

# **2+1: Why the combination of two passive and one active mosquito trap may well be a control tool worthy of attention**

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# Outline



- Focus on *Stegomyia* (*Aedes aegypti* & *Aedes albopictus*)
- Update on the current trap technology for these species
  - Trap for host-seeking mosquitoes
  - Traps for gravid mosquitoes (lethal ovitraps)
- Recent studies published on these traps used as control tools against *Stegomyia*
- Introduction of the 2 plus 1 concept

The BG-Sentinel catches host-seeking *Stegomyia*, but also males



**BG-Sentinel 2.0**



**BG-Lure**

# BG-Sentinel: Mass trapping *Ae. (St.) aegypti* in Manaus, Brazil



Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Mass Trapping With BG-Sentinel  
Traps for Dengue Vector Control: A Cluster Randomized Controlled  
Trial in Manaus, Brazil

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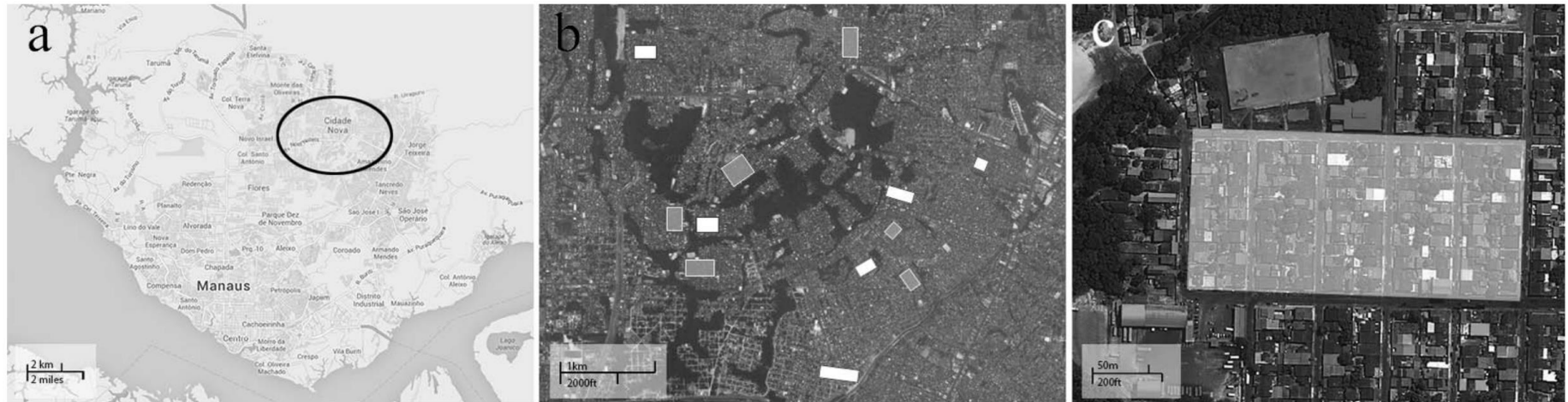
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6 intervention areas

1 BGS per house, 60.5% coverage

6 reference areas (=“control”)

Biweekly monitoring with 4 BGS/area



**Fig. 2.** Maps of (a) the study site Manaus containing a black circle that indicates the localization of the Cidade Nova neighborhood, (b) the localization of the six intervention clusters (white) and the six untreated control clusters (gray) within the study site, and (c) an example of one intervention cluster.

