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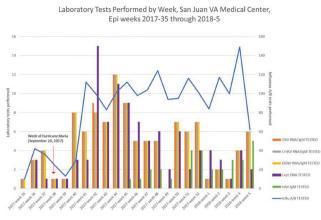
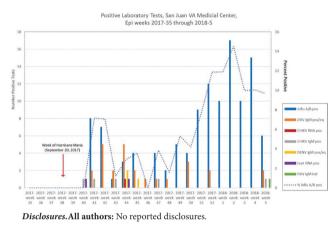


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450. Using Geographical Information Systems to Interpret the Efficacy of Mass Drug Administration for Soil-Transmitted Helminthiasis in Rural Madagascar Emile Redwood, BA, MD Candidate¹; Liana Langdon-Embry, BA, MD Candidate¹; Annabelle Jones, BS, MD Candidate¹; Benjamin Schwarz, BS, MD Candidate¹; Ando Lvasoa Rakotoniaina, MD²; Fara Nantenaina Rakotoarison, Midwife, Mobile Health Team²; Andry Andriamiadanarivo, Cartographer²; Patricia Wright, PhD³; Ines Vigan-Womas, PhD⁴; Peter Small, MD⁵ and Luis A. Marcos, MD, MPH⁶; ¹Stony Brook School of Medicine, Stony Brook, New York, ²Centre Val Bio, Ranomafana, Madagascar, ³Anthropology, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, New York, ⁴Institut Pasteur de Madagascar, Antananarivo, Madagascar, ⁵Global Health Institute, Stony Brook School of Medicine, Stony Brook, New York, ⁶Infectious Disease, Stony Brook University Hospital, Stony Brook, New York

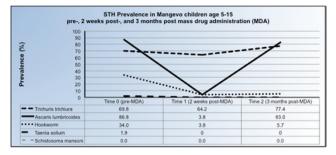
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Background. In Madagascar, mass drug administration (MDA) of anti-parasitics is administered every 6 months to combat soil-transmitted helminthiasis (STH) in school-aged children, although little information exists as to its efficacy. In recent years, geographical information systems (GIS) have been used for visualization of patterns in disease epidemiology. This inexpensive technology may be leveraged to aid in education of local health workers toward a more integrated approach to control STH.

Methods. Baseline questionnaires and stool/blood samples were collected from participants of Mangevo, a rural village in southeast Madagascar. GPS coordinates and qualitative descriptions were collected from all village homes, common latrines, and animal pens. All children 5–15 years old were given MDA per WHO protocol. Stool was again collected from these children 2 weeks later and 3 months later. Parasitological examination of stool samples for STH eggs was performed using Spontaneous Sedimentation Technique. Results were overlaid onto GIS maps and used to further educate the local mobile health team.

Results. A total of 183 participants were eligible for the study. Analysis found 89% of adults >15 years old were infected with one or more parasite and 100% of children 5–15 were infected with one or more parasite at time 0. *Trichuris trichuria* prevalence fell 8% (P < 0.5) in 2 weeks and climbed 17% (P < 0.05) by 3 months follow-up. *Ascaris lumbricoides* prevalence fell 96% (P < 0.0001) in the 2 weeks and climbed 5% (P < 0.0001) by 3 months follow-up. Hookworm prevalence dropped 89% (P < 0.0001) in 2 weeks and climbed 5% (P < 0.5) by 3 months follow-up. Prevalence data, descriptive results, and GPS coordinates of vilage homes were integrated into a GIS maps pre- and post-MDA of children, and pre-MDA for adults.



5-15 Year Olds Baseline: Pre-MDA



Conclusion. While GIS has been used to yield insights into the ecology of infection, this study examined the efficacy of the current MDA through the lens of small scale GIS mapping. This may be an ideal and inexpensive technology to help in the implementation of future interventions of the government-mandated STH treatment protocol and work toward the strengthening of local health teams.

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451. High-Frequency of Multi-Drug-Resistant Organisms (MDRO) at University Teaching Hospital (UTH), Lusaka, Zambia

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Background. Antibiotic resistance is a worldwide problem. Prior studies on patterns of resistance in Zambia depended on laboratory methods that lacked standardization. UTH is a 1,655-bed quaternary care hospital and the primary teaching hospital of Zambia. Since 2015, the microbiology laboratory has used Vitek 2 Compact (bioMerieux, Inc., France) for standardized detection of resistance.

Methods. We conducted a retrospective cross-sectional study of data collected on bacterial isolates analyzed from July 2015 to April 2017. We entered the data into WHONET 5.6 and aggregated it to develop hospital antibiograms. Due to high levels of resistance, we defined susceptible, intermediate, and resistant as >70%, 40–70%, and <40% of isolates sensitive to a drug, respectively. To improve usability, a version replacing the percent susceptible with these categories was developed.

