

# Les matemàtiques i la dinàmica de les malalties infeccioses

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*Every word of God is tested.*

Proverbs 30:5

## PROLOGUE

Scientists are responsible for truth, knowledge, wisdom, and understanding.

Truth is what is—it is the underlying reality of all existence. Knowledge is what we think we know about truth. Knowledge, however, is always an imperfect assessment, and is always subject to revision and improvement. The realization that there are discrepancies and weaknesses in knowledge is wisdom. Wisdom leads to a process, called the philosophy of science, through which knowledge is modified to better fit the truth. Philosophy means the love of wisdom, and doctors of philosophy are supposed, before all else, to be experts in wisdom. Understanding, as defined in Job (28:28), is the effort to avoid evil. We may think of understanding as what we use in order to adequately apply our wisdom and our knowledge in guiding our actions. While applied scientists seek understanding, basic scientists seek knowledge.

Dr. Robert MacArthur has made a dramatic impact on ecology because, to him, all of this was second nature.

# Qué pretende la investigación científica?

“... First, to permit an adequate *description* of the things and events that are the objects of scientific investigation; second, to permit the establishment of general laws or theories by means of which particular events may be *explained* and *predicted*”

C.G. Hempel (1965: 139, emphasis original),  
Aspects of Scientific Explanation

# The Two Realms of Science

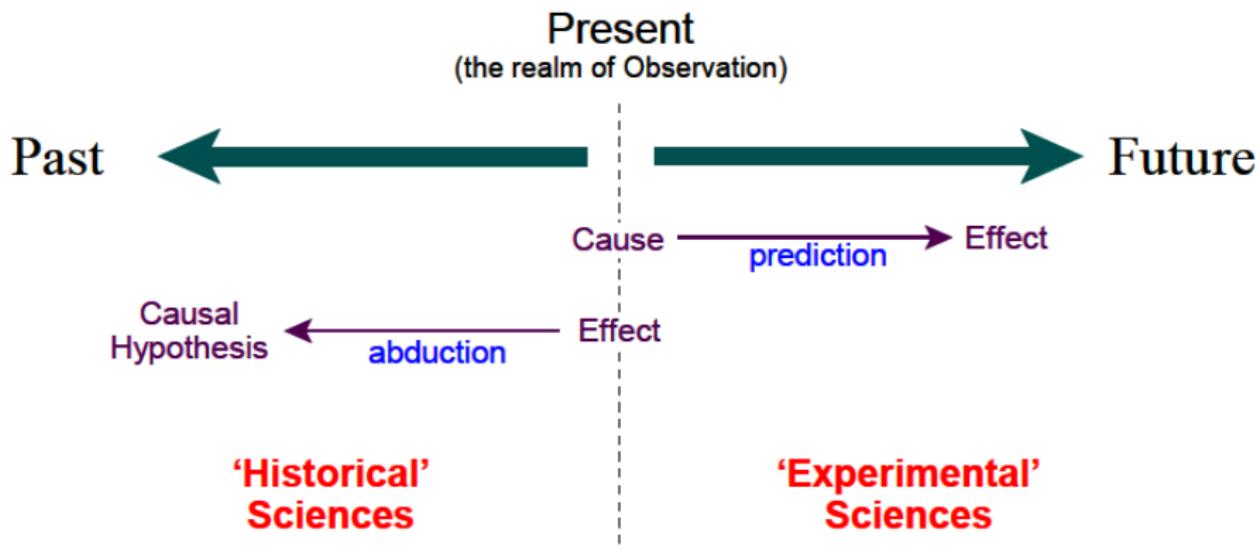
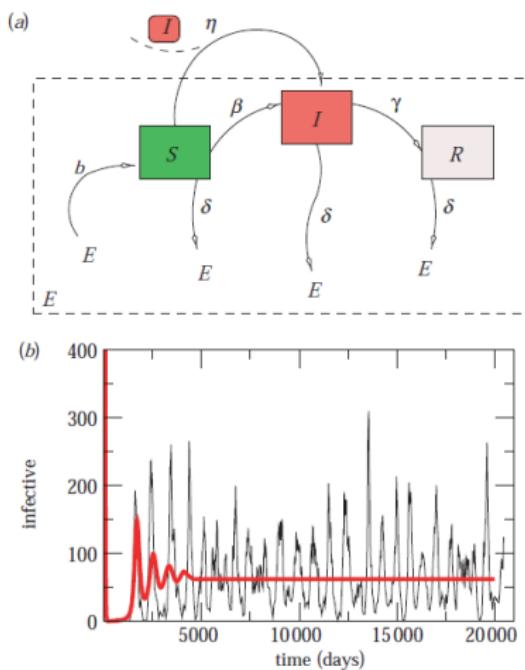


Figura adaptada del curso  
"The Philosophy of Biological Systematics"  
Kirk Fitzhugh  
Natural History Museum, Los Angeles, USA.



Alonso, McKane & Pascual 2007. Interface

Stochastic amplification in epidemics

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} &= -\beta \frac{I}{N} S \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta \frac{I}{N} S - \gamma I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= \gamma I\end{aligned}$$

The force of infection:  $\lambda = \hat{\beta} b \frac{I}{N}$

A l'inici:  $S \approx N$ ,

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \hat{\beta} b \frac{I}{N} S - \gamma I$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = (\hat{\beta} b - \gamma) I$$

$$R_0 = \frac{\hat{\beta} b}{\gamma}$$

$R_0$ 

- Número d'infeccions que cada infectat és capaç de crear mentre està infectat en una població completament susceptible

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$$R_{\text{eff}} = (\text{Taxa d'encontre}) \frac{S}{N} \cdot (\text{Infectivitat}) \cdot (\text{Temps d'infecciositat})$$

- "How do mathematicians model infectious disease outbreaks?" by Robin Thomson  
(<https://livestream.com/oxuni/thompson>)
- 3blue1brown on youtube  
Youtube: <https://youtu.be/gxAa02rsdIs>  
Home page: <https://www.3blue1brown.com>
- "Modeling infectious disease dynamics:  
The spread of the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 has predictable features" by Sarah Cobey  
<http://science.sciencemag.org/> on May 16, 2020
- Mosquito alert  
<http://www.mosquitoalert.com/ca/>