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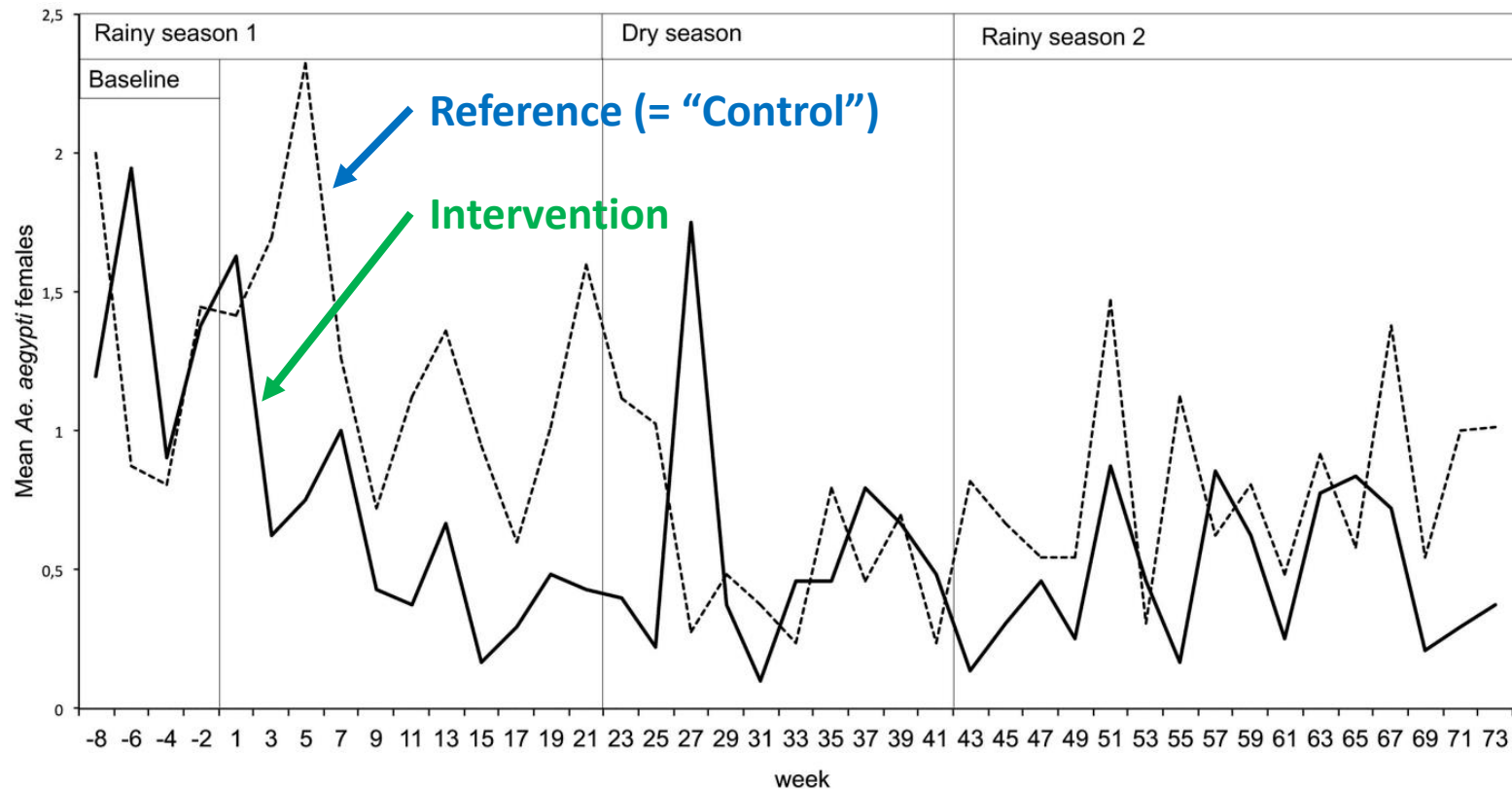
**Table 3.** Overview of the mean no. of female *Ae. aegypti* caught with BGS monitoring traps in 24 h at the baseline period and during three different periods after beginning of mass trapping

Pair	Weeks -8-0 (N = 3-4) Rainy season 1		Weeks 1-22 (N = 11) Rainy season 1		Weeks 23-42 (N = 9-10) Dry season		Weeks 43-73 (N = 16) Rainy season 2	
	Intervention	Control	Intervention	Control	Intervention	Control	Intervention	Control
1	0.13 (0.25)	0.53 (0.41)	0.37 (0.36)	0.75 (0.72)	0.28 (0.42)	0.69 (0.49)	0.34 (0.37)	1.07 (0.89)
2	0.79 (0.62)	0.69 (0.77)	0.26 (0.32)	1.66 (0.97)	0.20 (0.26)	0.50 (0.71)	0.56 (0.50)	0.34 (0.38)
3	1.00 (0.79)	0.71 (0.82)	0.48 (0.21)	2.91 (1.84)	0.23 (0.28)	1.17 (0.89)	0.21 (0.25)	2.18 (2.07)
4	1.54 (0.98)	1.19 (0.62)	1.12 (1.14)	0.94 (0.83)	1.43 (1.79)	0.38 (0.36)	0.12 (0.21)	0.94 (1.05)
5	1.79 (1.01)	1.90 (2.27)	0.86 (1.04)	0.49 (0.40)	0.85 (1.19)	0.21 (0.30)	1.12 (0.68)	0.02 (0.06)
6	2.88 (3.33)	2.31 (1.39)	0.64 (0.60)	1.13 (1.06)	0.46 (0.65)	0.40 (0.35)	0.49 (0.56)	0.26 (0.29)
Total	1.35 (1.26)	1.25 (1.29)	0.62 (0.74)	1.29 (1.28)	0.58 (1.02)	0.56 (0.62)	0.47 (0.56)	0.80 (1.24)

Presented are mean catch rates ( $\pm$ SD) per pair and treatment category for the baseline and the postintervention periods. The number of trapping periods (N) per cluster varied between these periods, when eventually monitoring cycles were lost; bracketed values indicate the range.



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**Fig. 4.** Entomological monitoring with BGS traps: mean catches of female *Ae. aegypti* in mass trapping and control arm. Solid line: mean value of six intervention clusters. Dotted line: mean value of six control clusters. Vertical lines indicate the four periods of the study: baseline (Weeks -8-0), first rainy season (Weeks 1-22), dry season (Weeks 23-42), and second rainy season (Weeks 43-73).



