# **MALARIA: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE**



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### Overview

- Malaria 101: Early history, biology, and epidemiology
- The first push for malaria eradication (1950–1970)
- Worsening of malaria control (1990s)
- □ New focus and scale-up success (2000–2010)
  - Is eradication possible now?



#### **History: Major Scientific Milestones**



Charles Alphonse Laveran Demonstrated parasites in patient's blood, 1880 Ronald Ross Discovered *Anopheles* mosquito as vector, 1897 Giovanni Batista Grassi Demonstrated life cycle from mosquito to man, 1898–1899



# Malaria Biology: The Human Malaria Parasites

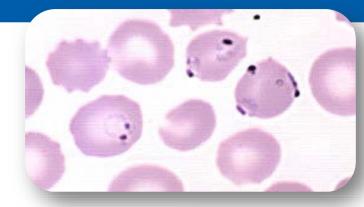
### Intra-erythrocytic protozoan

#### Human malaria: 4 major species

- Plasmodium falciparum
- Plasmodium vivax
- Plasmodium ovale
- ≻ Plasmodium malariae

# 🖵 P. falciparum

- Potentially fatal severe disease
  - Red blood cell destruction → severe anemia
  - Sequestration in cerebral vessels →coma
- Multi-drug resistant







### Malaria Biology: Vectors of Human Malaria

- >400 species of Anopheles mosquitoes found worldwide; ~50 transmit malaria
- Each species occupies distinct ecological niche
- Major African vectors tend to bite indoors and at night
- Biting and resting behavior affect transmission potential and control





### Malaria Global Burden, 2008

#### ~250 million clinical cases per year; 80% in Africa

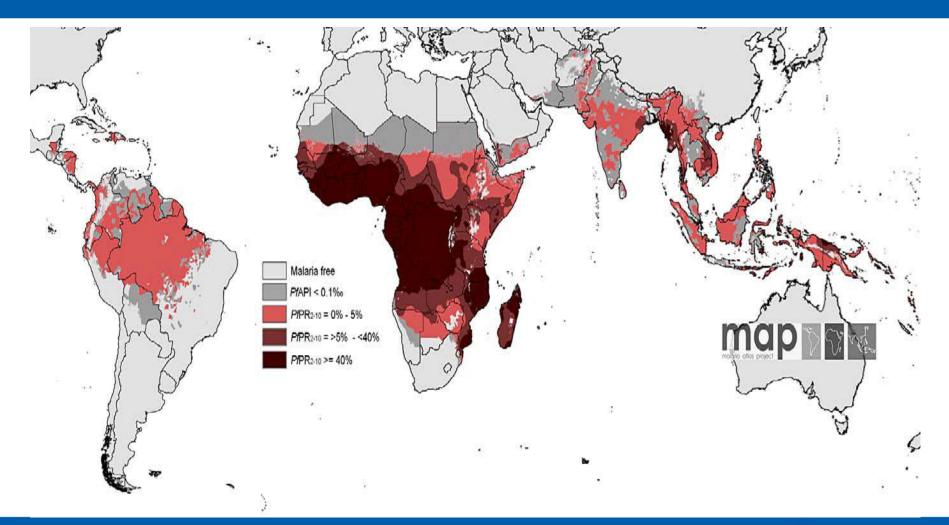
- Children aged <5 years and pregnant women most affected</p>
- >800,000 deaths per year; >90% in Africa
- Disability from severe forms of the disease
- Annual economic burden

> GDP  $\rightarrow$  1.3% loss





#### Prevalence of *P. falciparum* Malaria in Children Aged 2–10 Years



Hay et al, PLoS Med 2009



### Events Leading up to the Global Malaria Eradication Program

- Early successes in mosquito control (Panama Canal)
- Effective interventions, chloroquine and DDT, became available after WWII
- Availability of good diagnosis with microscopy
- 8<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly launches Global Eradication Campaign (1955)



# **Eradication Strategies 1950–1970**

# "Magic bullet": DDT indoor residual spray (IRS)

#### Assumptions

- People stay indoors at night
- Anopheles mosquito bites at night, rests indoors on house walls, and receives a toxic dose of DDT

#### Other major activities

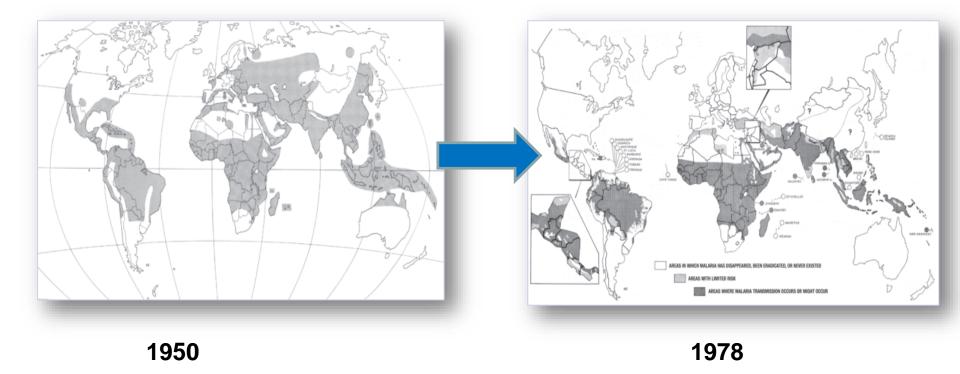
- Antimalarial drug treatment: Patients, occasionally as mass treatment
- Surveillance to detect and eliminate any reservoirs





#### **Eradication Successes**

#### Malaria was eliminated in 37 countries during 1950–1978





### What Were the Problems?

Technical	Insecticide and drug resistance
Logistics	Supply chain failures Poor delivery of IRS
Strategic	Rigidity Lack of research Africa not included
Financial	Funds diverted elsewhere
Sociocultural	Lack of community buy-in and participation Decreasing acceptance of IRS