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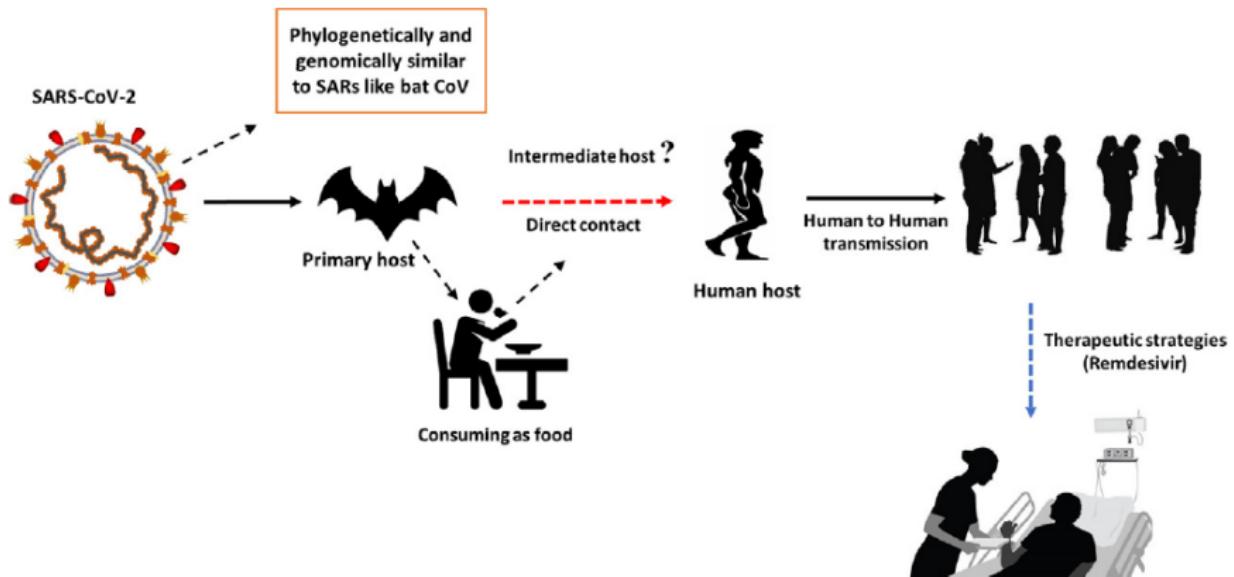


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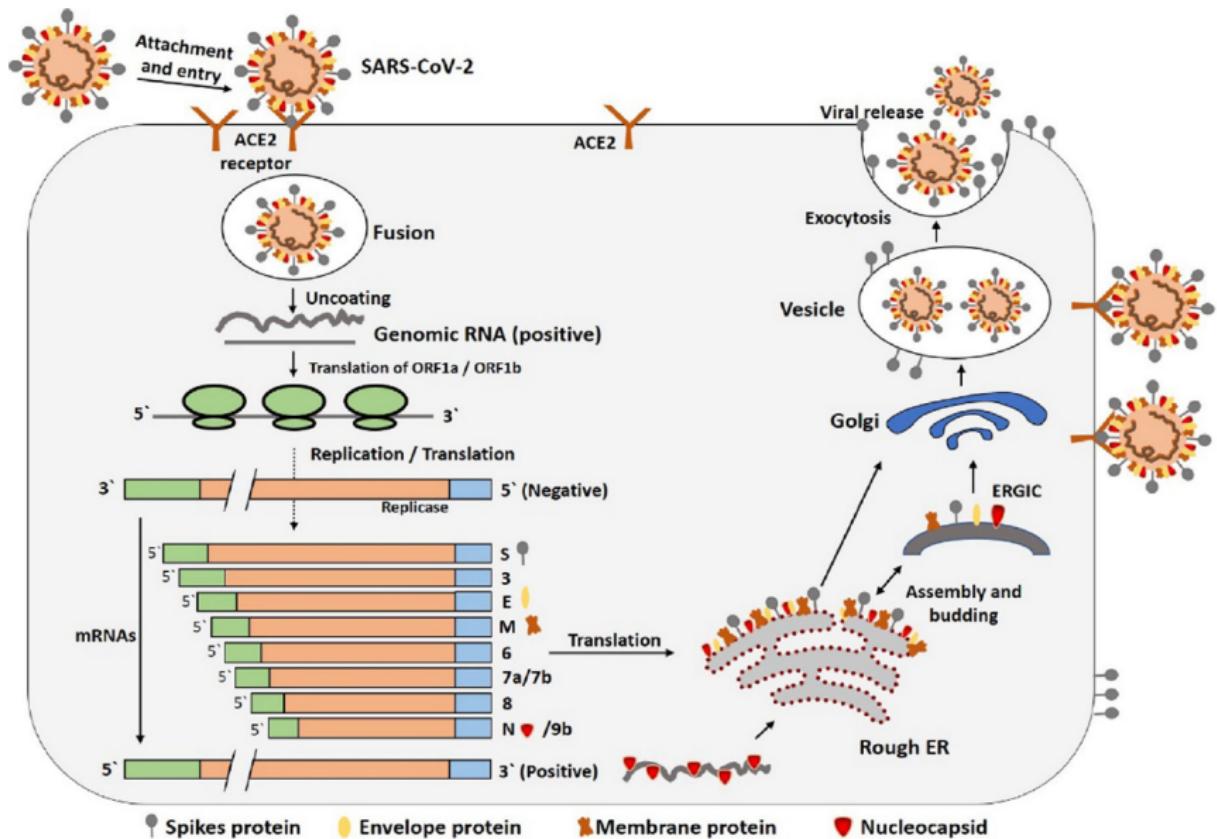
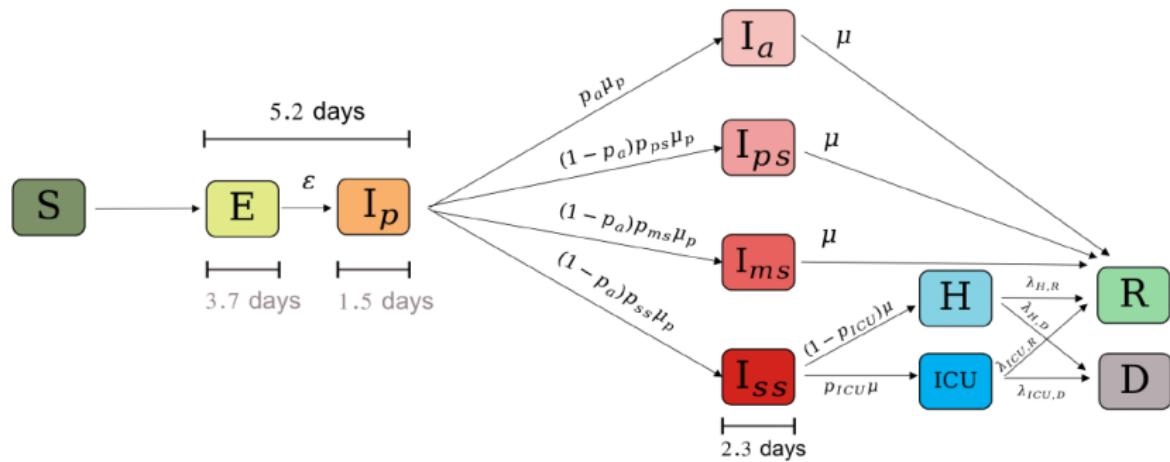
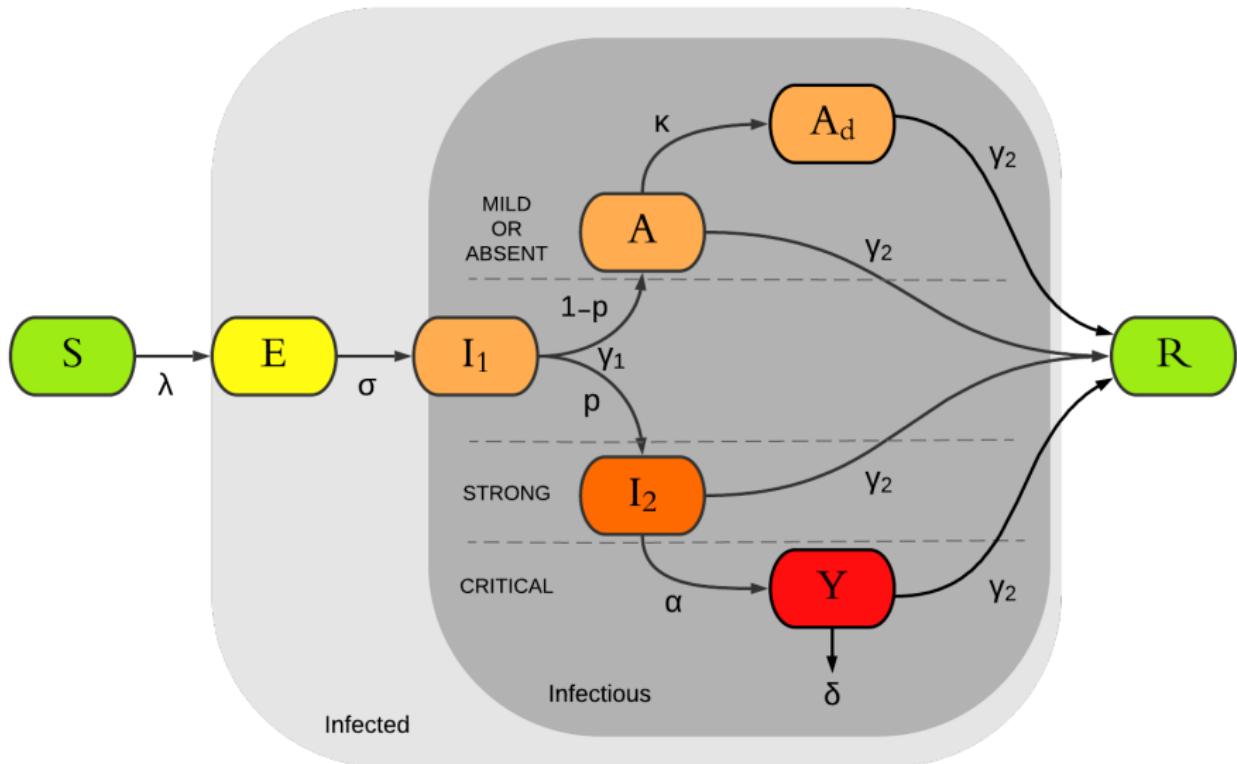


