

Health Geography



Data and tools to integrate climate and environmental information into health surveillance system.

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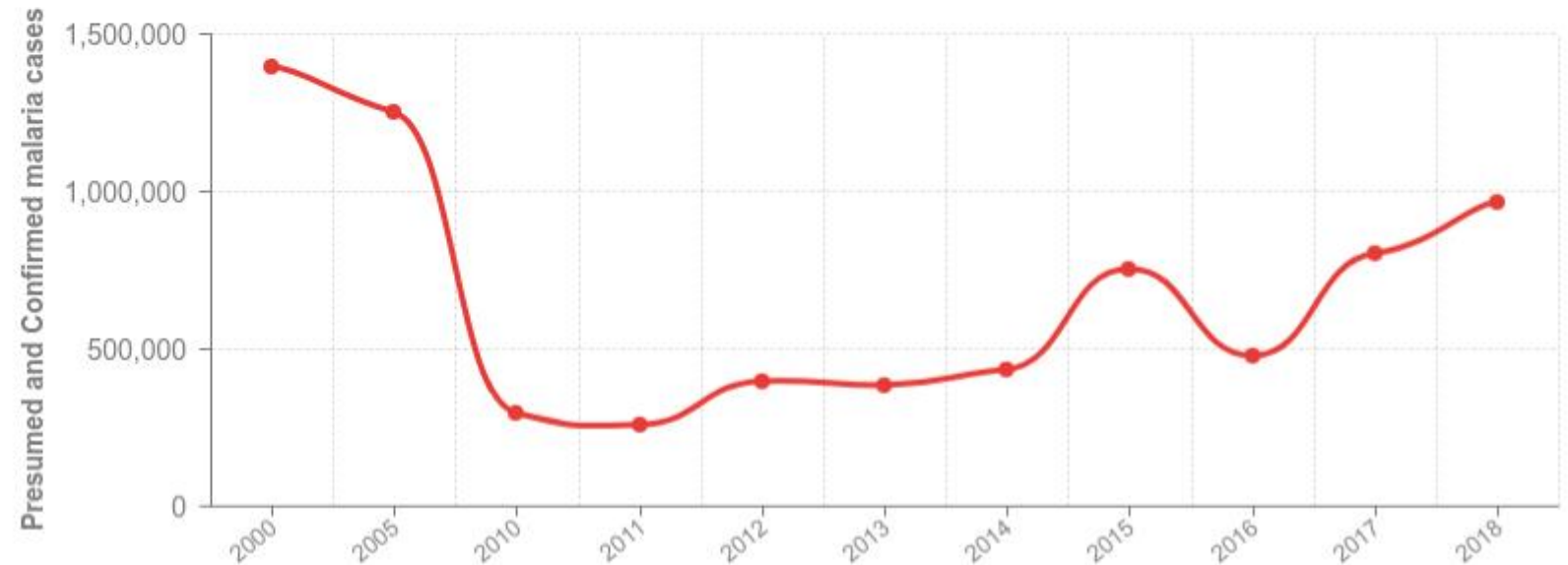
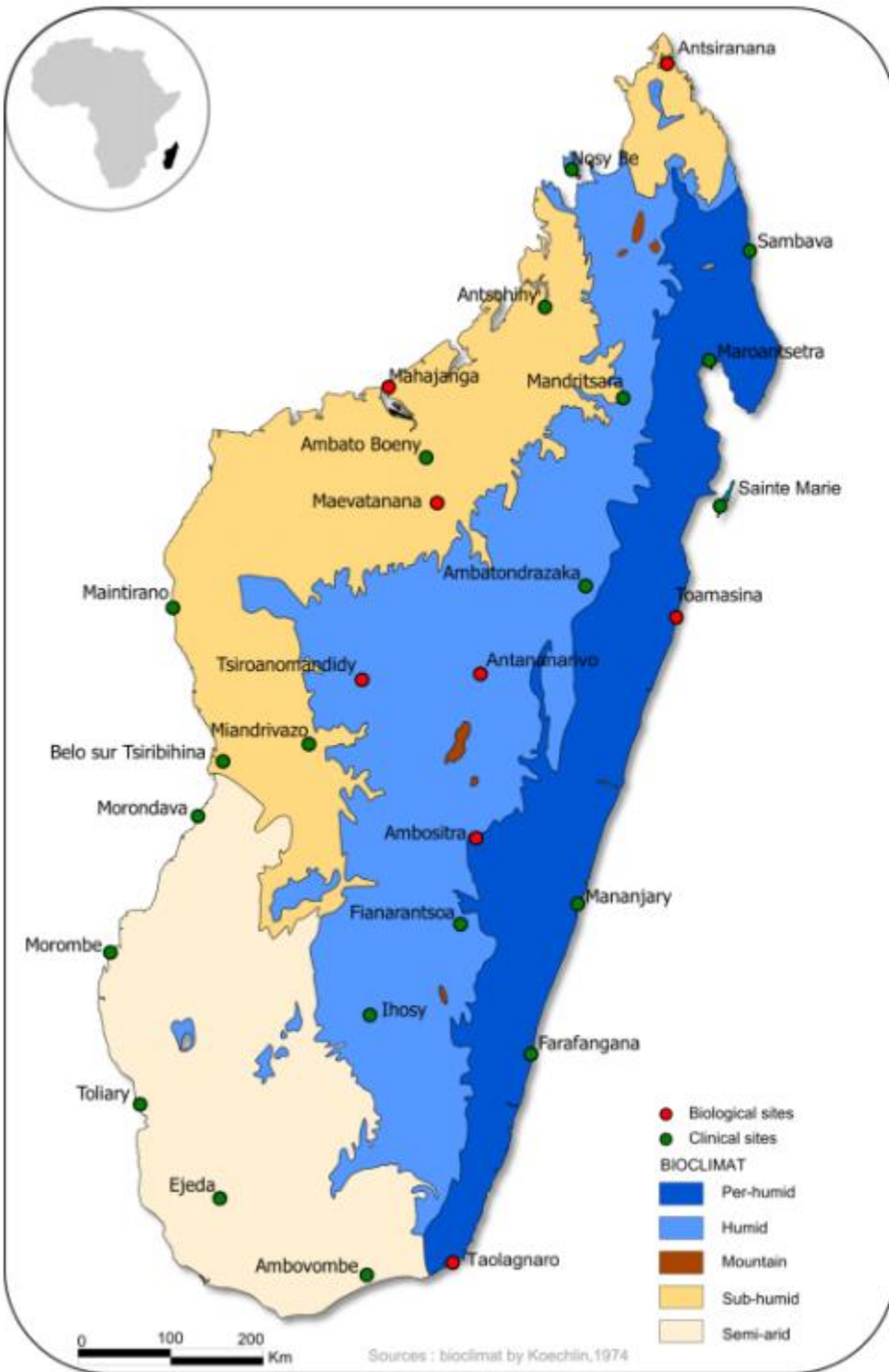
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Sentinel Surveillance System

In 2012, the only way to get near real time quality data on malaria in Madagascar.

- 34 sentinel sites
- Weekly data



Source : World Malaria Report 2010 & 2019

Sentinel sites
notifications



Weather and environmental data



LLINs
IRS



SMS

CSV



Automatic feedback
report

Automatic trends analysis
and epidemics detection

Interactive web
based interface

SMS



Alert Thresholds

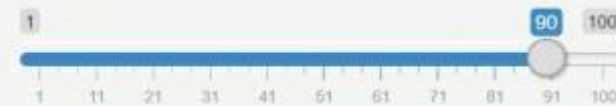
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- ☒ Percentile
- ☐ MinSan
- ☐ C-SUM
- ☐ RDT+/fever Indicator

About algorithm

An alert is triggered when a week malaria cases exceeds selected value (below) of percentile of the whole chronological series of a site. The 90th percentile is the value such that 90% of the time series values are below it (and therefore 10% are above).

Centile Value:



This option is intended to improve the specificity of the alert system

Number of consecutive weeks above threshold:

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2
- ☒ 3
- ☐ 4



Circle width is proportional to percentile value (click on map and see below)



The number of reported malaria cases is below the threshold



The number of reported malaria cases is above the threshold



Click on a site to see malaria time series

Week : 2017_22

Click on the legend to hide/show variables

Click and drag on the graph to zoom

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Please select data aggregation level (by facies)

National

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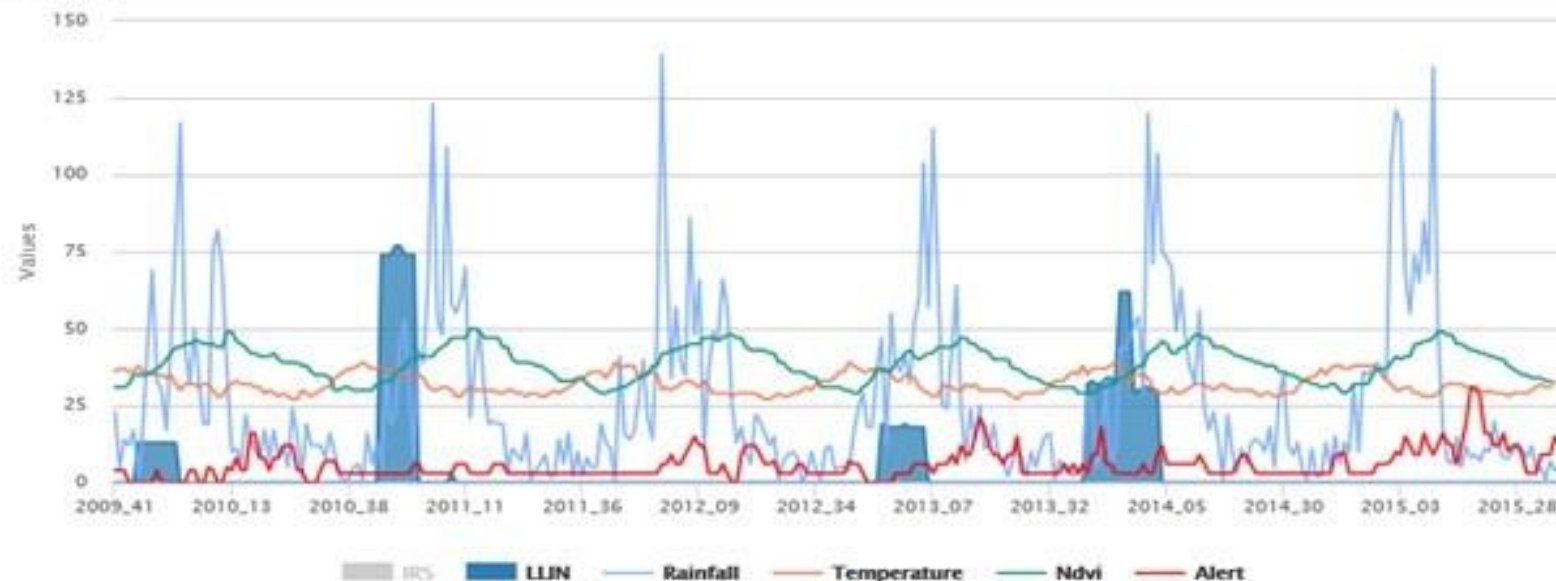
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Map Graph Level_Plot Forecasting

Percentile



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Legend

Alert, is proportion of site in alert across selected facies in the side panel.

