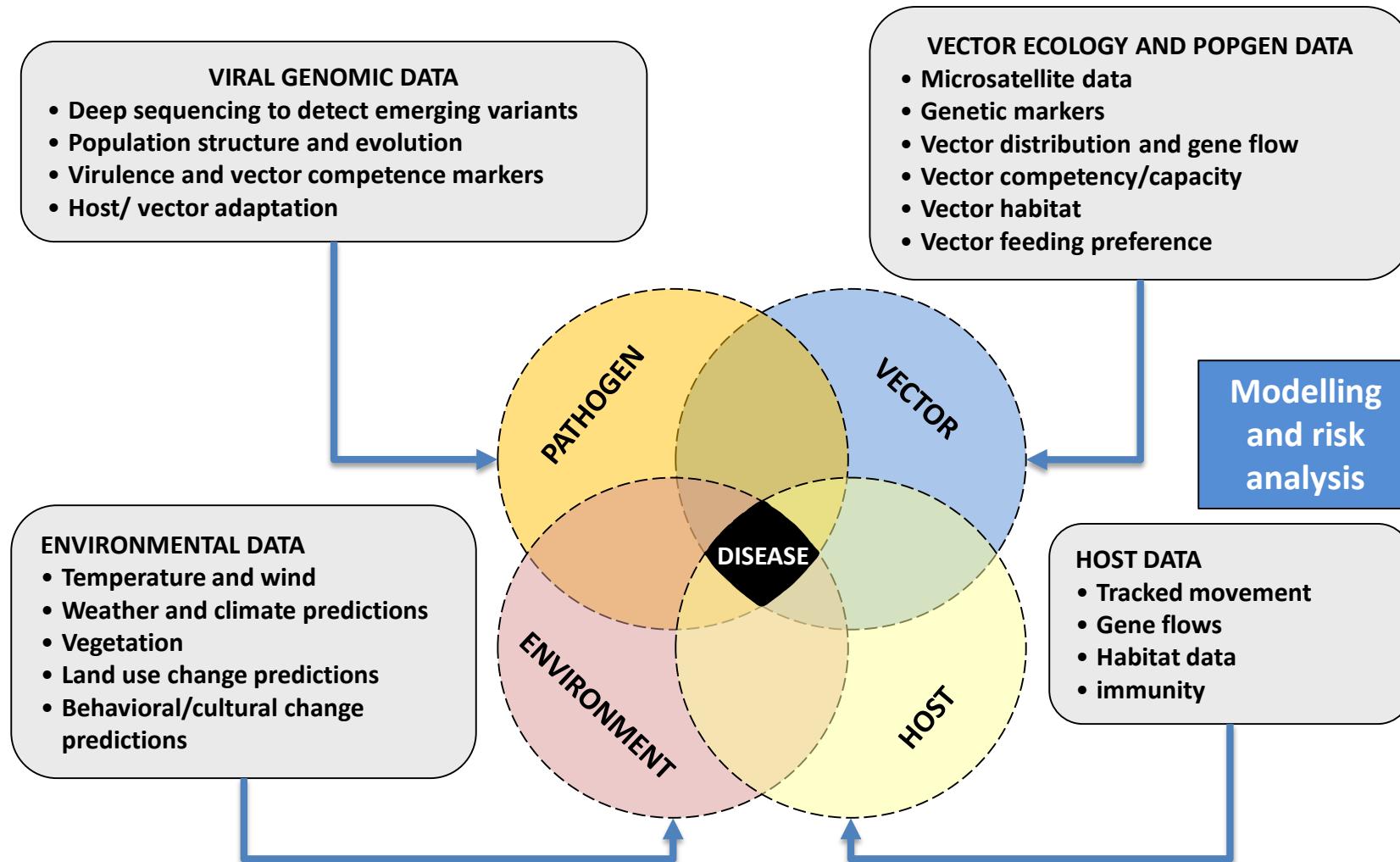
- Ae. luteocephalus* (Africa)
- Ae. furcifer* (Africa)
- Ae. niveus* spp. (SE Asia)
- Chlorocebus sabaeus* (Africa)
- Papio papio* (Africa)
- Erythrocebus patas* (Africa)
- Macaca fascicularis* (SE Asia)
- Macaca nemestrina* (SE Asia)
- Presbytis spp* (SE Asia)

- Ae. bromeliae* (Africa)
- Ae. furcifer* (Africa)*
- Ae. taylori* (Africa)*
- Ae. africanus* (Africa)
- Ae. luteocephalus* (Africa)*
- Ae. metallicus* (Africa)
- Ae. opok* (Africa)
- Ae. vittatus* (Africa)*
- Ae. simpsoni complex* (Africa)

- Homo sapiens*
- Ae. aegypti aegypti* (global)

- Ae. aegypti aegypti* (global)
- Ae. albopictus* (global)
- Ae. polynesiensis* (Polynesia)
- Homo sapiens*

Factors Influencing Virus Evolution Emergence



Mosquito Vectors

Aedes (Stegomyia) aegypti

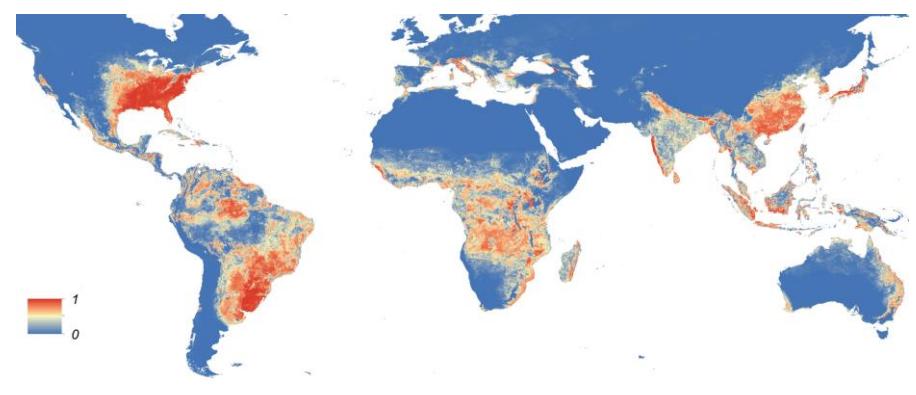
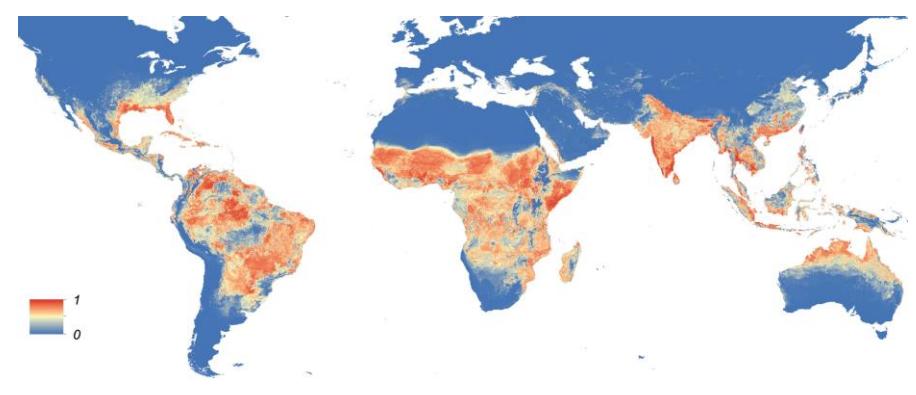


Originated in sub-Saharan Africa, spread throughout the tropics centuries ago from West Africa