IRS, Indoor residual spraying

# **Consequent Change in Strategy (1970s)**

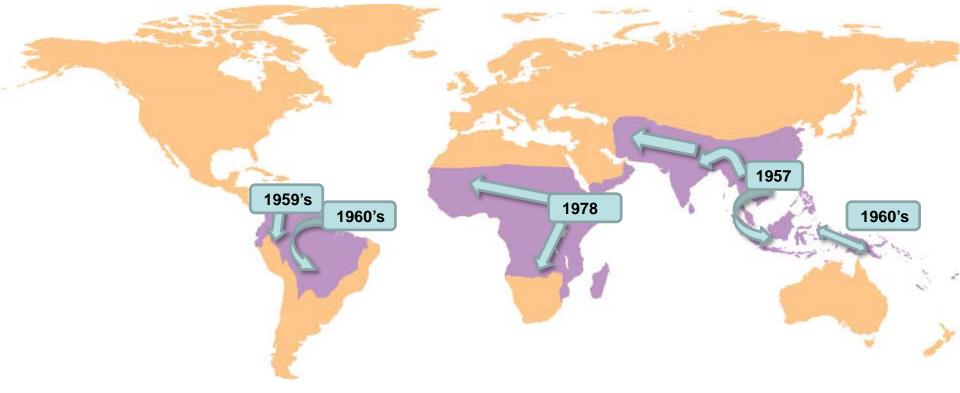
#### 22<sup>nd</sup> World Health Assembly (1969)

- Suspended" eradication campaign
- Goal became control to "Minimize the health damage by malaria"
  - Less ambitious
  - Strategy adapted to local context
- Shift from prevention with insecticides/DDT to antimalarial treatment
- Integrate activities into primary health care



# Worsening of Malaria Control (1990s)

# Decreased funding Intensification and spread of chloroquine resistance





# **Renewed Optimism in the New Millennium**

- □ New partnerships
- New funding
- New political leadership in endemic countries
- New tools (drugs, bed nets)





# A COMMITMENT TO MALARIA CONTROL AND PREVENTION: THE FIRST STEPS TOWARDS ELIMINATION



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#### **Overview**

#### Roll Back Malaria and U.N. Millennium Development Goals

#### President's Malaria Initiative (PMI)

- PMI under two presidents
- Goals, targets, and funding
- Focused interventions
- CDC's role in PMI: Strategic information

#### Results achieved

Significant reductions in malaria transmission



# Roll Back Malaria (RBM)

#### Global partnership

- Launched in 1998
- > WHO, UNICEF, UNDP, World Bank

#### Global framework

- Coordination of activities
- Mobilization of resources
- Establishment of technical working groups
- Establishment of subregional networks

#### Global Malaria Action Plan

- Launched September 25, 2008, by RBM partnership
- Scaling up for impact
- Sustaining control over time

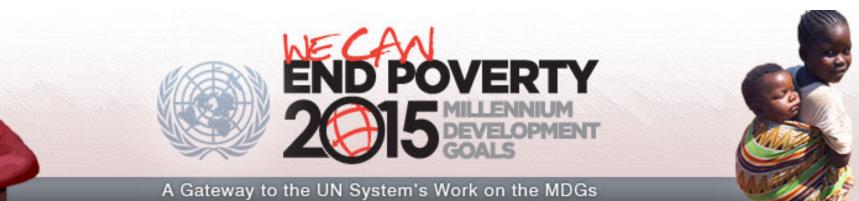
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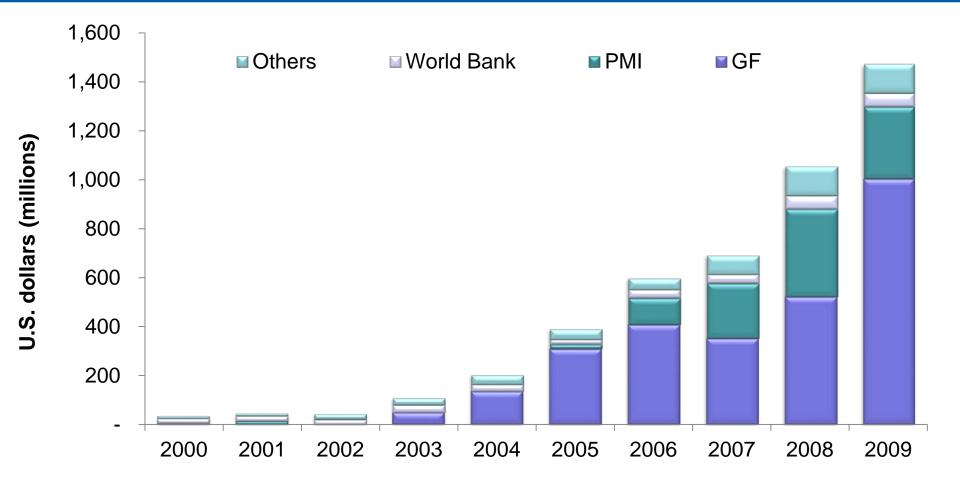


#### United Nations Millennium Development Goals (MDG) www.un.org/millenniumgoals

- Goal 4: Reduce child mortality
- Goal 5: Improve maternal health
- Goal 6: Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria, and other diseases
  - Target 6c: Have halted by 2015 and begun to reverse the incidence of malaria and other major diseases
    - Incidence and death rates associated with malaria
    - Children under 5 sleeping under insecticide-treated bednets
    - Children under 5 with fever who are treated with appropriate antimalarial drugs



#### International Financial Disbursements to Malaria Endemic



Source: Malaria funding and resource utilization: the first decade of Roll Back Malaria. http://www.rbm.who.int/ProgressImpactSeries/docs/RBMMalariaFinancingReport-en.pdf PMI, President's Malaria Initiative GF, Global Fund



