

# A Meta-analysis of Longevity Estimates of Mosquito Vectors of Disease: Additional Methods

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## SM1 MRR experiments

### SM1.1 Data

The MRR database in Guerra *et al.* (2014) contains 393 individual time-series, along with meta-data for a range of factors for each experiment (for example, species, geography, and date of study). We cleaned the data, making a number of amendments to it (see Section SM1.2), and transformed the data into a form amenable for our statistical model. We removed time-series with fewer than six separate recapture observations, resulting in 238 time series. For the species-level analyses, we required at least two time series per species, resulting in loss of six series, meaning that the data used in the Bayesian hierarchical analysis comprised 232 individual time series (see Section SM5 for a list of the studies included). Tables SM1 and SM2 summarise the data used in the Bayesian hierarchical analysis. This data encompassed time-series from MRR experiments across 33 different species and three genera: *Aedes* (91 separate time-series), *Anopheles* (94), and *Culex* (47), and spanning a wide geographical range (Fig. SM1).

### SM1.2 Amendments by MRR ID

This section describes the amendments made by MRR ID (the unique identifier that Guerra *et al.* (2014) use for each MRR record). Where there was ambiguity in the data, we attempted to consult the original publication. The amendments to the dataset are described below:

- 69 and 70: Since the release was not disaggregated by sex, the recapture data were aggregated across both males and females, resulting in a single time series in each case.

- 482: There are actually two series (one with captured mosquitoes, the other with young reared) in the paper (Rawlings *et al.*, 1981), whereas the database contains only one recapture series. In this analysis, both time series are included.
- 483: There are three studies in the paper (Rawlings *et al.*, 1981), (by dye colour: there is one for ‘M&Y’, another for white, and a third for green), whereas the database only contains one release series. In this analysis, we analyse all three time series separately.
- 578: A null observation was removed on day 12, since it isn’t present in the original paper (Eyles *et al.*, 1943a).
- 585: It is not clear from the original paper (Smith *et al.*, 1941) whether missing recapture observations on certain days are because no mosquitoes were found on those days, or because no efforts were made to recapture them on those days. We have assumed that the number recaptured were as stated in the database on those days (missing, because no recapture efforts were made on those days).
- 586: It was unclear from database whether the missing observations are due to lack of recapture, or no effort. Have assumed that zero mosquitoes were captured on these days (the paper could not be accessed).
- 342: Changed number of released from 6,000 to 12,000 following the original publication (Bryan *et al.*, 1991).
- 246: Moved the observations from captures to recaptures following the original publication (Arredondo-Jiménez *et al.*, 1998).
- 55: Corrected a mistake in release data; the actual number released is 739, not 749 (Midega *et al.*, 2007).
- 478-481: All four of these series give releases not disaggregated by gender, whereas the recaptures are split this way. Have combined the recapture series to yield a single release-recapture series in each case.
- 154: Moved captured male series to recaptured following original paper (Tsuda *et al.*, 2001).
- 334: Data starts on day 3, thus have added this number of days to our time variable in this case.

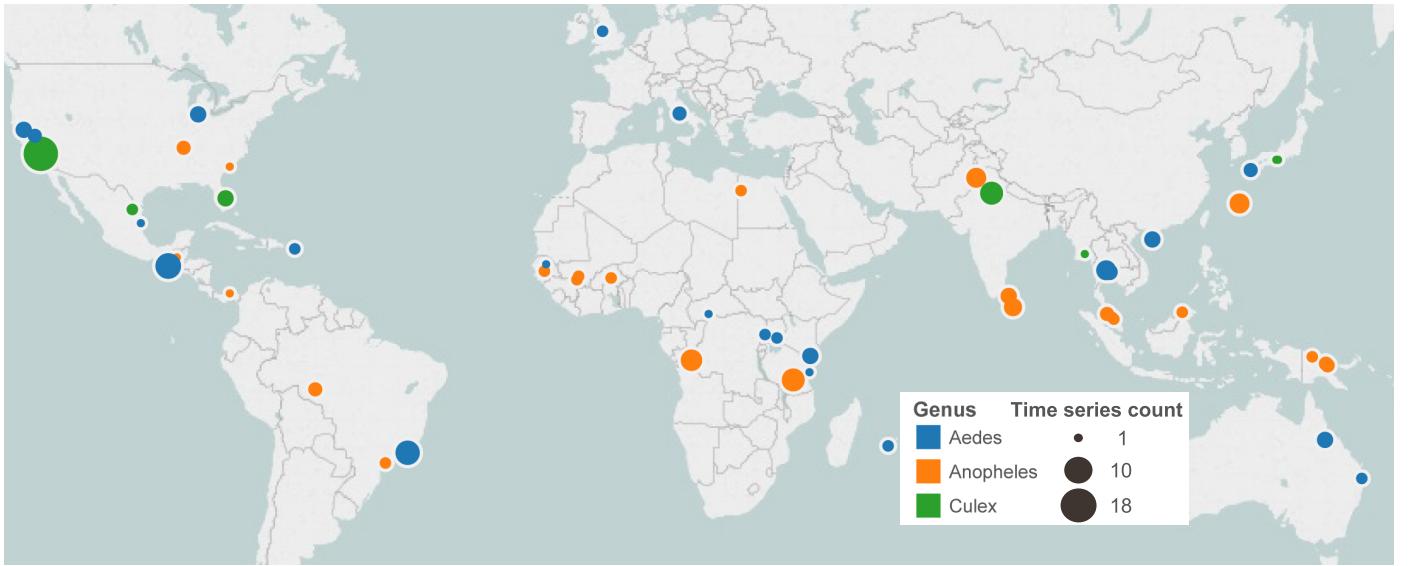
The R file `s_clean_data.R` cleans the data, makes the above amendments and outputs the data in a form amenable for estimation using Stan (Carpenter *et al.*, 2016).

Data characteristic	Count
Species	33
Genera	3
<i>Anopheles</i>	94
<i>Aedes</i>	91
<i>Culex</i>	47
Female-only MRR	179
Male-only MRR	35
Mixed sex MRR	18
Pre-release blood-feeding only MRR	71
Pre-release sugar-feeding only MRR	41
Pre-release both blood- and sugar-feeding MRR	4
Pre-release neither blood- and sugar-feeding MRR	116
MRR time-series	232

Table SM1: **Summary of variables across all MRR time-series used in hierarchical analyses.** For the ‘Species’ and ‘Genera’ rows, the counts represent the number of distinct entries in the database; otherwise the counts represent the number of time series.

Data characteristic	Min	Mean	Median	Max	Standard deviation
Study duration, days	6.0	11.8	10.0	71.0	4.7
Number of days on which collections took place	6.0	10.1	9.0	47	9.1
Number of separate release days	1.0	1.9	1.0	23	3.0
Number released	66	4,929	1,297	86,200	12,043
Number recaptured	2	163	63	4,090	399
Recapture percentage	0%	8.6%	5.2%	57.1%	10.04%
Age at release, days	0	1.8	0	13	2.8

Table SM2: **Summary of data from individual MRR time-series used in hierarchical analyses.**



**Figure SM1: The location and number of separate time-series for the MRR studies included in this analysis.** The area of each circle indicates the number of time-series at each study site. The colour shows the genus of the mosquitoes in each study.

### SM1.3 Statistical model

Data for a typical MRR experiment consists of a single release of  $N_R$  marked mosquitoes followed by a series of marked mosquito recaptures on subsequent days (Fig. SM3 shows three such example series). We model the number  $y(t)$  of marked mosquitoes recaptured on day  $t$  using a negative binomial sampling model,

$$y(t) \sim \text{NB} ((N_R - Y(t-1))S(t)\psi, \kappa), \quad (1)$$

where  $Y(t-1)$  is the cumulative number of mosquitoes caught on all days before  $t$ ,  $S(t)$  is the probability that an individual mosquito survives and remains in the study area until time  $t$ ,  $\psi$  is the daily recapture probability for an individual mosquito which is assumed constant through time, and  $\kappa$  is the time-independent shape parameter of the negative binomial distribution that controls the extent of variance in recapture rate likely due mostly to environmental heterogeneity. We chose a parameterisation of the negative binomial such that its mean is given by  $\mu(t) = (N_R - Y(t-1))S(t)\psi$ , and its variance by  $\sigma(t)^2 = \mu(t) + \frac{\mu(t)^2}{\kappa}$ .

For some MRR experiments, there were a number of releases ( $q \geq 2$ ) of marked mosquitoes throughout the duration of the study. In contrast to single releases, with multiple releases over time, it is not in general possible to determine the particular release to which a recaptured mosquito belongs. To avoid the complication



Figure SM2: **The number of MRR time-series by date and sex of released mosquitoes.** The numbers represent by-decade totals of the 232 time-series we used in the main analysis.

of directly inferring this quantity, we choose to represent previous recaptures probabilistically. This results in a slightly different mean to that of the single release model,

$$\mu(t) = N_{Released}(1 - \psi)^{t-1} S(t)\psi, \quad (2)$$

where the factor of  $(1 - \psi)^{t-1}$  represents the probability that a mosquito is *not* recaptured on a previous day. Where experiments consisted of two or more releases occurring at distinct points in time we assumed that recaptures of individual mosquitoes from either batch were independent of one another, although with the same sampling parameters ( $\psi$  and  $\kappa$ ). This results in an overall mean composed of the sum of those from all  $q$  releases,

$$\mu(t) = \mu_1(t) + \dots + \mu_q(t). \quad (3)$$

The simplest assumption is that death and dispersal rates are independent of mosquito age, giving an exponential ‘survival’ function,

$$S(t) = e^{-\lambda t}, \quad (4)$$

where  $\lambda$  is the sum of the rates of death and dispersal from the study area. To estimate the lifespan of mosquitoes we use this model, partly because of the limited evidence we find for senescence.

We assume that the number of mosquitoes recaptured on one day is independent of the number recaptured on any other day, apart from their joint dependence



**Figure SM3: Example MRR time-series for three different studies from the Guerra *et al.* (2014) database.** In all the above experiments, there was a single release of marked mosquitoes on day zero.

on  $\lambda$ ,  $\psi$  and  $\kappa$ . This results in a likelihood of the data of the form,

$$\mathcal{L}(y(t_1), y(t_2), \dots, y(t_R) | \lambda, \psi, \kappa) = \prod_{i=1}^R p(y(t_i) | \psi, \lambda, \kappa), \quad (5)$$

where  $R$  is the number of individual days where collections took place, and  $p(y(t_i) | \psi, \lambda, \kappa)$  is the probability of recapturing  $y(t_i)$  mosquitoes on day  $t_i$  determined from a negative binomial distribution with parameters  $\mu = e^{-\lambda t} \psi$ , and  $\kappa$ .

#### SM1.4 Individual time-series estimates

We first treat each time-series separately, and estimate individual  $(\lambda, \psi, \kappa)$  parameters of the statistical model (described in Section SM1.3) for each time-series. To use a Bayesian methodology, we must specify priors on this set of parameters. Here, we choose to specify independent priors on each parameter of the form:  $\lambda \sim \mathcal{N}(-2.32, 1)$ ,  $\psi \sim \exp(50)$  (with  $\psi$  constrained to be less than 0.1, a threshold below which the majority of daily recapture probabilities in the data are observed) and  $\kappa \sim \text{log-normal}(2, 1)$ . This prior on the rate parameter of the exponential distribution ( $\lambda$ ) corresponds to a wide range of possible lifespans (Fig. SM4A), with a mean of 10 days. It was necessary to use an informative prior on  $\psi$  to bound it to sensible values and to prevent unreasonably short estimates of  $\lambda$ ; the prior on  $\kappa$  is fairly uninformative and allows a wide range of values (Fig. SM4B,C).

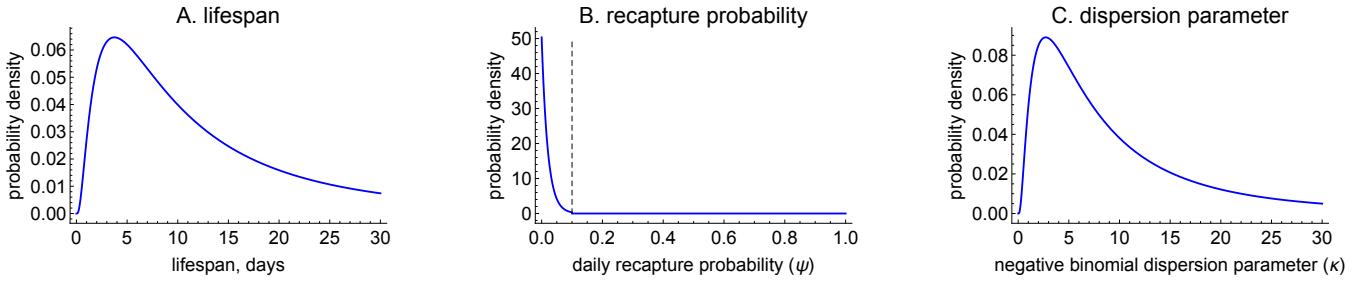


Figure SM4: **The prior probability distributions used for lifespan (A), recapture probability (B) and dispersal parameter (C) in the individual time-series analysis for the MRR studies.** Note: the prior for the recapture probability was truncated at  $\psi = 0.1$  since most MRR day one recapture fractions were significantly below this threshold.

### SM1.5 Estimating lifespan at the species, genus and overall groupings

We synthesise information from across all MRR experiments to produce more robust estimates of mosquito lifespan than can be obtained from considering the individual time-series separately. However, there exists considerable heterogeneity across the experiments. This heterogeneity has two sources: that arising from variability in experimental methodology; but also that from actual differences in lifespan across the different mosquito cohorts – for example, due to genetic differences between mosquito populations or due to climatic differences. Because of this heterogeneity, we use a Bayesian hierarchical model which is akin to a ‘random effects’ model in classical statistics. This type of model assumes that there is random variation in parameters at the individual time-series level, although each of the parameters is drawn from a common ‘population-level’ distribution. In our case, we separately estimate three different model groupings where the population-level distributions correspond to the species, genus and overall (across all studies) levels respectively (Fig. SM5). This allows us to estimate mosquito lifespan for a given species or genus by independent sampling from the posterior predictive distribution from which the individual  $\lambda_i$  are drawn.

Whilst we assume that the variation in mosquito mortality across experiments is random in nature, we recognise that there may exist systematic sources of variation that we do not include in our model. To account for this potential source of bias, we examined how the individual estimates of lifespan correlated with experimental covariates (number and density of traps). From this, we determined a slight but insignificant positive correlation between trapping number and density with individual lifespan estimates – suggesting that downward bias due to insufficient



Figure SM5: A representation of the hierarchical Bayesian model, for the constant mortality model case when considering the species-level grouping. Here ‘pdf’ indicates ‘probability density function’, and  $\lambda_i$ ,  $\psi_i$ , and  $\kappa_i$  represent the force of mortality for the exponential distribution, daily recapture probability and over-dispersion parameter of the negative binomial distribution for time-series  $i$  in the dataset;  $\mu_i(t) = \psi_i e^{-\lambda_i t}$  is the mean number of mosquitoes recaptured on day  $t$ .

trapping may be relatively small.

In our hierarchical model, we must specify prior distributions at two levels of the analysis. The first of these links the individual time-series estimates with the overarching group-level distributions. The parameters of these group-level distributions are then set prior distributions (Fig. SM5). As an example, suppose that the rate parameter  $\lambda_i$  of our exponential survival model in experiment  $i$  is given by:

$$\lambda_i = \exp(c_i + \delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^m \text{sex}_i^m + \delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^{\text{mix}} \text{sex}_i^{\text{mix}} + \dots) \quad (6)$$

$$+ \delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^{\text{sugar}} \text{sugar}_i + \delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^{\text{blood}} \text{blood}_i), \quad (7)$$

where  $\delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^m$  measures a genus-specific effect of male-only releases ( $\text{sex}_i^m = 1$ ) versus female-only ( $\text{sex}_i^m = 0$ );  $\delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^{\text{mix}}$  is the analogous effect for mixed releases versus female-only;  $\delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^{\text{sugar}}$  is the analogous effect for mosquitoes that were sugar-fed prior to release versus those that were not fed; and  $\delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^{\text{blood}}$  is the analogous

effect for mosquitoes that were blood-fed prior to release versus those that were not fed. The parameter  $c_i$  is modelled hierarchically, being drawn from a group-level distribution assumed to be normal,

$$c_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_\lambda, \sigma). \quad (8)$$

We then specify priors on these group-level parameters,  $\mu_\lambda \sim \mathcal{N}(-2.32, 1)$  and  $\sigma \sim \text{log-normal}(-3, 1)$ . On all  $\delta$  parameters, except  $\delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^{\text{mix}}$ , we specify standard normal priors. We specify a uniform prior on  $\delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^{\text{mix}} \sim U(0, \delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^m)$ , so that the effect of mixed releases lies between the female-only release effect (0) and the male-only release effect ( $\delta_{\text{genus}[i]}^m$ ).

The relatively complex nature of priors in hierarchical models make it important to determine their influence on inferences. We chose the above – somewhat uninformative – priors, to allow a range of mosquito lifespans in order to minimise their effect on the estimates we report (Fig. SM6). We also chose to set hierarchical priors on the remaining parameters in our models –  $\psi$  the probability of daily recapture, and  $\kappa$  the ‘over-dispersion’ parameter of a negative binomial distribution. For  $\psi$ , we chose an informative prior that placed all probability mass  $\psi \leq 10\%$ , since in most experiments the fraction of mosquitoes captured was significantly below this value. For  $\kappa$ , we chose a fairly wide prior that had most of its probability mass below  $\kappa = 20$  (Fig. SM7). In all cases, the hierarchical priors were chosen to have similar implications on lifespan, recapture probability and over-dispersion at the individual time-series level as for the non-hierarchical analysis described previously.