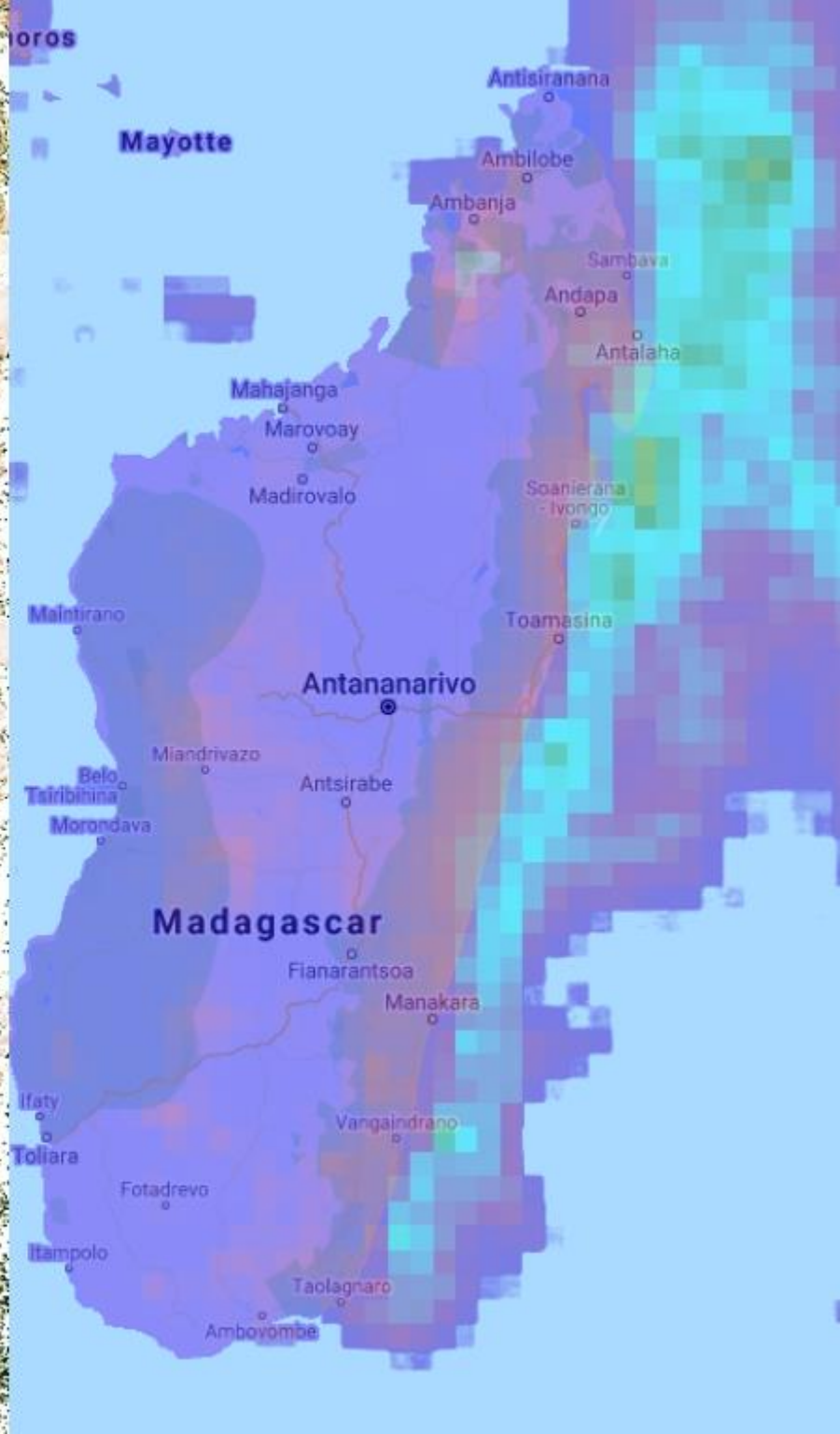
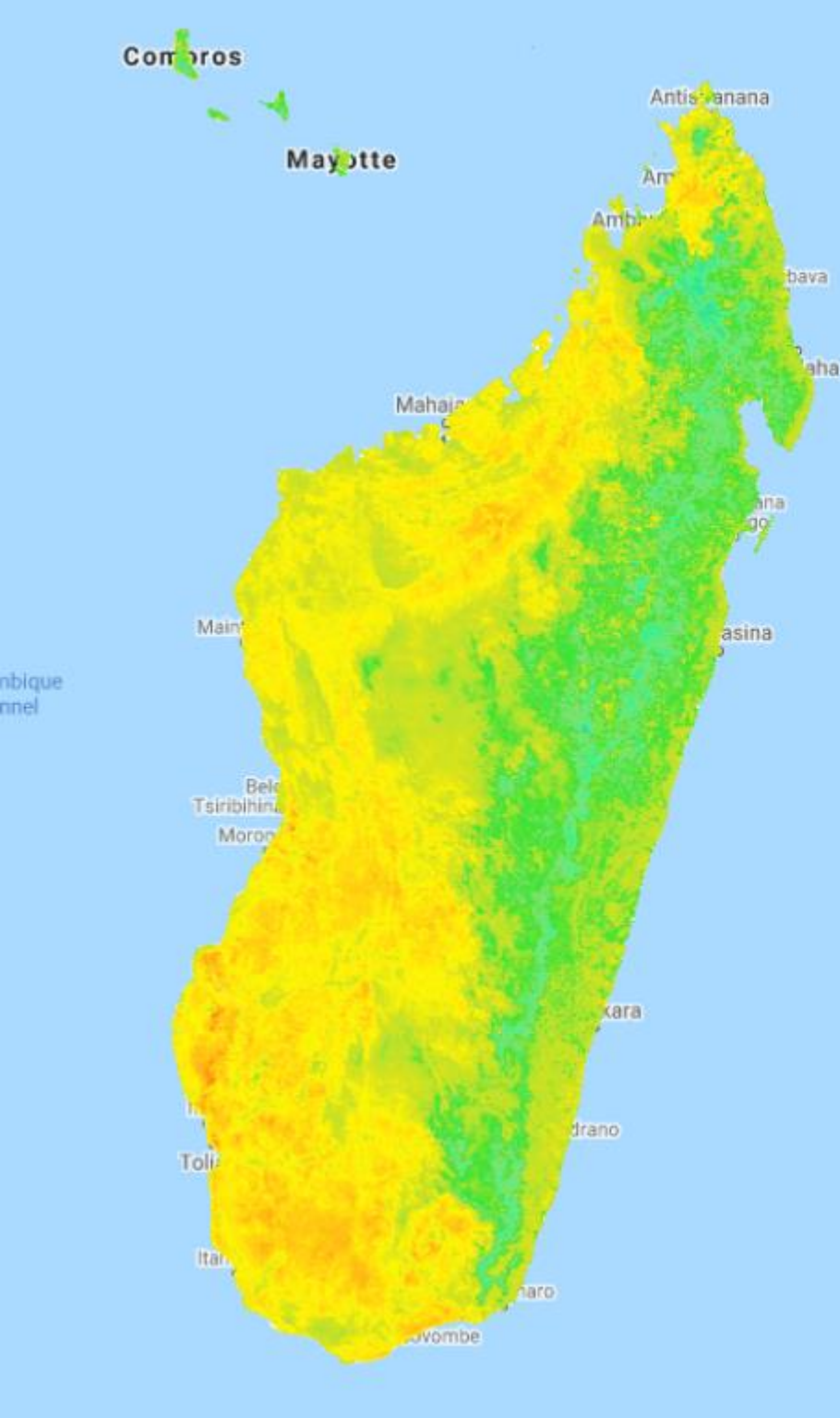
Rainfall, African Rainfall Estimation (RFE) is produced by NOAA-CPC

NDVI, is a normalized difference vegetation index (NDVI) produced by MODIS

Temperature, Land Surface temperature is an estimation of near surface temperature, produced by MODIS

IRS, proportion of sites that received a IRS

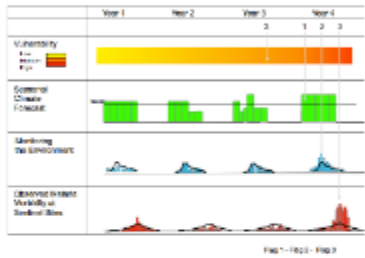
LLIN, proportion of sites that received a LLIN



Malaria Early Warning System

The Malaria Early Warning System (MEWS) aids in the prediction of malaria outbreaks. The system consists of four elements; Vulnerability, Seasonal Climate Forecasts, Monitoring the Environment and Observed Malaria Morbidity. In certain regions, these products may be used to determine the timing and severity of an outbreak.

This maproom outlines each element of the MEWS. Each element contains products, some of which may be used to help determine the risk of a malaria outbreak in a specific region.



Using all of the elements as a system may be useful in understanding the socioeconomic and climatic drivers of malaria in particular regions. The diagram above depicts how the four elements can be employed on different time scales using flags to raise concern of a potential outbreak.

Climatic and environmental variables can indicate an increased risk in vector (mosquito) and malaria parasite development (when inside its mosquito host). Examples of such indicators include precipitation, temperature, humidity and surface water. The Seasonal Climate Forecasts can predict likely changes in climatic and environmental risk several months in advance

Vulnerability

Seasonal Climate Forecast

Monitoring The Environment

Observed Malaria Morbidity

Monitoring The Environment

Dekadal (10-day) Precipitation

This map shows dekadal (10-day) precipitation estimates from the Climate Prediction Center.

