

Environmental Determinants of Enteric Infectious Disease

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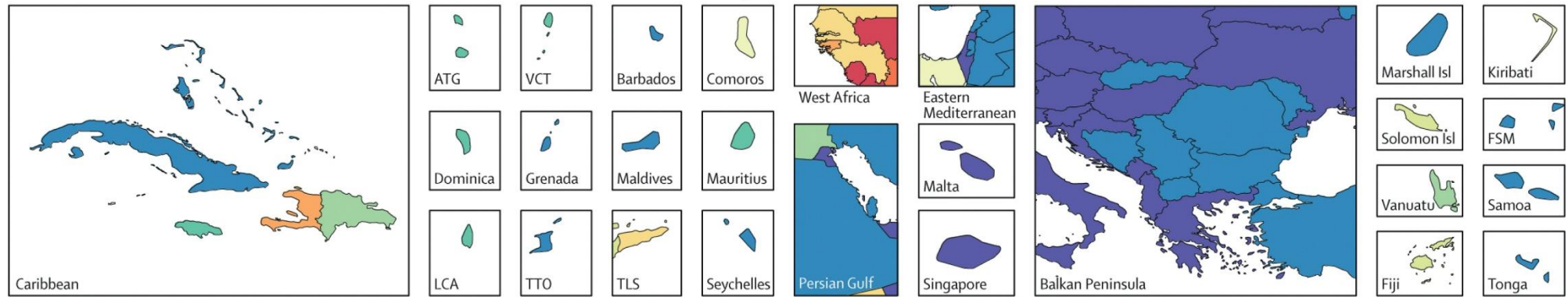
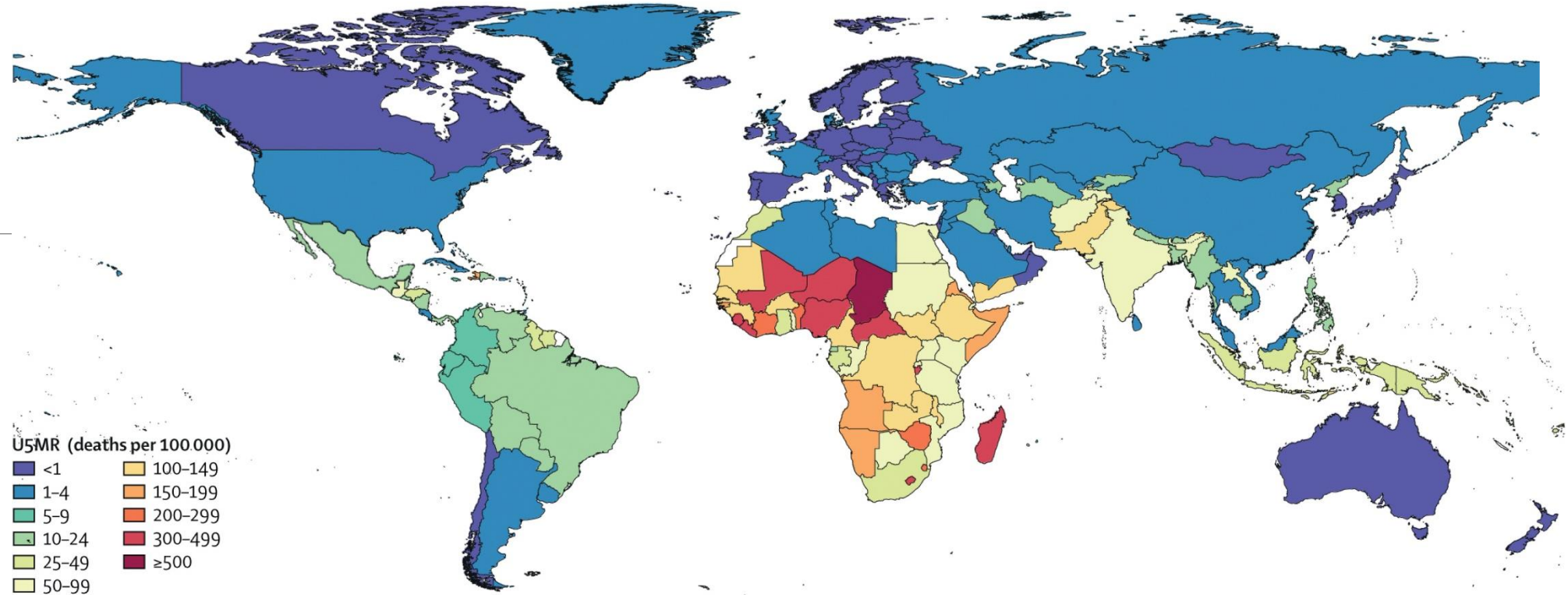
Mortality

Globally, diarrhea kills 2,195 children every day

This is 1 out of 9 child deaths, worldwide

It is more than AIDS, malaria, and measles combined

It is the second leading cause of death in children less than five years old



Worldwide distribution of deaths caused by diarrhea in children under 5 years of age in 2016.

