

CDC bottle bioassay results show need for
rotating organophosphate and
pyrethroid-based adulticides against Florida
Aedes aegypti and *Culex quinquefasciatus*

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DOMESTIC MOSQUITOES IN FLORIDA

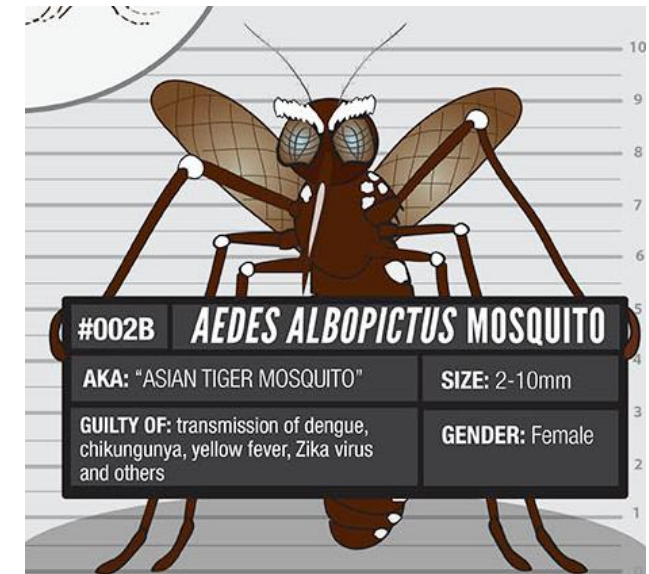
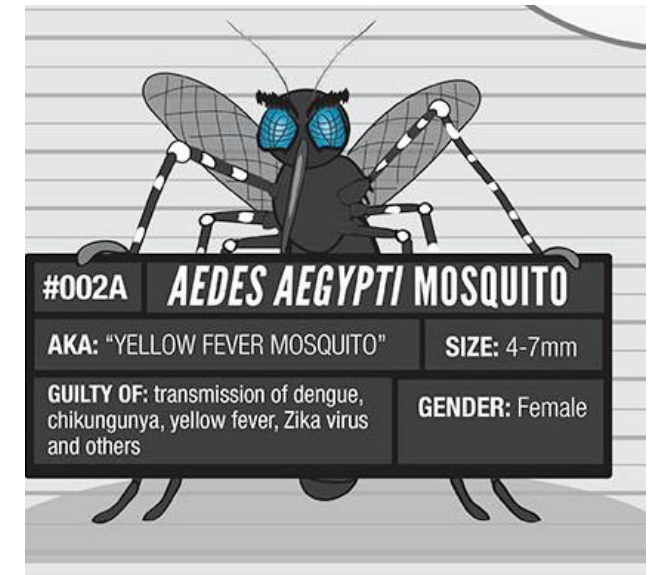


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- ***Aedes aegypti*, *Aedes albopictus*, *Culex quinquefasciatus***
 - Live in close association with humans
 - Larval habitat
 - Blood meal sources

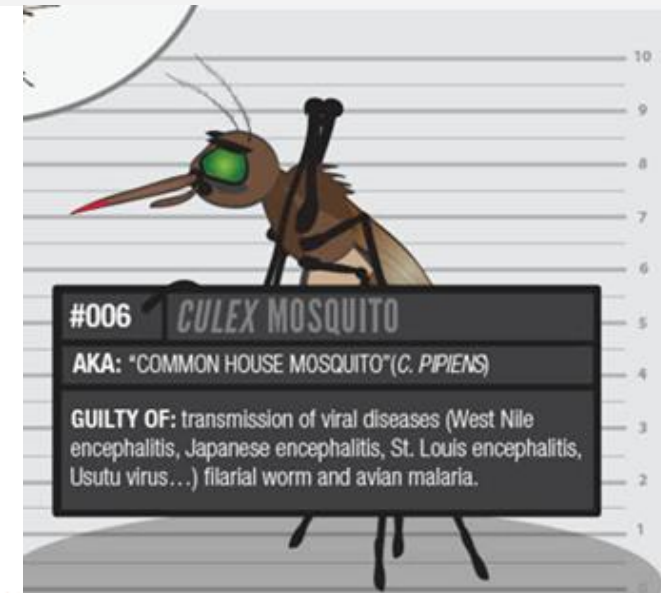
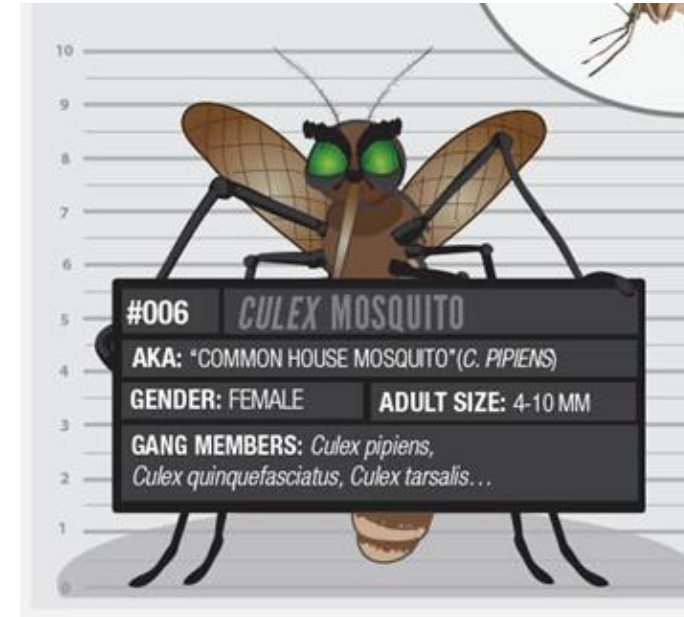
IMPORTANT ARBOVIRUS VECTORS

- Close association with humans
- ***Aedes aegypti*** responsible for local transmission of exotics in FL
 - Outbreaks
 - DENV (2009, 2010, 2013)
 - CHIKV (2014)
 - ZIKV (2016)
 - Sporadic cases
 - So far in 2019: 12 DENV cases
- ***Aedes albopictus*** also competent exotic arbovirus vector