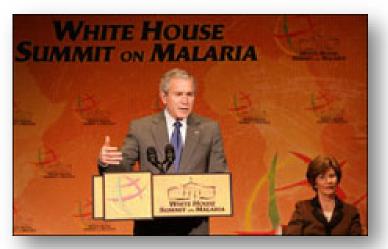
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### **President's Malaria Initiative (PMI)**

On June 30, 2005, President Bush announced a new initiative to rapidly scale up malaria control interventions in high-burden countries in Africa

5-year and \$1.2B investment

Challenged other donors to increase their funding



# PMI is led by USAID and co-implemented with CDC

Source: S. Craighead/White House (12/14/06)

www.pmi.gov USAID, United States Agency for International Development



### **PMI Goal and Targets**

# Goal: Reduce malaria-related mortality by 50% in 15 selected countries

#### Targets: Achieve 85% coverage of vulnerable groups with 4 key interventions (~270 million residents)





### **PMI Interventions**

# Artemisinin-based combination therapies (ACTs)



# Insecticide-treated bed nets (ITNs)



# Indoor residual spraying (IRS) (where appropriate)

# Intermittent preventive treatment in pregnancy (IPTp)





### **PMI Funding Levels and Coverage**

Year	Funding Level	No. Countries Covered
2006	\$30 M	3
2007	\$135 M	7
2008	\$300 M	15
2009	\$300 M	15
2010	\$500 M	15
TOTAL	\$1,265 M	



# PMI and the Global Health Initiative (GHI)

- President Obama signals support for global health including malaria (September 2008)
- The White House launches Global Health Initiative
  - U.S. Government will invest \$63 billion over 6 years

#### PMI is now a major component of GHI

"We will not be successful in our efforts to end deaths from AIDS, malaria, and tuberculosis unless we do more to improve health systems around the world, focus our efforts on child and maternal health, and ensure that best practices drive the funding for these programs."

-President Barack Obama, May 5, 2009



# CDC's Mandate in PMI: Strategic Information

#### U.S. Congress (through the Lantos-Hyde Act, 2008) charged CDC to take a leading role in strategic information

- Monitoring and evaluation
- > Surveillance
- Operations research

#### An Act

To authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde United States Global Leadership Against HIV/ AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Reauthorization Act of 2008".

CDC is advising the U.S. Malaria Coordinator on priorities for these activities and being a key implementer



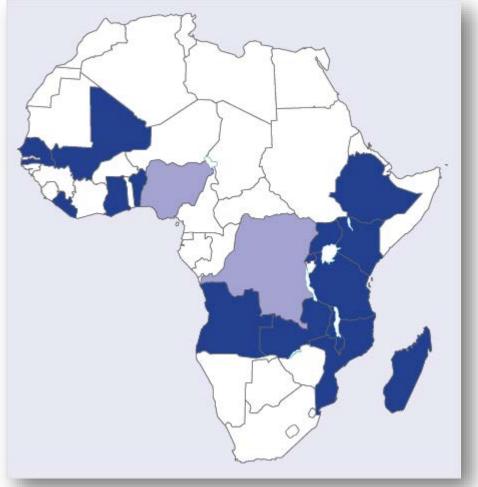
#### **PMI Focus: 15 African Countries**



Angola Benin **Ethiopia** Ghana Kenya Liberia Madagascar Malawi Mali **Mozambique** Rwanda Senegal Tanzania Uganda Zambia



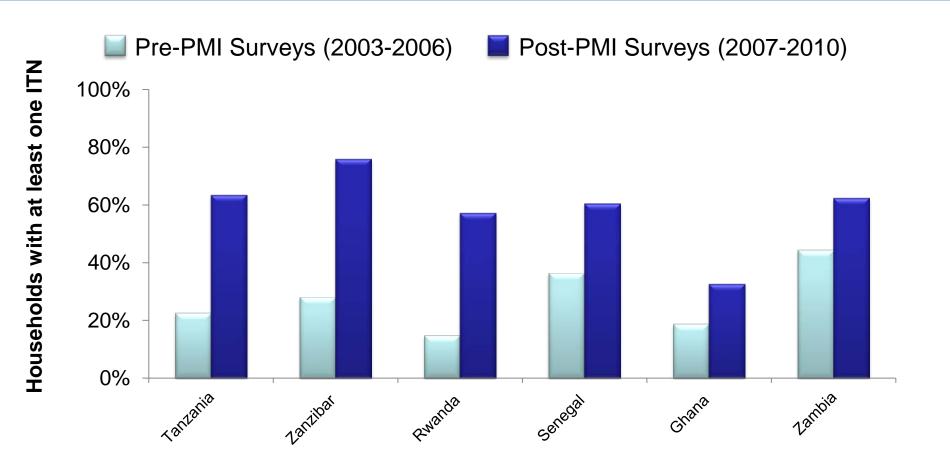
#### **PMI Focus: Additional African Countries**



Nigeria and the Democratic Republic of Congo account for the 23% of the world's burden of the falciparum malaria