Inferred Maximum Air Temperature

This map shows approximated maximum air temperatures at 2 meters above the ground.

Precipitation Estimate Differences

This map shows dekadal (10-day) precipitation estimates as the difference from the short term average (from 2000 to last recent complete year).

Precipitation Estimate Percentages

This map shows dekadal (10-day) precipitation estimates as a percentage of the short term average (from 2000 to last complete year).

Minimum Land Surface Temperature (LST)

This map shows minimum land surface temperature (LST) used as a proxy for monitoring minimum air temperature.

Measures of Vegetation

This tool produces maps of estimated vegetation using data from NASA's MODIS sensor.

Vectorial Capacity

This map shows a Vectorial Capacity (VCAP) model that defines precipitation and temperature as the limiting factors of malaria incidence. VCAP is the daily rate at which future malaria inoculations could arise from a currently infected case.

Precipitation

20.05W - 55.05E

40.05S - 40.05N

2214 30 Nov 1999 - 1346 31 Jan 2020

WGS 84

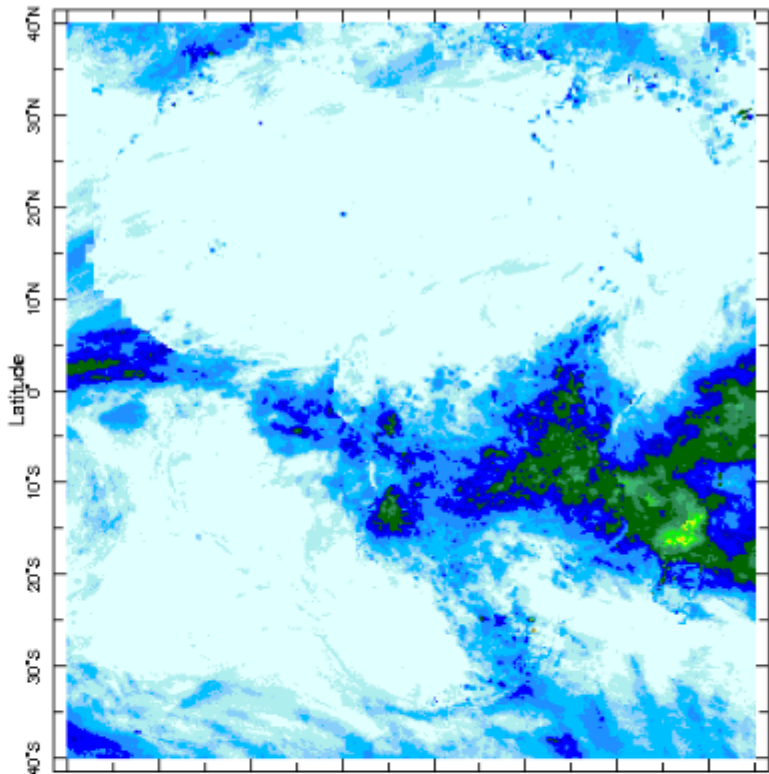
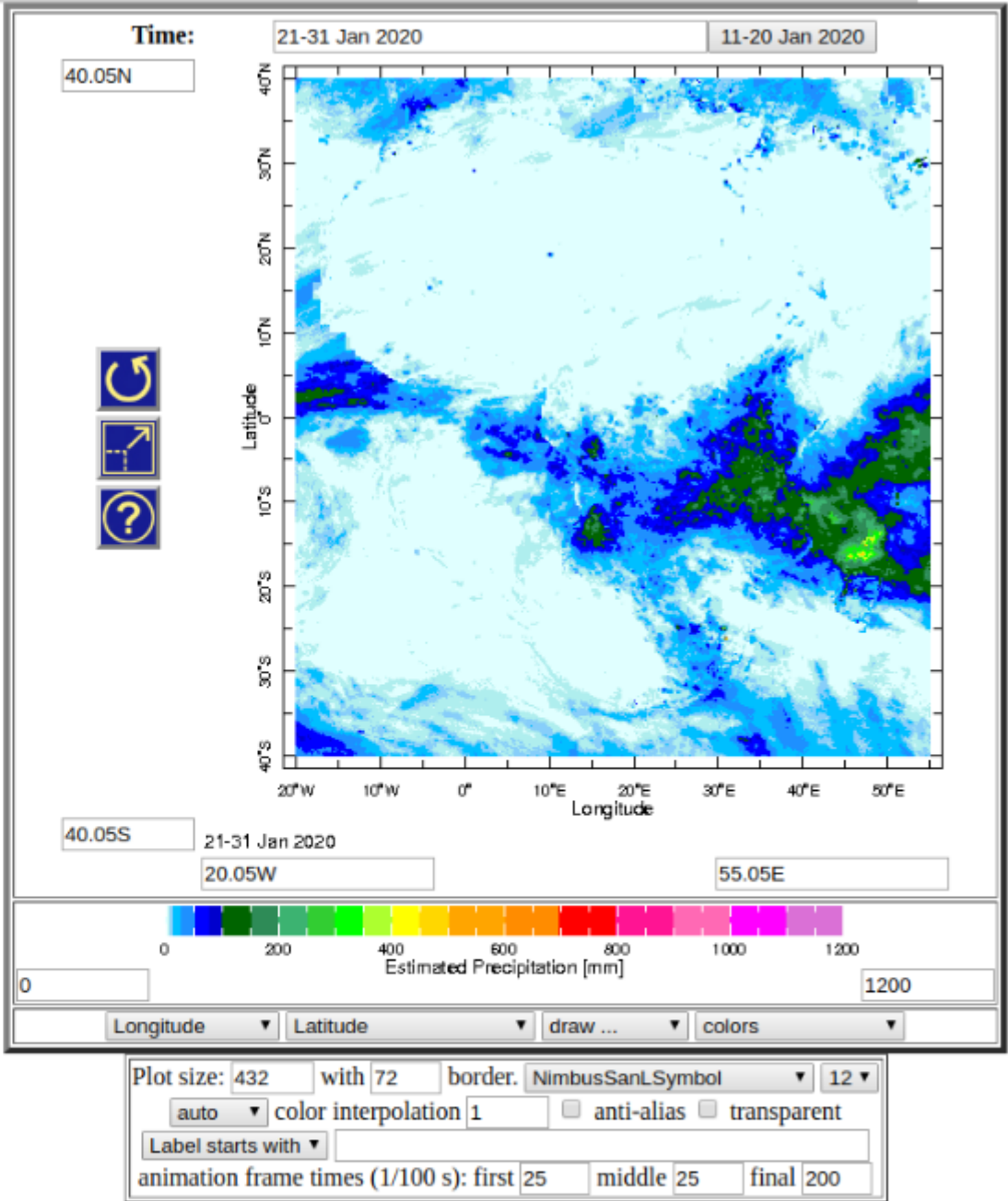
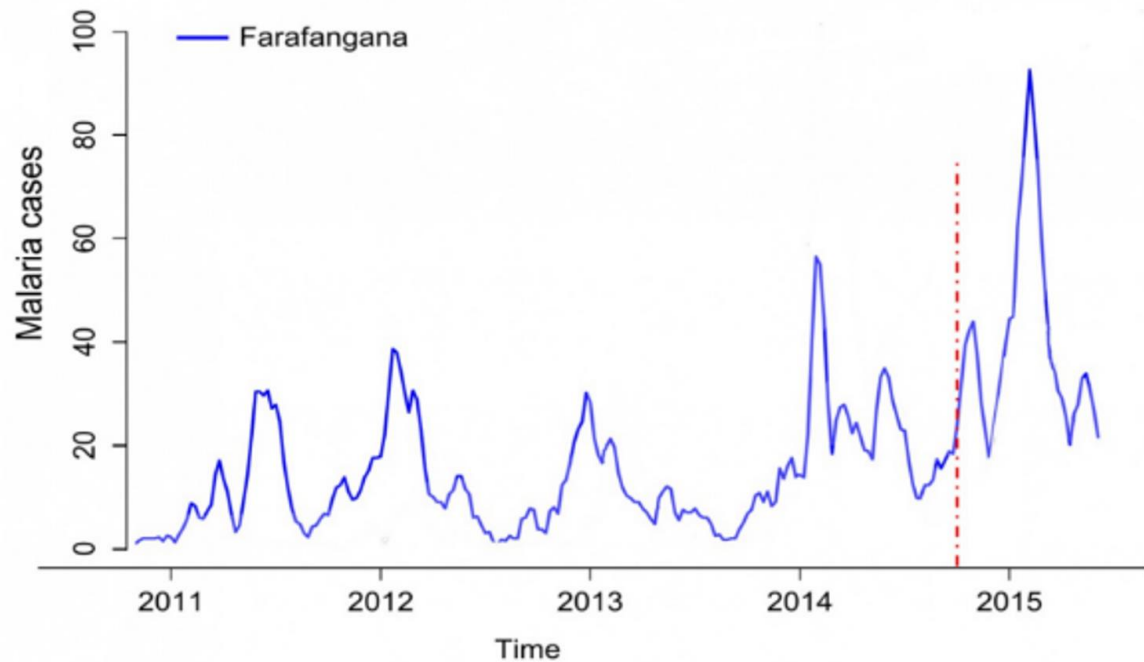
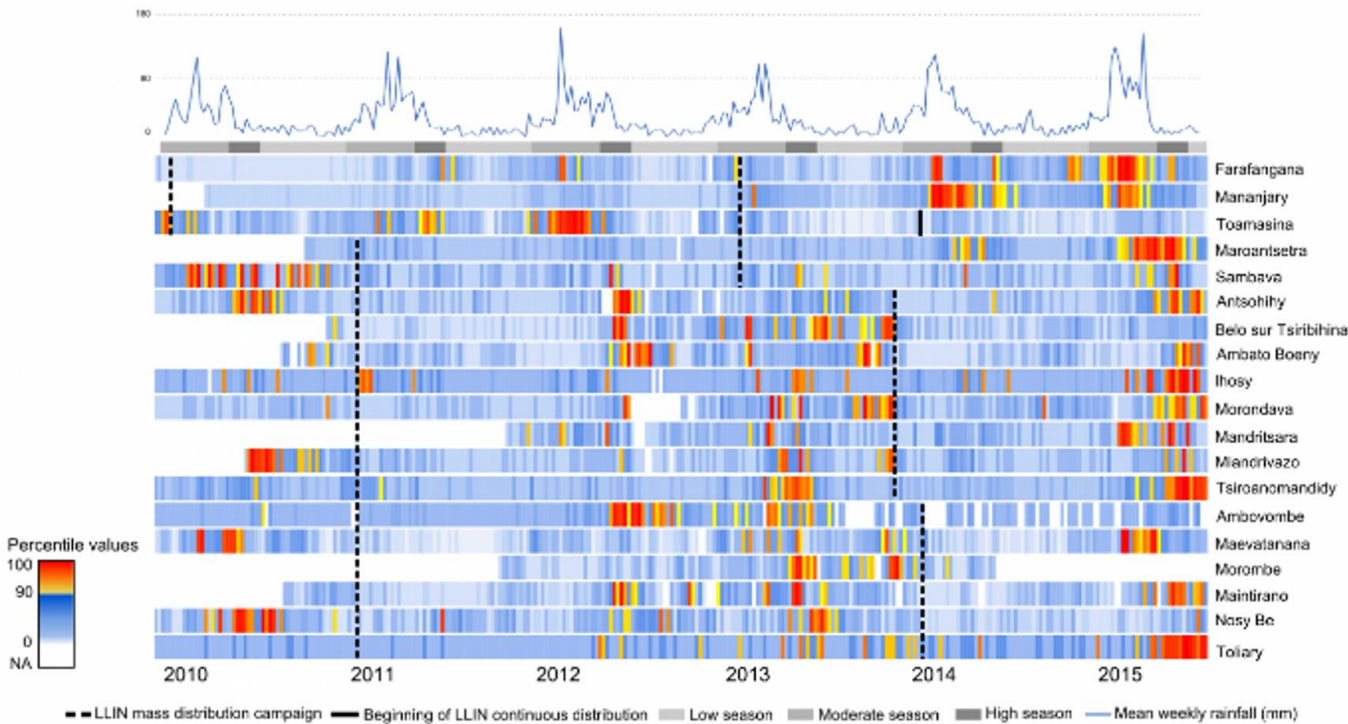
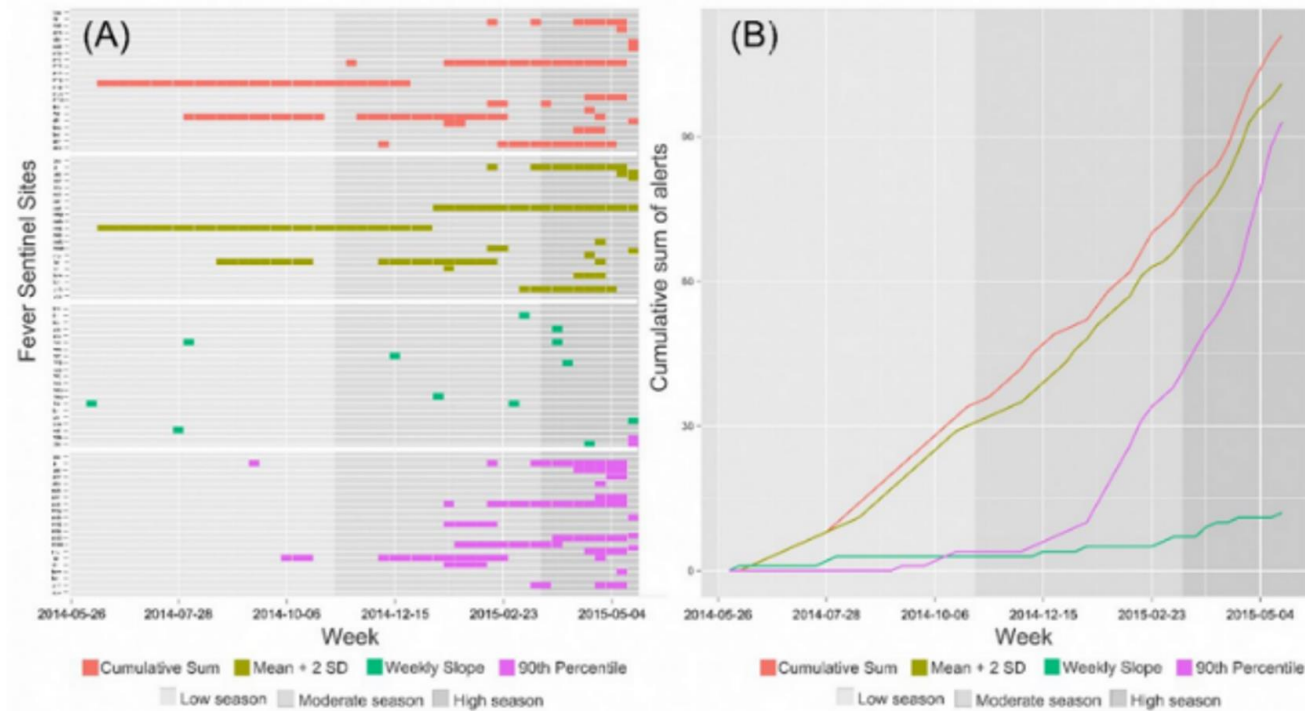


