Shrinking the Malaria Map: 1900 to 2025

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Malaria





Sir Ronald Ross



- British officer in the Indian Medical Service
- Poet, scientist, mathematician, novelist, painter and musician
- 1897, India: Ross discovered the role of mosquitoes in transmission of malaria in humans while dissecting the stomach tissue of an anopheline mosquito that fed on a patient with malaria
- 1902: Awarded the second Nobel Prize for Medicine for his work on malaria

Theodore Roosevelt on Malaria in Cuba

"The army is disabled by malarial-fever to such an extent that its efficiency is destroyed." 1898





Definitions

- Malaria Control: reducing disease burden to a level where it is no longer a major public health problem
- Elimination: interrupting local mosquito-borne malaria transmission in a defined geographical area, i.e. zero incidence of locally acquired cases
- Eradication: permanent reduction to zero of the worldwide incidence of infection





Female Anopheles freeborni mosquito having a blood meal



The Eradication Strategy

- 1. Aggressive control in the heartland, to achieve very low transmission and zero mortality where possible;
- 2. Progressive elimination from the endemic margins to shrink the malaria map; and
- 3. Research to bring forward a vaccine and better drugs, diagnostics, and other tools



Malaria Transmission By Country



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Australian Capture of German New Guinea 1914

- Australian Naval / Military Expeditionary Force seized German Colony of New Guinea from Aug 1914
- By Jan 1915, 60% of Army and 15% of Navy were infected filling the hospitals, causing many deaths and abandonment of Angorum on the Sepik River





Courtesy of Colonel Dennis Shanks

Salonika, Greece 1916-1918

- Trench warfare of Anglo-French Army against German-Bulgarian
- 34,762 British invalided home as chronic malarial cases; up to 20% of army in hospital at any time
- Entire Army Corps incapable of operations







Summer Malaria Epidemics in Soldiers



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Australian / British / Indian Army Invades Palestine Fighting the Turks 1918

- General Allenby's Allied Army attacks Turks in Palestine in Sept 1918
- Last major cavalry operation as 3 Mounted Divisions break the line going north into Jordan, Syria: Battle of Megiddo
- During capture of Amman and Damascus, outbreaks of malaria overwhelm military operations and halt advance







Malaria in Bataan, Philippines 1942

 Although defeat was inevitable, Bataan fell more rapidly because the force was debilitated by malaria

 500-700 malaria casualties / day taken out of the fight





Milne Bay, New Guinea 1942-43

- Joint Australian / US force destroyed Japanese Imperial Marine Landing Brigade in Sept 1942
- By November, malaria rates in excess of 1000 / 1000 per year shut down military operations until malaria was controlled



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Dr. Seuss on Malaria

THIS IS AND.

Her full name is Anopheles Mosquito and she's dying to meet you?

Her trade is dishing out MALARIA. She's at home in Africa, the Caribbean, India, the South and Southwest Pacific and other hot spots. Ann moves around at night (a real party gal) and she's got a thirst. No whiskey, gin, beer or rum coke for Ann... she drinks G. I. blood. She jabs that beak of hers in like a drill and sucks up the juice . . . then the poor G. I. is going to feel awful in about eight or fourteen days . . because he is going to have ma aria

... she drinks blood!







Shrinking the Malaria Map

has been occurring since 1900 and continues today







CENTERS FOR DISEASETH CONTROL AND PREVENTION

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This cartoon, from the Malaria Control in War Areas report for 1942–1943 (p. 5), depicts the mosquito as an enemy airpiane carrying alisease "bomb." Here the emphasis is on the separation of the mosquito from barracks, ships, and industry.



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Progress Towards Elimination by Country



Human Malaria Parasite by Country





Asia Pacific Malaria Elimination Network

- Country-led, country-driven
- 13 countries with a goal of national or sub-national elimination...and growing
- Information sharing, capacity building, research, and advocacy
- Focus on *P. vivax*
- AusAID grant



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Pacific Malaria Initiative



Malaria in the Philippines, 2010



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Malaria in China, 2010



Malaria in South Korea, 1993-2011

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Malaria in Sri Lanka, 1911-2010



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Sri Lanka



The Changing Face of Malaria : Sri Lanka



Sri Lanka had a total of 175 cases of malaria in 2011, 124 indigenous and 51 imported. Of the indigenous cases, 95% were in adults, 94% were in males, and 96% were caused by *P. vivax*.



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Southern Africa Elimination Strategy



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Elimination 4 Countries: Botswana, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland



Note: Includes all cases, both confirmed and clinically diagnosed, both imported and local Source: WHO World Malaria Report 2009; South African Department of Health; Swaziland Ministry of Health; Statistics SA



Malaria in Iraq



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Last local foci in Iraq Last local case in **Sulaimania 2008**

Malaria in Iran





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"The proper policy is not the protection policy, nor the mosquito reduction policy, nor the quinine policy, but an opportunistic policy that uses any weapon it can."

Major Sir Ronald Ross *The Prevention of Malaria*, 1911





Strategies for Malaria Control and Elimination

Against the mosquito

- Nets
- Indoor residual spraying
- Larviciding / draining / water management
 - But only when few, fixed and findable

Against the parasite

- Diagnosis
- Treatment

For elimination

- Surveillance and response
- Crossborder measures
- Targeting: hotspots and hot-pops

Penguins at London Zoo queue up for Primaquine