## SM1.6 Testing for age-dependent mortality in wild mosquitoes

Previous work has found evidence of age-dependent mortality in lab populations (Styer *et al.*, 2007; Dawes *et al.*, 2009), and less-commonly in wild mosquitoes (Clements & Paterson, 1981; Harrington *et al.*, 2008). Furthermore, modelling work has examined the implications of departures from a constant risk of mortality (Styer *et al.*, 2007; Hancock *et al.*, 2009; Novoseltsev *et al.*, 2012). To determine whether senescence occurs in wild mosquitoes, we re-estimate the model using a range of different survival functions,  $S(t)$ , that permit mortality to increase with age. Specifically, we re-estimate our model using five other models that were previously used in the literature (see Table SM3 for a description of these). Each of these models makes different assumptions about how the rate of death and dispersal varies with age, but all can be represented by a general form,

$$S(t) = e^{-\int_0^t \lambda(\tau) d\tau}. \quad (9)$$

Survival function	Hazard rate	Interpretation	Mean time spent in study area, $\bar{T}$	Papers assuming this function
Exponential	$\lambda$	Constant mortality risk	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	Ross (1910); Anderson & May (1992); Smith & McKenzie (2004)
Gompertz	$\alpha e^{\beta t}$	Mortality increases with age at an ever-increasing rate	$\frac{e^{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}} \Gamma(0, \frac{\alpha}{\beta})}{\beta}$	Clements & Paterson (1981); Styler <i>et al.</i> (2007); Novoseltsev <i>et al.</i> (2012)
Weibull	$\alpha t^\beta; \beta \geq 1$	Mortality increases with age at an ever-increasing rate	$\alpha^{-\frac{1}{\beta}} \Gamma(1 + \frac{1}{\beta})$	Hancock <i>et al.</i> (2009); and Carey (2001) considering general insect demography
Gompertz-Makeham	$\alpha e^{\beta t} + c$	Two additive mortality risks: one that increases with age, and another that is age-independent	No simple analytic form	Styler <i>et al.</i> (2007)
Logistic	$\frac{\alpha e^{\beta t}}{1 + \frac{\alpha s}{b}(e^{\beta t} - 1)}$	Mortality risk increases with age, although at a declining rate	No simple analytic form	Styler <i>et al.</i> (2007); Novoseltsev <i>et al.</i> (2012)
Logistic-Makeham	$\frac{\alpha e^{\beta t}}{1 + \frac{\alpha s}{b}(e^{\beta t} - 1)} + c$	Two separate additive mortality risks: an age-dependent risk of the same form as the logistic model, and a constant hazard	No simple analytic form	Styler <i>et al.</i> (2007); Bellan (2010)

Table SM3: **A description of the survival functions used in this study, arranged in rough order of model complexity (simple-complex from top-bottom.)** All parameters are defined to be non-negative.  $\Gamma(\theta)$  and  $\Gamma(\theta_1, \theta_2)$  refer to the Euler gamma function, and incomplete gamma function respectively. The ‘mean time spent in study area’ is an estimate of the combined effects of mosquito mortality and dispersal from the area of the study where collections take place, since we do not analyse spatially-resolved data.

where we constrain the parameters of our models to preclude the possibility of a hazard that decreases with age ( $\frac{d\lambda(t)}{dt} \geq 0$ ). Whilst this could occur if older mosquitoes disperse less than younger mosquitoes, it is unlikely this would outweigh any declines in survival associated with old age.

The parameters of the survival function of each model were assigned hierarchical priors that allowed considerable variation in mosquito lifespan (see Fig. SM6) but had similar means as to the constant mortality case. Otherwise, the statistical model we used remained the same as for the constant mortality case. In testing for age-dependent mortality, we did not account for sex or pre-release feeding effects due to the complexity of including these elements in more complex survival models.

Survival function	time-series-level priors	Group-level priors
Exponential	$c \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_\lambda, \sigma)$	$\mu_\lambda \sim N(-2.32, 1), \sigma \sim \text{log-normal}(-3, 1)$
Gompertz	$\alpha, \beta \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-3, 1), \mu_\beta \sim N(-3, 1.1)$
Weibull	$\alpha, (\beta - 1) \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-4.8, 1.75), \mu_\beta \sim N(-4, 2)$
Gompertz-Makeham	$\alpha, \beta, c \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta c}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-3, 1), \mu_\beta \sim N(-3, 0.5), \mu_c \sim N(-4.5, 0.5)$
Logistic	$\alpha, \beta, s \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta s}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-2.8, 1), \mu_\beta \sim N(-3, 1), \mu_s \sim N(-3, 1)$
Logistic-Makeham	$\alpha, \beta, s, c \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta s c}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-3.2, 1), \mu_\beta \sim N(-3.2, 1), \mu_s \sim N(-3, 0.5), \mu_c \sim N(-4, 0.5)$

Table SM4: **The priors used on parameters of each different survival model.** For the exponential model, the ‘group-level’ priors were the same for the genus and ‘overall’ models that were also estimated. The exponential model was the only model that was simple enough to allow the scale parameter of the log-normal ( $\sigma$ ) to be estimated by the data. The notation  $\alpha, \beta \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha|\beta}, 0.2)$  means that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  were assigned independent log-normal priors with location parameters  $\mu_\alpha$  and  $\mu_\beta$  respectively, and a scale parameter of 0.2 in both cases.

## SM1.7 Model estimation by MCMC

The likelihood and priors used result in posterior distributions whose analytic form cannot be calculated with existent computational methods. Instead, we use Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) methods to sample from each posterior distribution. Specifically, we used *Stan* software (Carpenter *et al.*, 2016) that implements an efficient MCMC algorithm known as NUTS (Hoffman & Gelman, 2014).

To judge convergence of the sampling algorithm to the posterior density, we calculated  $\hat{R}$  across all Markov chains – a ratio that compares between-chain variation to that within each chain that is commonly used to measure convergence in MCMC (Gelman & Rubin, 1992). For each class of model, we used the following MCMC parameters,

- Individual lifespan models (Section SM1.4): 12 independent chains with 1000 iterations per chain,
- Hierarchical lifespan estimates (Section SM1.5): 12 independent chains with 15,000 iterations per chain,
- Age-dependent analysis (Section SM1.6): 12 independent chains with 3000 iterations per chain.

In all cases, we discarded the first half of these iterations as warm-up (Gelman *et al.*, 2014). At the end of all runs for lifespan estimation,  $\hat{R} < 1.1$  for all model parameters. For the age-dependent cases, there remained a handful of parameters where  $\hat{R} > 1.1$  after running simulations for 3000 iterations but this did not affect our inferences, since repeated runs demonstrated the same pattern. We also ensured that across each MCMC run, the number of divergent iterations (that can bias the MCMC away from the true posterior density) was minimal. In the majority of cases, the number of divergent iterations was far fewer than 1% of the total number of samples.

The Stan scripts for lifespan estimation (i.e. those using an exponential survival model) for the MRR analyses are provided below. The script for the individual time series analysis (Section SM1.4):

```

data {
  // Single release parameters
  int<lower=0> N; // number of observations
  int<lower=0> K; // number of groups
  int Y[N]; // observations for the releases
  int S[K]; // time series lengths
  vector[N] t; // time observations (days)
  int Pos[K]; // starting position of each dataset

  // Multiple release parameters
  int RelFreq[K]; // frequency of releases in each study
  // starting position of releases in each study
  // in RelNumber
  int PosRel[K];
  int<lower=0> NReleases; // total number of releases
  // numbers released in each study
  vector[NReleases] RelNumber;
  // time of each release in each study
  vector[NReleases] RelTime;

  real Age[K];
}

parameters {
  real<lower=0.3, upper=20> kappa[K];
  real<lower=0> cDecay[K];
  real<lower=0, upper=1> psi[K];
}

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}

model {
// Likelihood
for (i in 1:K) {
real lambda[S[i]];

if (RelFreq[i]< 2) // Single release
{
    real numberCaught;
    numberCaught = 0;
    for (j in 1:S[i])
    {
        lambda[j]= (psi[i] *
                    (RelNumber[PosRel[i]] - numberCaught) *
                    exp(-cDecay[i] * (t[Pos[i] + j - 1] + Age[i])));
        //1e-5 to prevent loc=0
        Y[Pos[i] + j - 1] ~ neg_binomial_2(
            lambda[j] + 1e-5, kappa[i]);
        numberCaught = numberCaught + Y[Pos[i] + j - 1];
    }
} else // Multiple release
{
    for (j in 1:S[i])
    {
        real lambdaTemp;
        lambdaTemp = 0;
        for (kk in 1:RelFreq[i])
        {
            if (t[Pos[i] + j - 1]> RelTime[PosRel[i]+kk-1])
            {
                lambdaTemp = (
                    lambdaTemp +
                    RelNumber[PosRel[i] + kk - 1] *
                    ((1 - psi[i])^(t[Pos[i] + j - 1] -
                    RelTime[PosRel[i]+kk-1]-1)) *
                    psi[i] * exp(-cDecay[i] *
                    (t[Pos[i] + j - 1] -
                    RelTime[PosRel[i]+kk-1] + Age[i]))
            );
        }
    }
}
}

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        }
    }
    lambda[j] = lambdaTemp;
    Y[Pos[i] + j - 1] ~ neg_binomial_2(lambda[j]+1e-5, kappa[i]);
}
}

// Priors
for (i in 1:K)
{
    cDecay[i] ~ lognormal(-2.32, 1);
    kappa[i] ~ lognormal(2, 1);
    psi[i] ~ exponential(50);
}
}

generated quantities {
vector[K] lifespans;
for(i in 1:K)
    lifespans[i] = 1 / cDecay[i];
}

```

The script for the hierarchical lifespan estimation (Section SM1.5) is shown below:

```

data {
// Single release parameters
int<lower=0> N; // number of observations
int<lower=0> K; // number of groups
int Y[N]; // observations
int S[K]; // group sizes
vector[N] t; // time observations (days)
int Pos[K]; // starting position of each dataset

// Multiple release parameters
int RelFreq[K]; // release frequency in each study
int PosRel[K]; // starting position of releases in each study
int<lower=0> NReleases; // release frequencies
vector[NReleases] RelNumber; // numbers released
vector[NReleases] RelTime; // release times

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int<lower=0> nSpecies; // number of individual species
int SpeciesIndex[K]; // species index of each study

real Age[K];
int SexM[K];
int SexMix[K];
int Genus[K];
int Blood[K];
int Sugar[K];
}

transformed data{
int SpeciesToGenus[nSpecies];
for(i in 1:K){
  SpeciesToGenus[SpeciesIndex[i]] = Genus[i];
}
}

parameters {
real<lower=0.3,upper=100> kappa[K];
real a[nSpecies];
real<lower=0> p[nSpecies];
real<lower=0> r[nSpecies];
real cDecay[K];
real<lower=0,upper=0.1> psi[K];
real<lower=0> sigma_a[nSpecies];
real delta_M[3];
real delta_Blood[3];
real delta_Sugar[3];
real<lower=0, upper=1> u_mixed[3];
}

transformed parameters{
real delta_Mixed[3];
for(i in 1:3)
  delta_Mixed[i] = u_mixed[i] * delta_M[i];
}

model {

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for (i in 1:K) {
  real lambda[S[i]];
  real decay_temp = exp(cDecay[i]+delta_M[Genus[i]] * SexM[i] +
    delta_Mixed[Genus[i]] * SexMix[i] + delta_Sugar[Genus[i]] *
    Sugar[i] + delta_Blood[Genus[i]] * Blood[i]);

  if (RelFreq[i]< 2) // Single release
  {
    real R_times_psi;
    real numberCaught;
    numberCaught = 0;
    R_times_psi = psi[i];
    for (j in 1:S[i])
    {
      lambda[j]= R_times_psi *
        (RelNumber[PosRel[i]]-numberCaught) *
        exp(-decay_temp * (t[Pos[i] + j - 1] + Age[i]));
      Y[Pos[i] + j - 1] ~ neg_binomial_2(lambda[j] + 1e-5,
                                            kappa[i]);
      numberCaught = numberCaught + Y[Pos[i] + j - 1];
    }
  }
  else // Multiple release
  {
    for (j in 1:S[i])
    {
      real lambdaTemp;
      lambdaTemp = 0;
      for (kk in 1:RelFreq[i])
      {
        if (t[Pos[i] + j - 1]> RelTime[PosRel[i] + kk - 1])
        {
          lambdaTemp = (lambdaTemp +
            RelNumber[PosRel[i] + kk - 1] *
            ((1-psi[i])^(t[Pos[i] + j - 1] -
            RelTime[PosRel[i] + kk - 1] - 1)) *
            psi[i] * exp(-decay_temp *
            (t[Pos[i] + j - 1] -
            RelTime[PosRel[i] + kk - 1] + Age[i])));
        };
      }
    }
  }
}

```

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        }
    }
    lambda[j] = lambdaTemp;
    Y[Pos[i] + j - 1] ~ neg_binomial_2(lambda[j] + 1e-5,
                                         kappa[i]);
}
}

// Priors
for (i in 1:K)
{
    int speciesTemp;
    speciesTemp = SpeciesIndex[i];
    cDecay[i] ~ normal(a[speciesTemp], sigma_a[speciesTemp]);
    kappa[i] ~ exponential(p[speciesTemp]);
    psi[i] ~ exponential(r[speciesTemp]);
}
a ~ normal(-2.32, 1);
sigma_a ~ lognormal(-3, 1);
p ~ lognormal(1.5, 1);
r ~ gamma(100, 2);
delta_M ~ normal(0, 1);
delta_Blood ~ normal(0, 1);
delta_Sugar ~ normal(0, 1);
}

generated quantities{
real overallcDecay[nSpecies];
real overallFLife[nSpecies];
real overallMLife[nSpecies];
real overallMixedLife[nSpecies];
real overallFBloodLife[nSpecies];
real overallFBothLife[nSpecies];
real overallFSugarLife[nSpecies];
real overallMSugarLife[nSpecies];

for(i in 1:nSpecies){
    overallcDecay[i] = normal_rng(a[i], sigma_a[i]);
    overallFLife[i] = 1 / exp(overallcDecay[i]);
}
}

```

```

overallMLife[i] = 1 / exp(overallcDecay[i] +
                           delta_M[SpeciesToGenus[i]]);
overallMixedLife[i] = 1 / exp(overallcDecay[i] +
                               delta_Mixed[SpeciesToGenus[i]]);
overallFBloodLife[i] = 1 / exp(overallcDecay[i] +
                                delta_Blood[SpeciesToGenus[i]]);
overallFSugarLife[i] = 1 / exp(overallcDecay[i] +
                                delta_Sugar[SpeciesToGenus[i]]);
overallFBothLife[i] = 1 / exp(overallcDecay[i] +
                               delta_Sugar[SpeciesToGenus[i]] +
                               delta_Blood[SpeciesToGenus[i]]);
overallMSugarLife[i] = 1 / exp(overallcDecay[i] +
                                delta_M[SpeciesToGenus[i]] +
                                delta_Sugar[SpeciesToGenus[i]]);
}