# Mass trapping of *Ae. (St.) albopictus* in Cesena, Italy



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EVALUATION OF BG-SENTINEL TRAP AS A MANAGEMENT TOOL TO  
REDUCE *AEDES ALBOPICTUS* NUISANCE IN AN URBAN  
ENVIRONMENT IN ITALY

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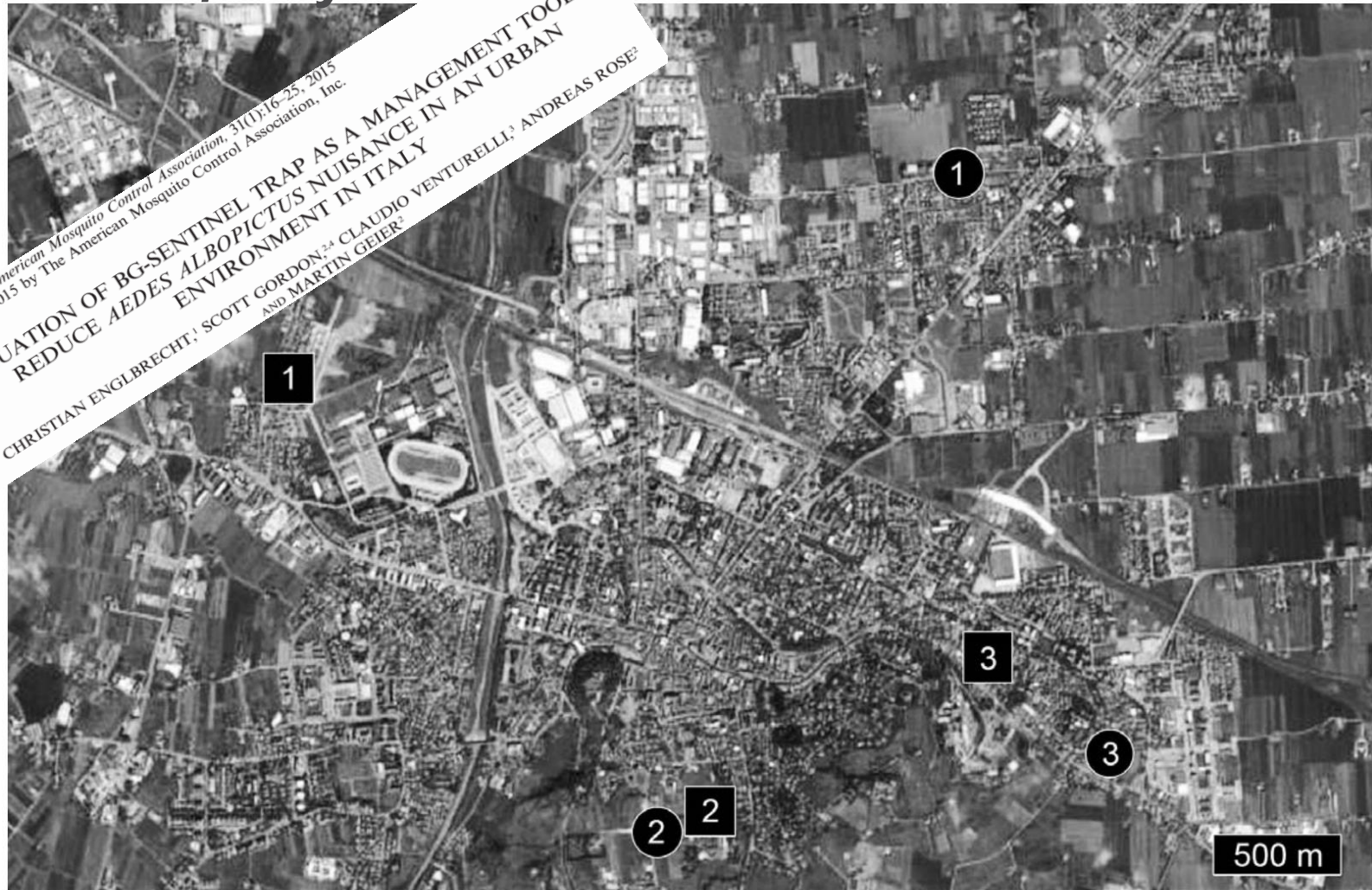


Fig. 1. Satellite image of the 3 intervention (circles) and 3 control sites (square boxes) in the city of Cesena, Emilia-Romagna, Italy.

