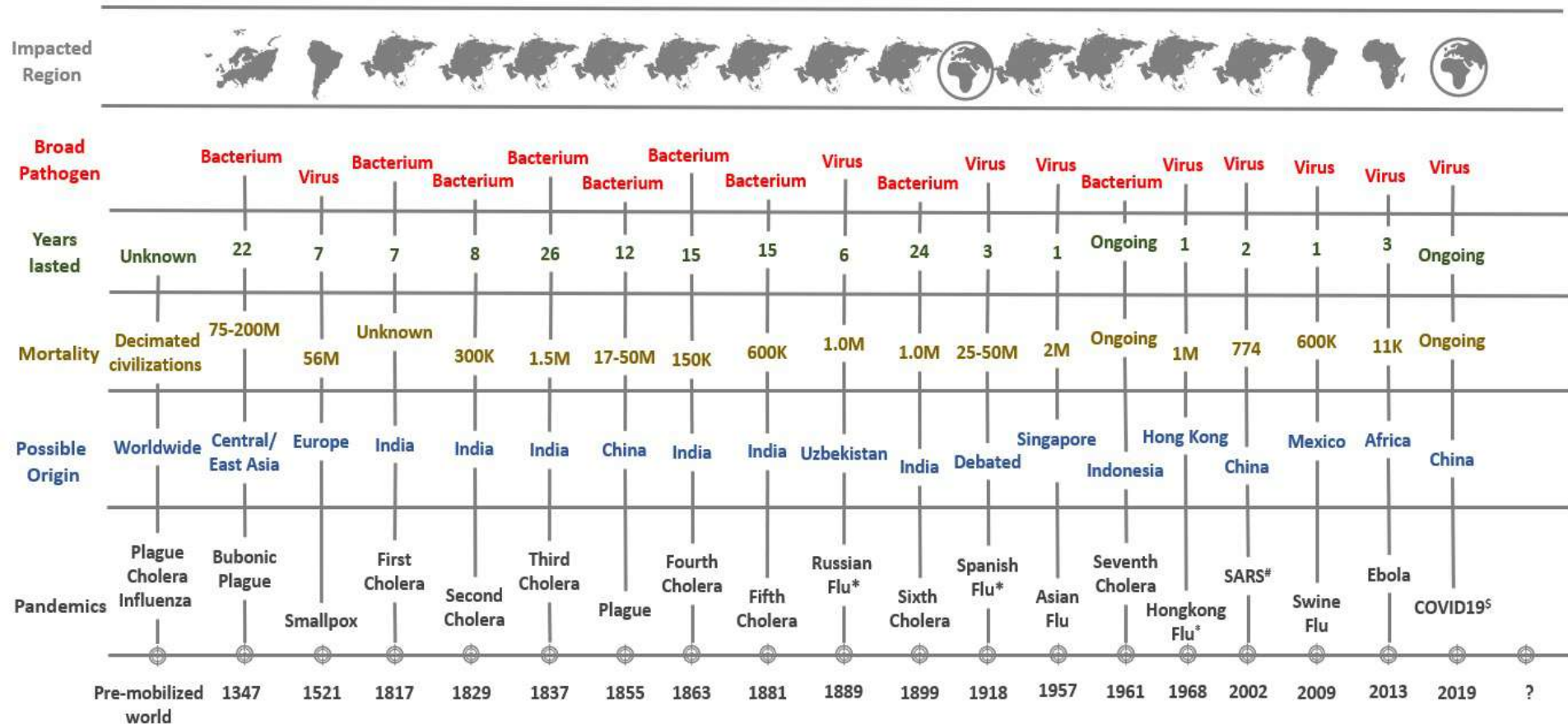


Climate and Health: Conquering Water Borne Diseases in the 21st Century

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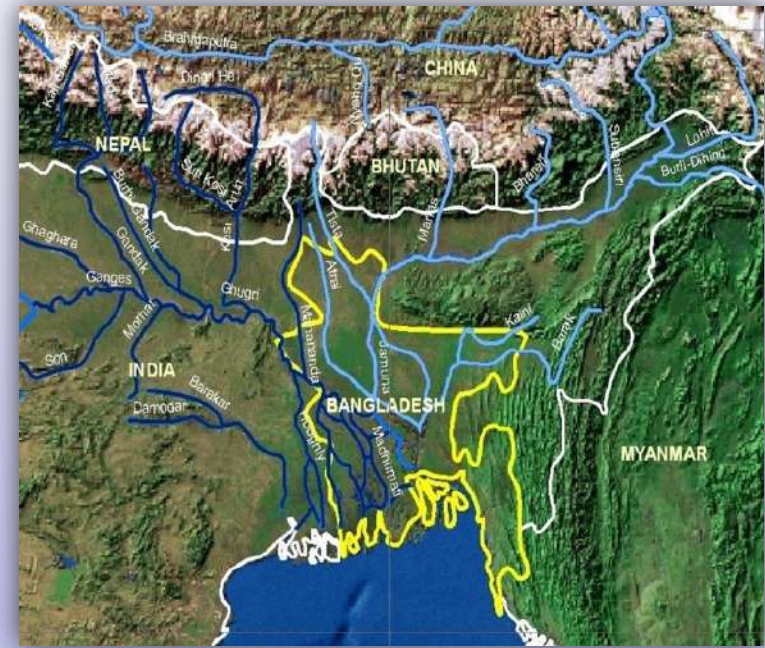
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Water-related diseases

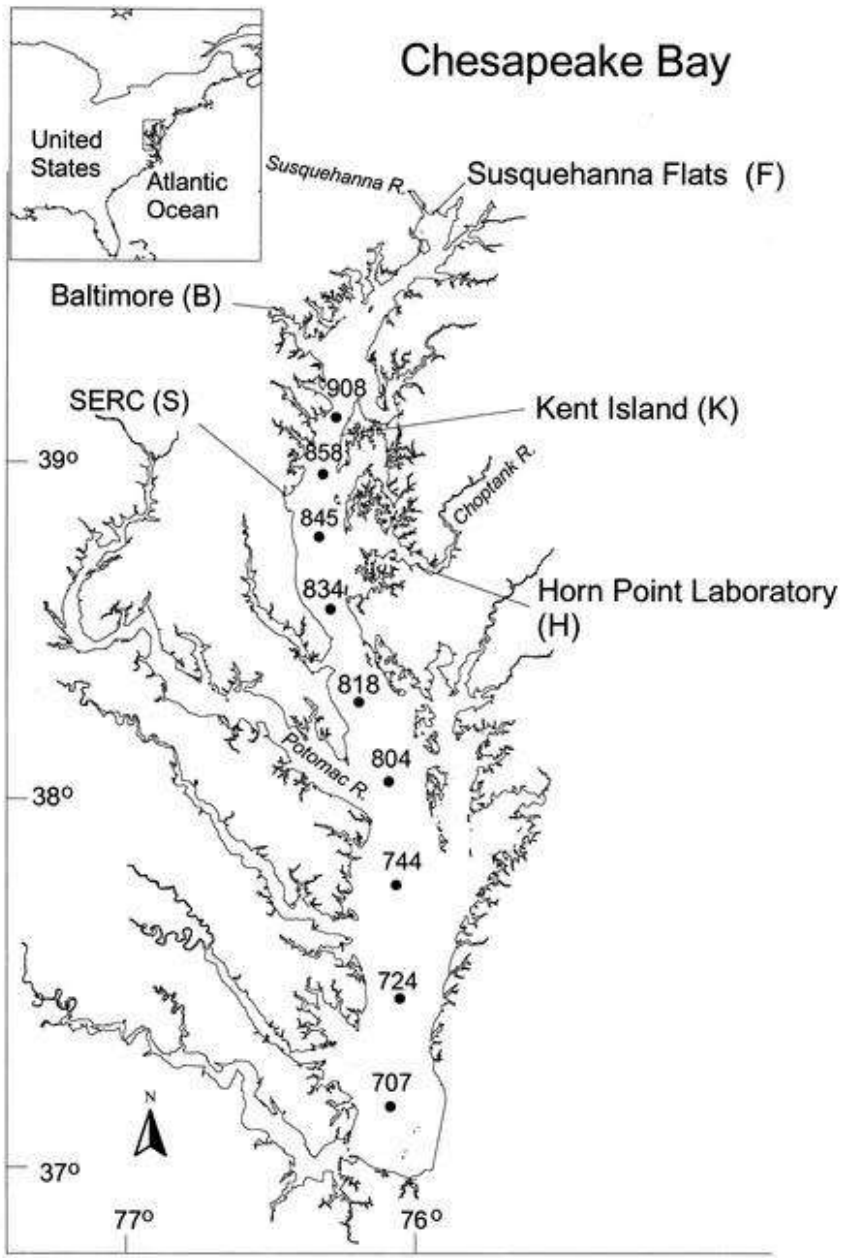
	Cases per year	Deaths per year
Amoebiasis	48,000,000	110,000
Arsenic	28-35m exposed to drinking water with elevated levels	
Diarrhoeal disease, Including cholera	1.5 billion	1,800,000
Dracunculiasis (guinea worm)	> 5000	-
Fluorosis	26 million (China)	-
Giardiasis	500,000	Low
Hepatitis A	1,500,00	-
Intestinal helminths	133,000,000	9400
Malaria	396,000,000	1,300,000
Schistosomiasis	160,000,000	> 10,000
Trachoma	500,000,000	-
Typhoid	500,000	25,000

Cholera: A Global Disease

- Acute water-related diarrheal disease
- Seventh pandemic started in 1960s
- Occurs in more than 50 countries affecting approximately 7 million people
- Bengal Delta is known as “native homeland” of cholera outbreaks
- Since cholera bacteria
 - exist naturally in aquatic habitats
 - evidence of new biotypes emerging, *it is highly unlikely that cholera will be eradicated but clearly can be controlled by provision of safe drinking water.*



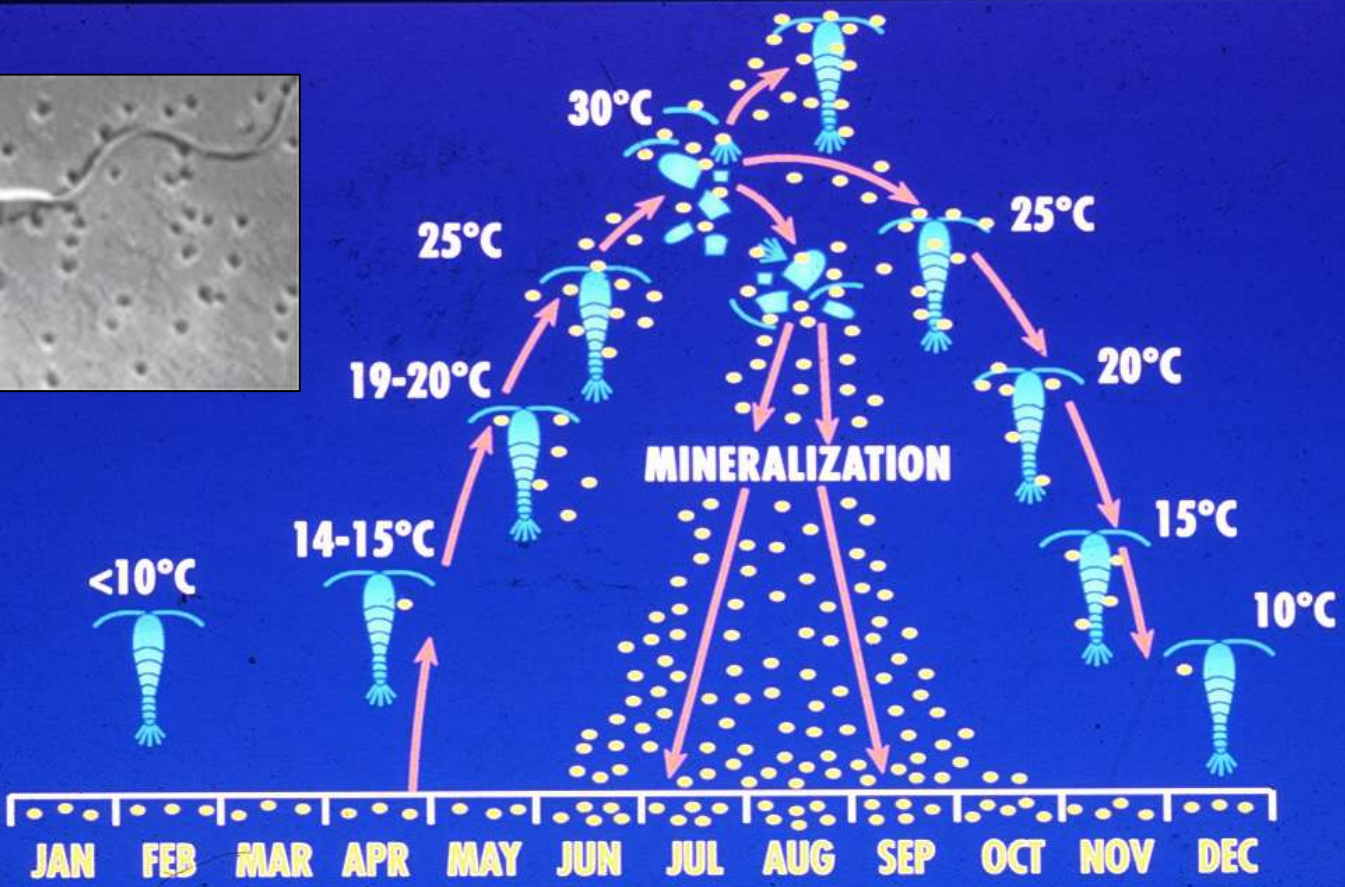




Map of Chesapeake Bay –
beginning of the cholera
chronicle

1965-1975 An early contribution of marine microbiology to human health: Determination of the *Vibrio cholerae* life cycle

VIBRIO CHOLERAE – COPEPOD ANNUAL CYCLE IN THE ENVIRONMENT



The culprit – *Calanus* copepod host



MODEL FOR THE TRANSMISSION OF *VIBRIO CHOLERAE* FROM THE ENVIRONMENT TO HUMANS

PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF WATER

- temperature
- sunlight
- rainfall
- pH
- dissolved oxygen
- salinity & nutrients

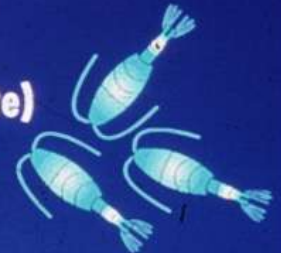


BIOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- algae bloom
- phytoplankton bloom



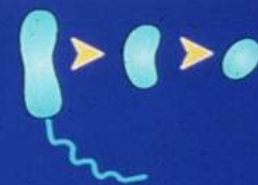
ZOOPLANKTON BLOOM (enters into non-culturable state)



FECAL SHEDDING
returns *V. cholerae*
to the water.



V. CHOLERAE
viable but non-culturable state in the water
column & attached to particulates. Commensal
or symbiotic relationships.



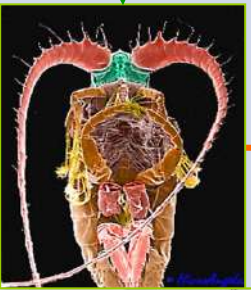
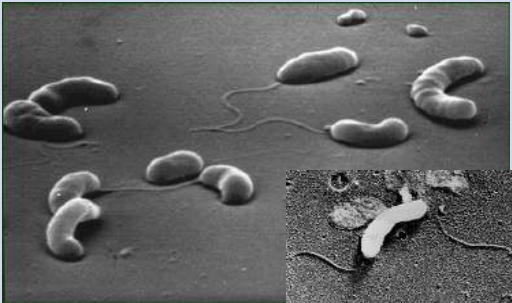
TRANSMISSION OF *V. CHOLERAE*
to humans via ingested water containing
colonized copepods or other vectors.



