Supplementary information. To model the hypnozoite burden, we draw on the within-host framework constructed in [15]. We adopt the simplest exponential clock model, whereby each hypnozoite activates independently at constant rate η [13, 15]. Each infective bite is modelled to inoculate a geometrically-distributed sporozoite batch of mean size ν . A sporozoite either undergoes immediate development with probability $(1 - p_{rel})$ to give rise to primary infection or it forms a hypnozoite that is destined to activate at a later time (we have re-parametrised this model to ignore the unobservable contribution of hypnozoite death). To capture population heterogeneity, we allow the force of inoculation in the population to follow a Gamma-distribution, with shape parameter κ and mean $\overline{\lambda}$ [19].

Under a constant force of infection or infective bite rate λ , the hypnozoite burden at stationarity follows a negative binomial distribution with mean $\lambda \nu p_{\rm rel}/\eta$ and shape parameter λ/η [12]. Each round of chloroquine MDA is assumed to confer T days of chemoprotection. If an individual receives m rounds of chloroquine, this amounts to a consecutive duration mT of complete prophylactic antimalarial protection. During this period, each hypnozoite may activate spontaneously with probability $(1 - e^{-\lambda mT})$, but the hypnozoite progeny will be unable to establish a blood-stage infection. Assuming that additional hypnozoites cannot be acquired during this period of chemoprotection (i.e. that transmission of P. vivax has also been interrupted completely), we can apply the law of total expectation to show that the size of the hypnozoite reservoir $H_m(\lambda)$ following m bouts of treatment is negative binomial with mean $\lambda \mu e^{-\eta mT}/\eta$ and shape parameter λ/η .

By applying the law of total expectation, we can show that the within-host hypnozoite burden H_m after m bouts of treatment, accommodating heterogeneity, has probability generating function (PGF)

$$\mathbb{E}\left[z^{H_m}\right] = \int_0^\infty \underbrace{\left(1 + \nu p_{\text{rel}}e^{-\eta mT}(1-z)\right)^{-\frac{u}{\eta}}}_{\text{PGF at stationarity}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{\Gamma(\kappa)} \left(\frac{\kappa}{\bar{\lambda}}\right)^{\kappa} u^{\kappa-1} e^{-\frac{\kappa u}{\bar{\lambda}}}}_{\text{(Gamma distribution) for FOI } u} du$$
$$= \left(1 + \frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\eta\kappa} \log\left(1 + \nu p_{\text{rel}}e^{-\eta mT}(1-z)\right)\right)^{-\kappa}.$$

Now, we consider a closed population of N individuals with 100% adherence to an MDA regimen spanning m bouts of treatment. Assuming that the hypnozoite burden of each individual can be modelled independently, the population-wise hypnozoite burden $H_m(N)$ after MDA has PGF

$$\mathbb{E}\left[z^{H_m(N)}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[z^{H_m}\right]^N = \left(1 + \frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\eta\kappa}\log\left(1 + \nu p_{\rm rel}e^{-\eta mT}(1-z)\right)\right)^{-\kappa N}.$$
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We can recover the probability mass function (PMF) of $H_m(N)$ from the PGF (1) by computing

$$P(H_m(N) = n) = \frac{1}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dz^n} \mathbb{E}[z^{H_m(N)}]\Big|_{z=0}.$$

This can be performed directly using the function Series in Mathematica. To obtain an analytic expression, we write the PGF (1) in the form

$$\mathbb{E}\left[z^{H_m(N)}\right] = f(g(z))$$

where

$$f(z) = x^{-\kappa N}$$

$$g(z) = 1 + \frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\eta \kappa} \log \left(1 + \nu p_{\rm rel} e^{-\eta m T} (1 - z)\right).$$

Using Faa di Bruno's formula as in [12], it then follows that

$$P(H_m(N) = n) = \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{\ell=0}^n f^{(\ell)}(g(0)) \cdot B_{n,\ell}(g^{(1)}(0), \dots, g^{(n-\ell+1)}(0))$$

= $\sum_{\ell=0}^n (-1)^\ell \frac{\ell!}{n!} {\kappa N + \ell - 1 \choose \ell} \left[1 + \frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\eta \kappa} \log(1 + \nu p_{rel}e^{-\eta mT}) \right]^{-(\kappa N + \ell)}$
 $B_{n,\ell} \left(-\frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\eta \kappa} \frac{\nu p_{rel}e^{-\eta mT}}{\nu p_{rel}e^{-\eta mT} + 1}, \dots -\frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\eta \kappa} (n-\ell)! \left(\frac{\nu p_{rel}e^{-\eta mT}}{\nu p_{rel}e^{-\eta mT} + 1} \right)^{n-\ell+1} \right)$

where $B_{n,k}$ denotes the partial Bell polynomial. Using standard identities, we obtain

$$P(H_m(N) = n) = \sum_{\ell=0}^n \left\{ \frac{\ell!}{n!} {n \choose \ell} {\kappa N + \ell - 1 \choose \ell} \left(\frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\eta \kappa} \right)^\ell \left(\frac{\nu p_{\rm rel} e^{-\eta m T}}{\nu p_{\rm rel} e^{-\eta m T} + 1} \right)^n \left[1 + \frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\eta \kappa} \log(1 + \nu p_{\rm rel} e^{-\eta m T}) \right]^{-(\kappa N + \ell)} \right\}$$

where $\begin{bmatrix} n \\ \ell \end{bmatrix}$ denotes an unsigned Stirling number of the first kind.

We parametrise this model based on the posterior median estimates $\eta = 1/171$ day⁻¹ and $\nu p_{\rm rel} = 2.7$ from [15], with $\kappa = 1.15$ such that the 20% of individuals subject to the highest transmission intensity are collectively expected to experience 50% of infective bites. We assume each round of CQ MDA yields T = 30 days of chemoprotection.

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