# Reduction of human landing rate of *Ae. (St.) albopictus* in intervention sites

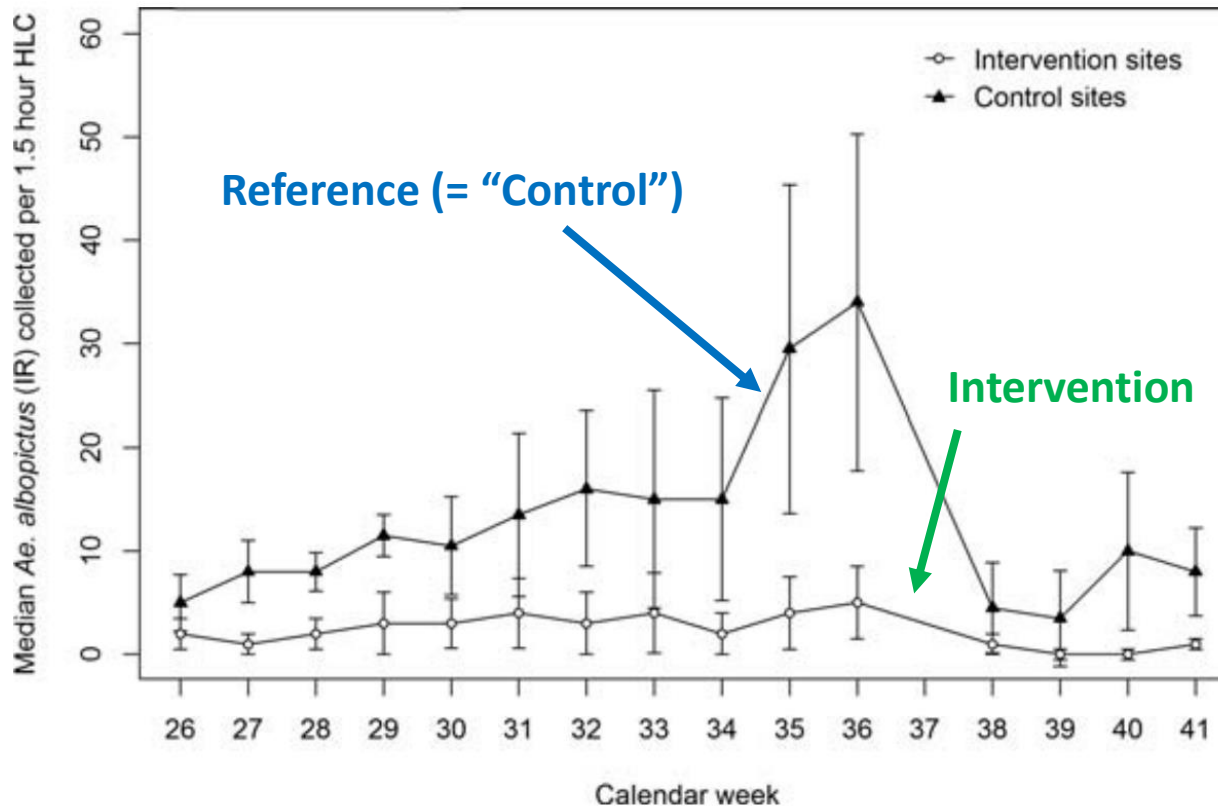


Fig. 4. Weekly median number of *Aedes albopictus* individuals collected per 1.5 h using human landing collection from intervention and control sites. Error bars represent the interquartile range.

2 private houses  
2 apartment houses  
2 cemeteries

3 intervention sites  
(7-8 BGS)  
3 reference sites  
(="control sites")