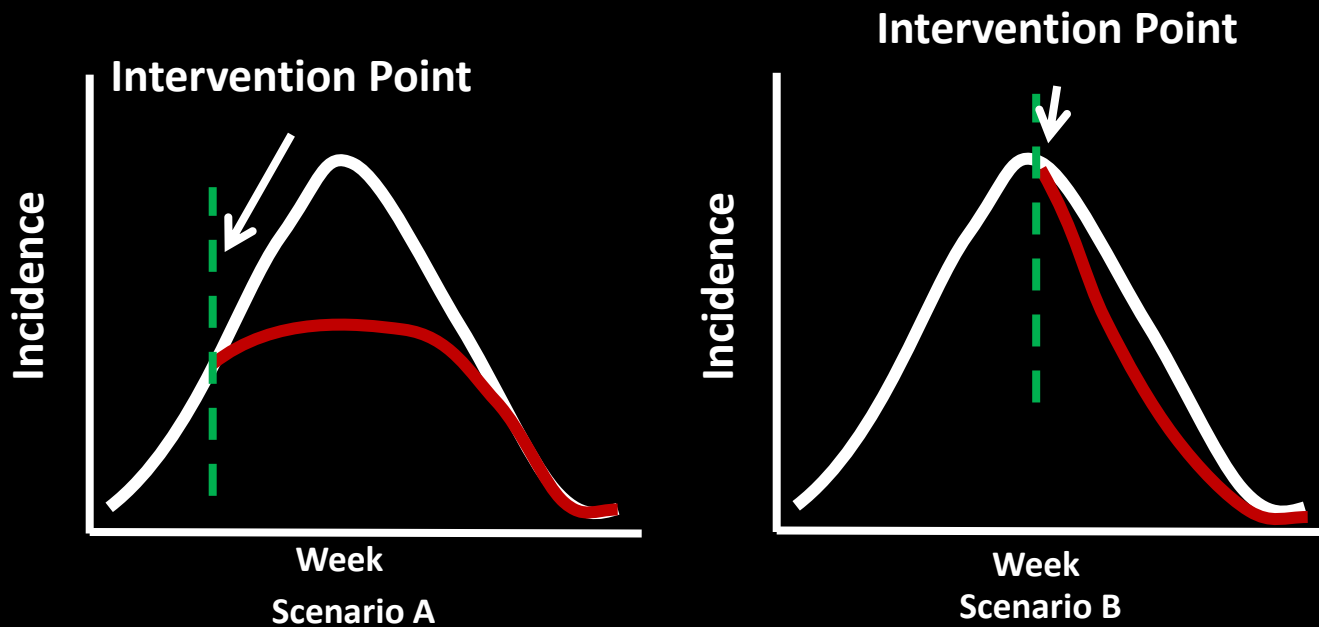


Villagers in Bangladesh collect filtered water in the same pond used for bathing

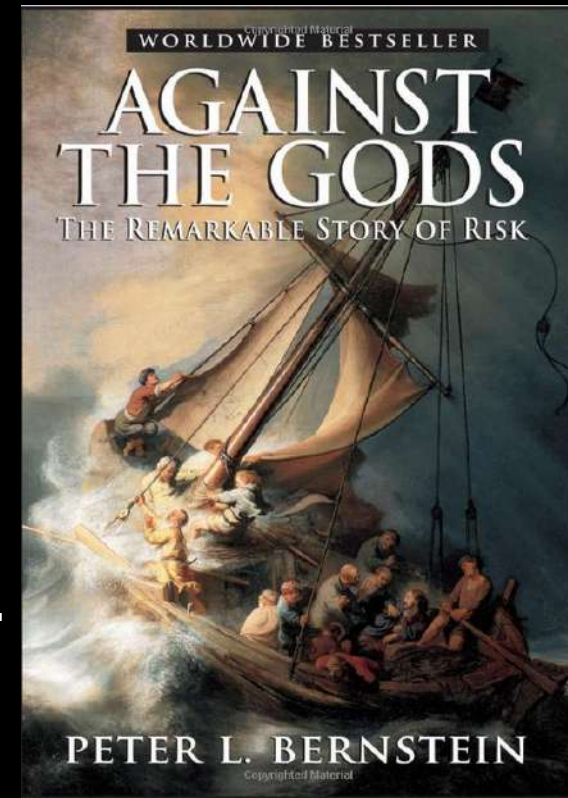
Bangladesh Model of Cholera source and Transmission



Why Prediction?

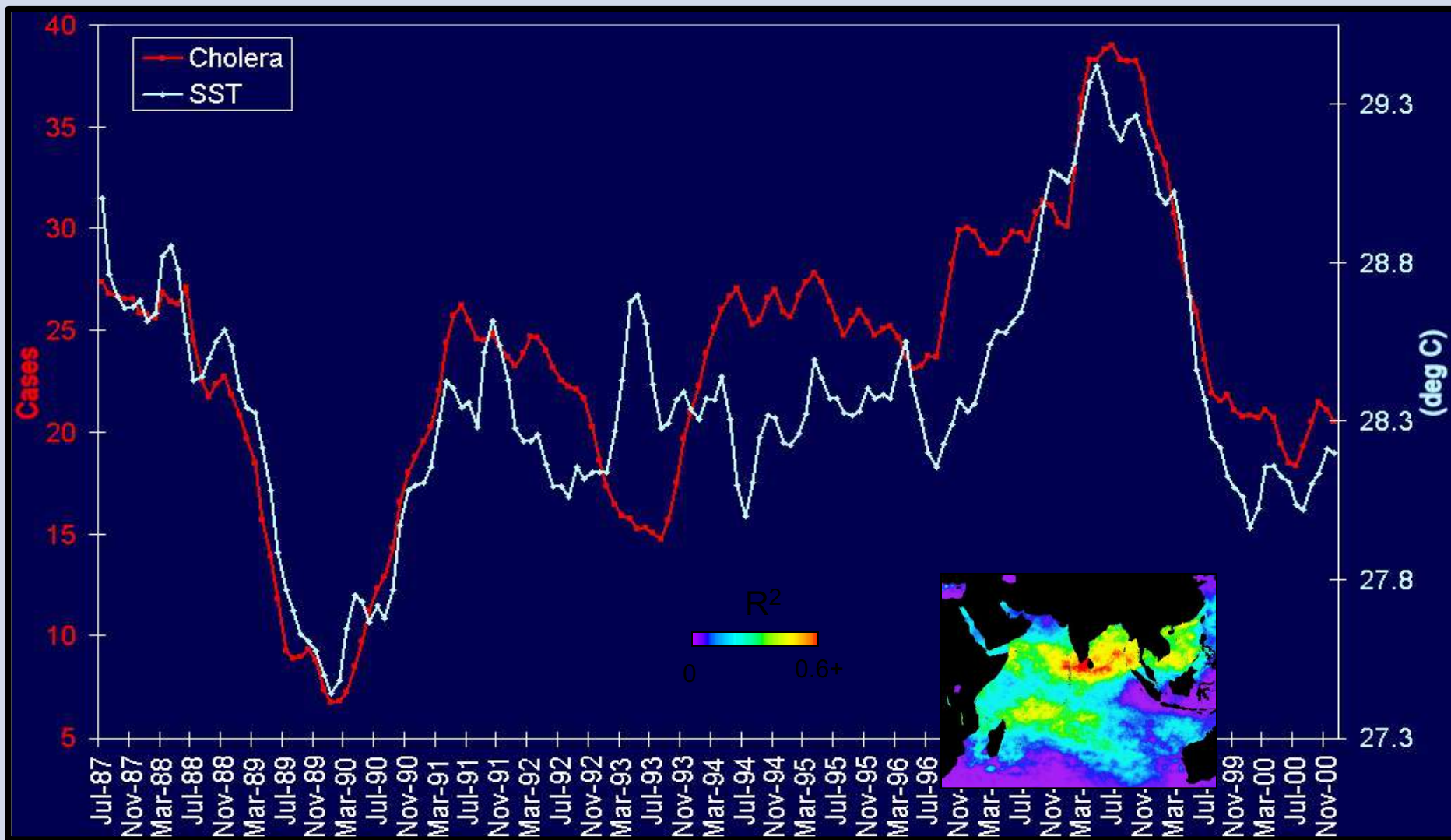


Schematic representation of the disease control measures implemented at the beginning (Scenario A) and after the peak (Scenario B) of an outbreak, and potential cases averted.



Cholera and SST in the Indian Ocean 1985 - 2000

Six-month SST lead: $R^2 = 0.72$



What is reported about cholera and macro-scale processes?

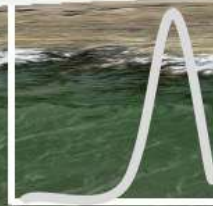
Cholera outbreaks have been linked to environmental and climate variables

- precipitation (*Hashizume et al. 2008*)
- floods (*Koelle et al., 2005*)
- river level (*Emch et al., 2008*)
- sea surface temperature (*Colwell, 1996; Lobitz et al., 2000*)
- coastal salinity (*Miller et al., 1982*)
- dissolved organic material (*Worden et al., 2005*)
- fecal contamination (*Islam et al., 2006*)
- chlorophyll (*Lobitz et al., 2000, Magny et al., 2008*)

Epidemic Cholera

- Sporadic deadly outbreak
- Usually occurs inland after disasters
- Temperatures may increase growth of bacteria in aquatic bodies.

Typical cholera seasonality



Chattak

Brahmaputra

Mixed-mode Cholera

- Usually two seasonal peaks
- One peak related to seawater intrusion; Second peak associated with widespread inundation
- Specific to Bengal Delta region

Ganges

Dhaka

Matlab



Endemic Cholera

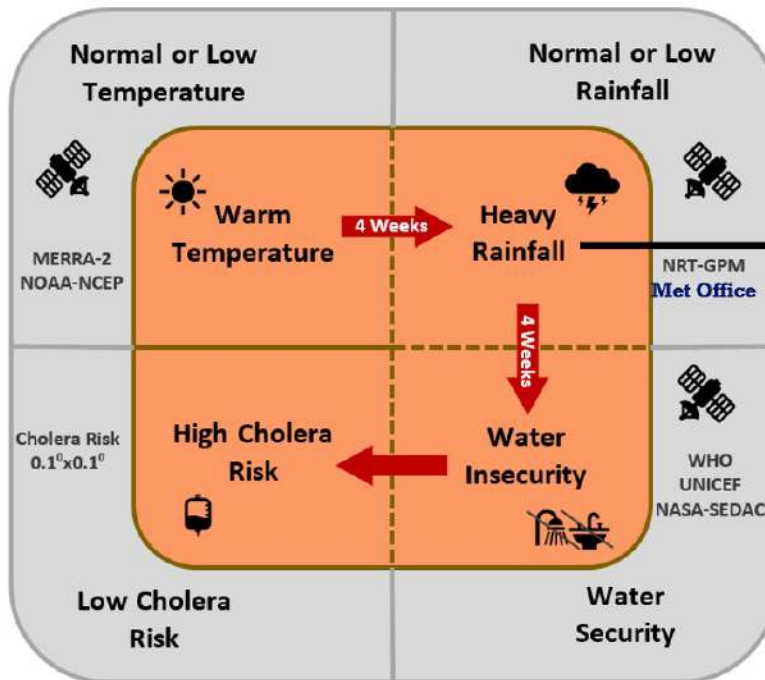
- Cholera persists throughout year in coastal regions
- Seawater intrusion from coasts to inland

Mathbaria

Bacterial movement from coastal niches to inland



Epidemic Mode of Cholera



- Sporadic outbreak
- Usually occurs following floods or inundation of large landscapes
- Warm temperatures may increase growth of bacteria in aquatic bodies.

Accumulated rainfall above threshold

Challenge

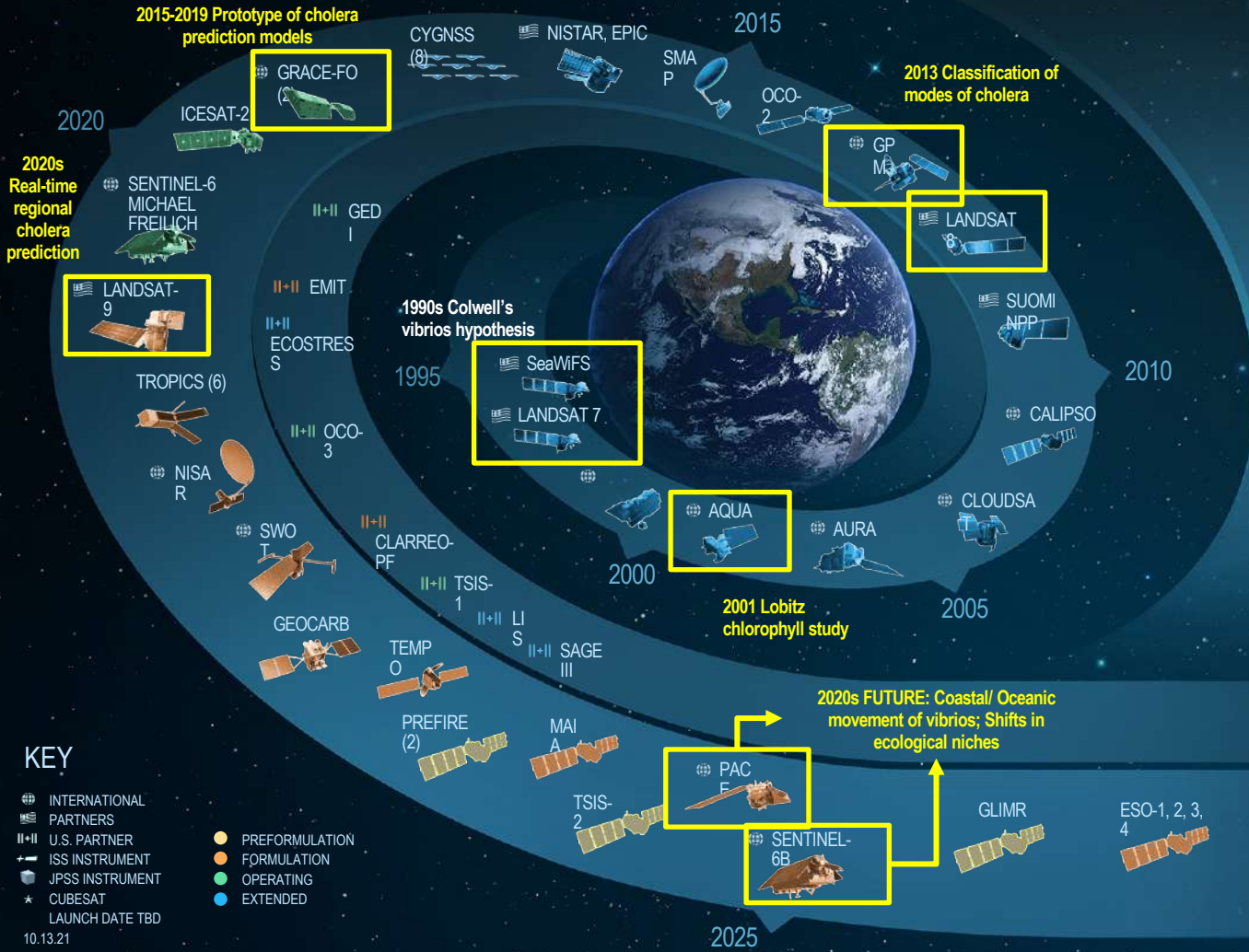
- Disease (prevalence) data
- Time invariant algorithm
- Search for self-adaptive algorithm

Warm temperature= above climatological average temperature
 Heavy rainfall= above climatological average precipitation
 Water insecurity=lack of access to water and sanitation access
 High cholera risk=probability of cholera greater than 50%

National Aeronautics and Space Administration



EARTH FLEET



INVEST/CUBESATS

- CSIM-FD 2023
- HARP 2022
- CIRIS 2023
- CTIM* 2022
- HYTI* 2022
- SNOOPI* 2022
- NACHOS* 2022
- NACHOS2* 2022

JPSS INSTRUMENTS

- OMPS-LIMB 2022
- LIBERA 2027

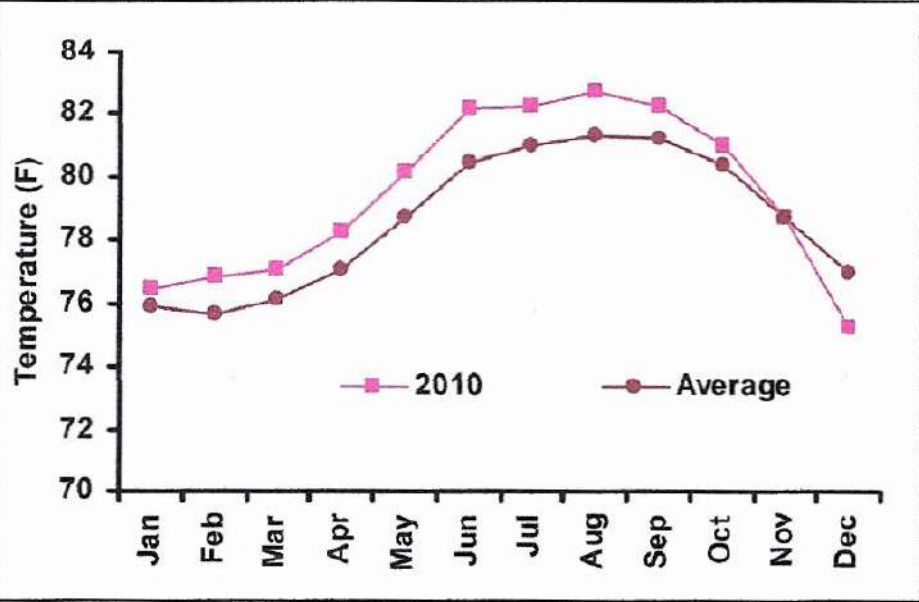
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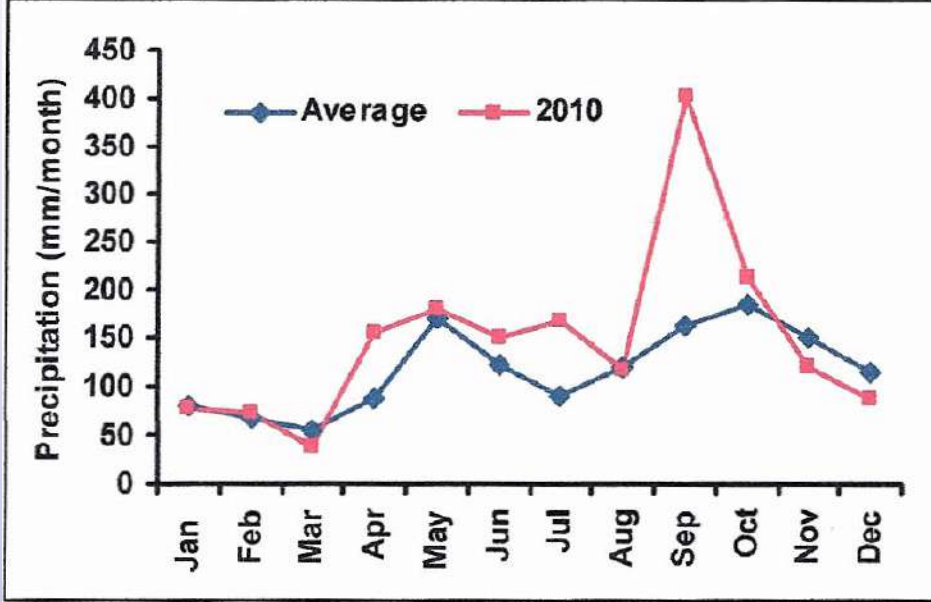
Could we have predicted the Haiti Cholera outbreak?

