

Current cholera projects

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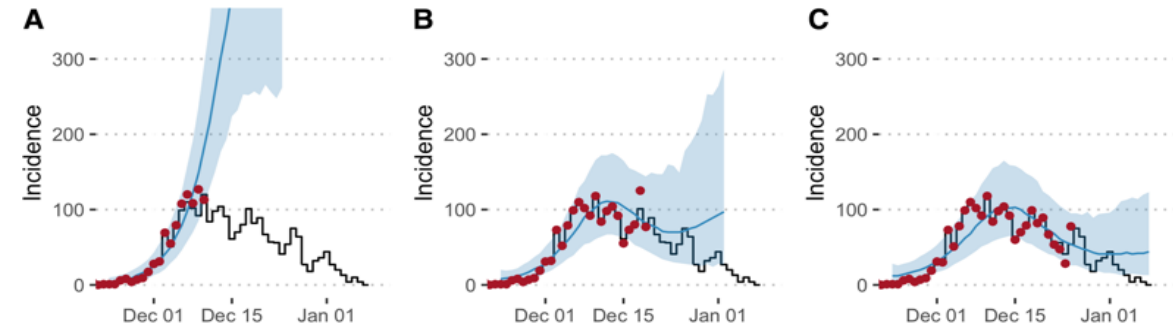
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Operational short-term forecasting

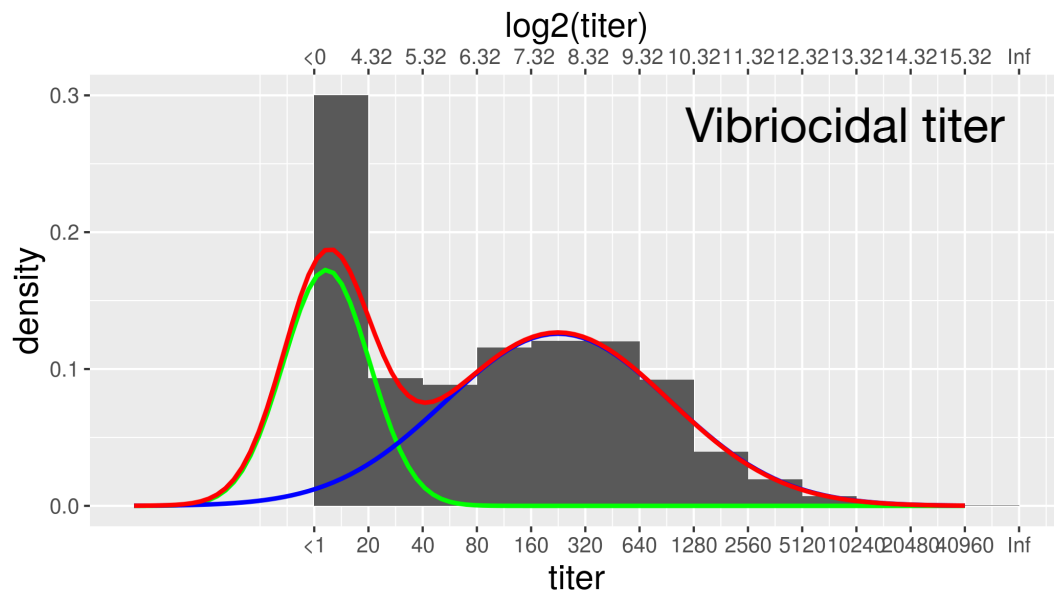
- Forecasts have to be *evaluated* to be useful
- Simple models that can be used in real-time during outbreaks to project future cases for short forecast horizons (~15 days)
- *Spatial scale* is important for transmission dynamics
- Apply model to *several incidence datasets* at different spatial scales



- How does forecast performance change with
 - Forecast horizon
 - *Spatial scale*
 - R
 - Population
 - Epidemic phase (growing vs peak vs declining)
 - Model complexity

Estimating underreporting

- Under-reporting is a major problem to understand cholera dynamics
- What is the role of asymptomatic and lowly symptomatic cases in transmission?
- Do they deplete the susceptible pool?
- Idea: combine cross-sectional serological data with incidence data to estimate the reporting to infection ratio



- Grande Saline, Haiti, October 2010 – April 2011
 - Attack rate according to reported incidence: 17%
 - Attack rate according to serology
 - fixed cutoff (320*): 42%
 - gaussian mixture model: 32 (29 – 36)%
 - Next: Bayesian model of reporting process and titer dynamics
 - Data: Sero-survey in Grande Saline, Haiti, 2011 by Jackson et al., Am. J. Trop. Med. Hyg., 2013
 - Collaborators: Andrew Azman (JHU), Brendan Jackson, Stanley Juin (both CDC)
- *cutoff from Azman et al., Science Translational Medicine, 2019