IMPORTANT ARBOVIRUS VECTORS

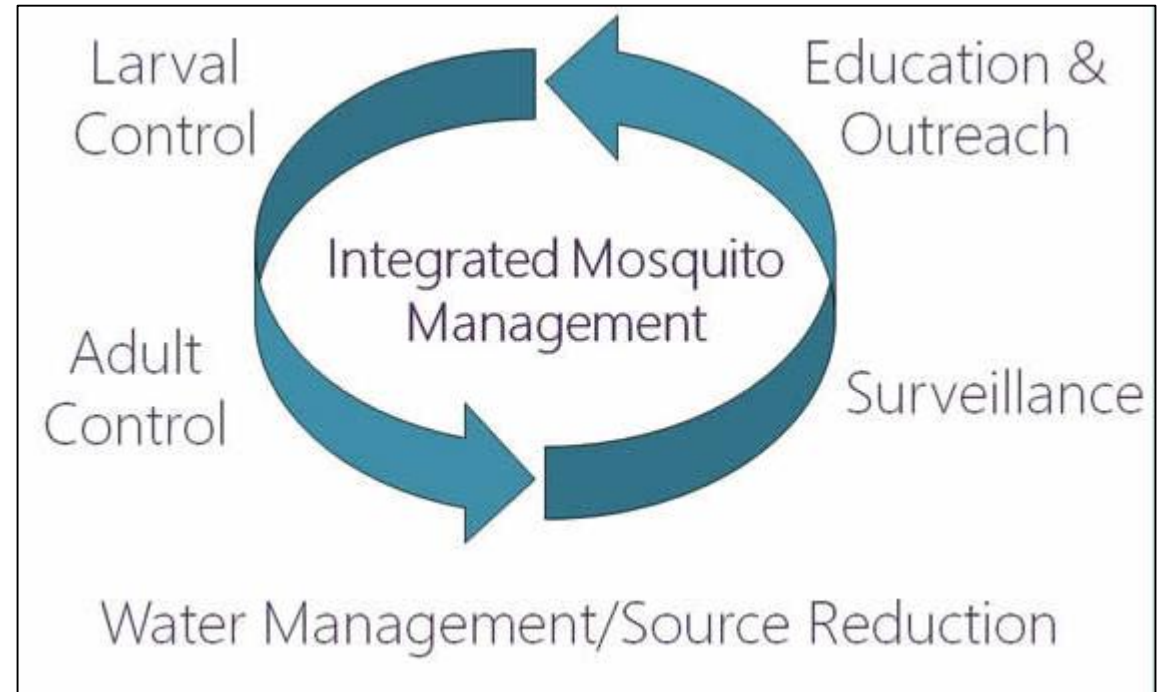
- ***Culex quinquefasciatus*** responsible for transmission of endemics in FL
 - WNV
 - 2019: 1 human & 7 horse cases
 - 2018: 33 human & 13 horse cases
 - EEEV
 - 2019: 28 horse cases
 - 2018: 3 human & 52 horse cases
 - SLEV
 - 2014: 2 human cases
 - Always chance for resurgence



DOMESTIC MOSQUITO CONTROL

- **Relies on integrated mosquito management**

- Public education
- Source reduction
- Surveillance
- Larviciding
- Adulticiding



