section b - abstracts

1. general (including land use)

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Sleeping sickness constitutes one of the fascinating subjects of research in the expansion of European biomedical science in Africa. This article throws light on the scientific climate in which the investigations took place. In trying to discover the cause of the disease, the researchers made mistakes and took steps backwards as well as forwards, resulting eventually in the discovery of the trypanosome in 1901 and the recognition of the tsetse fly as vector in 1903. However, much more research was required before the complex links between vectorial transmission and pathogenesis could be properly understood and effective prevention and treatment initiated.

The life and work of Louise Pearce (1885-1959) is described. After being awarded an M.D. degree by Johns Hopkins University in 1912 she became the first female 'fellow' on the staff of the Rockefeller Institute where she joined the war against syphilis and helped conquer trypanosomiasis. In 1920, during a rampant epidemic in the Belgian Congo (now Zaire), she conducted a field investigation on the efficacy of the arsenical tryparsamide in treating trypanosomiasis, work for which she was awarded the King Leopold II prize in Brussels in 1953 and granted the Royal Order of the Lion.

ISRA-LNERV, B.P. 2057, Dakar, Senegal.
A number of Glossina palpalis gambiensis control campaigns were carried out during the 1970s and early 1980s in the Niayes region of Senegal (vestiges of Guinean forests
on the western Atlantic coast). A combination of ground spraying with insecticide and setting traps and screens impregnated with insecticide eradicated the tsetse fly in Niayes. Since that time agricultural and grazing operations have undergone large-scale development, with the introduction of intensive dairy farming.


2. tsetse biology
(a) REARING OF TSETSE FLIES
[See also 18: no. 8721.]


Entomology and Parasitology Division, NITR, P.M.B. 2077, Kaduna, Nigeria. Reduced productivity of two self-producing colonies of *Glossina palpalis palpalis* and *G. tachinoides* maintained *in vivo* on rabbits whose diets contained oxytetracycline and salinomycin antibiotics was observed. Fecundity of both of the species declined, but not their survival rates. Examination of their reproductive systems revealed a high proportion of *G. p. palpalis* females in a less advanced stage of their reproductive cycle with few abnormalities, while *G. tachinoides* females showed a deep degeneration of developing follicles. A considerable reduction in the number of mycetocytes was observed in *G. tachinoides*, while *G. p. palpalis* showed only slight damage. Use of animal hosts on additive-free
diets resulted in an improved productivity of *G. p. palpalis*, but not *G. tachinoides*. It is recommended that the use of additives in the diet of animals used for feeding tsetse colonies be avoided. The attempt to use a locally formulated diet based on soyabean and maize supplemented with vitamin C gave excellent results.


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The effects of benzyl benzoate (BP) parasiticide on the survival and reproductive performance of *G. p. palpalis* were evaluated in the laboratory using rabbits as feeding hosts in order to determine the safety margin post drug application. None of the flies fed on animals offered 30 min (group A) post drug application took any meal during the first two days. The survival of the batch was poor in that 40.0% died by day +35 with a total puparia production of 12. Except for a slight (*P > 0.05*) improvement in their feeding response and fecundity, the performance of flies fed on animals 2 and 5 days (groups B and C) post drug application was poor, similar to that recorded for group A. The survival and productivity of flies fed 7 days (group D) post drug application were good, but those of flies fed 14 days (group E) post drug application were better and not different (*P > 0.05*) from the control group. The quality of puparia produced by group A-C flies was low, with a mean of 19.6 ± 1.1 mg compared to 26.8 ± 1.4 mg and 28.1 ± 0.9 mg for group D and E flies, respectively. The results indicate a gradual improvement in both feeding response and productivity with time post drug application.

Minimum duration considered safe for feeding tsetse flies on benzyl benzoate treated animals without fear of residual effects is 3 weeks.


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The reproductive performance of field-caught female *G. pallidipes* maintained for 41 days on fresh defibrinated bloods of rabbit, buffalo, eland, waterbuck or goat was investigated in the laboratory. Mean puparial weight was highest (37.2 mg) for rabbit-fed flies and lowest
(30.8 mg) for waterbuck-fed flies. Mean puparial weights for rabbit-, eland- and buffalo-fed flies were significantly different from goat- and waterbuck-fed flies. The highest number of puparia produced per 90 females was by rabbit-fed flies (83) whereas the lowest was by goat-fed flies (60). Mortality was high (84-99%) irrespective of the group.

(b) TAXONOMY, ANATOMY, PHYSIOLOGY, BIOCHEMISTRY

[See also 18: no. 8740.]

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A scanning electron microscope study was performed on six Glossina species: G. tachinoides, G. palpalis gambiensis, G. fuscipes fuscipes, G. austeni, G. morsitans morsitans and G. m. submorsitans. Photographs show the distribution of sensory organs on the wings, especially tactile spines and bristles, chemoreceptor hairs and mechanoreceptors. The occurrence of chemoreceptor hairs is limited to the costal vein and they are more abundant in the dorsal zone of the median part. Mechanoreceptors occur notably in three groups on the dorsal surface of the subcostal vein as well as elsewhere.

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Two isolates of bacterial endosymbionts, GP01 and GM02, were established in cell free medium from haemolymph of Glossina pallidipes and G. morsitans. These microorganisms appear similar to rickettsia-like organisms reported previously from various tsetse species. The 16S rRNA sequence analysis, however, placed them within the gamma subdivision of the Proteobacteria, phylogenetically distinct from most members of the Rickettsiaceae which align with the alpha subdivision. Distinct multiple endogenous plasmids are harbour ed by GP01 and GM02, suggesting that the two isolates are different. Restriction mapping analysis showed that one of the conserved plasmids is present in high copy number and is at least 80 kb in size. A heterologous
plasmid pSUP204, which contains the broad host range oriV replication origin, was used to transfet bacterial cultures. The symbiont GM02 was transformed, and it expressed plasmid encoded resistance to the antibiotics ampicillin, tetracycline and chloramphenicol. Transformation of these symbionts may provide a novel means for expressing anti-parasitic genes within tsetse populations.


Blanchetot: Department of Biochemistry, University of Saskat-chewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7N 0W0, Canada. A Glossina brevipalpis genomic library, constructed using a Charomid 9–36 vector, was used to isolate putative clones that hybridise to polymorphic regions of the tsetse genome. Five types of probes, that reveal individual DNA polymorphic in humans and higher animal species, were used to screen 300 tsetse Charomid clones; 15% of the clones hybridised with at least one probe. Twenty-four recombinants were further characterised by Southern blotting hybridisation using DNA isolated from individual G. morsitans centralis. Two classes of DNA profiles were obtained upon hybridisation with the recombinant inserts. The first, termed the `multilocus profile', displayed a complex DNA pattern of multiple components whilst the second, referred to as the `single locus profile', revealed one or two bands in each individual. Of the 24 recombinant inserts tested, 13 were multilocus probes and the remainder were single locus probes, each of which hybridised to a single location when G. m. centralis DNA had been cleaved with EcoRI. These single locus probes revealed a low level of genetic variability among individual flies from an inbred colony. The hybridisation profiles using multilocus and single locus probes were also obtained on DNA from individual G. palpalis palpalis and G. p. gambiensis and some of the G. brevipalpis recombinant clones also detected multilocus profiles in honey bees and man.


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Single cell recordings of the response to carbon dioxide stimulation were made from sensilla located on the basal inner surface of the flagellum of antennae of 1-4 day old wild-caught *G. palpalis*. Several types of receptors could be distinguished physiologically but not morphologically under 210 \* magnification. Different cells were found to respond selectively to carbon dioxide and to 1-octen-3-ol, p-cresol and other odorants, fewer than 1% of cells tested being responsive to carbon dioxide. Higher levels of carbon dioxide gave stronger responses (3% CO$_2$ 96 imps/s; 1% 62 imps/s; 0.1% 24 imps/s); ambient air evoked no response. Continuous stimulation with carbon dioxide did not lead to accommodation.


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Recent studies show that hair-shaped sensillae are present on the front side of the wings of *G. f. fuscipes*. The external appearance of these hairs suggests that they have a gustatory chemoreceptor function probably in association with a mechanoreceptor. The use of two modern techniques, i.e. transmission electron microscopy and electrophysiology, confirms this hypothesis. At least four nerve cells were shown to be associated with each sensillum. Three of them had a gustatory function and one had a tactile function. The gustatory cells were stimulated by different substances (tsetse fly excrements, Ringer solution, sex pheromones).


A biologically active extract was obtained by rinsing the cuticle of female *G. tachinoides* with hexane, and its chemical composition analysed by gas chromatography and mass spectrometry. The only fraction having an effect
equivalent to the whole extract was a saturated, branched, long-chain (37 carbon) hydrocarbon with two methyl groups (dimethylheptatriacontane). A cuticular extract of males showed a 31 carbon compound to be the longest chain fraction. A comparative developmental study of male and female pupae showed that this sexual dimorphism takes effect only in the last few days before emergence. Maturation of males commenced 5–6 days after eclosion and 3 day old females were found to have the maximum stimulatory effect on them. The sex pheromone of *G. tachinoides* is not found in any other tsetse species in comparable quantities though it is fairly abundant also in female *G. morsitans morsitans*.