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# Modelo Francés



Expected impact of lockdown in Île-de-France and possible exit strategies  
 Laura Di Domenico *et al*  
 medRxiv preprint doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2020.04.13.20063933>



A metapopulation model for covid19 transmission  
**David Alonso** and Frederic Bartumeus  
*En preparación*

**Model Parameter****Symbol****Demographic and movement-related parameters**Population size of the  $i$ -th age class at the  $j$ -t city $P_{ij}$ Movement rate from city  $k$  into city  $j$  $\mu_{jk}$ **Disease transmission parameters**Contact rate between age group  $k$  and  $i$  $\beta_{ik}$ 

Detectability rate of assymtomatics

 $\kappa$ 

Average infectivity

 $b$ 

Pre-symptomatic infectivity factor

 $\phi$ 

Isolation effectiveness of strong cases

 $\epsilon_I$ 

Isolation effectiveness of serious cases

 $\epsilon_Y$ 

Rate of appearance of infectious ability

 $\sigma$ 

Rate of appearance of symptoms

 $\gamma_1$ 

Age-dependent probability for strong symptoms

 $p_i$ 

Age-dependent rate of appearance of serious symptoms

 $\alpha_i$ 

Age-dependent disease-induced mortality

 $\delta_i$ 

Rate of recovery

 $\gamma_2$

# Impacto de las medidas de distanciamiento social sobre la expansión de la epidemia de COVID-19 en España (CSIC)

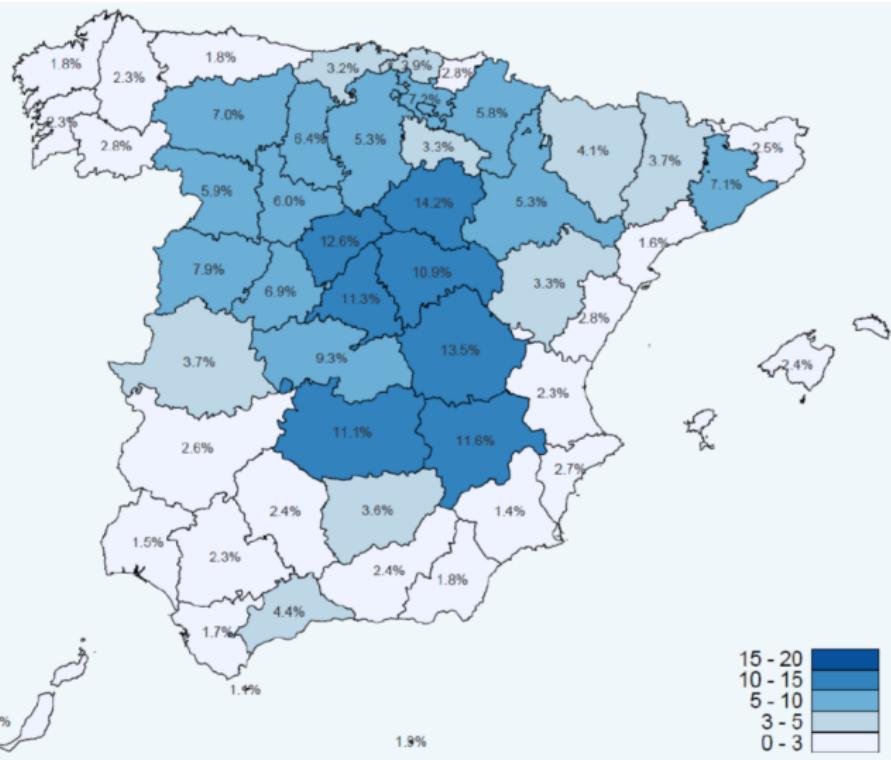
## Objetivos:

- Integración de datos masivos a tiempo real de movilidad humana y encuestas geolocalizadas en modelos de transmisión de covid19.
- La investigación propuesta permitirá comprender mejor los efectos de las medidas de restricción de movilidad y distanciamiento social sobre la dinámica epidemiológica que rige la propagación de la enfermedad.
- El proyecto se respalda en herramientas matemáticas y computacionales, desarrolladas por los distintos miembros del equipo de trabajo, algunas ya en marcha.

PI: José Javier Ramasco (IFISC) & Frederic Bartumeus (CEAB)



### Mapa provincial de Anticuerpos IgG anti SARS-CoV2





*Aedes aegypti* biting *Homo sapiens*  
(source: upload.wikimedia.org)



- Environmental change
- Socio-economic factors
- Emergence of infectious diseases

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# *Anopheles* mosquitoes

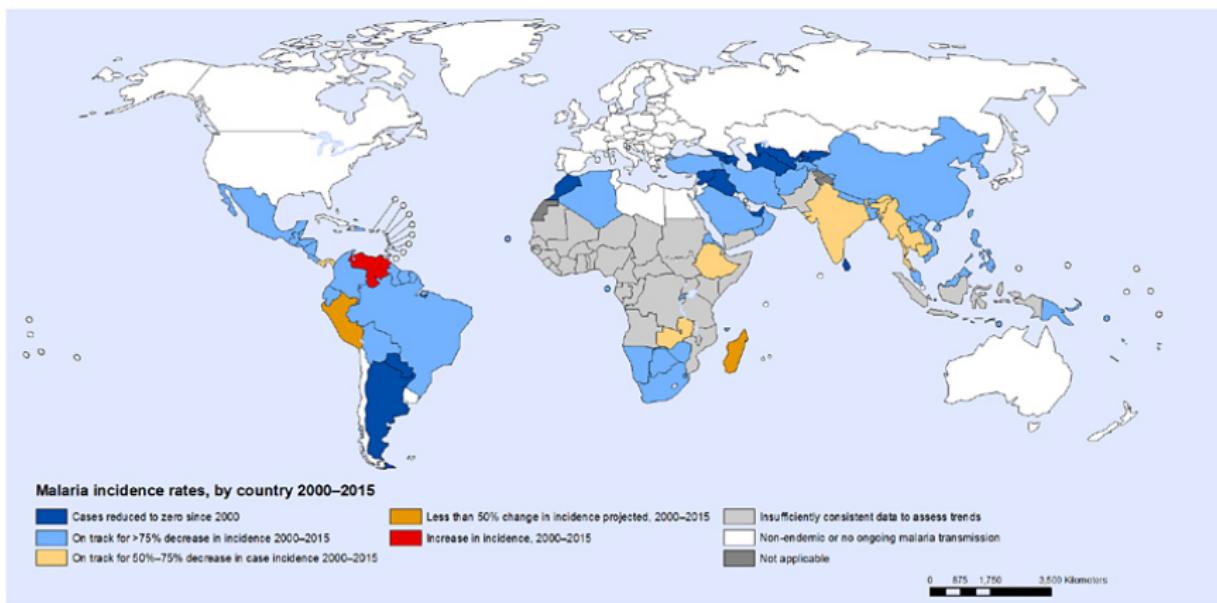


*Anopheles albimanus*  
(source: [www.answers.com](http://www.answers.com))



*Anopheles gambiae*  
(source:  
[entomology.ucdavis.edu](http://entomology.ucdavis.edu))

## Projected changes in malaria incidence rates, by country, 2000–2015



The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the World Health Organization concerning the legal status of any country, territory, city or area or of its authorities, or concerning the delimitation of its frontiers or boundaries. Dotted and dashed lines on maps represent approximate border lines for which there may not yet be full agreement.

Data Source: World Malaria Report 2015  
Map Production: Global Malaria Programme  
World Health Organization

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Cases

Deaths

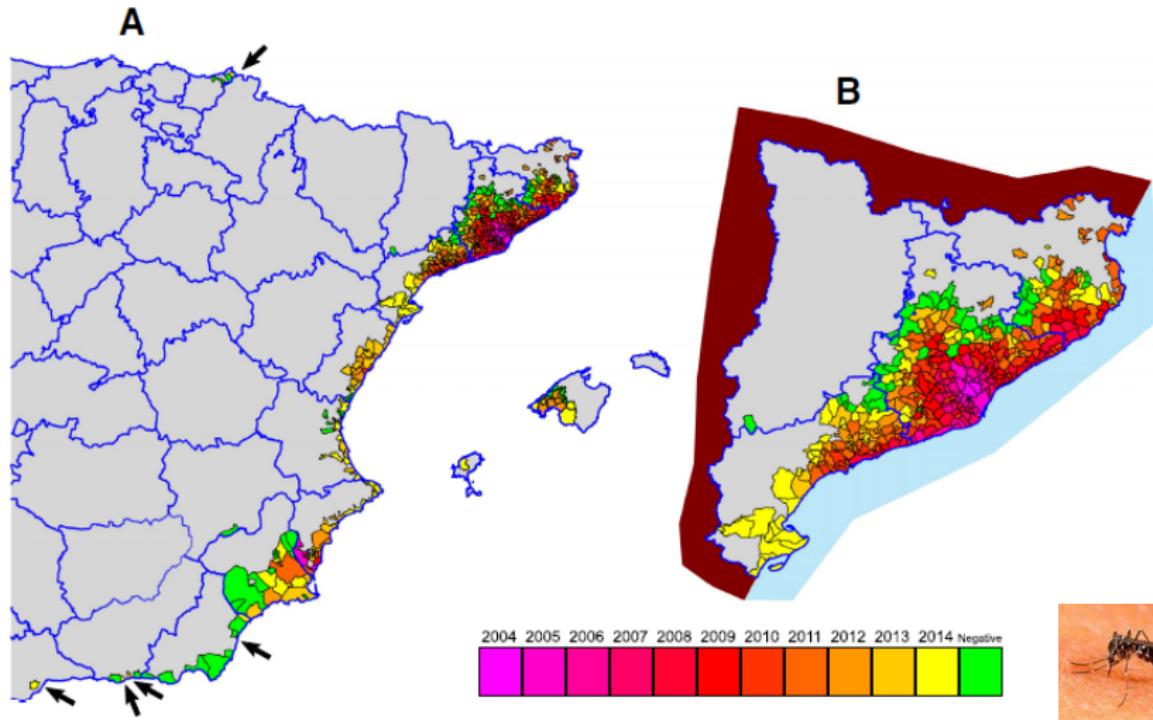
Funding

216 million

445 000

2.7 billion \$ (2016)

