



Migration and Movement

Pathways of Pathogens Within, Into, and Out of Urban Centers

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Nairobi, Kenya



Nairobi National Park



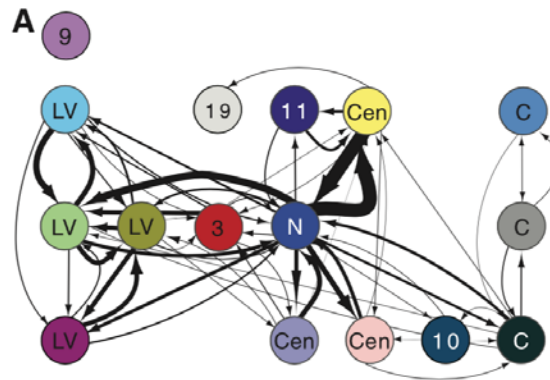
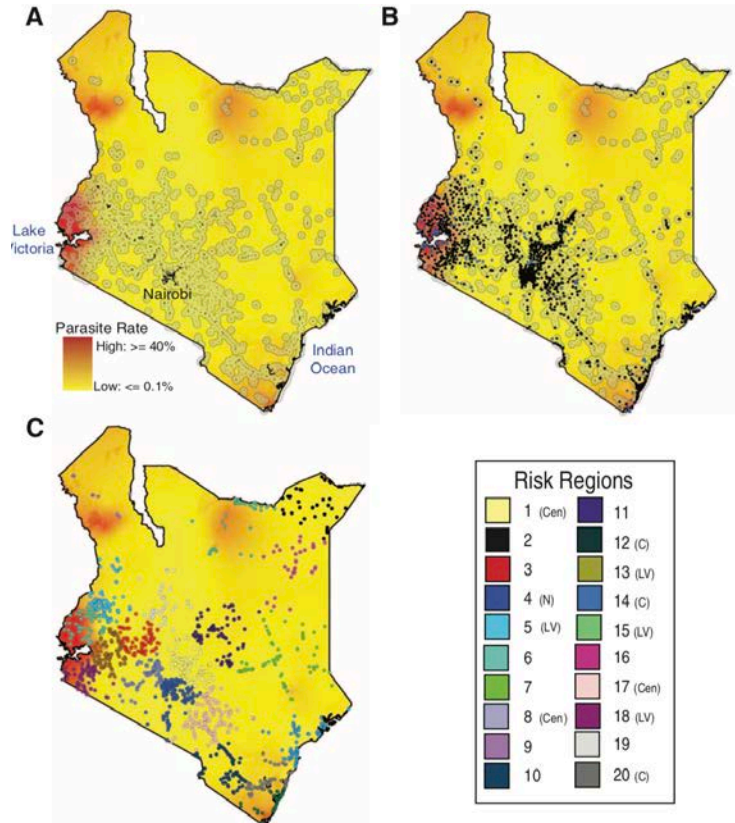
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Mobile Phones

- $>1B$ CDR over ~ 1 yr
- $\sim 15M$ anonymized users
- $\sim 12k$ cell towers

Malaria Atlas Project

- 2009 Endemicity
- Bayesian Geostatistical Model

Flows of Malaria

- Nairobi is a hub for travel.

