

## Zika Virus PlatformQHealth

### Zika Virus Vectors: *Aedes* Mosquitoes

- *Aedes* species mosquitoes
  - *Ae aegypti* more efficient vectors for humans
  - *Ae albopictus*
- Also transmit dengue and chikungunya viruses
- Lay eggs in domestic water-holding containers
- Live indoors and outdoors
- Aggressive daytime biters; can also bite at night
- Prefer to bite people

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*Aedes aegypti* mosquito



*Aedes albopictus* mosquito

# Puerto Rican Pregnant Women's Assessment of Vector Control Strategies and Personal Protective Behaviors for Zika prevention

## Preliminary Report

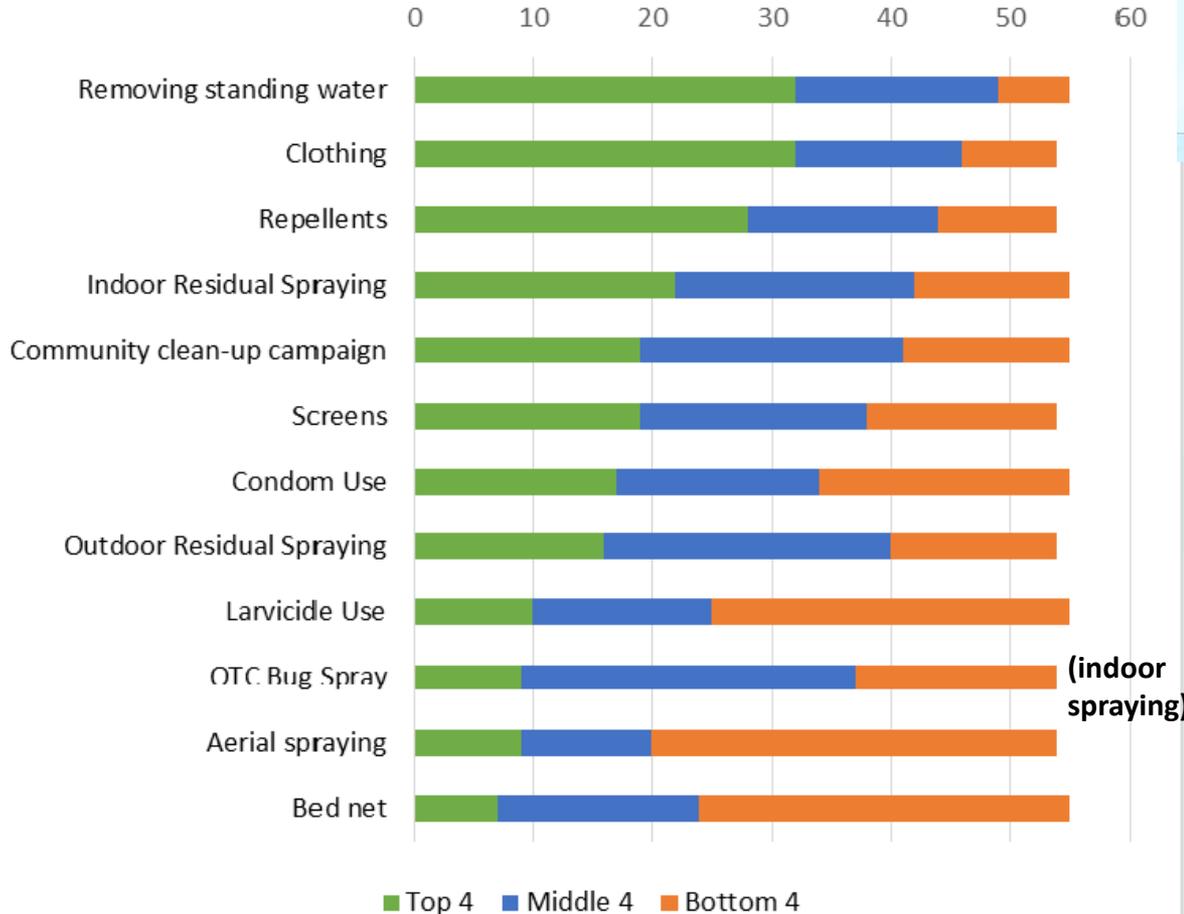
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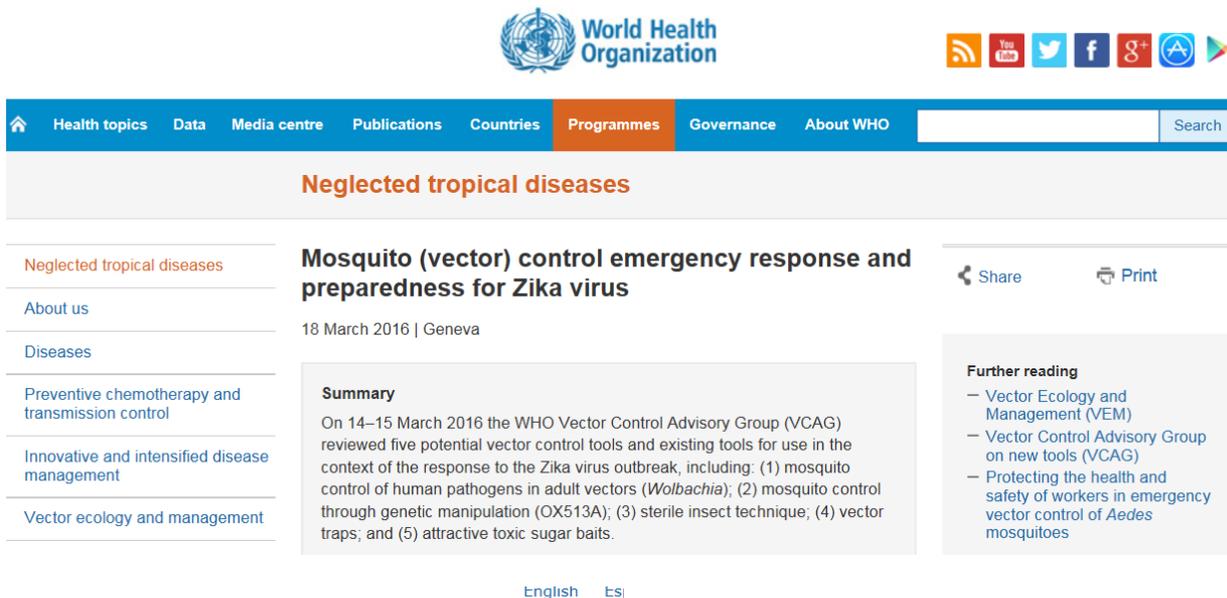