}

```

## SM1.8 K-Fold cross validation

One way to estimate a model's out-of-sample predictive capability is to use the Akaike Information Criterion that explicitly penalises a model in accordance to its complexity (typically indexed by its number of free parameters) to correct for model over-fit. The way in which this correction takes places however, is fairly heuristic, and less appropriate for hierarchical models. An alternative method, common in the machine learning literature, is known as 'cross-validation' (see for example, Kohavi *et al.* (1995)). Here to estimate out of sample predictive capability, the original data set is partitioned into training and test sets. The model is then fitted to the training set, and its predictive performance measured on the independent test set.

We use cross-validation to compare the predictive power of the species, genus and overall models, and later to determine whether age-dependent mortality occurs. In particular, we use K-Fold cross validation (with  $K = 4$  folds for the MRR analysis), where we repeatedly partition our dataset into a test set composed of a number of individual time-series, and a training set of the remainder (see for example, Marsland (2015)). We then use the fitted model to measure the predictive performance on the test set. The particular measure we use is the expected log point-wise predictive density (elpd)(Vehtari *et al.*, 2015) which sums the predictive performance for each data point averaged across all posterior samples.

Since the models are hierarchical, we must specify how to draw parameters for a given test sample time-series. Here we chose to draw values of the individual time-series parameters as samples from the population distribution that corresponds

to that particular sample's respective grouping. So if the particular test sample time-series pertains to *Ae. aegypti* (and we are using the species-level model), then we draw independent samples for the statistical model's parameters from the estimated *Ae. aegypti* population distribution,

$$\theta_i \sim p(\theta^{\text{Ae. aegypti}} | \text{data}), \quad (10)$$

where  $\theta_i$  is the value of the parameters used in test time-series  $i$ , and  $p(\theta^{\text{Ae. aegypti}} | \text{data})$  is the overall posterior distribution across all *Ae. aegypti* experiments.

### SM1.9 Model checking

To check the fit of the model to the data, we simulated from the posterior predictive distribution for each data point within each time series of recapture observations (see Figures SM8, SM9 & SM10 and the attached file, `mrr_ppcs_all.pdf` for the full graphs). In the majority of cases, the data lay within the 95% predictive intervals indicating that the model was a good fit to the data.

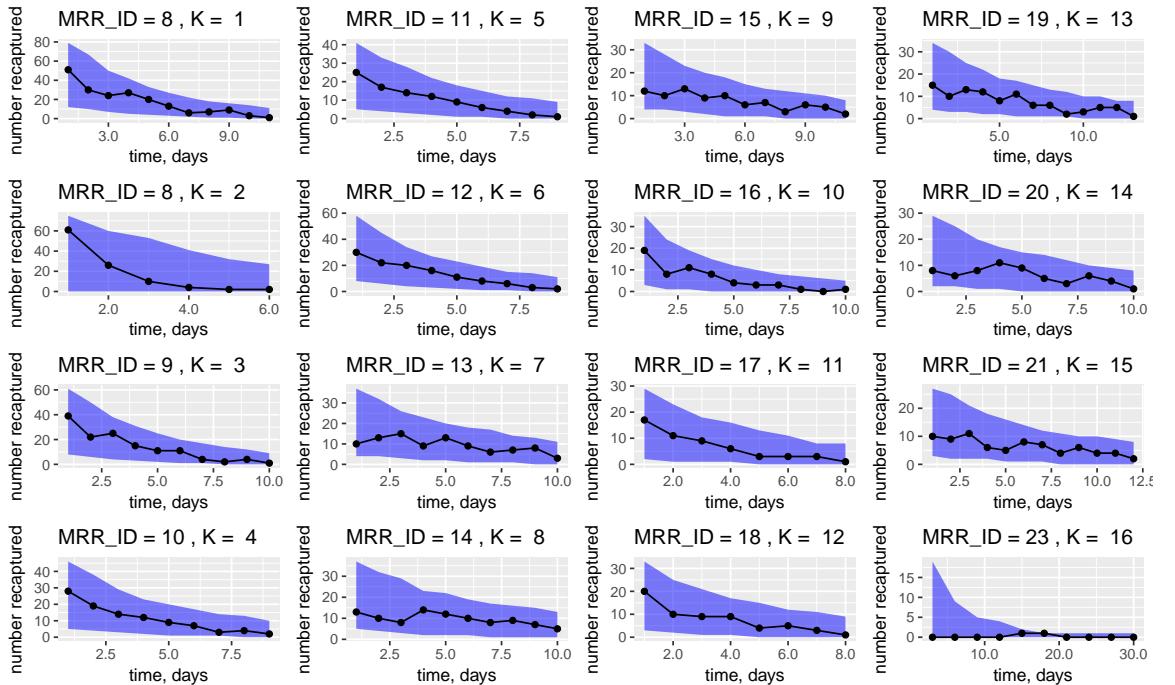


Figure SM8: The numbers of mosquitoes recaptured (black lines) versus the 95% central posterior interval of the posterior predictive distribution (blue shading) for a selection of the time series. For the rest of the posterior predictive checks for the MRR models, see the file referenced in the text.

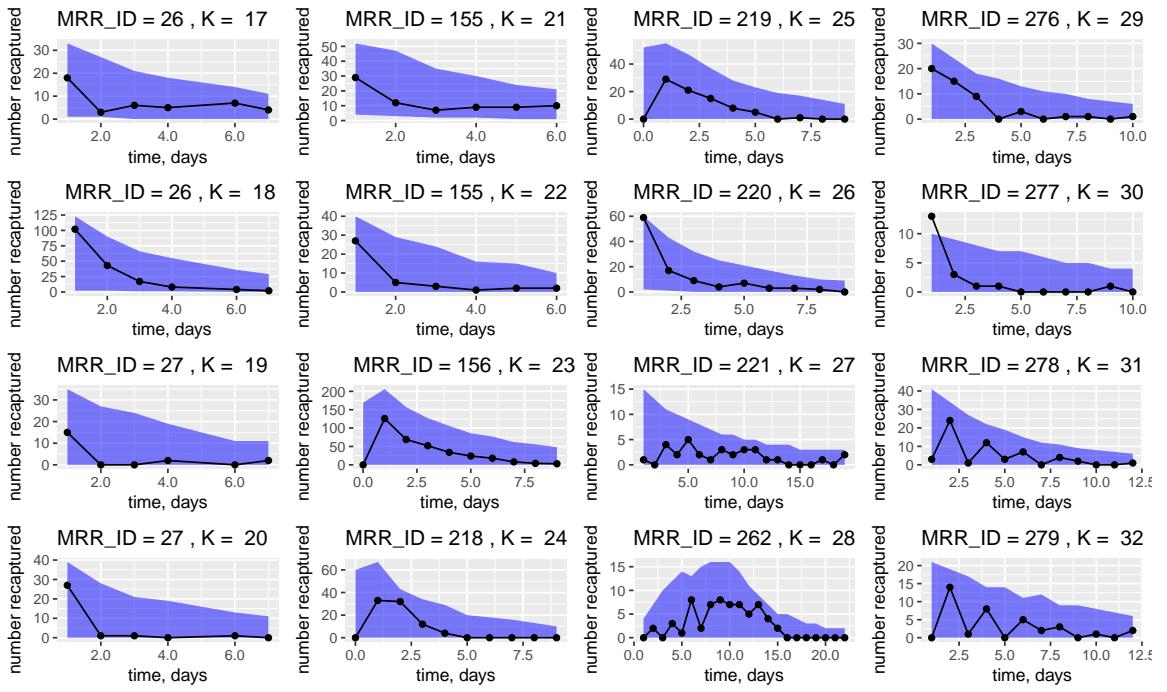


Figure SM9: The numbers of mosquitoes recaptured (black lines) versus the 95% central posterior interval of the posterior predictive distribution (blue shading) for a selection of the time series. For the rest of the posterior predictive checks for the MRR models, see the file referenced in the text.

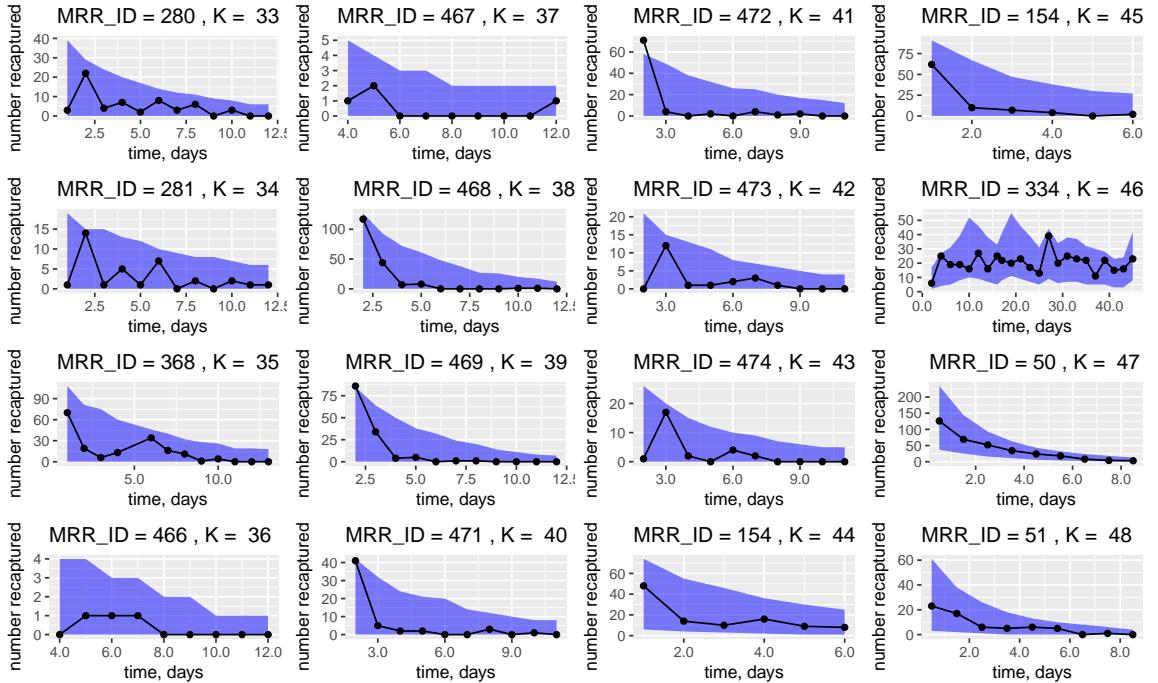
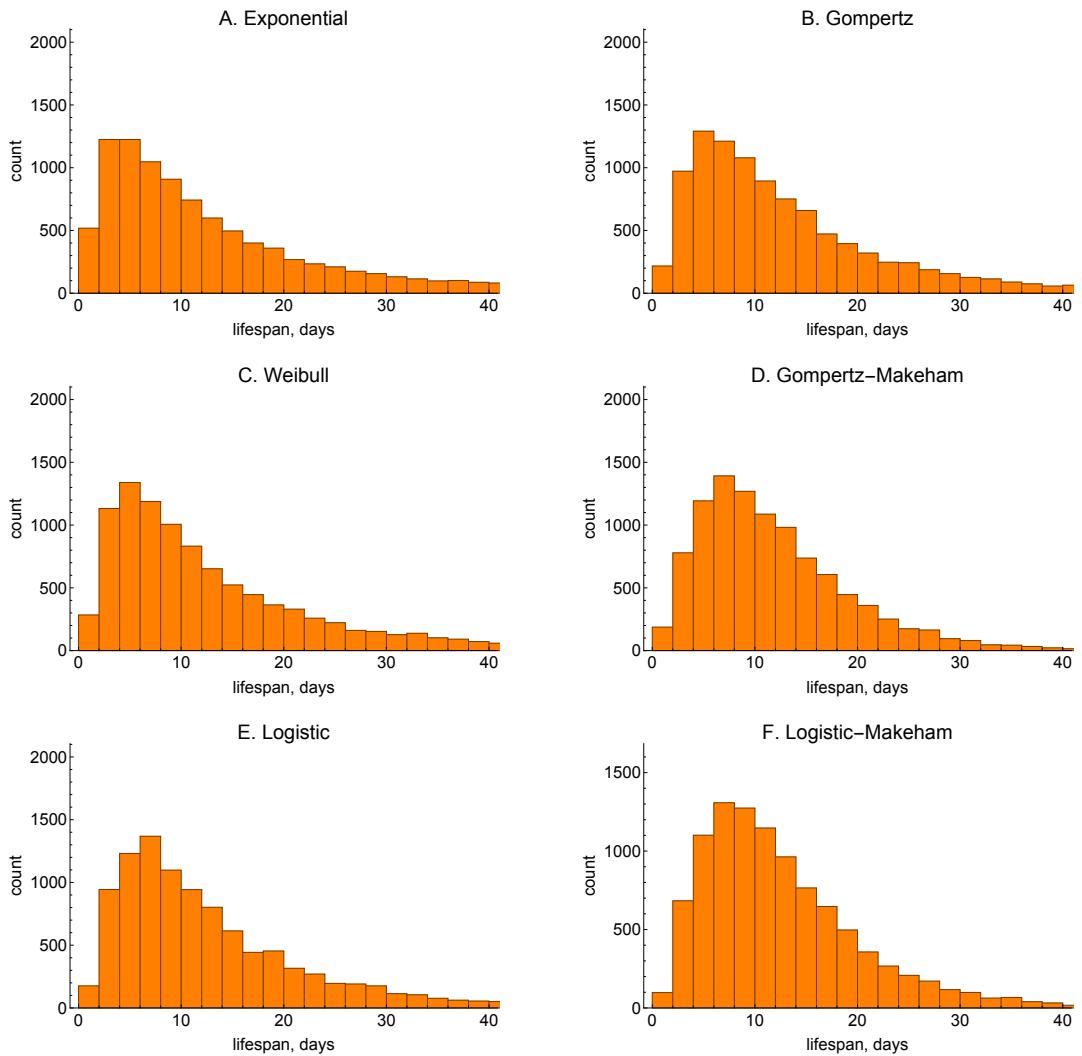


Figure SM10: The numbers of mosquitoes recaptured (black lines) versus the 95% central posterior interval of the posterior predictive distribution (blue shading) for a selection of the time series. For the rest of the posterior predictive checks for the MRR models, see the file referenced in the text.



**Figure SM6: Samples from the prior predictive distribution of mean lifespan across the six models of mosquito mortality introduced in Table SM3.** In all cases, 10,000 samples were generated using the priors indicated in Table SM4, resulting in distributions with a mean close to 10 days.



**Figure SM7: Samples from the priors for daily recapture probability ( $\psi$ ) and over-dispersion parameter ( $\kappa$ ).** In both panels, 10,000 samples were generated using the following hierarchical priors: for the individual time series parameters,  $\psi_i \sim \exp(r)$  (with  $\psi$  constrained to be less than 0.1 - encompassing the upper limit of day one recapture fractions observed in most data series) and  $\kappa_i \sim \exp(p)$ ; for the top-level parameters:  $r \sim \text{gamma}(100, 2)$  and  $p \sim \text{log-normal}(1.5, 1)$ .

## SM2 Polovoda dissection experiments

### SM2.1 Collection of dissection data on physiological age

A comprehensive search of the literature using Google Scholar ([scholar.google.co.uk](https://scholar.google.co.uk)) was performed using various combinations of the following keywords: dissection, mosquito, parity, parous, age, and physiological age. No constraints were placed on publication date, location or type. This list was supplemented with a number of author-specific searches for those individuals most prevalent in the literature. In particular, we searched for all articles authored by: Charlwood, Muller, Schlein, Samarawickrema, Reisen, Detinova, Polodova, Gillies, and Wilkes. An additional list of potential articles was provided by doing a forward article search on some of the most highly-cited articles in the database: Polovodova (1949); Detinova *et al.* (1962); Gillies & Wilkes (1965); Clements & Paterson (1981). The list of results was then filtered manually by examining the titles and abstracts to produce a candidate list of the articles most likely to contain data on the physiological age of dissected mosquitoes caught in the wild, as determined by the Polovodova (1949) method.

A relational database was used to store the raw data from the actual experiments, along with the meta-data associated with each of the experiments. In many of the published articles, wild mosquitoes were caught and dissected over a period of time, and the raw data thus consists of snapshots of the age structure of the population at regular intervals in time. In the cases where the data was more sparse (fewer than ten individuals, on average, per date), we aggregated across dates and recorded this as a single entry; otherwise we recorded the snapshots of the population at each different date. We record separate series for each species that was captured, or for those that were recorded at separate capture locations (potentially with an alternative collection method), and do not aggregate over these datasets.

For each individual series, we recorded the following meta-data: genus, species, collection method, whether or not insecticide was mentioned as being used during or shortly before the time of mosquito collections, and the start and end dates of the experiment. At the article level, we recorded the following meta-data: author, year, title, country, location (within country), start and end date, whether insecticide was used during any of the experimental replicates, whether an MRR experiment occurred alongside the dissection study, and the collection location (indoor or outdoor). At either the individual series or article levels, we recorded additional meta-data describing the nature of data collection, for example explaining where the data was contained within the article, whether it was obtained by digitising graphs, and the number of separate dated series. For those few cases ( $n = 16$  series) where the data was obtained by digitising graphs, we used the WebPlotDigitizer

online tool (Rohatgi, 2017).

The data collection method resulted in 568 separate dissection series, across 72 published articles (see Section SM6 for a list of the studies included in our final dataset). The published datasets cover the period from 1960-2015 with comparable numbers of studies across each decade (Fig. SM11). The statistical approach applied to the data relies on the assumption that there is a constant rate of recruitment into the adult population (see Section SM2.2). If populations fluctuate strongly from month-to-month, this assumption will likely be violated. To try to mitigate against such a risk, we aggregated the data across all dates to obtain a single series for each identifier, resulting in 201 such series. To obtain a reasonable level of accuracy on estimates, we removed all those individual (aggregated) series where fewer than 100 mosquitoes were collected. Finally, we remove data for any species where there was only one series resulting in 131 series across four genera (*Anopheles*, *Culex*, *Aedes*, and *Mansonia*) and 25 species (Table SM5). These studies are distributed across a wide range of geographies (Fig. SM12). The raw data for the dissection analysis are shown in Figures SM13, SM14 and SM15.

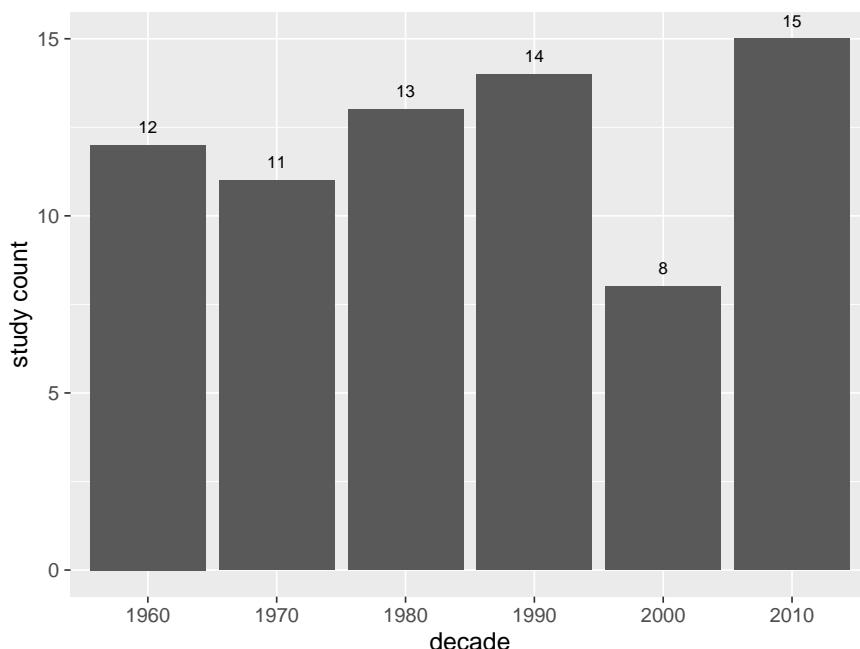
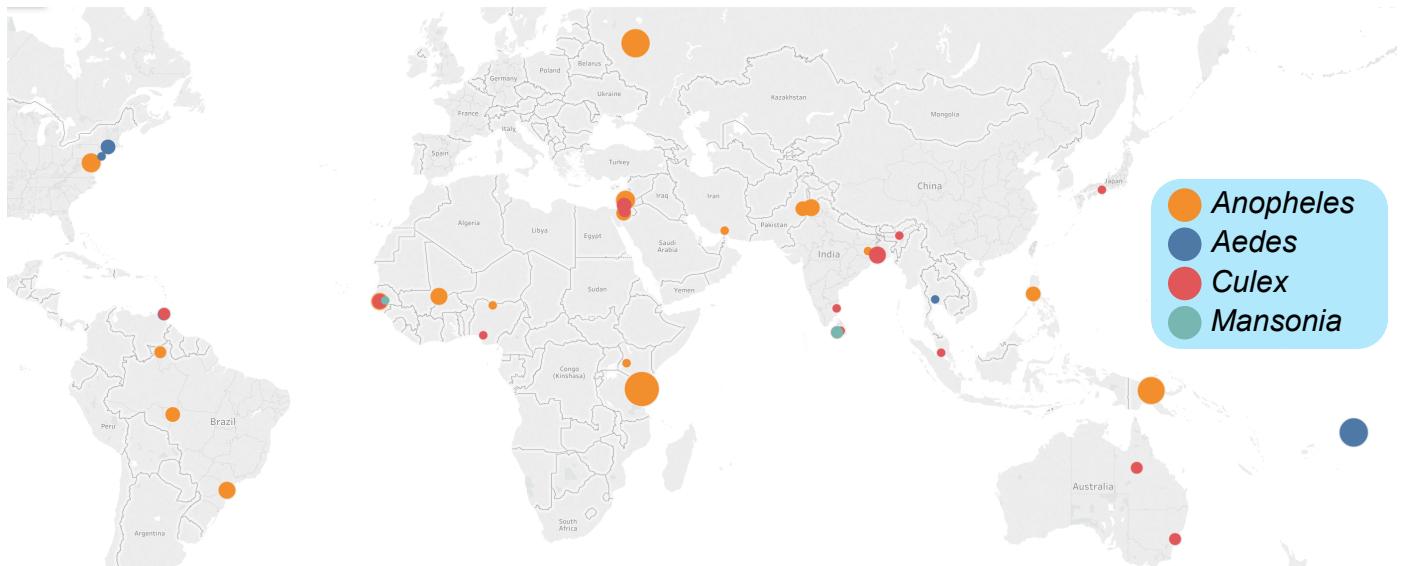


Figure SM11: The numbers of published studies that estimate gonotrophic age by Polovodova's dissection method across the study period.

Genus	Species	Frequency
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>gambiae s.l.</i>	19
<i>Culex</i>	<i>quinquefasciatus</i>	12
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>maculipennis</i>	11
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>farauti s.l.</i>	10
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>sergentii</i>	8
<i>Aedes</i>	<i>polynesiensis</i>	8
<i>Culex</i>	<i>pipiens</i>	6
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>culicifacies</i>	5
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>darlingi</i>	5
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>quadrimaculatus</i>	5
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>stephensi</i>	4
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>melas</i>	4
<i>Culex</i>	<i>annulirostris</i>	4
<i>Aedes</i>	<i>aegypti</i>	3
<i>Aedes</i>	<i>samoanus</i>	3
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>minimus</i>	3
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>rivulorum</i>	3
<i>Culex</i>	<i>thalassius</i>	3
<i>Mansonia</i>	<i>uniformis</i>	3
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>subpictus</i>	2
<i>Aedes</i>	<i>sollicitans</i>	2
<i>Aedes</i>	<i>vexans</i>	2
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>bellator</i>	2
<i>Anopheles</i>	<i>cruzii</i>	2
<i>Culex</i>	<i>tritaeniorhynchus</i>	2
<i>Anopheles</i>		83
<i>Culex</i>		27
<i>Aedes</i>		18
<i>Mansonia</i>		3
Total		131

Table SM5: The numbers of Polovodova dissection series for each species or genus included in the overall dataset. Note, these counts represent numbers of series analysed by the hierarchical models – that is, after aggregating the individual series as described in Section SM2.1.



**Figure SM12: The geographic location of each of the Polovodova datasets included in the meta-analysis.** The area of the bubbles indicates the number of unique data series available.

## SM2.2 Statistical analysis of Polovodova dissection data

We suppose that the number of individuals recruited into the adult female population is constant over time, meaning that the age-structure of the population is stable. Whilst environmental heterogeneity will naturally lead to variation in adult recruitment over time, we hope that by aggregating data across studies undertaken over a range of dates this will reduce the impact of this effect. Suppose that the probability an individual female mosquito survives until age  $a$  is given by the survival function  $S(a)$ , then the number of individuals in the population

Variable	Min	Median	Mean	Max	Standard deviation
Min age of captures, gonotrophic cycles	0	0	0.02	1.00	0.12
Median age of captures, gonotrophic cycles	0	1.00	0.63	2.00	0.62
Mean age of captures, gonotrophic cycles	0.17	0.90	1.00	3.03	0.58
Max age of captures, gonotrophic cycles	1.00	5.00	5.77	13.00	2.94
Number captured	100	565	1,317	14,012	1,885

**Table SM6: Summaries of the characteristics of the 131 individual Polovodova dissection data series that are included in this analysis.** Note when series are censored (see Section SM2.2.1) we assume that all mosquitoes dissected over the threshold are of this age when calculating summary statistics.

surviving to this age is given by,

$$A(a) = A(0)S(a), \quad (11)$$

where  $A(0)$  is the number of adult female mosquitoes recruited into the population per unit time. Consider one individual experiment where we randomly sample from a wild population that is structured as per eq. (11). In this case, the number of individuals sampled at each age is binomially-distributed,

$$y(a) \sim \mathcal{B}(A(a), p(a)), \quad (12)$$

where  $p(a)$  is the probability of recapturing a single mosquito of age  $a$ . In what follows, we assume that the probability of capturing a given mosquito is independent of their age, so that  $p(a) = p = \text{const}$ . Since, in general,  $A(a)$  is large and  $p(a)$  is small, we can approximate the above using a Poisson distribution,

$$y(a) \sim \text{Poisson}(A(a)p). \quad (13)$$

However, the assumption of *independent* captures of individual mosquitoes, which underlies the binomial and Poisson models, is likely suspect for the same reasons as for the MRR analysis (see Section SM1.3). As before, we instead use a negative binomial sampling distribution that allows for non-independent captures,

$$y(a) \sim \text{NB}(A(a)p, \kappa), \quad (14)$$

where we use the parameterisation such that the mean is  $A(a)p$ , and over-dispersion parameter is  $\kappa$ , where, as  $\kappa \rightarrow \infty$ , the above sampling distribution approaches a Poisson.

In the field, unfortunately, we do not know the number of mosquitoes recruited into the adult population,  $A(a)$ , nor the probability of capturing an individual at a given point in time,  $p$ . Instead, we model their product  $\Psi = A(0)p$  (the population of adult female mosquitoes of age zero that are expected to be captured) probabilistically resulting in a model,

$$y(a) \sim \text{NB}(\Psi S(a), \kappa). \quad (15)$$

The resultant likelihood of a data series consisting of counts:  $(y(a_1), y(a_2), \dots, y(a_R))$ , is then calculated by assuming (conditional) independence of the observations,

$$\mathcal{L}(y(a_1), y(a_2), \dots, y(a_R) | S(\cdot), \Psi, \kappa) = \prod_{a=a_1}^{a_R} p(y(a) | S(a), \Psi, \kappa), \quad (16)$$

where  $p(y(a)|S(a), \Psi, \kappa)$  corresponds to the negative binomial probability mass function for a count of  $y(a)$  mosquitoes aged  $a$  as specified in eqn. (15), and  $R$  is the number of separate physiological age classes that we include: for series with no censoring (see below for how censored data were handled), we include 14 separate age classes (from nulliparous to 13-parous). We recognise that the choice of a "maximum" age class is an approximation, since, in theory, we should include a contribution from each "0" observed until  $\infty$ . In reality, however, the limit was chosen to match the maximum number of cycles observed in the data, and the majority of series had far maxima that were less than 5. As such, we believe that our truncation should provide a good approximation to the infinite sum. Since we do not know  $\Psi$ , we must learn it from the data. One approach to estimate this parameter could be use the number of captures of nulliparous mosquitoes,  $X(0)$  in place of  $\Psi$ . We prefer to allow for some uncertainty in this parameter and use the data to estimate its value. However, unfortunately, the negative binomial likelihood allows too much variation in this parameter (because the data are over-dispersed), and instead we specify a likelihood of the form,

$$X(0) \sim \mathcal{N}(\Psi, \sqrt{\Psi}), \quad (17)$$

solely for the first data point  $X(0)$ . The above allows for some freedom in  $\Psi$  whilst ensuring that the parameter's probability mass lies near enough to  $X(0)$  to allow useful model estimates.  $\Psi$  is set a uniform prior over the range  $[0, \frac{3}{2}X(0)]$ .

Since  $S(a)$  is monotonically-decreasing, we know that, if recruitment to the adult population is constant, then the numbers of nulliparous individuals should exceed the count in subsequent parity states. However, in a number of data series there is a relative dearth of nulliparous mosquitoes versus uniparous individuals. This deficiency has been noted in a previously-published study where the authors hypothesise that it is due to the issue of sampling the nulliparous population, since they are more likely to rest outside, compared with parous individuals (Gillies & Wilkes, 1965). However, there is conflicting evidence that suggests that, on average, the first gonotrophic cycle is longer than subsequent cycles (see Section SM2.5), meaning that a relative surplus of nulliparous mosquitoes may exist in captured samples (Clements & Paterson, 1981).

In our analysis, we chose to remove the counts of nulliparous individuals from the series where the count was low relative to uniparous or higher parity individuals since this may indicate issues with sampling the nulliparous population. Specifically, we stipulated that the nulliparous count should exceed 90% of the count for the uniparous individuals. For those cases where this condition was not met, we removed the nulliparous observation and analyse the series of counts for all subsequent pars (uniparous and subsequent parous states).

Here, we estimate our model with one of six different survival functions (the same as for the MRR case; Table SM3), each of which makes different assumptions

Survival function	Physiological age series-level priors	Group-level priors
Exponential	$\lambda \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_\lambda, \sigma)$	$\mu_\lambda \sim N(-1.2, 1), \sigma \sim \text{log-normal}(-2, 1)$
Gompertz	$\alpha, \beta \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-1.5, 1), \mu_\beta \sim N(-2.5, 0.5)$
Weibull	$\alpha, (\beta - 1) \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-2.5, 1), \mu_\beta \sim N(-4, 0.5)$
Gompertz-Makeham	$\alpha, \beta, c \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta c}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-1.4, 1), \mu_\beta \sim N(-3, 0.4), \mu_c \sim N(-4.5, 0.5)$
Logistic	$\alpha, \beta, s \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta s}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-1.4, 1), \mu_\beta \sim N(-2, 1), \mu_s \sim N(-3, 1)$
Logistic-Makeham	$\alpha, \beta, s, c \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha \beta s c}, 0.2)$	$\mu_\alpha \sim N(-3, 1), \mu_\beta \sim N(-1.3, 1), \mu_s \sim N(-2, 0.5), \mu_c \sim N(-4, 0.5)$

Table SM7: **The priors used on parameters of each different survival model for the Polovodova dissection data analysis.** For the exponential model the ‘group-level’ priors were the same for the genus and ‘overall’ models that were also estimated. The exponential model was the only model that was simple enough to allow the scale parameter of the log-normal ( $\sigma$ ) to be estimated by the data. The notation  $\alpha, \beta \sim \text{log-normal}(\mu_{\alpha|\beta}, 0.2)$  means that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  were assigned independent log-normal priors with location parameters  $\mu_\alpha$  and  $\mu_\beta$  respectively, and a scale parameter of 0.2 in both cases.

regarding how the force of mortality is affected by mosquito age. To estimate lifespan at the species, genus and overall groupings we then use a hierarchical Bayesian model of the same mathematical form as for the analysis of MRR experiments (i.e. assuming exponential survival functions; see Section SM1.5). However, the priors for the analysis of dissection data were modified so that they represented a mean prior lifespan of three gonotrophic cycles, although allowed considerable variation in this parameter (Fig. SM16). The priors used for the over-dispersion parameter ( $\kappa$ ) for the negative binomial likelihood were the same as for the MRR analysis. To determine whether mosquitoes experience age-dependent mortality, we compared the predictive power of each of the models that incorporate a hazard function that increases with age with that from the exponential model. As for the MRR analysis, we also used K-Fold cross-validation to perform this comparison, where the data are randomly partitioned into training and test sets (see Section SM1.8). The model is then fitted to each training set and used to predict the data in the independent test set. Since there are fewer series than for the MRR dataset, we used two partitions for each species, where each partition had roughly the same count of individual series.

The estimates of mean mosquito lifespan that we present here resulted from the use of the exponential survival model (i.e. no age dependence). This choice was

made because we found limited evidence in support of age-dependent mortality (see ‘Results’). However, since the priors for each of the survival functions were specified to allow for a wide variety of lifespans (Fig. SM16), the specific choice of survival function made little difference to resultant estimates (data not shown). To demonstrate that the results we obtained are not sensitive to the particular form of hierarchical prior structure chosen, we also provide estimates of the lifespan for each series analysed separately (i.e. non-hierarchically). To do so, we assume priors on the rate parameter of the exponential distribution that provides support over a wide range of possible lifespans (Fig. SM17A) but had a mean close to the hierarchical case equivalent. We also specified a prior on the over-dispersion parameter  $\kappa$  that was comparable to the hierarchical case (Fig. SM17B).

### SM2.2.1 Analysis of censored data series

Some published studies do not distinguish the number of gonotrophic studies beyond a threshold,  $a_T$  (the more ovariole dilations there are the harder it is to count them) which is akin to censoring the data. This censoring involves only a relatively small number of mosquitoes in each time series (median = 2%) and so we are confident that these few cases do not substantially affect our inferences. We now describe the statistical model used to describe these instances. In these cases, we only know the number,  $y(a_T)$ , of individuals who were captured and dissected with an estimated physiological age that is greater than or equal to the threshold. Since we do not know the estimated physiological age of individual specimens  $i$ , we represent this as a parameter,  $\aleph_i$ , in our statistical model. This means that the joint distribution is a function of  $y(a_T)$  different  $\aleph_i$  parameters. Since these parameters are not directly of interest, and our chosen MCMC engine, Stan (Stan Development Team, 2014), does not directly allow discrete parameters in models, we marginalise these out of the joint distribution. To do this exactly would require an infinite sum over all the possible ages for all  $y(a_T)$  mosquitoes that have been caught whose age exceeds the threshold. Rather than carry out this intractable number of summations, we instead make the approximation that all mosquitoes in this group are of the same age  $\aleph_i = \aleph, \forall i \in (1, \dots, y(a_T))$ . We believe this assumption is justifiable, particularly since the numbers of mosquitoes in each subsequent age category is a strongly-decreasing function of age. This means that whilst we do not know with certainty individuals’ ages, it is likely that most will be of the threshold age  $a_T$ .

This approximation means that to marginalise the parameter  $\aleph$  out of the joint distribution, we are only required to do a single summation. Specifically if we have  $y(a_T)$  captured individuals of age equal to, or exceeding, some threshold age,  $a_T$ ,

the probability of these observations is given by,

$$q(y(a_T)|S(.), \Psi, \kappa) = \sum_{\aleph=a_T}^{\infty} p(y(a_T), \aleph|S(\aleph), \Psi, \kappa) \quad (18)$$

$$= \sum_{\aleph=a_T}^{\infty} p(y(a_T)|S(\aleph), \Psi, \kappa) \times p(\aleph) \quad (19)$$

where  $q(y(a_T)|S(\aleph), \Psi, \kappa)$  is the probability of observing  $y(a_T)$  counts for mosquitoes of an age  $\aleph$ . In practice, since we do not believe mosquitoes live for longer than 20 gonotrophic cycles (the maximum observed in the data was 13), we cut-off the summation at this point, and assume that the discrete prior probability distribution  $p(\aleph)$  is uniform over this range. The overall likelihood for the cases where the series are censored therefore has the form,

$$\mathcal{L}(y(a_1), y(a_2), \dots, y(a_T-1), y(a_T)|S(.), \Psi, \kappa) = \left( \prod_{a=a_1}^{a_T-1} p(y(a)|S(a), \Psi, \kappa) \right) q(y(a_T)|S(\aleph), \Psi, \kappa). \quad (20)$$

In practice, the number of mosquitoes captured in those series that are censored represents a small percentage of total captures, so the effect of the  $q(.)$  term above is likely minimal on resultant inferences.

### SM2.3 Model estimation by MCMC

As for the MRR analysis, we used *Stan* software (Carpenter *et al.*, 2016) to sample from the posterior distributions of model parameters. To judge convergence of the sampling algorithm to the posterior density, we calculated  $\hat{R}$  across all Markov chains (Gelman & Rubin, 1992). For each model, we ran 16 independent Markov chains with 200 iterations per chain, discarding the first half of these iterations as warm-up (Gelman *et al.*, 2014). After running the algorithm for the given number of observations,  $\hat{R} < 1.1$  for all model parameters. We also ensured that across each MCMC run, the number of divergent iterations (that can bias the MCMC away from the true posterior density) was minimal. In the majority of cases, the number of divergent iterations was far fewer than 1% of the total number of samples.

The model used to estimate the lifespan in terms of gonotrophic cycles is provided below.



