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24 Month Diagnostics and Biosurveillance Challenge:

BSV Ecosystem (BSVE) and Role 0/1 Diagnostic Devices

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PROBLEM

DoD biosurveillance systems do not
provide us with early warning....

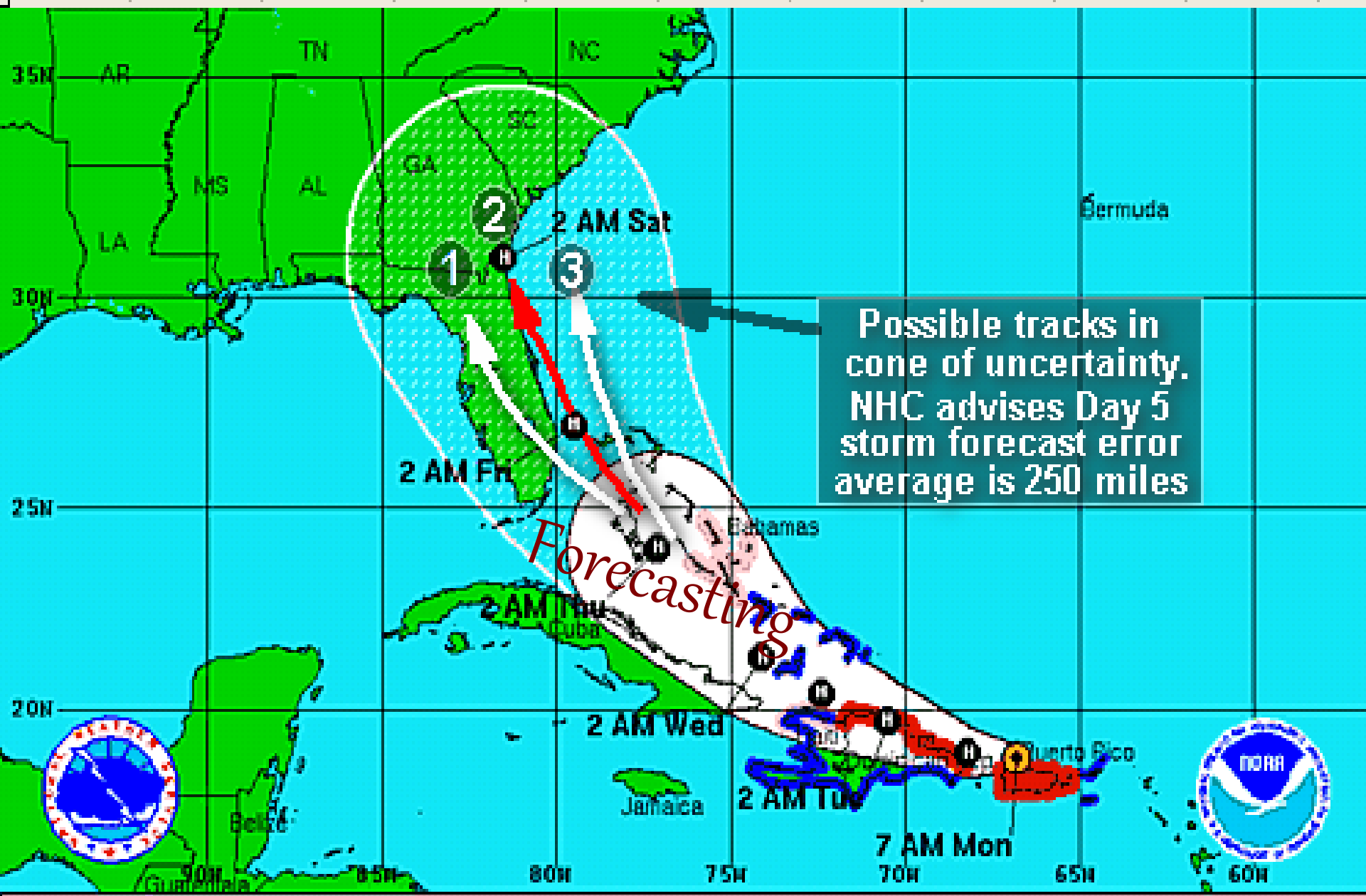
we only learn about what happened
after it is too late.