Morbidity

Impaired **cognitive development**

Stunting

Reduced **vaccine response**



<https://borgenproject.org/what-causes-stunting/>

EID are preventable and treatable

In some cases, **vaccines** are available
Improved Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
(**WASH**) infrastructure and behavior is
critical

Those suffering from diarrhea can be
treated with **oral rehydration therapy**



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Project goal

Establish the feasibility of Earth Observation-informed EID risk mapping, monitoring, and prediction systems

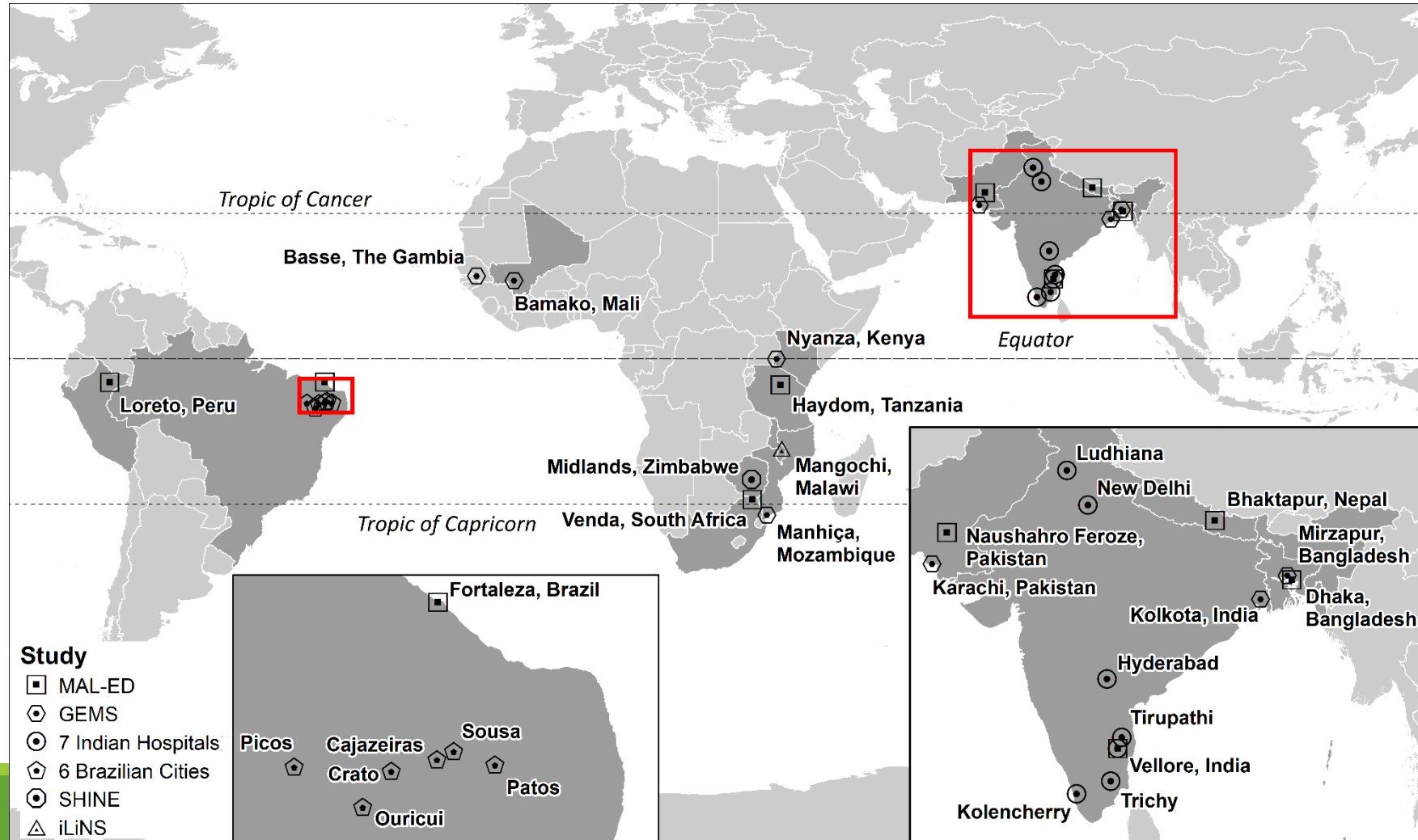
Risk is environmentally mediated



But it's complicated

| | EID | Seasonality | Rainfall | Air Temp. | Humidity | Soil moisture | Wind speed | Surface pressure | Solar radiation | Travel | Water exposure | Eating/food habits | Indoor crowding | Animal contact |
|-----------|--------------------------|---------------|----------|-----------|----------|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|--------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Viral | <u>Adenovirus</u> | Unknown | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | ↗ | - | - | - |
| | Astrovirus | Winter | - | (↘) | - | - | - | - | - | - | ↗ | - | - | - |
| | Norovirus | Winter | ↗ | ↘ | (↘) | - | - | - | - | ↗ | - | - | (↗) | - |