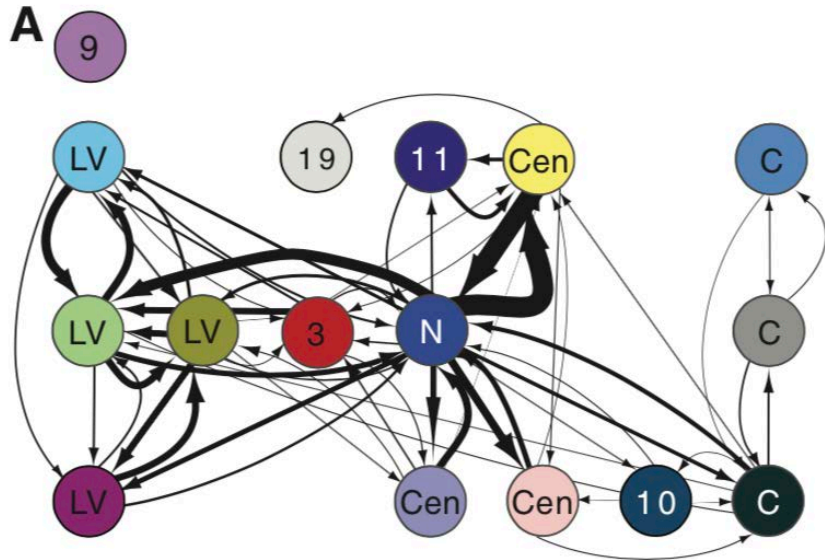
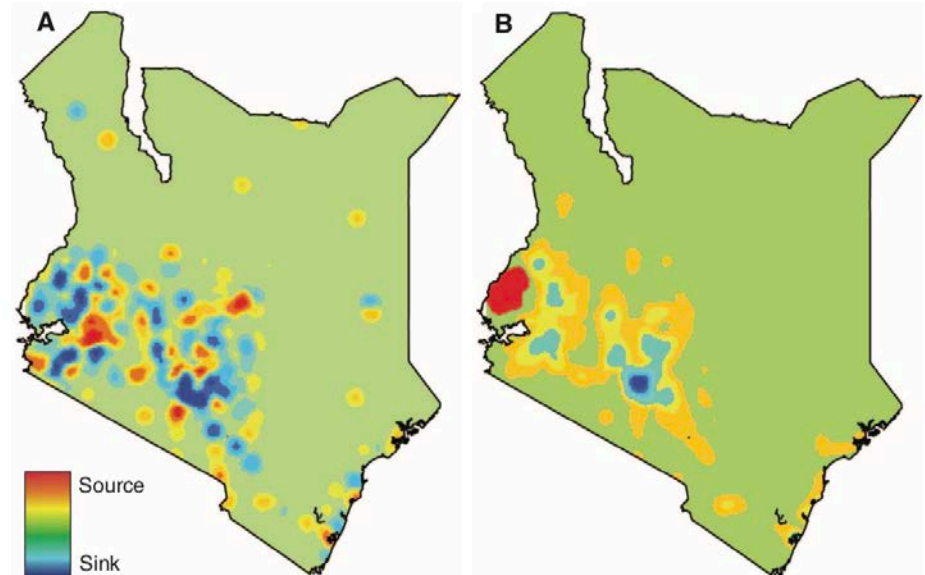


Fig. 3. Sources and sinks of people and parasites. Kernel density maps showing ranked sources (red) and sinks (blue) of human travel and total parasite movement in Kenya, where each settlement was designated as a relative source or sink based on yearly estimates. **(A)** Travel sources and sinks. **(B)** Parasite sources and sinks.