- Insecticide resistance

- Can impact larviciding & adulticiding success

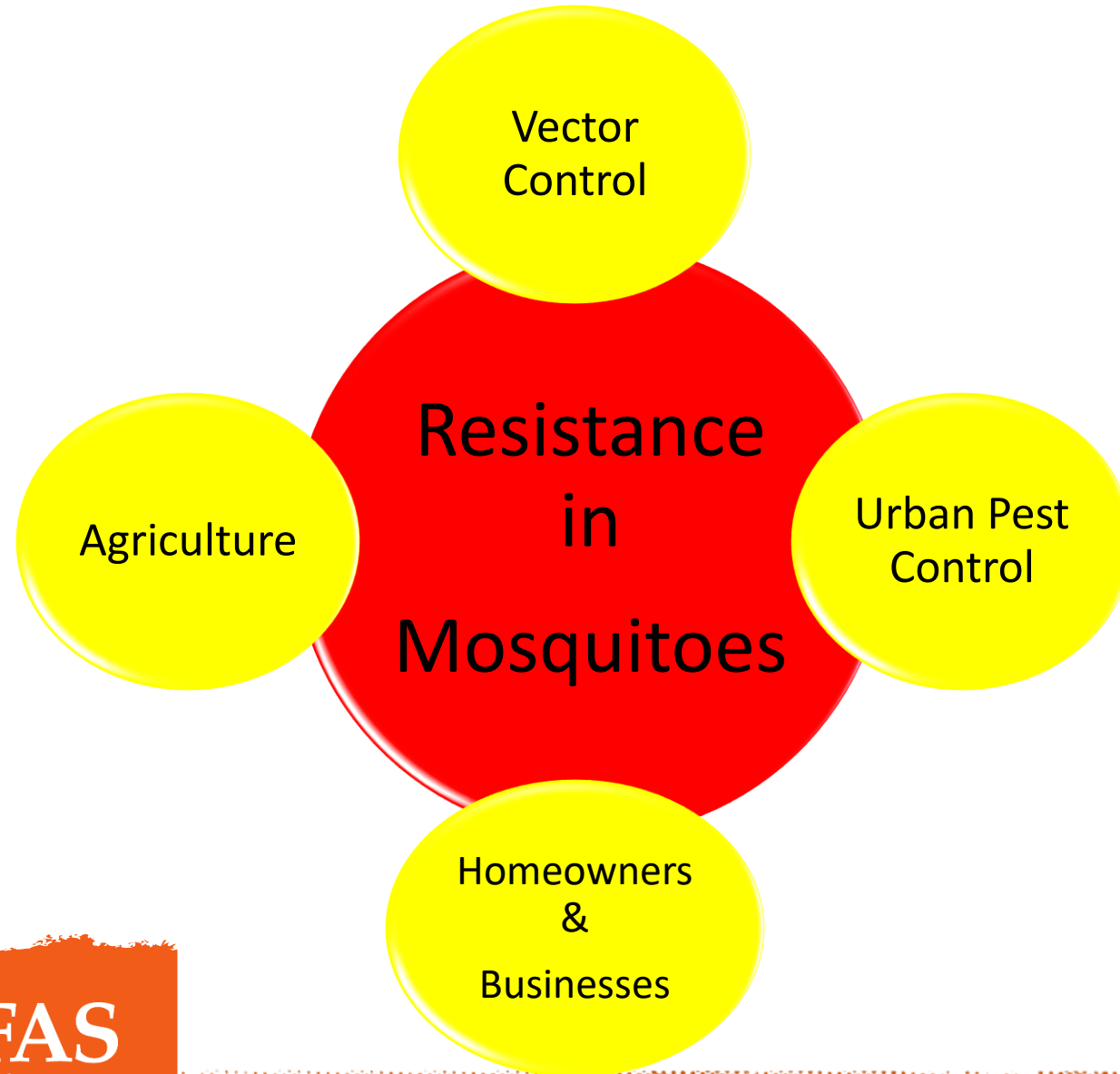
RESISTANCE DEFINITION

Insecticide Resistance is a genetic change in response to selection by toxicants that may impair control in the field.



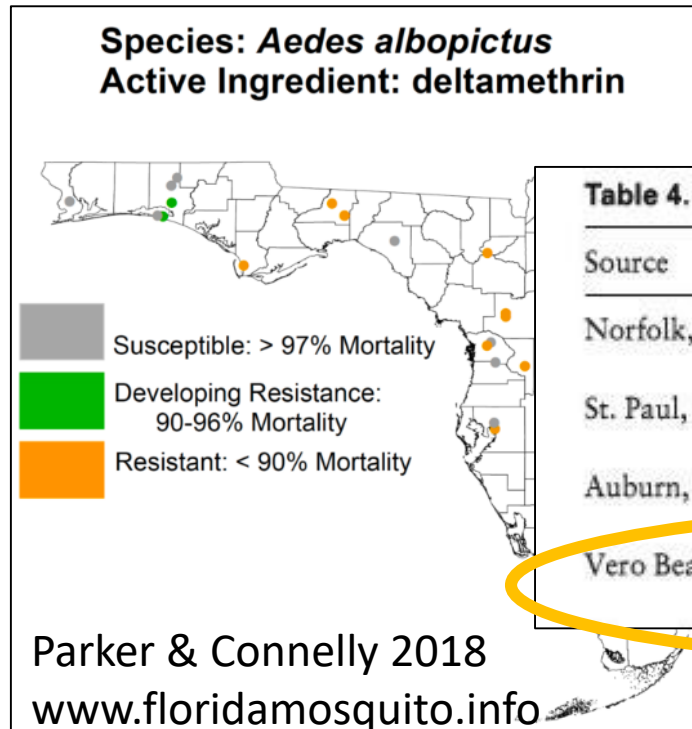
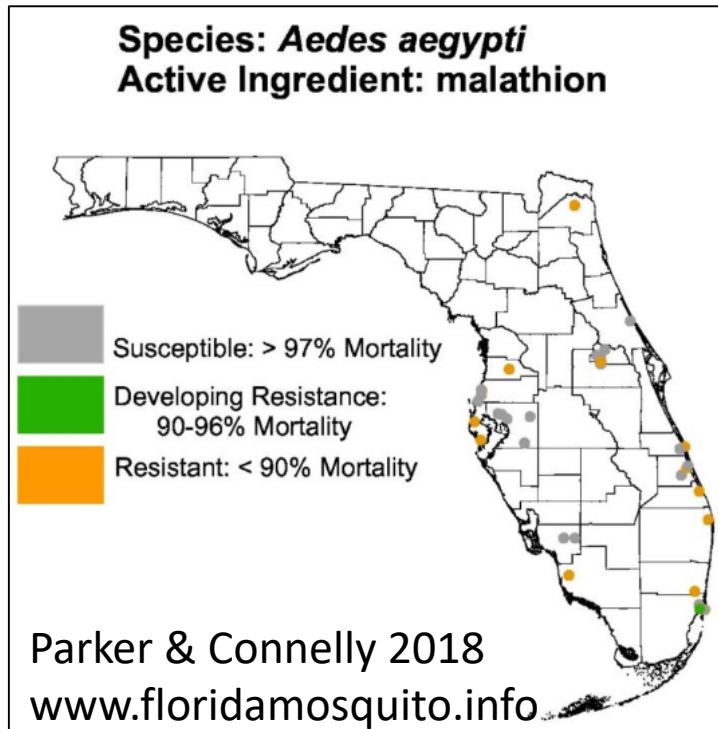
RESISTANCE IN DOMESTIC MOSQUITOES

- Influenced by:
 - Insecticides
 - Herbicides
 - Fungicides
 - Fertilizers
 - Non-point source runoff



RESISTANCE IN FL DOMESTIC MOSQUITOES

- Pyrethroid and/or organophosphate resistance has been detected in Florida populations of *Ae. aegypti*, *Ae. albopictus*, *Cx. quinquefasciatus*