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When genetically marked *G. m. submorsitans* were mated to *G. m. centralis*, viable offspring were obtained when using *G. m. submorsitans* females but not when using *G. m. centralis* females. The maternally inherited sterility factor, from *G. m. submorsitans*, that causes this asymmetry was inactivated or replaced during recurrent backcrossing to *G. m. centralis*. F₁ hybrid males were sterile but most F₁ hybrid females were fertile. There was little evidence for differential transmission of *G. m. submorsitans* and *G. m. centralis* chromosomes by hybrid females. Almost all backcross males were sterile if they had an X and a Y chromosome from two different taxa; the exceptional males had recombinant X chromosomes. The X chromosome locus for X/Y compatibility lies closer to the locus for esterase-X than to the locus for glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase. Heterozygosity in linkage group II is also a factor in causing hybrid male sterility; the locus for compatibility is closer to the locus for octanol dehydrogenase than to the locus for esterase-1. Among the backcross males that had an X and a Y chromosome from the same taxon, 12% of those obtained by backcrossing to *G. m. centralis* were fertile and 65% of those obtained by backcrossing to *G. m. submorsitans* were fertile. Backcrossing F₁ hybrid females to *G. m. submorsitans* produced females that were equally likely to be fertilised by *G. m. submorsitans* and *G. m. centralis*. However, backcrossing to *G. m. centralis* produced females that had a much lower probability of being fertilised by *G. m. submorsitans* than by *G. m. centralis*. 8

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*Glossina morsitans morsitans*, *G. palpalis gambiensis* and *G. tachinoides* haemolymph possessed multiple, glycoproteinaceous haemagglutinins. Tsetse haemagglutinins bind to human erythrocyte surface glycoprotein/glycopeptide residues or, with *G. m. morsitans* and *G. p. gambiensis* anti-O activity, glycolipid moieties. Variations in haemagglutinin physico-chemical properties occurred between *G. m. morsitans* and the *palpalis* group flies (*G. p. gambiensis* and *G. tachinoides*) and amongst the *palpalis* group flies with respect to relative heat-lability, susceptibility to dithiothreitol reduction, resistance to γ-radiation exposure and sensitivity to urea treatment. *G. tachinoides* and *G. m. morsitans* required acid and acid to neutral conditions respectively, and Ca$^{2+}$ ion presence, for optimum agglutination activity whilst *G. p. gambiensis* required neutral to alkaline pH and Mg$^{2+}$ ions. The findings reported here provide further information regarding haemagglutinin (lectin) properties in different species of the genus *Glossina*, member of the Diptera, a little studied order with respect to insect vector immunity.


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A 60 Gy gamma irradiation treatment administered to female *G. austeni* on day 2 or 9 following emergence, and likewise a 50 Gy gamma treatment given to pupae on day 33 following larviposition, induced complete sterility in the female flies without altering their mating behaviour. Treated females remained receptive to mating with untreated males up to 15 days following emergence (mating response of 84%). The timing of treatment (on day 33 post larviposition, on day 2 and 9 following emergence) influenced significantly the dynamics of follicle development. Females, irrespective of their age when treatment was received, showed a normal development pattern of the follicles in position A$_1$ and C$_1$, i.e. normal vitellogenesis,
maturation and ovulation. Females treated as pupae, however, revealed no visible signs of development of follicles in position B and D. From day 15 on, females displayed inactive ovaries characterised by atrophied oocytes and nurse cells. Treating females on day 2 or 9 of their adult life resulted in various degrees of development of the B and D follicles. During laboratory cage tests, untreated males exposed to equal numbers of virgin untreated and treated females showed no significant preference for mating with either type of female. A high degree of multiple mating was observed when untreated and treated females were offered several mating opportunities. On day 9 following emergence, 24.0% of untreated and 23.8% of females treated with 60 Gy (on day 2) accepted a male during a fourth mating occasion. The receptivity to remating decreased with a higher radiation dose (120 Gy) and when treatment was given later in the female life (day 5). The results of the laboratory experiments are discussed with a view to deploying gamma sterilised female *G. austeni* for entomological monitoring in those areas where low fly densities exist and especially to expose potential relic fly pockets after control operations have been completed.


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A series of 18 scanning electron micrographs illustrate the mouthparts of *G. p. palpalis* both in a resting position and in the process of piercing a silicon membrane and sucking blood.

(c) DISTRIBUTION, ECOLOGY, BEHAVIOUR, POPULATION STUDIES
[See also 18: no. 8754.]

The number of Mbororo Zebu cattle in the Central African Republic has considerably increased in the last few years (2,200,000 heads) due to various factors such as new pastoral potential. With a view to improving the management of this resource, agropastoral activity areas (ZAGROP) were created. Along with the increased forage potential, the rearing of livestock in humid areas is subject to enhanced pathological constraints mainly caused by trypanosomosis. To prevent problems related to the present massive use of trypanocidal drugs by the cattle owners, the National Agency for Development of Livestock Production (ANDE) has started to identify control methods for use against tsetse flies. In one of these agropastoral areas (60,000 ha), the first step was to establish an accurate map of the distribution of vector species using a systematic trapping method (biconical traps). *Glossina fuscipes fuscipes* (10,805 flies trapped) was found throughout the whole hydrographic system with a low to moderate density (3 tsetse flies/trap/day). *G. fusca congolensis* was seldom caught (7 individuals trapped), and *G. morsitans submorsitans*, which was formerly present, seemed to have disappeared. Data on species abundance, diversity and distribution are discussed. They are being used as a basis for choosing a control method by trapping which is currently being set up in this pastoral area.


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The efficiency of electrocuting devices currently used for sampling tsetse flies (*Glossina* spp.) and similar insects was studied in Zimbabwe by recording approaches, kills and escapes with video. The kill rate of an electrified netting screen increased with the discharge frequency of the device up to 200 Hz (c. the highest practicable frequency) reaching c. 90% at best. The same kill rate was achieved by an electrified black cloth target. However, 'two-choice' comparisons of electric nets and their components showed avoidance by the tsetse of the black mosquito.
netting between the electric wires, and even of the electric wires on their own, though probably not of the black metal frame that supported them. The proportion of tsetse avoiding a standard electric net was c. 27\% in full sun, c. 40\% in shade, implying an overall sampling efficiency of, at best, c. 65\% at the optimum 200 Hz discharge rate in sunshine, and c. 40-50\% with the 67 Hz nets used currently in Africa. Potential for improvements therefore lies mainly in reducing the visibility of the nets; suggestions are offered.


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Tsetse fly populations were monitored from 1986 to 1993 using biconical traps in two study areas, Abelti/Ghabe and Gullele/Tolley, in the Ghibe river system in southwest Ethiopia in order to assess trypanosomiasis risk to cattle. From 1986 to 1992, *G. pallidipes* and *G. fuscipes* were detected, largely in thicket vegetation along the gallery forest. In October 1989, *G. m. submorsitans* was detected for the first time in the western, upstream study site, Gullele/Tolley, the numbers caught increasing gradually until January 1991 when tsetse control using cypermethrin pour-on was initiated. The first specimen of *G. m. submorsitans* was detected in the downstream, eastern site, Abelti/Ghabe, in June 1992 and numbers peaked in November 1992. Reports of the distribution of the three species in the area since 1956 are reviewed. Two possible sources of the recent invasion of the upper Ghibe by *G. m. submorsitans* are northwards from the Omo valley or eastwards from the Didessa river via the Gilgel Ghibe river, the latter appearing more likely. Since *G. m. submorsitans* has a more widespread habitat than *G. pallidipes* and is also a very efficient vector of pathogenic trypanosomes, its advance into the Ghibe valley could be of great importance in the epidemiology of bovine trypanosomiasis and human settlement.

8726 **Sékétéli, A. and Kuzoe, F.A.S., 1994.** Lieux de repos diurnes de *Glossina palpalis palpalis* (Robineau-Desvoidy) dans une zone préforestière de Côte d'Ivoire. [Diurnal resting sites of *G. p. palpalis* in a preforest zone of Côte d'Ivoire.]


Sékétéli: OMS/OCP, B.P. 549, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.

The diurnal resting sites of *G. p. palpalis* were studied from October 1981 to December 1982 in the human
trypanosomiasis focus at Bouaflé (Côte d'Ivoire). A total of 1382 resting tsetse (970 males and 412 females) were found after 757 h of searching in their natural habitats. At any season, over 80% of the flies were resting on lianas (*Acacia pennata* in particular), on coffee trees (*Coffea indica*) and on *Eupatorium odoratum*. Almost all the flies showed a preference for resting on the underside of the woody parts of the plants selected. The heights of the resting sites ranged from 10 cm to 2.5 m above the ground and the diameters of the woody supports ranged from 0.1 cm to 8 cm. It must be stressed that both in the dry and in the rainy seasons, more than 50% of the flies rested below 50 cm from the ground, and over 90% of these favoured stems and branches measuring 3 cm in diameter or less. In the vegetation surrounding villages or along the main access roads and bush pathways, *G. p. palpalis* were found resting between 1 m and 5 m from the edge of its vegetation habitat. About 27% of flies were engorged or showed at least some sign of a blood meal in their guts. The catching of resting flies therefore appears to be an excellent way of collecting fresh blood meals for identification of the natural vertebrate hosts of *G. p. palpalis* in the study area. The practical implications of the study are discussed and recommendations made for the selective application of residual insecticides to control the vectors of sleeping sickness in the Bouaflé focus.