```

data{
    int N; // number of obs
    int K; // number of time series
    int Y[N]; // number captured
    int S[K]; // length of each series
    int threshold[K]; // age of censoring; if -1 then no censoring
    int Pos[K]; // position of start of each series in Y
    int species[K]; // index variable of species
    int nSpecies; // number of species
}

parameters{
    real<lower=0> PopSize[K];
    real<lower=0> alpha[K];
    real alpha_mean[nSpecies];
    real<lower=0> alpha_sigma[nSpecies];
    real<lower=0> kappa[K];
    real<lower=0> p[nSpecies];
}

model{
// Likelihood
for(i in 1:K){
    for(t in 2:S[i]){
        // uncensored
        if(threshold[i] < 0)
            Y[Pos[i]+t-1] ~ neg_binomial_2(PopSize[i] *
                                              exp(-alpha[i] * (t-1)), kappa[i]);
        // censoring
        else{
            if((t-1) < threshold[i])
                Y[Pos[i]+t-1] ~ neg_binomial_2(PopSize[i] *
                                              exp(-alpha[i] * (t-1)), kappa[i]);
            else{
                real lLogProb[20];
                for(j in 1:20){
                    lLogProb[j] = neg_binomial_2_lpmf(Y[Pos[i]+t-1] | PopSize[i] * exp(-alpha[i] * (t-1)),
                                                       kappa[i]);
                }
                target += log_sum_exp(lLogProb);
            }
        }
    }
}
}

```

```

// Priors
for(i in 1:K){
    int aSpecies;
    aSpecies = species[i];
    Y[Pos[i]] ~ normal(PopSize[i], sqrt(PopSize[i]));
    alpha[i] ~ lognormal(alpha_mean[aSpecies],
                           alpha_sigma[aSpecies]);
    kappa[i] ~ exponential(p[aSpecies]);
}

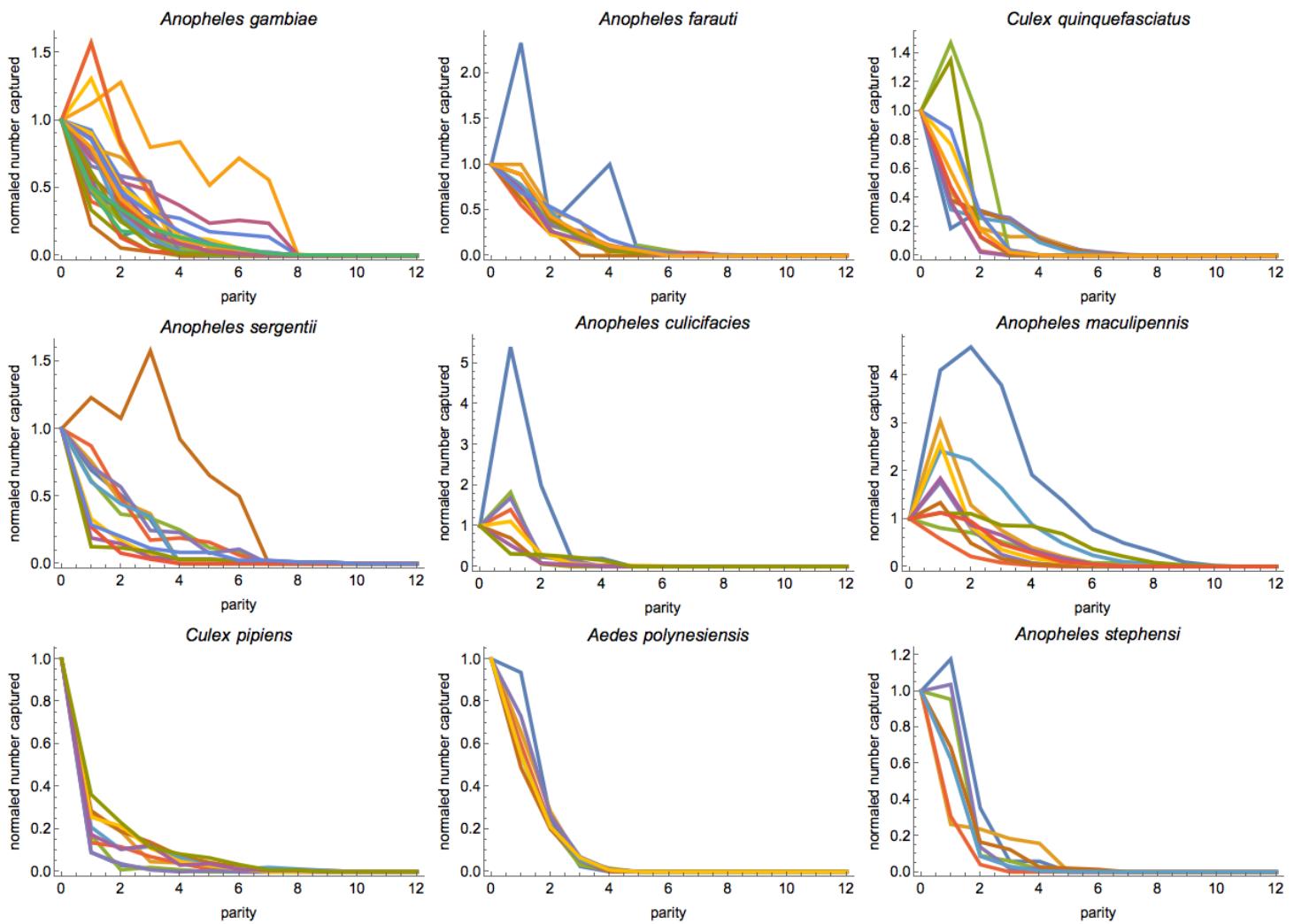
alpha_mean ~ normal(-1.2, 1);
alpha_sigma ~ lognormal(-2, 1);
p ~ lognormal(1, 1);
}

generated quantities{
real alpha_average[nSpecies];
for(i in 1:nSpecies)
    alpha_average[i] = lognormal_rng(alpha_mean[i],alpha_sigma[i]);
}

