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# **Emerging Challenges**

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**Trends and Threats**

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# Dengue Fever: Diagnostics

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# Dengue Virus

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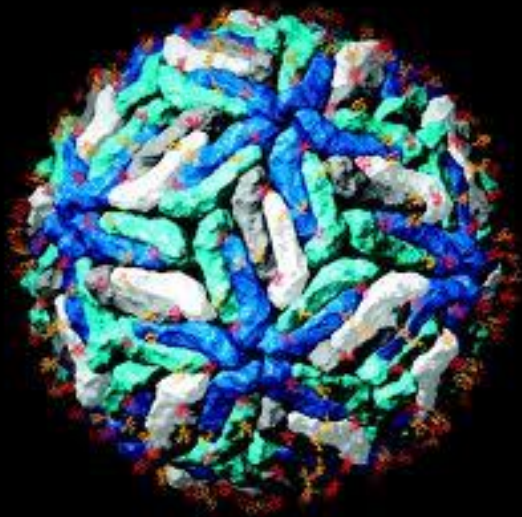
## Arbovirus

- Arthropod, Mosquito, born (Aedes aegypti) virus.
- It causes Dengue fever (DF)
  - Swahili phrase "Ka-dinga pepo",
- Dengue hemorrhagic fever (DHF)
- Dengue shock syndrome (DSS)

# The Virus

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## Dengue Virus



# The Virus

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- Has four (4) different serotypes
  - DEN-1, 2, 3, 4
- First reported epidemics in 1780 in Asia, Africa, and North America

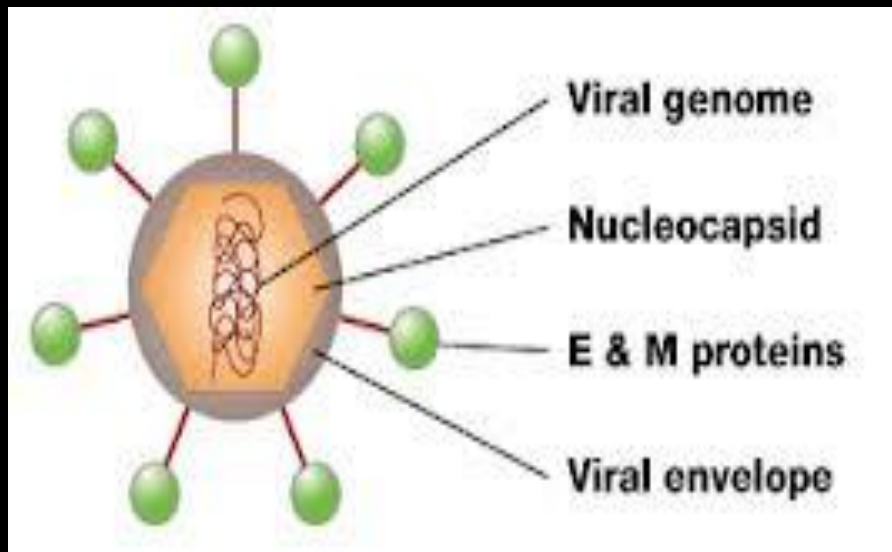
# Dengue virus,...

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- **Four serotypes: DENV-1, 2, 3, 4**
  - All cause full spectrum of disease
  - Infection confers lifelong serotype-specific immunity and short-term (2-3months) cross-immunity
  - Humans can have four infections in a lifetime
- **Genetic variation within serotypes**
  - Some thought to be more virulent