- **The 2010 cholera outbreak in Haiti indicated the disease remains a global threat.**
- **Framework for developing cholera prediction models in cholera endemic (ER) and non-endemic regions (NER)**
- **The sharp contrast in mortality rates between ER and NER exists not because we do not know how to treat cholera patients, but because of a persistent “knowledge barrier” between ER and NER.**
- **We propose a pragmatic and adaptive framework which hypothesizes that convergence of three enabling situations - Inception, Environmental Conditions, and Transmission - are necessary for a cholera outbreak to become an epidemic.**

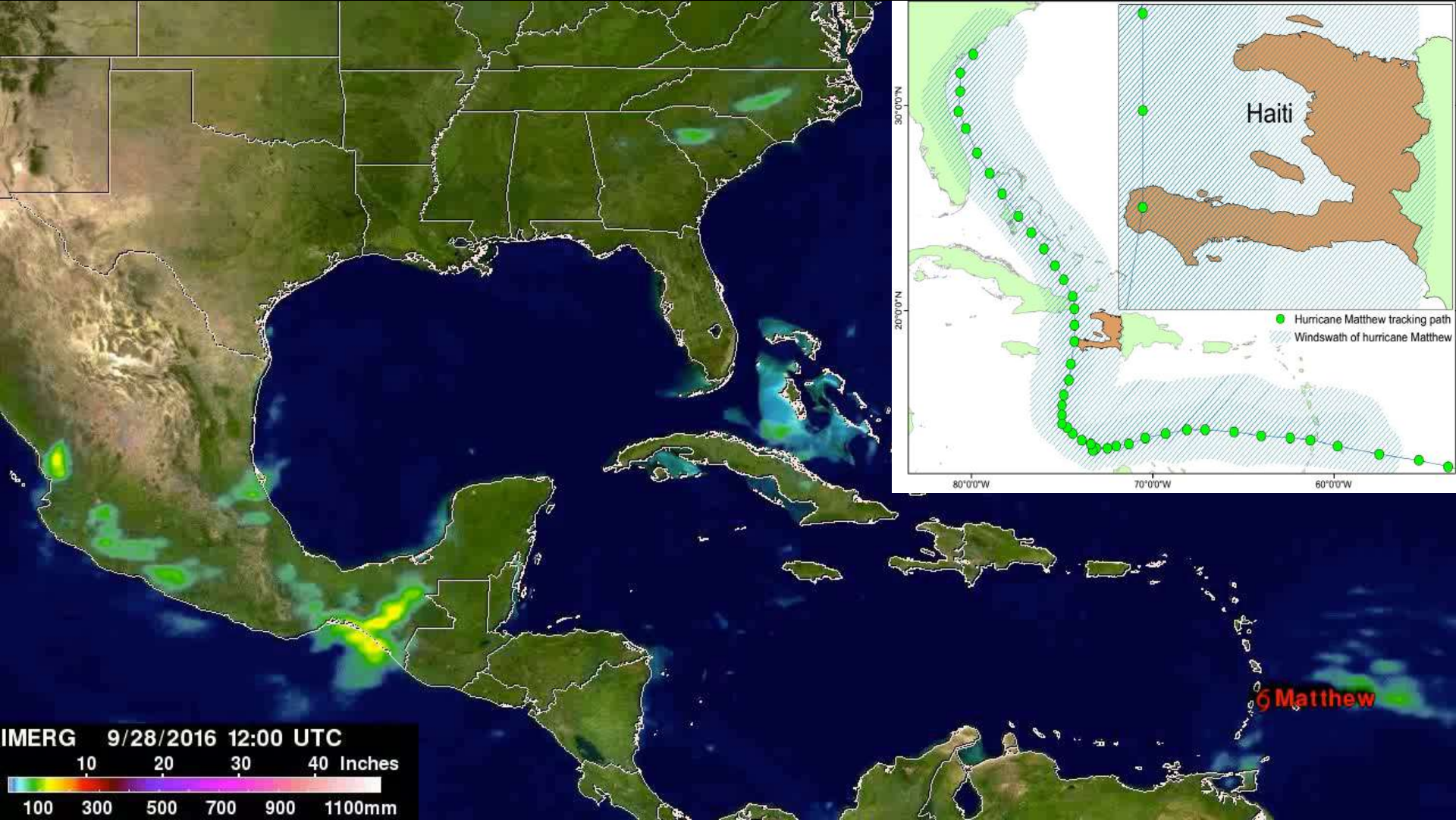
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Air temperature in Haiti in 2010 compared with historical air temperature data



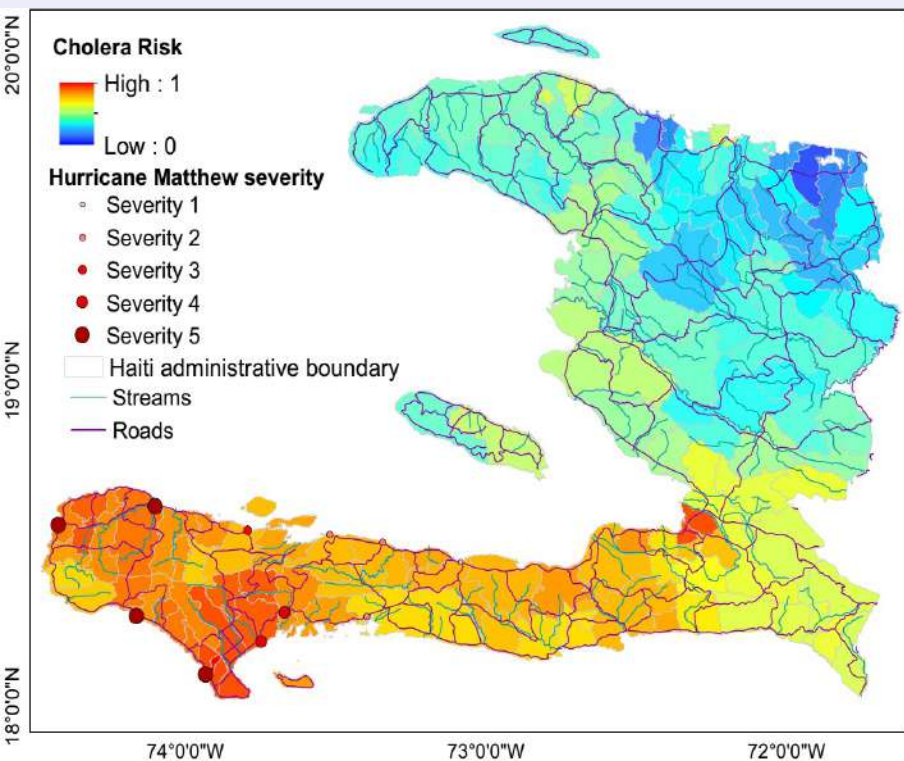
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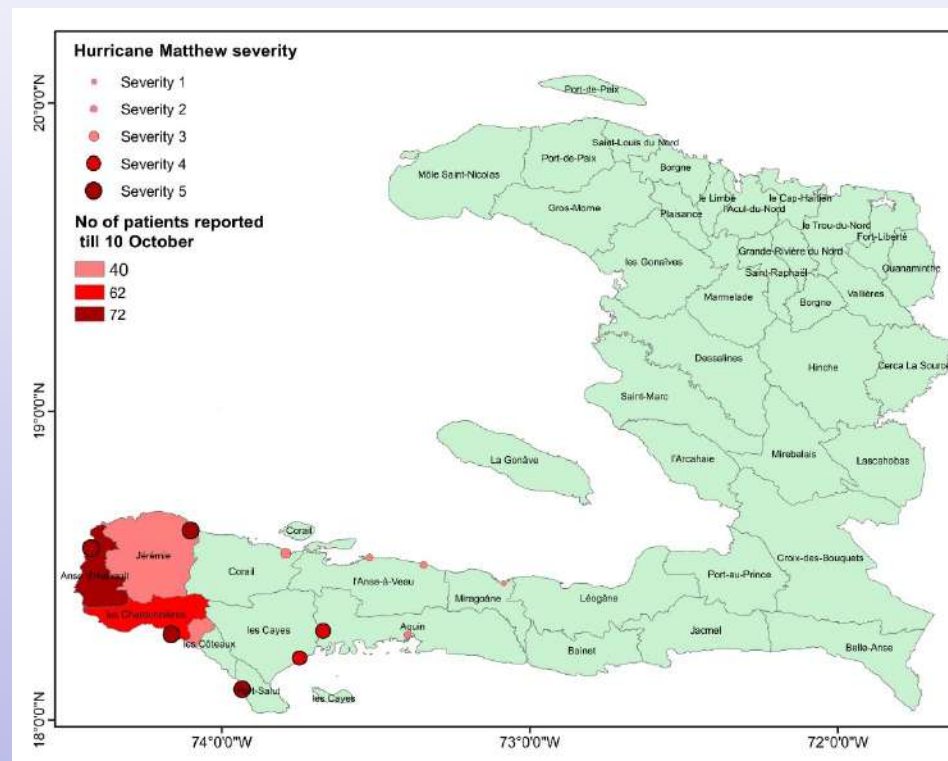
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Matthew

Cholera in Haiti

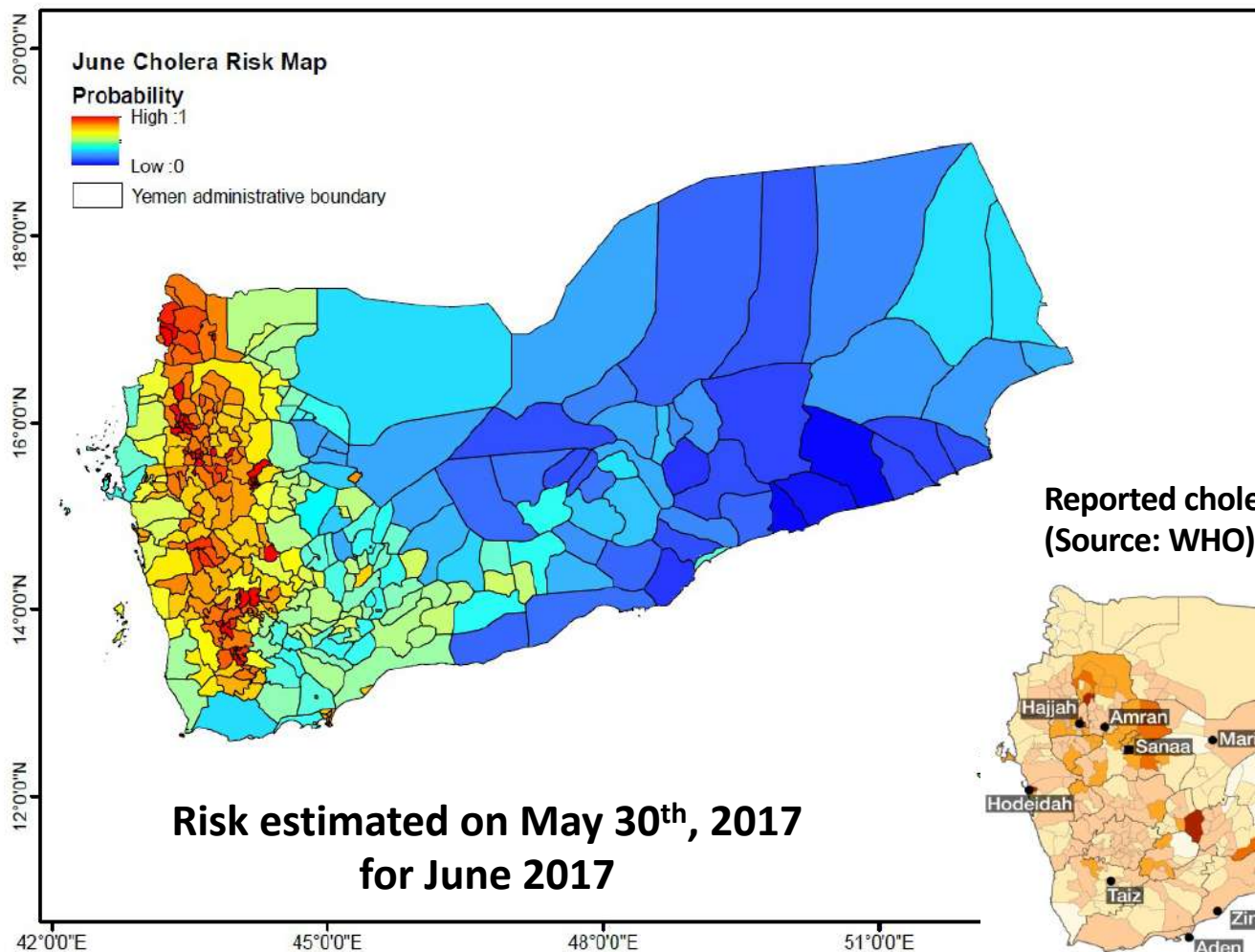


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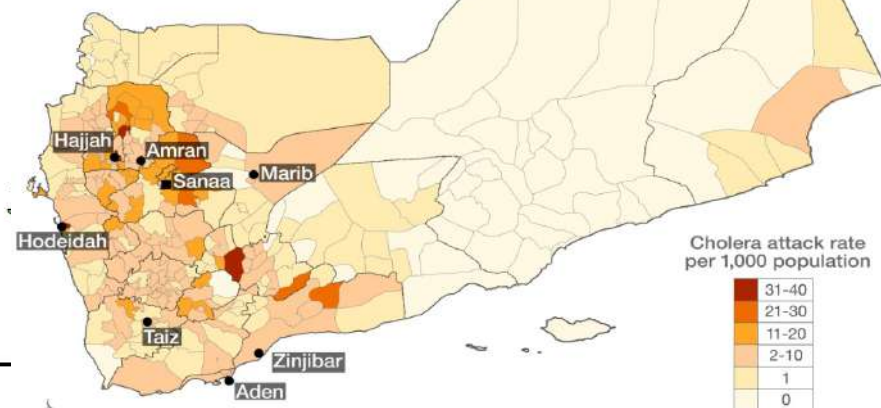