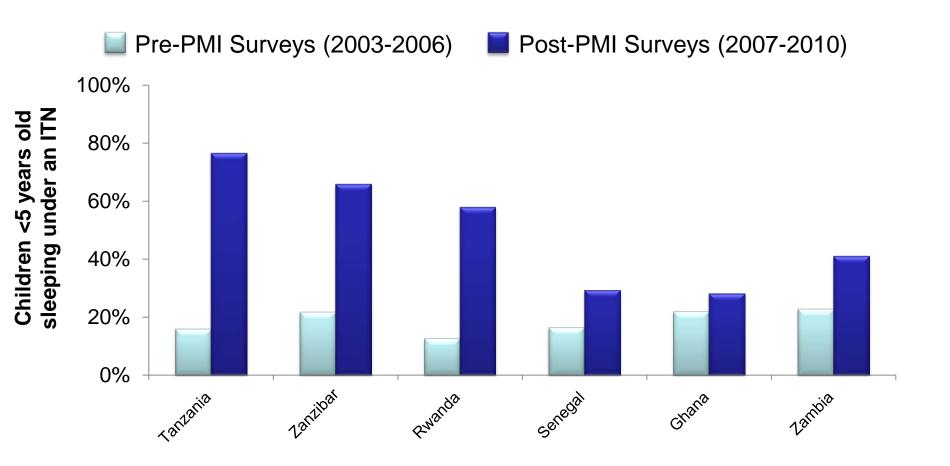
### Proportion of Households with at Least 1 Insecticide-Treated Bed Net (ITN) from 2 Survey Points





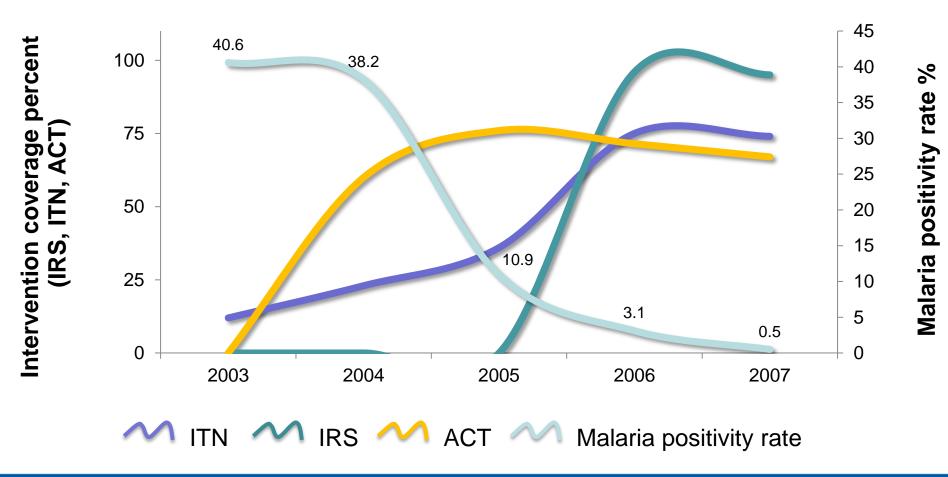
Data source: Demographic Health Survey, http://www.measuredhs.coom

### Proportion of Children Aged <5 Years Who Slept Under an ITN the Previous Night



Data source: Demographic Health Survey, http://www.measuredhs.coom

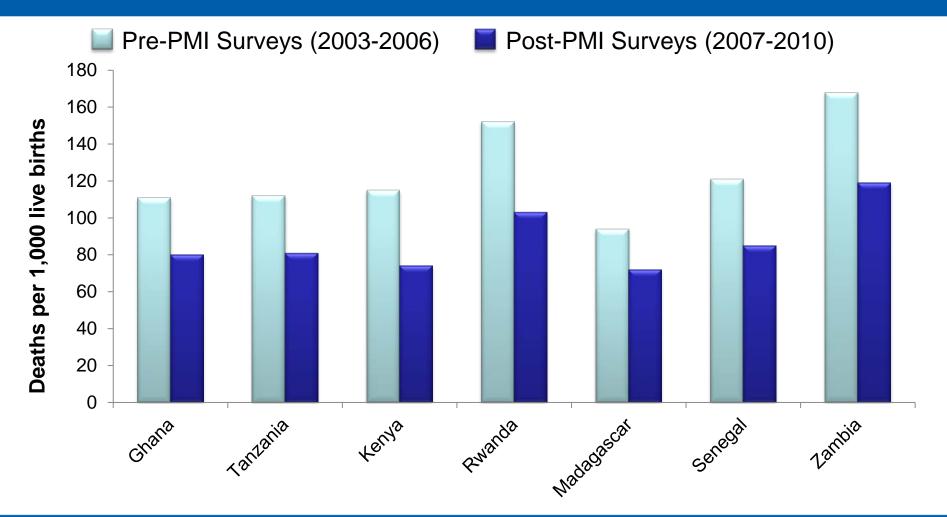
### Zanzibar: Intervention Coverage and Malaria control



ITN, Insecticide-treated bed net IRS, Indoor residual spraying ACT, Artemisinin-based combination therapy



# Declines in All-Cause Mortality in Children Aged <5 Years, 7 PMI Countries, 2003–2010





Data source: Demographic Health Survey, http://www.measuredhs.coom

#### **Resistance – A Lurking Threat**

#### Emergence of insecticide resistance in Africa

DDT, pyrethroids

#### Emergence of artemisinin resistance in Southeast Asia

> Thai-Cambodia border

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## **Summary: Results Achieved**

#### Significant reductions in all-cause mortality

9%
2%
8%
9%
0%
2%
6%

 Massive scale-up of control interventions has been followed by substantial decreases in all-cause mortality in children aged <5 years</li>
 Initiative-wide impact assessment is under way



#### CDC's SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE BASE FOR SCALE-UP AND POSITIONING FOR MALARIA ELIMINATION



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#### **Overview**

Scientific evidence: Basis for current interventions
 Global Malaria Eradication Research Agenda
 CDC operational research priorities, 2010