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Mark-release-recapture studies and biconical and Nguruman traps baited with cow urine, acetone and octenol were used to obtain coordinated information on the movement and distribution of *Glossina pallidipes* and *G. longipennis* within and between the Sampu and Oloibortoto valleys in Nguruman, south-western Kenya, with a view to modelling the dispersal and providing a sound basis for the control of tsetse flies in Nguruman. *G. pallidipes* had coefficients of determination of 89.6% and 76.7% in the Sampu and Oloibortoto valleys, respectively; *G. longipennis* 57.4% and 48.6% respectively. The *G. pallidipes* population was at its peak at the beginning of the long rains, probably due to reinvasion of the flies from neighbouring uncontrolled areas; it decreased during
the wet period, probably due to increased pupal mortality because of flooding of the larviposition sites. During the rainy season, there was more movement of female *G. pallidipes* into the Sampu valley from the Oloibortoto valley (60.9%) than the reverse (11.1%), while no marked male was observed to have moved between the two valleys. No movement of either sex was seen between the valleys in the dry season. *G. pallidipes* preferred woodland vegetation to more open areas, while *G. longipennis* preferred more open environments to thickets. Tsetse flies spread out into the more open areas during the wet period when marginal vegetation refoliates. With a rise in the maximum temperature, *G. pallidipes* moved from the edge of the woodland to the inner woodland, with a reverse movement when the temperature dropped. A temperature of 32°C and a relative humidity of 32% appeared to be optimum for activity of both sexes of *G. pallidipes*, while female *G. pallidipes* was inactive below 20.4°C. Nguruman traps baited with cow urine, acetone and octenol appeared to provide an effective trap barrier for *G. pallidipes* and *G. longipennis* at a spacing of 25 m.


In Zimbabwe, living and stuffed warthogs were placed within an incomplete ring of electric nets and observations were made of the numbers of *Glossina pallidipes* and *G. morsitans morsitans* attracted to the hogs, the alighting position and feeding responses of tsetse, and the grooming behaviour of the warthogs. Between 26 and 31% of tsetse landed on the head region of an adult live warthog compared to 8% for a juvenile and 4% for a stuffed warthog. The number of tsetse alighting adjacent to the eye of a stuffed warthog increased 20 times if dark patches were fixed there. The percentage of tsetse alighting on the head region of the adult warthog increased from 25% to 50% as the number of tsetse caught on the ring of nets increased from < 100 to > 800. There was a concurrent increase in the rate of skin twitches and ear flicks by the warthog. For an adult warthog, 26% of tsetse leaving the vicinity had fed compared to only 1% for a juvenile. It is suggested that the concentration of tsetse on the head of adult warthogs is a visual response to the dark patch produced by the pre-orbital glands of a mature
Four aspects of olfaction in host location by tsetse flies, *Glossina* spp. (mainly *G. morsitans morsitans* and *G. pallidipes*), are reviewed as follows: (1) host location and its mechanism, (2) factors affecting host location, (3) kairomones and host location, and (4) kairomones and host selection. Flight behaviour in the various phases of host location (i.e. ranging, activation, orientation and landing) in the absence and presence of olfactory cues is summarised. Movement toward an odour source is effected *inter alia* through optomotor-steered, upwind anemotaxis. It is still unclear how tsetse employ upwind anemotaxis to realise host location, considering the often highly variable wind direction. Olfactorily induced activation is governed by the olfactory cue perceived and threshold levels set by the internal state of the fly. The former depends on the odour source and distance from it; the latter is determined by species, sex and physiological state. Wind direction and speed, as well as vegetation and the mobility of the host, interfere with successful completion of odour-induced host location. Close-range olfactory cues (including composition and concentration gradients), visual cues and nutritional state determine whether a fly, having reached the host animal, will land on it. Carbon dioxide is important in host location because it induces landing and long-range attraction. The role of the other kairomones (acetone, 1-octen-3-ol, 4-methyl-phenol, and 3-n-propyl-phenol) is less clear. Apart from the complacency of various host species under tsetse attack, host choice by tsetse is predominantly opportunistic and primarily the result of the frequency of successful tsetse-host encounters. Nevertheless, host selection based on olfactory cues cannot be ruled out.

3. Tsetse control (including environmental side-effects)

[See also 18: nos. 8708, 8721, 8745.]

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Tabanidae have long been known to be capable of mechanically transmitting trypanosomes, principally Trypanosoma vivax and T. evansi, in areas without tsetse, and they may play a significant role as vectors of trypanosomes in areas cleared of tsetse or where control has considerably reduced the initial tsetse population. They are frequently caught in tsetse traps and appear to be attracted by odours. In Burkina Faso, the efficiency against Tabanidae of three different types of traps baited or not with a mixture of odour attractants (meta-cresol/octenol) was compared in two experiments during the dry season. Catches increased 1.5 to 3 fold when the traps were baited with odour attractants. The NG-2G trap and the screen-trap gave comparable results and were significantly more attractive than the F3 trap. The advancing dry season did not alter these findings. It was also noted that the trap catches in both experiments decreased the longer trapping continued, probably as a consequence of a trapping effect.

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During the dry season three experiments were performed in the sub-humid savanna area of Burkina Faso with a view to comparing the attractiveness and efficacy of five different tsetse traps for Tabanidae, together with the evaluation of two olfactory attractants. The NG-2G and F3 traps and the screen-trap were significantly more effective (3 1.7 to 8.7) than the biconical and monoconical traps. Metacresol increased the catches by an average of 1.5 fold, and the metacresol/octenol mixture (3/1) 2.5 fold in comparison with the control trap with no attractant.


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An analysis of serum biochemical constituents was undertaken on three species of wild birds, Phyllastrephus terrestris, Pycnonotus barbatus and Tudoides jardineii, as well as some domestic fowls in an endosulfan-sprayed and a control area in north-eastern Zimbabwe. In birds taken from treated areas, most serum parameters were not significantly disturbed compared with controls. The only significant change was a decrease of proteins, due to a decrease of prealbumins and albumins ($P < 0.05$), in Tudoides; similar, but not statistically significant, effects were also observed in the other species, as well as in the domestic chicken.


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Two models of deltamethrin-impregnated targets, Hanotier's tyre-trap and Laveissière's screen, were tested during the 1992 and 1993 dry seasons in north-eastern Benin to study their efficacy in the control of G. tachinoides around reservoirs serving as watering places for taurine cattle. The screens were rapidly very effective (80-100% reduction in apparent density) whereas the use of tyre-traps did not lead to a significant reduction of tsetse density.


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Levels of ΣDDT and DDE in African Goshawk eggs were correlated with number of past spray treatments of the nest site. DDE content was inversely related to eggshell thickness. Mean DDE levels in four out of six clutches from sprayed areas exceeded 130 ppm dry weight, the highest critical level associated with population decline in other raptor species. Cracked eggshells were found at two sprayed sites. The small
number of occupied nest sites and higher rate of site desertion in the sprayed area, compared with the unsprayed area, suggest tsetse spraying operations caused a population decline.


In laboratory studies to evaluate pathogenicities and biocontrol potentials of the fungi *B. bassiana* and *M. anisopliae* for tsetse flies, it was found that both fungi caused 90-100% mortality in adults of *G. m. morsitans* by 2 weeks post-exposure to $2 \times 10^7$ conidia/ml in distilled water. A dose-mortality relationship was demonstrated with conidia of both fungal species at 25°C, apparently unaffected by r.h. of 65% or above. Abortion rates did not increase in infected females, but mortality of pupae (though not longevity of emerging adults) from infected females did so. Exposure of larvae to dry spores of both fungi gave rise to no increase in pupal mortality, but 90% of resultant adults from *B. bassiana*-infected (as against 2-5% from *M. anisopliae*-infected and control) pupae had died by post-emergence day 10. Cross-transmission of both fungi occurred in cages from infected to uninfected *G. m. morsitans*, regardless of sex, resulting in 60-75% mortality by day 30 of previously uninfected flies. This suggests a control method utilising release of infected flies into field populations to initiate fungal epizootics.