Table 1

Main characteristics and references of the P-datasets. In the data source column, S, R, and G stands for satellite, reanalysis, and gauge information. Spatial coverage refers to the absolute maximum and minimum latitude with precipitation information, and latency refers to the time delay for data availability. The P-datasets including gauge-based information are represented in blue, and italic font is used for P-datasets available in NRT latency of one to three days.

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- New malaria epidemic threshold (less constraints)
- Ability to detect the 2014-10-06 outbreak in the southeastern part of the country.
- Real-time evaluation of the impact of malaria control interventions





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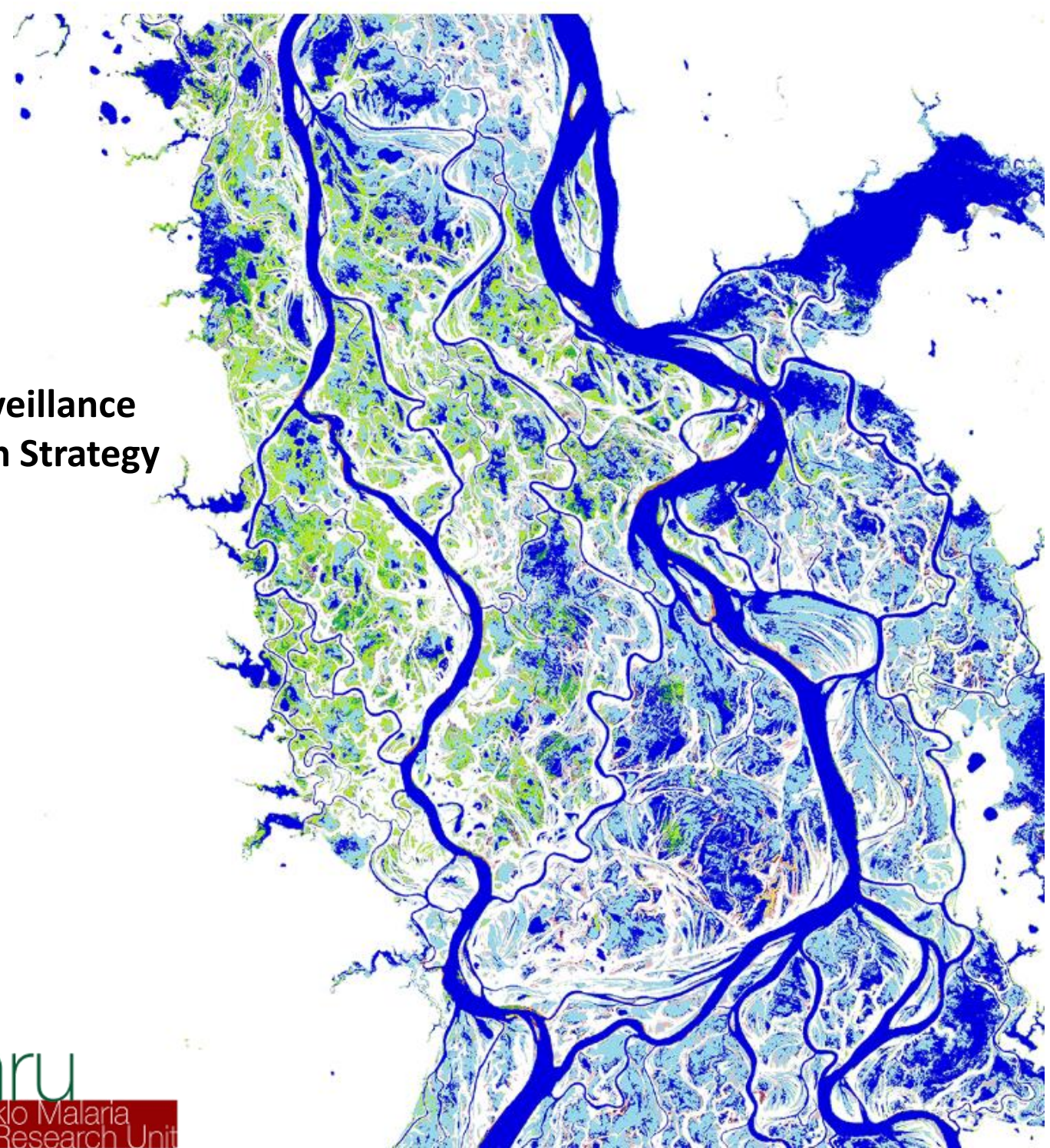