Actual cholera in October 2015 following Hurricane Matthew

Real-time cholera prediction for Yemen

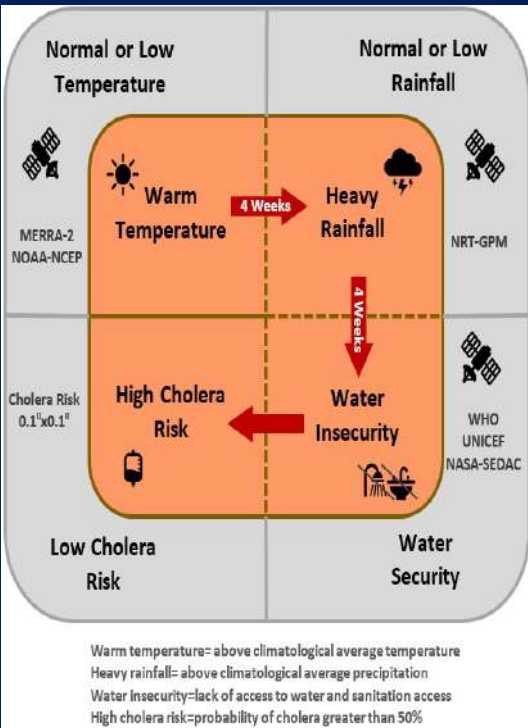


Reported cholera cases for this month of June 2017
(Source: WHO)

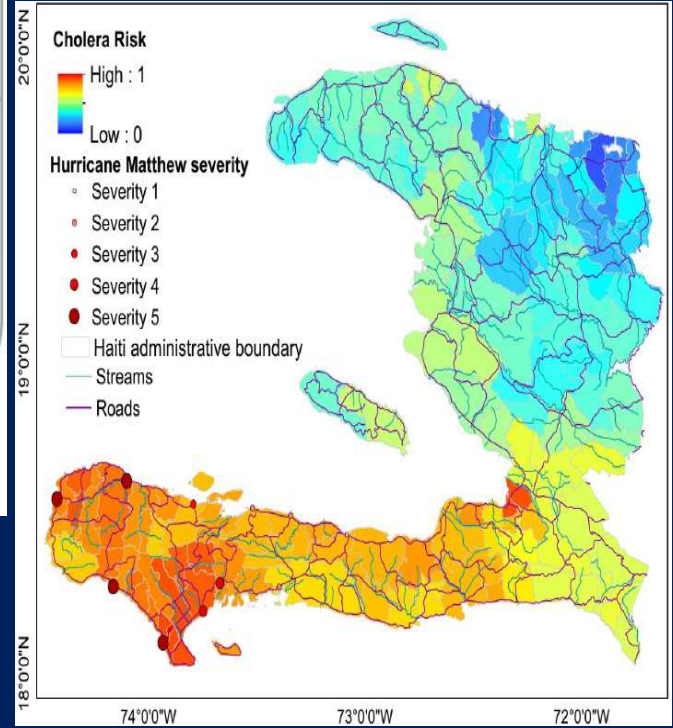


Epidemic Cholera

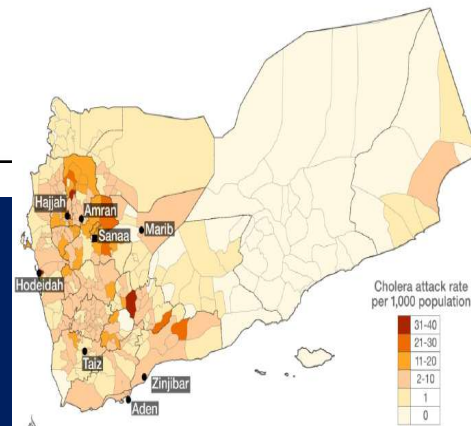
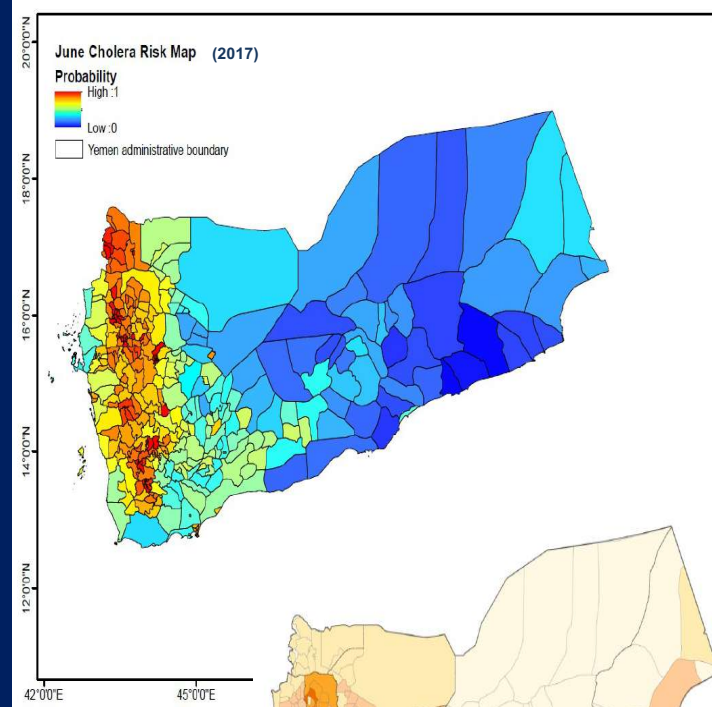
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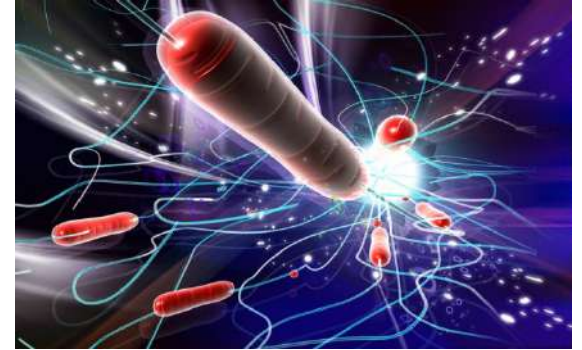
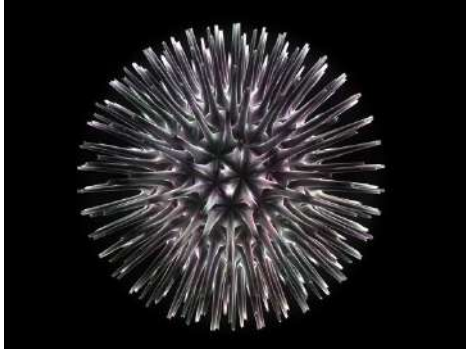


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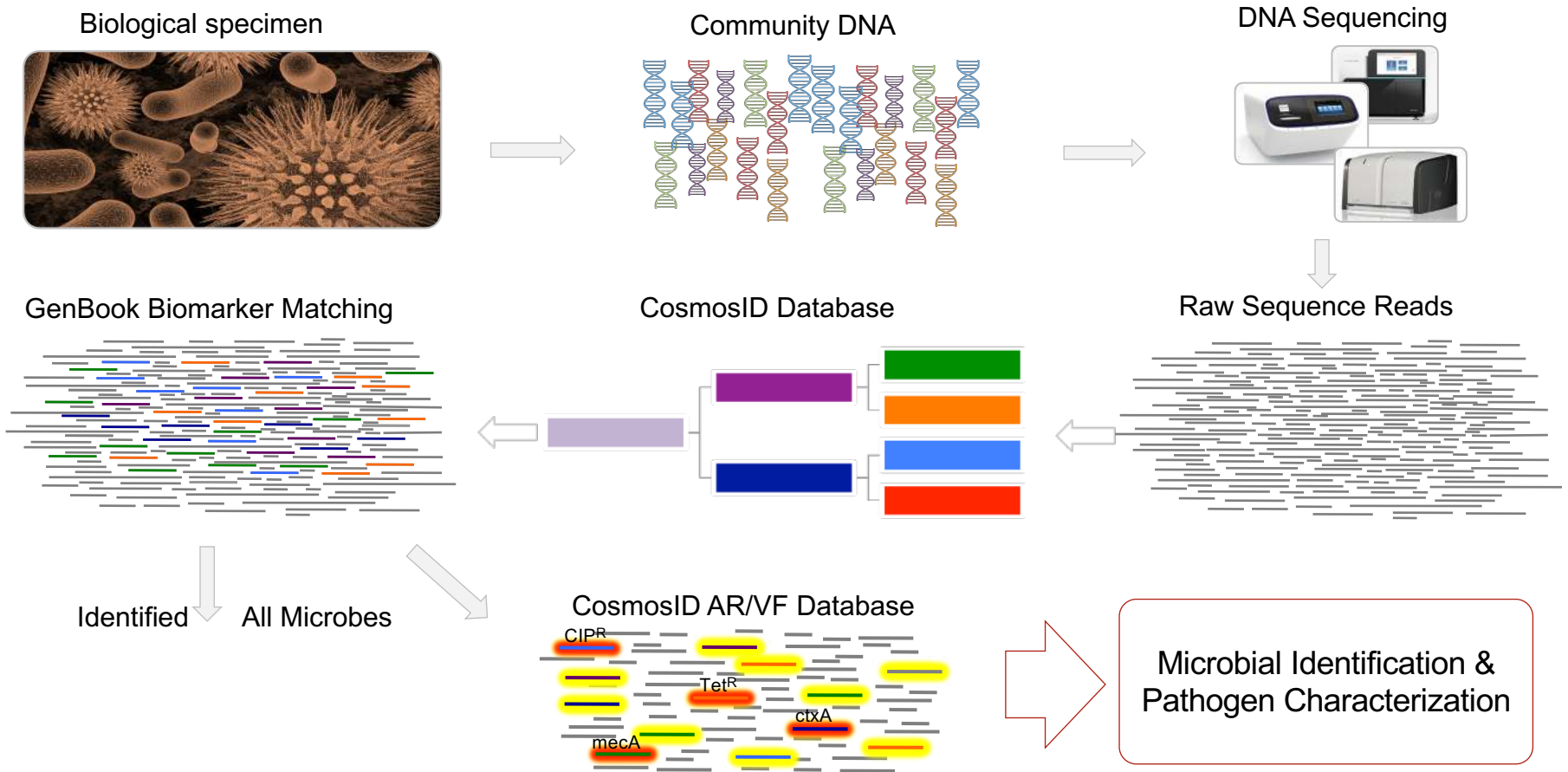
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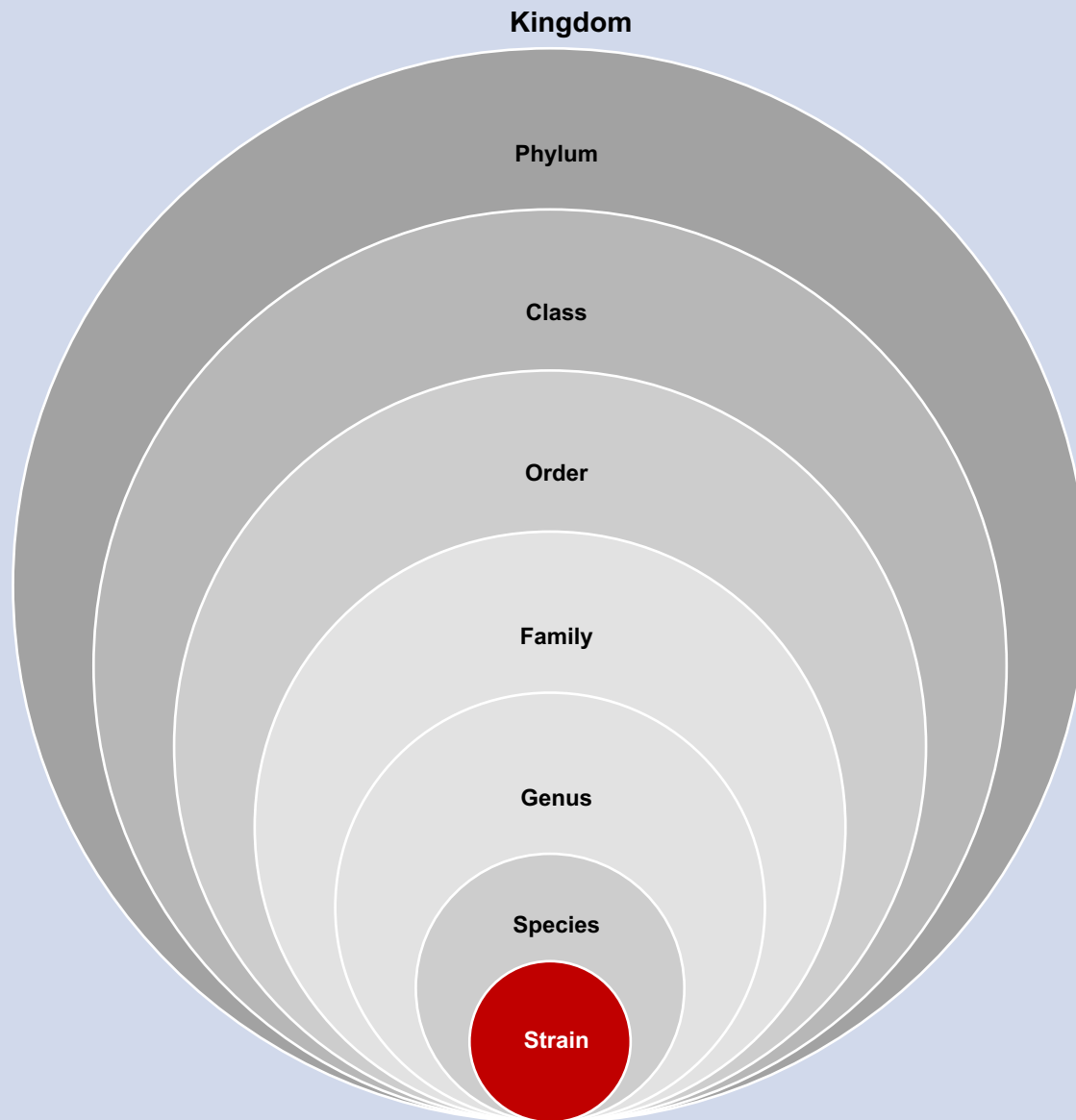


NEXT GEN SEQUENCING AND METAGENOMICS

Shotgun whole (meta)genome sequencing



Strain is the Clinically Informative and Actionable Unit



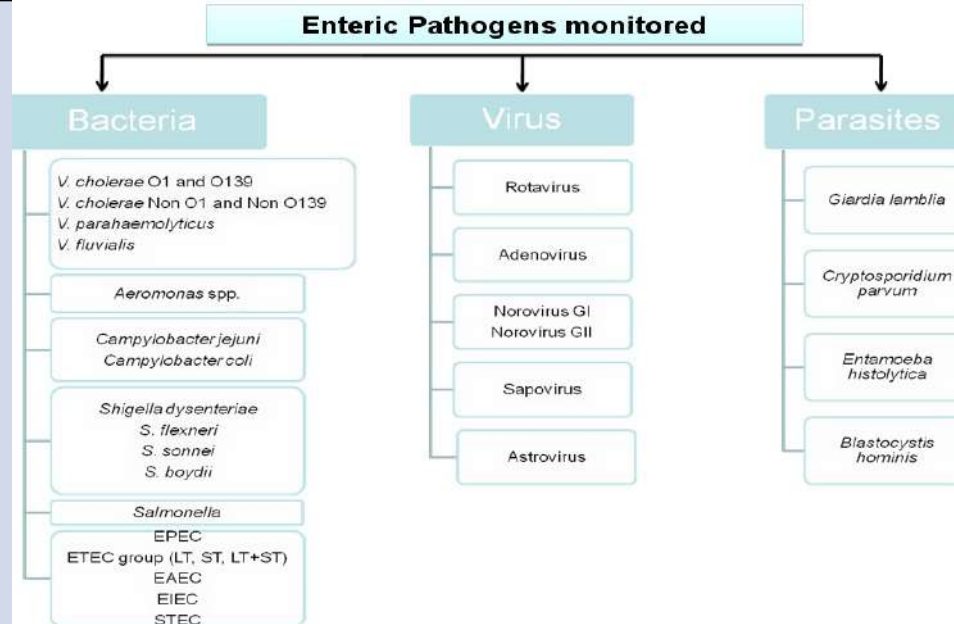
Microbiome Analysis of Acute Diarrheal Patients Compared with Healthy Individuals

pre-publication results

Study Cohort

@ 2% Surveillance (every 50th patient) at the National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases (NICED), Calcutta, India