Monitoring with HLR  
and Ovitrap11



# The latest in deadly gravid traps



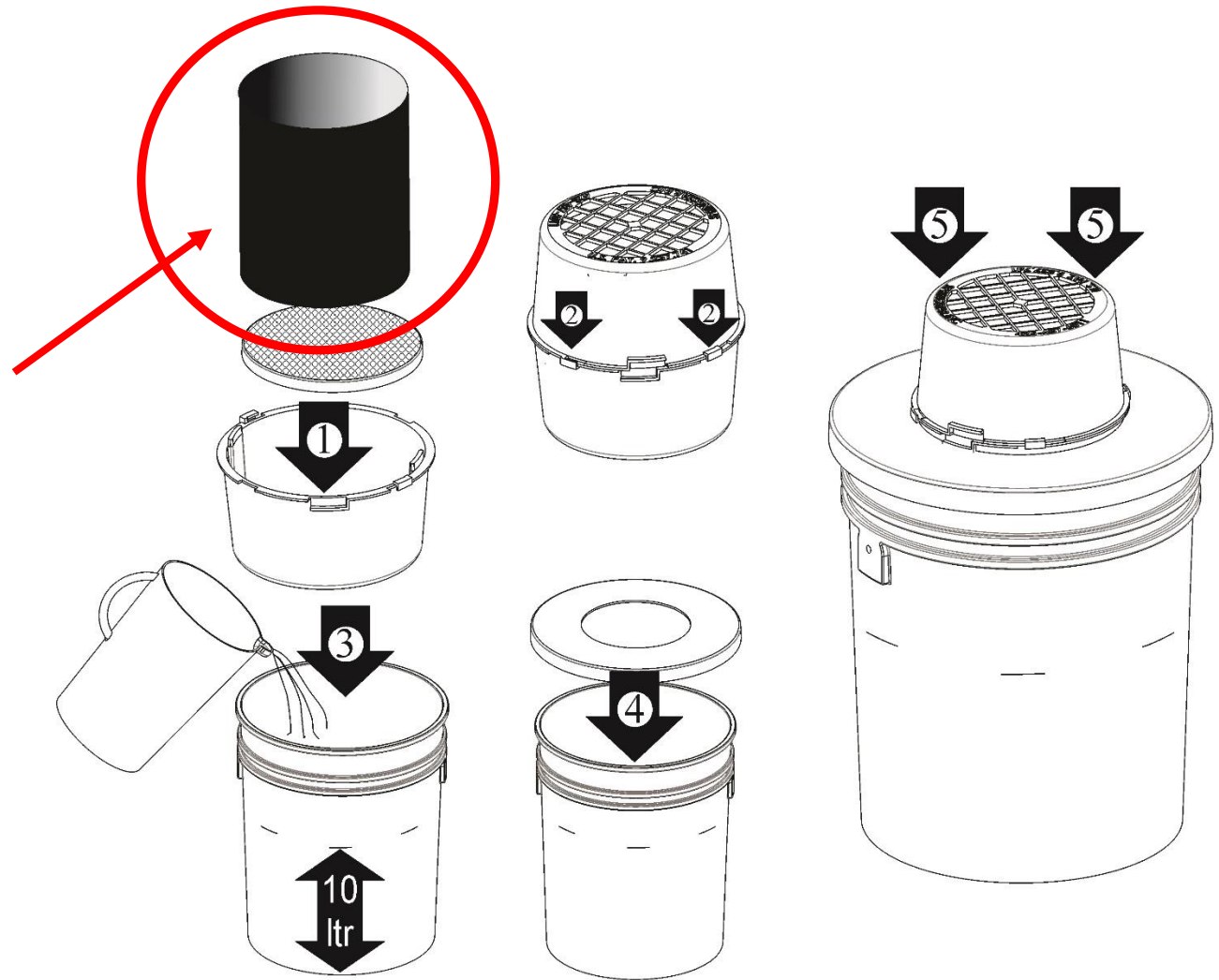
**AGO = Autocidal Gravid Ovitrap**  
Mackay, Amador & Barrera (2013)



**GAT = Gravid Aedes Trap**  
Eiras, Buhagiar & Ritchie (2014)

# The AGO

Sticky board



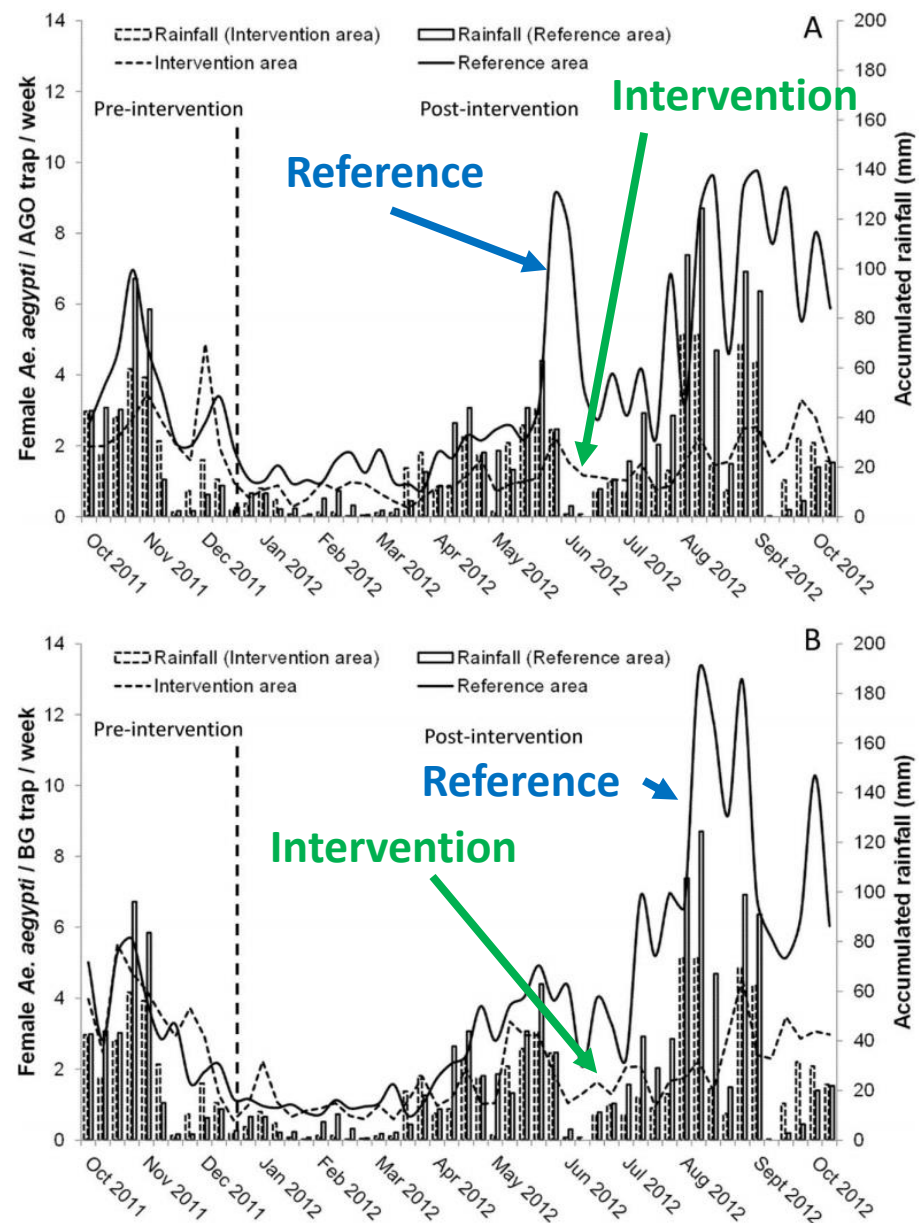
<https://www.springstar.net/products/ago>