# Structure of the virus

- Family: *Flaviviridae*
- Genus: *Flavivirus*

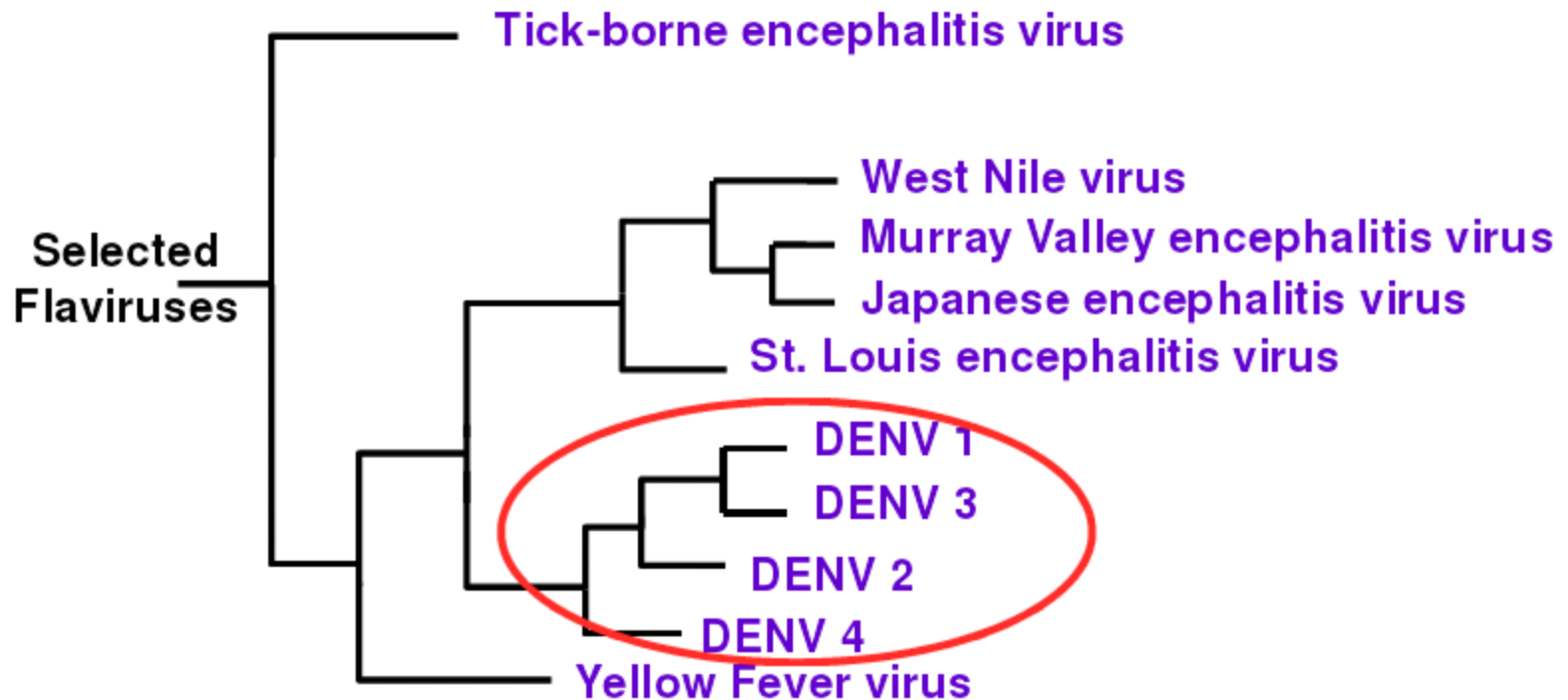


Dengue virus

- Enveloped
- + Sense
- ss RNA genome