A trial of Pyriproxyfen for the control of *G. p. palpalis* was undertaken in two villages in the Bouaflé sleeping sickness focus within the forest zone of Côte d'Ivoire, using modified biconical traps. Pyriproxyfen was applied once only at a rate of 2 mg/cm² to a filter paper cone held within part of a plastic bottle. This growth regulator proved very effective, reducing the
apparent density of the flies by 87% after 2 months and maintaining it at a low level for 150 days. The percentage of nulliparous females remained at 0 from days 40 to 120. Pyriproxyfen may be recommended for the control of animal trypanosomiasis vectors if its cost compares favourably with that of insecticides; however, its slower effect does not favour its use for the control of human trypanosomiasis which needs a drastic and immediate reduction of vector populations. Swallow, B.M. and Woudyalew, M., 1994. Evaluating willingness to contribute to a local public good: application of contingent valuation to tsetse control in Ethiopia. *Ecological Economics*, 11 (2): 153–161. Swallow: ILCA, P.O. Box 46847, Nairobi, Kenya. African animal trypanosomiasis constrains the production of milk, meat and animal traction across much of sub-Saharan Africa. The tsetse-transmitted disease is particularly important in Ethiopia where at least six million cattle are exposed to the disease. In 1990 a trypanosomiasis control programme that used baited targets to kill tsetse flies was initiated in a case-study area in south-west Ethiopia (Ghibe valley). Major reductions in the density of tsetse flies and the prevalence of trypanosomiasis in cattle achieved during the first year were spoiled by the theft of a large number of the targets. It was postulated that part of the problem stemmed from a lack of local involvement. A survey of household heads was conducted to assess the prospects for greater local involvement. When asked what ought to be done to stop theft, respondents indicated their willingness to become more active in guarding the targets and detecting thieves. They also suggested roles for the research organisation (ILCA) and local authorities. When asked contingent valuation questions about the maximum amounts of money and/or labour that they would be willing to contribute to the programme, 59% volunteered both money and labour and only 3% volunteered neither money nor labour. Willingness to contribute money was related to the gender of the household head, the number of cattle held by the household and the participation of the household in a monitoring exercise being conducted by the research organisation. Willingness to contribute labour was related to employment status and the information available to the respondent about the programme. We conclude that contingent valuation, when integrated into a participatory research approach, can generate practical results for evaluating the prospects
for local participation in the provision of local public goods.

4. epidemiology: vector-host and vector-parasite interactions
[See also 18: nos. 8720, 8725, 8728-8731, 8753, 8754, 8756, 8763, 8808.]


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Lions and cheetah from the Serengeti National Park and Ngorongoro Crater Conservation Area, Tanzania, were examined for the presence of blood protozoans. In the Serengeti, trypanosomes were present in 28% (32 of 113) of the lions and in none of the cheetah. Trypanosomes were not found in any lion or cheetah sampled in the Ngorongoro Crater. There was significant variation in the prevalence of trypanosome infections in the four Serengeti habitats sampled, prevalences being highest in lions from the Serengeti woodlands, a habitat where tsetse flies are very common. The small number and quality of trypanosome specimens examined precluded identification to species.


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We have suggested that maturation of Trypanozoon infections in tsetse is controlled by a single, recessive sex-linked gene. We now show that a sex-linkage model involving a single gene but also incorporating a sex-limiting effect can be fitted to stocks of Trypanosoma congolense as well as to Trypanozoon. The model shows a significantly better fit than a multiple gene model invoked to explain apparent variations in gene frequency between stocks. We propose that the sex-limiting effects are mediated by lectin levels in the fly midgut which could reduce maturation in female flies by competitive inhibition with the galactosyl lectin.

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An improved technique of midgut and salivary gland dissection in the tsetse fly is described. The incorporation of the proventriculus in the dissection procedure gives a far better picture of trypanosome development in the infected fly.


The object of this study was to understand particular aspects of the relationship between T. congolense and its insect vector G. m. morsitans. Research focused on the digestive tract anatomy of the vector. A study of the epithelial cells of the midgut showed proteinic ribbon-like intracytoplasmic and perinuclear formations. The spatio-temporal development of T. congolense throughout its life cycle in the mesenteron of G. m. morsitans is followed and a detailed description is given of the various sites of the trypanosomes. In conclusion, the author shows that the complex relationship between the parasite and its vector have consequences for the transmission and epidemiology of animal trypanosomiasis.


Meda: OCCGE/IPR, 01 B.P. 1500, Bouaké 01, Côte d'Ivoire.
A case-control study on risk factors of *Trypanosoma brucei gambiense* human African trypanosomiasis was carried out in 111 patients diagnosed in the three main foci of Côte d'Ivoire. Each case was age- and sex-matched with one seronegative control living in the same locality. Based upon previous epidemiological surveys conducted in similar areas, the potential risk factors were identified and assessed using a standard questionnaire. The study demonstrates that in the forest area of Côte d'Ivoire human trypanosomiasis affects mainly coffee and cocoa farmers. The allogenous populations coming from the sudano-sahelian savanna are more exposed to the disease than other ethnic groups. People sleeping at the encampments are more likely to become infected than those living in the villages (ODDS-Ratio = 4.5). People fetching water from natural holes and pools have an increased risk (ODDS-Ratio = 3.6), as do dealers in foodstuffs travelling between the plantations and the villages (ODDS-Ratio = 13.0). These results are consistent with data from previous studies. We identified preventable risk factors, upon which action could be taken to reduce the incidence of the disease. The possibility of using these findings to improve the sleeping sickness control programme in the forest areas of Côte d'Ivoire is discussed.

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Teneral *G. m. centralis* and *G. brevipalpis* were fed *in vitro* upon medium containing procyclic *T. b. brucei* derived from the midguts of *G. m. centralis* or *G. brevipalpis* which had immature trypanosome infections. The tsetse were then maintained on rabbits and, on day 31, were dissected to determine the infection rates. In *G. m. centralis* the midgut and salivary gland infection rates by *T. b. brucei* were 46.0% and 27.0% with procyclic trypanosomes from *G. m. centralis*, and 45.4% and 24.7% with procyclic trypanosomes from *G. brevipalpis*, respectively. In *G. b. brevipalpis* the rates were 20.2% and 0.0% with procyclic trypanosomes from *G. m. centralis*, and 28.0% and 0.0% with procyclic trypanosomes from *G. brevipalpis*, respectively. Teneral *G. m. centralis* and *G. brevipalpis* were also fed similarly upon procyclic *T. b. brucei* derived from *G. m. centralis* or *G. brevipalpis* on day 31 of infection: the former tsetse species had mature infections while the latter were without infections in the salivary glands. In *G. m. centralis* the infection rates in the midgut and salivary glands were 48.9% and 17.0%, and 38.0% and 17.0% when fed on procyclic trypanosomes from *G. m. centralis* and *G. brevipalpis*, respectively. In *G. b. brevipalpis* the rates were 21.5% and 0.0%, and 10.7% and 0.0% with procyclic trypanosomes of *G. m. centralis* and *G. brevipalpis* origin, respectively. Thus, procyclic *T. b. brucei* from susceptible *G. m. centralis* could not complete cyclical development in refractory *G. brevipalpis*, whereas those from *G. brevipalpis* developed to metatrypanosomes in the salivary glands of *G. m. centralis*. Teneral and 15-day-old non-teneral *G. m. centralis* were fed *in vitro* upon heparinised goat's blood containing *T. b. brucei* bloodstream trypomastigotes, or upon medium containing procyclic *T. b. brucei* derived from *G. m. centralis* with mature infections. On day 31 their infection rates were determined. The infection rates by *T. b. brucei* in the midgut and salivary glands of *G. m. centralis* fed on the infected blood were 70.4% and 40.4% when fed as teneral tsetse, as against 15.3% and 4.0% when fed as non-teneral tsetse. Those tsetse which were fed on the medium containing procyclic trypanosomes showed rates of 50.0% and 25.6%, as against 11.6% and 2.5%, respectively. It would appear, therefore, that maturation of *T. b. brucei* in
tsetse is probably not determined simply by an interaction between lectin and procyclic trypanosomes in the midgut of non-teneral tsetse, but is the result of a complex interaction between many interrelated physiological factors of both the trypanosome and the tsetse vector.

8744 Ngeranwa, J.J.N. and Kilalo, D.C., 1994. The ability of Stomoxys calcitrans and mechanical means to transmit Trypanosoma (brucei) evansi from goats to camels in Kenya. Veterinary Research Communications, 18 (4): 307-312. Ngeranwa: Department of Veterinary Tropical Diseases, University of Pretoria, Private Bag X04, 0110 Onderstepoort, South Africa. S. calcitrans failed to transmit T. (b.) evansi from infected goats to other goats or camels, but the trypanosomal infection was transmitted by needle prick from infected goats to camels.

8745 Simarro, P.P., Mas, J., Lancien, J., Ona Sima, F., Mateo, M.J. and Roche, J., 1990. Epidemiología de la tripanosomiasis humana en el foco de Luba, en Guinea Ecuatorial. [Epidemiology of human trypanosomiasis in the Luba focus, Equatorial Guinea.] Revista de Sanidad e Higiene Publica, 64 (9-10): 517-534. Simarro: Centro de Control de la Tripanosomiasis, AECI, Apartado 560, Bata, Equatorial Guinea. In Equatorial Guinea, human trypanosomiasis seemed to be under control by the end of the 1960s following intensive surveillance throughout the previous three decades. However, subsequent lack of surveillance led to upsurges in the old foci in the early 1980s. The grave situation in 1985 in the Luba focus on the island of Bioko prompted a sero-parasitological and entomological survey to delimit the focus, evaluate the prevalence of the disease, find out the distribution and behaviour of the vector and evaluate the impact of the monopyramidal trap as a method of tsetse control. The overall prevalence in the focus was found to be 3.8%. An area of four villages with a prevalence of 11% was considered to be the epicentre from which the disease had spread to cover an area with a radius of 25 km. The prevalence in the other areas varied, depending not only on distance from the epicentre but also on their altitude. Because transmission takes place mostly in the cocoa plantations, men were more affected than women \( P < 0.01 \) because of their agricultural activity. Although those most exposed were 21-40 years old, prevalence was highest in the 41-50 year old group, perhaps because of an additive
effect through the years. *Glossina palpalis palpalis* was shown to be the vector, with a homogeneous distribution and high mobility throughout the area. The monopyramidal trap, without insecticide but with a system of permanent capture, was an effective control method, reducing the apparent density by 72% in the first month.