| | <u>Rotavirus</u> | Winter | ↘ | ↘ | ↘ | (↘) | (↗) | ↗ | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Bacterial | <i>Aeromonas</i> spp | Unknown | - | ↗ | - | - | - | - | - | ↗ | - | - | - | - |
| | <u>Campylobact.</u> | Spring | - | ↗ | - | - | - | - | (↘) | ↗ | ↗ | (✓) | - | (↗) |
| | Diarrh. <i>E. coli</i> | Summer | - | ↗ | - | - | - | - | - | ↗ | ↗ | (✓) | - | (↗) |
| | <i>P. shigelloides</i> | Summer | - | ↗ | - | - | - | - | - | ↗ | ↗ | ✓ | - | - |
| | Salmonellosis | Spring/summer | - | ↗ | - | - | - | - | - | (↗) | - | (✓) | - | (↗) |
| | Shigellosis | Late summer | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | ↗ | ↗ | - | - | - |
| | Cholera | Rainy season | ↗ | ↗ | ↗ | - | - | - | ↗ | - | - | - | - | - |
| | <i>Y. enterocolitica</i> | Winter | - | ↘ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (↗) |
| | <u>Cryptosporid.</u> | Late summer | ↗ | ↗ | - | - | - | - | - | ↗ | ↗ | - | - | (↗) |
| | Cyclosporiasis | Rainy season | ↗ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (↗) | (✓) | - | (↗) |
| Parasitic | Giardiasis | Late summer | ↗ | ↗ | - | - | - | - | - | ↗ | ↗ | - | - | (↗) |
| | Amebiasis | Summer/autumn | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (↗) | - | - | - | - |
| | Helminthiasis | Rainy season | (↘) | ↗ | ↗ | (↘) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

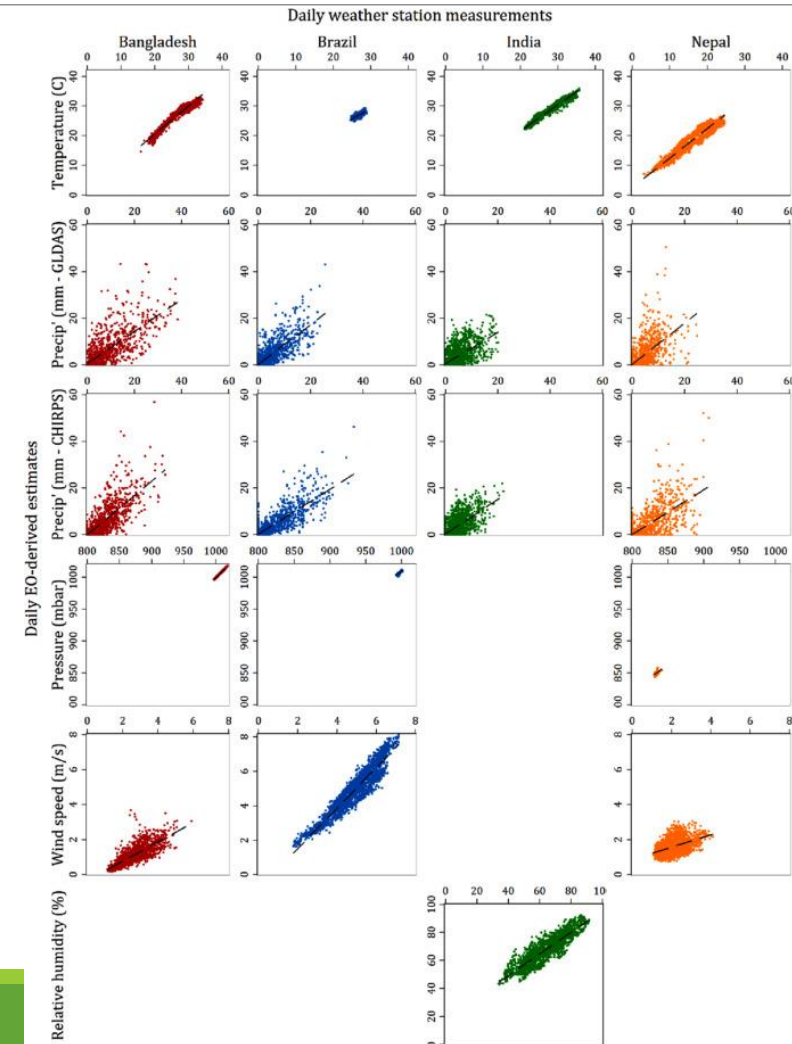
We need detailed data on **infections**



Paired with data on environment

None of these infection studies included collection of data on climate or environment.