# The Invasion of Tiger Mosquito in Spain (2004-2014)

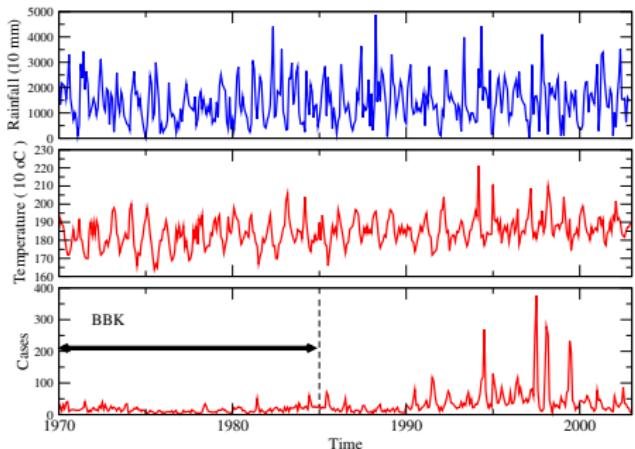


# Chikungunya: Prevention and Control

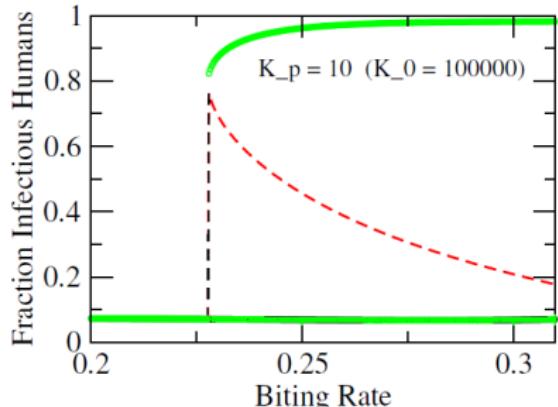
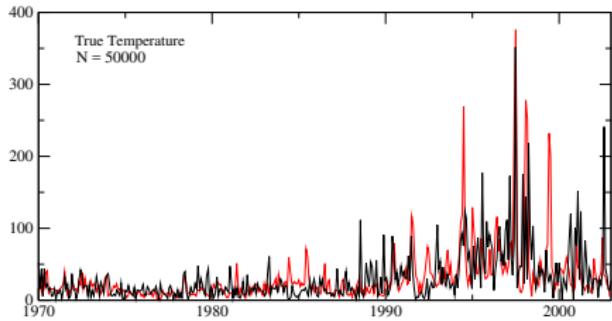
- Imported Chikungunya cases since 2008
- Autochthonous transmission in Italy and France
- Chikungunya Outbreak of Denge in 2013 in Portugal

Data from simulation

Palmer *et al* (in prep)



PREDICTED (best solution) vs EMPIRICAL MONTHLY CASES  
Fitting the whole time series (black) vs empirical data (red)

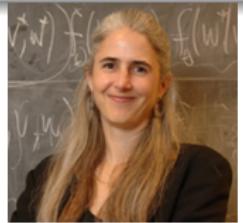


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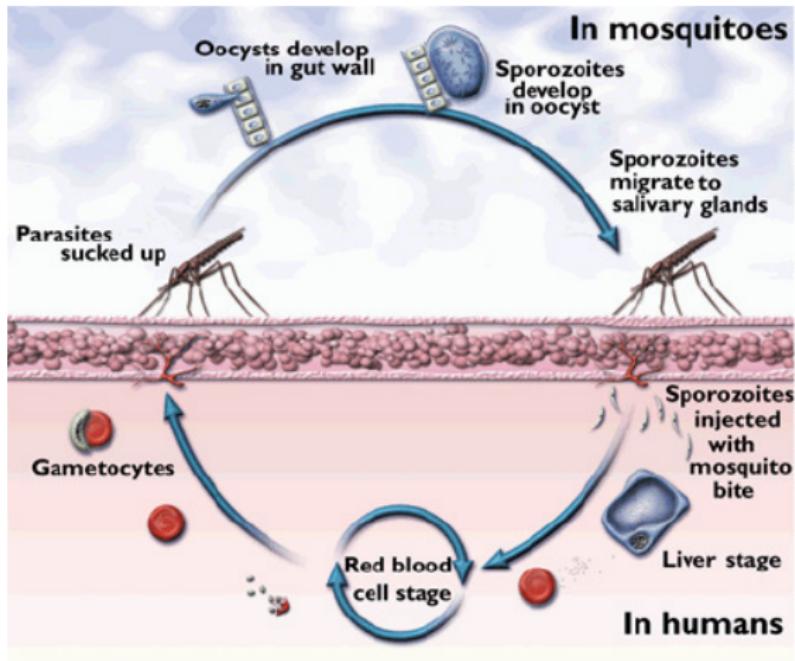
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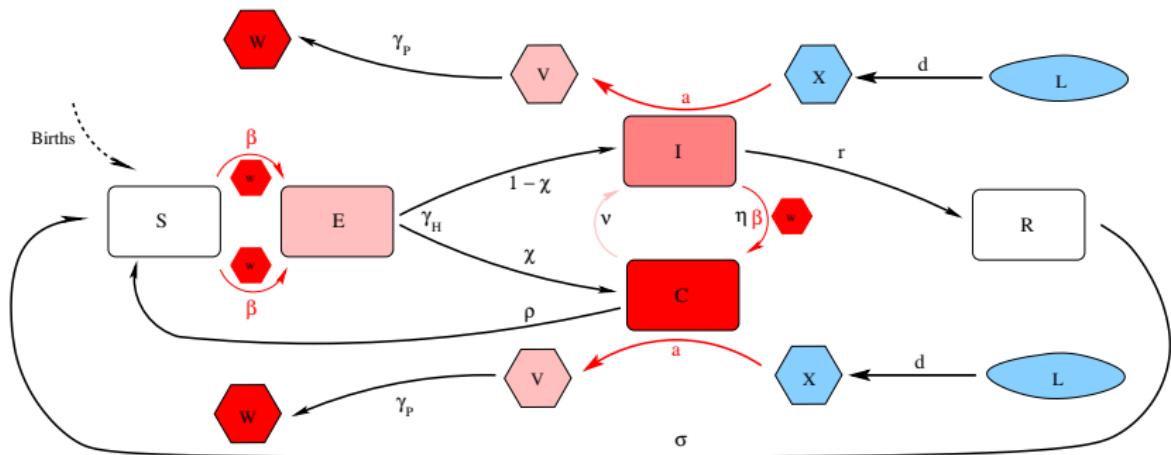