### Zika Prevention Actions by Top 4, Middle 4, and Bottom 4 Rankings of Puerto Rican Pregnant Women (n=55)



- **TOP 4:** Most important and most able to put in practice (actions ranked 1-4)
- **MIDDLE 4:** Important and able to put in practice (actions ranked 5-8)
- **BOTTOM 4:** Least important and least able to put in practice (actions ranked 9-12)

[www.who.int/neglected\\_diseases/news/mosquito\\_vector\\_control\\_response/en/](http://www.who.int/neglected_diseases/news/mosquito_vector_control_response/en/)



The screenshot shows the WHO website interface. At the top right is the WHO logo and social media icons. Below is a navigation bar with 'Programmes' highlighted. The main heading is 'Neglected tropical diseases'. The article title is 'Mosquito (vector) control emergency response and preparedness for Zika virus', dated 18 March 2016. A 'Summary' box contains the text: 'On 14–15 March 2016 the WHO Vector Control Advisory Group (VCAG) reviewed five potential vector control tools and existing tools for use in the context of the response to the Zika virus outbreak, including: (1) mosquito control of human pathogens in adult vectors (*Wolbachia*); (2) mosquito control through genetic manipulation (OX513A); (3) sterile insect technique; (4) vector traps; and (5) attractive toxic sugar baits.' A 'Further reading' section lists: 'Vector Ecology and Management (VEM)', 'Vector Control Advisory Group on new tools (VCAG)', and 'Protecting the health and safety of workers in emergency vector control of *Aedes* mosquitoes'. Language options for 'English' and 'Es' are visible at the bottom right.