Earth Observations offer an opportunity to fill this gap.



Objectives

Develop process-informed statistical models to **predict EID burden**

Use objective regionalization to create **a global EID-oriented classification system**

Apply statistical models and regionalization to generate **global maps of the potential burden and dominant seasonality of each EID**

Implement a **map-based data server and visualization platform**

Accomplishments

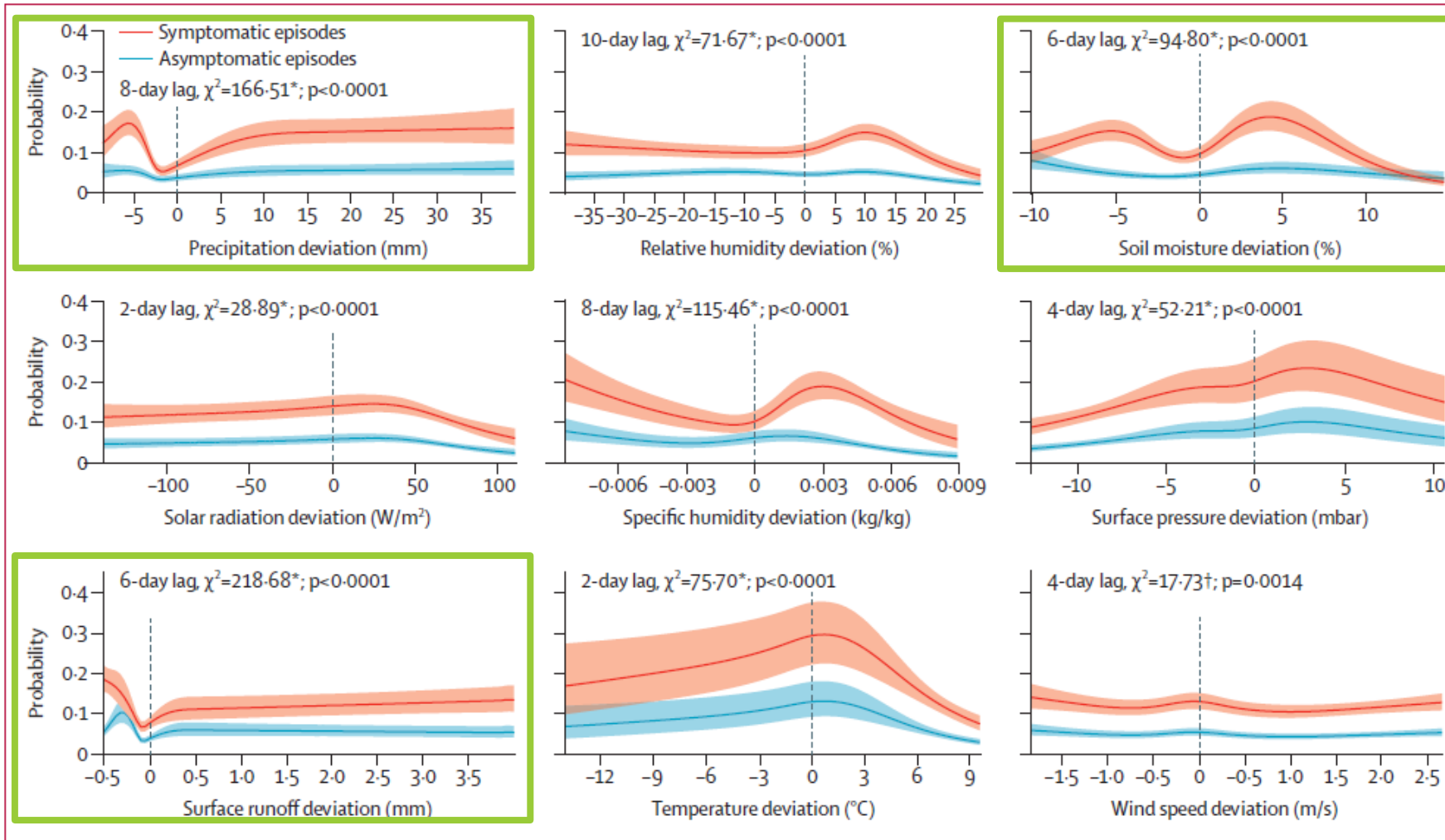
PY1:

1. Evaluated EO performance at MAL-ED sites, and published results collaboratively with MAL-ED site PIs (Colston et al., 2018)
2. Generated a preliminary rotavirus prediction model based on MAL-ED site data and Earth Observations

PY2:

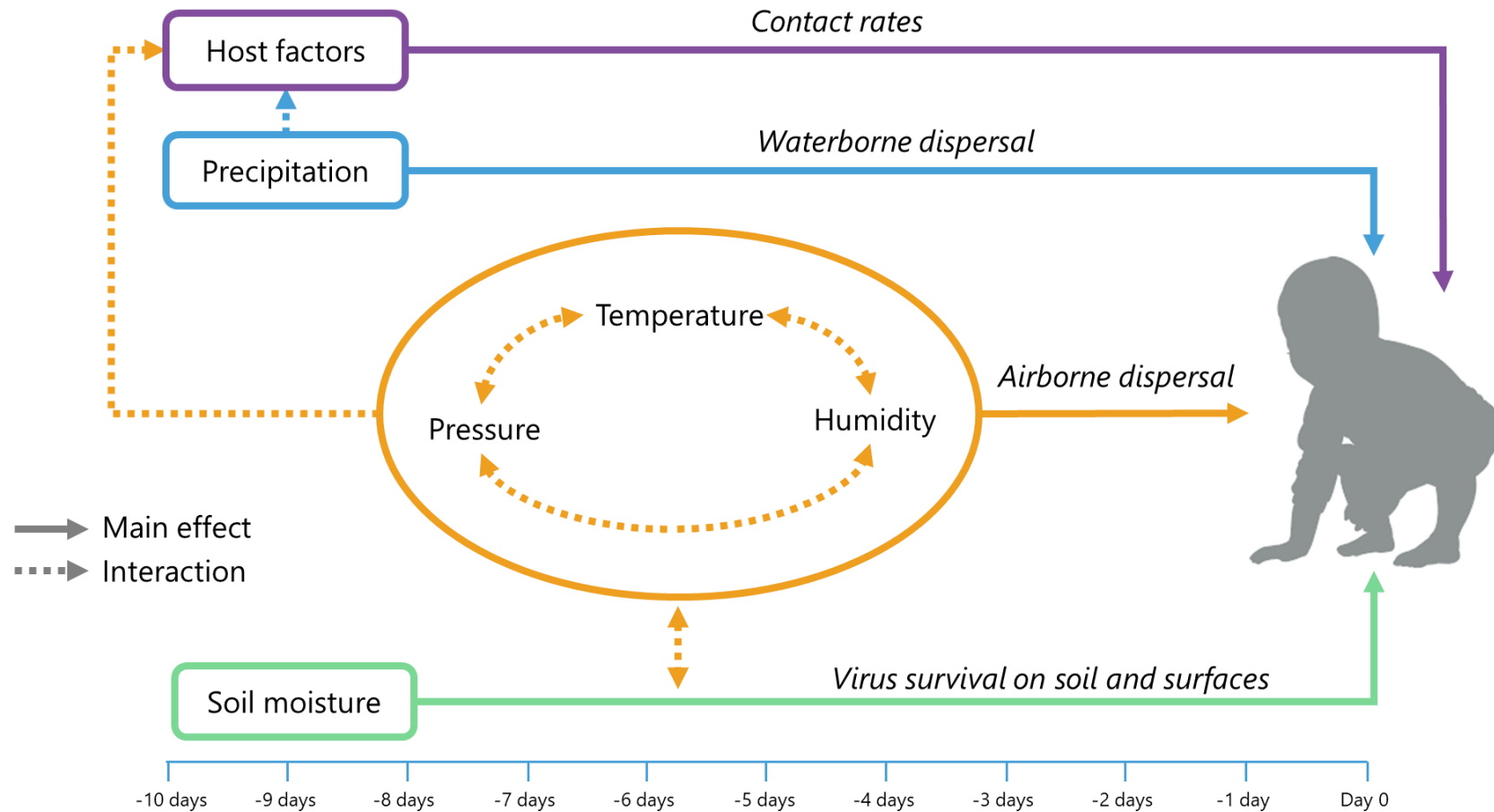
1. Published the results of the rotavirus model collaboratively with site PIs (Colston et al., 2019)
2. Performed preliminary regionalization based on rotavirus predictors
3. Built template visualization app in Tethys
4. Participated in NASA's pilot commercial data buy program