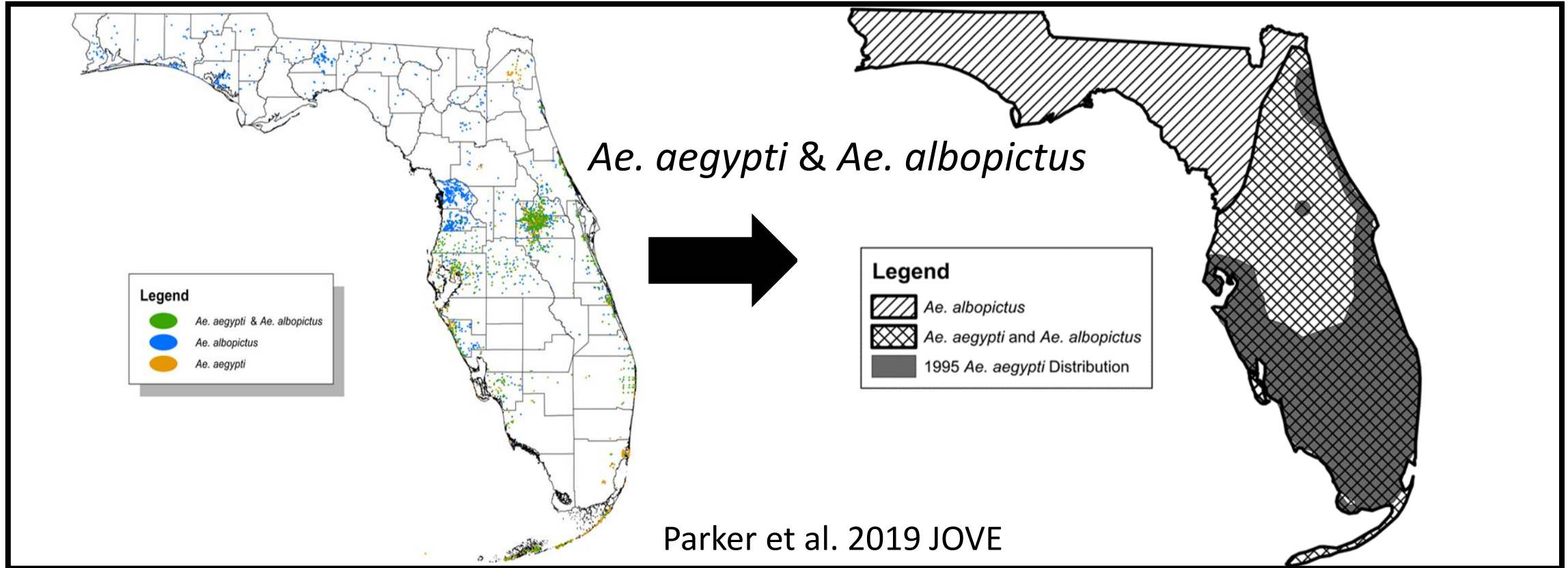
Richards et al. 2017

Table 4. Comparative susceptibility and resistance of *Culex* mosquito populations

Source	Mosquito species (generation)	Bifenthrin
Norfolk, NE	<i>Culex pipiens</i> (F ₀)	Possible Resistance (92%; N ^d = 24)
St. Paul, MN	<i>Culex pipiens</i> (F ₀)	Possible Resistance (95%; N = 23)
Auburn, AL	<i>Culex quinquefasciatus</i> (F ₁)	Resistant (23%; N = 40)
Vero Beach, FL	<i>Culex quinquefasciatus</i> (F ₀)	Resistant (29%; N = 43)

- Unknown how widespread resistance is throughout the state

DISTRIBUTION OF FL DOMESTIC MOSQUITOES



- Areas no info on *Ae. aegypti*, *Ae. albopictus*, & *Cx. quinquefasciatus* presence
- All invasive species
 - Distributions can change
 - Routine surveillance

OBJECTIVES OF CURRENT PROJECT

Continue work
of Parker et al.
2019

Add to body of
knowledge:

Florida *Cx.*
quinquefasciatus
populations

- Conduct surveillance and insecticide susceptibility evaluations of Florida *Ae. aegypti* & *Ae. albopictus* populations

Site choice is up to you. Select a site that is reasonably secure so that you don't lose the cups to animals or other interested parties. Make sure to record the GPS coordinates of the site (in decimal degrees). At each site, place 10 – 20 oviposition cups with one egg paper (see photos below) & 2 clips per cup. Make sure that each cup is filled up to the drainage holes with fresh (tap) water. Distribute the cups throughout the site so that egg collections can be maximized. Cups should be placed next to something secure, like the base of a tree, under a bush, etc., and not out in the open or in direct sunlight. If possible, secure the cups to the ground with a tent stake or something similar or put them inside a half cinder block since animals tend to knock them over. Egg papers should be picked up and replaced every 5 - 7 days (any longer than this and the eggs start to hatch).



For those who do not have experience collecting eggs of *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*, the chart below provides some ideas for how to distribute the oviposition cups at a site. It's a flexible protocol, so don't limit yourself to this. These are just some examples of where you could put the cups to try to collect *Aedes* eggs.

SITE TYPE	AREA	# CUPS
Neighborhood	5 - 10 houses on the same street	2 - 3 cups per house
Cemetery	Several acres	10 - 20 cups randomly distributed throughout the cemetery at various points
	Several acres	10 - 20 cups randomly distributed throughout the property at various points, including outdoor staircases

EGG COLLECTION

- *Aedes* & *Culex* egg collection kits shipped
- *Aedes* kit contains:
 - Ovicups
 - Egg papers
 - Binder clips
 - Plastic bags
 - Mailing envelopes
 - Instructions
 - Data sheets

Field	papers picked up	coordinates
6/7/19	6/14/19	27.587340, -80.373463
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MOSQUITO REARING

1. Eggs hatched & reared to adulthood
2. Species IDed & separated if necessary
3. Allowed to mate, blood-feed, & oviposit
4. F1 reared to adulthood
5. F1 used for IR testing
6. If not enough F1, blood-feeding repeated & F2 used



RESISTANCE TESTING

- CDC bottle bioassays conducted to evaluate insecticide susceptibility/resistance
 - 6 AIs tested:
 - Deltamethrin
 - Etofenprox
 - Permethrin
 - Sumethrin
 - Malathion
 - Naled



Table 1: Sample diagnostic doses and diagnostic times for technical grade insecticides.