## Zika Resources: For Health Authorities

### Surveillance

- Zika virus (ZIKV) Surveillance in the Americas: Interim guidance for laboratory detection and diagnosis

### Vector Control

- WHO Pesticide Evaluation Scheme: "WHOPES"
- Integrated vector management (IVM) directory of resources
- Equipment for vector control – Specification guidelines, revised version; 2010
- Dengue Guidelines for diagnosis, treatment, prevention and control; 2009
- Pesticides and their application for the control of vectors and pests of public health importance, Sixth Edition; 2006
- Space spray application of insecticides for vector and public health pest control; 2003



### Zika Resources

- ✈ Missions to support countries
- 📅 Events
- ⚠ Epidemiological Alerts and Updates
- ⚙ Case Definitions
- 📖 Technical Reports and Guidelines
- 🇺🇸 Countries with local transmission
- 📣 Communication Materials
- 📚 Resource Mobilization

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### Other Modes of Transmission

- Maternal-fetal
  - Intrauterine
  - Perinatal
- Sexual
- Laboratory exposure
- Theoretical
  - Blood transfusion
  - Organ or tissue transplantation



The Subcommittee on Arbovirus Laboratory Safety of the American Committee on Arthropod-Borne Viruses. Laboratory safety for arboviruses and certain other viruses of vertebrates. *Am J Trop Med Hyg* 1980;29:1359–81.

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control. Rapid risk assessment: Zika virus epidemic in the Americas: potential association with microcephaly and Guillain-Barre syndrome. Stockholm, Sweden: European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control; 2015.

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# Zika Virus and Sexual Transmission

- Zika virus can be spread by a man to his sex partners
- Pregnant women with male partners who have or are at risk of Zika virus infection should abstain or use condoms for the duration of pregnancy

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# Microcephaly and Zika

## What we know

- **Small number of positive test results for Zika virus infection in infants with microcephaly**
- **Microcephaly pattern consistent with Fetal Brain Disruption Sequence**
  - Based on photos/scans of a small number of affected infants from Brazil
  - Retrospective investigation in French Polynesia outbreak in 2013-2014
  - Infants with other intrauterine infections such as cytomegalovirus

## What we don't know

- **Causal relation between Zika virus and microcephaly or other adverse pregnancy outcomes**
- **Full spectrum of phenotypes in affected infants**
- **Impact of timing of infection during pregnancy**
- **Impact of severity of maternal infection**
- **Magnitude of the possible risk of microcephaly and other adverse pregnancy outcomes**

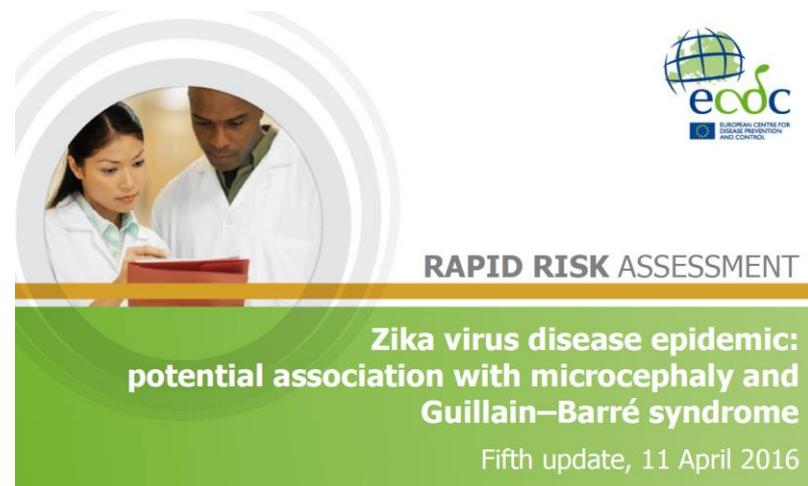
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# Pregnancy Outcomes and Zika Virus