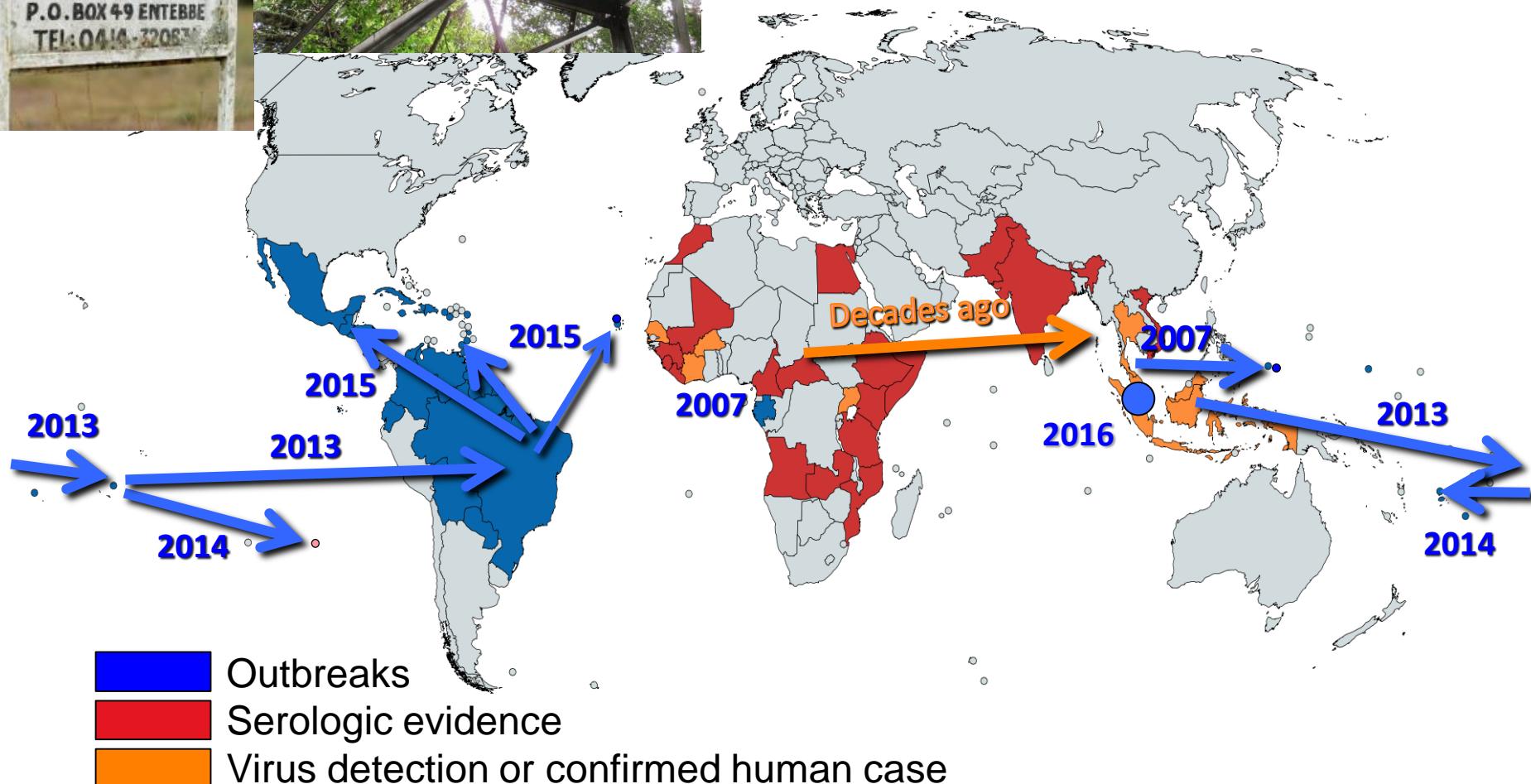
Aedes (Stegomyia) albopictus



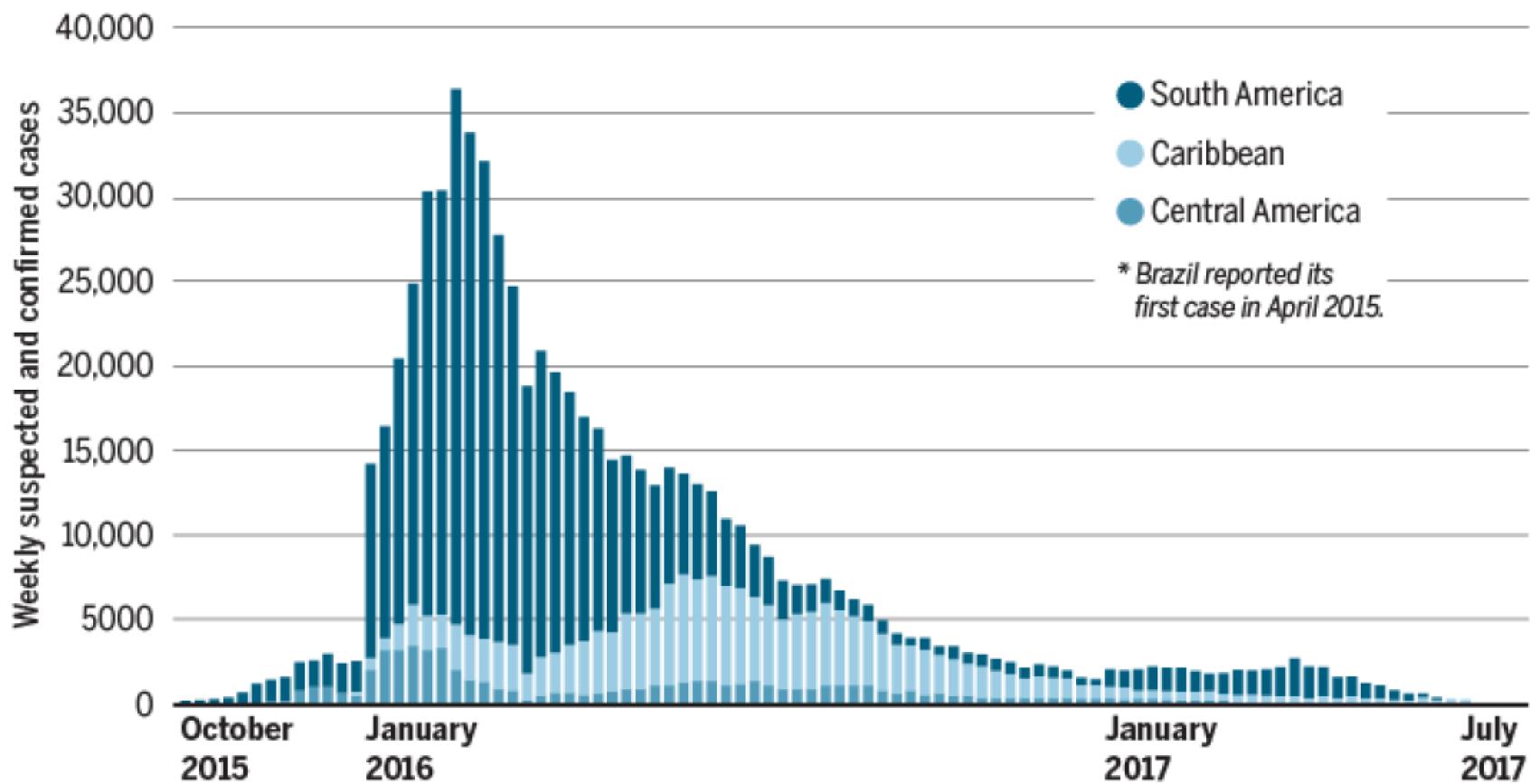
Originated in Asia, spread to the Americas, Africa and Europe beginning in 1985