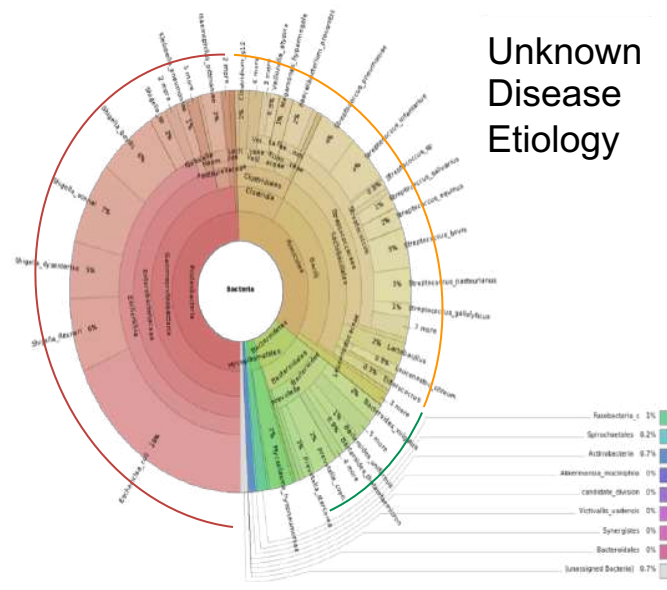
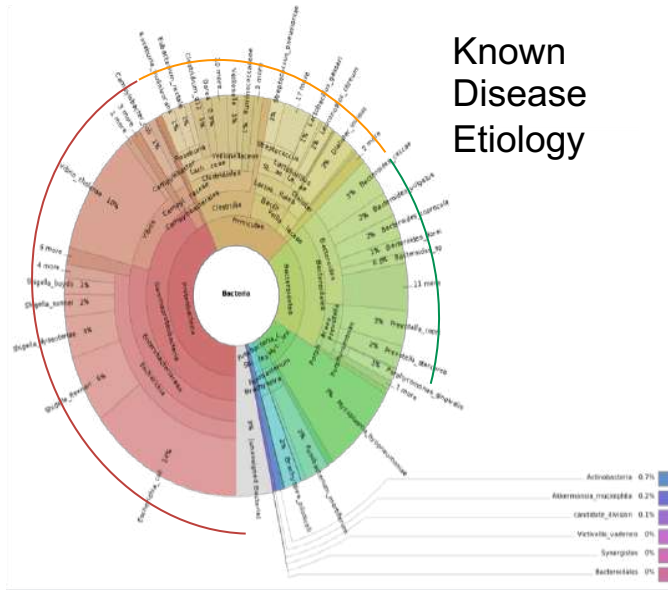
Study Phases	Total # of Samples	Known Etiology	Unknown Etiology	Healthy Control
PHASE I	9	9	0	0
PHASE II	28	0	18	10
PHASE III	37	17	10	10



Microbial Community in Healthy vs Diarrheal Patients

DIARRHEAL PATIENTS

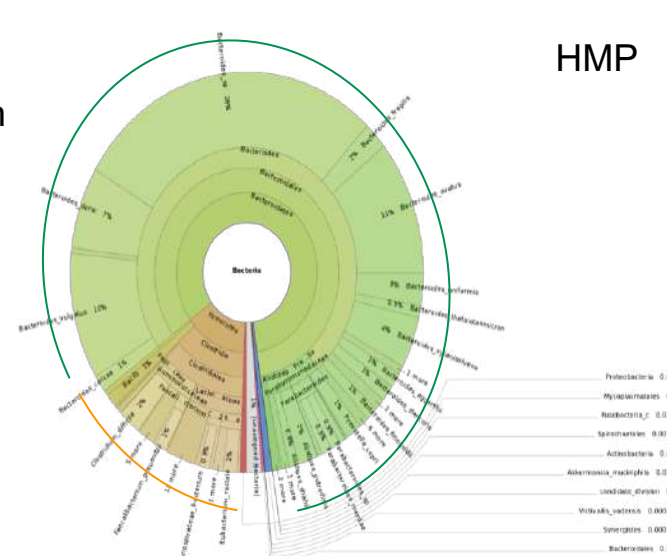
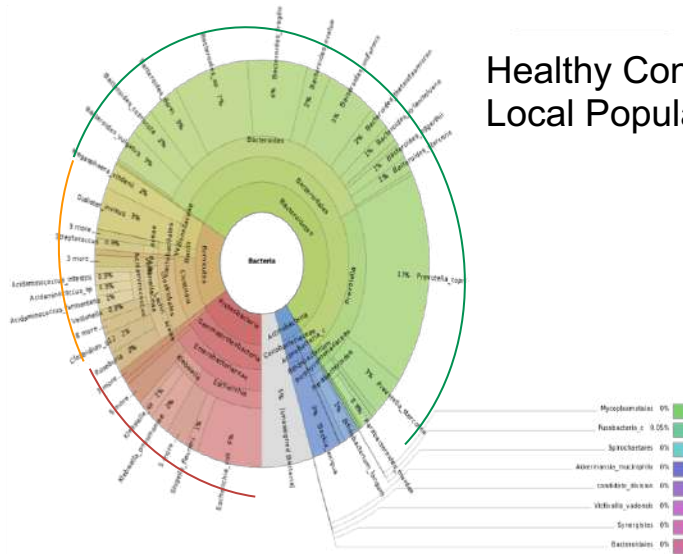
HEALTHY INDIVIDUALS



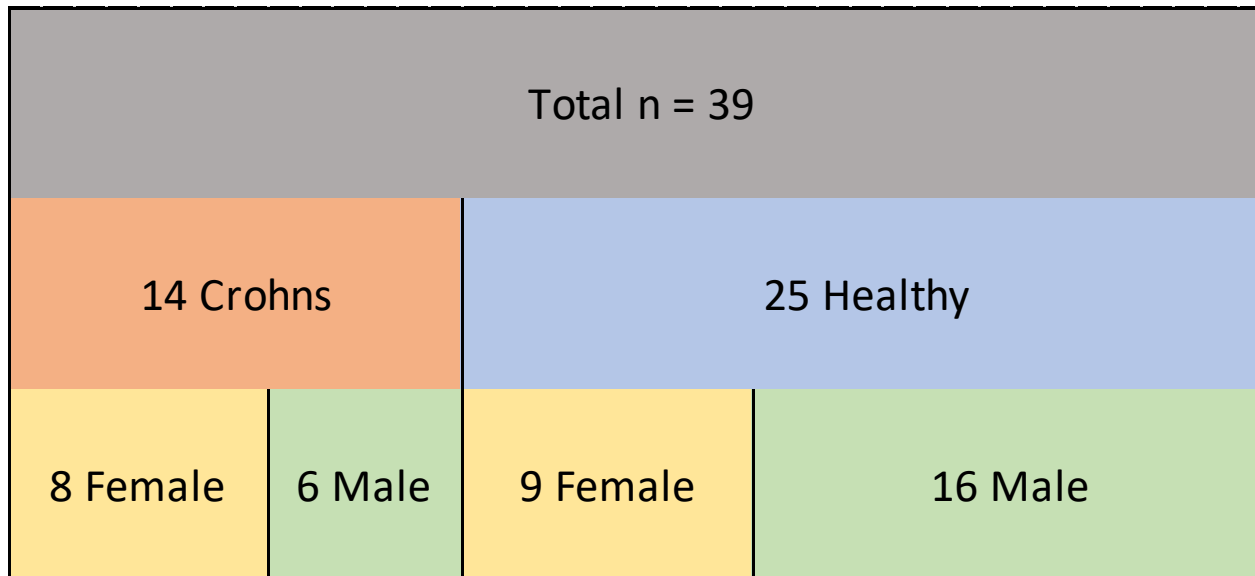
γ-Proteobacteria

Firmicutes

Bacteroidetes

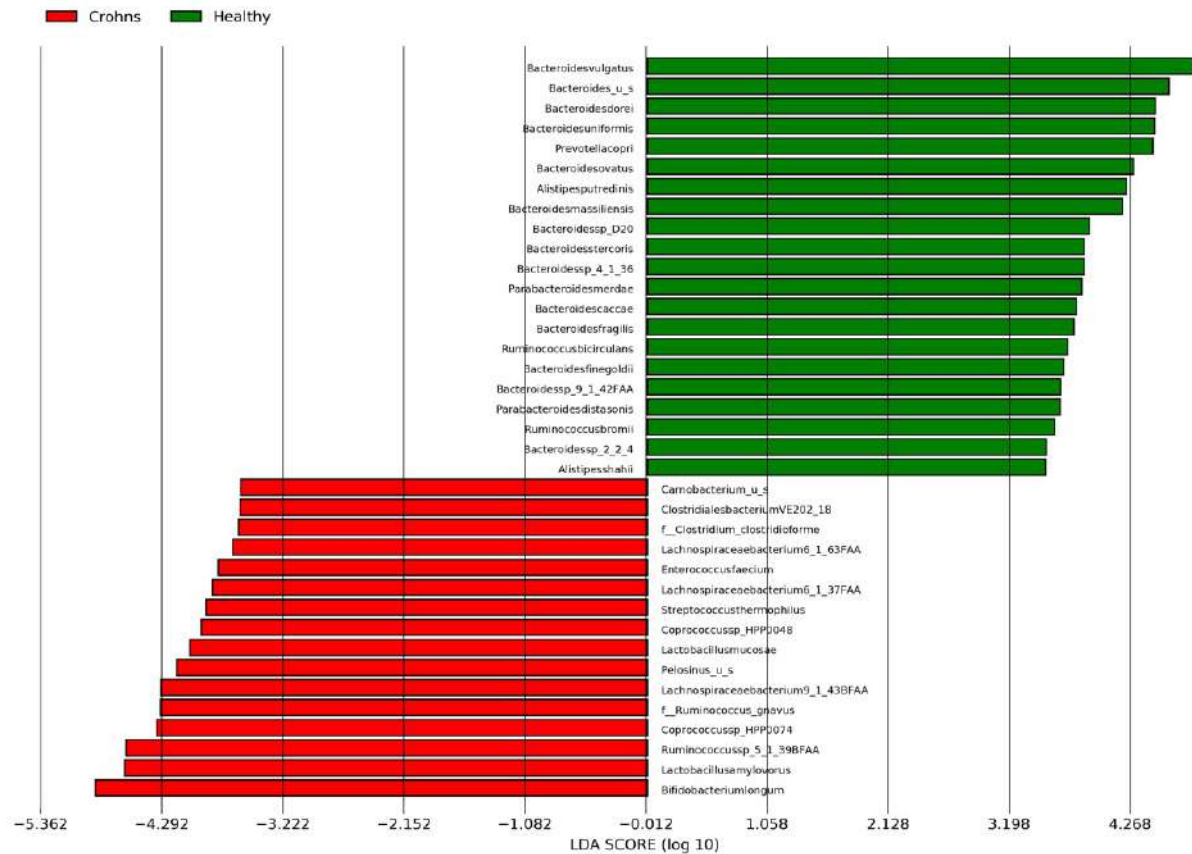


Crohn's Disease and the Microbiome



- 1: Crohn's data come from SRA Bioproject PRJNA46321 "Metagenomic Analysis of the Structure and Function of the Human Gut Microbiota in Crohn's Disease"
- 2: Healthy data come from SRA Bioproject PRJNA48479 "Human Microbiome Project (HMP) Metagenomic WGS Projects, deeper sequencing of the human microbiome samples: Production Phase"

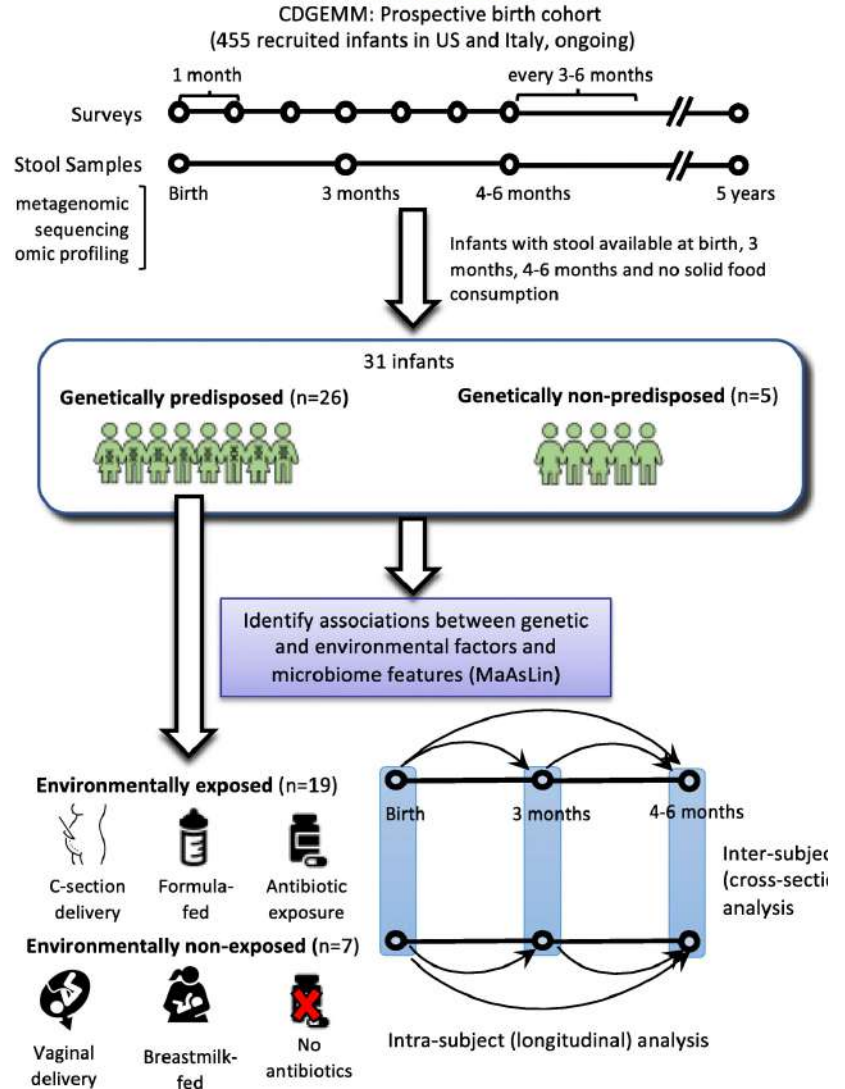
Species Enrichment in Healthy vs Crohn's



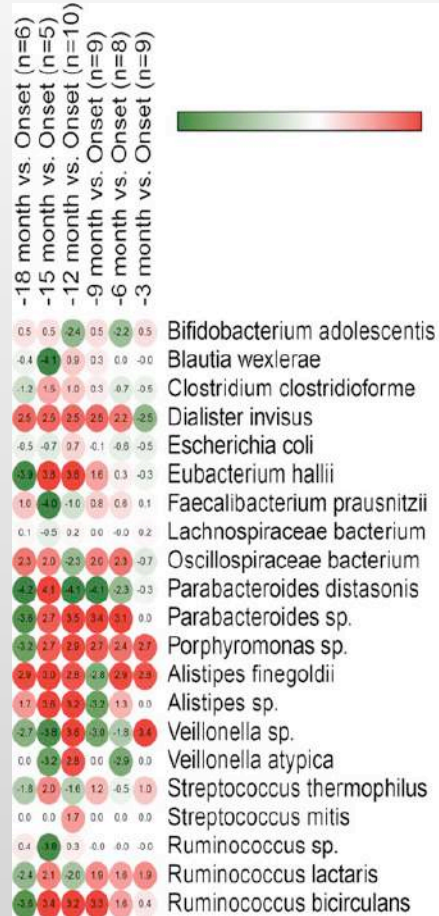
Analysis provided by CosmosID

Celiac Disease and the Microbiome

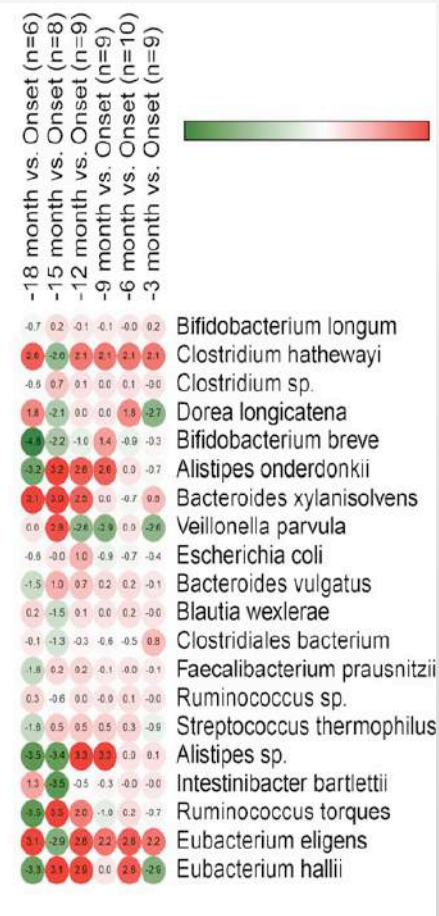
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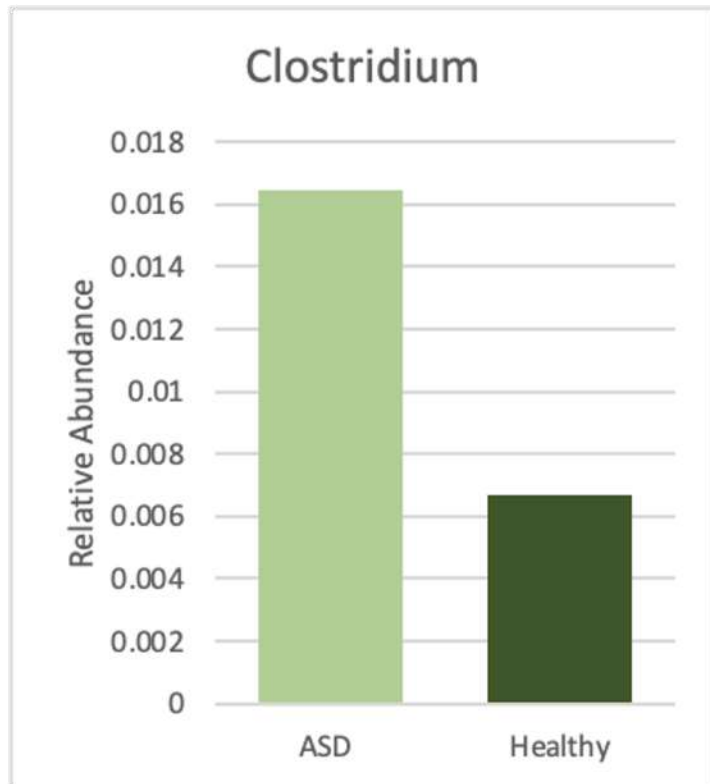


