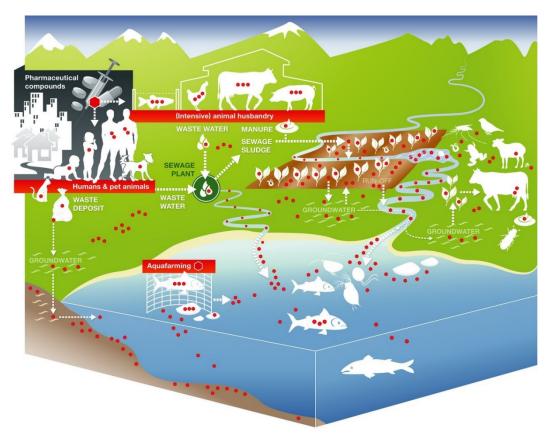
Antimicrobial Resistance and Environmental Hotspots

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AMU and AMR - One Health in Action



"The life cycle of pharmaceutically used antibiotics does not simply end when a patient swallows a pill or when livestock are treated."

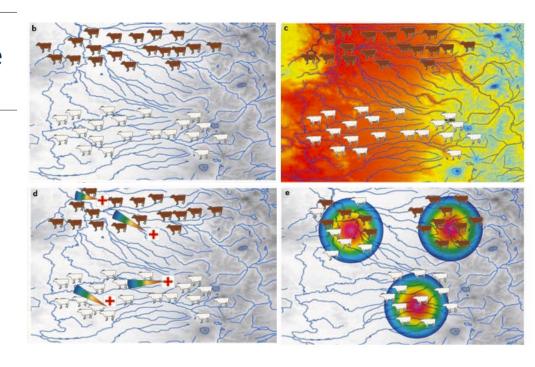
Landscape Ecology and AMR

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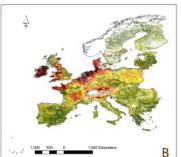
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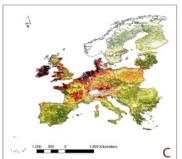
"In studies involving complex environments with many potential causes, the ability to quantify the causal relationship accurately becomes extremely difficult."

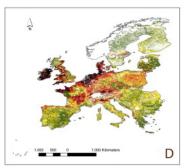


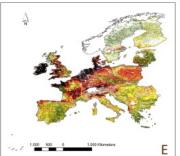
Antimicrobials and Soil Vulnerability

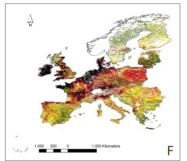












Risk value

- A. Sulfachlorpyridazine, florfenicol, lincomycin.
- B. Sulfamethazine.
- C. Amoxicillin.
- D. Sulfadimethoxine
- E. Oxytetracycline, tetracycline, chlortetracycline, tylosin, sulfodiazine
- F. Enrofloxacin

"A risk assessment was carried out to measure soil vulnerability to antibiotic contamination. The assessment comprised four steps: release assessment, exposure assessment, consequence assessment and risk estimation."



De la Torre et al., Sci Tot Environ, 2012

Mapping Minnesota's Antibiotic Footprint

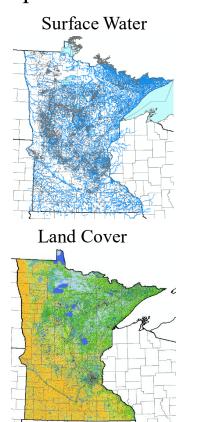
- Overarching Hypothesis
 - A spatial model of Minnesota can predict areas of highest AMR risk in the natural environment and ultimately provide a basis for risk-based surveillance to guide targeted interventions for risk mitigation
- Objectives
 - Estimate the quantity and location of antimicrobial usage in Minnesota's healthcare and veterinary sectors
 - Develop an 'antibiotic footprint' geospatial model
 - Quantify concentrations of antimicrobials and antimicrobial resistance genes at sites impacted by anthropogenic activities



Geospatial Model Development

Antimicrobial Loading Turkey Dairy Chicken Swine Hospitals **WWTP**

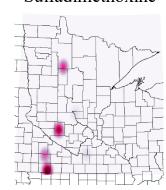
Geospatial Attributes



Environmental Concentrations



Sulfadimethoxine





Antibiotic 'Footprint'

'Antibiotic footprint' as a communication tool to aid reduction of antibiotic consumption

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Data to be Gathered for Major Antibiotic Classes Examples of Direct and Indirect Influence on Antibiotic Footprint

- Clinical uses in humans and animals
 - → Clinical importance to treating infections



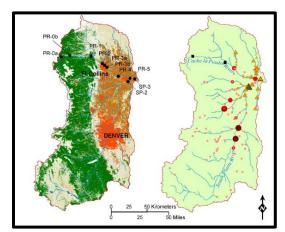
- → Adverse antibiotic events, *C. difficile* infection, risk of colonization/infection with multidrug-resistant organisms
- · Impact on individual patient microbiome
 - → Known and unknown risks to patient and close contacts
- Antibiotic stewardship implications
 - → Effect of improving use of antibiotic class on reducing resistance, improving outcomes
- Antibiotic elimination (human and animal PK/PD)
 - → Potential contribution to environmental contamination
- Environmental implications
 - → Persistence, environmental resistance genes, wildlife impacts



Correlation Between Upstream Human Activities and Riverine Antibiotic Resistance Genes

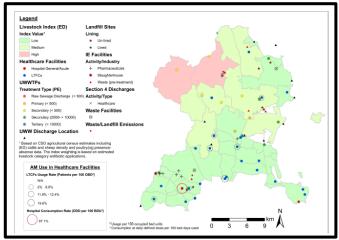
Other Geospatial Studies

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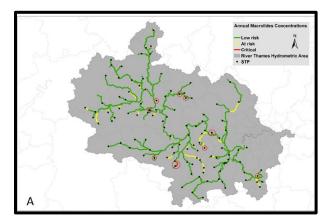
Mapping and Analysing Potential Sources and Transmission Routes of Antimicrobial Resistant Organisms in the Environment using Geographic Information Systems—An Exploratory Study

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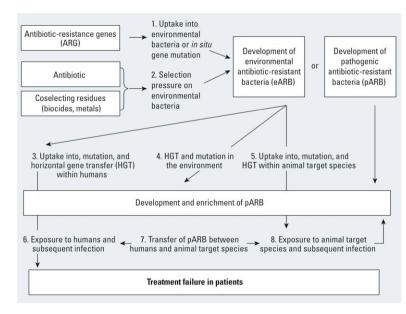
Translating antibiotic prescribing into antibiotic resistance in the environment: A hazard characterisation case study

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Conclusions

- Predicting concentrations in the natural environment is affected by many factors
 - Spatial scale, environmental parameters, seasonality, multiple possible input sources, paucity of good data
- Major knowledge gap is ability to predict health impacts from environmental AMR



Ashbolt et al., Environ Health Perspect, 2013



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