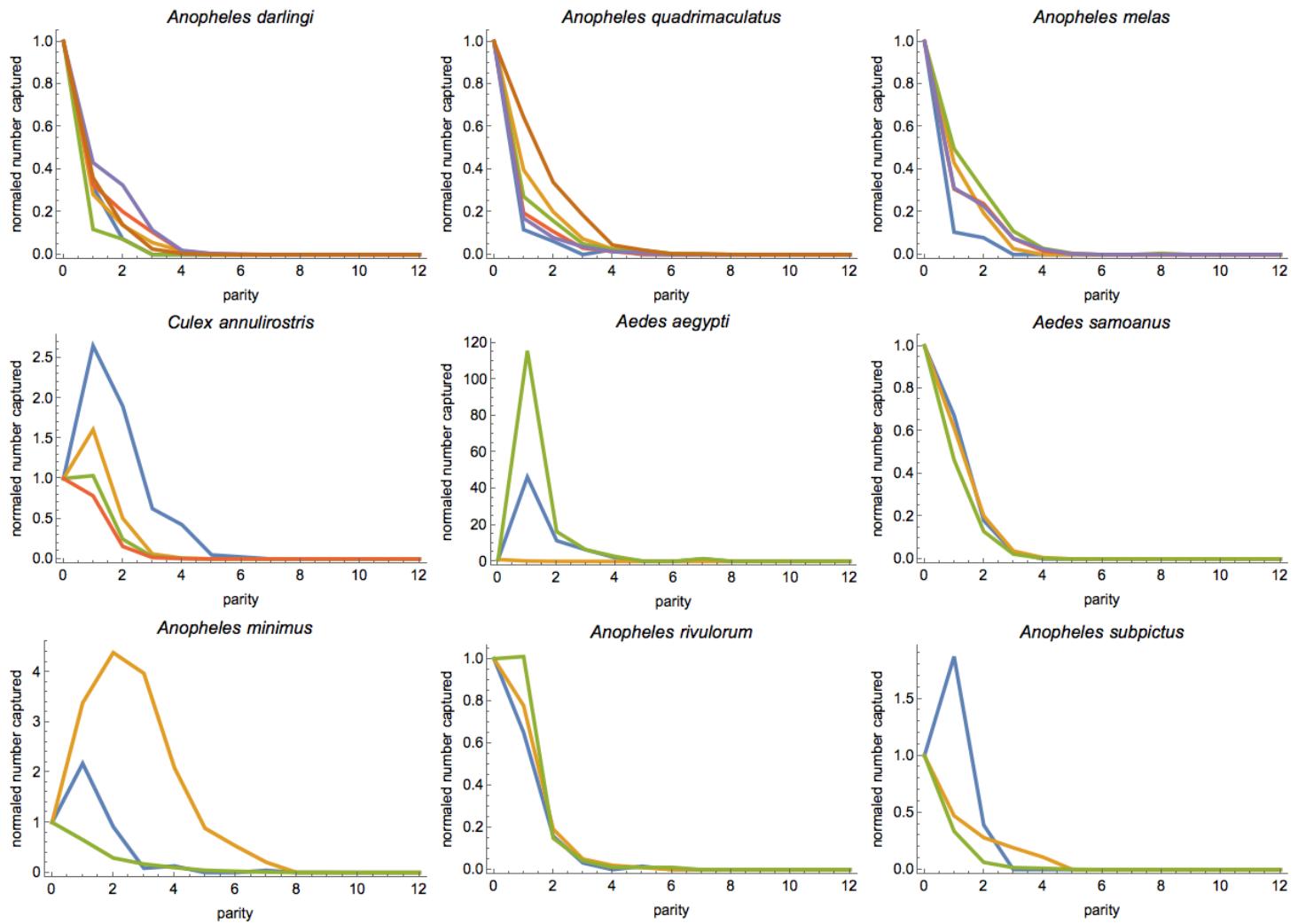
```

## SM2.4 Model checking

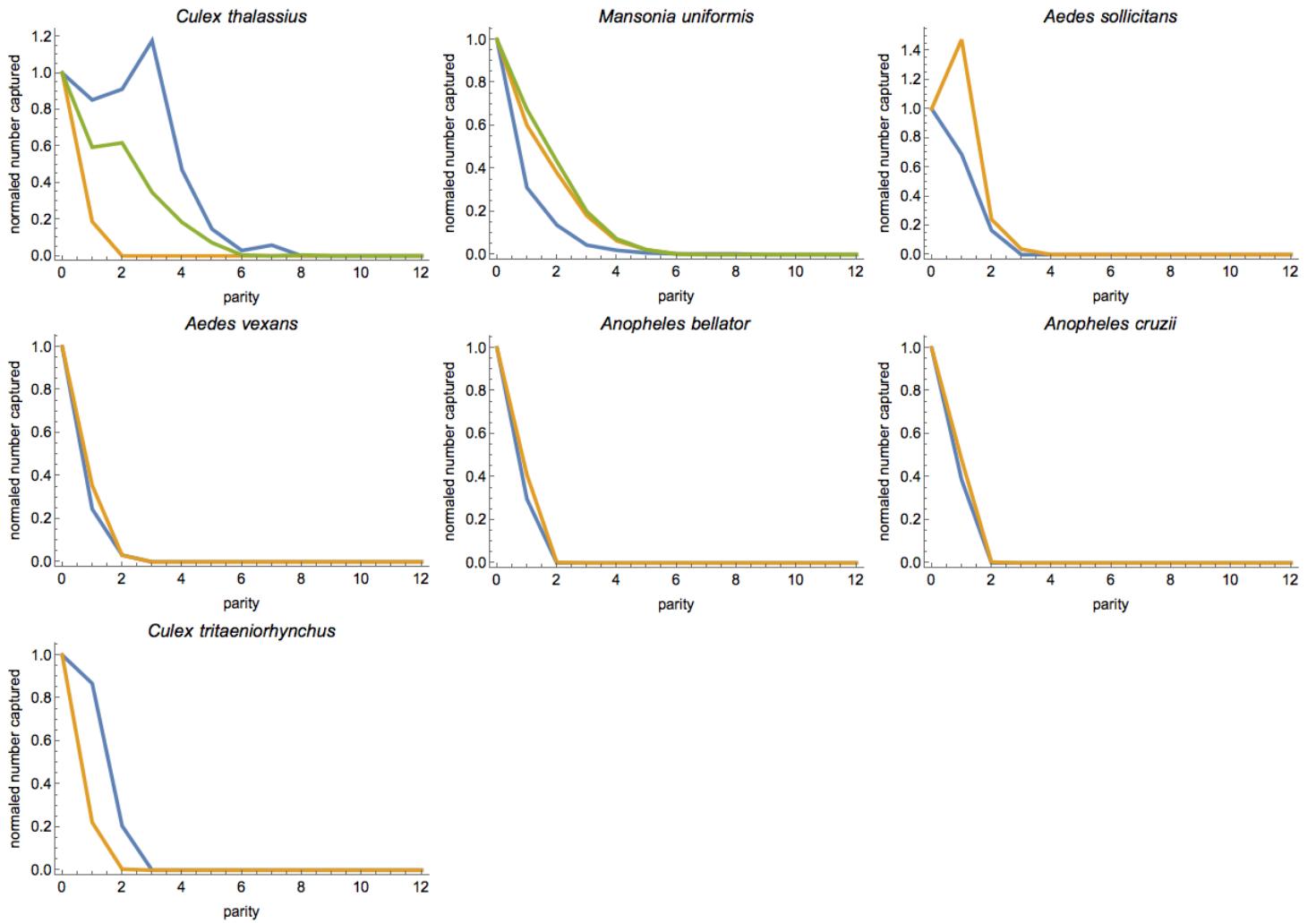
As for the MRR experiments, we simulated from the posterior predictive distribution for each series of dissection data. In the majority of the cases, the capture data lay within the 95% posterior predictive intervals, indicating that our model was a good fit to the data (see Figures SM18, SM19 & SM20 and the attached file, `dissection_ppcs_all.pdf` for the full graphs).



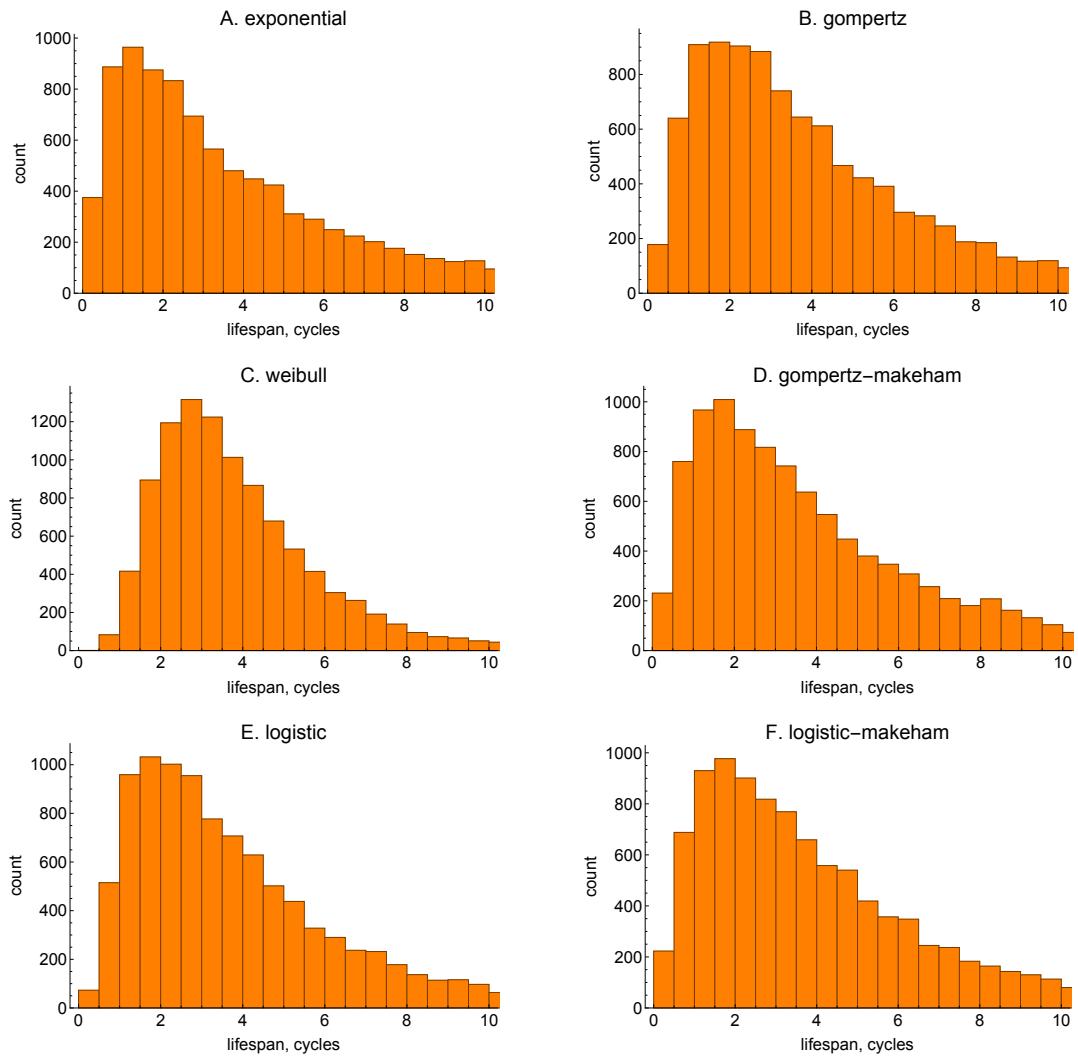
**Figure SM13: The normalised physiological age series for nine species in the database.** Each different coloured line represents an individual series. In each case the count for all ages has been normalised by the nulliparous count. In all cases, we do not include any data for censored observations (see Section SM2.2.1).



**Figure SM14: The normalised physiological age series for nine species in the database.** Each different coloured line represents an individual series. In each case, the count for all ages has been normalised by the nulliparous count. In all cases, we do not include any data for censored observations (see Section SM2.2.1).



**Figure SM15: The normalised physiological age series for seven species in the database.** Each different coloured line represents an individual series. In each case, the count for all ages has been normalised by the nulliparous count. In all cases, we do not include any data for censored observations (see Section SM2.2.1).



**Figure SM16: The priors for mean lifespan used to analyse the Polovodova dissection data for each of the hierarchical models.** The distributional form of the priors is given in Table SM7. In all cases, the plots show data for 10,000 samples from the relevant prior distribution.

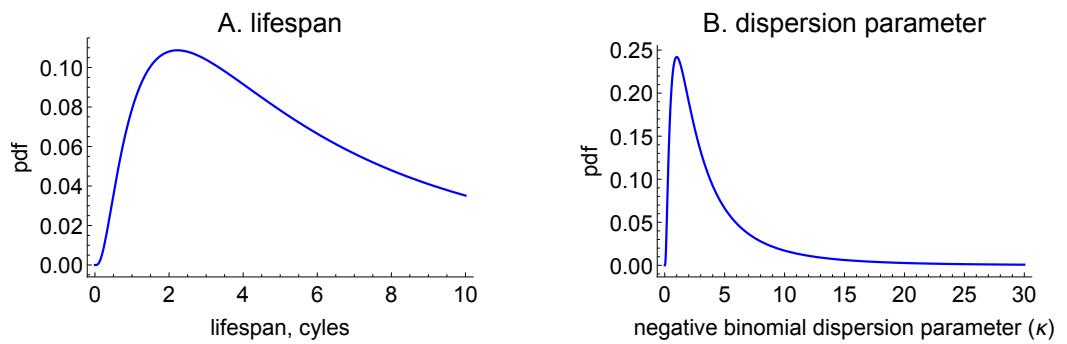
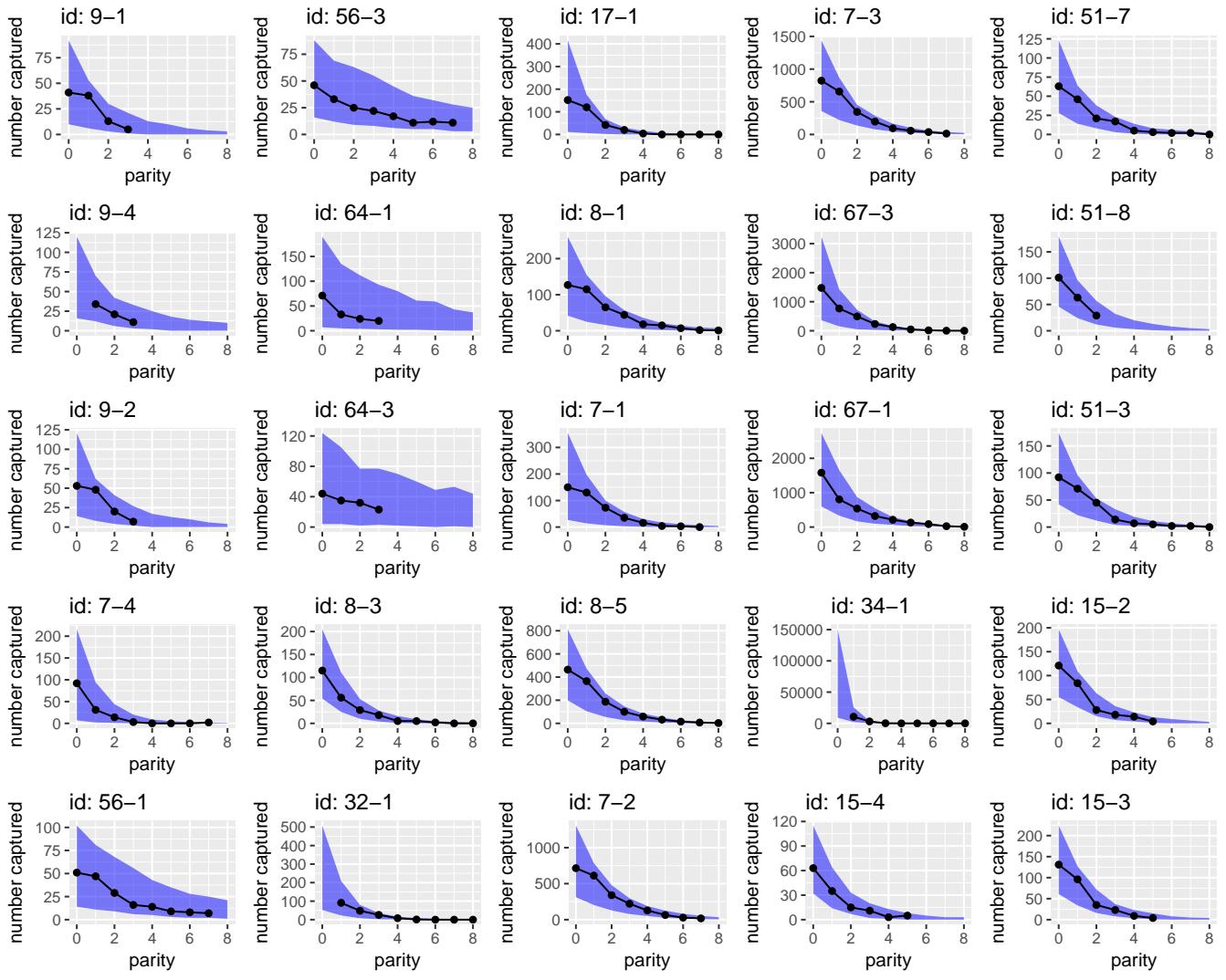
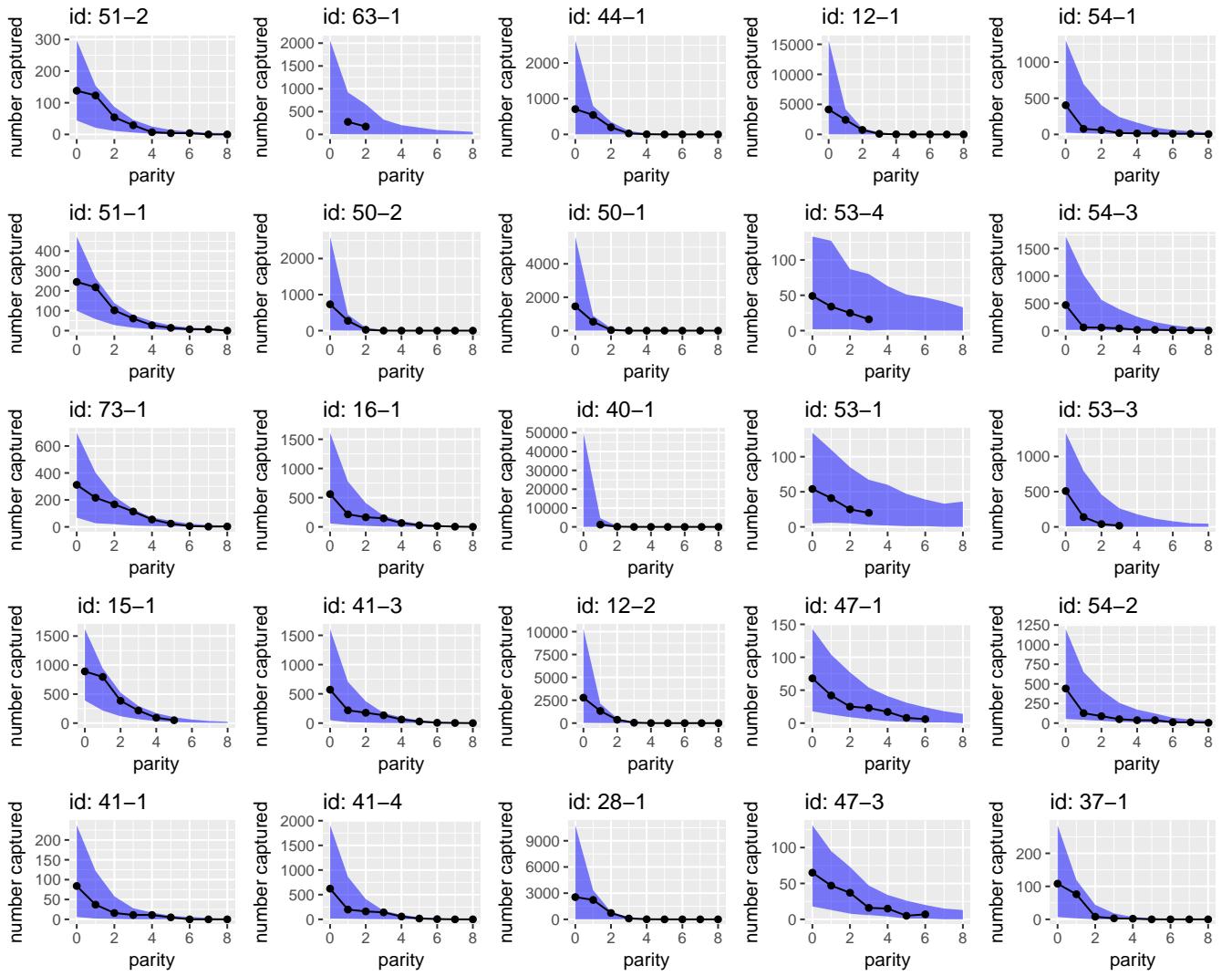


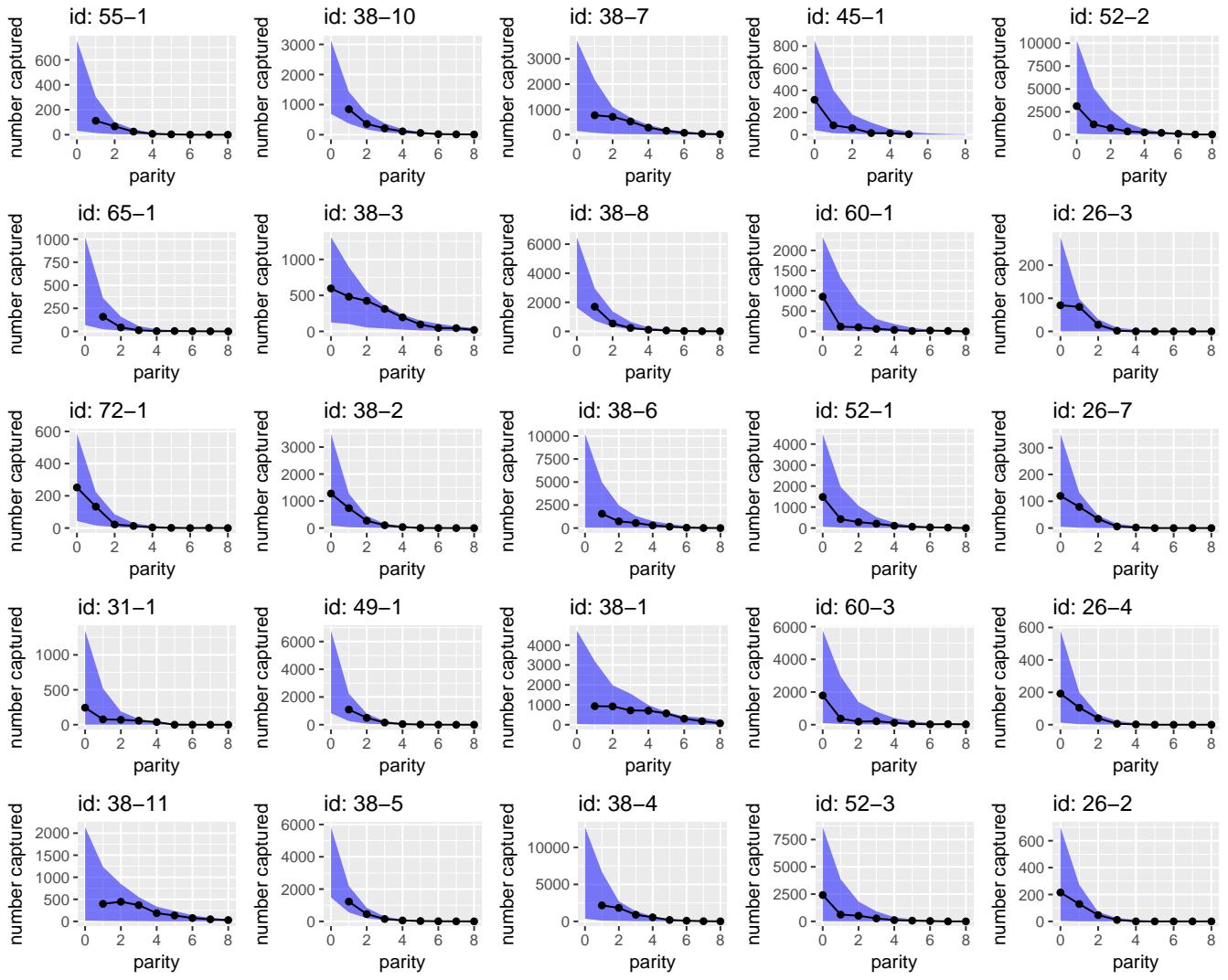
Figure SM17: The priors for A. mean lifespan and B. the over-dispersion parameter used to analyse the individual dissection series. The prior on the rate parameter of the exponential distribution was  $\lambda \sim \text{log-normal}(-1.8, 1)$ . The prior on the dispersion parameter was  $\kappa \sim \text{log-normal}(1, 1)$ .



**Figure SM18: The numbers of mosquitoes recaptured (black lines) versus the 95% central posterior interval of the posterior predictive distribution (blue shading) for a selection of the Polovodova dissection series.** The titles correspond to the unique combination of "identifier - physiological-experiment-id" in the database. For the rest of the posterior predictive checks for the dissection data models, see the file referenced in the text.



**Figure SM19: The numbers of mosquitoes recaptured (black lines) versus the 95% central posterior interval of the posterior predictive distribution (blue shading) for a selection of the Polovodova dissection series.** The titles correspond to the unique combination of "identifier - physiological-experiment-id" in the database. For the rest of the posterior predictive checks for the dissection data models, see the file referenced in the text.



**Figure SM20: The numbers of mosquitoes recaptured (black lines) versus the 95% central posterior interval of the posterior predictive distribution (blue shading) for a selection of the Polovodova dissection series.** The titles correspond to the unique combination of "identifier - physiological-experiment-id" in the database. For the rest of the posterior predictive checks for the dissection data models, see the file referenced in the text.

## SM2.5 Data collection for gonotrophic cycle duration

To convert the estimates of lifespan in physiological age into chronological age requires a duration for the gonotrophic cycle. To determine this characteristic, we conducted a meta-analysis of previously-published studies that estimate the duration of the gonotrophic cycle. A search of the literature using Google Scholar ([scholar.google.co.uk](https://scholar.google.co.uk)) was performed using the search term: ‘gonotrophic cycle duration’. The list of articles was then supplemented with a list of references discussed by Silver (2007). Based on the abstracts of the resultant list of published studies, we then decided whether to search each article for estimates of the duration of the gonotrophic cycle. Overall 79 separate estimates of this parameter were found across 42 published articles (see Section SM7 for a list of the studies included in our dataset). Along with information about the estimates, we also recorded study and series meta-data, including the location of the study, the method used for estimation, species and genus.

Whilst compiling our dataset on gonotrophic cycles, Massey *et al.* (2016) published a database of bionomic quantities for malaria vectors (that is, including only anopheline species). Included in this dataset were a number of estimates of gonotrophic cycle duration. After removing duplicates with our dataset, we were left with 120 estimates of gonotrophic cycle duration. The majority of these estimates were based on laboratory experiments conducted on wild-caught specimens or their  $F_1$  or  $F_2$  descendants ( $n = 45$ ), followed by MRR studies ( $n = 36$ ), then experiments on laboratory colonies ( $n = 11$ ). In MRR studies, estimates are made of the duration of gonotrophic cycles by dissecting recaptured mosquitoes at each time point using the method of Polovodova (1949) to count ovariolar dilations. For laboratory studies, duration of gonotrophic cycles is determined by direct observation.

Along with point estimates of the parameter we also collected information about the uncertainty in the estimates (if available). In many articles, the duration of the gonotrophic cycle was estimated separately for the first versus subsequent cycles, and these estimates were recorded separately. If there was no disaggregation of durations between 1st and subsequent cycles, we assumed that each of these were the same. Raw estimates of gonotrophic cycle duration were obtained for species across three different genera (*Aedes*, *Anopheles* and *Culex*), although there was a bias towards *Anopheles* with  $n = 92$  estimates (Fig. S8).

## SM2.6 Statistical analysis of gonotrophic cycle data

As discussed in Section SM2.5, there was considerable study-level heterogeneity in the information provided for the estimates of the gonotrophic cycle duration. A number of studies ( $n = 42$ ) provided no estimates of uncertainty in gonotrophic

cycle duration, whereas the rest gave some indication of confidence or alternatively a range of possible estimates. However, the types of uncertainty intervals that were specified varied considerably across studies: from the vague (but common), ‘4-6 days’; to the more helpful, ‘ $5 \pm 1$  day (95% confidence interval)’.

The heterogeneous nature of the gonotrophic cycle estimates requires a method that explicitly accounts for this characteristic of the data. We decided to model the estimates as representing quantiles from an underlying normal distribution that represents uncertainty over possible durations of the gonotrophic cycle. In those circumstances where lower, central and upper bounds were given explicitly, the data was fairly symmetric, so we believe assuming the observations come from an unskewed normal distribution is reasonable. Explicitly we treated each type of uncertainty interval as follows,

- Simple range, for example, ‘4-6 days’: treat the lower and upper bounds as the 2.5% and 97.5% quantiles of a normal distribution.
- Confidence intervals, ‘ $5 \pm 1$  day (95% confidence interval)’: treat the lower and upper bounds as the relevant quantiles of a normal distribution.
- Point estimates, for example ‘5 days’: treat this as the median of a normal distribution.

The benefit of this approach is that we can convert the quantiles from our normal distribution parameterised by a mean ( $\mu$ ) and standard deviation ( $\sigma$ ) to equivalent quantiles from a standard normal,

$$Z_x = \frac{G_x - \mu}{\sigma}, \quad (21)$$

where  $Z_x$  and  $G_x$  indicate  $x\%$  quantiles from a standard normal distribution and a normal distribution respectively. By manipulating the above expression we obtain the following,

$$G_x = \sigma Z_x + \mu, \quad (22)$$

which forms a straight line in  $(Z, G)$  space with slope  $\sigma$  and y-intercept  $\mu$ . Therefore by estimating a linear regression of  $Z$  on  $G$ , we can characterise the underlying  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$  distribution from which they are assumed to be drawn.

An ANOVA using the central estimates of 1st gonotrophic cycle duration indicated that there was significant variation in this quantity between genera (ANOVA:  $F_{2,116} = 8.7, p < 0.01$ ; Kruskal-Wallis rank sum test:  $\chi^2_2 = 23.9, p < 0.01$ ), so we estimated separate durations for each genus. The duration of the 1st gonotrophic cycles were estimated as follows: for *Anopheles*,  $\mathcal{N}(3.65, 0.40)$ ; for

*Aedes*,  $\mathcal{N}(4.62, 0.51)$ ; and, for *Culex*,  $\mathcal{N}(5.23, 0.47)$ . For the subsequent durations, the estimated durations were: for *Anopheles*,  $\mathcal{N}(3.21, 0.38)$ ; for *Aedes*,  $\mathcal{N}(4.78, 0.59)$ ; and, for *Culex*,  $\mathcal{N}(5.15, 0.47)$ . Pooling data across all genera, the 1st cycle was estimated as  $\mathcal{N}(3.95, 0.43)$  and the subsequent as  $\mathcal{N}(3.61, 0.42)$ . For the *Mansonia* observations on physiological lifespan collected, we converted these using the overall (i.e. across all genera) estimates of gonotrophic cycle durations.

## SM2.7 Conversion of lifespan from physiological to calendar age

The estimates of lifespan produced from analysing the dissection data are in terms of physiological age (the number of gonotrophic cycles undertaken). To allow comparison with the estimates from the MRR studies and to produce more useful estimates to inform disease transmission dynamical models, we convert these estimates to calendar days. To do this, we use the estimated parameters of the normal densities that we have assumed represent uncertainty in gonotrophic cycle duration (see Section SM2.6) and use them to convert our posterior samples of mean physiological lifespan ( $L_1^p, \dots, L_S^p$ ) into lifespan in calendar ages ( $L_1^c, \dots, L_S^c$ ). To do this, we iterate the following for all  $i \in (1, \dots, S)$  posterior samples of physiological lifespan for each genus ( $j$ ),

1. Sample  $G_{1i} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{1j}, \sigma_{1j})$ , to obtain a duration for the 1st gonotrophic cycle (here,  $\mu_{1j}$  and  $\sigma_{1j}$  are parameters characterising the mean and std. dev. of a normal representing 1st cycle duration for genus  $j$ ).
2. Sample  $G_{2i} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{2j}, \sigma_{2j})$ , to obtain a duration for subsequent gonotrophic cycles (here,  $\mu_2$  and  $\sigma_2$  are parameters characterising the mean and std. dev. of a normal representing subsequent cycle duration for genus  $j$ ).
3. If  $L_i^p > 1$ , the mean lifespan is longer than one gonotrophic cycle:  
then  $L_i^c = G_{1i} + G_{2i} \times (L_i^p - 1)$ .
4. Else:  
then  $L_i^c = G_{1i} \times L_i^p$ .

In the using the above methodology to convert from physiological to calendar age, we implicitly assume that all gonotrophic cycles after the first are of the same length (i.e. we choose one  $G_{2i}$  per sample). However, since we allow a different  $G_{2i}$  for each sample, we nonetheless believe that the above approach allows for sufficient uncertainty in the estimates of subsequent gonotrophic cycle

durations. If instead we believed that significant variation in gonotrophic cycle occurred within a particular mosquito's life (as well as between mosquitoes) then we could draw a new value of  $G_{2i}$  for each subsequent cycle. This produces results with indistinguishable uncertainty than the results we report (data not shown).

## SM3 Detinova dissection experiments

Detinova *et al.* (1962) provided an alternative approach to estimate the lifespan of individual specimens, based on sampling the parous rate in a population (the proportion of adult females that have laid eggs) using dissection to determine parity of each specimen. In what follows, we follow the derivation given by Davidson (1954), to determine an expression for the mean lifespan of a mosquito in terms of gonotrophic cycles (all assumed to be of the same duration,  $G$ ). If the probability of dying in a given cycle,  $p$ , is assumed constant (i.e. there is no age-dependent mortality), then the probability a mosquito completes  $Y$  cycles, is geometrically distributed,

$$Pr(Y = k) = (1 - p)^k p, \quad (23)$$

where  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . This implies that the proportion of adults surviving to become parous is  $Pr(Y \geq 1) = 1 - Pr(Y = 0) = 1 - p = \mathcal{P}$ . Therefore, the proportion of parous mosquitoes in any given sample  $i$  of wild-caught mosquitoes,  $\mathcal{P}^{\{i\}}$  is a direct estimator of the probability of surviving a given cycle,  $1 - p$ . The mean lifespan of a mosquito in terms of completed gonotrophic cycles is then given by  $(1 - p)/p = \mathcal{P}/(1 - \mathcal{P})$ .

If, instead, we choose chronological time as our measure of lifespan, the above analysis still holds, although with  $q$  now representing the probability of dying on a particular day, meaning  $(1 - q)^G$  is the probability of surviving a cycle. The daily survival probability  $1 - q$  is, hence, equal to  $\sqrt[G]{\mathcal{P}}$ , and the mean lifespan is given by  $q/(1 - q) = \sqrt[G]{\mathcal{P}}/(1 - \sqrt[G]{\mathcal{P}})$ .

### SM3.1 Data and model

Massey *et al.* (2016) provide a global database of bionomic quantities for the dominant vector species of malaria. This database contains the number of parous and nulliparous samples in studies where Detinova's dissection approach was applied to field caught specimens ( $n = 1490$  non-missing observations for total number of parous individuals) across Africa ( $n = 778$ ), Asia ( $n = 549$ ) and the Americas ( $n = 163$ ).

We estimated lifespan at the species and complex / subgroup level (hereafter denoted as *s.l.*) using a Bayesian hierarchical framework. We denote this grouping variable by  $s$  in what follows. The number of parous individuals  $y_i^{\{s\}}$  in sample

$i$  (consisting of individuals belonging to group  $s$ ) was modelled by a binomial sampling distribution,

$$y_i^{\{s\}} \sim \mathcal{B}(N_i, \mathcal{P}_i^{\{s\}}), \quad (24)$$

where  $N_i$  is the sample size and  $\mathcal{P}_i^{\{s\}}$  is the proportion parous in sample  $i$  for group  $s$ . A hierarchical prior structure was used for the parous proportion in each sample,

$$\mathcal{P}_i^{\{s\}} \sim \text{beta}(\phi^{\{s\}}\kappa^{\{s\}}, (1 - \phi^{\{s\}})\kappa^{\{s\}}), \quad (25)$$

where  $0 \leq \phi^{\{s\}} \leq 1$  is the mean parous proportion and  $\kappa^{\{s\}} > 1$  is a concentration parameter (both of which are group-specific). The priors we used in this model were:  $\phi \sim \text{beta}(20, 15)$  and  $\kappa \sim \text{Pareto}(5, 1.5)$ . These were chosen because this yielded a prior predictive distribution with a mean lifespan close to 10 (see Fig. SM21).

The Stan code used to fit the hierarchical model to data is shown below.