1 intervention area  
/w 3 to 4 AGOs per house  
81% coverage

1 reference area

3 months base line, then  
sourcereduction, larviciding,  
oviciding  
in both areas

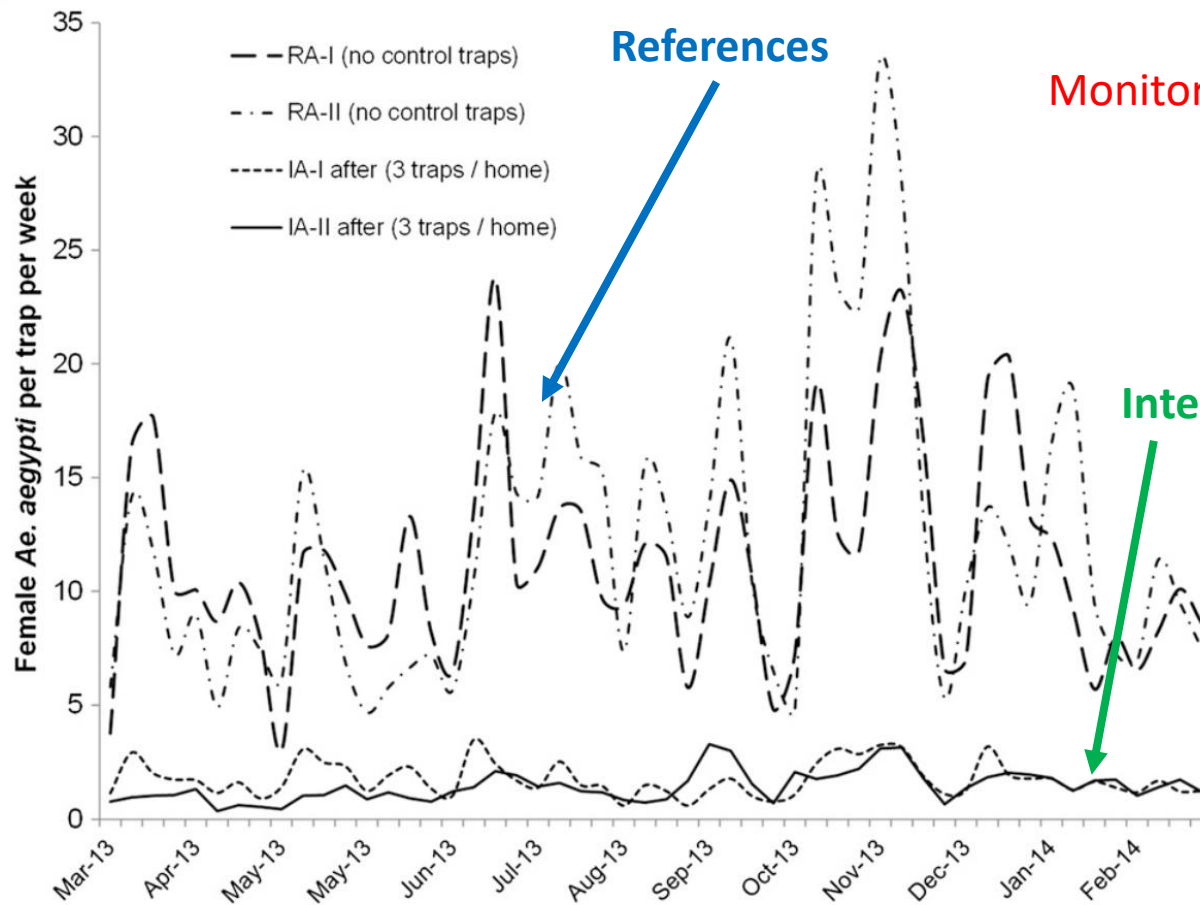
Monitoring with  
BGS (3 days) and  
AGO (7 days)



**Fig. 3.** (A, B) Weekly variation in the numbers of female *Ae. aegypti* captured in BG-Sentinel (sum of 3-d captures per week) and SAGO (7-d captures) traps, and accumulated rainfall (second and third weeks before sampling) in the reference (Villodas) and intervention (La Margarita) areas. Mosquitoes were monitored in both areas before applying control measures from October to December 2011 and afterwards until October 2012, following the intervention. Rainfall data are plotted with a forward lag time of 2 wk to facilitate visual association with the numbers of mosquitoes.