# Human - Mosquito - *Plasmodium*



(source: [www.cbu.edu](http://www.cbu.edu))

# Human-Mosquito coupled model



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# Human model

$\beta$ , the force of infection

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} &= B - \beta S + \sigma R - \delta S + \rho C \\ \frac{dE}{dt} &= \beta S - \delta E - \gamma E \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= (1 - \xi) \gamma E - \eta \beta I + \nu C - r I - \delta I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= -\sigma R + r I - \delta R \\ \frac{dC}{dt} &= \xi \gamma E + \eta \beta I - \nu C - \rho C - \delta C\end{aligned}$$

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# Human model: Population dynamics

Simple demography:

$$\frac{d(S + E + I + R + C)}{dt} = B - \delta(S + E + I + R + C)$$

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# Human immunity

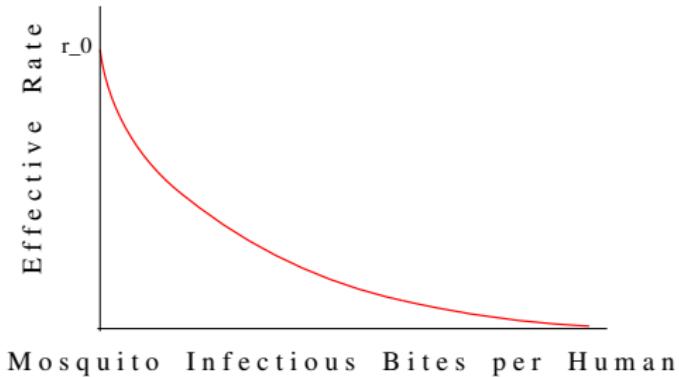
- The rate of loss of immunity,  $\sigma$ , and the recovery rate,  $r$  are related to the intensity of disease transmission.
- If the frequency of infectious bites increases both the recovery rate,  $r$ , and the loss of immunity rate,  $\sigma$ , tend to decrease.
- The rate at which infectious bites per human arrive is

$$\Lambda = a \frac{W}{N}$$

$$\sigma(\Lambda) = \frac{\Lambda}{\exp(\Lambda/\sigma_0) - 1}$$

$$r(\Lambda) = \frac{\Lambda}{\exp(\Lambda/r_0) - 1}$$

Dietz 1979; Aron and May 1982



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# Human model: parameters

|    |                               |            |
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| 6  | Human turnover                | $\delta$   |
| 7  | Incubation rate               | $\gamma$   |
| 8  | Immunity loss rate            | $\sigma_0$ |
| 9  | Recovery from $I$             | $r_0$      |
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| 1 | Fecundity          | $f$        |
| 2 | Carrying capacity  | $K$        |
| 3 | Larval development | $d_L$      |
| 4 | Larval mortality   | $\delta_L$ |
| 5 | Adult mortality    | $\delta_M$ |

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Plasmodium Incubation rate

 $\gamma_P$

# Mosquito model: Parameter Response Curves

The model incorporates 5 response curves for 5 different parameters (temperature-driven parameters):

- Development rate of the mosquito larvae,  $d_L$ :

$$d_L = 0.00554 T - 0.06737$$

- Development rate of the *Plasmodium* parasite,  $\gamma_P$
- Death rate of adult mosquitoes,  $\delta_M$
- Death rate of mosquitoes larvae,  $\delta_L$
- Gonotrophic cycle and mosquito fecundity,  $a$  and  $F$

# Mosquito model: temperature-driven parameters

- Larva development,  $d_L$
- *Plasmodium* development,  $\gamma_P$
- Adult and larval survival,  $\delta_M$ ,  $\delta_L$
- Biting rate,  $a$

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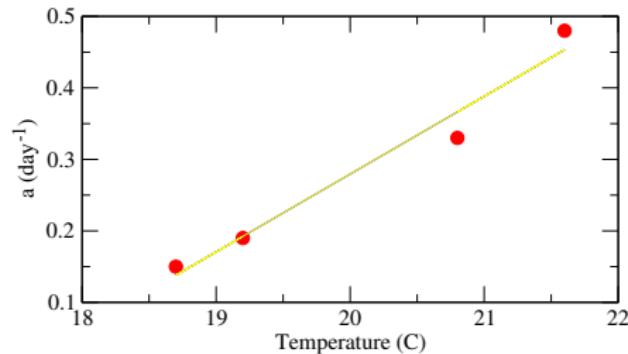
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Gonotrophic cycle



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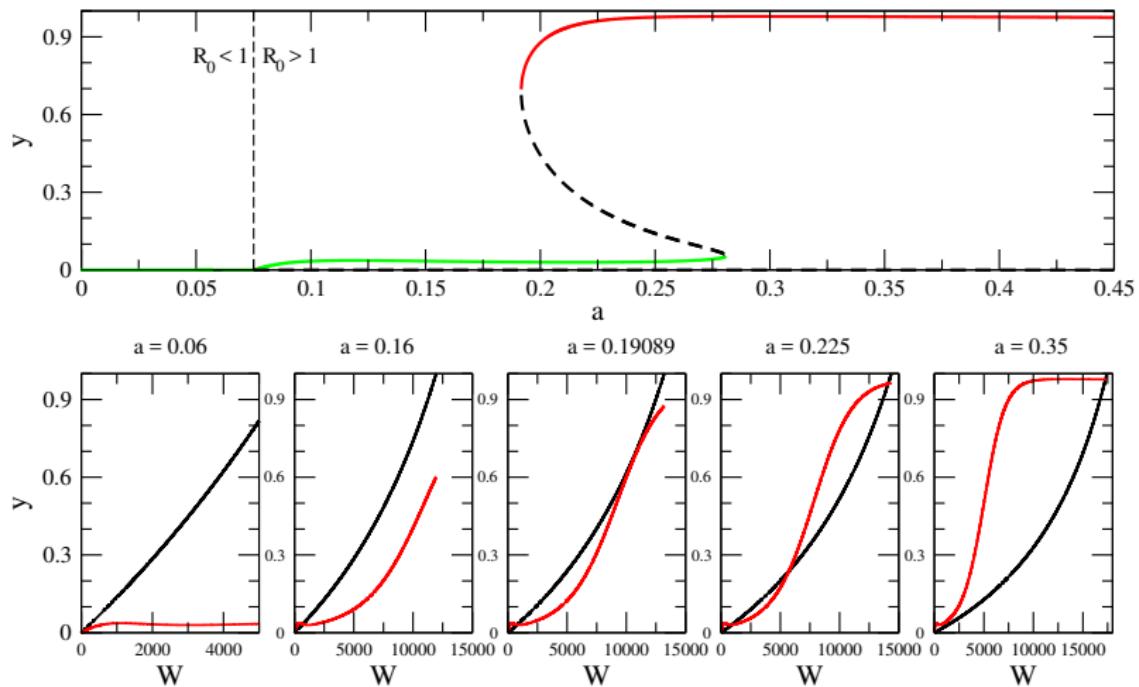
# Temperature and Adult Mosquitoes