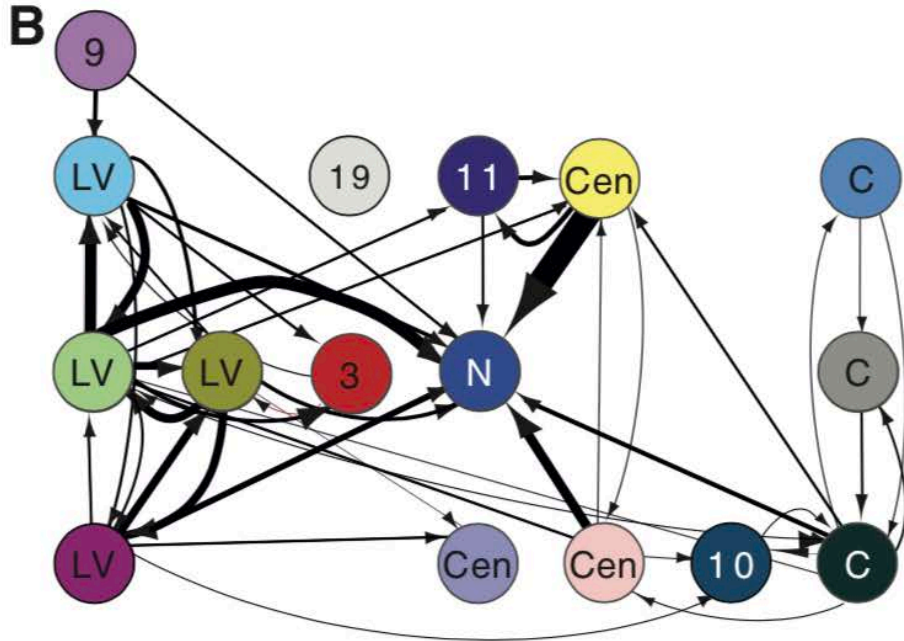
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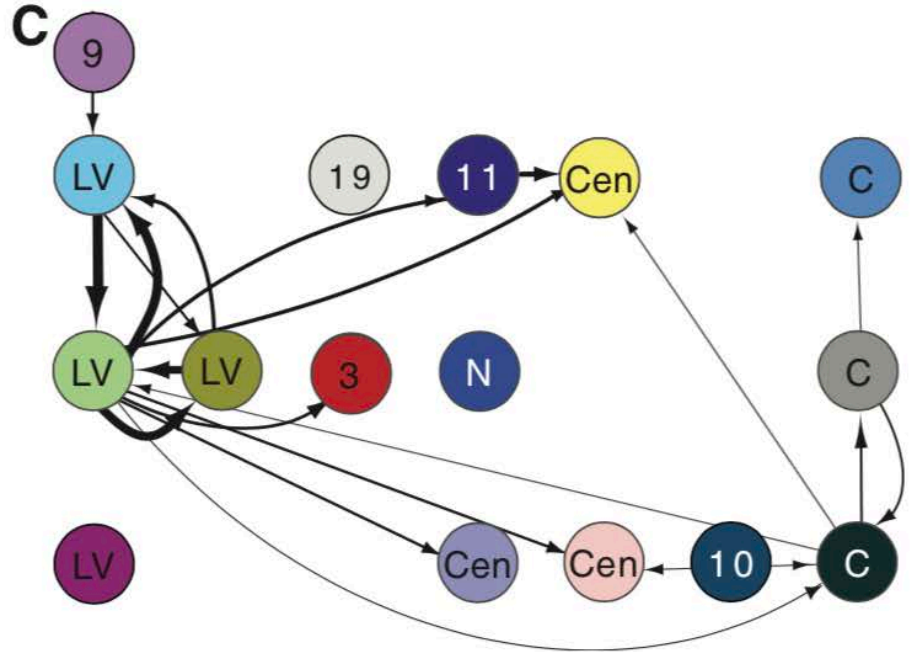
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People Traveling and Getting Infected



Infected People Traveling and Getting Bitten



Vector-Transmission in the Built Environment

- Most vector species tend to decline and disappear from urban centers
- Malaria prevalence tends to be much lower in urban centers
- *Aedes aegypti* tends to thrive in these urban centers
- Arboviral transmission is a growing problem in urban centers

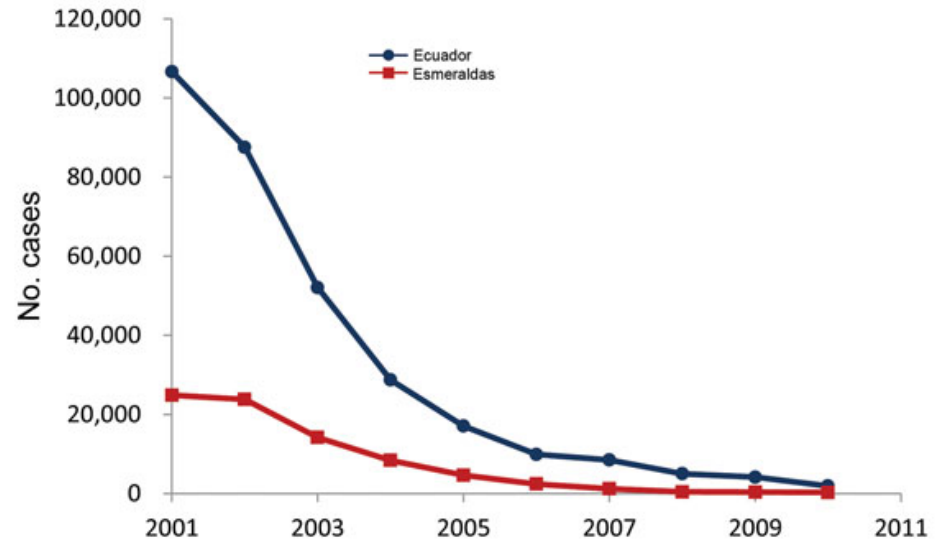
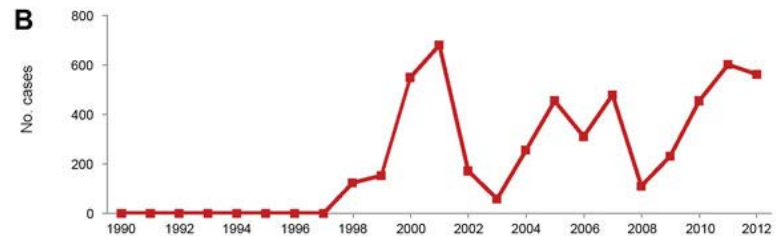
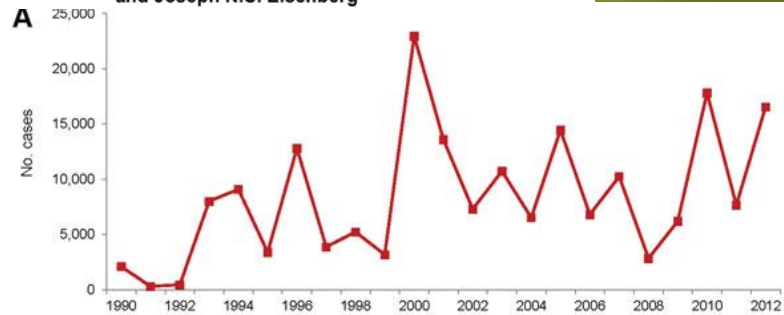