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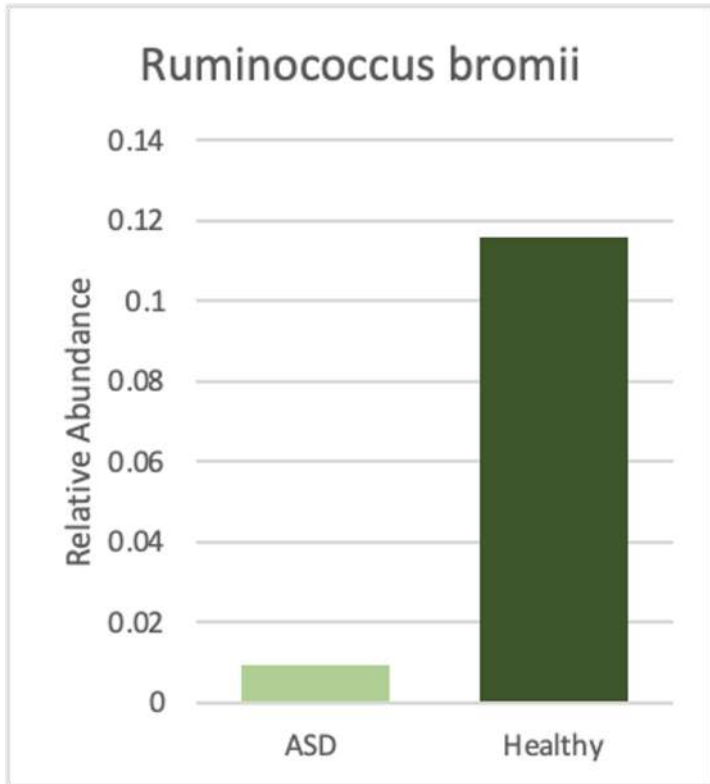
Longitudinal (intrasubject) analysis for microbial species. A paired Wilcoxon (Wilcoxon signed rank) test was used to identify microbial species whose abundance differentially changes between a preonset time point (-18, -15, -12, -9, -6, and -3 mo) and CD onset. Any species for which a statistically significant (P value < 0.05) change is observed in at least one time point in (A) cases and (B) controls is reported here. Box plots for significant features are shown in SI Appendix, Fig. S2. Time points at which a significant change is observed are shown in SI Appendix, Fig. S5. Here, we report only species for which significant changes are uniquely observed in cases or in controls.

Clostridium



- Increased abundance has been associated with symptoms of ASD
- Byproducts of Clostridium are thought to contribute to symptoms of ASD
 - β 2-toxin
 - Propionic acid

Ruminococcus bromii



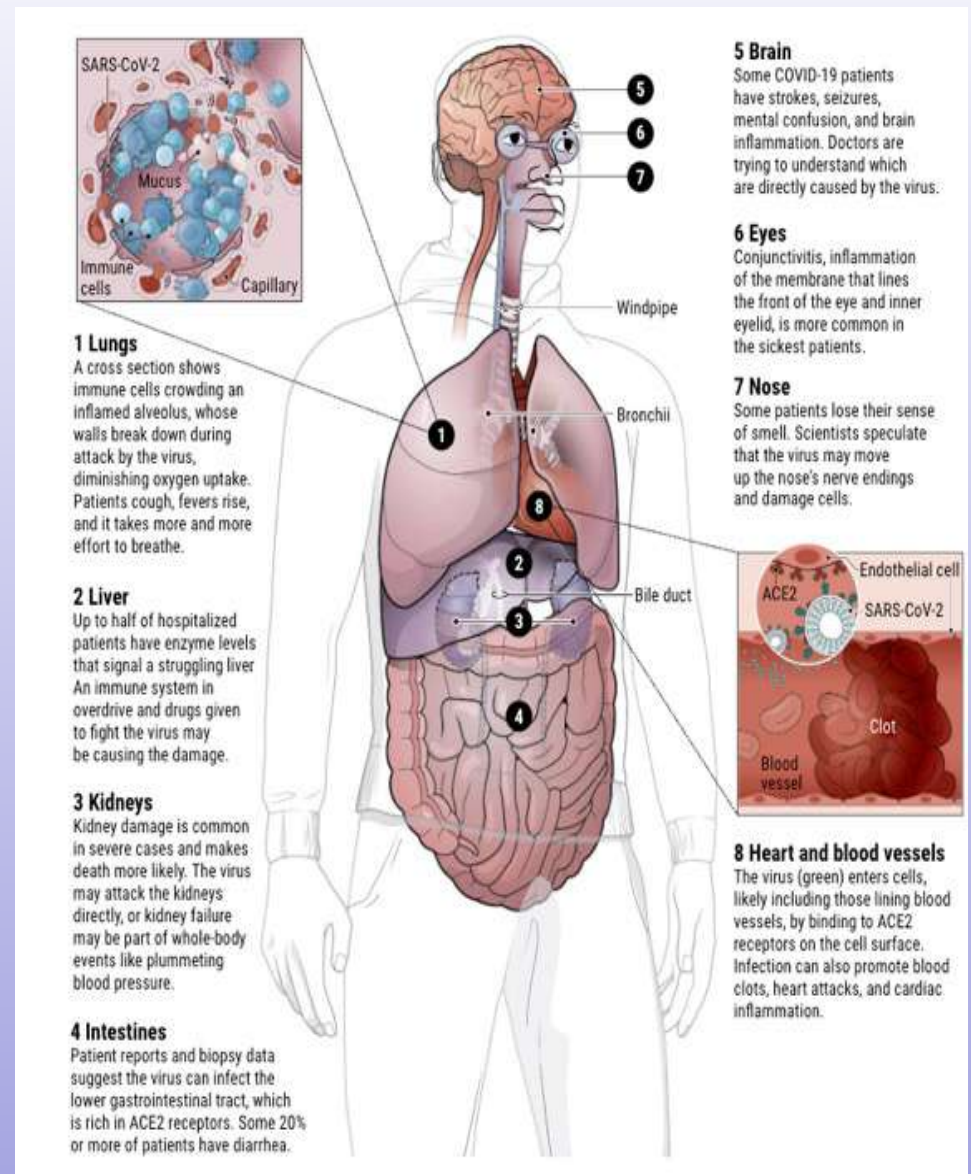
- Major metabolizer of resistant starches
- *Ruminococcus bromii* allows for the cross-feeding of many other bacteria:
 - *Eubacterium rectale* (a butyrate producer)
 - *Ruminococcus gnavus* (an acetate, lactate and formate producer)

Is COVID-19 polymicrobial and systemic?

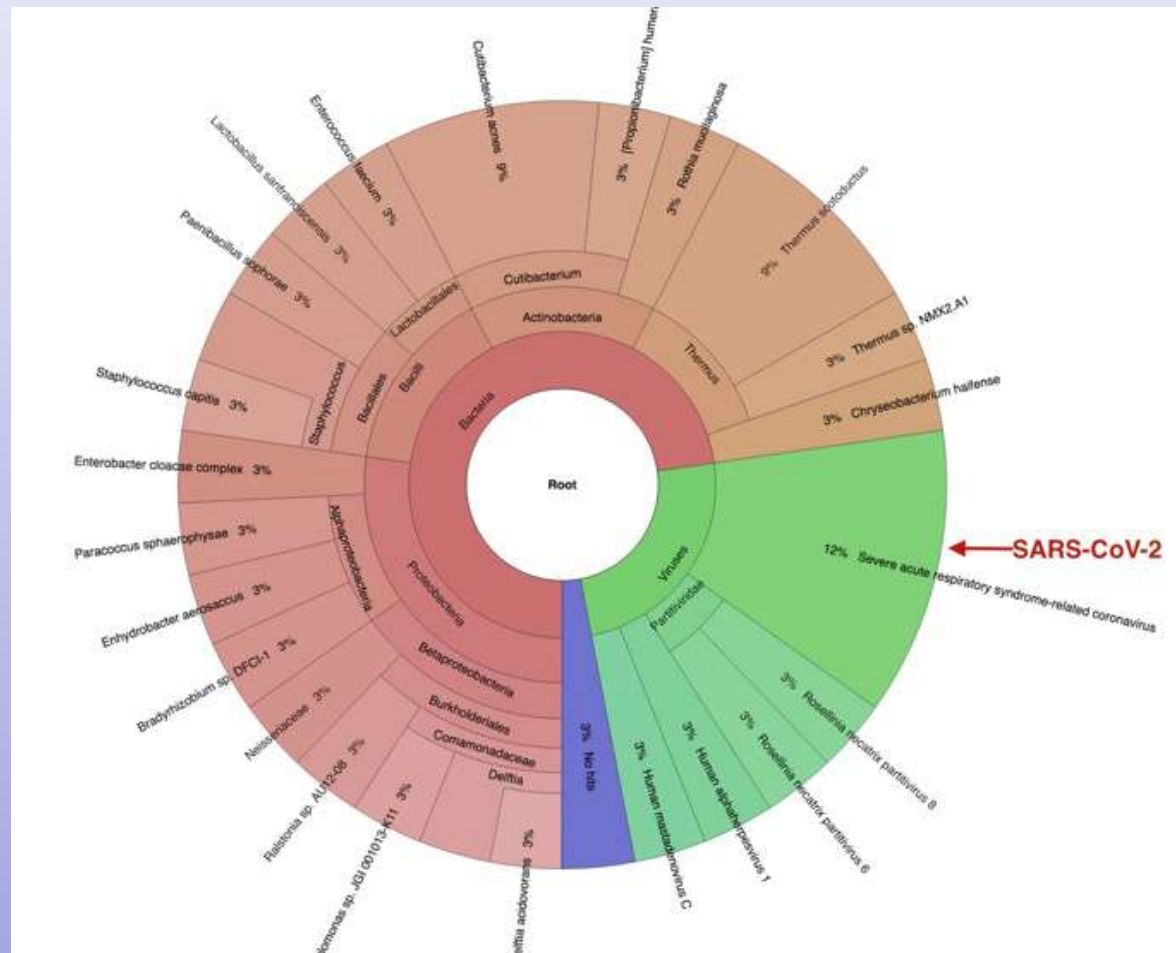
How does coronavirus kill? Clinicians trace a ferocious rampage through the body, from brain to toes

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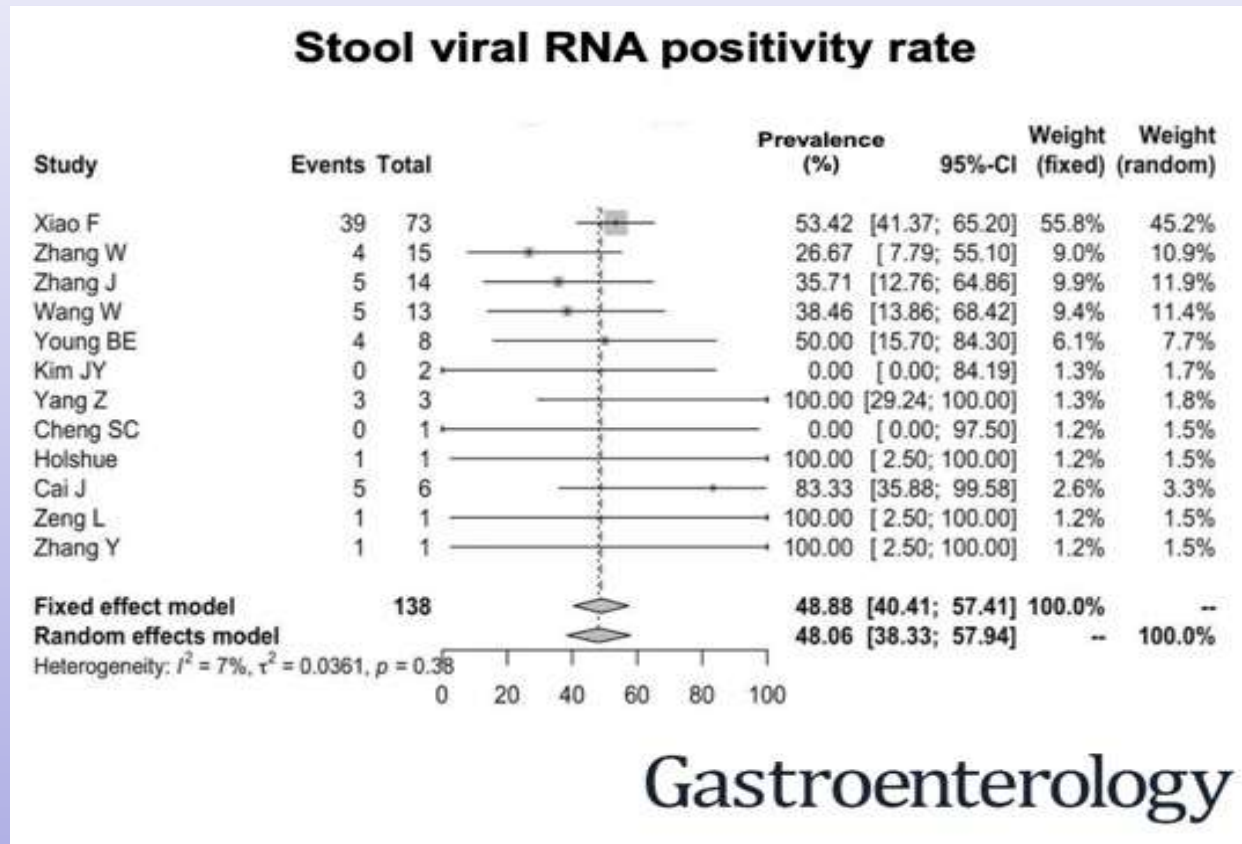
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Identification of Bacteria and Viruses Present in Respiratory Samples in which SARS-CoV-2 has been Detected