“...that if a mosquito is to become infective, it must spend all its time inside an occupied hut. It probably makes flights to a pool of water for oviposition, but rapidly return to the warm shelter of the hut”

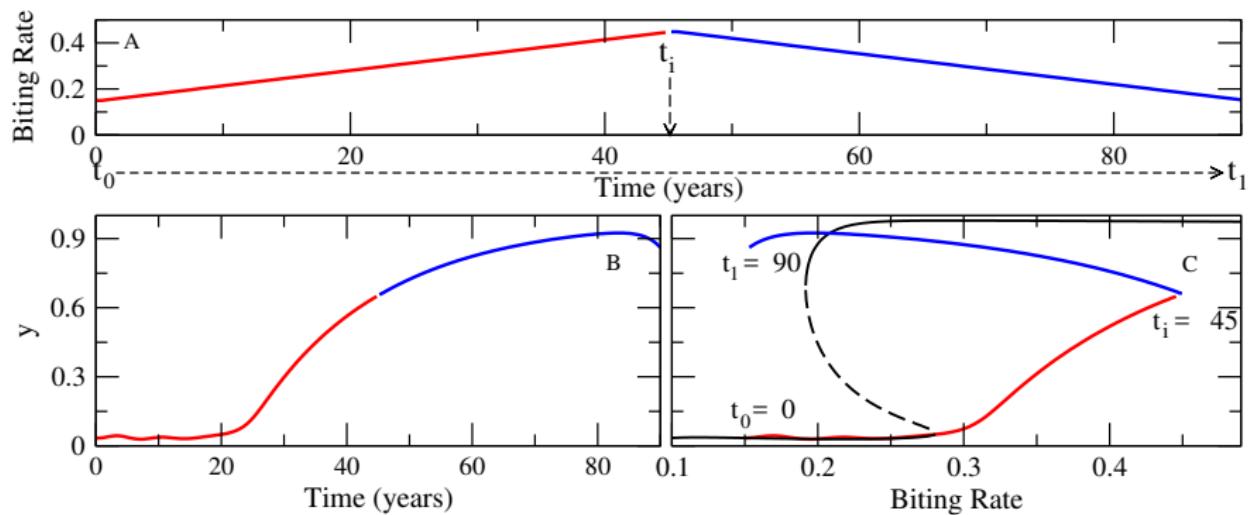
“It is apparently only because *A. gambiae* and *A. funestus* are essentially hut insects that malaria occurs at all at places over 1500 m. or so”

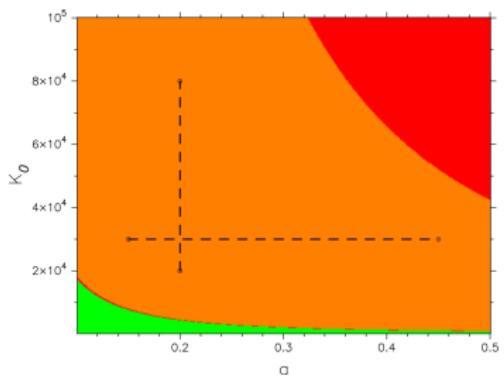
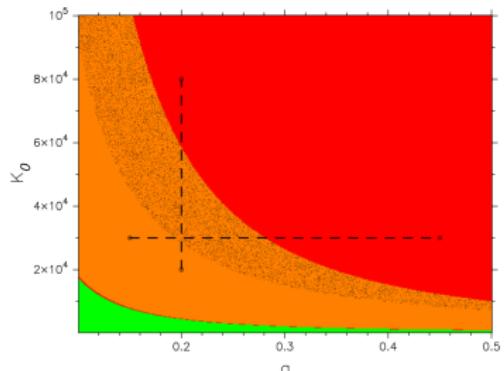
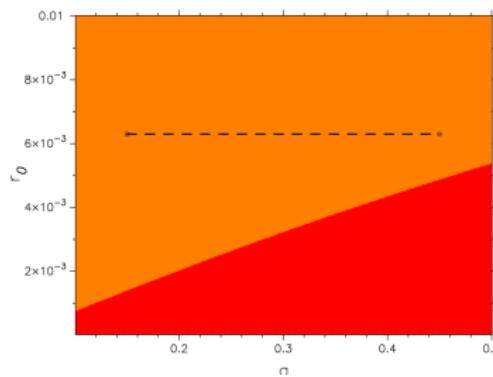
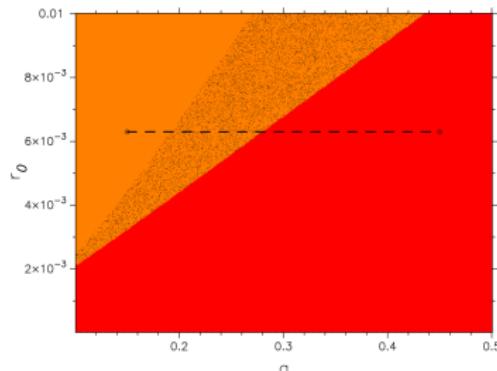
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# Saddle-Node Bifurcation