- A range of other problems have been detected among fetuses and infants infected with Zika virus before birth including:
  - Absent or poorly developed brain structure
  - Defects of the eye
  - Impaired growth
- Although Zika has been linked with birth defects and other problems in infants, there is more to learn
- Researchers are collecting data to better understand the impact of Zika on mothers and their children

**“Based on a growing body of preliminary research, there is scientific consensus that Zika virus is a cause of microcephaly and Guillain-Barré syndrome.”**



**“It has since become clear that transplacental infections occur & that these infections can cause severe damage to the development of the foetus’ central nervous system. What has not yet been established is how often maternal infections result in foetal infection, & congenital brain damage, & when during pregnancy the risk of adverse outcomes is highest. There is also a paucity of information regarding the spectrum of CNS damage caused by intrauterine infections,” .....**

**Table 2. Countries, territories and areas reporting microcephaly and /or CNS malformation cases potentially associated with Zika virus infection.**

<b>Reporting country</b>	<b>Number of microcephaly and /or CNS malformation cases suggestive of congenital infections or potentially associated with a Zika virus infection</b>	<b>Probable location of infection</b>
Brazil	1046	Brazil
Cabo Verde	2	Cabo Verde
Colombia	7	Colombia
French Polynesia	8	French Polynesia
Martinique	3	Martinique
Panama	1	Panama
Slovenia <sup>6</sup>	1	Brazil
United States of America <sup>7</sup>	1	Brazil

**“Between 22 October 2015 & 2 April 2016 a total of 6906 cases of microcephaly &/or central nervous system (CNS) malformation were reported by Brazil. This contrasts with the period from 2001 to 2014, when an average of 163 microcephaly cases was recorded nationwide per year.”**

Figure 4.  
Distribution of microcephaly &/or CNS malformation cases suggestive of congenital infections in Brazil (1046 cases reported up to 6 April 2016)