```

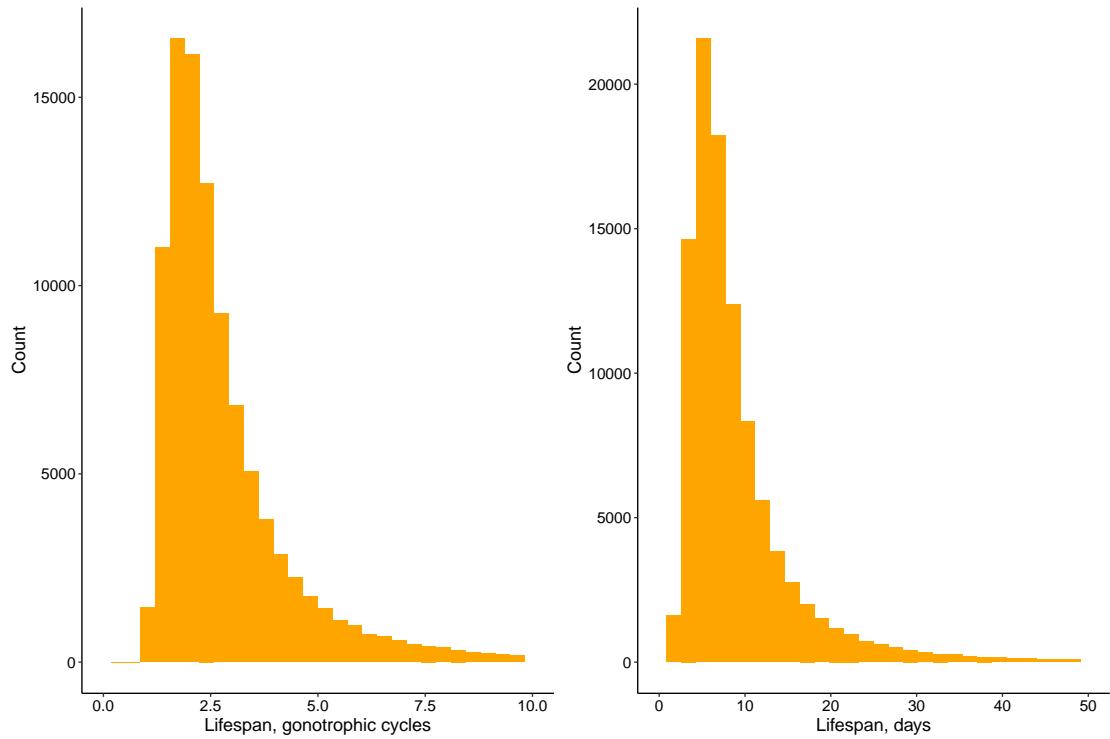
data{
    int N; // total obs
    int X[N]; // number parous
    int num[N]; // number of samples collected
    int species[N]; // integer index array with group identity
    int K; // number of different groups
}