EARLY WARNING

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Hurricane Irene
 Monday August 22, 2011
 7 AM EDT Intermediate Advisory 7A
 NWS National Hurricane Center

Current Information: ☀
 Center Location 18.8 N 66.8 W
 Max Sustained Wind 75 mph
 Movement WNW at 14 mph

Forecast Positions:
 ● Tropical Cyclone ○ Post-Tropical
 Sustained Winds: D < 39 mph
 S 39-73 mph H 74-110 mph M > 110mph

OUR "HURRICANE"

S&T S

- Identify sources "slow, true"
- Create a data source need an
- Enable impact for
- Collaborate environment

Number of Cases

NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR BIOSURVEILLANCE

Biosurveillance Goal: achieve a well-integrated national biosurveillance enterprise that saves lives by providing essential information for better decision making at all

levels through four core functions:

1. *Scan and discern the environment*
2. *Identify and Integrate Essential Information*
3. *Alert and Inform Decision Makers*
4. *Forecast and Advise Impacts*



**2 months and
1 week later...
WHO
CONFIRMS**



Timeline: Social Media, Records, Investigators, Laboratory

Clinic Records



USER/ANALYST COMMUNITY


- Workshop
 - Involved S&T, Requirements, Users, Industry, Acquisition
- Interviews
 - Established baseline and elicited workflow activities
 - ✓ NCMI – Intelligence Community Lead for Disease Surveillance
 - ✓ NORTHCOM – Pandemic Influenza Lead
 - ✓ HHS – Civilian Lead for Disease Surveillance
 - ✓ Boston Public Health Command
 - ✓ COCOMs
 - ✓ Naval Health Research Center
 - ✓ Naval and Marine Corps Public Health Center
 - ✓ NEPMU-2
- KEY OUTCOME: Current Public Health (ESSENCE), DoD (Health Affairs), Interagency (BioSense 2.0) Surveillance Systems are...
 - EVENT-based, stove-piped based on organizational mission
 - Reliant upon traditional (clinical) data sources; lab results take weeks to provide actionable information
 - **Surveying only human (sometimes just military) populations will not provide early warning**



HOW IT'S DONE NOW: *BSV DYSFUNCTION*

 Analyst scans multiple, various data sources for signals
Hunts/gathers data manually

Connections
present, but not made

 Analyst interprets data for importance, analytics not
connected to data

Manual, laborious

 Analyst collaborates with other analysts

Iterative process

 Analyst confirms/denies signal

No knowledge
management

 Analyst produces report

Constant repetition

 Analyst pushes out product

No archiving/sharing

Decision maker gets information too late to make a difference

A NEW APPROACH IS NEEDED: BIOSURVEILLANCE ECOSYSTEM (BSVE)