# Sustained, Area-Wide Control of *Aedes aegypti* Using CDC Autocidal Gravid Ovitrap

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2 intervention areas  
/w 3 AGOs per house  
85% coverage

2 reference areas

Monitoring with AGO

FIGURE 5. A comparison of average *Ae. aegypti* females per trap per week in two autocidal gravid ovitraps (AGO traps) intervention (IA-I, La Margarita; IA-II, Villodas) and two reference areas (RA-I, Arboleda; RA-II, Playa) in southern Puerto Rico from February 2013 to 2014.

Lorenzini OD et al. (2016) Reduced incidence of Chikungunya virus infection in communities with ongoing *Aedes aegypti* mosquito trap intervention studies – Salinas and Guayama, Puerto Rico, November 2015 - February 2016. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report 65.

Community type	Participants	Anti-CHIKV IgG positive participants (%)
Nonintervention communities (no AGO traps)	152	69 (45.4)
Community A	103	42 (40.8)
Community B	49	27 (55.1)
Intervention communities (AGO traps present)	175	40 (22.9)
Community C	101	19 (18.8)
Community D	74	21 (28.4)

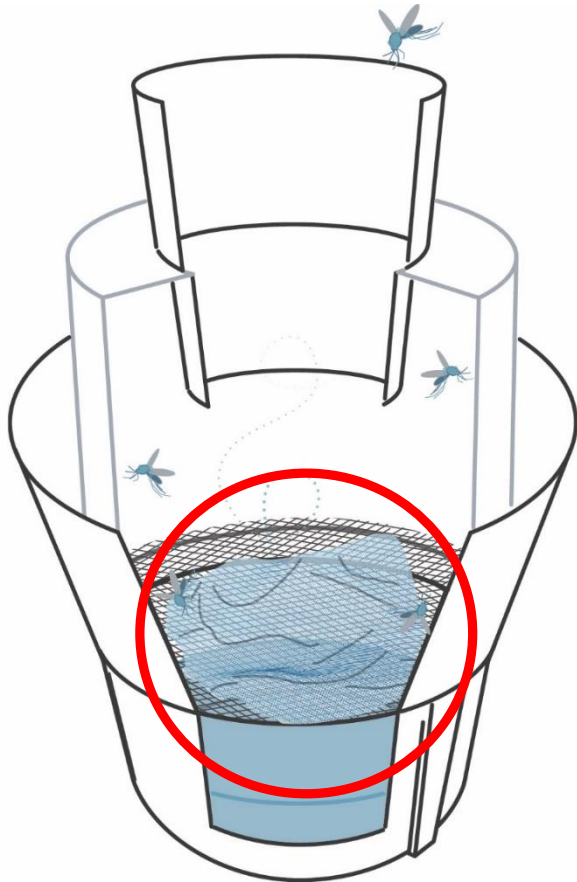
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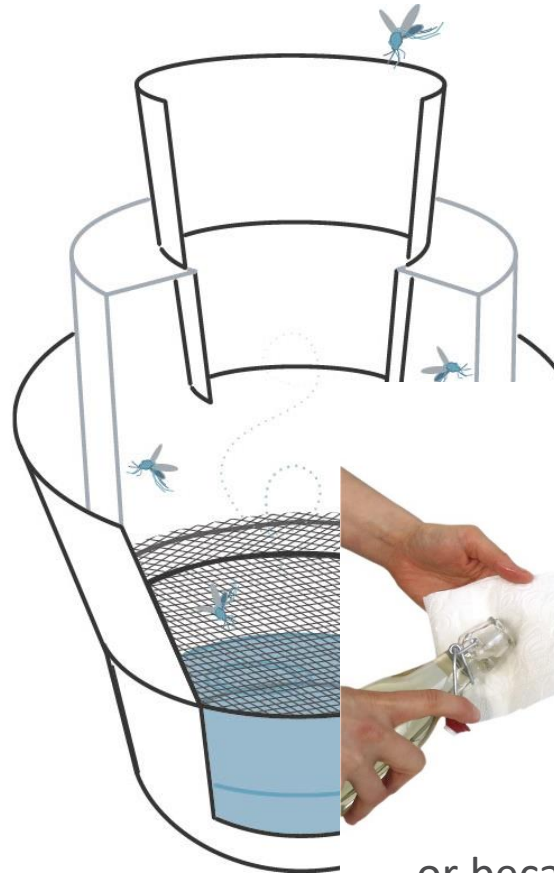
Abbreviation: AGO = Autocidal Gravid Ovitrap; CHIKV = chikungunya virus; IgG = immunoglobulin G.