Insecticide	Insecticide concentration (µg/bottle)	Diagnostic time per species (minutes)					
		<i>Ae. aegypti</i>	<i>Ae. albopictus</i>	<i>Cx. molestus</i>	<i>Cx. pipiens</i>	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	<i>Cx. tarsalis</i>
chlorpyrifos	20	45	45	45	90	45	60
deltamethrin	0.75	30	30	--	45	60	--
tofenprox	12.5	15	30	105	15	30	60
phenathion	800	--	--	30	75	45	45
malathion	400	15	30	30	45	45	45
pyrethroid	2.25	30	30	30	45	45	45
permethrin	43	10	10	30	30	30	30
allethrin	0.05	--	--	--	60	60	--
cyrethrum	15	15	30	--	45	45	30
permethrin	20	10	45	120	30	45	30

RESISTANCE TESTING

- Mortality over time recorded for 120 min
- Mortality rates calculated
- Mortality rate at diagnostic time used to characterize population as susceptible, developing resistance, or resistant

Species tested *C. nigripalpus* Collection date/location/method collected Everglades NP (state road) F0

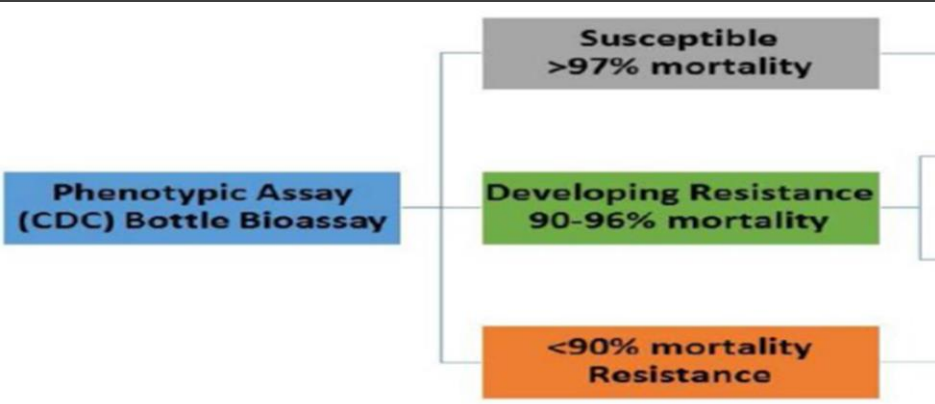
Insecticide and stock date Permethrin 7/01/19 Insecticide concentration/bottle 43 µg

Synergist and stock date - Synergist concentration/bottle - 25.388737°N

Date bottles made 8/19/19 Time bottles made 4:29 -80.4221606°W

General Results: i.e., very susceptible; highly resistant; portion of population resistance; possible cross resistance to _____; resistance mechanism(s) _____

Time (min.)	Bottle 1		Bottle 2		Bottle 3		Bottle 4		Total combined in Bottles 1-4		Control	
	Alive	Dead	Alive	Dead	Alive	Dead	Alive	Dead	Dead ^a	% Dead	Alive	Dead
0	9	0	8	0	17	0	12	0			7	0
5	5	4	7	1	14	3	12	0			7	0
10	5	4	6	2	9	8	7	0			7	0
15	3	6	6	2	9	8	7	0			7	0
30	2	7	6	2	4	13	9	7			7	0
45	2	7	6	2	4	13	9	7			7	0
60	2	7	6	2	4	13	9	7			7	0
75	2	7	6	2	4	13	9	7			7	0
90	2	7	6	2	4	13	9	7			7	0
105	2	7	6	2	4	13	9	7			7	0
120	2	7	6	2	4	13	9	7			7	0