- Icosahedral

# Dengue virus,...

## Relationship,.....

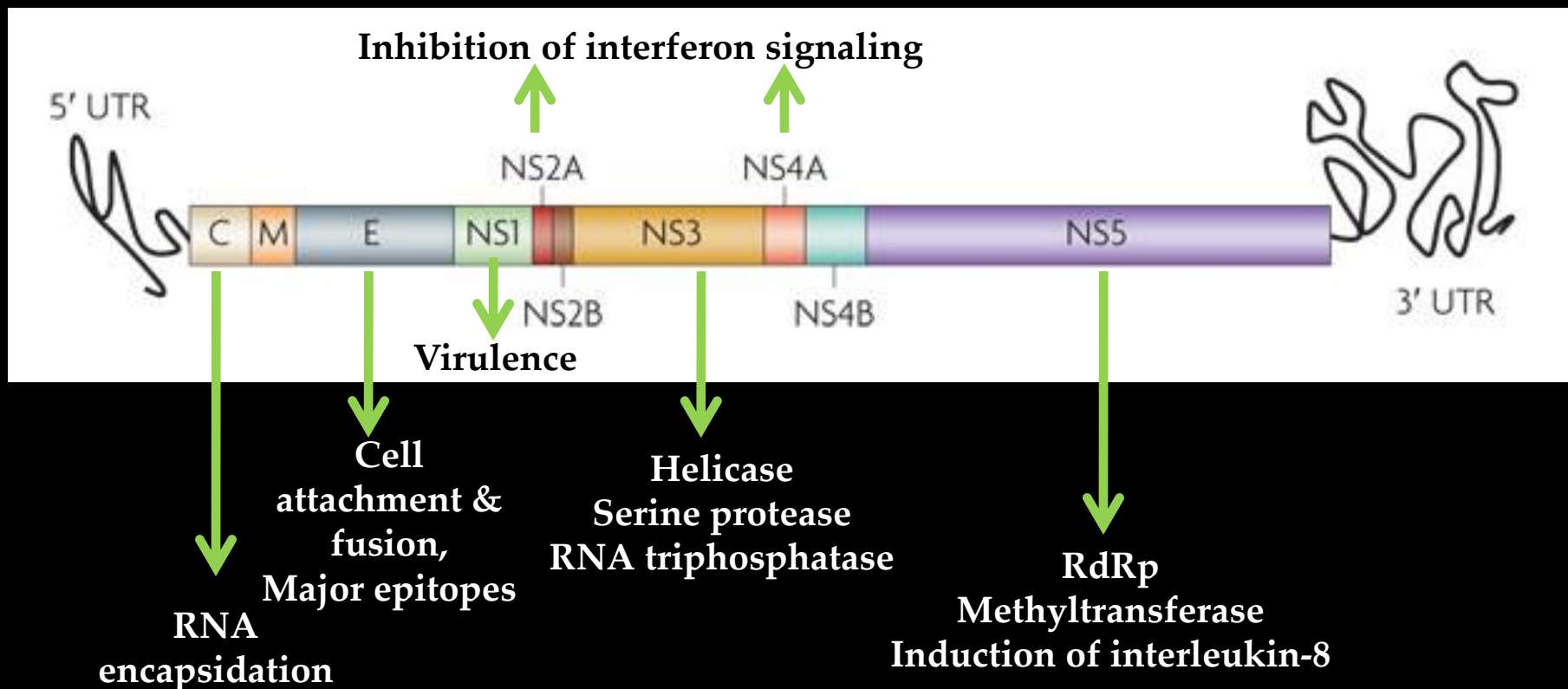




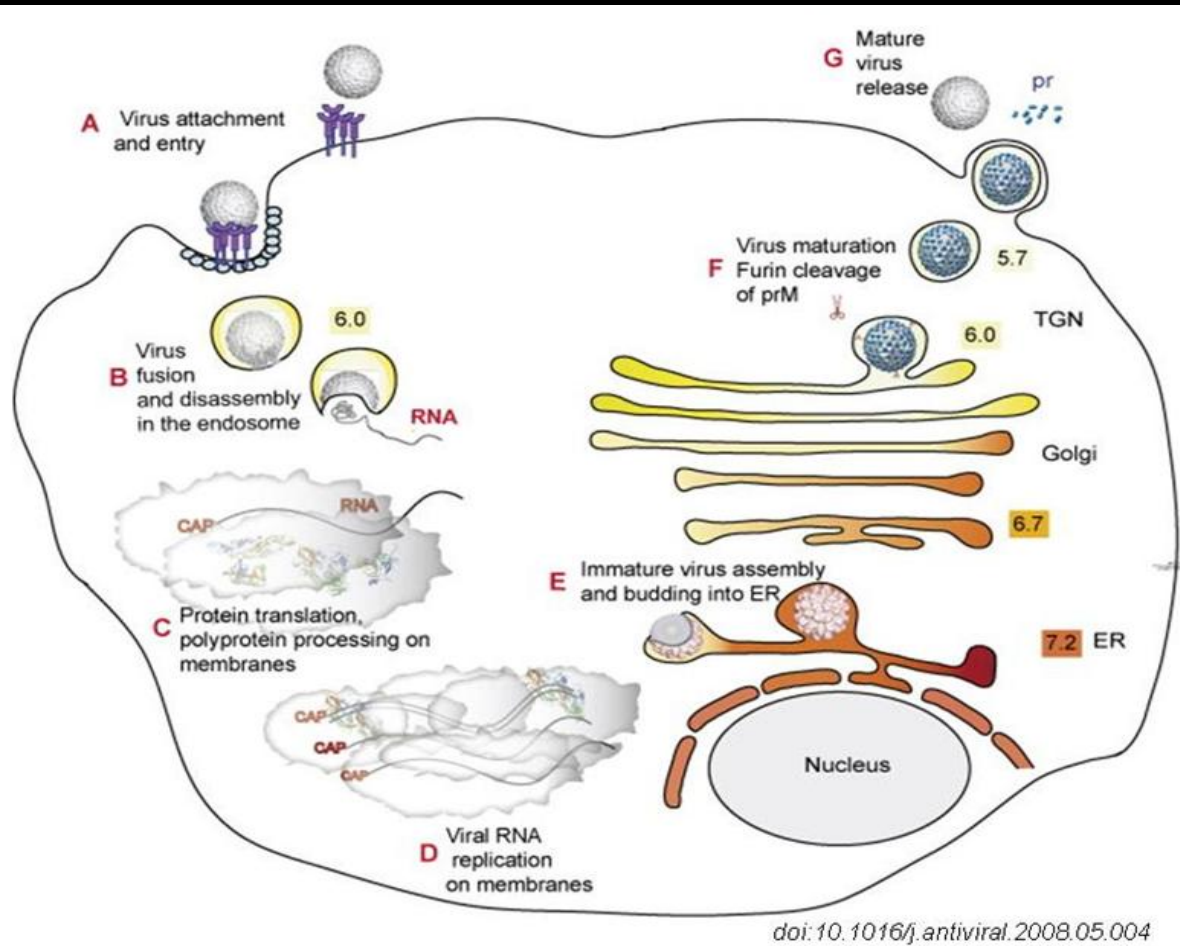
# Viral genome (10.7kb)