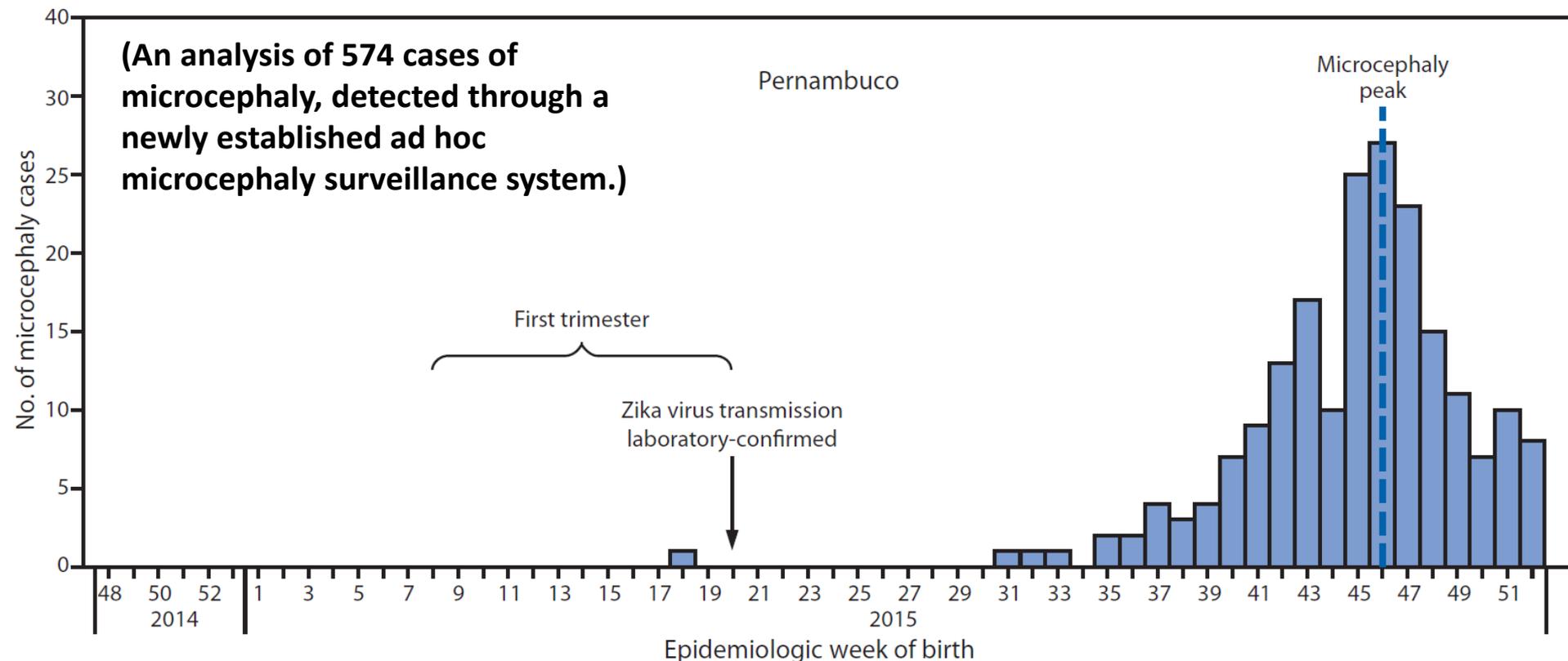


**“The prevalence of microcephaly in 15 states with laboratory-confirmed Zika virus transmission (2.8 cases per 10,000 live births) significantly exceeded that in four states without confirmed Zika virus transmission (0.6 per 10,000).”**

**Increase in Reported Prevalence of Microcephaly in Infants Born to Women Living in Areas with Confirmed