parameters{
    vector<lower=0, upper=1>[N] theta;
    vector<lower=0, upper=1>[K] phi;
    vector<lower=5>[K] kappa;
}

model{
    for(i in 1:N){
        X[i] ~ binomial(num[i], theta[i]);
        theta[i] ~ beta(phi[species[i]] * kappa[species[i]],
                        (1 - phi[species[i]]) * kappa[species[i]]);
    }
    kappa ~ pareto(5, 1.5);
    phi ~ beta(20, 15);
}

generated quantities{
    real lifespan[K];
    real survival[K];
    real theta_average[K];
    for(i in 1:K){
        real gon = normal_rng(3.65, 0.4);
        theta_average[i] = beta_rng(phi[i] * kappa[i],
                                    survival[i] = theta_average[i] ^ (1.0 / gon));
        lifespan[i] = 1.0 / (1.0 - survival[i]);
    }
}

```



**Figure SM21: The prior predictive distribution of lifespan for the analysis of Detinova parity data in terms of (left) physiological age and (right) chronological age.** Here, we used the gonotrophic cycle duration estimated for *Anopheles*,  $G \sim \mathcal{N}(3.65, 0.40)$ , to convert physiological survival to calendar days. The figure shows 100,000 samples from the prior predictive distribution. The mean lifespan in terms of gonotrophic cycles is approximately 3; in terms of chronological age, it is approximately 10.

### SM3.2 Data processing

In this section, we describe the data processing carried out on the Massey *et al.* (2016) dataset. For each of the three datasets (Africa, Americas and Asia) contained with the SOM of Massey *et al.* (2016), we used only those observations which had a non-missing and positive total capture size. For each observation, we calculated observed parity (= parous count/total capture size) and compared this quantity with the ‘parity percent’ column in the datasets. If the difference between these two quantities was lower than 1%, we considered the discrepancy to be due to numerical rounding and did not investigate further. In those cases where the difference exceeded 1%, we did the following:

- Africa: considering the database entry for Ijumba *et al.* (2002), there was a

difference of about 50%. Reading the paper, it looks like there is a mistake in their Table 5, and that the parous number should be 131 and, as such, we changed this number in the database; considering the entry for Service *et al.* (1995), there was a difference of around 5%. We could not access the paper here, so assumed that the issue was with the ‘parity percent’ entry.

- Americas: no differences exceeding 1%.
- Asia: considering the entry for Kitthawee *et al.* (1992), there was a difference of around 3%. Reading the paper, it looks like there was a (small) error in the database, and the parous number should be 35 (rather than 36) - this adjustment was made for the ensuing analysis.

For the species- and complex-level estimates of lifespan, we considered only those groups with five or more parity experiments. For the continent-level and overall estimates, we used all data. In a number of cases, a species was indicated as a complex (for example, ‘*Anopheles gambiae* complex’), presumably when insufficient information was available in the paper to identify the species. These data were dropped for the species-level analysis but were included for all other analyses. For the species-level analyses, there were, hence,  $n = 223$  observations for Africa across 4 species;  $n = 141$  observations for the Americas across 6 species; and  $n = 214$  observations for Asia across 8 species. For the complex-level analyses, there were, hence,  $n = 757$  observations for Africa across 3 groups;  $n = 77$  observations for the Americas across 3 groups; and  $n = 455$  observations for Asia across 11 groups. For the continent-level and overall analyses, there were  $n = 1490$  observations across Africa ( $n = 778$ ), the Americas ( $n = 163$ ) and Asia ( $n = 549$ ).

### SM3.3 Model estimation by MCMC and cross validation

The statistical models were fit to data using Stan’s NUTS algorithm Carpenter *et al.* (2016). In all cases, models were run for 1000 iterations on each of 12 chains, with the first half of the iterations discarded as warm-up. We monitored diagnosed convergence as per Gelman & Rubin (1992), with  $\hat{R} < 1.1$  on all parameters. In all model runs, there were fewer than a handful of divergent transitions.

To evaluate model fit to data, we used K-fold cross validation with 4 folds for each analysis. This means that, in a run, approximately 3/4 of data was used to train models, and the remaining data used to evaluate out-of-sample predictive capability through the log-likelihood. To evaluate out-of-sample predictive log-likelihood for a given data point, we drew data-level parameters  $\mathcal{P}_i^{\{s\}}$  from the relevant top-level distribution; for example, for a species-level fit, we drew data-level parameters from the species-level distribution relevant to the species for the data point in question.

The folds were chosen so that, at all levels of analysis, there was always at least a handful of data points belonging to a particular group in the training set. This meant that, to generate meaningful comparisons between the species-level, complex-level and continent-level models, we selected only those data points with at least 5 observations for each species and complex. This reduced the number of data points used for model comparison versus those used for model estimation. For Africa, we had  $n = 223$  data points; for the Americas, there were  $n = 141$ ; and for Asia, there were  $n = 214$ .

For the comparison between continent-level grouping and overall, we were able to use more data points since we were less constrained by the minimal numbers of data belonging to each group. This meant we had  $n = 1490$  data points, with  $n = 778$  for Africa,  $n = 163$  for the Americas, and  $n = 549$ , for Asia.

To investigate the effect of measures of temperature, we extracted daily data from the ERA-interim re-analysis by ECMWF (Dee *et al.*, 2011) through their website using the Python API. This data included:

- Two-meter surface temperature of air at 2m above the surface of land, sea or in-land waters.
- Daily minimum two-meter surface temperature.
- Daily maximum two-meter surface temperature.

For this analysis, we included only those studies where the start month listed in the database coincided with the end date - meaning the study took place within a given month - resulting in  $n = 742$  data points. The temperature data was extracted for the GPS position of each study ( $\pm 0.1$  degrees) for each day of the month over which mosquito sampling took place, with a grid size of 0.05 degrees. The Python script to extract this information is given below.