## 1. Scientific Evidence: Basis for Current Malaria Interventions

# Artemisinin-based combination therapies (ACTs)



# Insecticide-treated bed nets (ITNs)



#### Indoor residual spraying (IRS) (where appropriate)



# Intermittent preventive treatment in pregnancy (IPTp)





# Efficacy of ITNs on All-Cause Child Mortality from 4 Randomized Controlled Trials in Africa

Study or subgroup	Treated nets	Control	log [Relative rate]	Relative rate	Relative rate
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I Controls with no nets					
Kenya (Nevill)	11596	439	-0.3425 (0.157)		0.71 [ 0.52, 0.97 ]
Ghana (Binka)	18457	18054	-0.1985 (0.093)		0.82 [ 0.68, 0.98 ]
Burkina Faso (Habluetzel)	14773	4  8	-0.1508 (0.1139)		0.86 [ 0.69, 1.08 ]
Kenya (Phillips-Howard)	17833	18099	-0.1744 (0.058)		0.84 [ 0.75, 0.94 ]
Subtotal (95% CI)				•	0.83 [ 0.76, 0.90 ]

17% protective efficacy against child mortality before age of 5 years Could save 5.5 lives for every 1,000 children protected

ITN, Insecticide-treated bed net C Lengeler. Insecticide-treated bed nets and curtains for preventing malaria. Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews 2004, Issue 2.



## Additional Lessons from the KEMRI/CDC ITN Trial and Follow-up Studies

#### People without nets experienced the same benefit if they lived within 300 meters of net users – reduction in

- Parasite infection (odds ratio=0.59)
- Malaria illness (odds ratio=0.52)
- Anemia (odds ratio=0.53)
- Child mortality (hazard ratio=0.72)

Am. J. Trop. Med. Hyg, 68(Suppl 4), 2003, pp. 121–127 Copyright © 2003 by The American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

#### COMMUNITY-WIDE EFFECTS OF PERMETHRIN-TREATED BED NETS ON CHILD MORTALITY AND MALARIA MORBIDITY IN WESTERN KENYA

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Abstract. Spatial analyses of the effect of insecticide (permethrin)-treated bed nets (ITNs) on nearby households both with and without ITNs was performed in the context of a large-scale, group-randomized, controlled mortality trial in Asembo, western Kenya. Results illustrate a protective effect of ITNs on compounds lacking ITNs located within 300 meters of compounds with ITNs for child mortality, moderate anemia, high-density parasitemia, and hemoglobin levels. This community effect on nearby compounds without nets is approximately as strong as the effect observed within villages with ITNs. This implies that in areas with intense malaria transmission with high ITN coverage, the primary effect of insecticide-treated nets is via area-wide effects on the mosquito population and not, as commonly supposed, by simple imposition of a physical barrier protecting individuals from biting. The strength of the community effect depended upon the proportion of nearby compounds with treated nets. To maximize their public health impact, high coverage with treated nets is essential.

KEMRI, Kenya Medical Research Institute ITN, Insecticide-treated bed net Hawley et al. Community-wide effects of permethrin-treated bed nets on child mortality and malaria morbidity in western Kenya. Am J Trop Med Hyg 2003;68(s4):121-7.



## Additional Lessons from the KEMRI/CDC **ITN Trial and Follow-up Studies**

# Survival benefit lasted beyond 6 years

#### Mortality rates

- Infants: 113/1,000
- Children 1–5 years old: 28/1,000



#### Sustainability of Reductions in Malaria Transmission and Infant Mortality in Western Kenya With Use of Insecticide-Treated Bednets 4 to 6 Years of Follow-up

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 Context Insecticide-treated bednets reduce malaria transmission and child morbidity and mortality in short-term trials, but this impact may not be sustainable. Previous investigators have suggested that bednet use might paradoxically increase mortality in older children through delayed acquisition of immunity to malaria.

Objectives To determine whether adherence to and public health benefits of insecticide-treated bednets can be sustained over time and whether bednet use during infancy increases all-cause mortality rates in older children in an area of intense perennial malaria transmission.

Design and Setting A community randomized controlled trial in western Kenya (phase 1: January 1997 to February 2000) followed by continued surveillance of adherence, entomologic parameters, morbidity indicators, and all-cause mortality (phase 2: April 1999 to February 2002), and extended demographic monitoring (January to December 2002).

Participants A total of 130000 residents of 221 villages in Asembo and Gem were randomized to receive insecticide-treated bednets at the start of phase 1 (111 villages) or phase 2 (110 villages).

Main Outcome Measures Proportion of children younger than 5 years using insecticide-treated bednets, mean number of Anopheles mosquitoes per house, and allcause mortality rates

Results Adherence to bednet use in children younger than 5 years increased from 65.9% JAMA. 2004;291:2571-2580 www.iama.cor

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### Additional Lessons from the KEMRI/ CDC ITN Trial and Follow-up Studies

#### Providing nets to 65% of older children and adults would protect even children without nets



Adam Nadel, Freelance

#### OPEN O ACCESS Freely available online

#### Preventing Childhood Malaria in Africa by Protecting Adults from Mosquitoes with Insecticide-Treated Nets

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Policy Impact of the KEMRI/ CDC ITN Trial and Follow-up Studies

# Established the evidence-base for widespread scale-up and universal coverage

# FROM EXIDENCE TO POLICY



Continued progress in scale-up and elimination will require improved tools for malaria control and surveillance

Scale-up: Aims to reduce morbidity and mortality
 Elimination: Aims to reduce transmission
 Basic reproduction number <1.0</li>



# 2. Global Malaria Eradication Research Agenda

#### New tools and systems to accommodate

- > Drugs
- Vaccines
- Diagnostics
- Insecticides
- Strategies to manage resistance to antimalarial drugs and insecticides for public health
  - Combination treatments
  - Combined delivery systems
  - Rotational or mosaic deployment



# **Global Malaria Eradication Research Agenda**

#### Alternative vector interventions



- ITNs and spraying work against mosquitoes indoors
- Some mosquitoes feed and rest outdoors
  - Larviciding
  - Spatial repellants, baited traps