Structural

Non structural genes



# Viral lifecycle



# Laboratory Diagnostics

# Tests that can be done,...!

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- Routine blood test
- Tests to check the clotting process
- Urine to check protein leak
- Special tests to identify the **DV** or its **foot marks**

# Lab warning signs

## Leucopenia

- Occurs 24 hours before rapid decrease in platelet count
- Not predictive of plasma leakage
- Good indicator that patient could have dengue

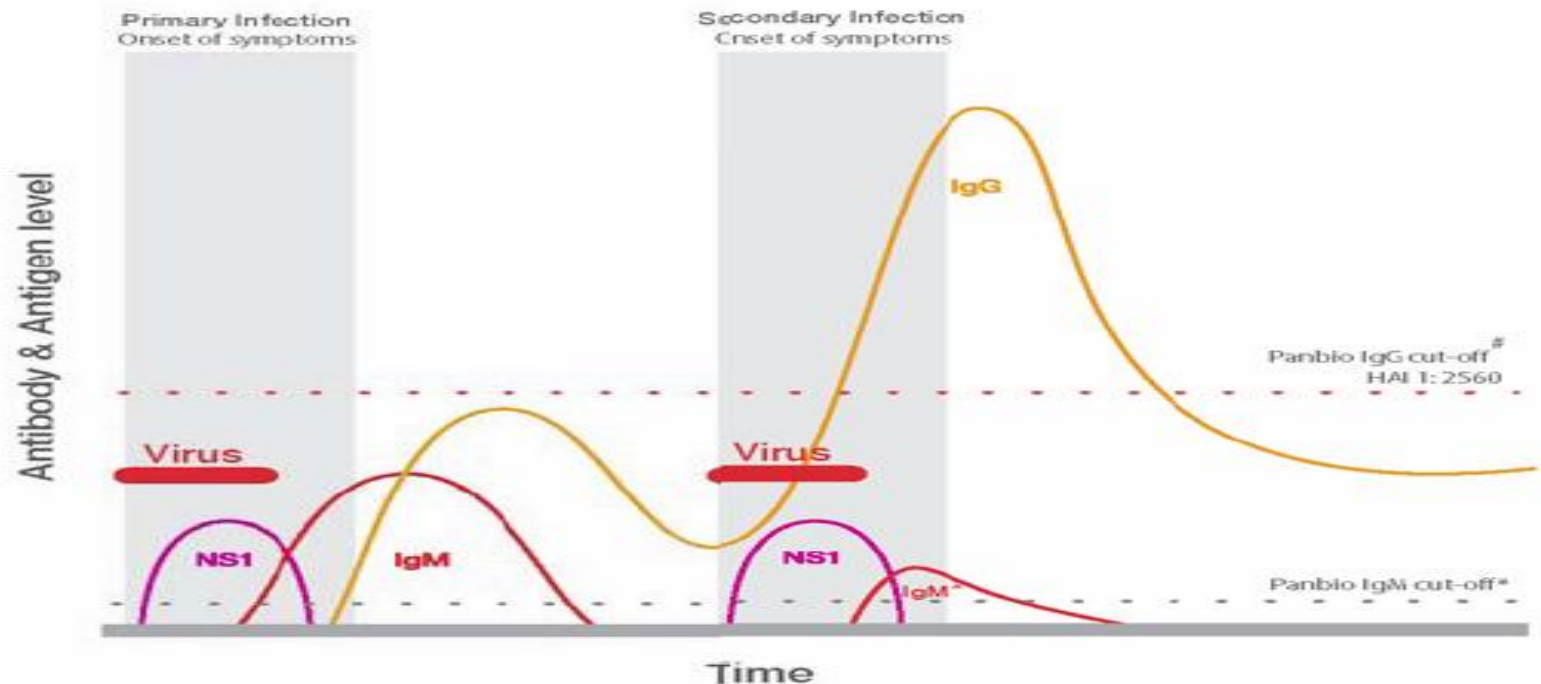
## Rapid decrease in platelet count + rising trend in haematocrit