Results. We analyzed 2,019 isolates to identify susceptibility patterns to commonly used antibiotics at UTH. *Escherichia coli* and *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, the most commonly isolated Gram-negative (GN) organisms, were resistant to most drugs including ceftriaxone, indicating high rates of extended-spectrum β -lactamase production. Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) made up 37% of *S. aureus*

isolates. MRSA and methicillin-susceptible *S. aureus* were resistant to trimethoprim/ sulfamethoxazole, a commonly used drug at UTH. *S. pneumoniae* was resistant to most drugs against which it was tested.

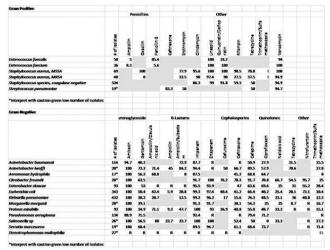
Conclusion. MDROs were common at UTH with carbapenems indicated for empiric GN therapy. Further research should assess the extent and depth of antibiotic resistance in Zambia. Antibiograms provide critical information for clinicians to strategically use antibiotics.

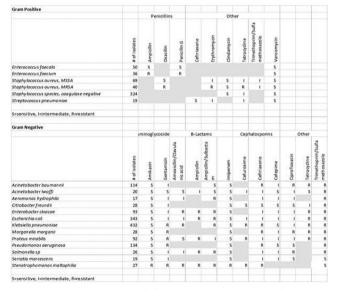
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452. Spectrum of Respiratory Pathogens Detected by Multiplex PCR in a Study of Respiratory Tract Infections Among Travelers

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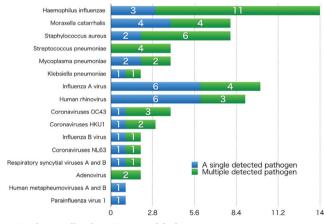
Background. Respiratory tract infections (RTI) are a significant cause of health problems, accounting for about 10% of consultations in returning travelers. Nevertheless, the precise microbial etiology is not identified in many cases.

Methods. Prospectively collected 63 respiratory specimens (sputum or throat swab) from patients presented with respiratory symptoms (cough, sputum, chest pain, dyspnea, tachypnea, or abnormal findings of chest auscultation) after travel were tested using multiplex real-time PCR. The FTD Respiratory pathogens 33 (Fast-track diagnostics, Ltd.) can simultaneously detect 33 different respiratory pathogens directly from respiratory specimens. This test ran in the PCR-Only mode on BD MAX^{**} (Nippon Becton Dickinson Company, Ltd.) and LightCycler480 System (Roche).

Results. Fifty-nine consecutive cases were included in the study. Thirty-nine cases were diagnosed as non-specific upper respiratory tract infections, five cases were influenza, bronchitis, pneumonia, threecases was acute sinusitis, and one case was acute pharyngitis, dengue fever. Twenty-four cases had returned from travel in Southeast Asia, nine from Africa, and 8 from Latin America, seven from South Asia, six from middle east, threefrom North America, threefrom East Asia, 2 from Oceania, and one from Europe. Of the 59 specimens analyzed, 48 (81.4%) tested positive for pathogens whereas 11 tested negative. Commonly detected pathogens were *Haemophilus influenzae* (14 cases; 23.7%), influenza A (10 cases; 17.0%), rhinovirus (9 cases; 15.2%), *Staphylococcus aureus* (8 cases; 13.6%), *Moraxella catarrhalis* (8 cases; 13.6%), *Streptococcus pneumonia*, coronaviruses OC43, and *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* (4 cases; 6.8%, respectively). Multiple pathogens were detected in 30.5% of the specimens. In 14 cases (23.7%), both virus and bacteria were detected from one specimen.

Conclusion. Not only viruses, bacterial pathogens were detected frequently than expected in the patients of RTI. Comprehensive molecular testing such as multiplex realtime PCR would change our understandings of epidemiology of RTI among travelers.

Frequency distributions of detected pathogens and the frequencies in samples with multiple detected pathogens



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453. Understanding Travel Medicine Provider's Risk Assessment of Travel-Associated Diseases

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Background. Pre-travel medical consultations attempt to reduce travel-associated risks by behavioral modification, vaccination, and medications. Provider understanding of quantitative risk of commonly discussed travel topics is poorly characterized. We investigated travel medicine provider understanding of quantitative risk of common travel-associated diseases, and explored how providers relay risk estimates to travelers.

Methods. After institutional review board (IRB) approval, an online anonymous survey was sent to the International Society for Travel Medicine Listserv. Travel medicine experience, practice patterns and demographics were recorded. Respondents estimated quantitative risk of various destination-specific diseases. Descriptive statistics were completed.

Results. Of 114 respondents, most were experienced travel medicine providers (79% saw >6 travel visits monthly). Overall risk estimates are in Table 1. Compared with published literature, providers gave accurate risk estimates for some diseases (yellow fever, traveler's diarrhea), but overestimated quantitative risk for others (Japanese encephalitis, hepatitis A, cholera). Interquartile range was greatest for Japanese encephalitis and cholera, reflecting a wider range of risk estimates. Most (81%) providers used general risk descriptions (high, low, none) and a minority (14%) discussed quantitative risk with travelers.