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Trypanosome infections of *G. pallidipes* were investigated at a site in the Luangwa Valley, Zambia, between June 1991 and September 1992. Almost 3700 flies were captured, dissected, screened for trypanosome infection, and aged using both wing fray and (for females) ovarian categories. DNA probes were used to identify midgut infections. Prevalences of mature infections were 6.2% *Trypanosoma vivax*-type and 3.1% *T. congolense*-type (including low prevalences of *T. brucei*, *T. simiae* and another *Nannomonas* species). The prevalence of infection increased with age. For both types of infection this relationship could be described by a simple "catalytic" model which generates estimates of *per capita* rates of infection. Prevalences varied significantly with time independently of any changes in the age structure of the tsetse population. This may reflect temporal variation in the *per capita* rates of infection.

5. human trypanosomiasis

(a) SURVEILLANCE

[See 18: nos. 8742, 8745.]

(b) PATHOLOGY AND IMMUNOLOGY


Buguet: CRSSA, La Tronche-Grenoble, France.
Polysomnographic 24 h recordings were taken in eight patients with human African trypanosomiasis due to *Trypanosoma brucei gambiense*, at the meningo-encephalitic stage of sleeping sickness. The sleep-wake cycle followed an ultradian rather than a circadian distribution.


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The clinical study of 19 cases of trypanosomiasis in children aged 2 to 13 years showed a picture similar to that in adults but the circumstances of infection and particularly the course of the disease are worthy of special attention. It was interesting to note that maternal trypanosomiasis was frequently an anamnestic element in the diagnosis of the children. The short- and long-term progress of the patient depends on the gravity of the neuropsychological sequelae which are themselves related to the gravity of the infection at initial examination. Late diagnosis and the consequent delay in institution of treatment are discussed.


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Both tumour necrosis factor (TNF) and interferon (IFN)-gamma are believed to play a key role in trypanosomiasis. The production of both cytokines is elicited by trypanosome components. IFN-gamma, produced by CD8+ T cells, is believed to serve as a growth stimulator for the parasite while TNF, produced by macrophages, exerts a direct trypanocidal effect. This suicidal TNF-inducing capacity of trypanosomes may represent a mechanism against growing too fast and killing the host too soon. Both cytokines serve as potent mediators of T-cell immunosuppression, and some pathological effects of trypanosomiasis, such as
anaemia and daytime sleep, may be the result of chronic activation of macrophages. TNF is believed to contribute directly to inflammatory reactions in the CNS. Treatment with trypanocidal drugs, which causes massive release of trypanosome components in the circulation, may switch on hyperproduction of TNF which, in turn, may exert noxious effects on the host.

(c) TREATMENT
[See also 18: no. 8798.]


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A young woman suffering from *gambiense* sleeping sickness was treated with melarsoprol. Thirty-eight days after the first administration of this organo-arsenic compound, myalgias, distal paresthesias and rapidly progressive weakness developed in all four limbs. Electrophysiological studies were misleading for Guillain-Barré syndrome. Neuropathological data included massive distal wallerian degeneration in peripheral nerves and abnormalities in dorsal ganglia and spinal cord where vacuolation of anterior horn cells and axonal neurofilamentous masses were observed. Very high concentrations of arsenic were found in the spinal cord, contrasting with undetectable levels in peripheral nerves. Our findings are consistent with an arsenic neuronopathy manifested by initial proximal demyelination and delayed distal axonal damage. Renal and hepatic dysfunctions, which were implicated in the toxic arsenic accumulation, should be systematically detected before administration of melarsoprol. The diagnosis of Guillain-Barré syndrome must be considered with caution in patients treated with this compound.


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Some recent progress in the control of African human trypanosomiasis, such as the development of
eflornithine, is briefly reviewed.


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The action and uses of eflornithine are outlined. Evaluations of the drug's effectiveness in cell culture, in animals and in humans are reviewed. Details of dosage and administration, and of adverse reactions and advice for safe use, are also given.

6. animal trypanosomiasis

(a) SURVEY AND DISTRIBUTION


IgG1 and IgG2 were measured in 1457 serum samples from cattle, including 672 cattle which had responded positively by an immune response to trypanosomal stimulation. On a ranch in Kayembe-Mukulu heavily infested with tsetse flies, 70.29% of cattle were positive to ELISA. Out of 58 serum samples from cattle on the Masisi Plateau at Kivu (altitude 2000 m), 7 were positive. Trypanosomiasis was maintained in Masisi by the weekly holding of a market at Mushake, which involved taking cattle from low altitude areas infested with tsetse flies to healthy zones at high altitude, where trypanosomes were transmitted mechanistically through biting flies. Animal trypanosomiasis caused by *Trypanosoma brucei* and human trypanosomiasis caused by *T. b. gambiense* and *T. b. rhodesiense* both occurred in the Luala Valley at Songololo, Sona-Mpangu, Kamiji, Kambay ranch, Lodja and Katakakombe, also at Kongolo in North Shaba. These cases illustrate an important epidemiological problem. The occurrence of trypanosomes resistant to trypanocides is discussed. A reduced immune response of pubescent heifers to brucellosis vaccine was attributed to immunosuppression.


Daniel: Veterinary and Livestock Studies Division, NITR, P.M.B. 03, Vom, Plateau State, Nigeria.
A study of bovine trypanosomosis was carried out in Gongola State, Northern Nigeria, a supposedly tsetse-free region, during the months of April–July 1990. Blood samples were collected from 1065 cattle and examined by buffy coat and stained smear methods. PCV was determined simultaneously. Forty-two (3.9%) of the animals examined were infected with trypanosomes. *Trypanosoma vivax* was more frequently encountered than other species. Infection rate was high in tsetse flies as 27 (22.7%) of 119 *Glossina tachinoides* caught, dissected and examined were positive for *T. vivax* and *T. congolense* infections. Further studies are desirable in areas claimed to be tsetse-free in Nigeria.


Laboratoire de Recherches Vétérinaires et Zootechniques de Farcha, B.P. 433, Ndjamena, Chad. Blood sampling of 324 cattle and 239 camels showed that 0.6% were infected with trypanosomes (*Trypanosoma vivax*). Confirmation of this low incidence is necessary in order to assess the influence of the previous dry season on this disease.


Service de Parasitologie, Centre National d'Elevage et de Recherches Vétérinaires, B.P. 167, Nouakchott, Mauritania. In order to clarify the possible role of small ruminants in the epidemiology of *T. evansi* infection of camels in southern Mauritania, a ewe and a goat were inoculated i.v. with a local strain of *T. evansi* isolated from a dairy camel, and surveys of small ruminant flocks which graze with infected camels in the south of the Trarza region were carried out. The experimental inoculation confirmed that local sheep and goats are
receptive. Only the ewe showed a clinical episode with loss of weight and abortion. During 220 days after inoculation the blood of the goat remained constantly infectious to mice, whereas in the same period the ewe's blood showed an alternation of infectious and non-infectious phases. However, in the field, none of 381 blood smears of small ruminants (207 goats, 174 sheep) and none of 187 sera (109 goats, 78 sheep) were positive. Therefore, it seems that the small ruminants of southern Mauritania do not play any role in the epidemiology of *T. evansi* camel trypanosomosis despite being receptive to experimental inoculation.


Centre National d'Elevage et de Recherches Vétérinaires, Service de Parasitologie, B.P. 167, Nouakchott, Mauritania.

A first survey on camel trypanosomosis due to *T. evansi* was carried out in the Trarza region, south-western Mauritania. Blood smears were made from 218 animals and 160 were submitted to an indirect immunofluorescence test. Young calves below one year old seem to be free of *T. evansi* infection, while in dairy females, average rates of infection of 7.3% (blood smears) and 24.5% (serological results) were found. The type of herd management seems to be an important risk factor: the herds that frequent, even temporarily, the wooded areas of the Senegal river valley or permanent water collections (R’kiz lake) show the highest infection rates. Recommendations are presented to camel owners, especially those with dairy camel herds in the south of the country.