Zika Virus Transmission During the First Trimester of Pregnancy — Brazil, 2015**

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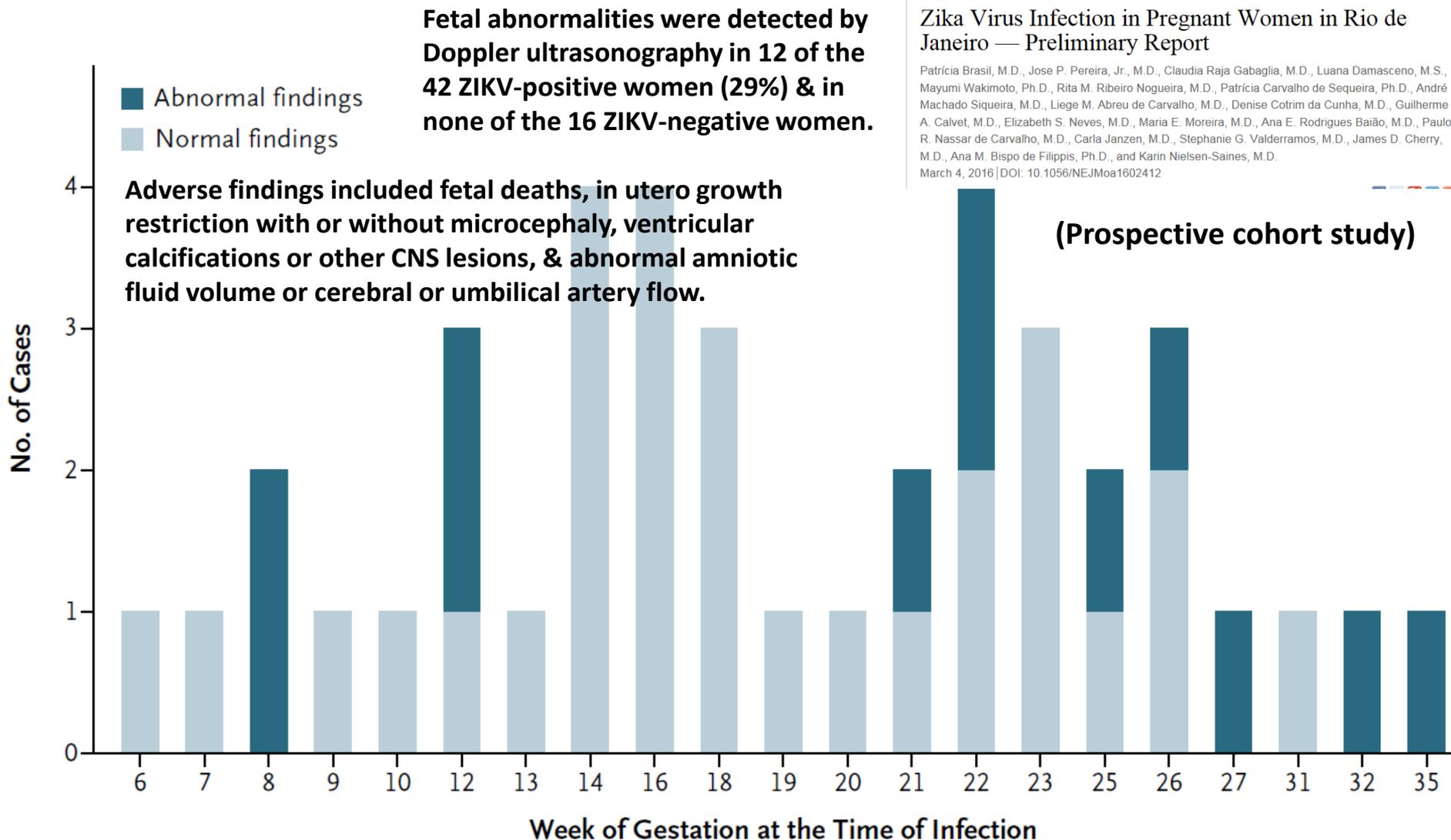
**FIGURE 2. Number of reported cases of microcephaly\* in full-term<sup>†</sup> newborns following laboratory-confirmed Zika virus transmission<sup>§</sup> — Pernambuco, Paraíba, and Bahia states, Brazil, 2015**