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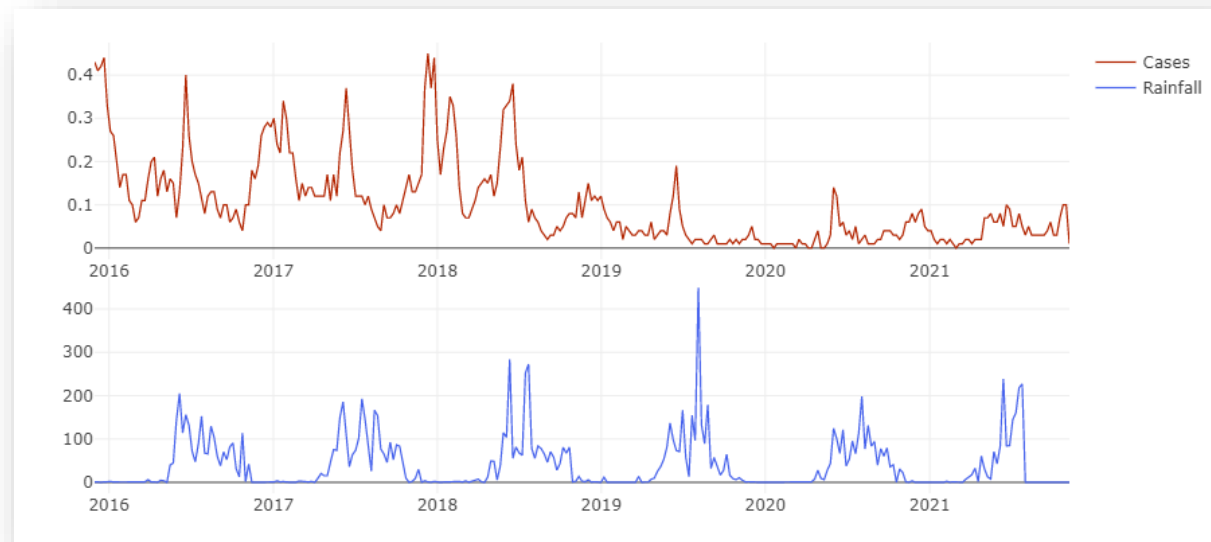
EASIMES

**Environment Analysis and Surveillance
to Improve Malaria Elimination Strategy**



Environmental conditions, including environmental/climate variability and land use practices, along with socioeconomic influences, political instability, and regional migration might compromise malaria elimination goals in this region.

EASIMES Project (2019-2021) aims at improving the understanding of environmental conditions which influence malaria transmission in the forested environments of Eastern Myanmar in order to improve microstratification and active surveillance tools used by the control and/or elimination programs.



4 main activities:

- Accurate mapping of land-use/land-cover and monitoring of fluctuations in environmental conditions
- Defining the malaria epidemiological landscape: spatio-temporal analysis
- Defining vector-suitable high-risk environments
- Development of a Malaria environmental surveillance system

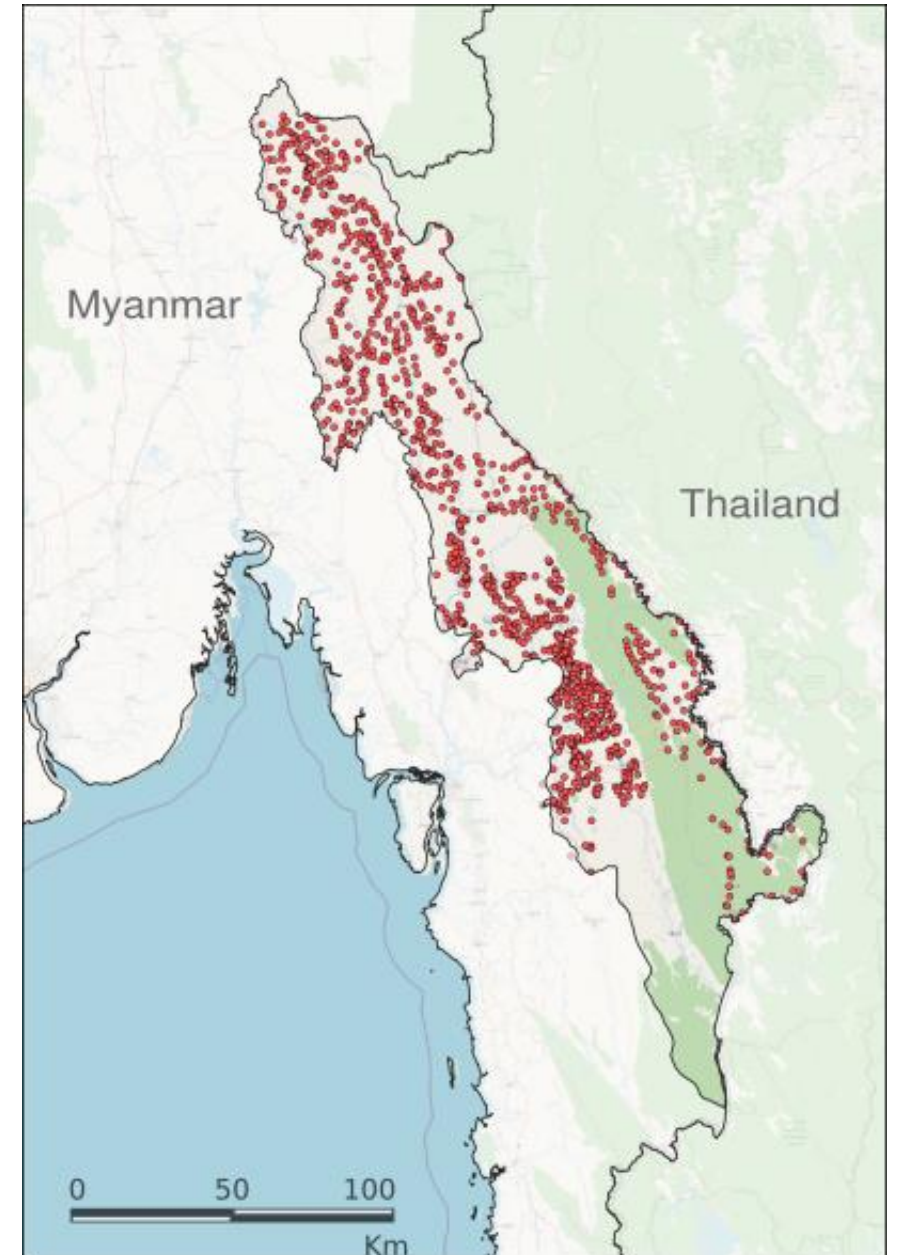
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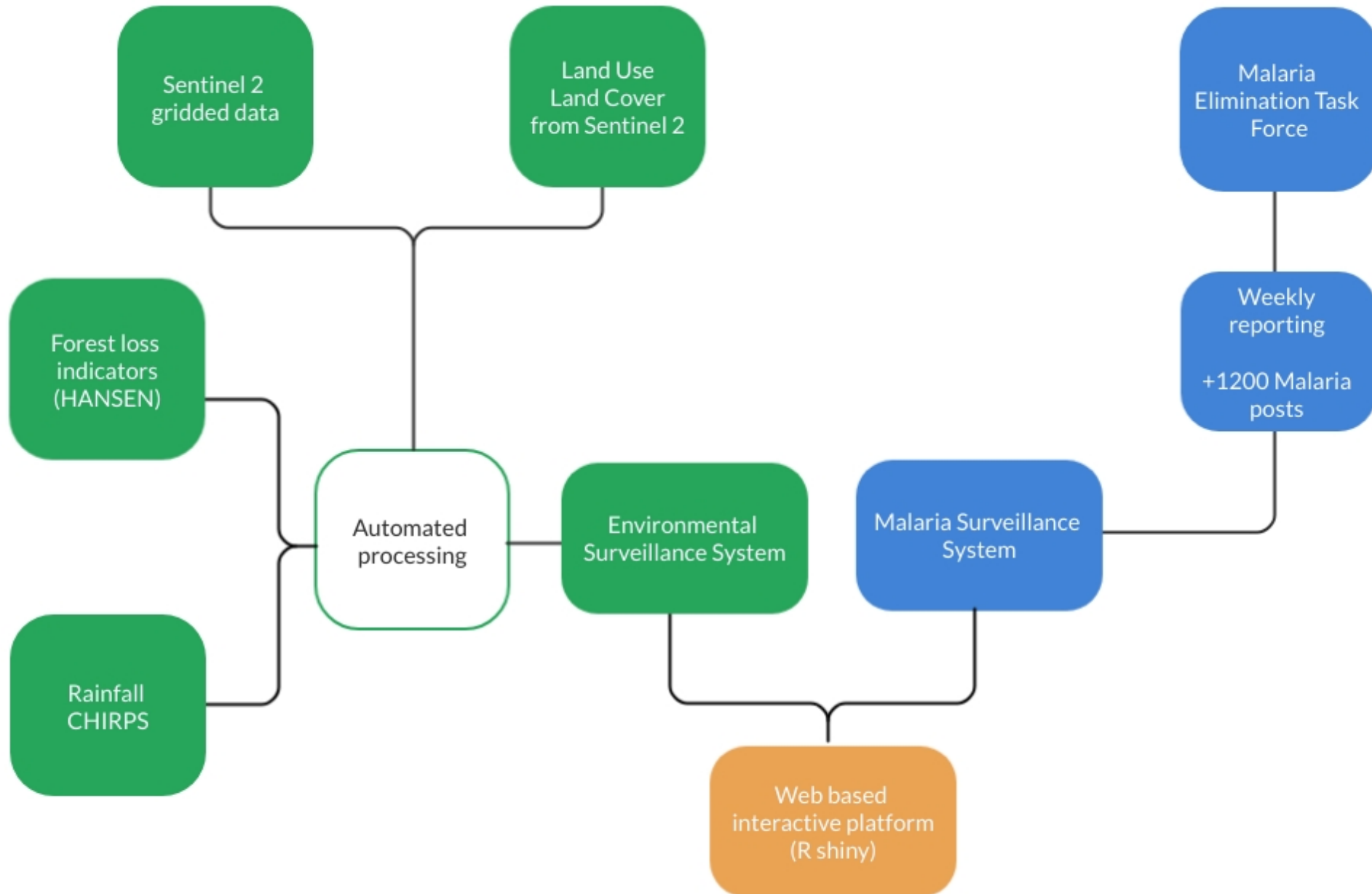
- 1200+ Malaria Posts reporting **weekly** village-level *P. falciparum* and *P. vivax* incidence deployed since June **2014**

The development of **web-based** data management **platforms** has been proposed as a critical strategy for strengthening surveillance by **automating** major data processing steps, enabling data access, and integrating **surveillance** data with other relevant **sources of information** (Interpretation / contextualization) **in a prospective setting**.