Origin and Spread of Zika Virus



ZIKV Epidemic in the New World



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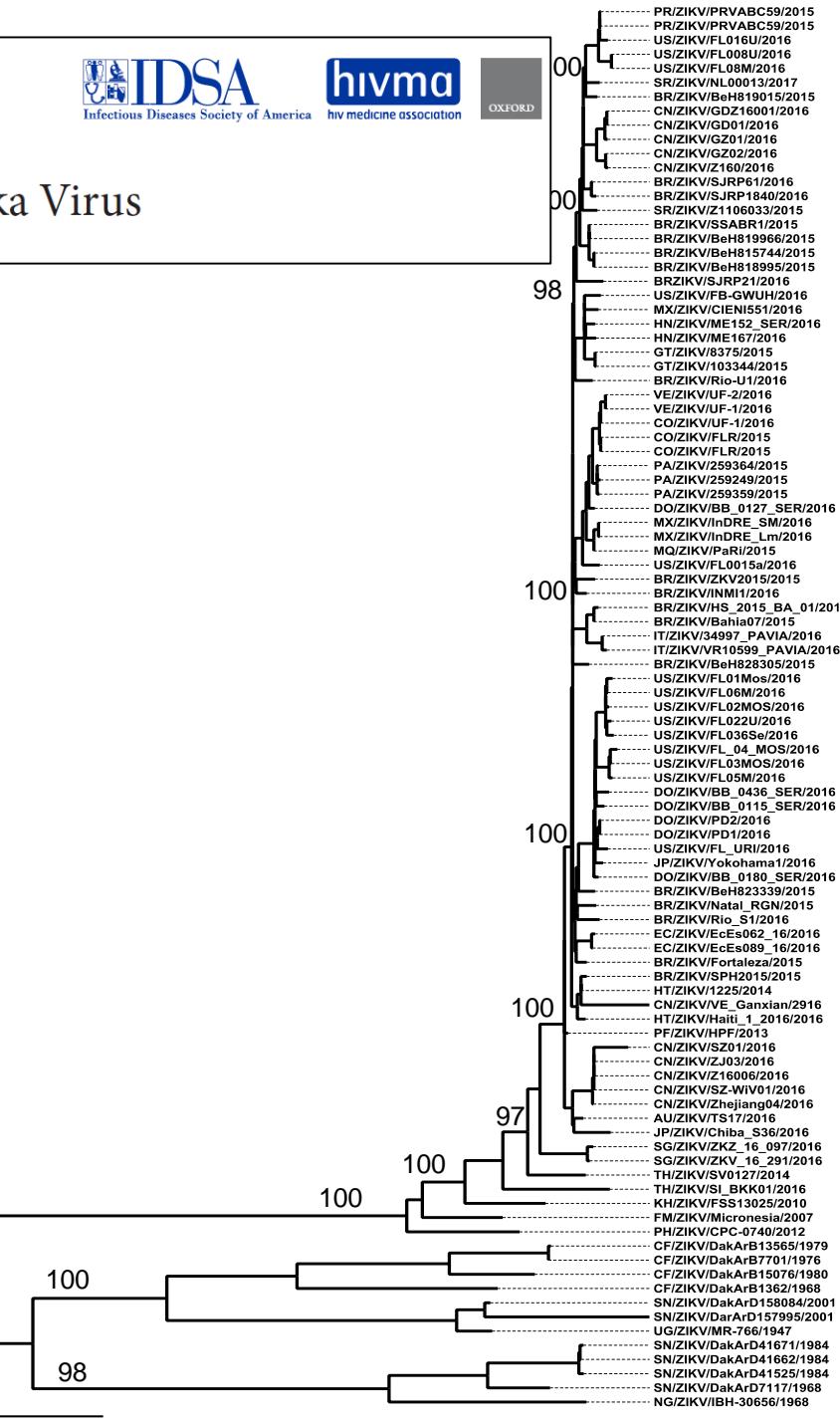
History and Emergence of Zika Virus

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American

Asian

African



Hypotheses For the Recent ZIKV Emergence

1. ZIKV underwent adaptive evolution to enhance infectivity of urban *Aedes (Stegomyia)* spp. vectors (like chikungunya virus, in which the Indian Ocean lineage underwent a series of *Ae. albopictus*-adaptive mutations from 2005-2009).
2. ZIKV underwent adaptive evolution to enhance human viremia (which would not only enhance transmission efficiency, but could increase the risk of transplacental fetal transmission).
3. The stochastic introduction of ZIKV into naïve populations in the South Pacific allowed for sufficient levels of amplification to facilitate the introduction into Brazil (assisted by increased global travel, expansion of tropical cities and *Ae. aegypti* populations; e.g. no change or difference among ZIKV strains in epidemic potential or virulence).

ZIKV Evolution for Urban Transmission and increased Virulence?

LETTER

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Evolutionary enhancement of Zika virus infectivity in *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes

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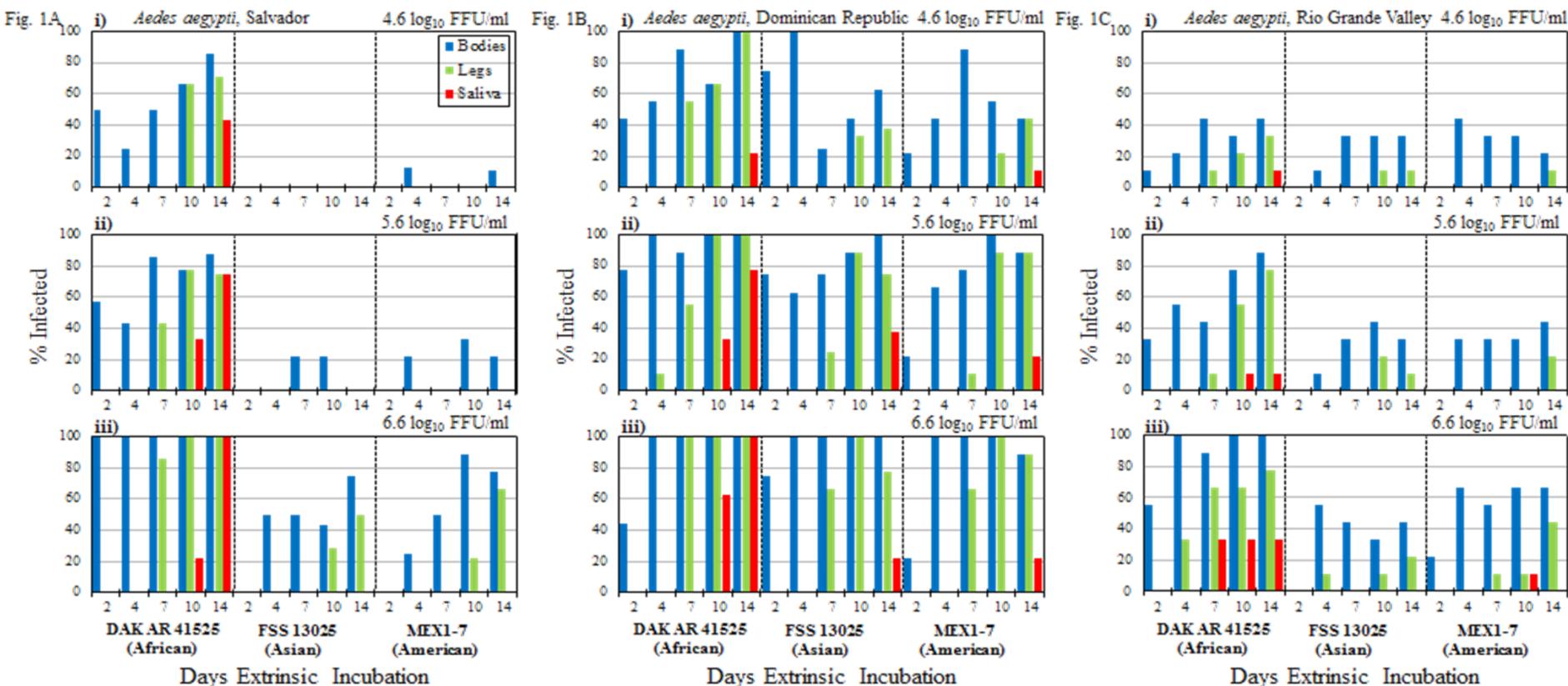
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A single mutation in the prM protein of Zika virus contributes to fetal microcephaly

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Variation in *Aedes aegypti* Mosquito Competence for Zika Virus Transmission

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African ZIKV strains are typically more infectious for *Ae. aegypti* and more virulent for mice than Asian or American strains

Could the introduction of an African ZIKV strain lead to another major outbreak with a higher incidence of severe outcomes?

Cx. quinquefasciatus as a potential ZIKV vector?

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Zika virus replication in the mosquito *Culex quinquefasciatus* in Brazil

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***Culex pipiens quinquefasciatus*: a potential vector to transmit Zika virus**

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1. “The Cts of the (Recife) *Cx. quinquefasciatus*-positive pools when screened by RT-qPCR were 37.6 (sample 5), 38.0 (sample 17) and 38.15 (sample 163).”

2. These titers are several orders of magnitude lower than transmission-competent *Ae. aegypti* or *Ae. albopictus*.

3. Some populations of *Cx. quinquefasciatus* may be competent vectors but vectorial capacity has not been demonstrated based on serial human biting.

