

Aedes aegypti

System: Terrestrial

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Arthropoda	Insecta	Diptera	Culicidae

Common name yellow fever mosquito (English), stégomyie (French)

Synonym

Culex aegypti, Linnaeus, 1762
Culex albopalpus, Becker, 1908
Culex anguste-alatus, Becker, 1908
Culex annulitarsis, Macquart, 1844
Culex argenteus, Poiret, 1787
Culex augens, Wiedemann, 1828
Culex calopus, Meigen, 1818
Culex elegans, Ficalbi, 1889
Culex exagitans, Walker, 1856
Culex excitans, Walker, 1848
Culex fasciatus, Fabricius, 1805
Culex frater, Robineau-Desvoidy, 1827
Culex inexorabilis, Walker, 1848
Culex insatiabilis, Bigot, 1859
Culex kououpi, Brulle, 1833
Culex rossii, Giles, 1889
Culex taeniatus, Wiedemann, 1828
Culex toxorhynchus, Macquart, 1838
Culex viridifrons, Walker, 1848
Duttonia alboannulata, Ludlow, 1911
Mimeteomyia pulcherrima, Taylor, 1919
Stegomyia atritarsis, Edwards, 1920
Stegomyia canariensis, Pittaluga, 1905
Stegomyia luciensis, Theobald, 1901
Stegomyia nigeria, Theobald, 1901
Stegomyia queenslandensis, Theobald, 1901

Similar species

Summary

The yellow fever mosquito *Aedes aegypti* is very common in urban and suburban areas in the tropic and subtropic regions. It is adapted to close association with humans and the female feeds almost exclusively on human blood. *A. aegypti* is the domestic vector of the yellow fever virus, caused epidemics of yellow fever in the Americas (before the 1940's) and recently in West Africa, and is responsible for 'urban yellow fever' - direct transmission of the virus between humans. *A. aegypti* is also the most important carrier of the dengue virus, although it is not particularly susceptible to viral infection compared with other mosquito species.



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