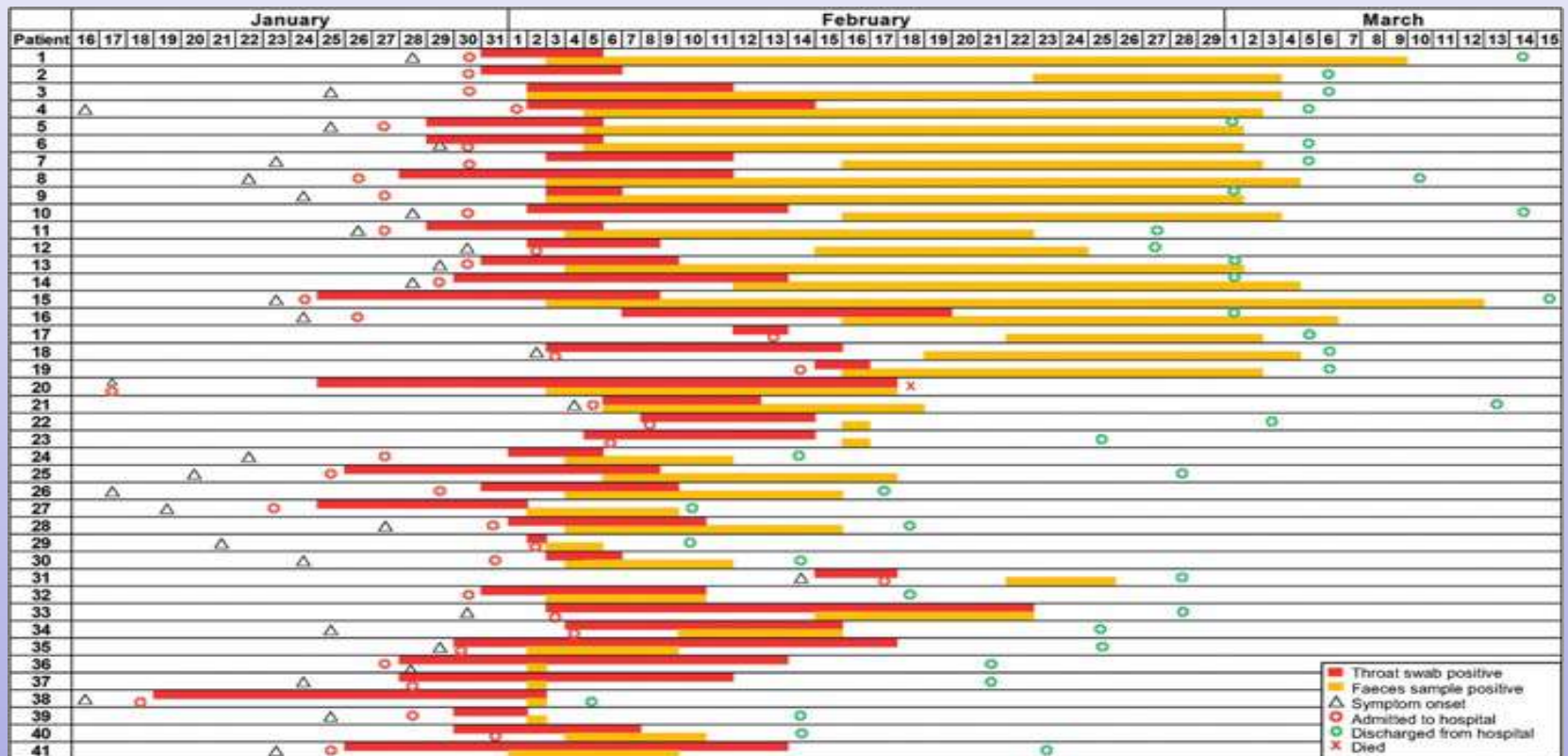


SARS Cov-2 viral RNA has been detected in 48.1% of stool samples



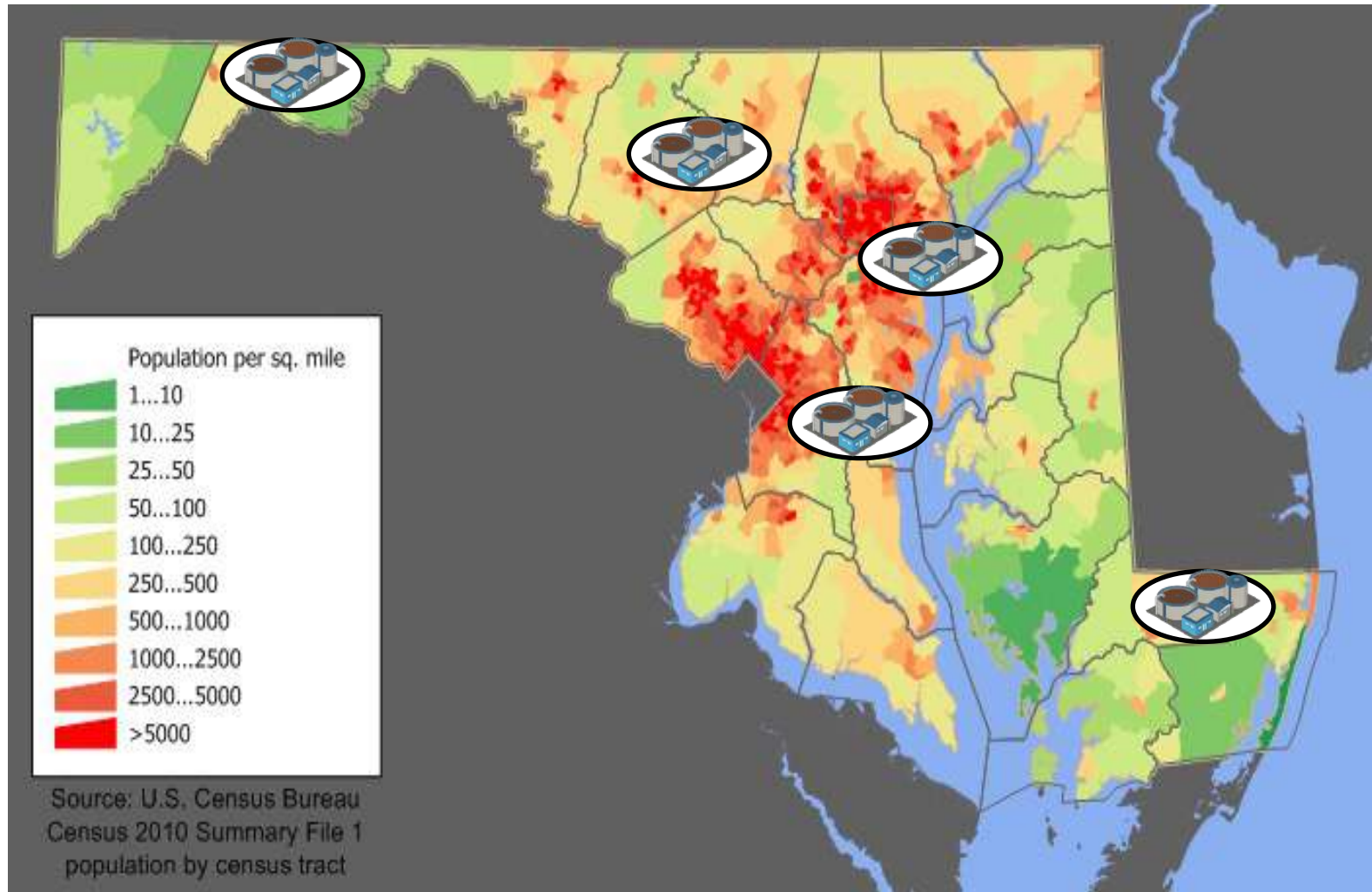
Cheung et al., (2020). Gastrointestinal Manifestations of SARS-CoV-2 Infection and Virus Load in Fecal Samples from the Hong Kong Cohort and Systematic Review and Meta-analysis. *Gastroenterology*. Pre-Proof

Positive Stool Samples Detected After Respiratory Sample Tested Negative During Recovery

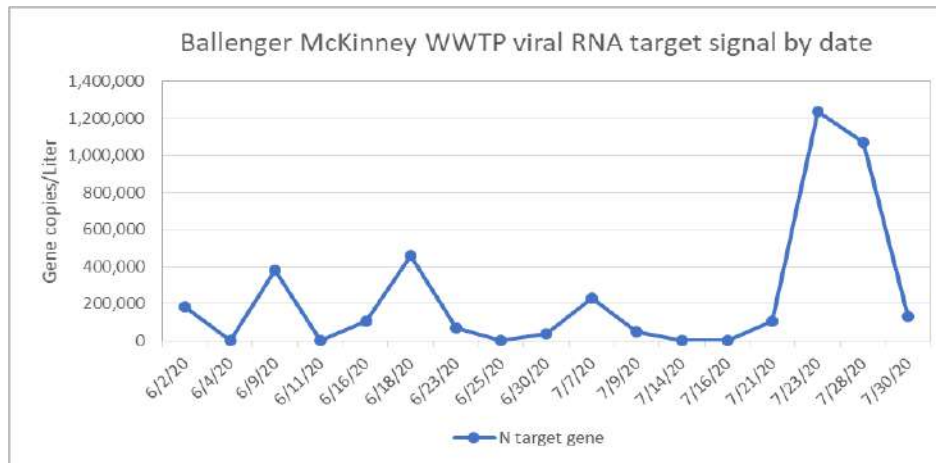
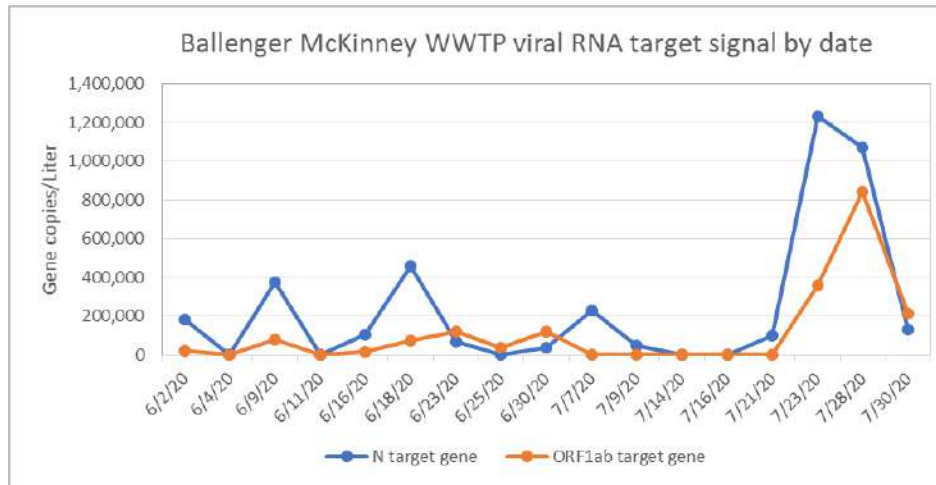


Wu Y, Guo C, Tang L, et al. Prolonged presence of SARS-CoV-2 viral RNA in faecal samples. 2020 *The Lancet Gastroenterology – hepatology*. Volume 5, Issue 5, 434 - 435

COVID-19 tracking in wastewater

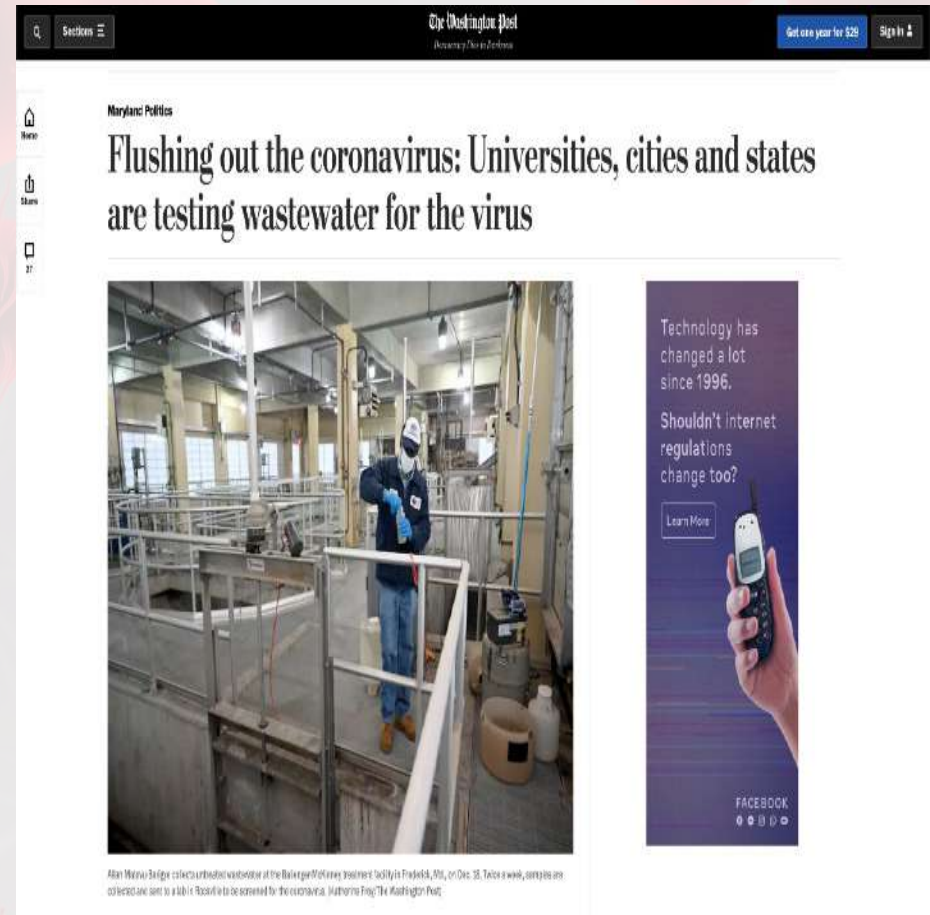


Results from Frederick, Maryland sites, 2020



Case Study: Mount St. Mary's University

- Twice weekly sampling of dormitory effluent
- Covid spike triggered testing of individual students
- 221 students tested
 - 10 positive
 - 9 asymptomatic
- “It could have become quite a spreading event,” said Donna Klinger, a spokeswoman for the university
- Coronavirus positive students isolated and wastewater tests done twice weekly



The image shows a screenshot of a news article from The Washington Post. The article is titled "Flushing out the coronavirus: Universities, cities and states are testing wastewater for the virus" and is categorized under "Maryland Politics". The article includes a photograph of a person in a lab coat and mask working in a laboratory setting. To the right of the article is a Facebook advertisement featuring a hand holding a mobile phone and the text: "Technology has changed a lot since 1996. Shouldn't internet regulations change too? Learn More".

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FACEBOOK

Alan Murray Bridge collects wastewater at the Baker-Walton business facility in Frederick, Md., on Dec. 25. Twice a week, samples are collected and sent to a lab in Rockville to be screened for the coronavirus. (Mathew Frog/The Washington Post)



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Vibrio Prediction Hub

Cholera Risk Map Viewer

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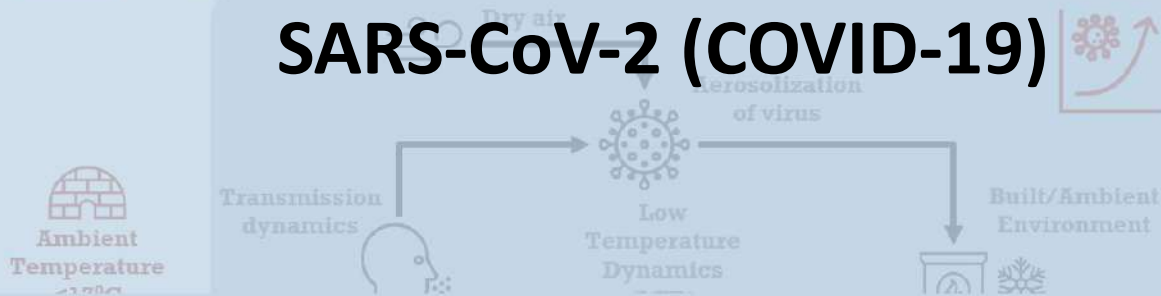
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A decision-making initiative for protecting human health and enhancing the resilience of coastal communities under current and changing environments

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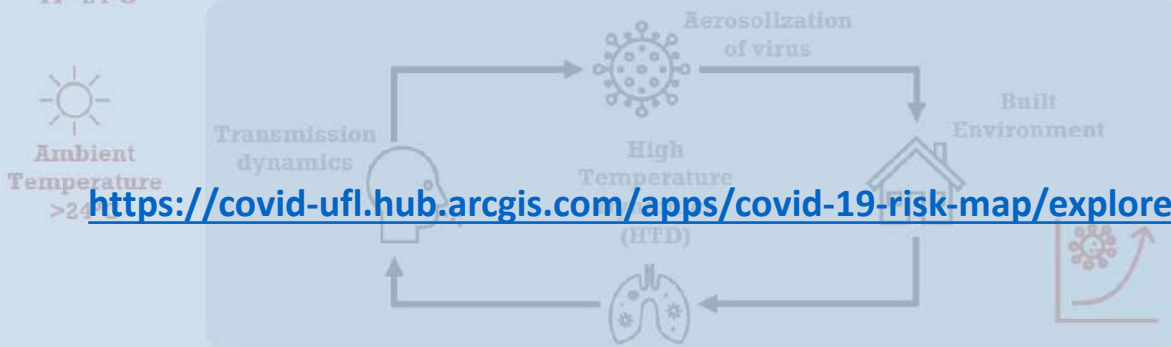
SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19)



Development of prediction algorithm

In-house cholera prediction algorithm was modified for COVID-19
 Algorithm is based on geographically weighted raster probabilistic dose-response assimilation technique

(Email ajutla@ufl.edu and moiz.usmani@ufl.edu for details)