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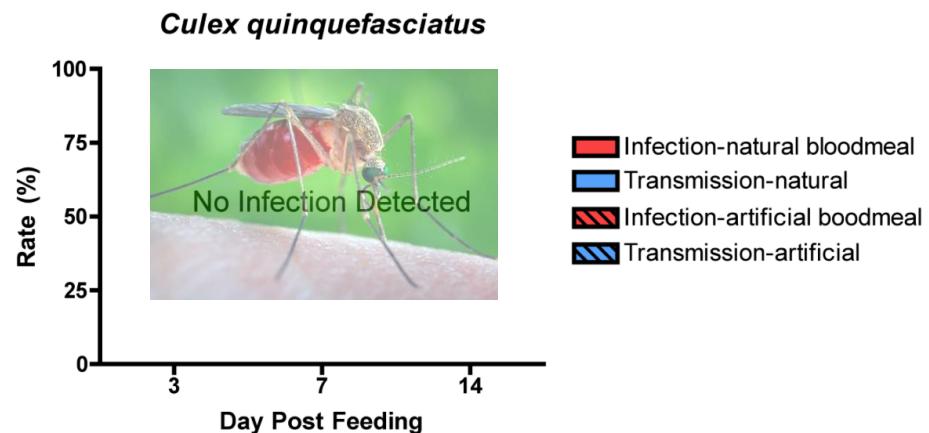
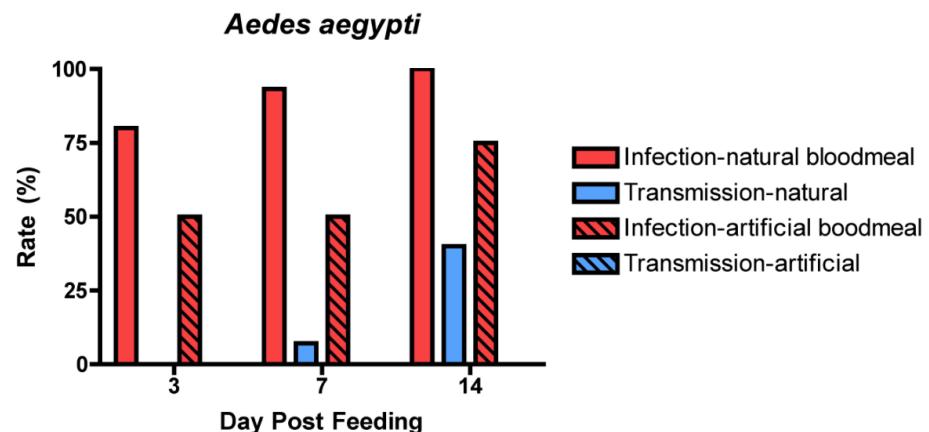
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Amraoui, F., et al., 2016. *Culex* mosquitoes are experimentally unable to transmit Zika virus. Euro Surveill 21.

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Direct Incrimination of *Ae. aegypti* but not *Cx. quinquefasciatus* during epidemic ZIKV transmission

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Outbreak of Zika Virus Infection, Chiapas State, Mexico, 2015, and First Confirmed Transmission by *Aedes aegypti* Mosquitoes in the Americas

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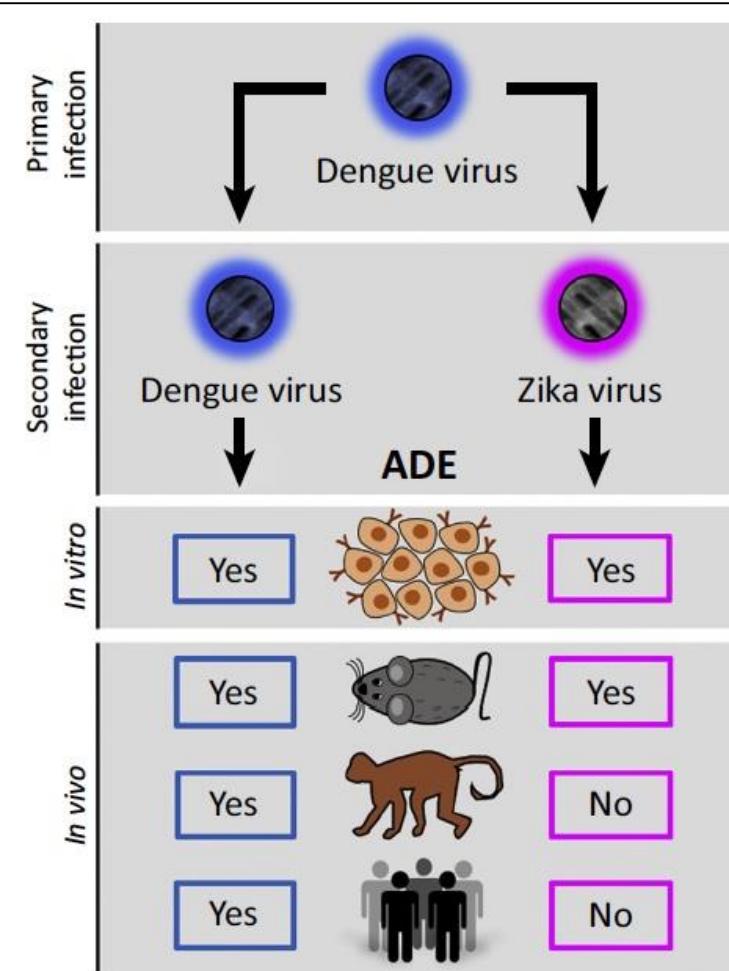
- Of 796 mosquitoes collected in and around the homes of Zika patients, *Aedes aegypti* yielded ZIKV detection by RT-PCR in 15 of 55 pools (27.3%).
- No ZIKV was detected in *Culex quinquefasciatus* mosquitoes, which were similar in abundance to *Ae. aegypti*.



ZIKV Evolution for Urban Transmission and increased Virulence?

A Tale of Two Viruses: Does Heterologous Flavivirus Immunity Enhance Zika Disease?

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ZIKA VIRUS

Enhancement of Zika virus pathogenesis by preexisting antiflavivirus immunity

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Zika virus pathogenesis in rhesus macaques is unaffected by pre-existing immunity to dengue virus

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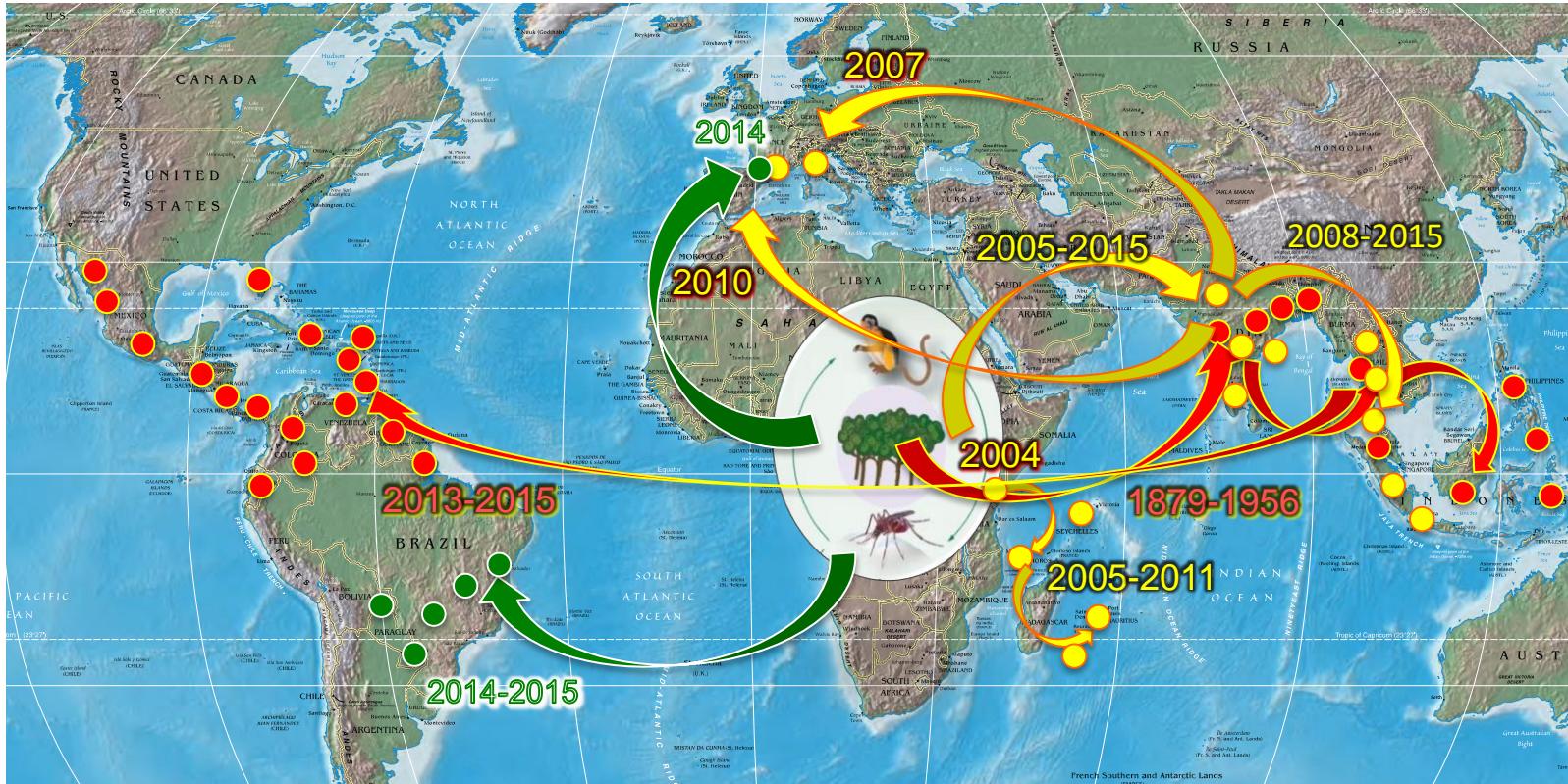
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Viral Load and Cytokine Response Profile Does Not Support Antibody-Dependent Enhancement in Dengue-Primed Zika Virus-Infected Patients