- Occur shortly before or at defervescence
- May precede changes in blood pressure and pulse pressure
- Indicate an increase in vascular permeability

**NOTE: Changes in haematocrit may be masked by IV fluid therapy**

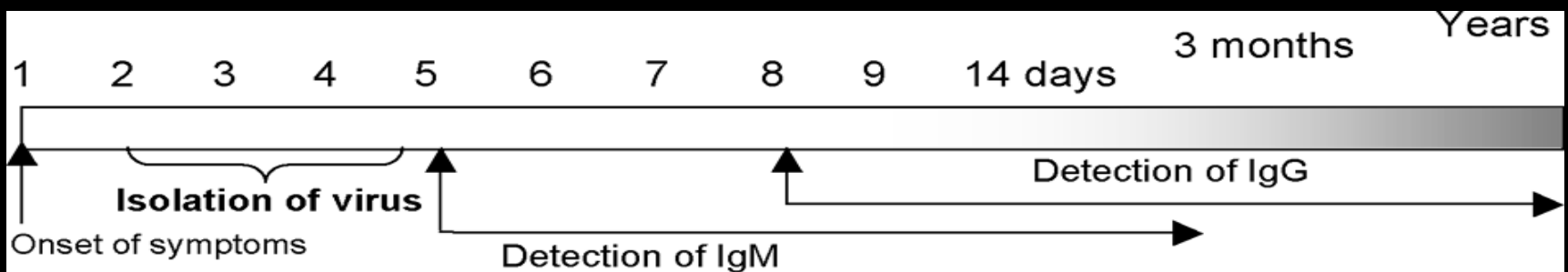
# Diagnostic markers

## Dengue infection: immune response



# Samples

- Serum–Rapid test, ELISA, PCR
- Whole blood–Rapid test, PCR, Viral isolation
- Tissue–IHC, viral isolation, PCR



# Sample preparation

## 1. 2 tubes required

1. Plain
2. EDTA tube

## 2. Separation (Serum)



Sample preparation

## 3. Sample storage at least -20° C

- Whole blood 2-8°C



# Special Tests: Dengue Virus

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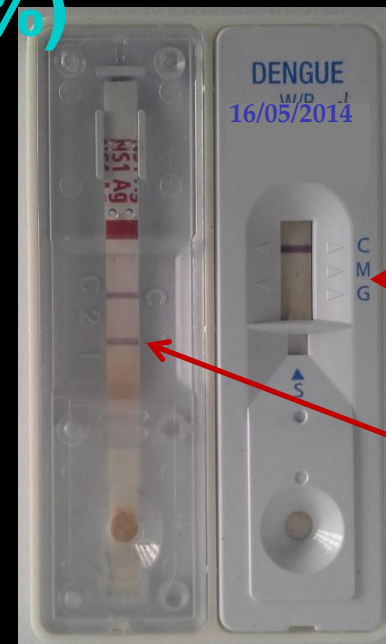
1. IgG/IgM (Ag NS1) Rapid Test
2. ELISA IgG/IgM or Ag ELISA (NS1)
3. RT-PCR – **CONFIRMATORY**
4. DNA Sequencing
5. Viral Isolation (Cell Culture/Inoculation)

# KCMC Confirmed Samples

A total of 33 samples tested, 6 were POSITIVE (18.2%)



- F, 86yrs, Majengo
- Cas, (M-I)