Urban Vector

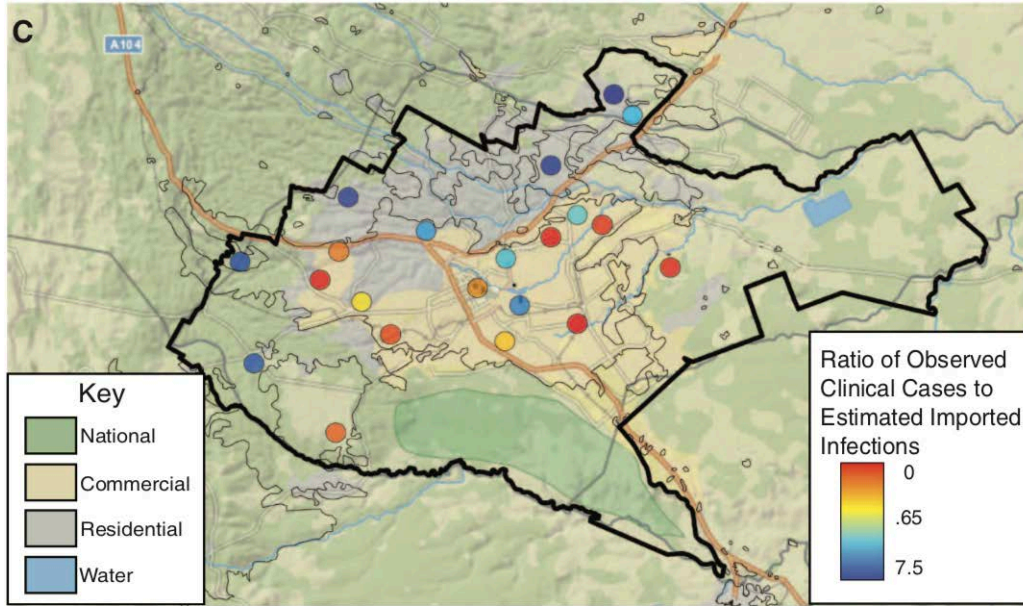
Rural Vectors

Transition in the Cause of Fever from Malaria to Dengue, Northwestern Ecuador, 1990–2011

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Mosquito-borne pathogen transmission in Nairobi?



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Nairobi put on alert over dengue fever after Mombasa outbreak

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Infectious Diseases in the Built Environment

Developing Cities or Modern Slums

- High Population Density & Direct Contact
- Hubs for Travel
- Poor nutrition (under/over)
- Hookworm, parasites, etc.
- Childhood diseases:
 - measles, typhoid, diphtheria
- Enteric pathogens:
 - Typhoid
- Epidemics of cholera and plague

The Sanitary Modern City

- High Population Density & Direct Contact
- Hubs for Travel
- Plumbing & sanitation
 - Rise of paralytic polio syndrome (lower force of infection, higher age at infection)
- Habitat change tends to eliminate zoonotic pathogen reservoirs and vectors
 - Rats, pets, & opportunists
 - *Aedes aegypti* & dengue
- Hospitals & public health
 - Antibiotic resistance