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Zika Virus Infection in Pregnant Women in Rio de Janeiro — Preliminary Report

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**Figure 2.** Week of Gestation at the Time of ZIKV Infection and Abnormal Ultrasonographic and Doppler Findings.

# Association between Zika virus and microcephaly in French Polynesia, 2013–15: a retrospective study

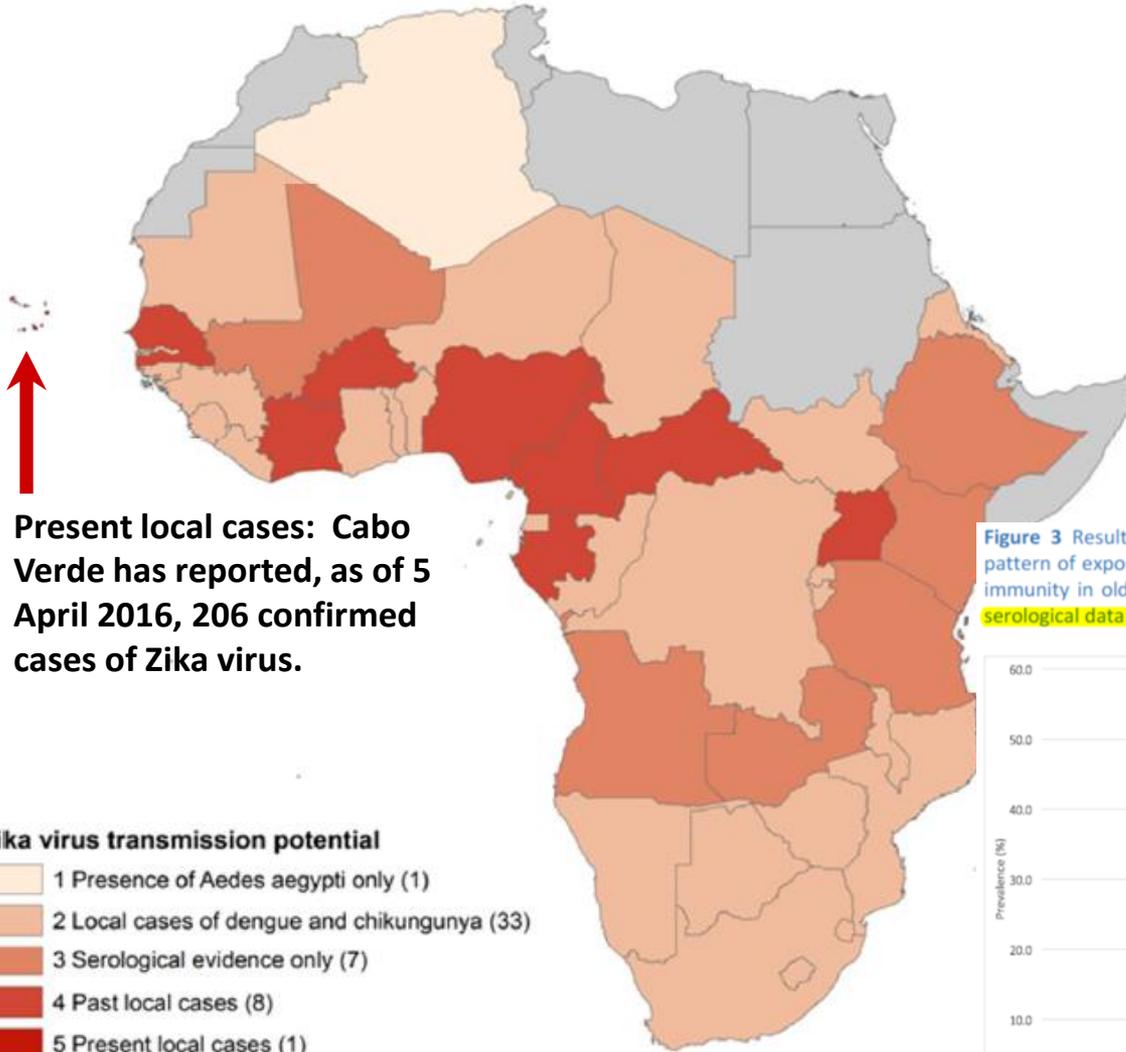
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**“We did a retrospective analysis of a large Zika virus outbreak in French Polynesia in 2013–14, based on four datasets that provided information on all cases of microcephaly, the weekly number of consultations for suspected infection with Zika virus, seroprevalence for Zika virus antibodies, & the number of births during the outbreak. Use of mathematical models enabled us to provide strong statistical support for the association between Zika virus infection & microcephaly ..... We estimated that the number of microcephaly cases associated with Zika virus was 95 (95% CI 34–191) per 10 000 women infected in the first trimester.” (~ 1% risk)**