Socio-demographical indicators

- Density
- Economic stability
- Age
- Diversity
- Housing
- Practices
- Wastewater Analysis

Earth Observations

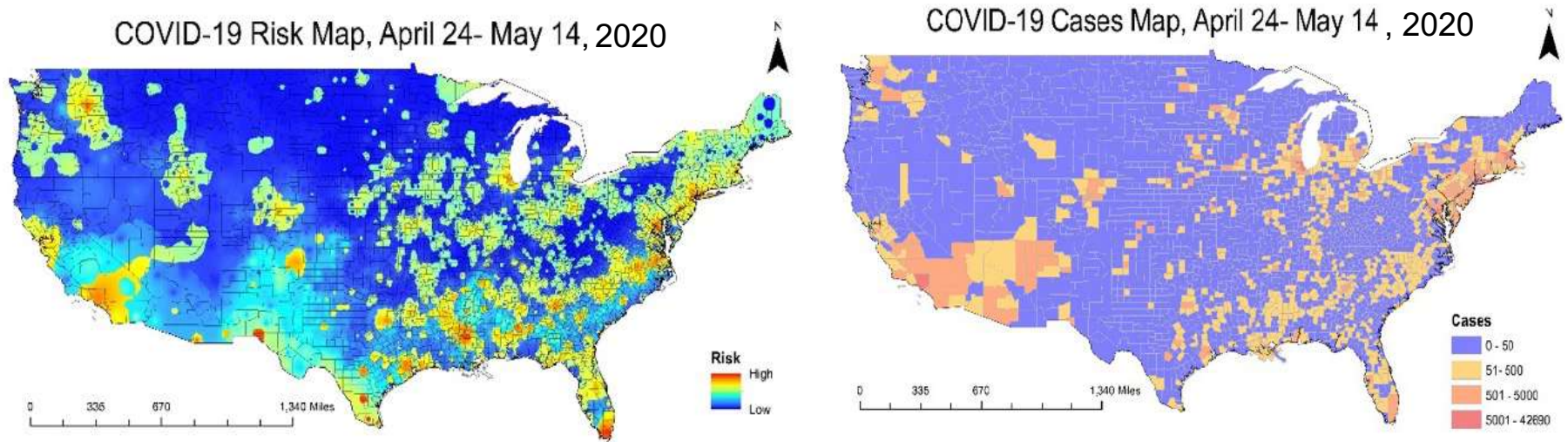
- MERRA MODIS
- Human Movement (GPS)



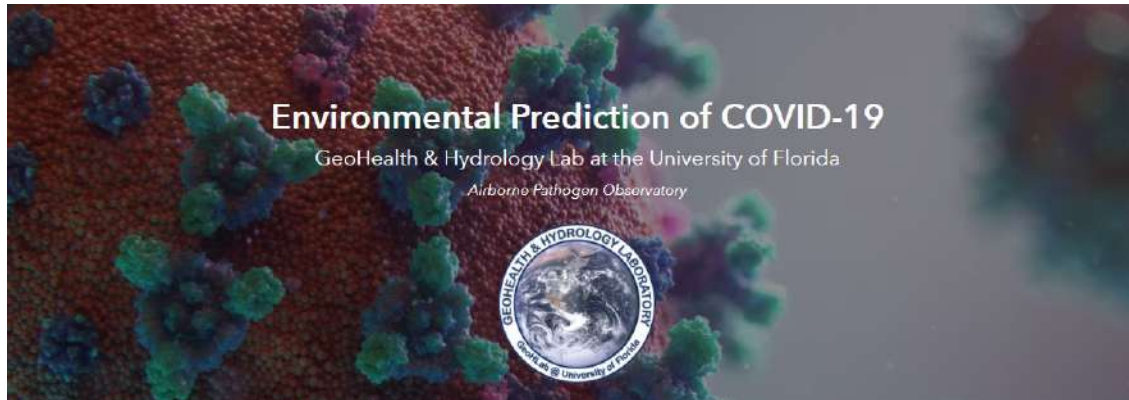
Risk Map (with 14-day validity)

<https://covid-ufl.hub.arcgis.com/apps/covid-19-risk-map/explore>

Prediction of coronavirus risk



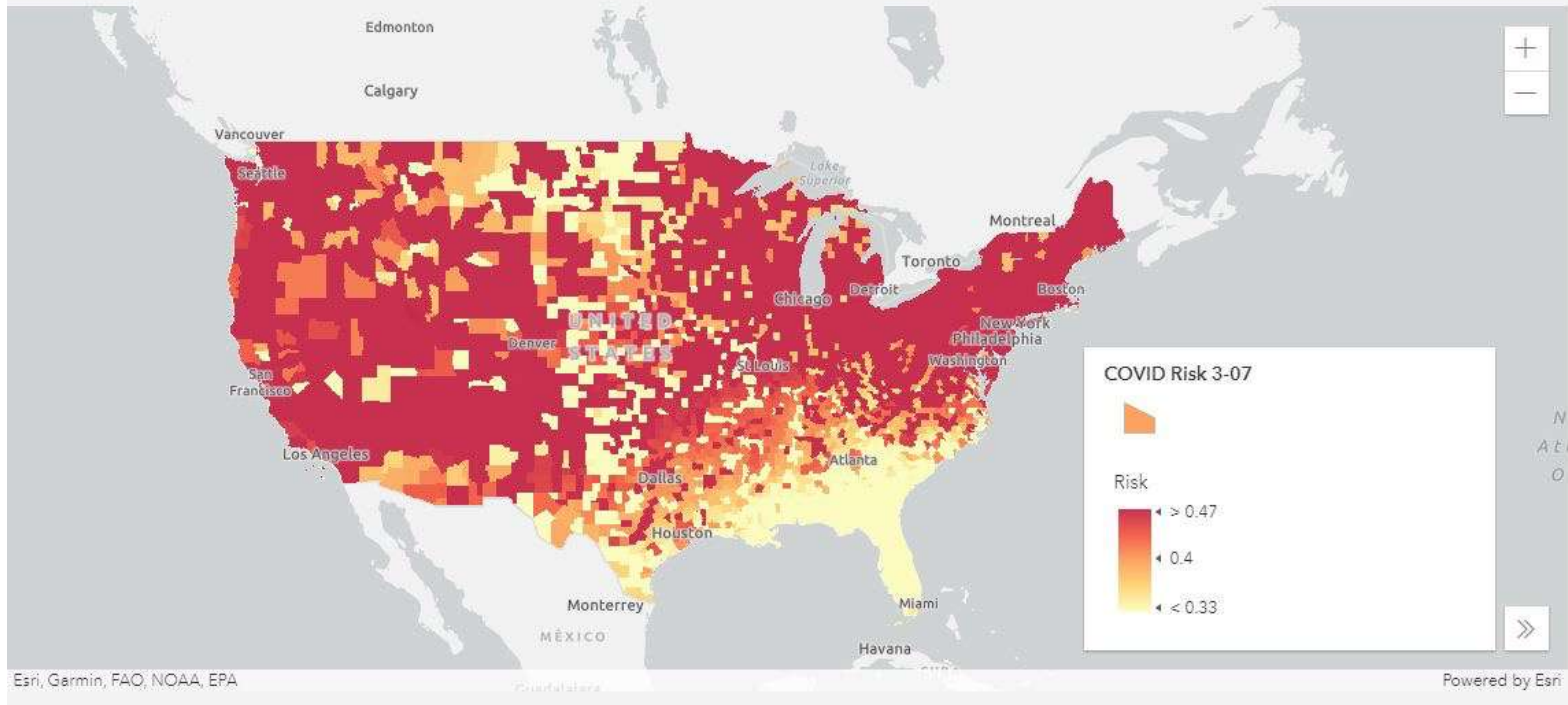
Left panel: **Prediction** made on April 24th 2020 and valid until May 14th, 2020.
Right panel: **Actual number** of COVID19 cases during those three weeks: a heuristic prediction model developed in GeoHLab



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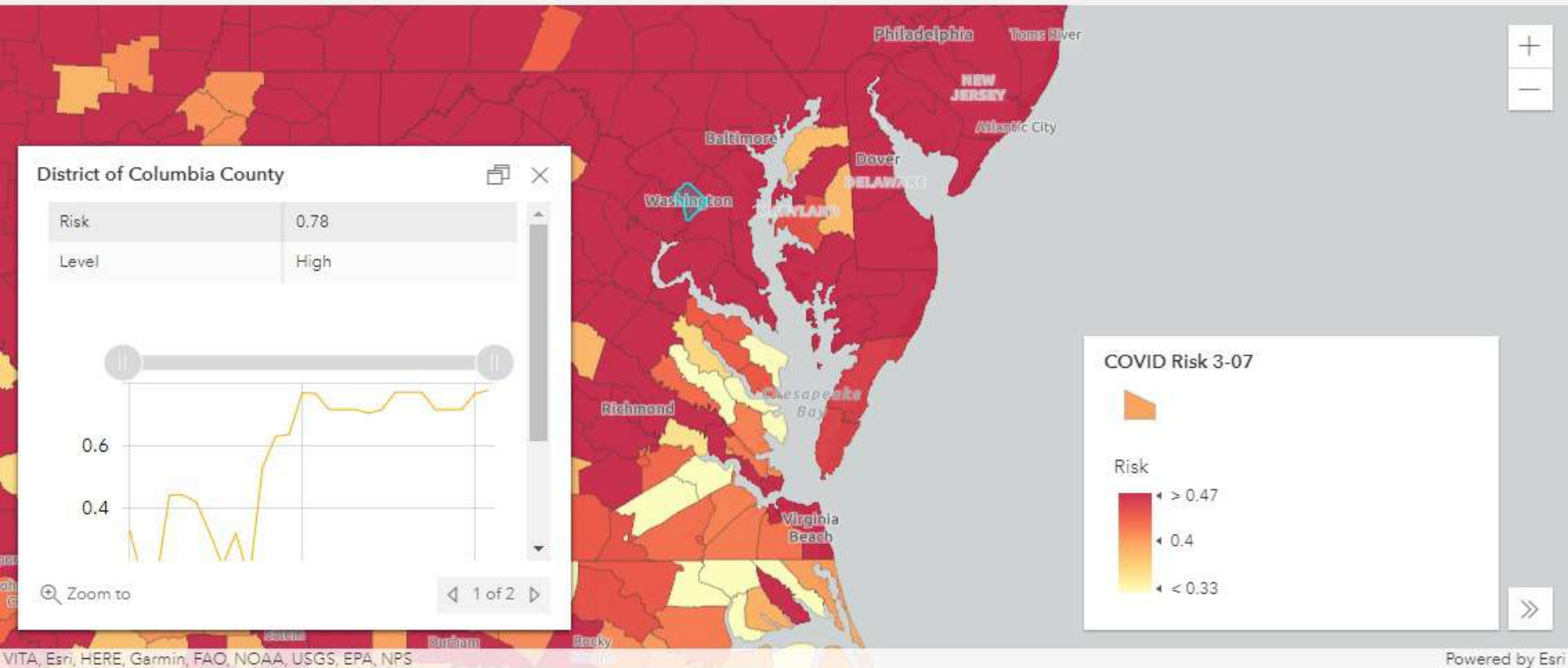
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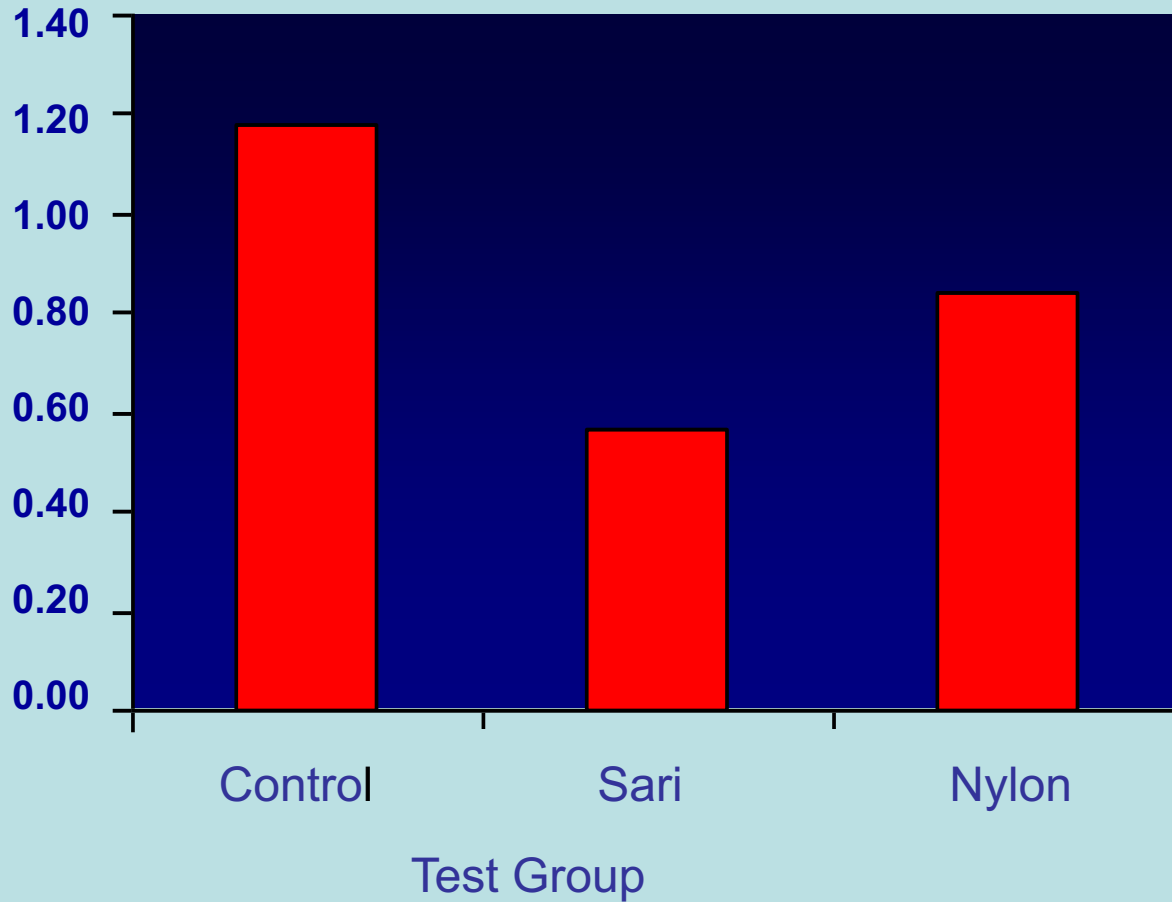
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Full Study

Cases of Cholera Per 1000 Population



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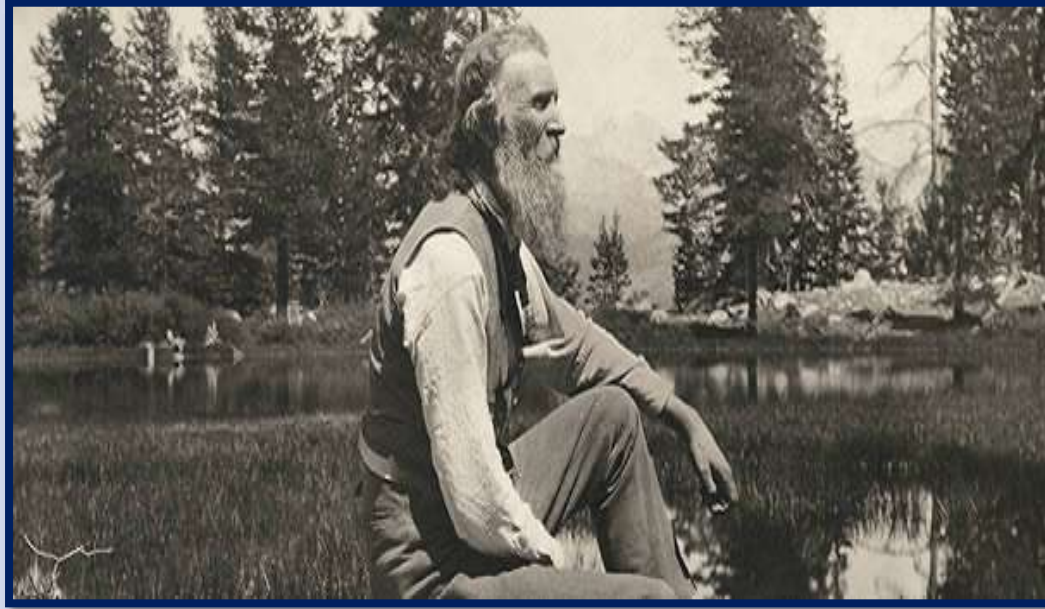
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