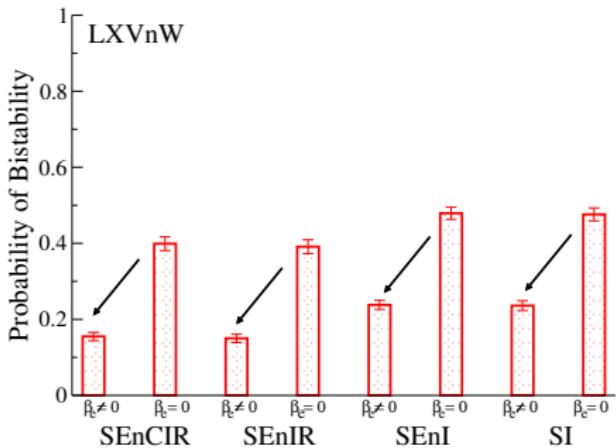
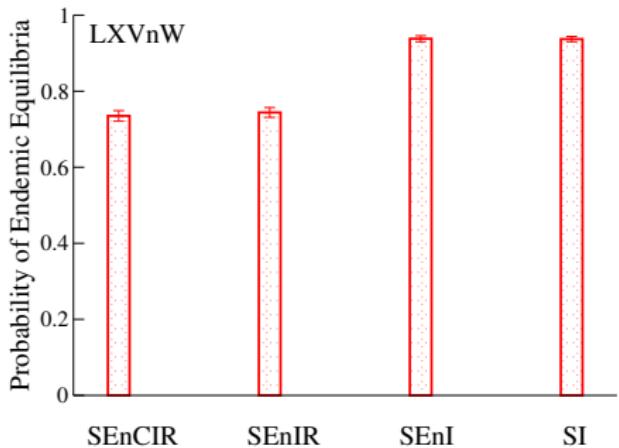
# Hysteresis Cycle

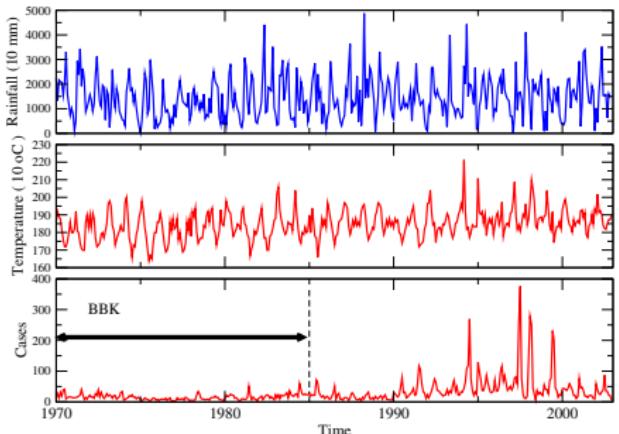




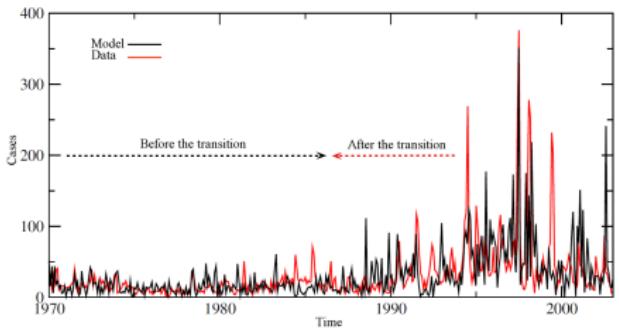
Green: Free Disease; Orange: Damped Oscillations; Read: Sink Node; Shaded: Bistability

## Exploring parameter space across models of different structural complexity.

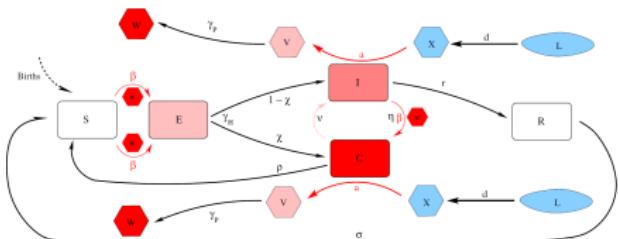




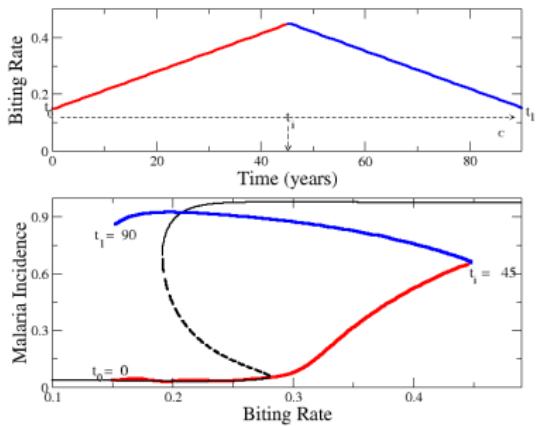
(a) Data



(c) Model Prediction



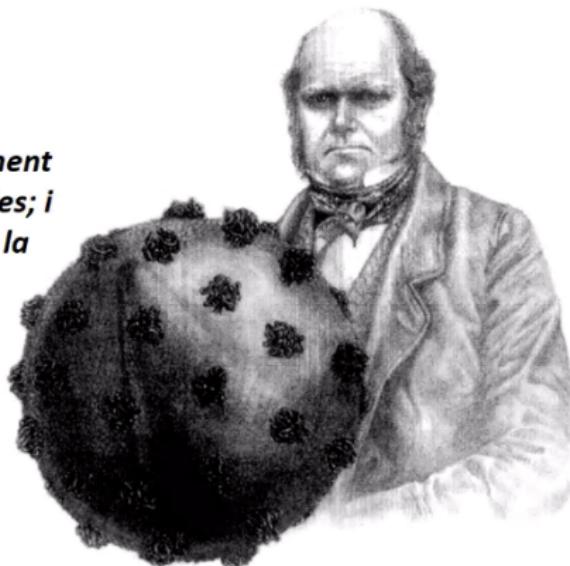
(b) Model



(d) Hysteresis

*"Quan una espècie augmenta desordenadament en un període curt, sovint apareixen epidèmies; i aquí tenim un filtre limitant, independent de la lluita per la vida."*

Charles Darwin  
On the Origin of Species



de Xavier López-labrador "Nou coronavirus: qui t'avisa no et vol mal"

"The world is stranger than we can imagine and surprises are inevitable in science. Thus, we found, for example, that pesticides increases pests, antibiotics can create pathogens, agricultural development creates hunger, and flood control leads to flooding. But some of these surprises could have been avoided if the problems had been posed big enough to accomodate solutions in the context of the whole"

"Les sorpreses en ciència són inevitables. Així, per exemple, trobem que els pesticides incrementen les plagues, els antibiòtics poden crear patògens més perillosos, la tecnificació de l'agricultura crea fam y el control de les inundacions condueix a inundacions majors. Tanmateix, la majoria d'aquestes sorpreses podríen evitarse si analitzéssim els probleme en un context més ampli." (R. Levins)

T. Awerbuch, A. E. Kiszelewski, and R. Levins (2002). "Surprise, non-linearity, and complex behavior" (chap 4) a: Environmental Change, Climate and Health: Issues and Research Methods editat per P. Martens, A. J. McMichael. Cambridge University Press