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Supplementary Table 1. Recent publications (since 2005) examining links between diversity and infectious disease transmission indicating whether diversity decreased transmission ("protective"), had no effect on transmission ("none"), or increased transmission ("amplifying"). When mechanisms for effects were reported by authors or demonstrated in the text, the mechanism is indicated (A = abundance of hosts, vectors; B = behavior of hosts, vectors, parasites); see Box 1 for details). Studies prior to 2005 were reviewed in Keesing et al. 2006.

Disease	Parasite/pathogen	Host(s)	Vector(s) or intermediate host(s)	Location(s)	Type of investigation	Focal diversity	Measure of transmission or risk	Effect of diversity	Mechanisms	References
Amphibian limb malformation	*Ribeiroia ondatrae*	Anurans	Snails	Laboratory	Experiment	Anuran	Pathogen abundance	Protective	B	Johnson et al. 2008
Bacteriophage	RNA bacteriophage Φ6	*Pseudomonas syringae phaseolicola*	--	Laboratory	Experiment	Bacterial genotype	Pathogen population growth rate	Protective	B	Dennehy et al. 2007
Barley/cereal yellow dwarf virus disease	Barley & cereal yellow dwarf viruses	Barley and cereals	Aphids	California, USA	Experiment	Plants, large vertebrates	Host infection prevalence	Amplifying	A	Borer et al. 2009
Cockle trematode disease	Trematode *Himasthla elongata*	Seabirds	Cockle (*Cerastoderma edule*)	Laboratory	Experiment	Macrozoobenthic taxa	Parasite intensity	Protective	B	Thieltges et al. 2008
Coral diseases	Pathogens of coral	Corals	--	Philippines	Correlation	Marine fish	Host infection prevalence	Protective	A	Raymundo et al. 2009
Fungal disease of *Daphnia*	*Metschnikowia bicuspidata*	Daphnia species	--	Michigan, USA; Laboratory	Experiment, model, correlation	Daphnia	Pathogen prevalence	Protective	B	Hall et al. 2008
Hantavirus disease	Hanta viruses	Rodents	--	Panama	Experiment	Rodent	Host seroprevalence, density of seropositive hosts	Protective	A, B	Suzan et al. 2009
Hantavirus disease	Sin Nombre virus	*Peromyscus maniculatus*	--	Utah, USA	Correlation	Rodent	Host seroprevalence	Protective	A, B	Clay et al. 2009
Hantavirus disease	Hanta viruses	Rodents	--	Oregon, USA	Correlation	Mammal	Host seroprevalence	Protective	Not A; B*	Dizney & Ruedas 2009
Hantavirus disease	Hanta viruses	Rodents	--	--	Model	Rodent	Host infection prevalence	Protective	A	Peixoto & Abramson 2006
Hantavirus disease	Hanta viruses	Rodents	--	Belgium	Correlation	Rodent	Host seroprevalence	Protective	B*	Tersago et al. 2008
Lyme disease	*Borrelia burgorferi*	Vertebrates	Ticks	New York, USA	Correlation	Rodent	Vector burden on hosts	Protective	B	Brunner & Ostfeld 2008
Lyme disease	*Borrelia burgorferi*	Vertebrates	Ticks	New York, USA	Experiment, model	Vertebrate	Density of infected vectors	Protective	A, B*	Keesing et al. 2009
Lyme disease	*Borrelia burgorferi*	Vertebrates	Ticks	New York, USA	Correlation	Vertebrate	Host abundance	Protective	A*	LoGiudice et al. 2008
Lyme disease	*Borrelia burgorferi*	Vertebrates	Ticks	--	Model	Host	Density of infected vectors	Equivocal	--	Ogden & Tsao 2009
Malaria	*Plasmodium* species	Humans	*Anopheles gambiae*	Kenya	Correlation	Invertebrate predators	Vector abundance	Protective	A	Carlson 2009 JME
Parasitic disease of fish	Helminth parasites	Fish	Freshwater invertebrates	New Zealand	Correlation	Fish	Parasite intensity	Protective	A*, B	Kelly et al. 2009
Rust disease	*Puccinia* rust fungi	Ryegrass	--	Germany	Experiment	Herbaceous plant	Host infection prevalence, severity	Protective	A, B*	Roscher et al. 2007

Salmonid whirling disease	Myxozoan *Myxobolus cerebralis*	Salmonid fish	*Tubifex tubifex*	Laboratory	Experiment	Tubificid worms	Host infection prevalence	Amplifying	--	Steinbach et al. 2009
Schistosomiasis	*Schistosomia mansoni*	Mammals	*Biomphalaria glabrata* snails	Laboratory	Experiment	Intermediate host	Pathogen abundance	Protective	B	Johnson et al. 2009
Trematode disease	Trematode *Maritrema novaezealandensis*	Crab *Macrophthalmus hirtipes*	*Zeacumantus subcarinatus* snails	Laboratory	Experiment	Intermediate host	Host infection prevalence	None; protective	B	Hopper et al. 2008
Trematode disease	*Microphallus* sp.	Waterfowl	*Potamopyrgus antipodarum*	New Zealand	Experiment	Intermediate host	Host infection prevalence, host survival	Protective	B	Kopp and Jokela 2007
Trematode disease	Trematode *Himasthla elongata*	Seabirds	Blue mussel (*Mytilus edulus*)	Germany	Experiment	Bivalve	Parasite intensity	Protective	B	Thieltges et al. 2009
West Nile fever	West Nile virus	Birds, mammals, reptiles	Mosquitoes	USA	Correlation	Birds	Human incidence rates	Protective	B*	Allan et al. 2009
West Nile fever	West Nile virus	Birds, mammals, reptiles	Mosquitoes	Missouri, USA	Correlation	Birds	Vector infection prevalence	Protective	B*	Allan et al. 2009
West Nile fever	West Nile virus	Birds, mammals, reptiles	Mosquitoes	Louisiana, USA	Correlation	Passerine bird	Human incidence rates, mosquito infection prevalence	None	--	Ezenwa et al. 2006
West Nile fever	West Nile virus	Birds, mammals, reptiles	Mosquitoes	Louisiana, USA	Correlation	Non-passerine bird	Human incidence rates, mosquito infection prevalence	Protective	B*	Ezenwa et al. 2006
West Nile fever	West Nile virus	Birds, mammals, reptiles	Mosquitoes	Illinois, USA	Correlation	Birds	Vector infection prevalence	None	--	Loss et al. 2009
West Nile fever	West Nile virus	Birds, mammals, reptiles	Mosquitoes	Eastern USA	Correlation	Birds	Human cases	Protective	A*	Swaddle & Calos 2006

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