Dengue dynamics and projected effectiveness of vaccination and vector control in Yucatan, Mexico

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Model described/used in:

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Dengue at a glance

Flavivirus

Aedes aegypti, A. albopictus

390 million infections

96 million cases

> 100 countries





Typical symptoms:

- Often none
- Fever (DF), up to 106 F (41 C)
- Rash
- Muscle, bone, joint pain

DHF / DSS

4 Serotypes

Temporary cross-protection, followed by enhancement

Research questions

- What benefit should be expected from the Sanofi-Pasteur vaccine?
- Why does killing mosquitoes seem ineffective?
- Given realistic options, how should vector control be done?
- Do combination strategies have synergistic benefits?

Dengue in Yucatan, 1979-2013



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Agent based model

People

- Home
- Day location
- Age
- Infection state
- Immune state
- May stay home if sick

Mosquitoes

- Location
- Age
- Infection state
- May move once per day



- 96k Workplaces (size, postal code)
- 3.4k Schools (postal code)

Households are placed within municipalities according to nighttime light output (VIIRS/NASA) Hadish et al. PLOS NTDs (2016)

Pixel size = $430m \times 460m$

Mosquitoes movement: Delaunay triangulation of locations



- Nodes are houses, workplaces and schools with (lat, long) coordinates
- Include all triangles whose circumscribed triangles contain no other nodes
- Remove edges longer than 1 km

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Reconstruct the past, forecast the future



Year

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Observed seasonality (1995-2011)



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Observed & modeled seasonality (1995-2015)



Indoor residual spraying*

- Coverage: Treat 25/50/75% of houses per year
- Efficacy: 80% reduction in equilibrium pop size in treated houses
 - Corresponds to 13% daily mortality due to IRS
- Treatment lasts 90 days
- Campaigns last 1/90/365 days
- 52 different start dates (1 and 90 day campaigns)

*Efficacy & durability based on Vazquez-Prokopec et al, *Science Advances* (2017)





What happened in ~1980 and ~2012?



- Missing data from 1970's?
- Spatial distribution of Aedes

Proposed mosquito spread model



- Locations each have a distinct, seasonally varying carrying capacity
- Mosquitoes could spread along Delaunay network, seeding new locations
- Long distance mosquito movement enabled by humans

ToDo:

- Implement mosquito spread model
- Re-fit using AbcSmc to historical data
- Project effectiveness of combined strategies
- Simulate IRS trial design for Yucatan