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Origin and Spread of CHIKV

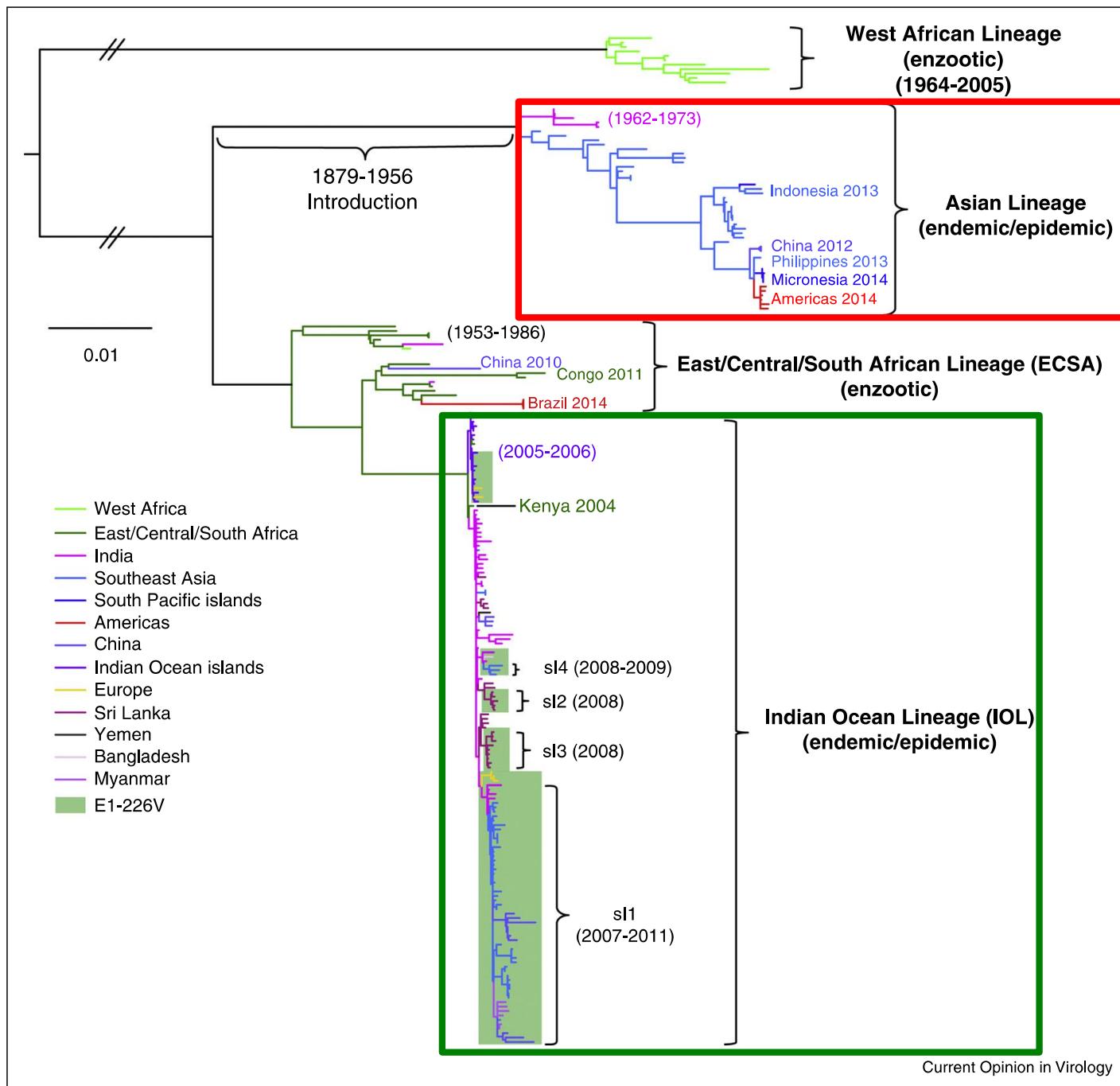


ECSA lineage

Asian lineage

Indian Ocean Lineage

E1-A226V only found in IOL



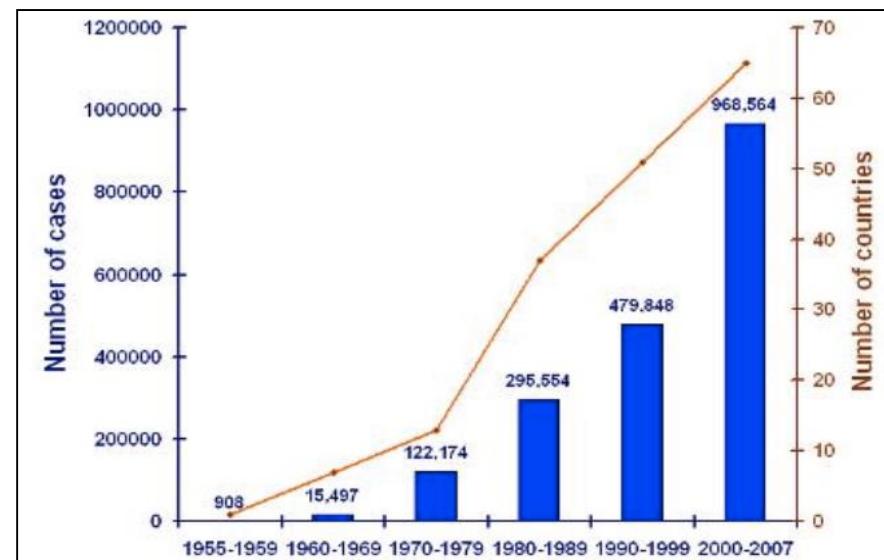
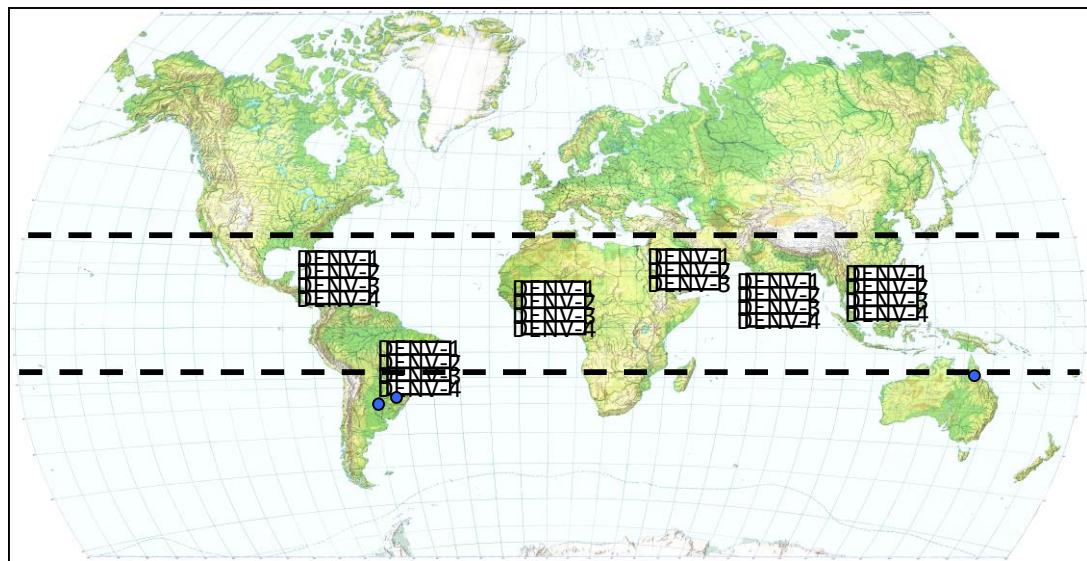
Ae. albopictus - Adaptive Mutations