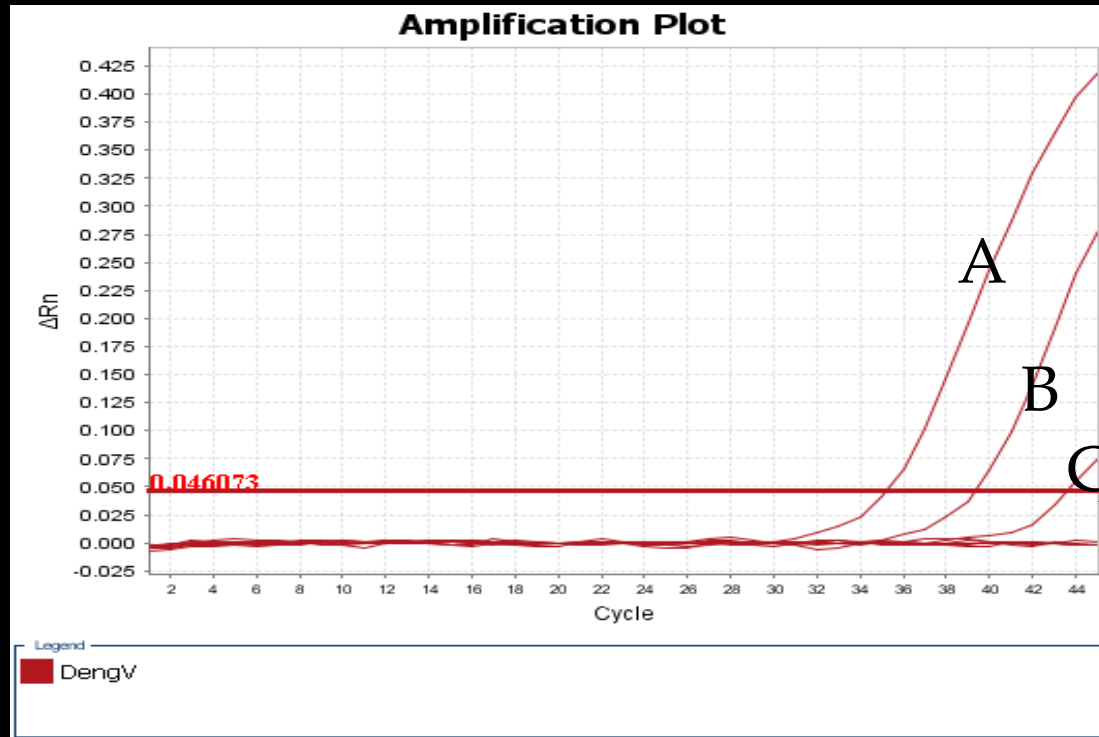
- F, 26yrs, Moshi, KCMC?
- M-II
- rtRT-PCR confirmed

# Pattern of SD Bioline results

	Laboratory results			No of Pts
Pattern of results	NS1	IgM	IgG	
1	Reactive	Reactive	Reactive	2
2	Reactive	Non R	Non R	4

- **NS1**- first marker to released by infected cells
- **IgM and IgG** - depends on time of sample collection

# Amplification Plot-rtRT-PCR



- F, 26yrs, Moshi, KCMC?
- M-II,
- rtRT-PCR confirmed

10019-10695  
676nt 3' UTR

0.046073 ct value

A & B = Pos control

C = Sample 002, Amplification

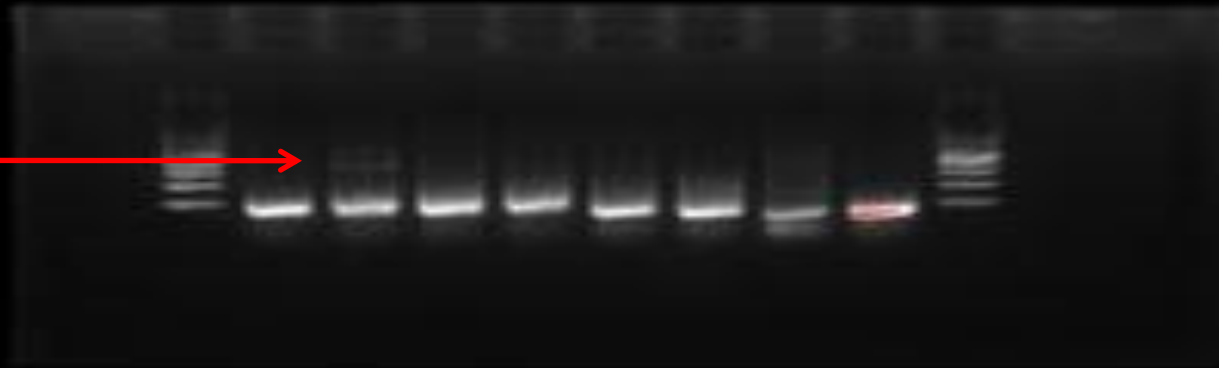
# KCMC Confirmed Samples

rt-PCR Gel electrophoresis (Polyprotein gene)

