



## Vector-Borne Diseases and Geospatial Modeling

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Vector-borne diseases (VBDs) account for up to 17% of all infectious diseases in low- and middle-income countries of the world. Complex environmental, climatic, and social factors drive the distributions of VBDs. These factors can impact the VBDs by making transmission longer or more intense. For example, transmissions to newer regions can be caused by conducive climatic and environmental conditions. Furthermore, frequent epidemics of VBDs are driven by increased cross-border travel and trade, changing agricultural practices, and individual behavior. The increasing rates of these VBDs have major social, economic, and developmental impacts in resource-constrained settings, affecting the ability of people to work and contribute to their families' income, preventing children from attending school, and posing significant medical costs. Together these factors contribute to rising health inequities and hinder socioeconomic development.

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