# Introducing the GAT: lethal...



...because of an insecticide-treated net in the translucent chamber...



... or because of a thin layer of canola or perfume-free baby oil.

... or because of insecticide (e.g. metafluthrin) sprayed into the inside of the translucent chamber...



But no expensive sticky boards.

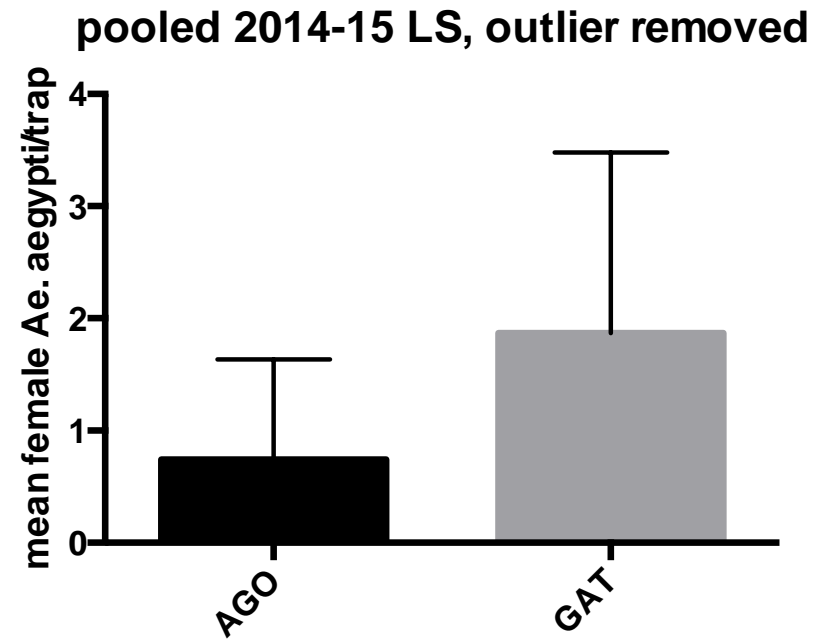
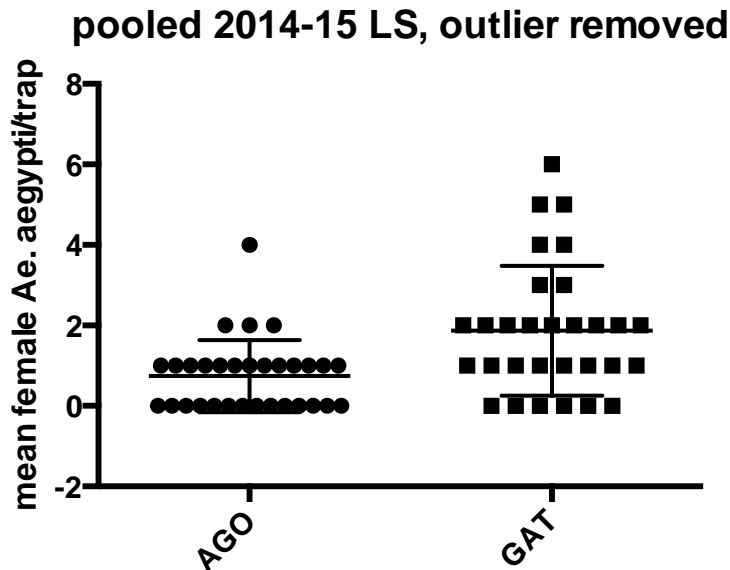


Scott Ritchie (James Cook University)  
Field Latin Aquare trials in Cairns, Australia,  
2014 & 2015: Comparison of  
Singapore Sticky Ovitrap – AGO - GAT

# 2014-15 Latin Square GAT & AGO (Scott Ritchie, unpubl.)

Pooled GAT and AGO data

Removed outlier GAT  
collection of 26 females (30  
replications)



- Recent developments have greatly improved the efficacy of traps for Dengue / Zika / Chikungunya vectors (*Aedes (Stegomyia)*).
- Strong indications that traps for host-seeking mosquitoes and traps for gravid can significantly reduce *Aedes (Stegomyia)* population sizes → lower disease transmission.
- Combining both methods should widen the scope of targeted physiological mosquito stages, raising the probability of success.
- Problem so far: large scale availability and price (at least for the hostseeking trap).

# Introducing the BG-Bowl



- All plastic
- Less than 2.4 W power consumption
- No catch bag → the trap body is the collection container
- For long-term mass trapping



## 2 plus 1 concept: using traps to control *Aedes (Stegomyia)*



### Approach

- Initial source reduction

### Then, per household:

- 2 traps targeting gravid mosquitoes (BG-GAT)
- 1 trap targeting host-seeking mosquitoes (BG-Bowl)
- Costs as low as ca. 50 US\$ per set, if used in area-wide projects
- Monthly servicing can also be performed by household members
- 3 years minimum product life



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