#### Drug interventions for reducing transmission

- Mass screen and treatment
- Transmission-blocking agents

Surveillance: Detecting and responding to local transmission



# 3. CDC Operational Research Priorities in 2010

#### From Scale-up To Elimination

#### Optimize current malaria control interventions

#### Establish role for new and revisited interventions

- Research and development
- Clinical and field trials of new interventions
- Integration with other initiatives



# Research and Development: Field-Ready, High-Sensitivity Test for Malaria

WHO now calls for universal access to malaria diagnosis and treatment for every case of suspected malaria

#### Diagnostic confirmation

- Minimize the overuse of treatments
- Improves detection and treatment of other causes of illness
- Forms the basis of a reliable system for monitoring malaria and malaria control



Light microscopy



Rapid antigen detection



## Research and Development: Field-Ready, High-Sensitivity Test for Malaria

- As endemic countries approach elimination, highly sensitive tests become more critical
- Current diagnostic formats will improve management of malaria illness
- Elimination may rest on molecular assays
  - > Available only in reference laboratories far from remote areas



**Molecular assays** 



## Research and Development: Field-Ready, High-Sensitivity Test for Malaria

#### CDC and University of Georgia

Novel system for molecular diagnosis

#### Real-time fluorescence loop-mediated amplification: Real LAMP

- > Detection of malaria parasites at very low numbers
- Without access to reference laboratory staffing and equipment
- Validation of the first generation prototype on specimens from Tanzania completed

**Real-LAMP** 





# **Clinical and Field Trials of New Interventions**

#### Phase III malaria vaccine trial in Kenya

- First candidate vaccine to reach this stage of development
- One of 11 sites in 9 countries
- Could reduce clinical malaria by up to 35%, severe malaria by 49%



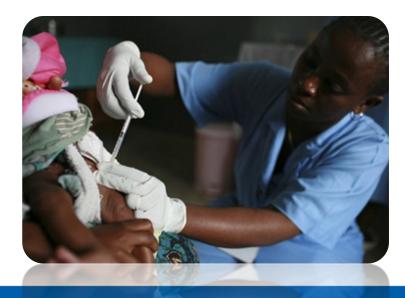
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# **Clinical and Field Trials of New Interventions**

#### When will we have a vaccine that can eliminate malaria?

- Current vaccine within 18–24 months
- Will reduce illness burden, not transmission
- Hundreds of other candidates in development
- Millennia of co-evolution confound development





# **Clinical and Field Trials of New Interventions**

# Combined impact of ITNs with indoor residual spraying

- Western Kenya (2008–2010)
- Northern Ghana (starting 2011)

#### Combined impact of ITNs with insecticide-treated durable wall liners

Lakeside Malawi (starting 2011)



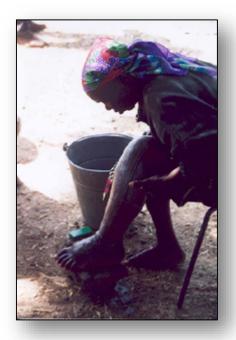




# **Integration Opportunities**

#### **From Scale-up To Elimination**

- Community-based control/ elimination
- Integrated case management interventions
- Integrated vector control
- Integrated surveillance, monitoring and evaluation





## From Scale-Up to Elimination: the Role of Partnership

#### **Creative partnerships within the U.S. government**

- Within Department of Health and Human Services
- With U.S. government partners

#### Partnerships beyond our system





# Malaria Elimination: A Global Partnership Perspective



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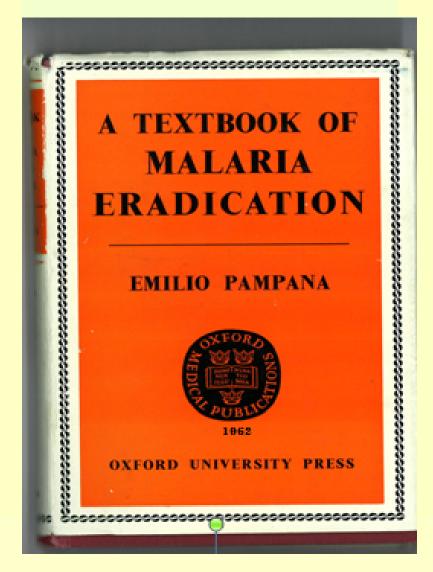
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# Malaria Eradication – Original Guidance



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"Now is the time to act. We should not ignore the shrinking of the malaria map, which has been successfully unfolding over the past century."

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# **Malaria Elimination**

□ Today's opportunity for elimination success – why today?

- □ African country example of a move toward elimination
- A partnership perspective in transitioning from scale-up to elimination
- □ Opportunities for CDC to make a difference:
  - A perspective from outside

# Malaria Landscape

• From Scale Up for Impact (SUFI) to Elimination





# Malaria Landscape

# • From Scale Up for Impact (SUFI) to Elimination

Pre-Scale up (pre-SUFI)

Elimination



# Malaria Elimination: Why Today?

Between the Global Malaria Eradication Program and the start of Roll Back Malaria (1975 – 2000) was a time of science

The scientists identified:

Prevention directed to the biology of the vector and able to be delivered proactively and to the most vulnerable





# Malaria Elimination: Why Today?

□ The scientists identified:

- Treatment with combined drugs to optimize efficacy and delay resistance
- Diagnostics that can be deployed close to home and in facilities and can clarify where malaria transmission, illness, and death is occurring