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An antigen detection ELISA based on species-specific monoclonal antibodies, was evaluated at CRTA during
experimental infections in small ruminants (sheep and goats) and with sera from naturally infected cattle, using reagents kindly supplied by ILRAD. Forty sera from cattle sampled in France were also tested and gave optical densities (OD) from 0.007 to 0.009 with three monoclonal antibodies against *Trypanosoma congolense*, *T. vivax* and *T. brucei*. These OD values were well below the 0.050, which is considered by ILRAD as a positive threshold OD reading. In the small ruminant experimental infections, the sensitivity of the test was 63.2% for *T. congolense*-infected animals and 9.9% for *T. vivax*-infected animals. The sensitivity of parasitological tests was 55.1% and 48.6%, respectively. The combination of the antigen- and parasite-detection tests increased the sensitivity to 82.4% and 52.8%, respectively. Means of OD values, for the naturally infected cattle sera, were 0.116 ± 0.030 for *T. congolense*, and 0.011 ± 0.028 for *T. vivax*-infected animals. Sixteen out of 20 *T. congolense*-infected sera (sensitivity 80%) and one out of 20 *T. vivax*-infected sera (sensitivity 5%) gave an OD value exceeding 0.050. The determination of a threshold OD reading lower than 0.050 would greatly improve the sensitivity of the test. This determination could be done by studying either the preinfection sera or a local population of animals living in an area free from trypanosomosis. Our results have been obtained during the acute phase of infection. Results from ILRAD show that this test is much more reliable during the aparasitaemic chronic phase. Other evaluations for epidemiological surveys in the field are being carried out at CRTA.


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Monoclonal antibodies (McAbs) were developed against aspartate aminotransferase purified from *Trypanosoma brucei rhodesiense* bloodstream form (bf) soluble extracts using a combination of anion-exchange and hydrophobic interaction chromatography. McAb 1A1 was *Trypanozoon* and *Nannomonas* specific while 2F1 was *Trypanozoon* bloodstream form specific. A dipstick colloidal dye immunoassay (DIA) was employed as a field diagnostic test for African trypanosome infections and designed using affinity purified polyclonal antibodies (PcAbs) raised

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against *T. b. rhodesiense* and the two McAbs, 1A1 and 2F1. PcAbs were adsorbed onto Palanil Red dye particles and used as dye reagents. Dipsticks were dotted with the three different antibodies, which captured trypanosomal antigens in samples tested, while the dye reagent bound to the captured antigens; the presence of coloured dots on the dipstick identified trypanosome infections. A field trial of the DIA was carried out in south-eastern Uganda. A total of 1686 cattle from seven areas were bled and tested by DIA and HCT. A total of 798 cattle (47.3%) were found to be trypanosomal antigen positive by DIA while only 162 (9.6%) were revealed to harbour trypanosomes by HCT, of which 151 (93%) were also positive by DIA.


Three parasitological and two serological (IFI) surveys of bovine trypanosomiasis were carried out between July and October 1988 on 104 cattle from large-scale rearing areas in the Avetonou region. The sample consisted of 35 Zebu, 25 Lagunaire and 44 N'Dama. In the first survey we found 5 parasitologically positive animals as against 39 seropositive by IFI. At the third parasitological survey, we found 16 positive animals, while the second IFI survey, conducted at the same time, found 41 animals positive. All infections were due to *Trypanosoma vivax* except three which were due to *T. congolense*. None was caused by *T. brucei*. Most of the serological positives were at dilutions of 1/40 and 1/160; none was positive at 1/640. It is concluded that (i) IFI is more sensitive than parasitological screening by stained smear and the Woo method; (ii) in natural conditions, animals often have a sub-patent infection with low parasitaemia but permanent anaemia; (iii) the Avetonou region is more infected than anticipated from recently established estimates; (iv) *T. brucei* does not occur in the area; and (v) serologically, differences in the degree of positivity were not related to cattle breed, but rather to the animals' exposure to tsetse.

Animal trypanosomiasis presents special problems with regard to diagnosis. The clinical signs are not pathognomonic and the standard techniques for the detection of trypanosomes are not sufficiently sensitive. Although significant improvements have been made in diagnosis, a high proportion of infections still remain undetected as the chronic, more common form of the disease is often aparasitaemic. In the face of these constraints, alternative methods of diagnosis have been developed, most of which are for the detection of antibody responses to the antigens of the infecting trypanosomes. The most useful of these tests, in view of their sensitivity and specificity, are the indirect immunofluorescent antibody test, enzyme immunoassay (ELISA) and the card agglutination test for trypanosomiasis (CATT) which is used for the diagnosis of *Trypanosoma evansi* infections. However, there are several shortcomings in antibody detection tests: the antigens used are ill-defined, thus making standardisation of the tests rather difficult with regard to sensitivity and specificity. Furthermore, some of the tests are not applicable to the field. Moreover, the presence of antibody in the serum does not necessarily reflect an existing infection, as antibodies may persist for several months following recovery. Recently, development of assays for the detection of circulating trypanosomal antigens in the blood of infected animals has circumvented this problem since antigen-positivity indicates existing infection. These new assays have not yet been fully evaluated in the field, but the data generated so far do indicate that the diagnostic strategy for the future is likely to be a combination of one of the more sensitive standard trypanosome detection techniques with antigen-trapping ELISA.


A baseline survey in seven traditionally managed village Zebu herds in the Ghibe Valley in south-west Ethiopia, based on monthly sampling between January 1988 and June 1989, showed *T. congolense* to be the
predominant species (prevalence 3.0% at < 9 months old, 14.1% at 9-32 months old, and 30.7% at > 32 months old), followed by \textit{T. vivax} and \textit{T. brucei}. The data on \textit{T. congolense} parasitaemia and PCV were re-analysed, with regard to the number of consecutive preceding months in which blood samples were negative: a 'new infection' was defined as one which occurred in an animal which had had three consecutive samples with PCV > 26% and no parasitaemia. The rates of 'new infection' were then 7.8% in those 9-32 months and 14.1% in those > 32 months. Two of the seven herds (39 and 60 animals) were selected for more frequent sampling in June 1989, to compare the efficacy of diminazene aceturate (Berenil) at 3.5 and 7.0 mg/kg. Only 53% of controls (parasitaemic but not treated) were detected parasitaemic again 10 days later, but by day 20, 81% had been detected parasitaemic on at least one of the two occasions. Treatment of animals with PCV < 20% produced significant reductions in numbers with parasitaemia at day 10 and day 20 in those given the higher dose. With the lower dose, the difference was only significant at day 10. In those with PCV < 20%, treatment resulted in a rapid increase from 17.4% on day 0 to 23.2% on day 10. Even at 7.0 mg/kg, relapses occurred, suggesting the possible existence of drug resistance among some stocks.


An epidemiological survey of trypanosomiasis was conducted during the rainy season in N'Dama cattle at Mushie, in south-western Zaïre. Examination of blood smears and lymph node fluid revealed infection in 10.18% of adult cattle, and none in calves under 1 month old. Swollen lymph nodes and emaciation accompanied by general weakness were encountered in 3.7% of infected animals. Three of 27 infected cows aborted. Infection with \textit{Trypanosoma congoense} occurred in 46.3% of cases, with \textit{T. vivax} in 40.7%, and mixed infection with both species in 13%. An entomological survey showed that the vectors of the disease were \textit{Glossina tabaniformis}, \textit{G. fuscipes} and \textit{Tabanus} sp.
Traditional husbandry practices and major health problems of camels in the Ogaden (Ethiopia). *Nomadic Peoples*, no. 29: 21-30.

The health problems of Ogaden camels were studied during a 6 month period from December 1987 to May 1988. Blood examination of 320 camels demonstrated the presence of *Trypanosoma evansi* in 21 cases (6.5%). The chronic form of trypanosomiasis is very common in Ogaden camels and only rarely is the acute form encountered. Permanent or temporary waters are conducive to the breeding of biting insect vectors and the disease is consequently very common in river areas such as Fafem and Bombas.


The incidence of trypanosomes in Fulani Zebu cattle settled in the Anambra State in Southern Nigeria for at least three continuous years was found to be significantly higher than the incidence in Northern Nigeria. Despite this situation, the cattle in the Anambra State were reported to show better reproductive performance, and generally looked healthier and more robust than cattle in Northern Nigeria. The presence of tsetse flies and trypanosomes *per se* appears not to constitute a complete hindrance to cattle production in this area. The factors contributing to the animals' acquired resistance to infection in Southern Nigeria are discussed.


Goats were experimentally infected with *T. congolense* and then treated with Berenil after 9 days of infection. The infection produced increases in glutamate oxalacetate transaminase (GOT) and glutamate pyruvic transaminase (GPT) values. Mean GOT values in infected
West African Dwarf goats were generally lower than in infected Red Sokoto goats. Treatment with Berenil did not produce any significant effect on their levels, probably because of the relapse infection recorded in this study.


Data on reproduction, liveweight and trypanosome infection of N'Dama cattle raised under traditional husbandry systems in The Gambia were analysed to quantify the relative effects of postpartum liveweight change and infection with pathogenic trypanosomes on two parameters of reproductive efficiency: the ability to calve within 21 months after the initial parturition and the length of the calving interval. Information for the study was obtained from a database on an epidemiological survey begun in 1985 in The Gambia. Calving records \((n = 294)\) from three locations were classified on the basis of body weight change and prevalence of trypanosome infection between 1 and 4 months postpartum. Least-squares analyses adjusted for effects of location, season of calving, viability of calf, and parity showed that the proportion of cows that calved within 21 months was 50% for cows which maintained or lost less than 5% of the initial postpartum weight and 31% for cows which lost a higher percentage of weight. Corresponding mean calving intervals were 567 and 666 days, respectively \((P < 0.05)\). With regard to trypanosome infection, 49% of uninfected cows and 32% of infected cows \((P < 0.05)\) calved again within 21 months, with calving intervals of 581 and 651 days, respectively \((P < 0.05)\). The interaction between liveweight change and trypanosome infection status was not significant. Furthermore, the findings suggest that while postpartum body weight loss impairs reproductive performance, trypanosome infection does likewise, and these effects may act independently of each other.