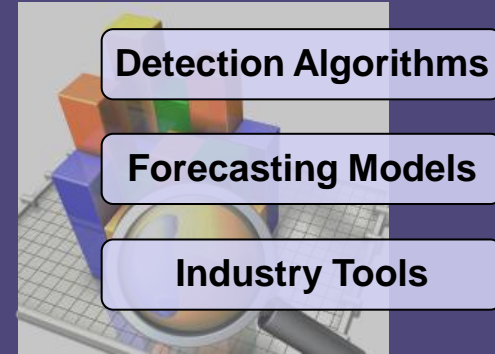
Integrated Relevant Data



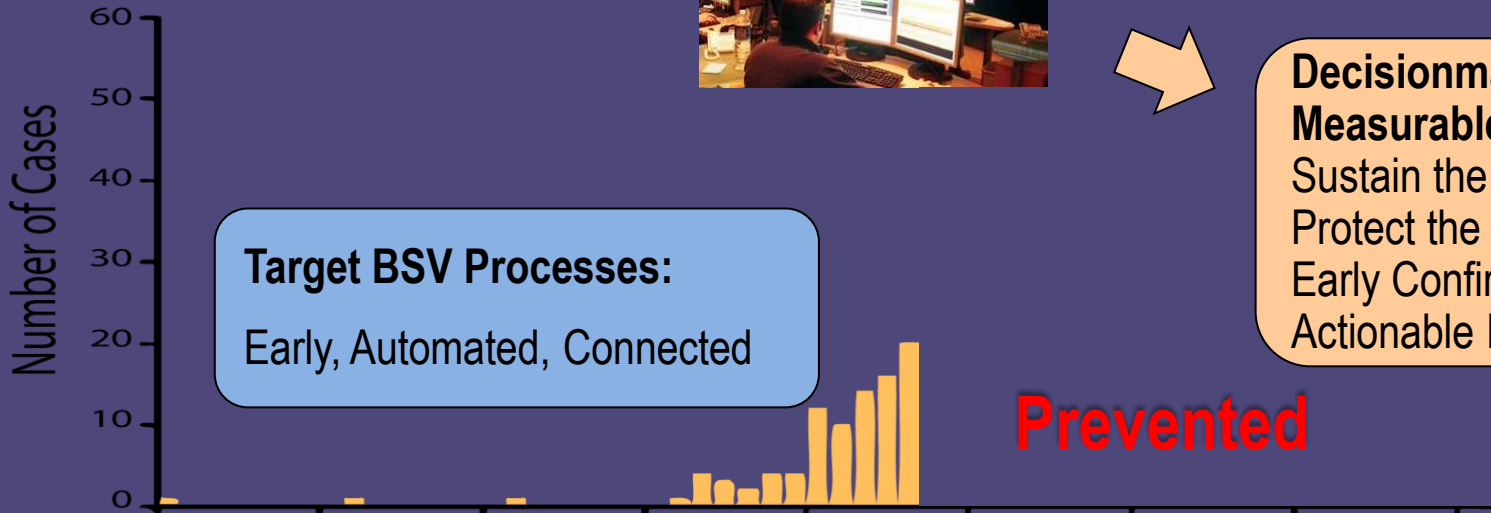
Collaboration



Accessible Analytics



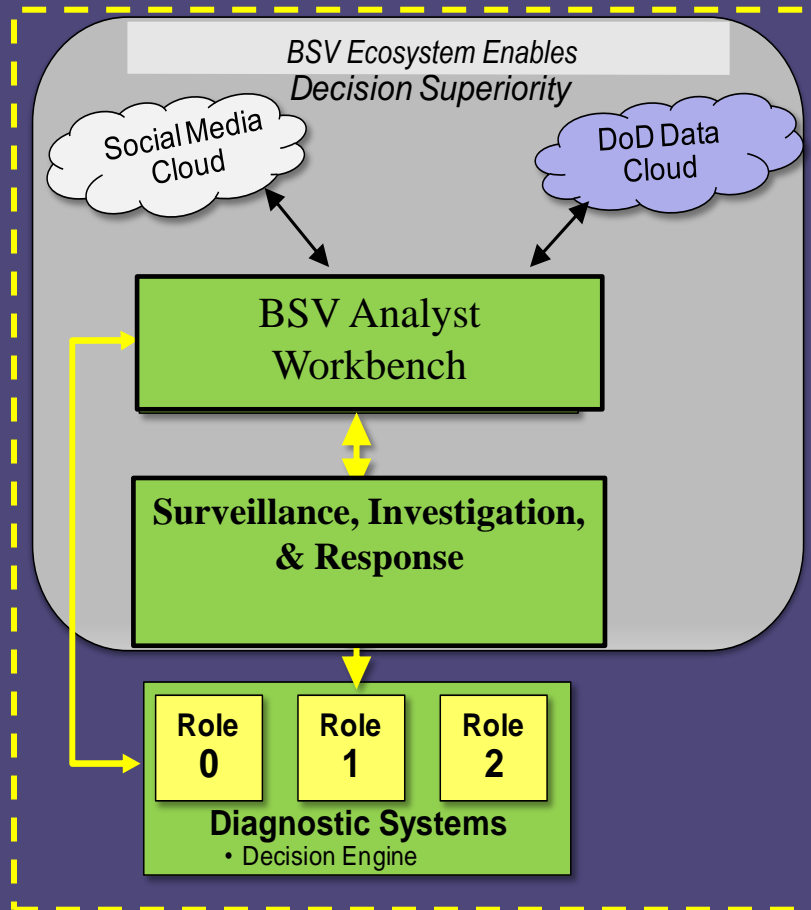
BSVE User Workbench



Decisionmaker Achieves Measurable Results:
Sustain the Mission
Protect the Force
Early Confirmation
Actionable Information



24-MONTH CHALLENGE OBJECTIVE