Published rotavirus model

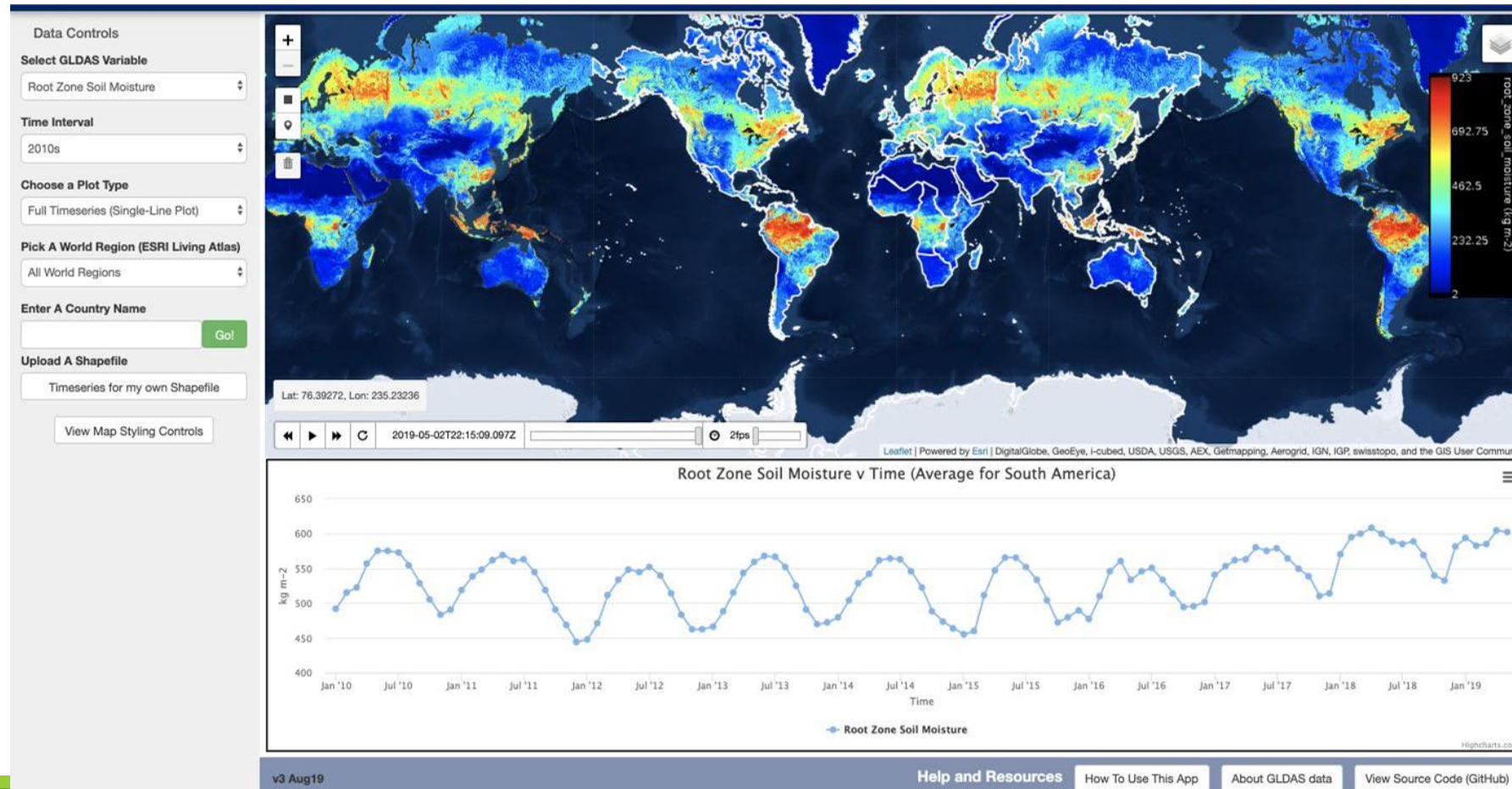


Rotavirus infection probability as a function of deseasonalized anomalies in hydrometeorological variables, pooled across all MAL-ED sites

