A Structured Mathematical Model For Polio Virus In Nigeria

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Agenda

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- Modeling Approach
- Methodology
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- Conclusions

Research Problem: Best Strategy for Eradication?

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Vaccinations

Environmental Clean Up Efforts

Modeling Approach

Compartmental Models



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Risk Structure

- ▶ *Kano: 11 million \rightarrow #1 most populous state
- ▶ 45 million high risk, 135 million low risk



Source: Independent Monitoring data "Percentage of missed children due to 'refusals'.

Model Key



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Model Picture: Low Risk



Model Picture: High Risk



Methodology: Monte Carlo Simulation

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Data: Parameter Values and Initial Conditions

- $\gamma =$ the length of the infectious period
- $\beta_1 = \text{high risk contact rate with environment}$
- $\beta_2 = \text{low risk contact rate with environment}$

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• h = viral concentration in the environment

Exponential Distribution



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Outbreak Cases with Zero Initial Infectious Individuals

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Case 1: Initial infectious class set to zero. Environmental efforts set to zero. Vaccines set to normal level.



Disease seems to be taking off.

Case 2: Initial infectious class set to zero. Environmental efforts set to zero. Vaccines increased 5%.



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Number of infectious decreased by half.

Case 3: Initial infectious class set to zero. Vaccines restored to normal levels. Environmental efforts increased 1%



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Infectious class nearly eradicated!

Eradication Cases with Nonzero Initial Infectious Individuals

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Case 4: Initial infectious class set to standard values. Vaccines restored to normal levels. Environmental efforts set to zero



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Infectious class remains high.

Case 5: Initial infectious class set to standard values. Vaccines increase 5%. Environmental efforts set to zero.



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Infectious class is suppressed.

Case 6: Initial infectious class set to standard values. Vaccines normal. Environmental efforts increased 1%



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Effects more noticeable on high risk group.

Case 7: Initial infectious class set to standard values. Vaccines increase 5%. Environmental efforts increased 1%



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Combined efforts most effective.

Case 8: No Environmental Efforts. Disease Comes Back



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Conclusions

- Outbreak strategies differ from eradication strategies
- Vaccinations by themselves may not be enough for eradication

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Disease dynamics depend on gamma's distribution

Thank You!

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