24-Month Challenge will demonstrate linking: “a well-integrated **BSV Ecosystem** that saves lives by providing **PON diagnostics** for better decision making at all levels”

HARNESS INDUSTRY TO CHANGE THE GAME

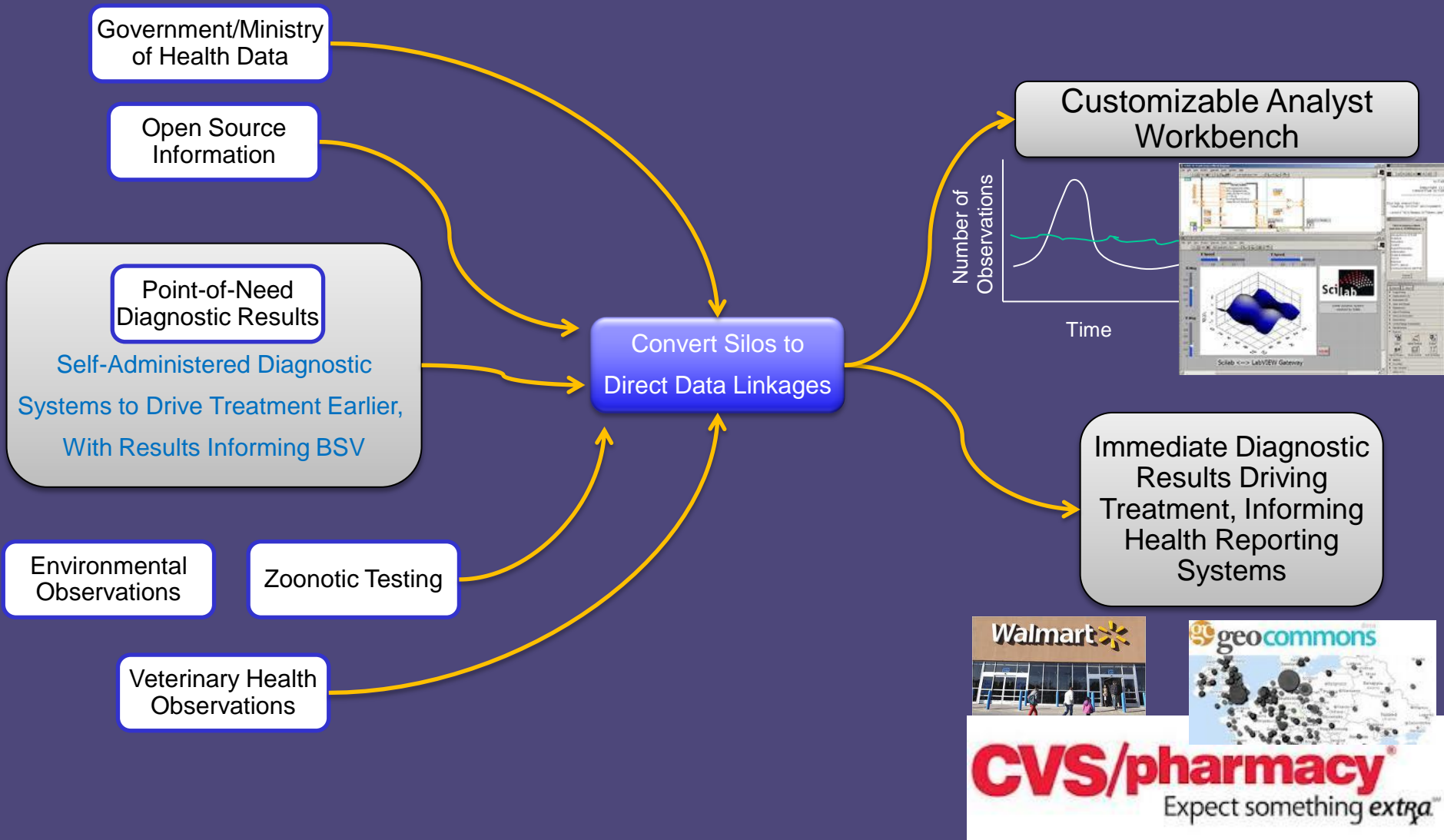
- Exploit the industry framework that has evolved to warn, forecast, and proactively respond to disasters
- Research, develop, and demonstrate – to the public and to industry – a commercially viable early warning/response system for outbreaks