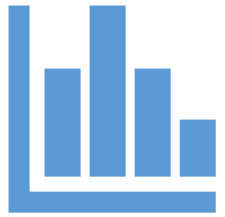


*Mechanism testing options: enzymes, molecular assay

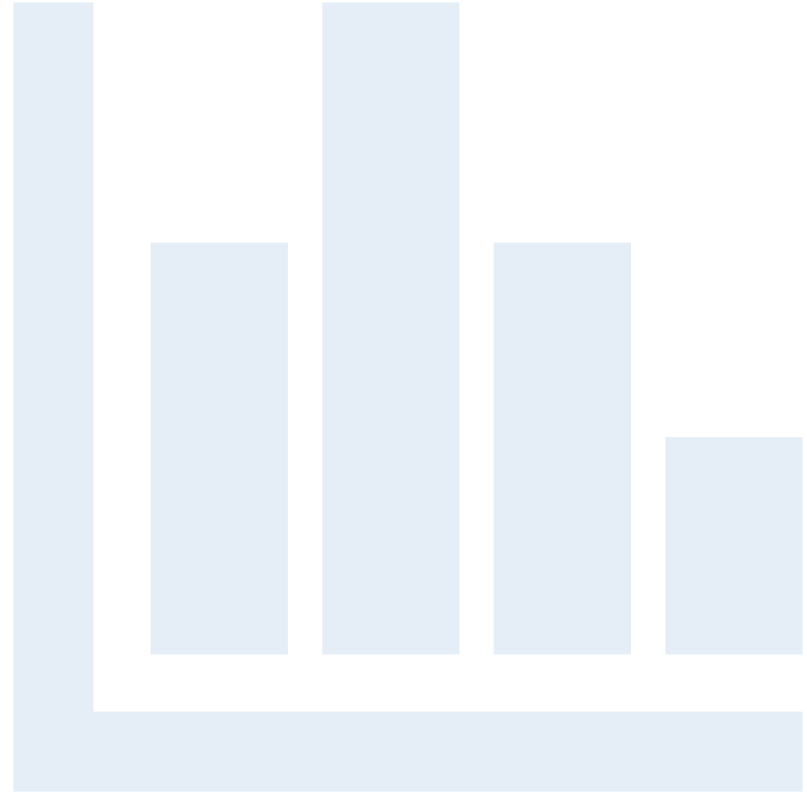


DISTRIBUTION & INSECTICIDE SUSCEPTIBILITY MAPS

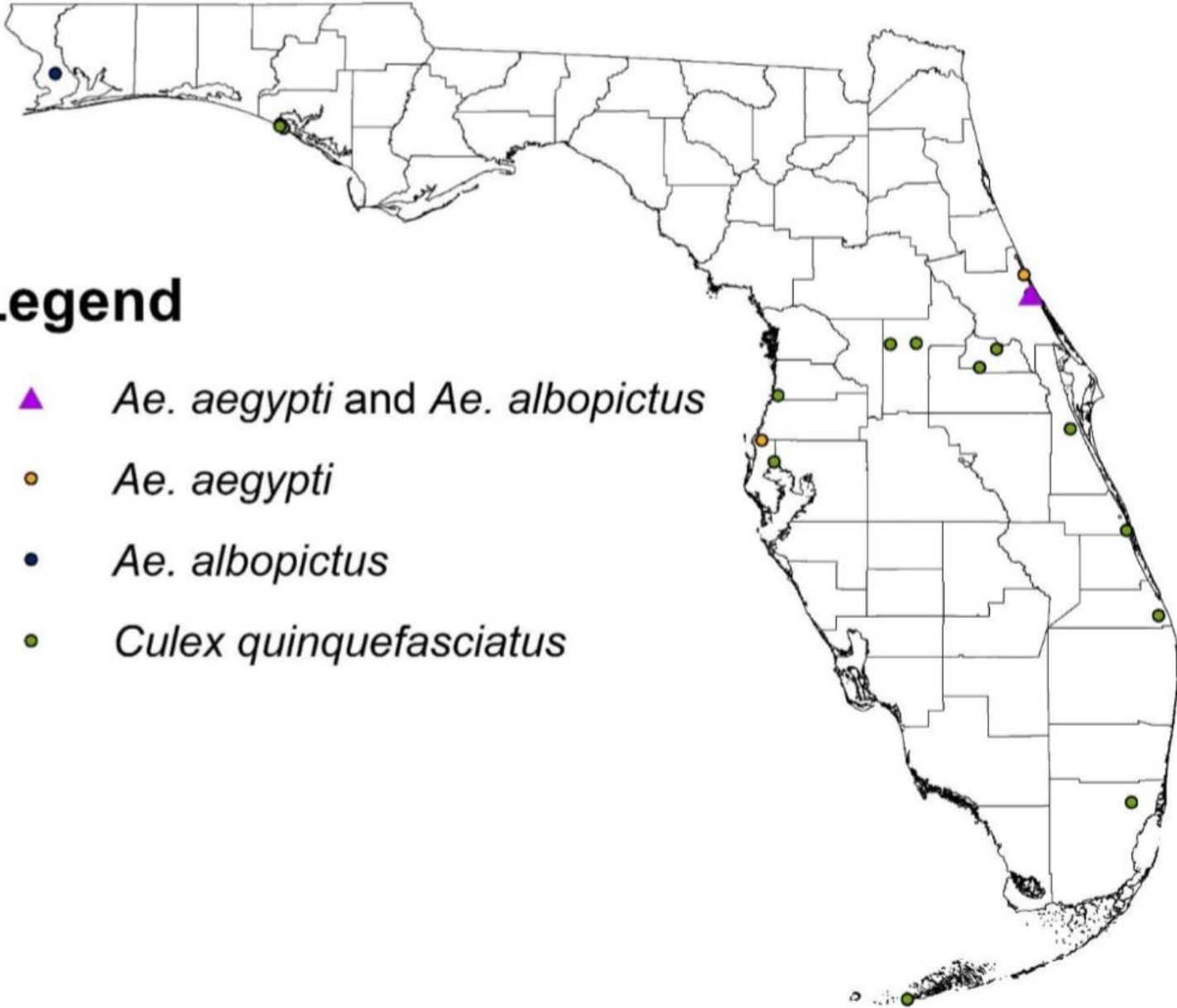
- **Maps created using ArcGIS software**
 - Map of collection locations for *Ae. aegypti*, *Ae. albopictus*, *Cx. quinquefasciatus*
 - Separate maps for each species & insecticide active ingredient characterizing each population as either susceptible, developing resistance, or resistant



RESULTS



MOSQUITO POPULATIONS COLLECTED FOR TESTING



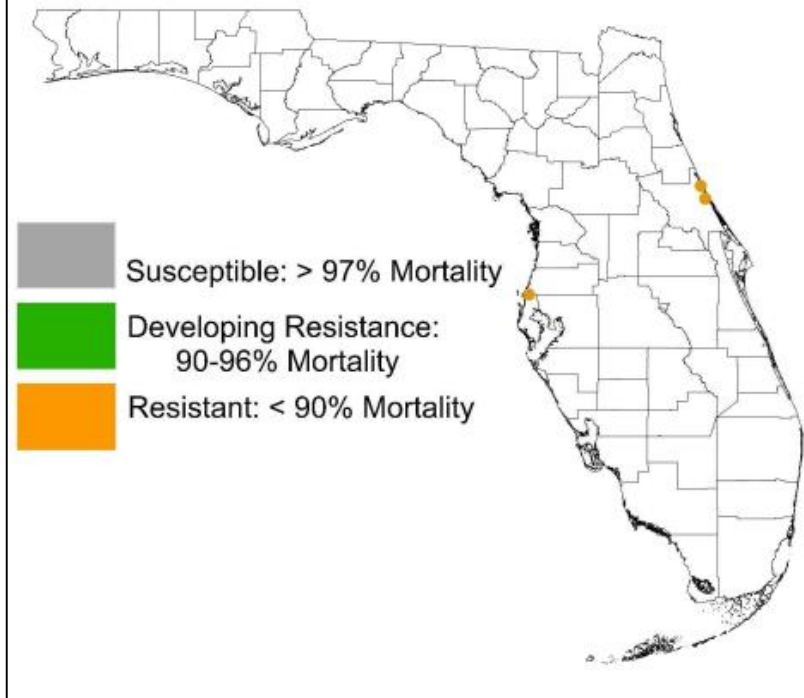
Legend

- ▲ *Ae. aegypti* and *Ae. albopictus*
- *Ae. aegypti*
- *Ae. albopictus*
- *Culex quinquefasciatus*