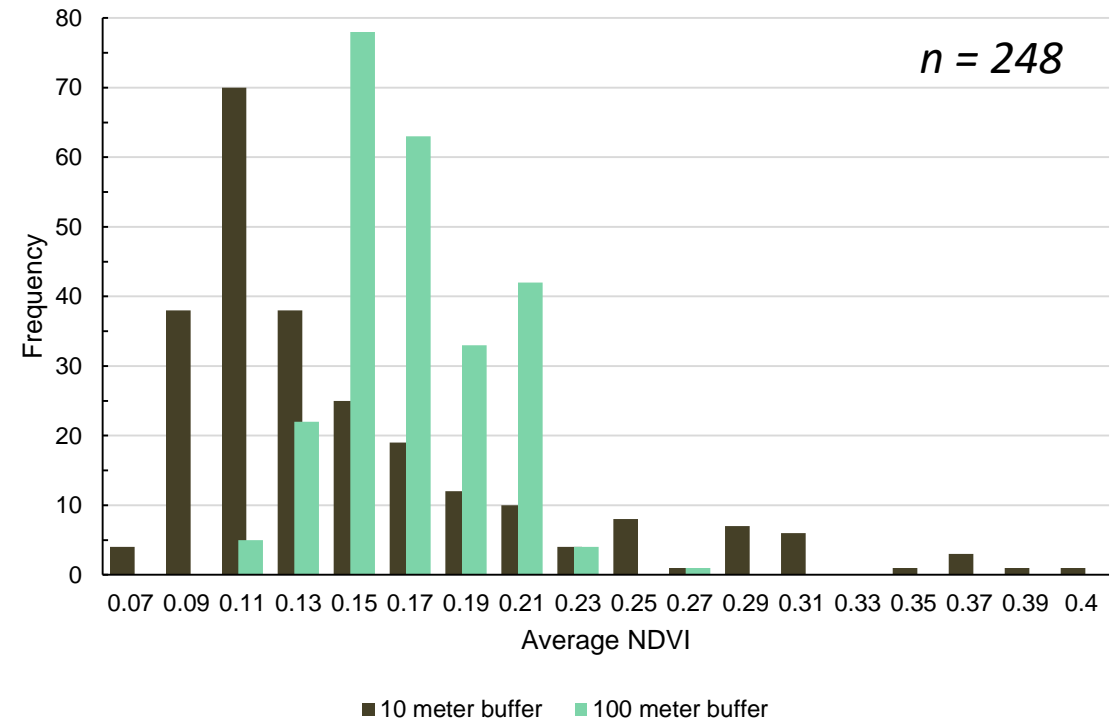
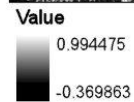
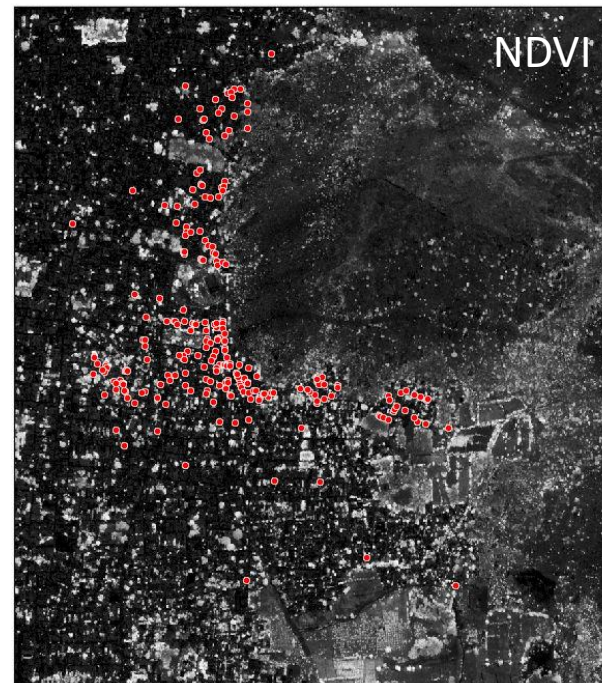
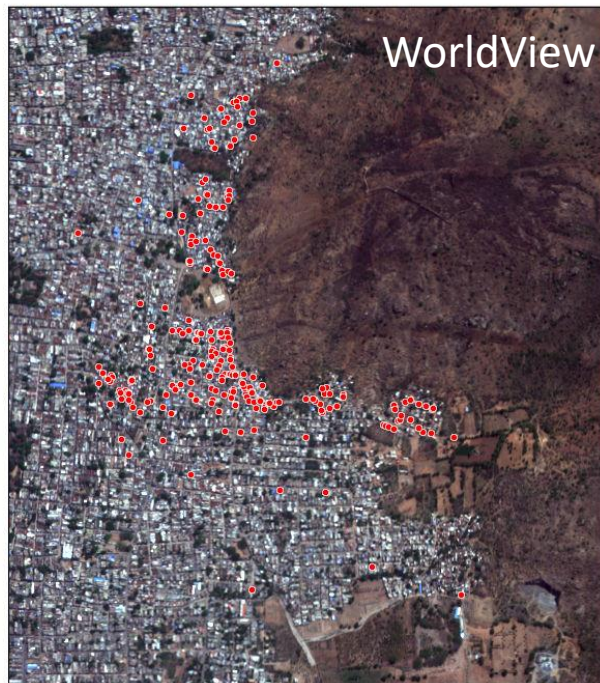
Rotavirus transmission pathways