DESIGNED FOR:

- Mutually positive private sector and government impact
- Widespread sustainment (by the private sector) and use well beyond the initial government investment



A TRANSFORMATION FOR HEALTHCARE AND BIOSURVEILLANCE



DETAILED DISEASE CANDIDATES FOR DEMONSTRATION

- Syndromically-targeted, multiplexed diagnostic system considered most useful for purposes of 24 Month Challenge Demo, according to CBA external medical focus group:

Severe acute systemic febrile illness (SASFI)

Priority α

- *Malaria (P. falciparum)*
- Dengue
- Melioidosis (*Burkholderia pseudomallei*)

Priority β

- Lassa Fever
- *B. anthracis* (anthrax)
- *Y. pestis* (plague)



POINT-OF-NEED DIAGNOSTIC SYSTEMS

- **Role 0:** very simple and rugged devices suitable for self-use and use by non-medically trained service members
- **Role 1:** handheld electronic systems for use in forward (medical level 1 care) environments

Role 0



HOME /SELF USE ¹

- Akin to paper-based platforms
- Capable of 3-5 tests on one sample

Role 1



MEDICAL PROVIDER

- Increased functionality
- Higher plexity (10-100 simultaneous tests)

- Fast, easy to use, sample-to-answer systems
- Compatible with existing communications infrastructure²
- At clinical research stage in 24 months
- Suitable for eventual FDA clearance and CLIA waiver (monthly meetings with FDA scheduled; concept fits with FDA paradigm shift to separate results interpretation from device/user)

1. Also includes uses with non-human samples (e.g. insect vectors, livestock, food, environment), which would be performed by technical operators

2. With use of external reader for Role 0 systems

DEVICE CANDIDATES

Role 0	Role 1
Rapid Pathogen Screening	BD Veritor
FIO *	Epistem GeneDrive
Diagnostics for All	Quidel Sophia
SD Bioline	MesoScale Diagnostics
	Mesa Tech (In Negotiations for Contract)
	Phillips Royal Electronics
	Multiplex PCR Device (In Negotiations for Contract)
	Luminex (Miniature PCR/Immuno)
	Wave 80

- **DTRA has funded 3 Evaluation Labs to develop and test Point-of-Need diagnostic devices (NRL, JHU/APL, LLNL)**

