Importance to maintain ability to diversify between mosquito species

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• Between mosquito species:
  • Difference in repellent protection time
  • Difference in occurrence/geographical spreading
  • Difference in mosquito transmitted diseases

• Different situations require different protection

• Different actives and formulations = different protection both in time and species

• Increasing awareness of general public of the existence of and difference between mosquito species and the link with different mosquito transmitted diseases (e.g. recent Zika virus spread, information provided by authorities, centres of disease control)

• Increasing introduction and establishment of new mosquito species on the Northern hemisphere including EU (e.g. Aedes albopictus in Southern Europe)
• Important to determine the efficacy of products against most relevant mosquito species and offer information to consumers/health professionals enabling them to make the right choice for their specific needs
  • Set of test methods which allow to determine efficacy in a consistent and representative manner
  • Clear, informative and understandable communication to consumers
    • Differentiation between the most relevant mosquito species
    • Use of official names as well as “common” names widely recognised and understood by consumers

• Diversification can also be a driver of continued innovation which is required in the field of mosquito protection