Tethys App



Pilot Commercial Data Buy Program



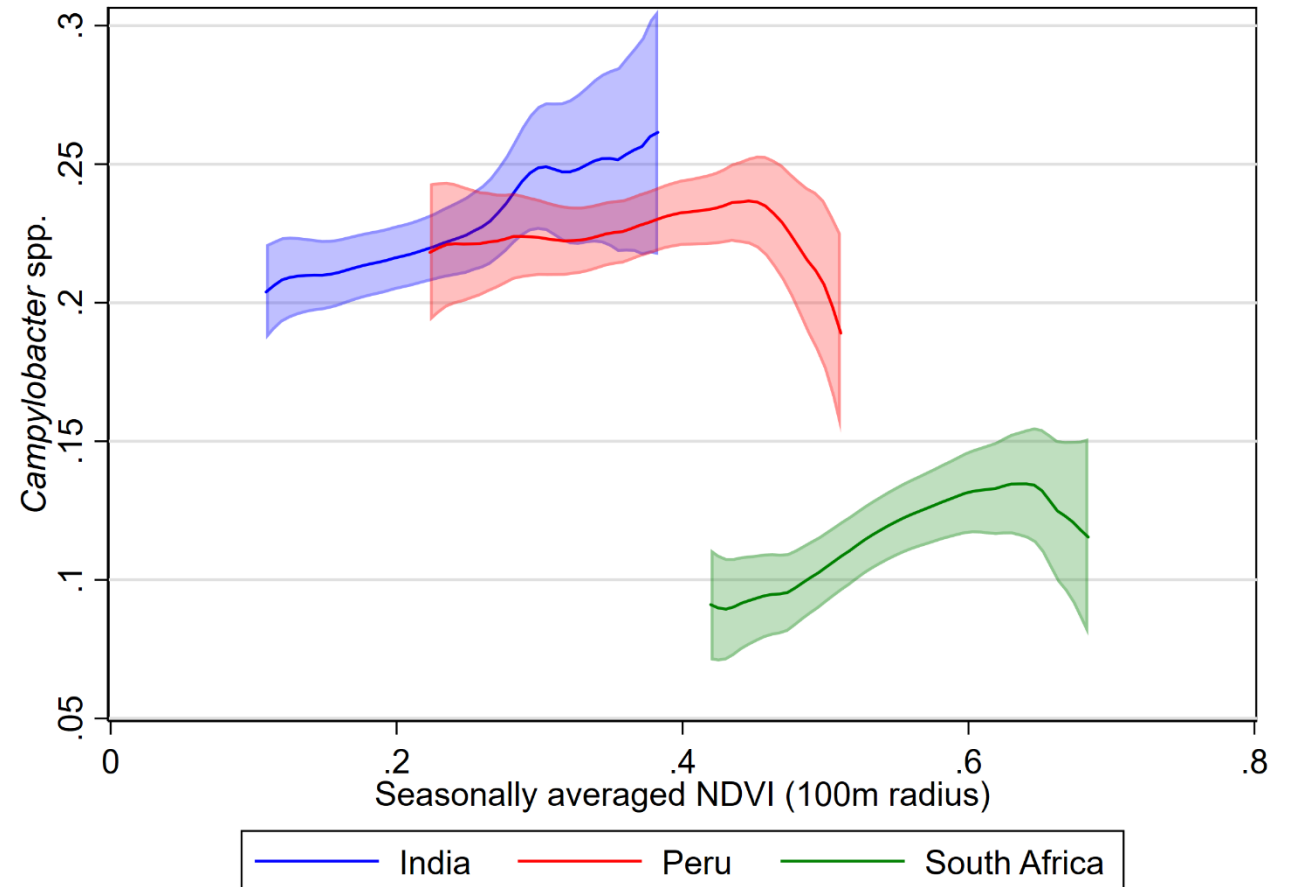
Pilot Commercial Data Buy Program

We do see **household-scale variability** in NDVI, NDWI, and other variables within sites.

We are just beginning to analyze relationships with EID cases.

This has been **harder than anticipated**.

- It is difficult to get geolocated household level data across sites
- It has been difficult to find data buy imagery for our period of analysis



Next steps

Complete regionalization for *rotavirus* and port to the Tethys app, share results with MAL-ED collaborators

Finish the risk models for *Campylobacter* and pathogenic *E. coli*

Perform household scale risk analysis for the commercial data buy program

Challenges:

The household scale analysis might not meet expectations

Communicating uncertainties in the regionalized prediction models

ARL

Current: ARL 4

Expectation: ARL 5 by end of calendar year: delivering results to partners in October

Goal: ARL 7

Thank You
