

# The Geography of an emerging disease in Delhi

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# Dengue as an emerging disease

- Big success: Infectious diseases were thought to be controlled in 70 's (US Surgeon General, WHO....).
- International crisis due to emerging infectious diseases starting during the 80's (Aids, Ebola, West Niles...).

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- Vector borne diseases are important human health threats: Chikungunya, Zika, Dengue.
- Why such emergence?:
  - Use of antibacterial
  - Global warming ?
  - Urbanization



### Dengue



4 serotypes

#### Flaviviridae





### Aedes aegypti & Ae. albopictus (Ae. polynesiensis -South Pacific)



# Dengue burden

- 2013 Bhatt et al
  - 390 million infections
  - 98 million clinical
- 2014 Stanaway et al
  - 58 million clinical
- 2015 Kraemer et al
  - Aedes spp. on all continents
- 2016 Sheppard et al
  - Average cost US\$ 8.9
    billion



Dengue burden, Stanaway et al



Aedes distribution, Kraemer et al

# Dengue in India

- Dengue in India
  - Spread since the 60's
  - Important diffusion since the 90's
  - Important inequalities in dengue surveillance
- Dengue in Delhi:
  - Identified during the 60's (Balaya and al., 1967)
  - Increased number of cases since 1996
  - 38 sentinel hospitals







#### LOCALISATION DES CAS DE DENGUE A DELHI EN 2009



### Aims of the study

- 1) Understand how dengue spread in the urban area of Delhi:
- 2) Relation between environment (socioeconomical factors) and dengue incidence
- Method: Spatial epidemiology, GIS study
- Data: Surveillance system and fieldwork study (detection of antibodies in population)



Source: MCD

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Surveillance system: Density of dengue cases in 2008; 2009 and 2010 (source: Telle O. et al., Plos one, 2016).



#### Dengue cases in Delhi















### **Relation with environment**



- Planned medium densities
- High incomes

### 2<sup>nd</sup> method: fieldwork study and Antibodies detection





	July November	December March	April-June
Deprived	0,11	0,44	3,55
Middle	0,11	0,56	0,51
High	0,05	0,16	0,39
Village	0,13	0,86	2,53
Deprived low		REF	

House index per type of colony during june 2013 till May 2014 (18 colonies sampled).



2100 individuals tested in 18 colonies (october 2013). IGM: no impact of typology

Test Positives	NB	%	Symptomatic	Asymptomatic	Category	% Asymptma <mark>tic per</mark> categor <mark>y</mark>	
lgG	604	28,42%	-	-	Past infections	-	
NS1	16	0,75%	3	13	Primo		
lgM	23	1,08%	4	19	infoctions	81,3%	
NS1+IgM	1	0,05%	1	0	intections		
lgM+lgG	118	5,55%	17	101			
NS1+ <i>lgG</i>	1	0,05%	0	1	Secondary	85,6%	
NS1+ <i>IgM</i> +IgG	5	0,24%	1	4	infections		
No positives results	1357	63,86%	-	-	-		
Total	2125	1 <mark>00,00%</mark>	26	138		84,1%	



Are there identifiable migration patterns that go beyond physical distance?



Viral genetics more informative than mobile phones/twitter etc Genome 11000 bases and mutation rate 10<sup>-3</sup> per generation (man mosquito man)

Thus 1-10 mutations per generation



Inferring micro-epidemiology through viral sequencing



#### Phylogenetic distance tree



San José de Rio Preto, Brazil. Mondini et al. 2009

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Den3. H. IMTSSA, MART, 2001





- New way to observe virus diffusion
  - Sequencing (tells us about strain mutations)
  - Phylogeography
  - Shall be done in routine mode
- How to approach urban mobilities?
   Mobile phone use
  - Big data



# Conventional fumigation and larviciding are hard to implement in modern urban cities





Sao Paulo 1940s (Aedes eradication era) and now





#### Control of DF/DHF Vector, Aedes Mosquito, with Insecticides

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Fig. 4. Utilization of adults of *Aedes aegypti* as a vehicle of pyriproxyfen for small and inconspicuous larval habitats



**Figure 1.** Adapted BG traps for pyriproxyfen dissemination. Trialled in Peru 2010 and Madeira 2014.





### Autodissemination Madeira Reults

White spots are adapted BG traps (6).

Other spots are sentinel sites (27) suitable for oviposition by contaminated adult females emerging from adapted BGs.

Sentinels are colour coded for impact (green = no impact, red = maximum impact; see legend)

Each sentinel site originally seeded with 20 *Ae aegypti* larvae.



# Treatment in and around Dengue index case house







Mobility are important, but complex to understand

# WHAT ABOUT URBAN NICHES?



### Winter Hotspots and Urban Heat Islands

### Poor densely populated areas 5-10°C hotter in winter at night



#### Socio-economic characteristics typology

- Impoverished, low densities Impoverished, medium densities
- Impoverished, high densities
- Planned, low densities Planned medium densities
- High incomes

New Delhi (NDMC) Cantonment (CBA) Industrial Rural Uninhabited



### Presence of mosquito larvae vs socioeconomic typology







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## Socioeconomic risk for dengue positivity on field (in individual residing in deprived colonies)

IgG	Odds Ratio	P>z	LC	HC
Using repellant every day				
Yes	Ref			
Νο	1,92	0,03	1,07	3,44
Water acces tap every day				
Yes	Ref			
Νο	2,31	0,01	1,21	4,41





Map dengue clusters

### Implement intervention vs. control (clusters/random)

Measure efficacy through Passive Case Detection (Public Health surveillance program)

### Very few succes in Dengue control

- New strategies has to be found:
  - Avoid niches at any scale (between and within cities)
  - Short term strategies in phase with administration capacities (surveillance and control)
  - Strengthen intersectorial researches and lab capacities (sequencing, automatic mapping of dengue cases)
  - Think long term and relation between city and virus expansion

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