	M	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	M
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Sample  
002

511bp



DI 5'-TCAATATGCTGAAACGCGCGAGAAACCG-3' (134-161)  
D2 5'-TTGCACCAACAGTCAATGTCTTCAGGTTC-3' (616-644)

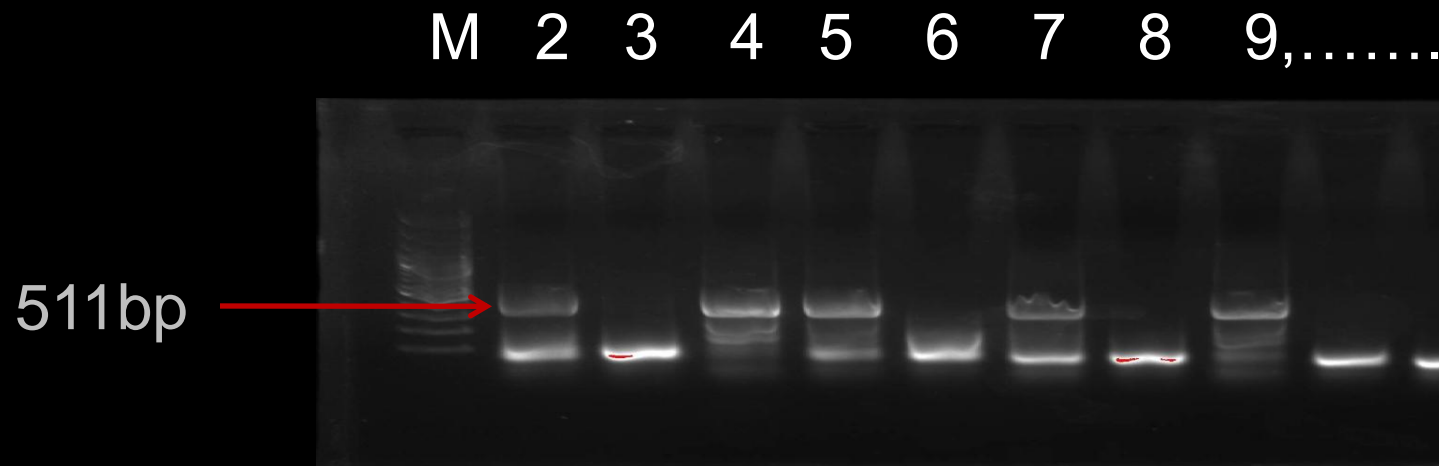
**Rapid test =  
REACTIVE**

**PCR = POSITIVE**  
**Female 26 years collected  
16.05.2014, DV is POSITIVE.**

Lanes 1 = Marker,  
Lanes 2, 3, 4 and 5 are samples 1, 2, 3 and 4,  
Lanes 6 and 7 are negative controls during RNA extraction,  
Lanes 8 and 9 are negative controls during RT-PCR  
Lane 10 is a DNA marker.

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Agarose gel analysis of the product from RT-PCR. Lanes: MW, molecular size markers (in base pairs); N, uninfected mosquitoes; 2 to 8, RNAs isolated from patient samples

# Genetic Characterization

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- We did serotype specific PCR
  - Preliminary results - Serotype II
- DNA Sequencing – waiting results
  - Phylogenetic analysis – predict origin of the virus

# Discussion

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- All cases had classical dengue fever.
- No recorded mortality related to DF.
- The virus was imported from Dar es Salaam.



# Conclusion

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- This study has confirmed, for the first time, the presence of the DV in Kilimanjaro region, northern-Tanzania.
- Since, the first recorded dengue fever outbreak by the end of April and May, 2010 in Dar es Salaam region, Tanzania.

# Important References

## MINIREVIEW

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## GLOBAL STRATEGY FOR DENGUE PREVENTION AND CONTROL

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