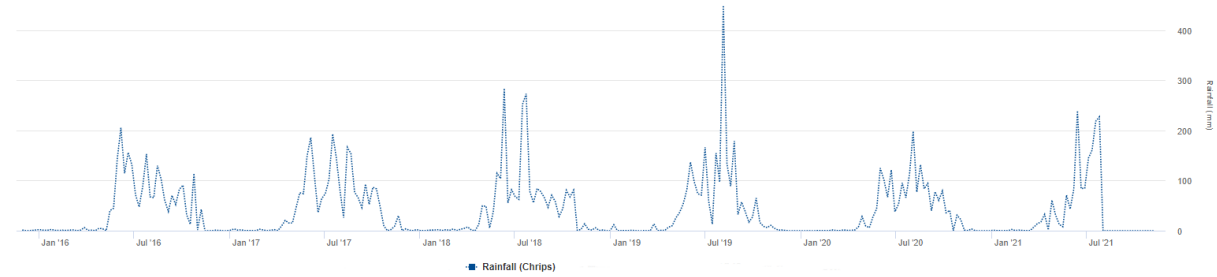
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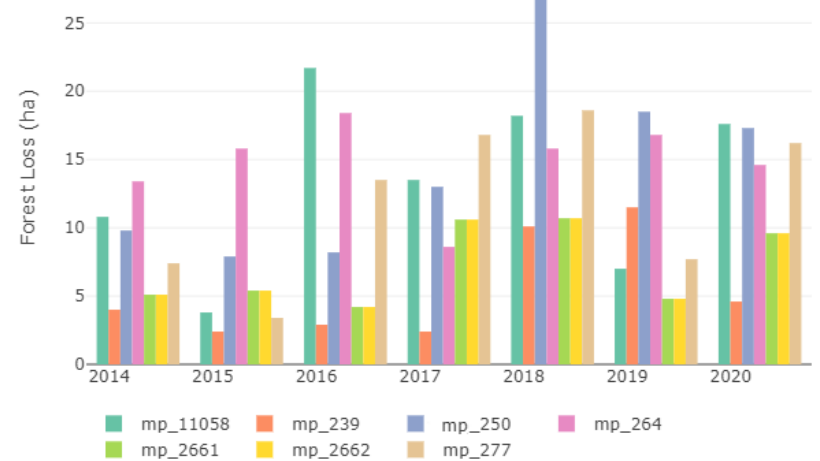
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Weekly time series of Rainfall
CHIRPS v.2

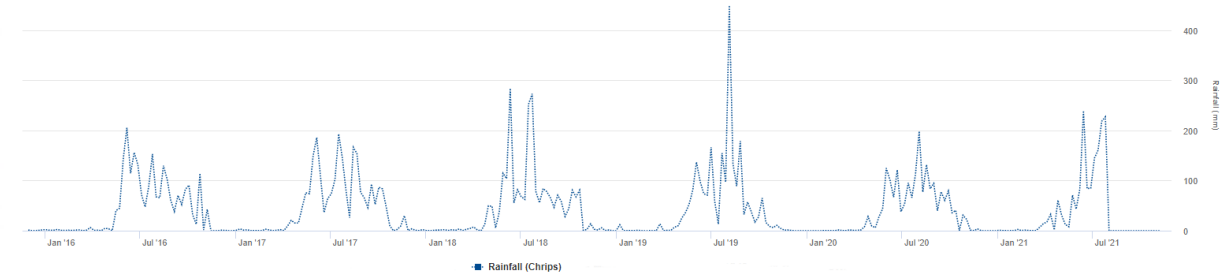


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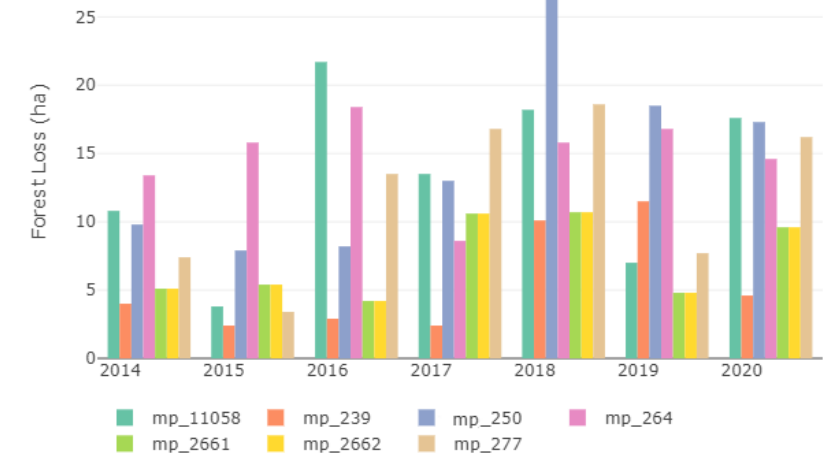
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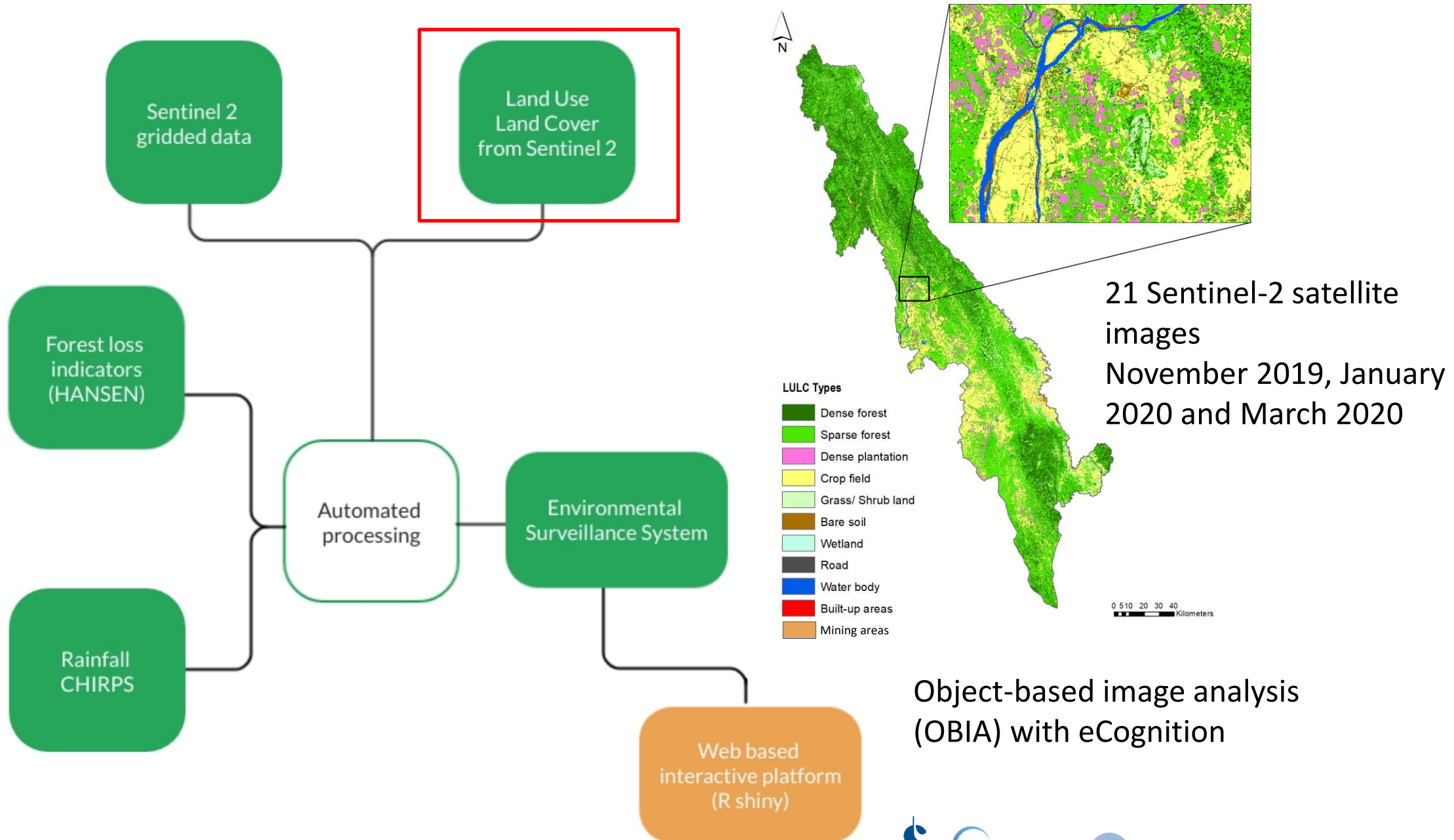