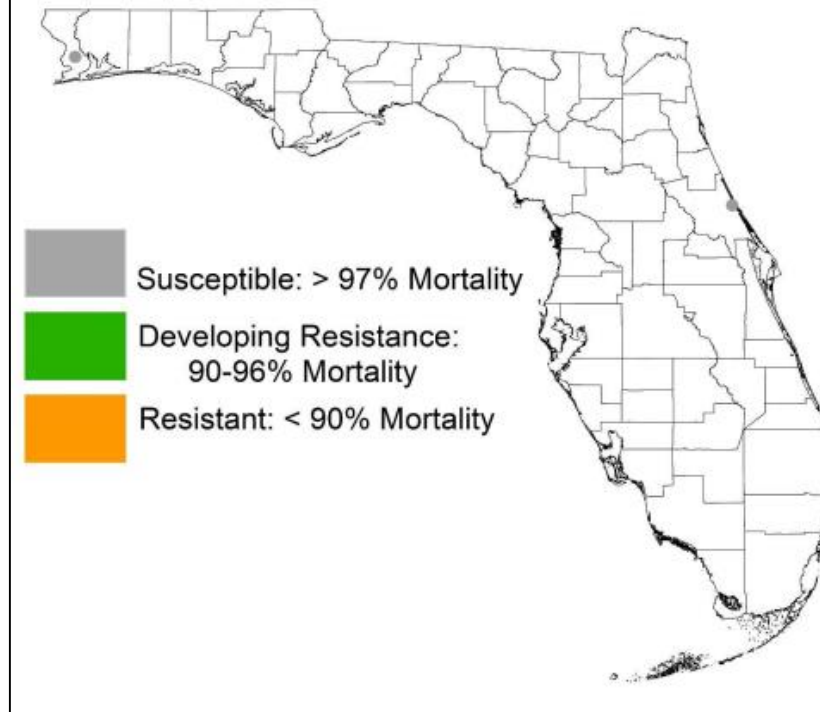
County	Species	Populations
Volusia	<i>Ae. aegypti</i>	2
Pinellas	<i>Ae. aegypti</i>	1
Escambia	<i>Ae. albopictus</i>	1
Volusia	<i>Ae. albopictus</i>	1
Seminole	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	3
Lake	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	2
Hernando	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	1
Pinellas	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	1
Brevard	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	1
Polk	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	1
Martin	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	1
Miami-Dade	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	1
Monroe	<i>Cx. quinquefasciatus</i>	1

INSECTICIDE SUSCEPTIBILITY MAPS

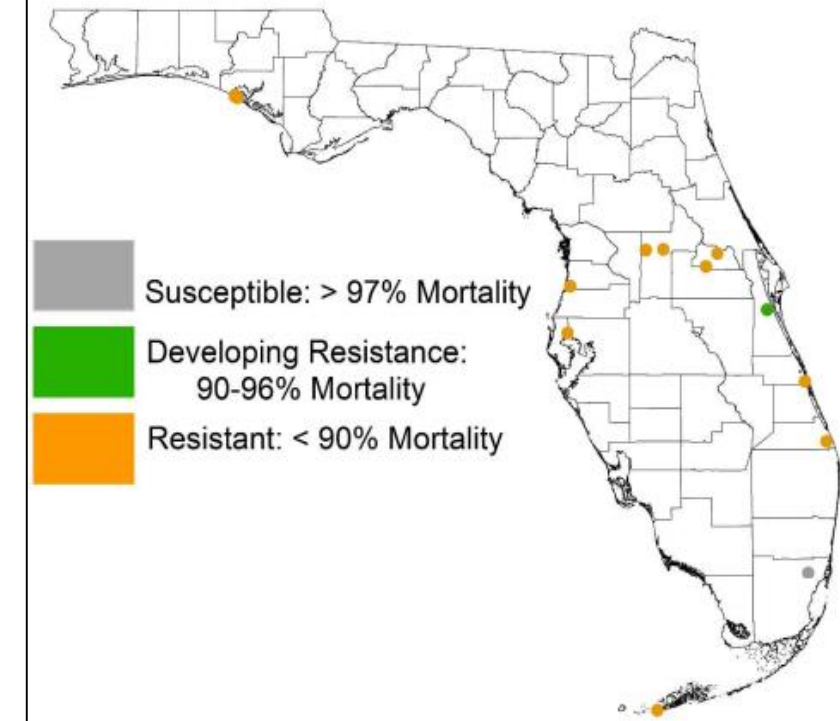
Species: *Aedes aegypti*
Active Ingredient: permethrin



Species: *Aedes albopictus*
Active Ingredient: deltamethrin



Species: *Culex quinquefasciatus*
Active Ingredient: malathion



Comparative % mortality of *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes to 6 AIs

County	Population	Malathion 400 ug/mL	Naled 2.25 ug/mL	Deltamethrin 0.75 ug/mL	Etofenprox 12.5 ug/mL	Permethrin 43 ug/mL	Sumethrin 20 ug/mL
Pinellas	Tarpon Springs	100	67	57	3	7	12
Seminole	Casselberry	99	100	45	12	10	37
Volusia	Holly Hill	100	84	41	13	9	17
Volusia	Port Orange	100	65	10	8	10	5

- **IR detected in all pops**
- **All pops susceptible to malathion, least resistant to naled**
- **Deltamethrin & sumethrin: Pyrethroids highest mortality**

Comparative % mortality of *Aedes albopictus* mosquitoes to 6 AIs

County	Population	Malathion 400 ug/mL	Naled 2.25 ug/mL	Deltamethrin 0.75 ug/mL	Etofenprox 12.5 ug/mL	Permethrin 43 ug/mL	Sumethrin 20 ug/mL
Escambia	Cantonment	98	100	100	98	100	100
Volusia	Port Orange	100	99	100	100	100	100

- **Susceptible to 6 AIs**

Comparative % mortality of *Cx. quinquefasciatus* mosquitoes to 6 AIs

County	Population	Malathion 400 ug/mL	Naled 2.25 ug/mL	Deltamethrin 0.75 ug/mL	Etofenprox 12.5 ug/mL	Permethrin 43 ug/mL	Sumethrin 20 ug/mL
Brevard	Viera	91	96	7	46	0	8
Hernando	Spring Hill	43	6	38	4	15	18
Lake	Tavares	14	1	44	11	39	3
Lake	Leesburg	36	70	16	2	12	0
Martin	Hobe Sound	60	23	9	3	0	1
Miami-Dade	Miami	100	100	0	36	17	26
Monroe	Key West	64	0	4	7	10	-
Pinellas	Oldsmar	66	22	13	4	4	0
Polk	Bartow	79	22	52	9	21	16
Seminole	Sanford	61	9	10	6	3	11
Seminole	Casselberry	70	51	16	0	15	14
Seminole	Forest City	75	60	1	2	2	2