Lineage	First appearance	Protein	Substitution	Fitness for <i>Ae. albopictus</i> infection	Fitness for <i>Ae. aegypti</i> infection
IOL	2005	E1	A226V	40-fold increase	Slight decrease
IOL (SL1)	2007	E2	K252Q	8-fold increase	No effect
IOL (SL2 partial)	2008	E2	K233E	6-fold increase	No effect
IOL (SL3B)	2008	E2/E3	R198Q/S18F (synergistic)	16-fold increase	No effect
IOL (SL4)	2009	E2	L210Q	5-fold increase	No effect
Asian	Never	E1	A226V	No effect	Not done
Asian	Never	E2	K252Q	decrease	Slight increase
Asian	Never	E2	K233E	decrease	Slight increase
Asian	Never	E2/E3	R198Q/S18F (synergistic)	decrease	Slight decrease
Asian	Never	E2	L210Q	decrease	Not done

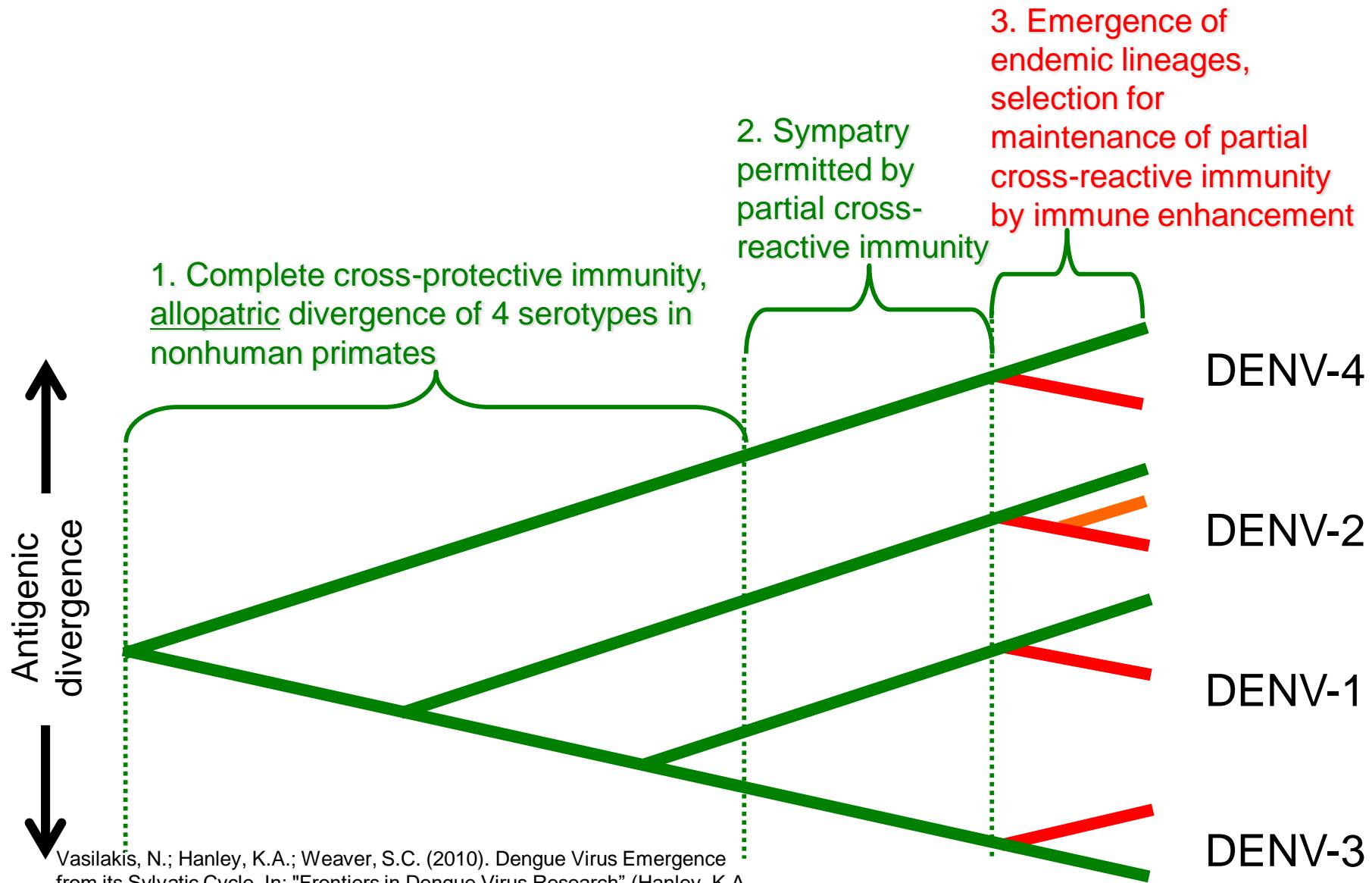
None of the E2 mutations depend on E1-226V for penetrance

Dengue

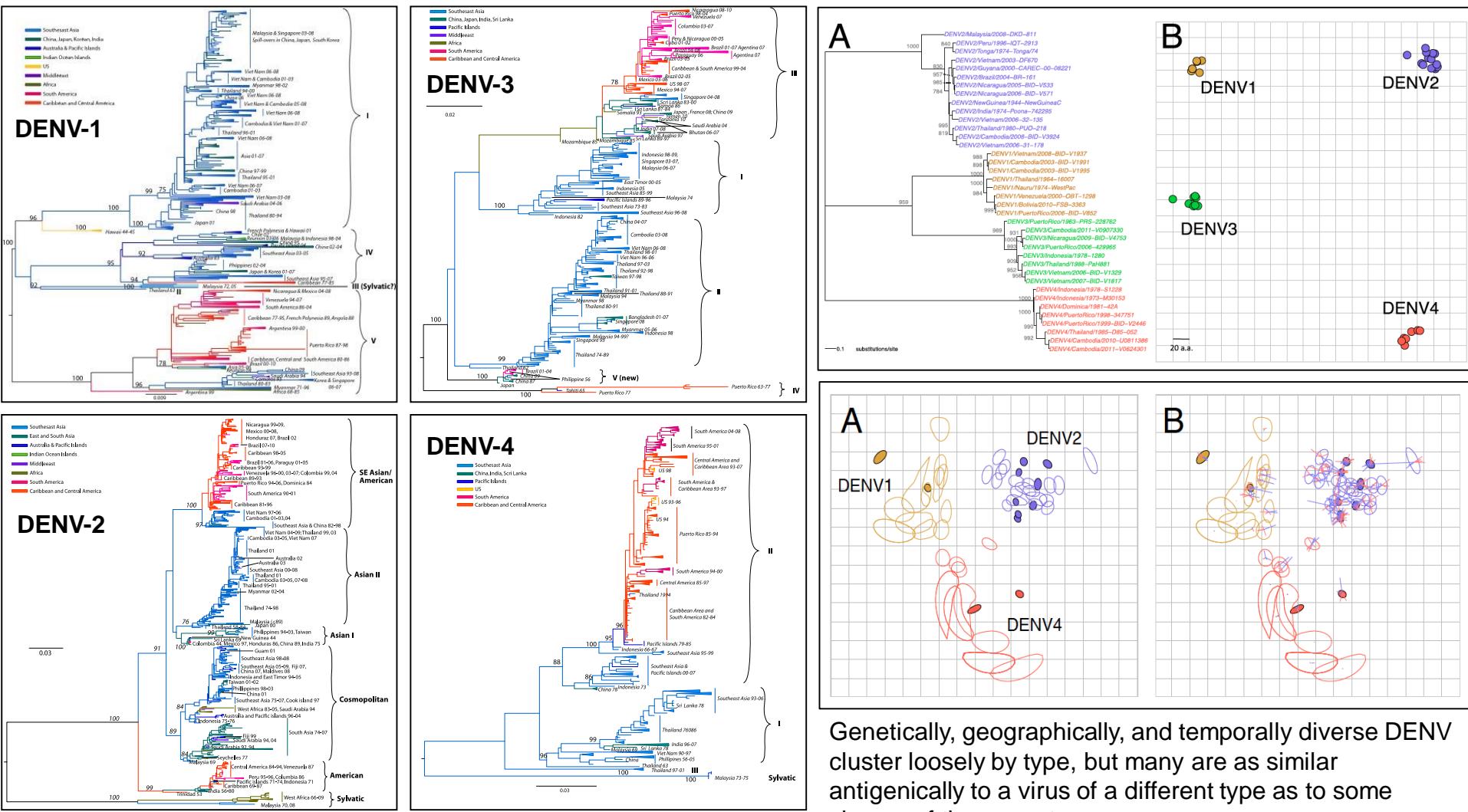
- Over 2.5 billion people – over 40% of the world's population – are at risk, estimated 390 mil infections annually.
- Rapid, unplanned urbanization, air travel, increasing populations of *Ae. aegypti* and contact with people
- Increased transmission and human travel have led to hyperendemicity
- Infection predisposes individuals to DHF upon secondary, heterotypic infection.
- Without proper treatment, DHF case fatality rate can exceed 20%.
- First vaccine (Sanofi-Pasteur) licensed in several countries



Phases of DENV Evolution



DENV Diversity



Genetically, geographically, and temporally diverse DENV cluster loosely by type, but many are as similar antigenically to a virus of a different type as to some viruses of the same type

Dengue Virus Emergence

1. Did dengue emergence depend on adaptation to human reservoir hosts or peridomestic mosquito vectors?

Experimental studies do not support adaptation to peridomestic vectors or human reservoir hosts. Vasilakis et al. (2007). *Virology* 358:402-412; Hanley et al. *EID* (in peer review)

2. Do evolutionary processes among sylvatic DENV-2 facilitate emergence?

Sylvatic DENV evolves in a similar manner to human DENV, and the dynamics of mutation, replication and selection are similar across its host range.