* Not actual assay, just a reader



OCONUS CLINICAL SITES FOR 24 MONTH DEMONSTRATION

Base Site and Location	Number and Location of Cohort Sites	Prevalent Disease States for Study	Estimated Prevalence of Target Pathogen (%) ^{2,3,4}	# of Patients with Selected Pathogen Required for Testing Device Performance ⁵	Sample Size Goal (# of acute febrile patients needed, based on estimated prevalence)	Past Number of Acute Febrile Patients per Year ^{2,3,4}
NAMRU-2 ¹ (SE Asia)	Will include sites in Cambodia (9), Thailand (2), and Northern Australia (1)	Dengue, Malaria (<i>P. falciparum</i>) and Melioidosis (<i>Burkholderia pseudomallei</i>)	Dengue: 8-10%	Dengue: 245	2450	3325
			Malaria: 2-5%	Malaria: 245	4900	3318
			Melioidosis: Pending	Melioidosis: 200	Pending	Pending ⁶
NAMRU-6 ² (Peru)	Iquitos, Peru (~12)	Dengue	20-25%	245	980-1225	1345
USAMRU-K ³ (East Africa)	Will include sites in Kenya (~8) and Uganda (~2)	Malaria (<i>P. falciparum</i>)	20-25%	245	980-1225	750 ⁴
		Plague (<i>Y. pestis</i>)	pending	200	Pending	Pending

¹ Actual number of sites to be determined after site visit in September 2012.

² Data extrapolated from M. Kasper, *et al* (2012). *Am J Trop Med Hyg* 86(2): 246-253—reports confirmed dengue in 883/9975 and confirmed *P. falciparum* malaria in 216/9954 cases from surveillance data in Phnom Penh, Cambodia (9 clinical sites) from 2006 to 2009. Also, *P. vivax* seen in 481/9954 cases.

³ Data extrapolated from B. Forshey (2010), *et al*. *PLoS NTD* 4(8): e787—reports confirmed dengue in 2482/10,739 from surveillance data in Iquitos from 2000 to 2007.

⁴ Data extrapolated from unpublished archived sample data from Dr. John Waitumbi (USAMRU-K). Reports confirmed *P. falciparum* malaria in 599/2240 cases from 2009 to 2012 in their febrile surveillance cohort. Dr. Waitumbi states that absolute numbers can be increased at select sites in order to capture required samples at a quicker rate.

⁵ In order to test performance characteristics of both role 0/1 device, calculation of pathogen amount needed for validation is based on tier 0 estimate of sensitivity and precision.

⁶ Data to be collected in September, 2012 after face to face discussion with sites.

Goal—create signal over noise with near real-time uplink to BSV Ecosystem (Jan – Dec, 2014)



PROGRESS TO DATE

BSVE

- Nov 2011: Biosurveillance Workshop
- Jan 2012: Industry Days (San Jose, CA and Chantilly, VA)
- Jan 2012: BAA/Service Call released
- Feb-Jul 2012: BSV Ecosystem Team Interviews with BSV Users
- July 2012: BAA Performers Selected
- Aug 2012: BSVE User Workflow Report Completed
- Aug 2012: BSVE User Group Forum
- Oct 2012: BSV Ecosystem Contracts Awarded, Kickoff, & JPEO Coordination

24 Month Challenge

- January 2012: 24 Month Challenge Starts
- March 2012: Industry Day and RFI Released
- May 2012: Device Evaluation Labs on Contract
- August 2012: Device Performers on Contract (12 Technologies)
- October 2012: Program Review & JPEO Coordination

24 MONTH CHALLENGE PROGRAM TIMELINE

January 2012	August 2012	February 2013	December 2013	January 2014	December 2014
24 Month Clock Starts	Device Performers on Contract 12 technologies 9 Role 1 3 Role 0	1st Device Down-select (3-5 technologies) Technical Demo of device-BSV Ecosystem Linkage	2 nd Device Down-select (1-2 technologies) Ideally at least one Role 0 and one Role 1 move forward	Begin OCONUS Demo Continual clinical patient study Intermittent Month-long BSV Ecosystem/Device Linkage Demos	Finish OCONUS Demo

Out year work could include different syndrome panels, further development of technologies and integration of host response or novel assays into diagnostic platforms