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In a preliminary study, using clonogenic assays, the in
vitro kinetics of committed haemopoietic progenitors were monitored during a T. congolense rechallenge infection in five trypanosusceptible Boran cattle. Early in the infection (week 2), in the absence of any detectable parasitaemia, a drop in the number of nucleated marrow cells was recorded. This was accompanied by a marked but transient decrease in the levels of the colony-forming units-erythroid (CFU-E) followed by a partial recovery by weeks 3-4 after infection. The burst-forming units-erythroid (BFU-E) and the colony-forming units-granulocyte macrophage (CFU-GM) also significantly decreased between weeks 2 and 4. After a transient rise at weeks 3-5 p.i., the CFU-GM steadily declined and remained below preinfection levels throughout the infection. The BFU-E remained below preinfection levels until the end of the experiment. The drop in nucleated marrow cells associated with the decreased numbers of CFU-E, BFU-E and CFU-GM was suggestive of a defect at the pluripotential stem cell level early in the infection (week 2). The erythrocyte indices, i.e. mean corpuscular volume (MCV) and mean corpuscular haemoglobin concentration (MCHC), were unchanged until week 10 p.i. Two animals became severely anaemic; one was euthanised at week 8 and one treated at week 9. The three remaining animals developed chronic anaemia with mean PCV fluctuating around 18-19% between weeks 11 and 14. Low parasitaemia levels were recorded during that period. A CFU-E peak above preinfection levels was noted at week 12 and BFU-E appeared in the peripheral blood culture of two animals between weeks 11 and 14. A progressive rise in MCV associated with a gradual decrease in MCHC also characterised that period. A return to near preinfection levels was recorded for the numbers of all three progenitors 3 weeks after trypanocidal treatment followed by a full recovery 5 months after treatment. Although ineffective haemopoiesis has been suggested to contribute to the anaemia of bovine trypanosomiasis, this is the first demonstration of a negative effect on erythroid development in cultures of bone marrow of trypanosome-infected cattle.

Twenty-four dwarf Djallonké sheep and goats, and 16 Sahelian Fulani sheep and goats, were inoculated with strains of *Trypanosoma vivax* and *T. congolense* to compare their degree of susceptibility to trypanosomosis. One animal from each breed was used as a control. Anaemia was observed in all inoculated animals. In the group of animals inoculated with *T. vivax*, 1 Djallonké goat out of 6, 3 Sahelian Fulani goats out of 4, and 2 Sahelian Fulani sheep out of 4 died within the experimental period of 16 weeks. One single Sahelian Fulani sheep out of 4 died among animals inoculated with *T. congolense*. During a period of 8 weeks, no significant difference was observed between Djallonké and Sahelian Fulani in the decrease of body weight and leucocyte count. Results in this study show a better resistance of Djallonké sheep and goats to infection by *T. vivax*, whereas there was no significant difference between the breeds for sheep and goats inoculated with *T. congolense*.


The effects of trypanosome and helminth infections on health and production parameters in 2000 village N'Dama cattle were assessed periodically. Blood examination showed *Trypanosoma congolense* and *T. vivax* to be prevalent, while strongylid-type eggs were those most frequently encountered in faecal samples. A distinct seasonal fluctuation was detected for both blood levels of trypanosomes and helminth egg output. Strongylid burden and trypanosome infection had significant negative effects on PCV levels and body weights mainly in animals 2-3 years old. Clear indications of an increased susceptibility to trypanosomosis were found in animals affected by helminths. Similarly, animals infected with trypanosomes were more frequently infested with strongyles and egg counts were higher than in cattle in which no trypanosomes were detected.
One hundred serum and two urine samples collected from camels (Camelus dromedarius) were analysed at the Eastern State Veterinary Research Laboratory, Kassala, Sudan, for the presence of ketones. All fifty sera from trypanosome-infected camels gave positive results. Forty-five out of the 50 serum samples of trypanosome-negative camels showed negative results. The five positive samples were also positive with the mercuric chloride test.


Plasma biochemical changes were studied for 8 consecutive weeks in Sokoto Red goats experimentally infected by i.v. injection of $1.6 \times 10^7$ T. brucei. The strain 8/18 was highly infective. The mean PCV significantly decreased from 1 to 8 weeks p.i. ($P < 0.05$). During this period, the mean plasma total bilirubin concentrations significantly increased ($P < 0.05$). The mean plasma direct and indirect bilirubin concentrations significantly increased from 2 to 8 weeks p.i. ($P < 0.05$). The mean plasma albumin concentrations did not vary significantly ($P > 0.05$), but the mean total plasma proteins and mean plasma globulin concentrations significantly increased between 5 and 8 weeks p.i. ($P < 0.05$). There were no significant changes in the mean plasma bicarbonate, creatinine and cholesterol concentrations ($P > 0.05$).


An experiment was conducted in The Gambia to compare trypanosomosis incidence between Zebu and N’Dama cattle. It was considered important to compare the two breeds under identical management conditions and the animals were maintained together at three locations, traditionally managed and under a range of tsetse challenges. The results show that trypanosomosis incidence was significantly higher in Zebu than in N’Dama. The titre of antibody against Trypanosoma vivax measured by an IFAT showed a significant difference.
between Zebu and N'Dama. Variations in PCV were greater in Zebu than in N'Dama.


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Four dogs were infected with *T. brucei* (Mkar strain) while another four were used as uninfected controls. Two of the dogs showed acute disease and died in the first wave of parasitaemia on days 7 and 8 p.i. while the other two died from the sub-acute disease on days 24 and 28 p.i. corresponding to the second wave of parasitaemia. In the first wave of parasitaemia there was a sharp decrease in the PCV, red blood cell, haemoglobin, total leucocytes, eosinophil, neutrophil and lymphocyte values, but during the intermediate period of low parasitaemia there was a slight recovery of the values of total leucocytes and lymphocytes although these and the other values showed a continuous decrease during the second wave of parasitaemia. In contrast, there was a consistent monocytosis in both acute and sub-acute diseases. The general picture was that of loss of condition, anaemia, leucopenia, monocytosis, ocular impairment, elevated temperature, pulse and respiratory rates, the difference between the acute and sub-acute diseases being in the degree of intensity. The degree of anaemia noted and the circulatory disturbances associated with the infection could have caused death of all the infected dogs.


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Changes in the haematological values were studied in West African Dwarf ewes infected with *T. brucei*. This disease was characterised by a normocytic normochromic anaemia in the acute phase and a severe macrocytosis during the chronic phase. The observed changes suggest inadequate erythropoiesis in the acute phase while the chronic phase had a superior but still inadequate erythropoietic response with persistent anaemia. Normal total leucocyte values were observed during the acute phase while leucocytosis was a permanent feature in the chronic phase.
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*T. brucei* infection produced an acute and fatal disease in Nigerian mongrel dogs due to a rapidly developing anaemia. Infected dogs responded with increased reticulocytosis, which was not sustained with chronicity. In comparison the response to artificially induced haemolytic anaemia was progressive, marked and sustained. The anaemia of *T. brucei* infection of dogs was either normocytic normochromic in acute infection or microcytic normochromic in chronic infection. Artificially induced haemolytic anaemia was either macrocytic normochromic or normocytic normochromic. The erythropoietic potential of plasma *in vivo* in mice increased in *T. brucei*-infected dogs except at the terminal parasitaemia. The anaemia in *T. brucei*-infected dogs is therefore initially responsive but becomes poorly involved with chronicity.


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Approximately 390 East African Zebu calves from birth to 3 years of age and their dams were monitored monthly from 1986 to 1992 in nine village herds in an area of high trypanosomiasis risk in south-west Ethiopia where there was resistance to all available trypanocidal drugs. Cattle were individually treated with diminazene aceturate when they were detected to be parasitaemic and their PCV decreased below 26%, or when they showed clinical signs of trypanosomiasis. The average monthly trypanosome prevalence among cattle between 6 and 36 months of age was 18%. Within this environment, animals achieved average body weights of 79 ± 14 (SD) kg, 134 ± 21 kg and 183 ± 22 kg at 12, 24 and 36 months of age respectively. Annual mortalities ranged from 8 to 24%, from 6 to 15% and from 4 to 16% in the age ranges 0-12, 13-24 and 25-36 months respectively. Calves parasitaemic in any month in 1988, when early rains failed, had a higher average mortality in that month (3.1%) than those that were aparasitaemic (1.4%). Live weight gains of calves born
to the dams detected as parasitaemic on more than half the occasions during the first 6 months postpartum were 14% lower than those of calves from dams not detected as parasitaemic over this period. An effect of parasitaemia in the calf on weight gain to 12 months could not be demonstrated, but animals detected as parasitaemic on more than six of the 12 monthly samples between 13 and 24 or 25 and 36 months of age had growth rates on average 22% lower than those of animals not detected as parasitaemic. All these effects of trypanosomiasis on productivity, however, were temporary and animals later compensated for periods of poor growth. Regular trypanocidal chemotherapy in a situation of high levels of drug resistance may have helped to maintain the health and productivity of these young cattle.