```

from ecmwfapi import ECMWFDataServer
import time
def extract_meanminmax_temperature(a_area, a_date_start,
                                    a_date_end):
    server = ECMWFDataServer()
    date_range = str(a_date_start) + "/to/" + str(a_date_end)
    date_file = str(a_date_start) + "_to_" + str(a_date_end)
    area=(str(a_area["north"]) + '/' + str(a_area["west"]) +
          '/' + str(a_area["south"]) + '/' + str(a_area["east"]))
    area_file = (str(a_area["north"]) + '_' + str(a_area["west"]) +
                 '_' + str(a_area["south"]) + '_' + str(a_area["east"]))
    a_filename = ("../data/raw/weather/temperature_" +
                  str(area_file) + "_" + date_file + ".nc")
    server.retrieve({
        "class": "ei",
        "dataset": "interim",
        "date": str(date_range),
        "expver": "1",
        "grid": "0.05/0.05",
        "levtype": "sfc",
        "area" : str(area),
        "param": "167.128/201.128/202.128",
        "step": "3",
        "stream": "oper",
        "time": "00:00:00",
        "type": "fc",
        "target": str(a_filename),
        "format" : "netcdf",
    })

```

To determine the impact of temperature on mosquito lifespan, we estimated a generalised linear model using a logit link, with hierarchical complex-level intercepts and either no temperature term, and linear temperature terms with or without quadratic temperature terms. In each case, these temperature terms were allowed to vary at the complex level (non-hierarchically). This meant our likelihood had the form,

$$X_i^{\{s\}} \sim \mathcal{B}(N_i, \text{inv-logit}(\alpha_i^{\{s\}})), \quad (26)$$

where,

$$\alpha_i^{\{s\}} = \text{logit}(\mathcal{P}_i^{\{s\}}) + \delta_1^{\{s\}} T_i + \delta_2^{\{s\}} T_i^2. \quad (27)$$

Here  $T_i$  is a measure of temperature at study location  $i$  (measures described below);

$\mathcal{P}_i$  was set a prior according to eq. (25) and  $\delta_1^{\{s\}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  and  $\delta_2^{\{s\}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ . The temperature measures ( $T_i$ ), we investigated were summary statistics calculated across the daily data for all days within the month each study took place and across all grid points falling within the area centred on the GPS location of each study (described above),

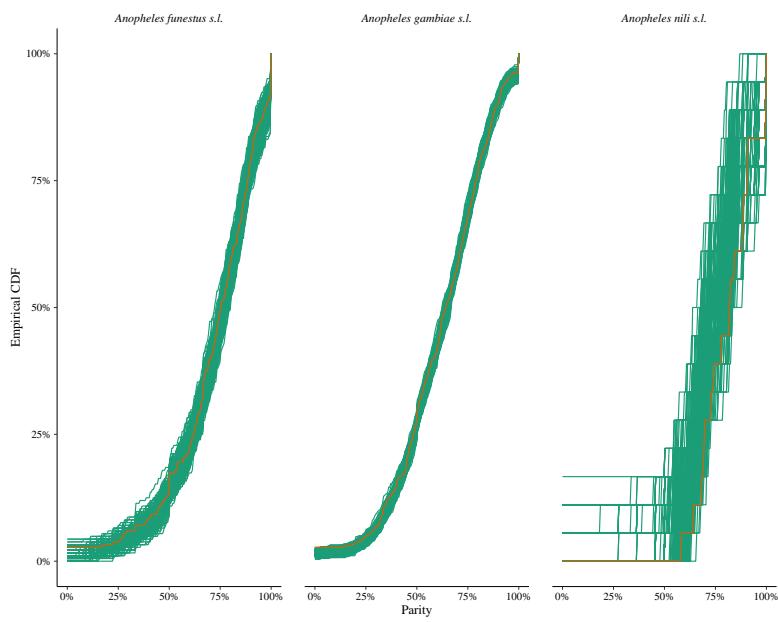
- Average two meter temperature (average of mean daily data for each grid point),
- Minimum two meter temperature (average of minimum daily data for each grid point),
- Maximum two meter temperature (average of maximum daily data for each grid point),
- Standard deviation in two meter temperature (average of standard deviation in temperature for each grid point),
- Daily range in two meter temperature (average of maximum minus minimum daily temperature for each grid point).

### SM3.4 Model checking

To check the fit of models to the data, we simulated from the posterior predictive distribution for each grouping used in analysis. This means that we have two sets of posterior predictive figures: those where the check was performed at the species level; and those corresponding to the complex or subgroup level. In each of these figures, we plot observed empirical cumulative distribution function (eCDF) for the proportion parous versus the equivalent from each posterior predictive dataset.

- **Africa:** the complex-level posterior predictive distribution graph is shown in Figure SM22; the species-level graph in Figure SM23.
- **Americas:** the complex-level posterior predictive distribution graph is shown in Figure SM24; the species-level graph in Figure SM25.
- **Asia:** the complex-level posterior predictive distribution graph is shown in Figure SM26; the species-level graph in Figure SM27.

In all cases, the eCDF for the actual data was bounded by the range of the posterior predictive eCDFs. By this metric, we conclude that the model seems to represent the data well.



**Figure SM22: Africa, complex-level: empirical cumulative distribution function for observations (orange) and posterior predictive simulations (green).** In each case, we ran 4 Markov chains, with 200 iterations per chain; discarding the first 100 iterations as warm-up.

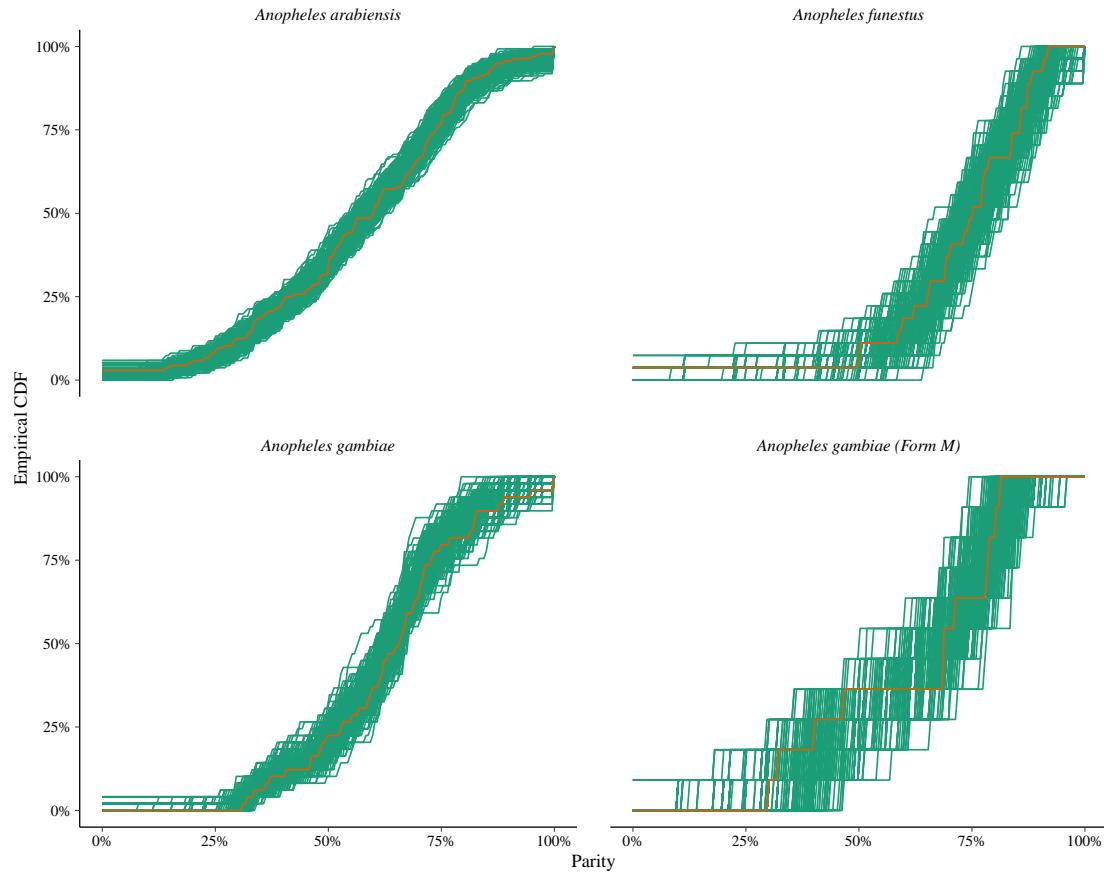


Figure SM23: Africa, species-level: empirical cumulative distribution function for observations (orange) and posterior predictive simulations (green). In each case, we ran 4 Markov chains, with 200 iterations per chain; discarding the first 100 iterations as warm-up.

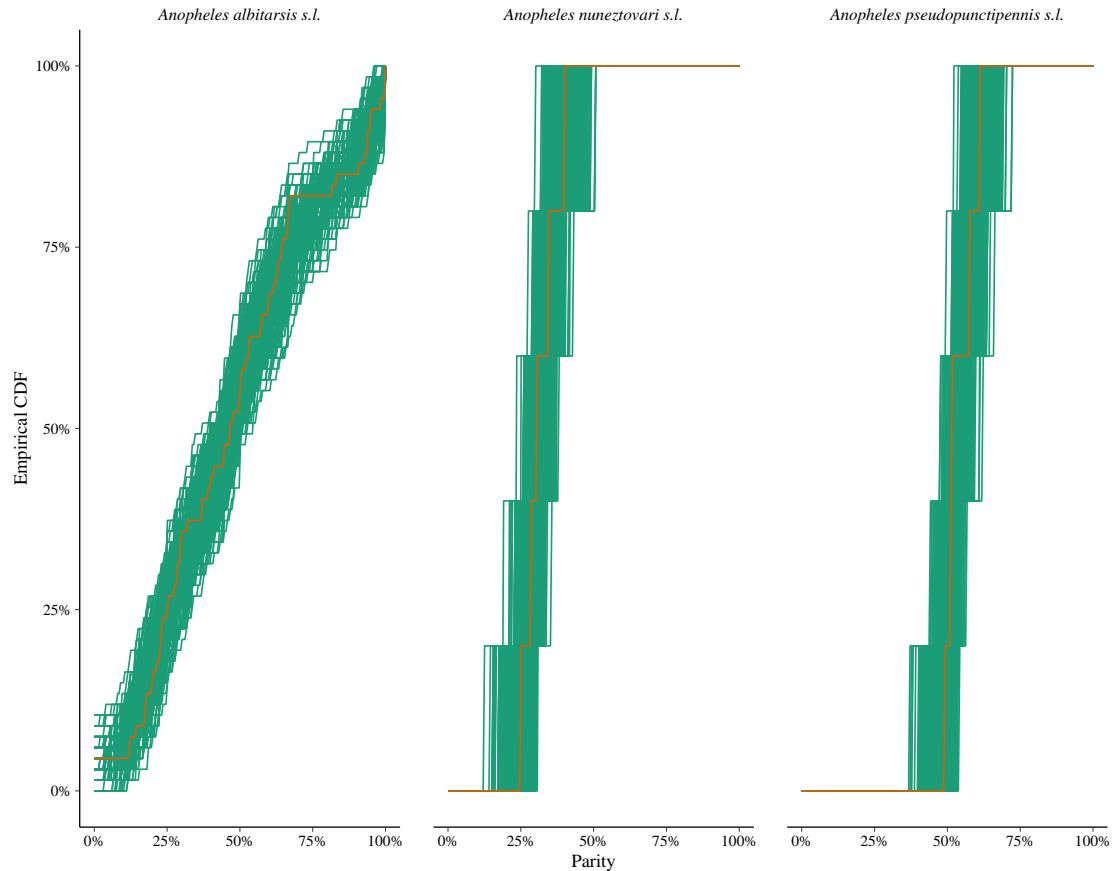


Figure SM24: Americas, complex-level: empirical cumulative distribution function for observations (orange) and posterior predictive simulations (green). In each case, we ran 4 Markov chains, with 200 iterations per chain; discarding the first 100 iterations as warm-up.

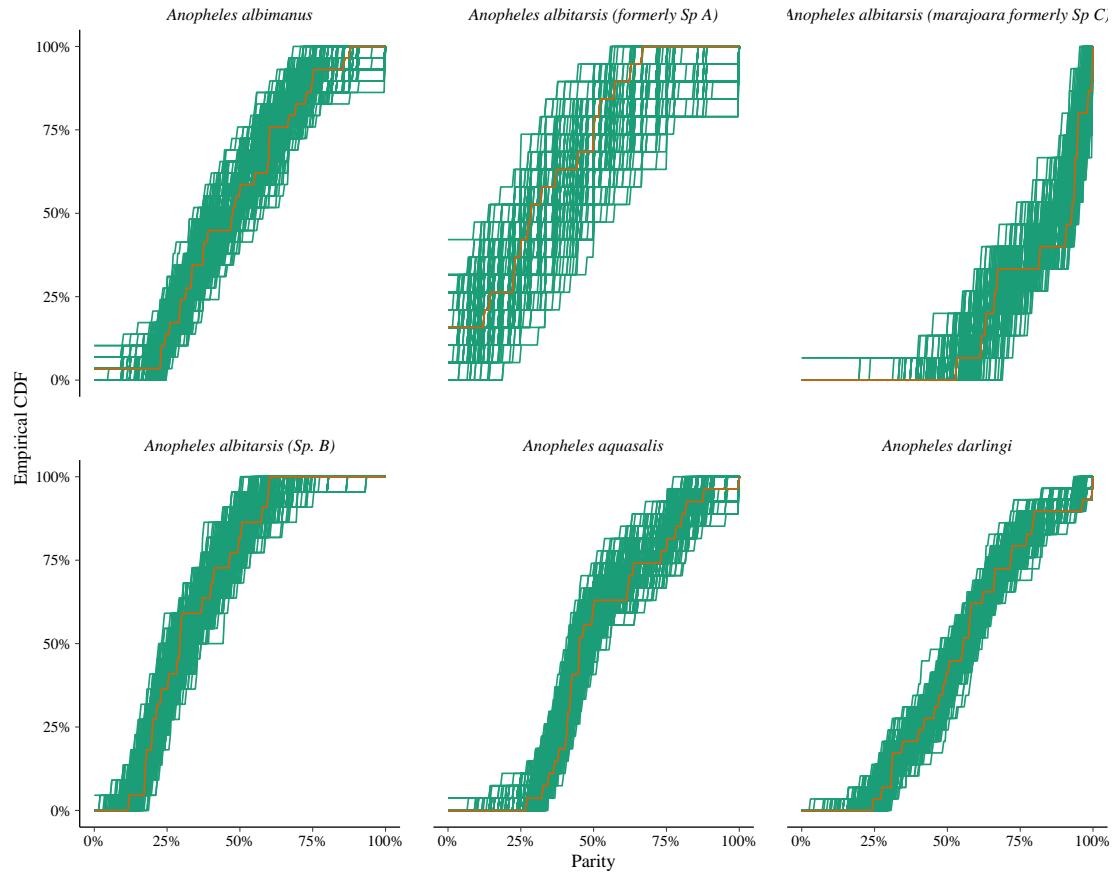
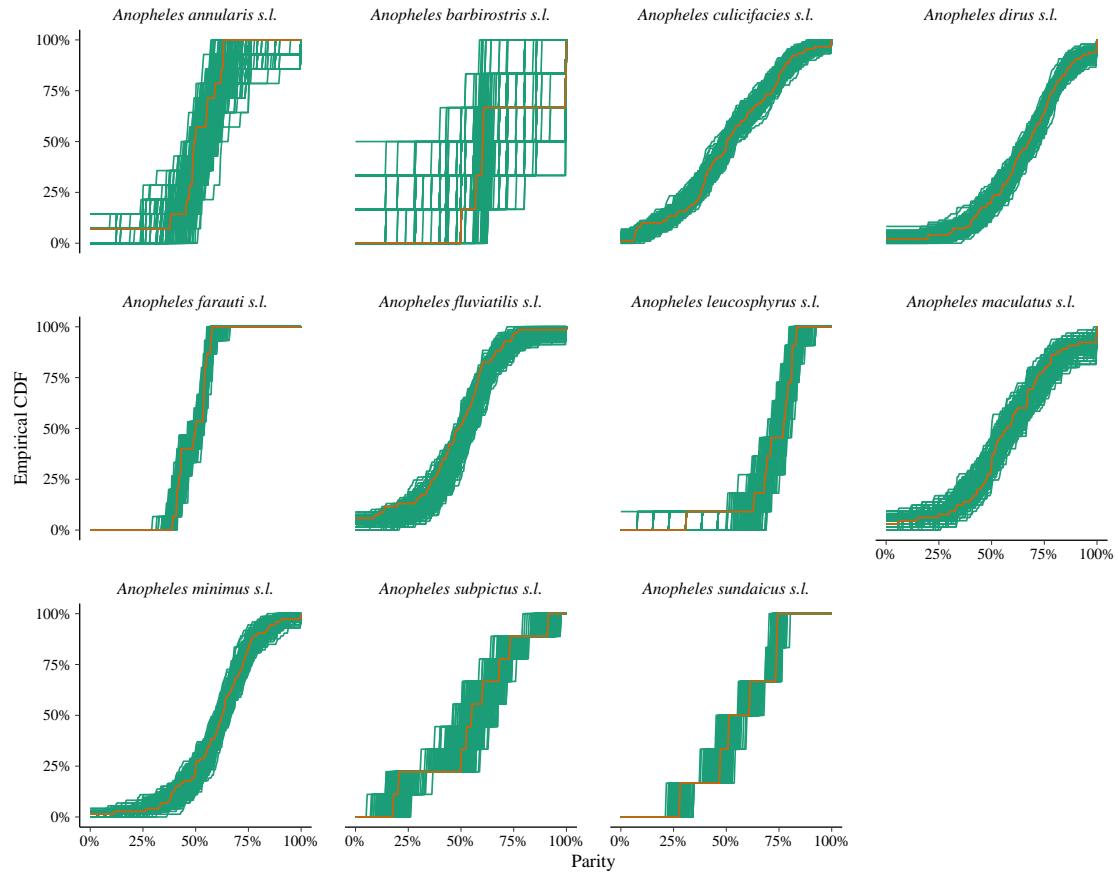
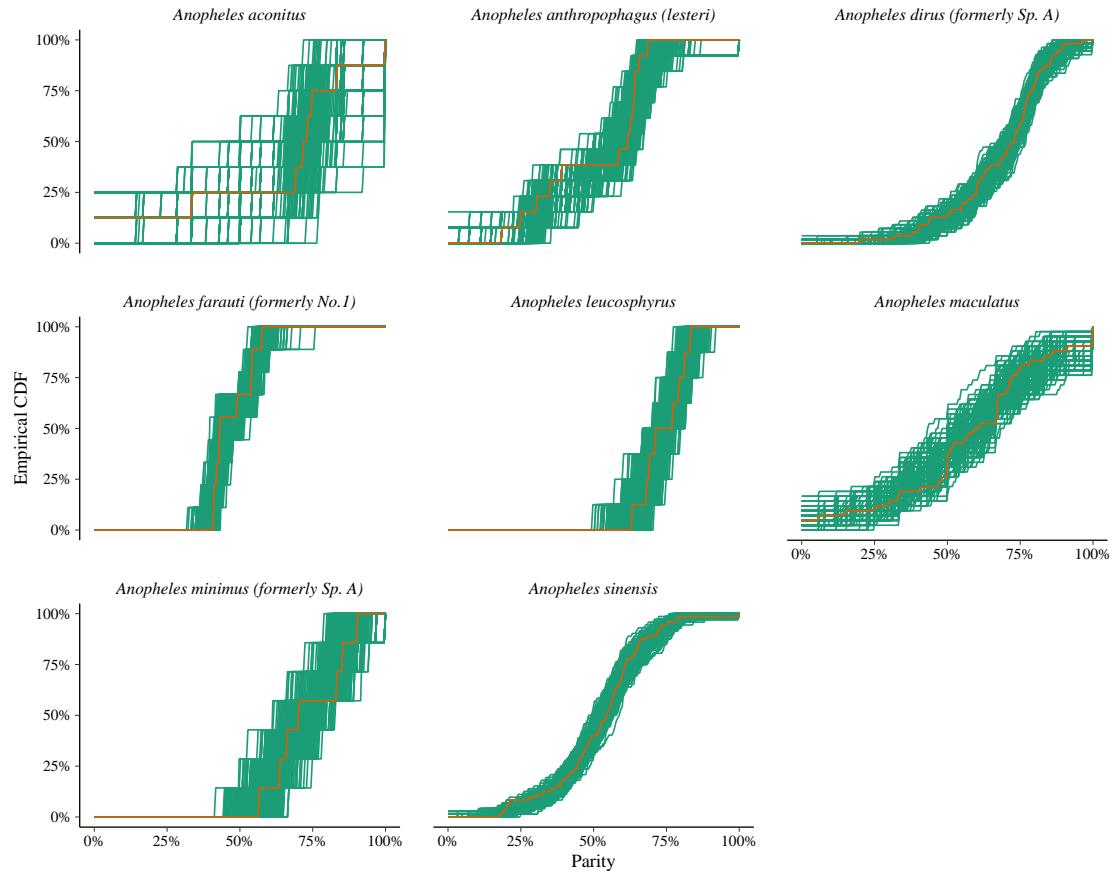


Figure SM25: Americas, species-level: empirical cumulative distribution function for observations (orange) and posterior predictive simulations (green). In each case, we ran 4 Markov chains, with 200 iterations per chain; discarding the first 100 iterations as warm-up.



**Figure SM26: Asia, complex-level: empirical cumulative distribution function for observations (orange) and posterior predictive simulations (green).** In each case, we ran 4 Markov chains, with 200 iterations per chain; discarding the first 100 iterations as warm-up.



**Figure SM27: Asia, species-level: empirical cumulative distribution function for observations (orange) and posterior predictive simulations (green).** In each case, we ran 4 Markov chains, with 200 iterations per chain; discarding the first 100 iterations as warm-up.

## SM4 EIPs of vector species of malaria, dengue fever, chikungunya and Zika

The following anopheline species were identified as vector species of malaria,

- **Africa:** *A. gambiae s.l.*, *A. funestus* and *A. melas* (Sinka *et al.*, 2012), and *A. rivulorum* (Wilkes *et al.*, 1996).
- **Americas:** *A. albimanus*, *A. albitalis*, *A. darlingi*, *A. pseudopunctipennis* and *A. quadrimaculatus* (Sinka *et al.*, 2012); *A. bellator* (Forattini *et al.*, 1999; Lorenz *et al.*, 2012); *A. cruzii* (Lorenz *et al.*, 2012); and *A. vestitipennis* (Sinka *et al.*, 2010).
- **Europe and the Middle-East:** *A. serpentii* (Sinka *et al.*, 2012); and *A. maculipennis* (Hackett *et al.*, 1935).
- **Asia:** *A. farauti s.l.*, *A. koliensis*, *A. lesteri*, *A. maculatus*, *A. minimus*, *A. punctulatus*, *A. stephensi* and *A. subpictus s.l.* (Sinka *et al.*, 2012); and *A. culicifacies* (Green & Miles, 1980).

For dengue fever, chikungunya and Zika, the main vector species are *Ae. aegypti* and *Ae. albopictus* (Kraemer *et al.*, 2015; Grard *et al.*, 2014; Benelli & Mehlhorn, 2016).

## SM5 Studies included in the MRR meta-analysis

The following is the subset of studies from the original Guerra *et al.* (2014) database which were used in the MRR meta-analysis: Marini *et al.* (2010); Baber *et al.* (2010); Lacroix *et al.* (2009); Maciel-de Freitas *et al.* (2008); Midega *et al.* (2007); Maciel-De-Freitas *et al.* (2007); Elizondo-Quiroga *et al.* (2006); Ba *et al.* (2005); Fabian *et al.* (2005); La Corte Dos Santos *et al.* (2004); Watson *et al.* (2000); Harrington *et al.* (2001); Tsuda *et al.* (2001); Muir & Kay (1998); Touré *et al.* (1998); Quinones *et al.* (1997); Costantini *et al.* (1996); Trpis *et al.* (1995); Jensen & Washino (1994); Fernandez-Salas *et al.* (1994); Jaal & MacDonald (1992); Rodriguez *et al.* (1992); Chiang *et al.* (1991); Jensen & Washino (1991); Eldridge & Reeves (1990); Macdonald *et al.* (1968); Pumpuni & Walker (1989); Charlwood & Bryan (1987); Charlwood & Alecrim (1989); Birley & Charlwood (1989); Arredondo-Jiménez *et al.* (1998); Hii *et al.* (1990); Renshaw *et al.* (1994); Milby & Reisen (1989); Maciel-de Freitas *et al.* (2007); Loong *et al.* (1990); Nelson & Milby (1980); Maciel-de Freitas *et al.* (2006); McDonald (1977); Curtis & Rawlings (1980); Rawlings & Davidson (1982); Conway *et al.* (1974); Reisen *et al.* (1979);

Nelson *et al.* (1978); Rawlings *et al.* (1981); Sempala (1981); Takagi *et al.* (1995); Buei *et al.* (1980); Eyles *et al.* (1943a); Ordóñez González *et al.* (2001); Pant & Yasuno (1973); Charlwood *et al.* (1988); Reisen *et al.* (1982); Nayar *et al.* (1980); Carnevale *et al.* (1979); Eyles *et al.* (1946); Reisen *et al.* (1984); Charlwood *et al.* (1986); Trpis & Hausermann (1975); Lutwama & Mukwaya (1994); Wada *et al.* (1969); Takken *et al.* (1998); Abdel-Malek *et al.* (1966); Valerio *et al.* (2012); Zetek (1915); Takagi *et al.* (1995); Yasuno *et al.* (1975); Eyles *et al.* (1943b); Germain *et al.* (1974).

## SM6 Studies included in the dissection study meta-analysis

The following is a list of studies included in the dissection study meta-analysis: Catangui *et al.* (1971); Charlwood & Wilkes (1979); Chang *et al.* (1991); Charlwood *et al.* (2000); Edalat *et al.* (2015); de Barros *et al.* (2011); Lines *et al.* (1991a); Magesa *et al.* (1991); Lines *et al.* (1991b); Forattini *et al.* (1996); Samarawickrema (1967, 1968); de Barros *et al.* (2007); Charlwood *et al.* (1985a); Chandra *et al.* (1996); Hoc & Wilkes (1995); Vythilingam *et al.* (1997); Russell (1986); Chadee & Ritchie (2010); Ebsary & Crans (1977); Charlwood (1980); Shriram & Krishnamoorthy (2011); Mahmood & Reisen (1981); Samarawickrema *et al.* (1987); Uttaah *et al.* (2013); Ramaiah & Das (1992); Buei & Ito (1982); Chadee *et al.* (1995); Chandra (2008); Foll & Pant (1966); Kanda *et al.* (1975); Mala *et al.* (2014); Shalaby *et al.* (1962); World Health Organisation *et al.* (1960); Reisen *et al.* (1980); Detinova *et al.* (1962); Smith & Kurtz (1994); Jayanetti *et al.* (1987); Ch *et al.* (2013); Pant *et al.* (1962); Ghosh *et al.* (2010); Mahanta *et al.* (1999); Schlein & Müller (2012); Penilla *et al.* (2002); Schlein & Müller (2015); Snow & Boreham (1978); Detinova (1968); Nathan (1981); Charlwood *et al.* (1985b); Schlein & Müller (2008); Beier *et al.* (2012); Müller & Schlein (2005); Surendran *et al.* (2006); Müller *et al.* (2010); Mendis *et al.* (1998); Wilkes *et al.* (1996); Chatterjee & Chandra (2000); Müller *et al.* (2010); Tuchinda *et al.* (1969); Chan *et al.* (1971); Aigbodion *et al.* (2011); Qualls *et al.* (2015); Reisen *et al.* (1981); Gillies & Wilkes (1972, 1965); Kay (1979); Hitchcock Jr (1968).

## SM7 Studies included in the gonotrophic cycle duration meta-analysis

The following is a list of studies included in the gonotrophic study meta-analysis: Gillies & Wilkes (1965); Sheppard *et al.* (1969); de Meillon *et al.* (1967); Pant &

Yasuno (1973); Germain *et al.* (1974); Lowe *et al.* (1973); Fernandez-Salas *et al.* (1994); Buei *et al.* (1980); Rawlings & Curtis (1982); Mori *et al.* (1977); Sempala (1981); Reisen *et al.* (1983); Birley & Charlwood (1989); Suzuki (1978); Charlwood & Bryan (1987); Charlwood *et al.* (1986); Charlwood & Wilkes (1979); Charlwood *et al.* (1995); Chang *et al.* (1991); Edalat *et al.* (2015); de Barros *et al.* (2011); Samarawickrema (1968, 1967); Charlwood *et al.* (1985a); Chandra *et al.* (1996); Russell (1986); Chadee & Ritchie (2010); Mahmood & Reisen (1981); Ahumada *et al.* (2004); Kenawy (1991); Rajagopalan (1980); Chandra (2008); Scholl *et al.* (1979); Mala *et al.* (2014); Afrane *et al.* (2005); Gillies (1953); Quinones *et al.* (1997); Rúa *et al.* (2005); Delatte *et al.* (2009); Arredondo-Jiménez *et al.* (1998); Wong *et al.* (2014); Ijumba *et al.* (2002).

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