Vasilakis et al (2007). *J. Virol* 81:9591 – 9595

3. Could sylvatic DENV re-emerge? Do unrecognized spill over epidemics occur in urban settings?

Yes, congruent with amplification cycles.

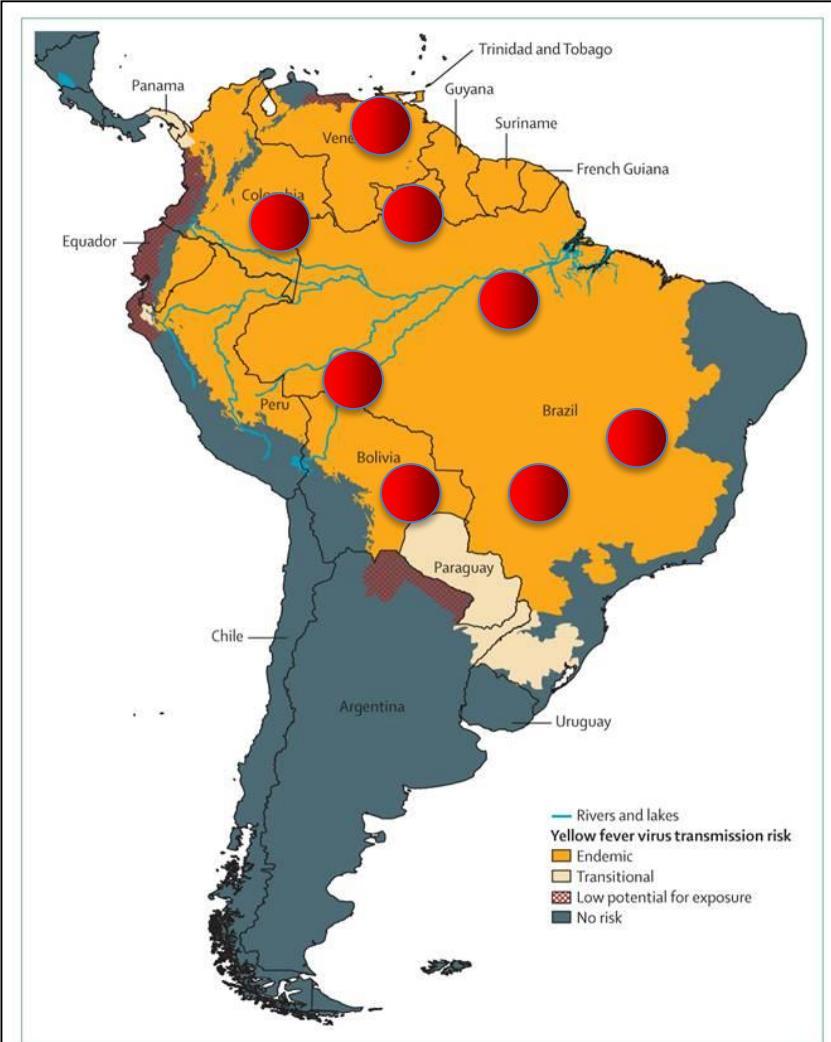
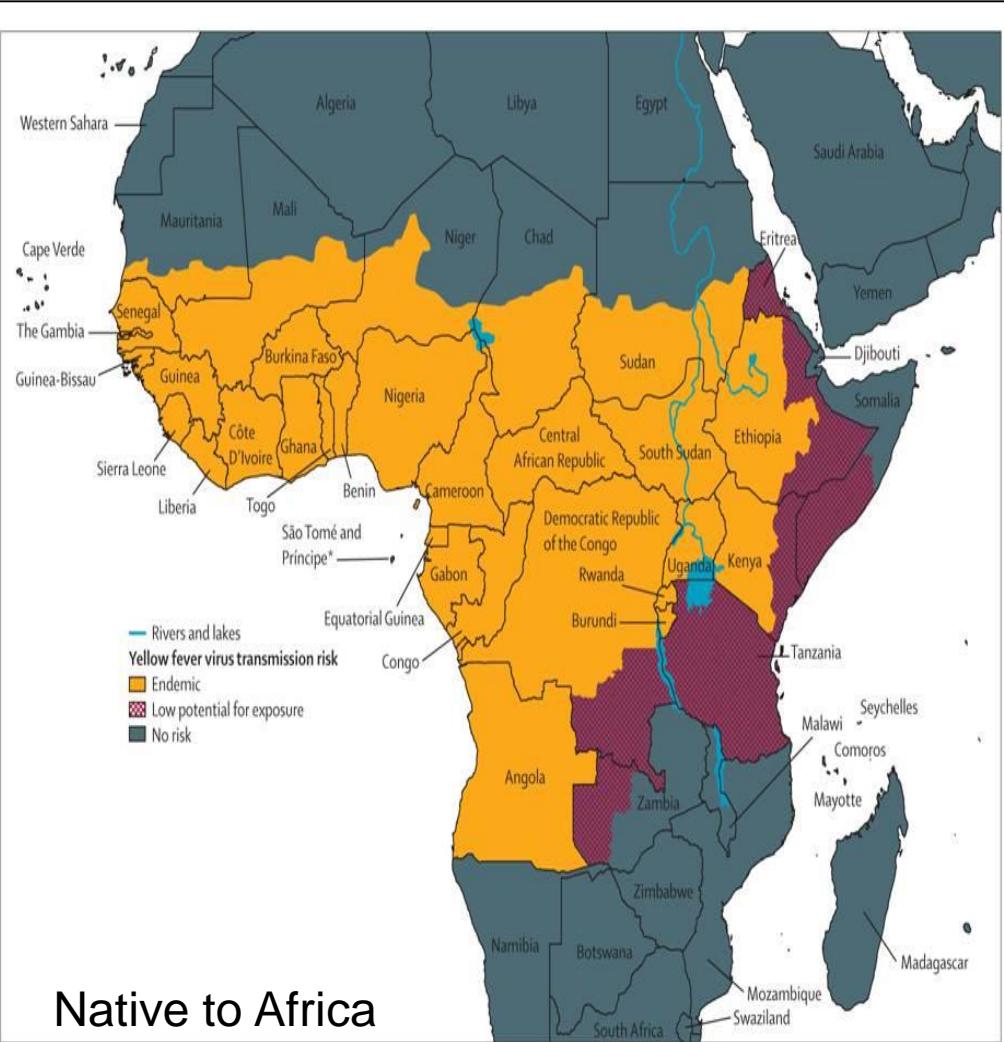
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4. How easily can dengue re-emerge from the sylvatic cycle in the face of natural immunity or vaccination?

Emergence potential of sylvatic DENV is restrained by vaccination and homotypic immunity. Vasilakis et al. (2008). *Am. J. Trop. Med. Hyg.* 79:128 – 132; Durbin et al. (2013). *Virology* 439:34 - 41

Sylvatic dengue can re-emerge into the human transmission cycle at any time!