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Four clinically healthy male camels were i.v. infected with *Trypanosoma evansi* and examined by the mercuric chloride and buffy coat methods. A complete haematological profile showed macrocytic normochromic anaemia. Lymphopenia was found during parasitaemia while lymphocytosis was found at the end of the experiment. Histopathological examinations showed erythro-phagocytosis and destruction of lymphoid follicles during parasitaemia and hyperplastic proliferation of lymphocytes at the end of the experiment.


When equine lymphocytes were exposed to membrane-fraction soluble antigen of *T. evansi*, interleukin 2 was formed and there was evidence of the formation of receptors for interleukin 2. It is suggested that such activation may be responsible for immunosuppression during surra.
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Tsetse-transmitted trypanosomiasis is one of the major constraints on the expansion of the livestock and agricultural industries in Africa. Current prophylactic efforts must rely on tsetse control by the use of insecticides and on trypanocidal drugs. However, recent advances in our knowledge of tsetse and trypanosome biology are offering hope for alternative methods of trapping tsetse, new drugs and even vaccination. Possibly of even greater significance is
the increasing sense that Africa herself might be able to contribute to the resolution of this problem. Over a period of several thousand years, she has generated cattle, such as the taurine N'Dama and West African Shorthorn breeds of West and Central Africa, that are now known to possess a significant degree of innate resistance to trypanosomiasis and several other important infectious diseases. These cattle are extremely well adapted to the environment and are now recognised as having considerable production potential. The ability to resist the development of anaemia in the face of infection, as assessed by PCV, has been shown to be correlated with the capacity to be productive, thereby identifying regulation of PCV as a key trait of trypanotolerance. Thus, an estimate of the ability of an infected animal to maintain PCV, following either experimental or field infection, could be used as a method for identifying trypanotolerant individuals. This could provide a means of estimating trypanotolerance heritability, thereby permitting rational breeding programmes to be instituted.


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The expression of trypanotolerance is discussed in six chapters. Chapter 1 reviews the basis of trypanoresistance in trypanotolerant cattle, laboratory mice and wild animals. Chapter 2 discusses the management of experimental animals kept in captivity and disease problems encountered in these animals. Chapter 3 provides evidence showing that one of the traits of trypanoresistance in buffalo is the ability to control parasitaemia and parasite-induced anaemia, this mechanism having an immunological basis. Chapter 4 provides evidence showing the presence of naturally occurring trypanocides in buffalo and eland serum, which may be partly responsible for trypanotolerance. Chapter 5 discusses the response of waterbuck to trypanosome infection and how the inter-relationship between the host, parasite and vector can affect the infection in the host. Chapter 6 examines and discusses the mechanisms responsible for trypanotolerance in buffalo and waterbuck and speculates how these mechanisms may be exploited to increase trypanotolerance in susceptible livestock.

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Trypanosome infection was detected by the dark ground/phase contrast buffy coat microscopic technique in N'Dama cattle in a high natural tsetse challenge situation in Zaire. The data were used to compare the pattern of infection in very young animals and in their dams, and to evaluate how the pattern evolved in calves from birth to maturity, and thereafter in the different age groups represented by their dams. Five hundred and fourteen calves were evaluated at 3 week intervals for an average of 26 months each, over varying periods between birth and 42 months of age. Two hundred and sixty nine dams had matching records from parturition to calf weaning at 10 months. One month after weaning, animals were equally infected with *T. vivax* and *T. congolense*. From then until 42 months, the proportion of time an animal was infected with *T. vivax* relative to *T. congolense* gradually decreased. In the dams this trend continued from 4 years to at least 8 years of age by which time *T. vivax* infection was only one-third that of *T. congolense* infection. This finding is regarded as strong evidence of the ability of N'Dama cattle, in this region of Africa, to acquire significant control of the development of parasitaemia following *T. vivax* infection but apparently not following *T. congolense* infection. Pre-weaner calves, grazing with their dams, appeared to have considerable protection from, or be more resistant to, both *T. vivax* and *T. congolense* infections compared with their dams and to their own immediate post-weaning situations. More sensitive diagnostic techniques such as antibody and antigen-detection enzyme immuno-assays may help differentiate between pre-weaners that may not be infected and those that may be capable of controlling the development of detectable parasitaemia.

Matching animal health and performance data were recorded over the 2 year period from weaning at 10 months of age on 255 N'Dama cattle in a high natural tsetse challenge situation in Zaire. Four parameters that are regarded as possible indicators of trypanotolerance, species of trypanosomes detected, length of time parasitaemic, intensity of parasitaemia (parasitaemia score), and anaemic condition as estimated by PCV values, were measured and the relative effects of changes in these parameters on trypanocidal drug requirements and growth were assessed. The effects of species of trypanosome on drug requirements and growth were directly measurable. In the case of the other three indicators, the effects on drug requirements and growth that would be brought about by a change of one standard deviation in each were calculated. This allowed comparison of similar sized changes in these three indicators that are of necessity recorded in dissimilar units. *Trypanosoma vivax* and *T. congoense* infections had equal effects on the number of trypanocidal drug treatments required, an average of 0.61 treatments being administered to each infected post-weaner. A reduction of one standard deviation (SD) in length of time infected reduced the number of treatments required by 0.23 and 36% and an increase of 1 SD in PCV reduced the number required by 0.27 or 43%. Changes in parasitaemia score were not important. In the case of growth, a *T. congoense* infection reduced growth by 12.4 g/day or 8% more than a *T. vivax* infection. A reduction of 1 SD in length of time infected increased growth by 9.8 g/day or 6.5%, a reduction of 1 SD in parasitaemia score increased growth by 9.0 g/day or 6.0%, and an increase of 1 SD in average PCV increased growth by 8.4 g/day or 5.6%. The necessity to simultaneously measure the four criteria is clearly indicated by their approximately equal effects on the final performance trait of daily liveweight gain. Thus, absence of information on any of these criteria would significantly affect the accuracy of the estimate of an animal's overall trypanotolerance phenotype in this central African situation and reduce the progress possible in production projects involving N'Dama cattle.
(d) TREATMENT

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A new trypanocide, Pirobenz, was found to be at least as effective as Berenil.

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A new trypanocide, Agridine (Pfizer), was tested against Trypanosoma congoense infection in goats and found to be as effective as Berenil.

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Chemotherapy of haemoparasitic diseases in domestic animals is dependent on a limited number of compounds, many of which are chemically closely related. In this review, a summary is given of each of the drugs currently available for treatment and prophylaxis of trypanosomosis and the tick-borne diseases theileriosis, babesiosis, anaplasmosis and cowdriosis. In contrast to the situation with the drugs used for tick-borne diseases, drug resistance appears to be becoming an increasing problem associated with the compounds used for trypanosomosis. The literature that has been reviewed, therefore, is that which relates to the methods used to identify and quantify drug resistance in trypanosome populations, reports of resistance to trypanocides, and cross-resistance between trypanocides. The possible reason(s) for the apparent lack of development of resistance to the compounds used for treatment of tick-borne diseases is also discussed. Local toxicity at the site of injection is a problem that is particularly associated with many of the trypanocides when used on a long-term basis in individual animals. Various alternative preparations of the currently used trypanocides therefore have been evaluated in an attempt to reduce
this toxicity, and are summarised. Finally, future developments in haemoparasitic chemo-therapy are considered and, for trypanosomosis, highlight the importance of integrating chemotherapeutic and chemoprophylactic programmes with control of the vector when drug resistance becomes a significant constraint.

7. experimental trypanosomiasis

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8. trypanosome research
(a) CULTIVATION OF TRYPANOSOMES
(b) TAXONOMY, CHARACTERISATION OF ISOLATES


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The study characterised 151 Trypanozoon isolates from south-east Uganda by isoenzyme electrophoresis. Stocks were from a range of hosts, including man, cattle, pigs, dogs and Glossina fuscipes fuscipes; 104 isolates were from the Busoga area, 47 were from the Tororo district. Stocks were characterised on thin layer starch gel using eight enzyme systems: ALAT, ASAT, ICD, MDH, ME, NHD, NHI, PGM. Enzyme profiles were generally typical of East Africa; new patterns of ICD and ME were detected. Trypanosomes were classified on the basis of their profile by similarity coefficient analysis and the unweighted pair-group method using arithmetic averages (UPGMA). The majority of trypanosomes were classified in one or other of two genetically distinct groups which corresponded to the strain groups busoga and zambezi, both of which are associated with Rhodesian sleeping sickness in East Africa. Contingency table analyses indicated associations between certain isoenzymes of ICD and PGM, according to host and geographical origin. Significant relationships between trypanosome strain group and geographic origin were also demonstrated for some host groups.

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