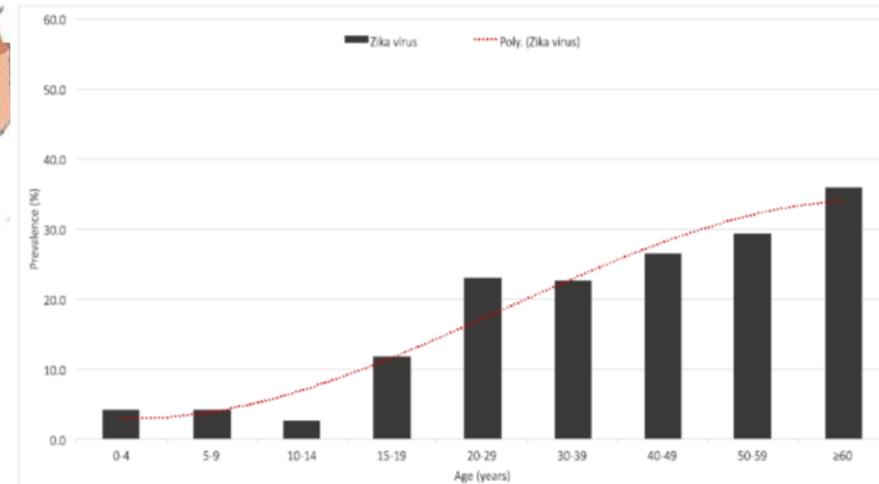


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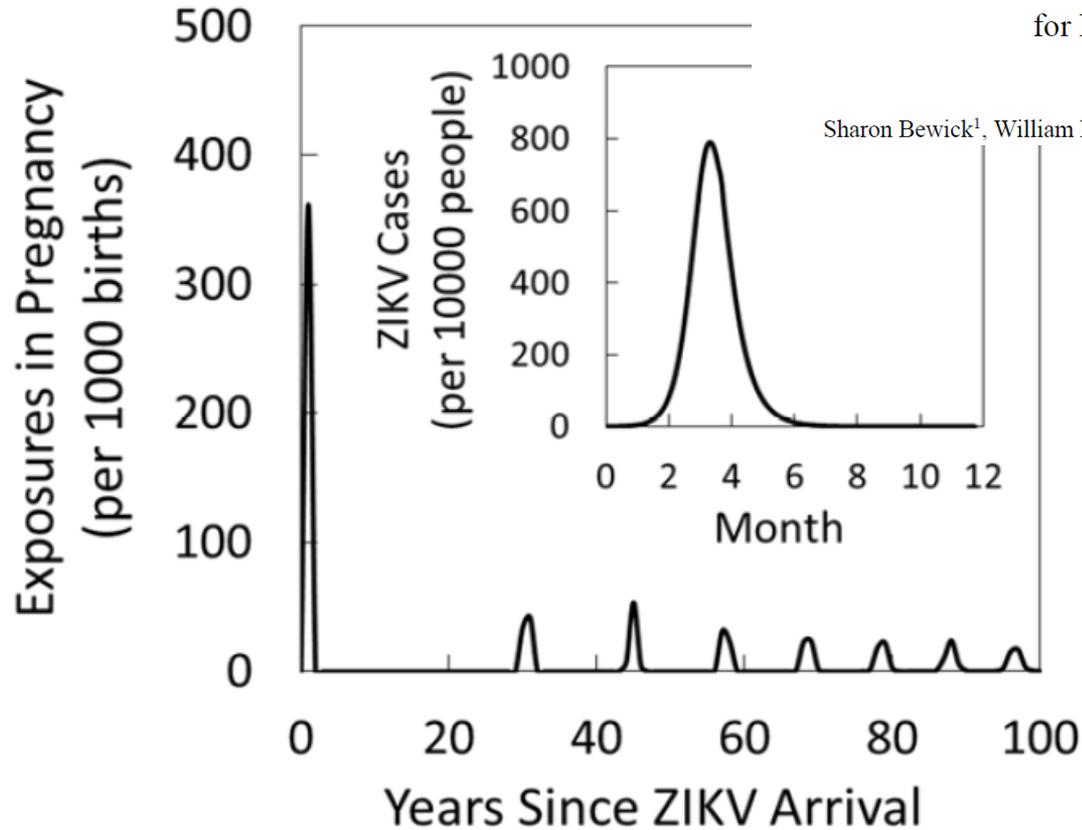
**Present local cases: Cabo Verde has reported, as of 5 April 2016, 206 confirmed cases of Zika virus.**

**Figure 3** Results of a serological survey conducted in Kenya in 1966-1968 showing the age pattern of exposure to Zika virus infections in Kenya. The graphs suggest possible acquisition of immunity in older ages (Source: Geser et al 1970<sup>5</sup>). **Caution is required when interpreting this serological data due to cross-reactivity with other arboviruses.**



## Zika Virus: Endemic Versus Epidemic Dynamics and Implications for Disease Spread in the Americas

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**“Because ZIKV is an emerging disease, response efforts are complicated by limited understanding of disease dynamics. To this end, we develop a novel state- and class-structured compartment model for ZIKV. Our model shows that the risk of prenatal ZIKV exposure should decrease dramatically following the initial wave of disease, reaching almost undetectable levels in endemic systems.”**

**Figure 1** Predicted ZIKV dynamics, showing the number of women who experience a ZIKV infection during pregnancy as a function of the number of years since ZIKV arrival in the country or region. For this figure, we assume our intermediate transmission scenario (see Supplemental Information II). The inset shows the total number of ZIKV cases during the first year of the epidemic.