Yellow Fever

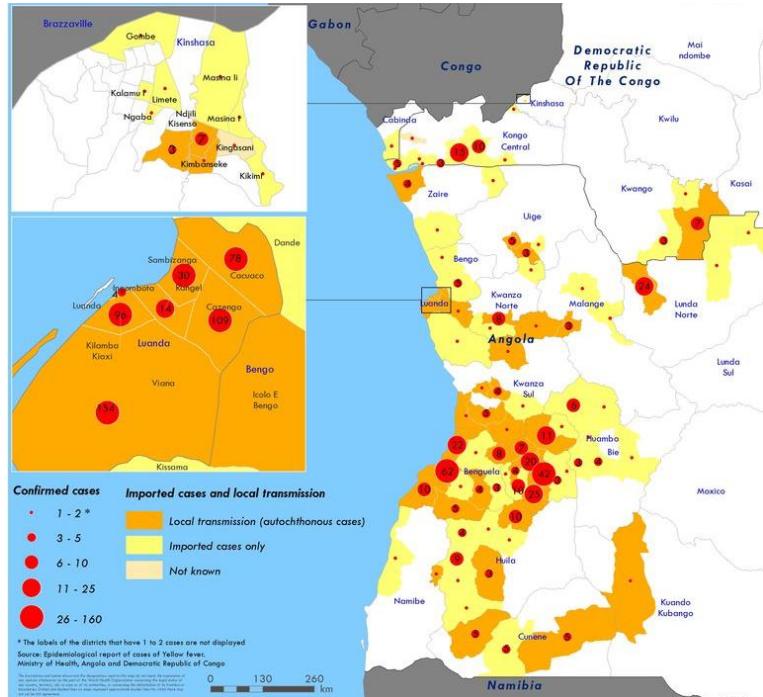


Native to Africa

Recent/current Yellow Fever Outbreaks

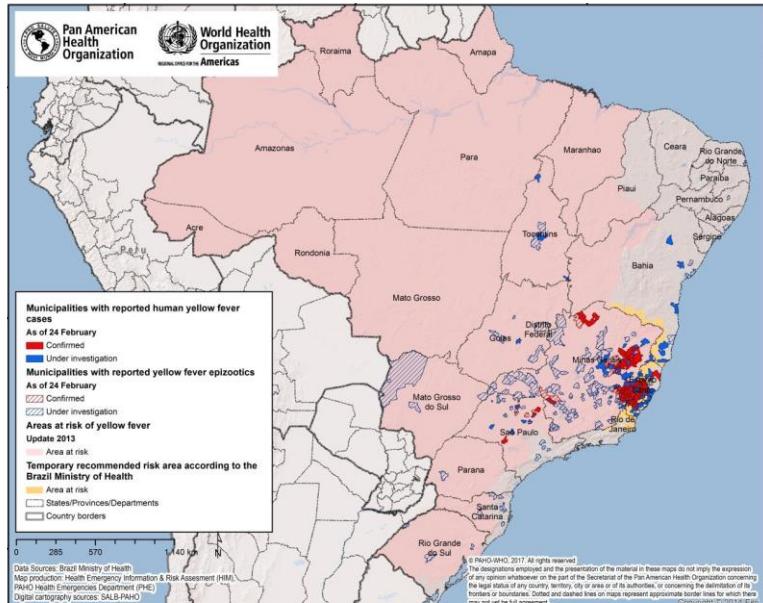
Africa

- December, 2015-June, 2016, urban transmission mainly by *A. aegypti*
 - 884 confirmed cases, 381 fatal, Angola and DR Congo
 - Exported cases as far as China (risk for establishment?)
 - 12M doses of 17D vaccine distributed (19M requested, shortage led to dose sparing to 1/5 normal amount)



Brazil

- December 2016-present, epizootic spillover infections, 916 suspected, 326 confirmed cases, 109 of these fatal
 - Potentially high risk for initiation of urban transmission
 - Limited vaccine coverage in major urban centers highly permissive for dengue, Zika, chikungunya



Emergence into the urban transmission cycle: Comparisons with DENV, CHIKV, YFV

1. Yellow fever virus: Originated in Africa and emerged into the urban cycle following the domestication of *Ae. aegypti*; transport of *Ae. aegypti* and infected persons aboard sailing ships centuries ago, especially during the slave trade, resulted in regular introductions into the Americas and establishment of enzootic circulation (but why not in Asia?)
2. Dengue viruses: Originated in Southeast Asia, diversified into 4-5 serotypes while still in the enzootic cycle (possibly selected by immune enhancement). Enzootic spillover and emergence into the urban cycles followed by transport throughout the tropics on sailing ships centuries ago; spillback of DENV-2 into an enzootic cycle in West Africa (but why not in the Americas?)
3. Chikungunya virus: Originated in Africa and emerged repeatedly into the urban cycle following the domestication of *Ae. aegypti* there; transport of *Ae. aegypti* and infected persons aboard sailing ships resulted in regular introductions into Asia and the Americas centuries ago but no documented establishment of enzootic circulation outside of Africa.

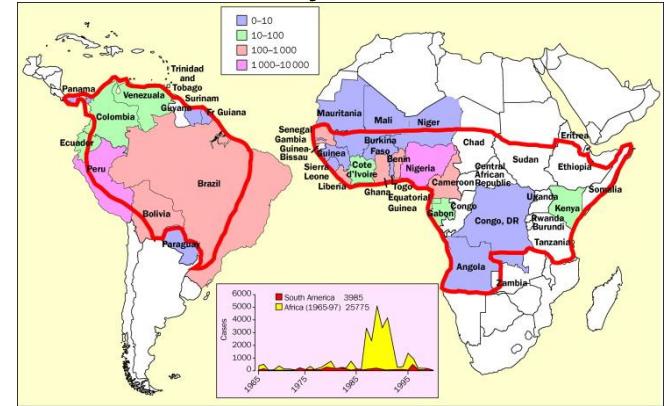


Risks for Spillback into Permanent Enzootic Cycles

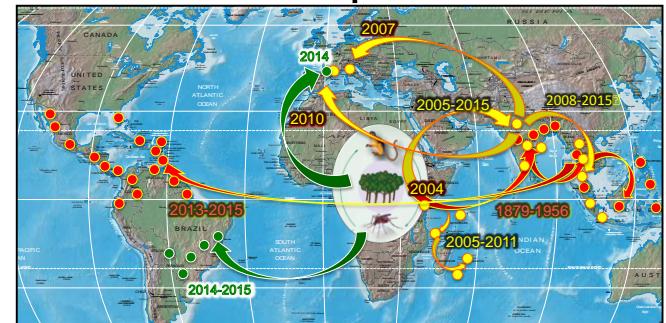
- Yellow fever virus: ½ (Americas but not Asia)
- Dengue viruses: ½ (Africa for DENV-2, none detected in the Americas)
- CHIKV: 0/2 (none detected in Asia or the Americas)
- Zika virus? No direct evidence in Asia but very limited surveillance

But independent enzootic circulation is difficult to distinguish from temporary spillback unless sufficient divergence between enzootic and human strains can be detected, or epizootics in nonhuman primates suggests the presence of an enzootic cycle

Enzootic yellow fever



Recent chikungunya virus spread



Role of Flavivirus Cross-immunity for the Absence of Sylvatic DENV and possibly ZIKV in the Americas?

Saint Louis Encephalitis virus

Rocio virus

- ✓ Heterologous immunity protects against DENV?

Yellow fever virus

- DENV-immune NHP survived or exhibited prolonged survival time after lethal challenge of YFV (Theiler & Anderson, 1975)

Dengue virus (1 – 4)

West Nile virus

- prior exposure to heterologous flavivirus infection ↑ the inapparent/apparent infection ratio in humans (Monath et al, 1984)

Aroa

- secondary flavivirus infection ↑ heterologous Abs to other viruses of the same group (Theiler & Casals 1958)

Naranjal

- exposure to ZIKV in humans protected for YFV (Bearcroft 1956)
...but immunization to YFV did not protect against ZIKV (Bres

Bussuquara

etal 1963)

Iguape

- Indian immigrants and troops who had resided in India ('seasoned') prior to arrival in S. America were less affected to YFV epidemics (Ashcroft, 1979; Wallbridge, 1891)

Cacipacore

- ✓ ...but not all heterologous immunity is protective

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- WNV, BANV & ZIKV not protective vs YFV (rhesus NHP)
- WSLV & ZIKV were protected (Vervet NHP) (Henderson et al, 1970)

And Now What?

- ✓ **Comprehensive ecological and epidemiological studies**
- ✓ **Given the similarities with YFV and the increased levels of human DENV, CHIKV and ZIKV transmission in the Americas, opportunities for the establishment of a sylvatic cycle will increase [??]**
- ✓ **Even if DENV, ZIKAV and CHIKV can not establish a sylvatic transmission cycle among NHPs in the neotropics, elucidation of the underlying reasons would greatly enhance our understanding of the mechanisms of arbovirus emergence as well as its limitations**

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