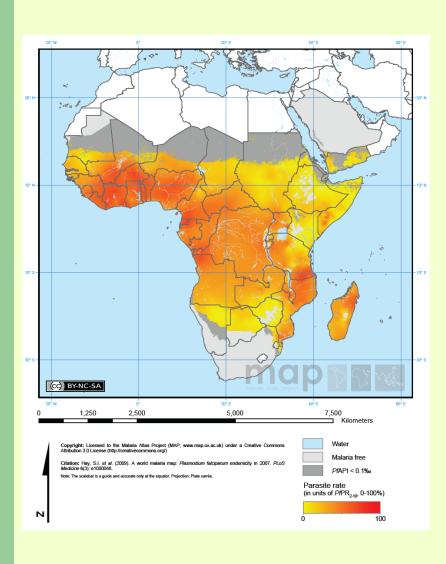
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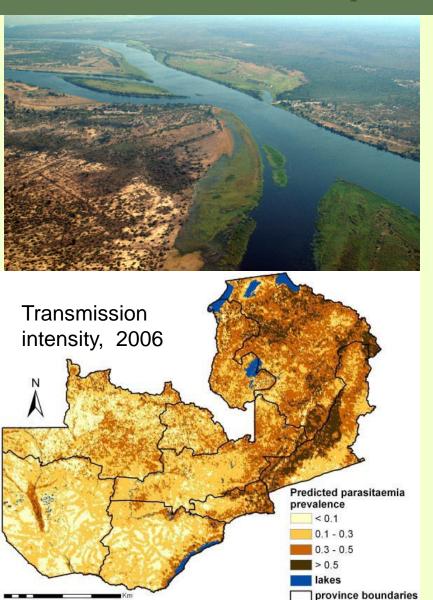
□ The scientists are seeking:

- New/improved prevention, diagnostics and treatment
- > New interventions (vaccines, larval control, repellants)
- And we already have the 'final intervention' surveillance for infection detection and transmission containment



# Malaria Elimination: Zambia Example





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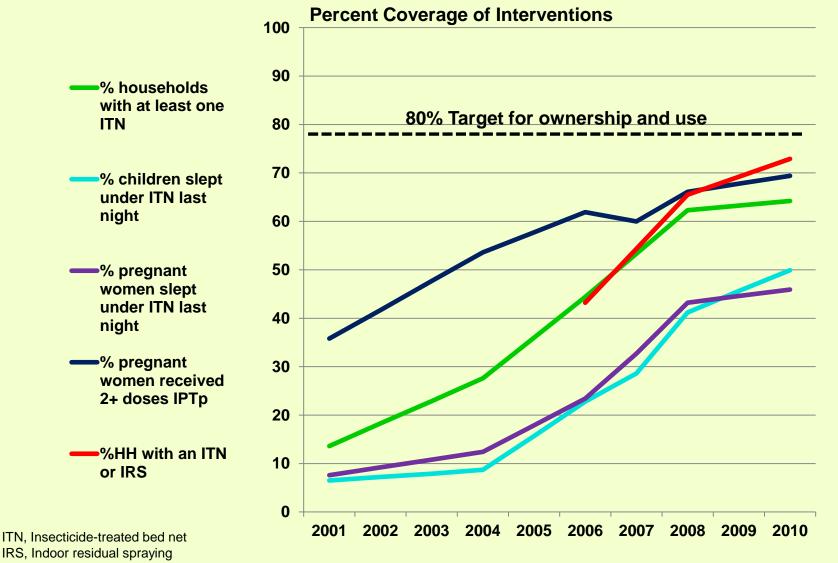
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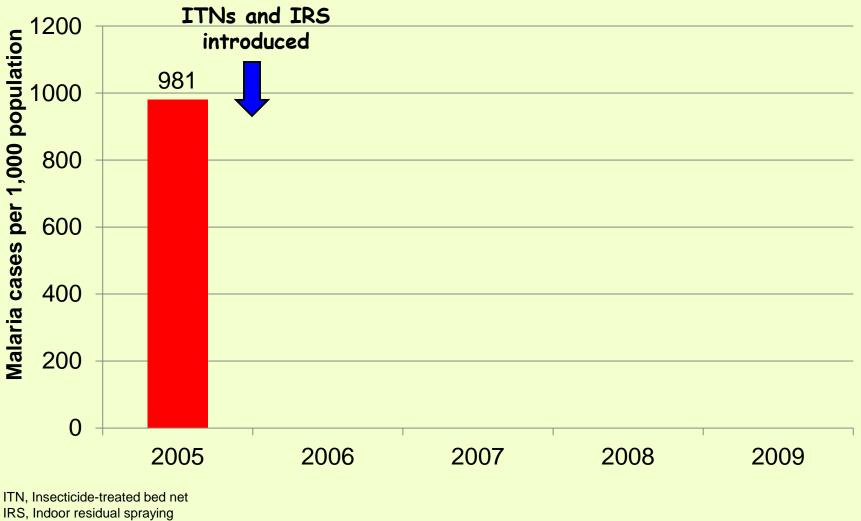
Control and Evaluation Partnership in Africa

#### Zambia: Malaria Intervention Scale-Up 2001–2010



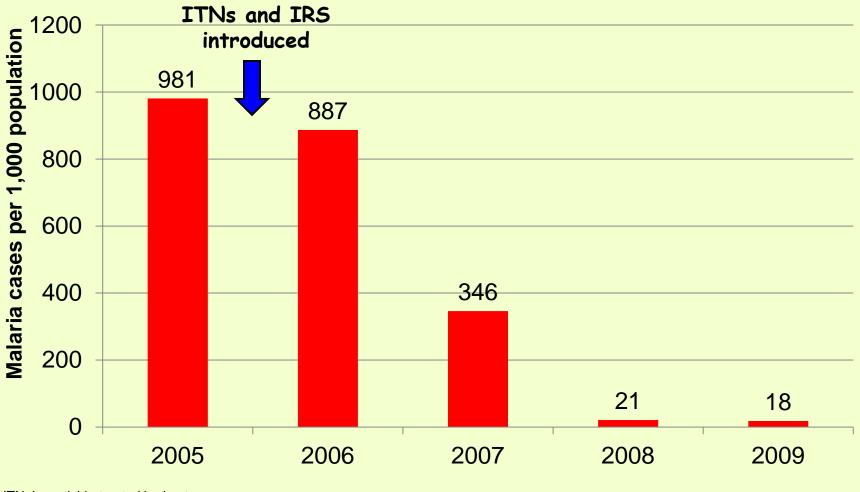
IPTp, Intermittent preventive treatment in pregnancy