• Resistance to > 1 AI in all pops

• AIs susceptible or least resistant varied- malathion or naled

**EXTENSION PROGRAM:
USING RESISTANCE
TESTING RESULTS TO
MAKE MANAGEMENT
RECOMMENDATIONS**

MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM MANAGERS RECEIVE:

- Report with results for all AIs tested
- Results-driven management recommendations

Assay: CDC bottle bioassay
 Conducted by: UF/IFAS/FMEL – Buckner Lab
 Species: *Aedes aegypti*
 Source: Reared from eggs
 Site: Pinellas County (Sawgrass)
 Address: 1100 Sawgrass Dr., Tarpon Springs, FL 34689
 Coordinates: 28.172633, -82.735169

Date of assay: 7/16/19 – 7/17/19

Following the CDC Guidelines for insecticide resistance monitoring (<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/vector/insecticide-resistance.html>), resistance is determined by the percentage of mosquitoes that die (mortality rate) in the diagnostic time.

The data shown below provides:

Column 1: CDC recommended diagnostic dose (per bottle)
 Column 2: Active ingredient tested
 Column 3: Diagnostic time from FMEL assays; 100% mortality expected at given time using ORL strain of susceptible *Aedes aegypti*;
 Column 4: Site specific *Aedes aegypti*; % mortality at the CDC diagnostic time

1	2	3	4
CDC diagnostic dose (per bottle)	Active ingredient tested	Diagnostic time; 100% mortality expected at given time using ORL strain of susceptible <i>Aedes aegypti</i>	Sawgrass <i>Aedes aegypti</i> ; % mortality at the CDC diagnostic time
43 ug/bottle	Permethrin	15 min	7%
400 ug/bottle	Malathion	30 min	100%
2.25 ug/bottle	Naled	30 min	67%
12.5 ug/bottle	Etofenprox	30 min	3%
20 ug/bottle	Sumethrin	30 min	12%
0.75 ug/bottle	Deltamethrin	15 min	57%

Using the CDC guidelines (<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/vector/insecticide-resistance.html>) on interpreting the data for management purposes:

The Sawgrass population of *Aedes aegypti* is resistant to Permethrin, Naled, Etofenprox, Sumethrin and Deltamethrin; Susceptible to Malathion.

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Subject: Insectide resistance testing results

Hi Brian,

My lab has finished testing your *Ae. aegypti* population for insecticide resistance against 6 active ingredients. The results are attached in a Word document. Based on these results, here are my management recommendations:

If you need a quick kill option for adult *Ae. aegypti* (ex. DENV local transmission), consider using malathion.

To prevent resistance rates from increasing in your *Ae. aegypti* population:

1. If not already, consider using a product containing malathion or naled.
2. Rotate the organophosphate product containing malathion or naled with a pyethroid product containing deltamethrin, permethrin, or sumethrin, or both sumethrin and permethrin.
3. The product containing deltamethrin, permethrin, or sumethrin should be applied at the highest label rate.
4. If you choose to use a permethrin product, I recommend using a permethrin 30-PBO 30 product, because a high concentration of permethrin should kill those individuals resistant to permethrin in your population.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the results or my recommendations.

Best,
 Eva



IMPACT OF RESEARCH & EXTENSION IN FL

- Helpful to programs do not perform surveillance and/or resistance testing
- Shows which AIs effectively kill adult mosquitoes
 - Important especially after natural disaster or during arbovirus transmission event
- If implemented, management strategies provided should prevent insecticide resistance rates from increasing
 - In general, *Ae. aegypti* & *Cx. quinquefasciatus*: Rotate organophosphate w/ pyrethroid
 - Will make recommendations for *Ae. albopictus* as needed
- Existing insecticides continue to be effective against adult mosquitoes

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Insecticide resistance in Florida mosquito vectors?

Improving domestic mosquito control of *Aedes aegypti*, *Ae. albopictus*, and *Culex quinquefasciatus* through assessments of insecticide susceptibility

Aedes aegypti, *Aedes albopictus*, and *Culex quinquefasciatus* are domestic mosquitoes in Florida. *Aedes aegypti* and *Ae. albopictus* are vectors of dengue, chikungunya, yellow fever, and Zika viruses. *Culex quinquefasciatus* is a vector of West Nile and St. Louis encephalitis viruses. Higher transmission rates of the viruses vectored by *Ae. aegypti*, *Ae. albopictus*, and *Cx. quinquefasciatus* in recent years highlights the public health importance of these species. Insecticide resistance is an inevitable result of overuse/reliance on a single class of insecticides and compromises efforts to control mosquitoes. Resistance to various pyrethroid and/or organophosphate insecticides has been detected in Florida populations of domestic mosquitoes, but the extent of this resistance is not clear. Therefore, we are evaluating insecticide susceptibility to pyrethroid and organophosphate active ingredients in Florida mosquito populations of *Ae. aegypti*, *Ae. albopictus*, and *Cx. quinquefasciatus*. Mosquito eggs or larvae will be collected from sites throughout Florida, and their offspring will be tested for susceptibility to insecticides using CDC bottle bioassays. Results from the bioassays will be provided to mosquito control programs to help them make informed decisions about resistance management. Additionally, the bioassay results will be used to create mosquito and resistance spatial distribution maps. This project is funded by the Florida Department of Health grant contract CODQJ. Surveillance and resistance testing services are offered for free to the following counties in Florida under this contract:

Bay, Bradford, Brevard, Calhoun, Citrus, Duval, Escambia, Flagler, Franklin, Gadsden, Glades, Hernando, Holmes, Jackson, Lake, Leon, Liberty, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Nassau, Okaloosa, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Polk, Santa Rosa, Seminole, St. Lucie, Volusia, Walton, and Washington.

If you would like to learn more about providing mosquito eggs or larvae from one of the counties listed above for insecticide resistance testing, please email Dr. Eva Buckner @ eva.buckner@ufl.edu

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