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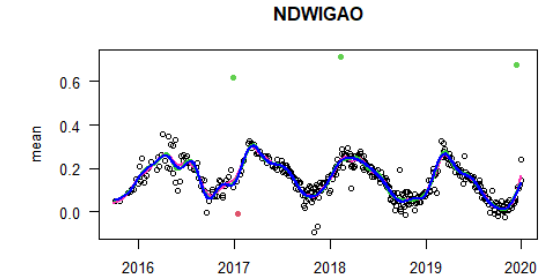
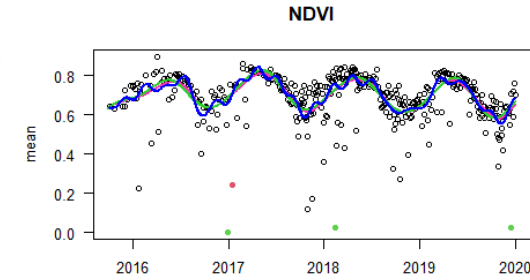
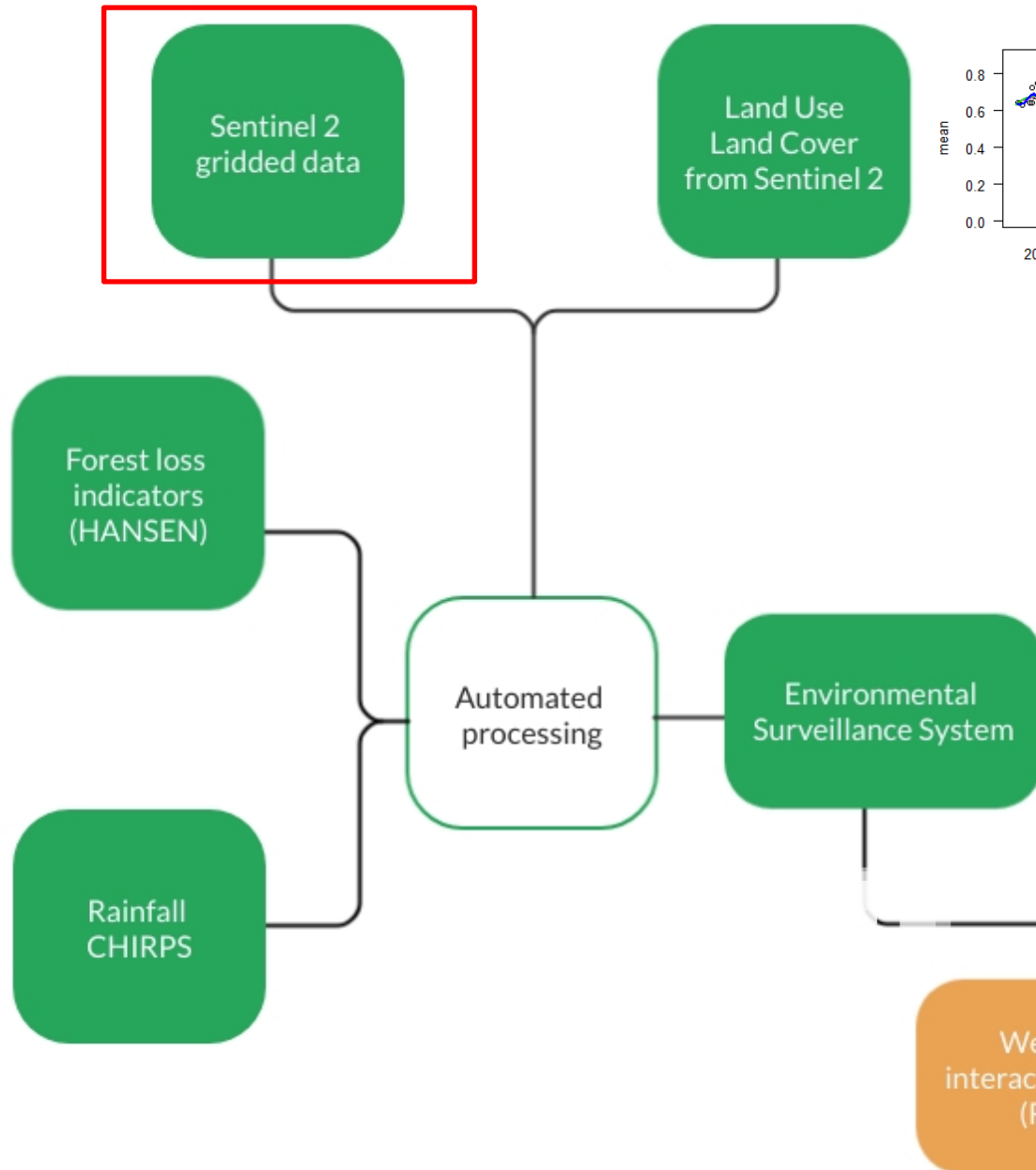


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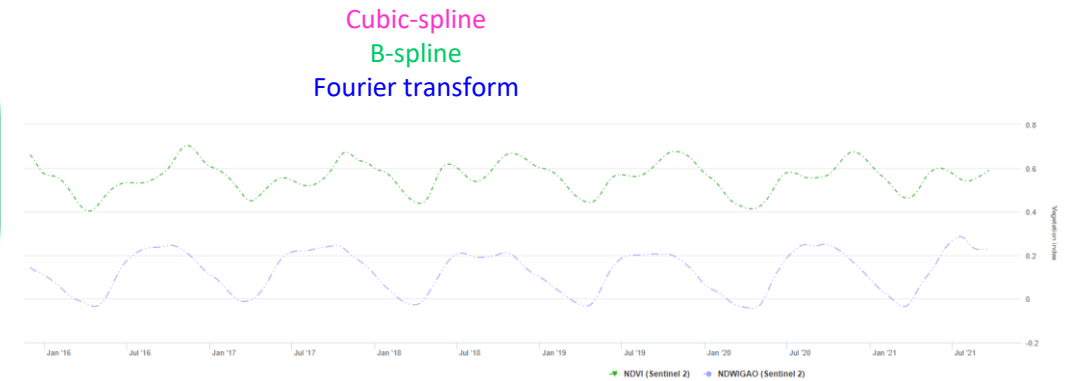


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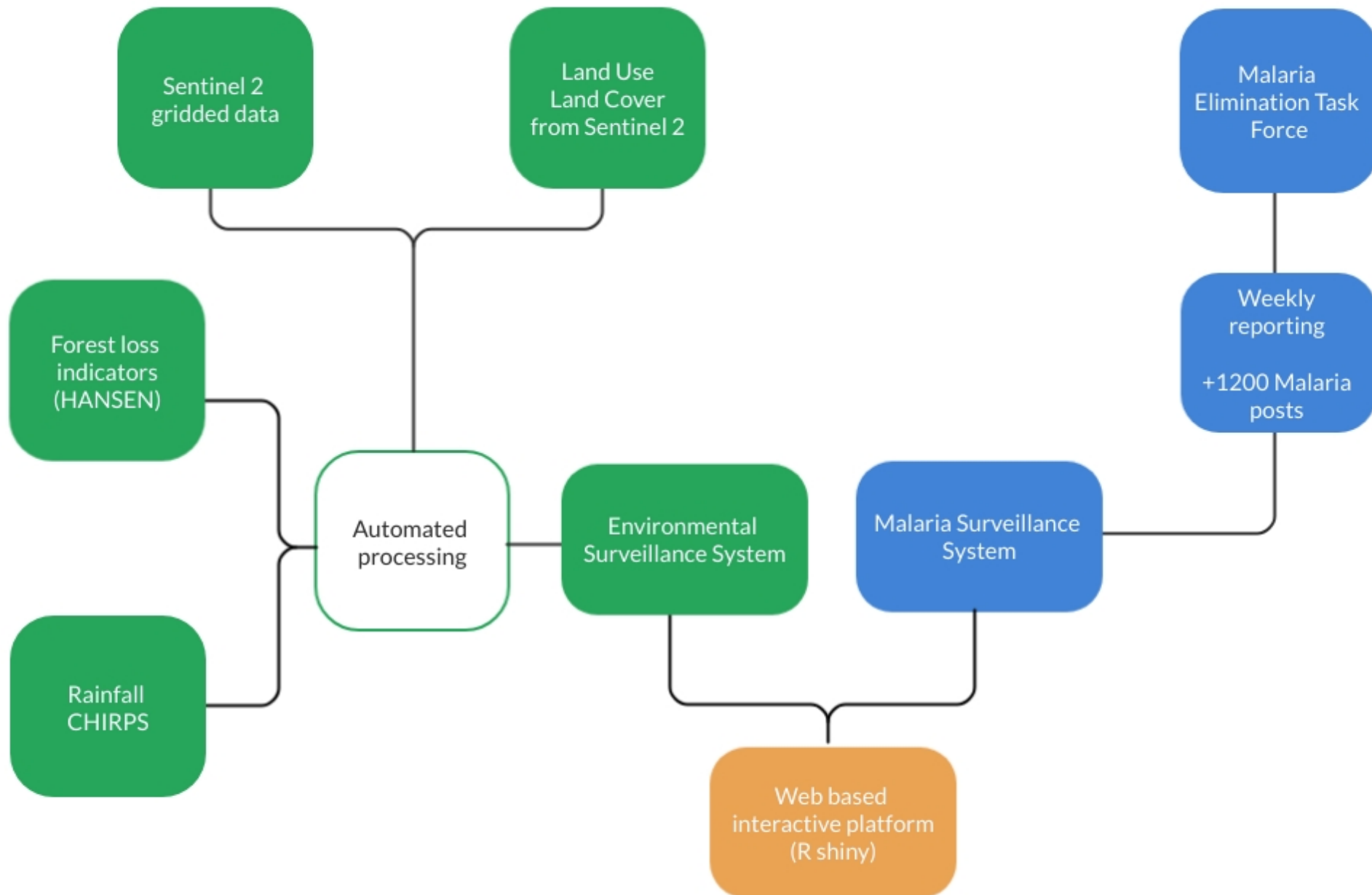


- i) Make atmospheric conditions correction (SEN2COR algorithm) automatically and routinely
- ii) Process Sentinel2 from L1C to L2A level (Sen2Chain) and
- iii) Provide index production and time series computation

Temporal smoothing of NDVI and NDWI Gao indices, with three methods



*Weekly time series of vegetation and humidity indices
Sentinel 2, Copernicus*



Summary

Environmental Time Series

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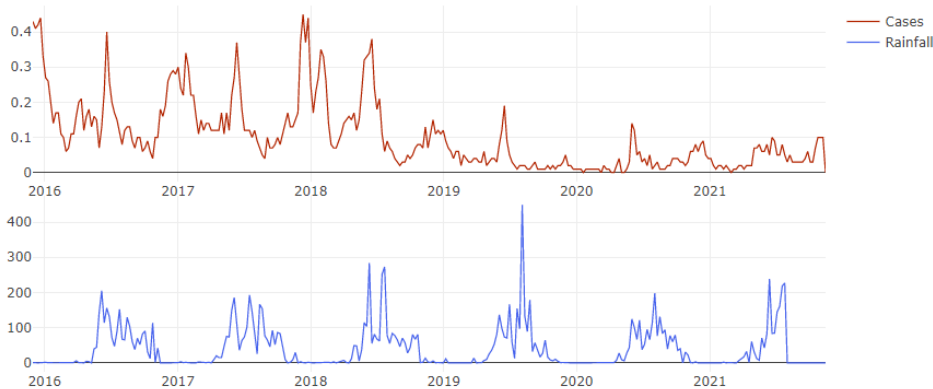
Malaria species:

- ☒ Falciparum
- ☐ Vivax

☒ Malaria incidence

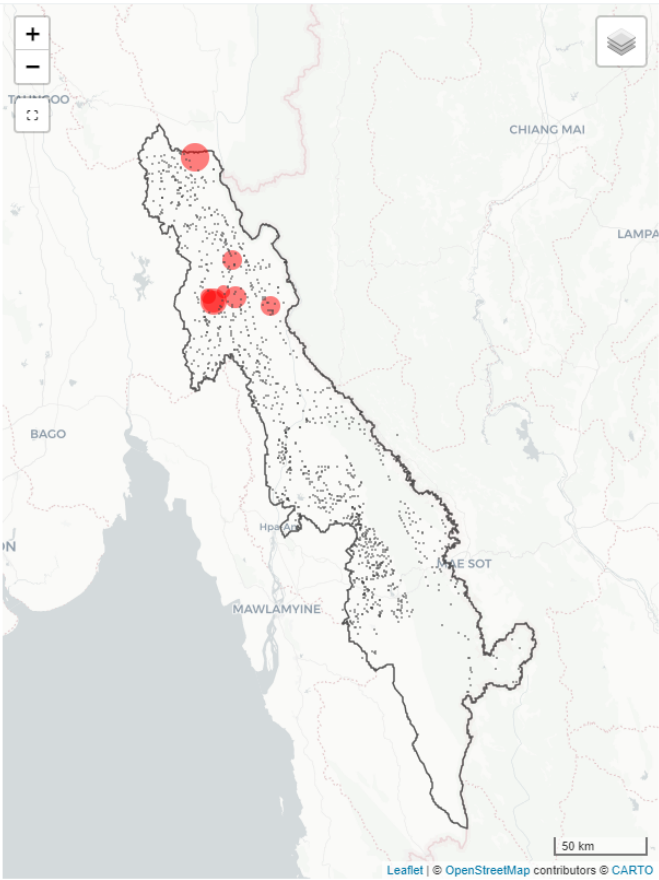
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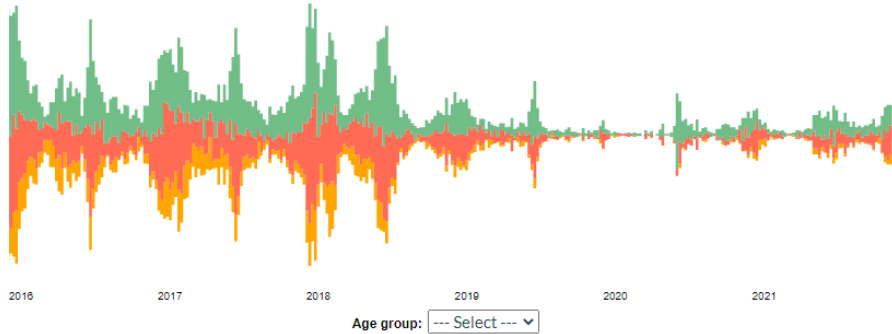


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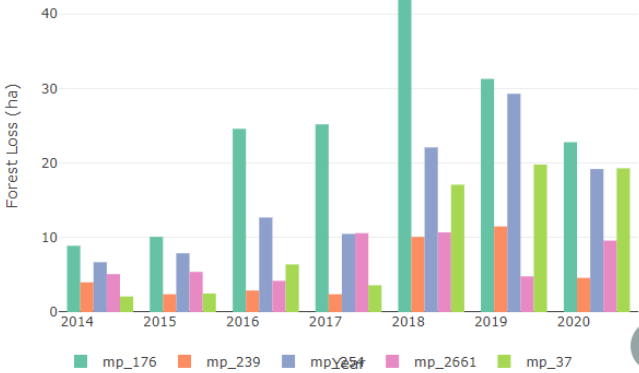
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Age group



Forest Loss (Hansen)



Summary Environmental Time Series

Environmental variables

☒ Rainfall

☐ NDVI

☐ MNDWI

☐ NDWIGAO

Number of lagged weeks for rainfall

1

7

52

Number of lagged weeks for NDVI

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Number of lagged weeks for MNDWI

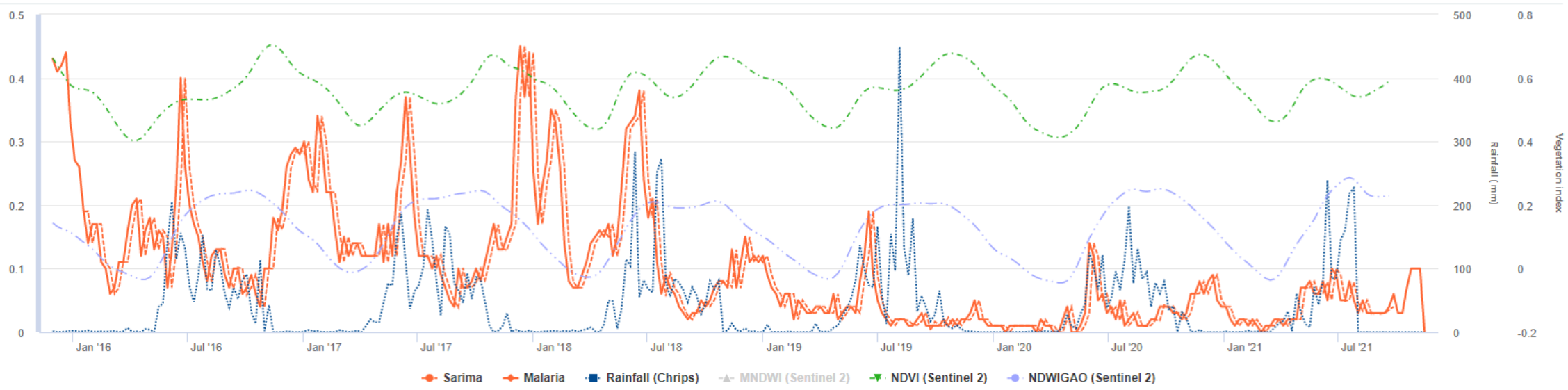
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Number of lagged weeks for NDWIGAO


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 Rainfall lag association 7 week(s)

 MNDWI lag association 2 week(s)

 NDVI lag association 1 week(s)

 NDWIGAO lag association 2 week(s)

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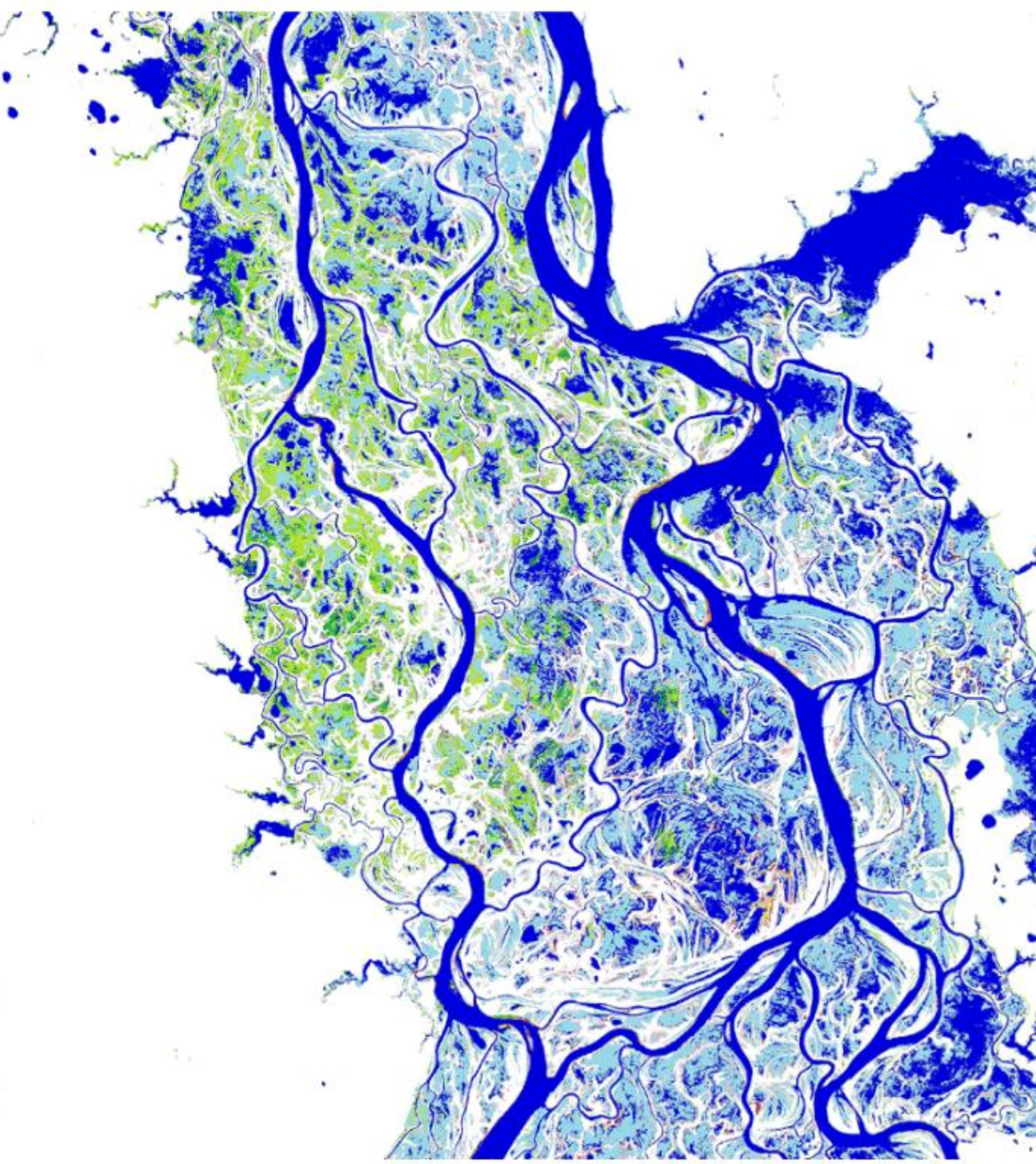


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- Associating remote sensing environmental monitoring with malaria surveillance requires close and interdisciplinary collaboration.
- Critical points include the need to develop software tools and an enabling environment to provide timely harmonized epidemiological and environmental data.
- The importance of continual stakeholder input throughout the sign, implementation, and operation of the system, and the need to be adaptable to changes in the input data and expected output.
- The use of remotely sensed data in malaria decision support or broadly in an epidemiological surveillance system is still limited with a limited number of published studies describing their implementation, especially for operational purposes.



THANK YOU

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