### Reported Malaria Cases per 1,000 and Numbers of RDTs Delivered in Kazungula, Zambia



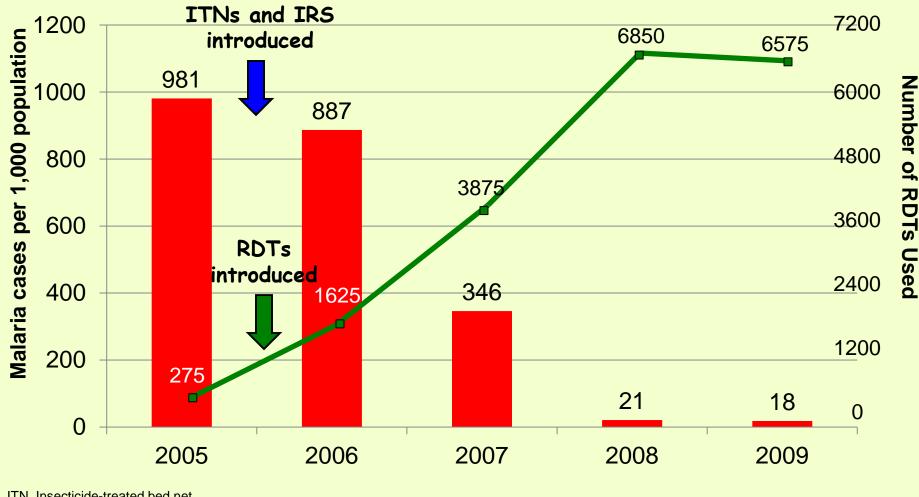
RDTs, Rapid diagnostic tests

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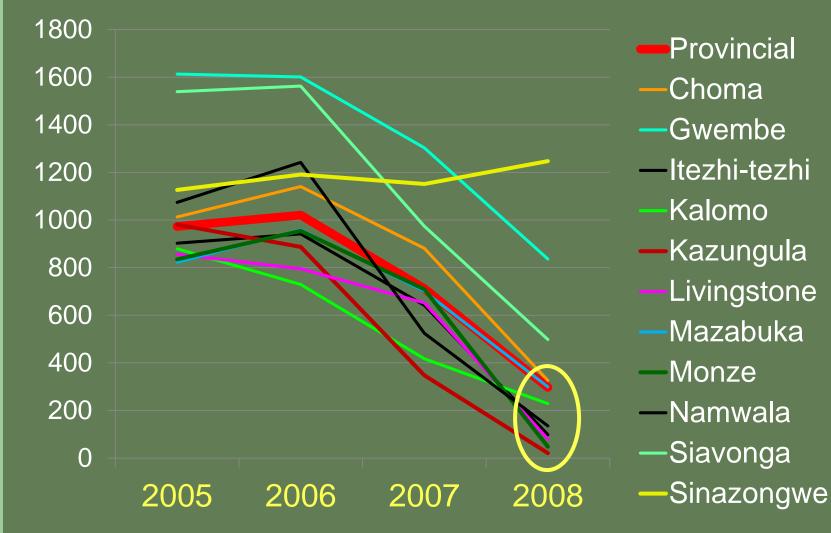


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# Incidence Rates for All Districts in Southern Province, Zambia



# **A Partnership Perspective**

Partners: Elimination is on some but not all of their agendas

- > WHO, UNICEF, World Bank, UNDP
- ≻ US-PMI
- Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- Roll Back Malaria
- ≻ CDC?

Consider embracing Elimination!

UNICEF, United Nations Children's Fund UNDP, United Nations Development Programme



#### **A Partnership Perspective on CDC Engagement**

□ Focus on Africa, but work elsewhere (you do this)

General Work with many partners (you do this)

> US-President's Malaria Initiative (PMI), WHO and others

What will CDC do with its own resources and focus

> Do "Control" via US-PMI (you do this)

Do "Science of Elimination" on CDC's dime (do this more explicitly and bring CDC's strengths)

Do "Capacity Building" from CDC's strengths



□ Surveillance as an intervention to reduce transmission

"<u>Surveillance</u> indicates epidemiological and remedial action.

...to detect cases...these are registered, treated and followed up with an investigation of the source and other possible cases;

...to discover transmission, establish its causes, eliminate residual foci, and to end transmission and avoid its resumption; and

...to substantiate that elimination has been achieved."

Source: E. Pampana. A Textbook of Malaria Eradication, 1962.



#### **CDC** – **Doing "Science of Elimination"**

□ Surveillance as an intervention to reduce transmission

- Diagnostics
- Use of antimalarial drugs
- Investigation procedures

□ Test this "intervention" and its ability to contain transmission



#### CDC – Doing "Capacity Building"

 Capacity development for information management (building on surveillance for transmission reduction)

> A "Stop Malaria" model (take a lesson from "Stop Polio")

FELTP/FETP model in malaria-endemic countries

Partner for this work

FELTP, Field Epidemiology Laboratory Training Program FETP, Field Epidemiology Training Program

#### **A Partnership Perspective on CDC Engagement**

□ Elimination and eradication require a long view...

and CDC should exercise its strength in "sustained public health focus" amidst competing priorities



# **Global Partnership Role for Elimination**

#### Bring a durable commitment

- □ Provide leadership in the "science of elimination"
  - Development of new tools and testing new strategies
  - Train the next generation
- Actively seek strategic partnerships en route to malaria elimination

#### Elimination/Eradication is not for the faint of heart!

