

Parasitic Eco-Immunological Challenges at the Intersection of Public Health and Ecology

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Abstract

Parasitic illnesses continue to be a major problem worldwide, with consequences for human and environmental health. There is a need for interdisciplinary work at the intersection of public health and ecology due to the complex relationships between host immunity, parasite evolution, and ecosystem stability. Disease prevention, wildlife conservation, and ecological resilience can all be improved by a deeper understanding of these interconnections. In the context of parasitic eco-immunological concerns, the complex interplay between public health and ecological dynamics is becoming increasingly apparent. The complexity of parasite eco-immunological threats raises a number of difficulties. Parasites provide a variety of challenges due to their complex life cycles, unpredictable interactions with hosts, and the potential for widespread ripple effects across ecosystems. Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis (A-ISA) is offered as a comprehensive method that integrates immunological studies, ecological simulations, and empirical findings. Combining dynamic ecological models (DEM) that replicate the spread of parasites among populations and ecosystems with advance omics technology to decipher host immune responses constitutes the method. This A-ISA method takes into account the larger ecological setting to provide a more complete picture of the feedback loops between host immunity and parasite adaptation. Within this context, simulation analysis emerges as a crucial tool, providing the means to simulate complicated events and evaluate the likely results of alternative intervention options. With the use of simulation analysis, the proposed integrative method provides an all-encompassing approach to these problems, opening the door to the creation of preventative measures for disease control and ecological sustainability in a dynamic society.

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At the intersection of public health and ecology, addressing parasite eco-immunological issues is of the utmost importance [1]. The intricate interplay between hosts, parasites, and ecosystems can be better understood through these tests [2]. The mechanisms of infection and new therapeutic approaches can be uncovered by investigating parasite interactions with host immune systems [3]. To better prevent and treat parasitic diseases like malaria and schistosomiasis, it is important to learn more about their transmission, evolution, and impact on human populations [4]. Understanding parasites is important for maintaining ecological harmony since they contribute to biodiversity and environmental stability [5]. Adapting to a changing climate and new environments can have a significant impact on disease transmission, highlighting the need of understanding parasite dynamics [6]. The necessity of studying and resolving these issues in their entirety is highlighted by the fact that our ability to protect human health and the environment is enhanced by integrating public health and ecological viewpoints through a One Health approach [7]. Parasitic eco-immunological issues at the interface of public health and ecology involve complex relationships among parasites, hosts, and the natural world [8]. Parasites cause complicated host immunological responses, which can prolong illnesses. These infections, which are more common in tropical areas, pose serious threats to public health because they can lead to long-term sickness and disproportionately harm vulnerable populations. Parasites have major impacts on ecosystems because of the functions they play in controlling host populations and shaping food webs [9]. Parasite distribution and disease dynamics are impacted further by environmental changes and habitat disruptions. It is essential to adopt a One Health perspective that takes into account the interconnectedness of human, animal, and

INTRODUCTION

environmental health. Parasitic diseases have far-reaching effects on human health and ecological stability, and a better understanding of these obstacles can help in disease prevention, wildlife protection, and ecosystem management [10].

Parasitic eco-immunological issues at the interface of public health and ecology are studied using a wide range of methods. Epidemiological surveys provide a visual representation of illness prevalence, which is useful in prevention and management programs. Parasites can be identified using molecular techniques like PCR, and host responses can be measured using immunological assays. Ecological models can foretell the spread of illness and the results of environmental shifts. Genomic and transcriptomic analyses illuminate parasite characteristics. Interactions are experimentally investigated in field research. The complex nature of these systems, data scarcity in locations with few resources, cross-disciplinary efforts, the emergence of new parasites as a result of environmental changes, ethical issues in trials, and the necessity to take into account interactions are all obstacles. To better handle the complex difficulties at the interface of public health and ecology, we must master these obstacles while utilizing these methods. This will improve our understanding of disease transmission, host immunity, and ecological implications.

- Emphasizing multidisciplinary collaboration between public health and ecology is the research's goal. Promoting a holistic approach that encompasses human health and environmental issues recognizes the intricate links between host immunity, parasite evolution, and ecosystem dynamics. This research integrates knowledge from other domains to understand how parasite illnesses affect humans and the ecology.
- The present research introduces "Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis (A-ISA)." To fully comprehend parasite-host-ecosystem interactions, this strategy uses immunology investigations, ecological simulations, and empirical data. An approach that captures

parasite eco-immunological complexity will allow researchers to replicate occurrences, evaluate intervention measures, and anticipate results.

- Research focuses on disease prevention and ecological sustainability. Disease control and ecological stability prevention are sought using the A-ISA technique. The goal is to apply the integrated approach to develop parasitic disease mitigation measures that protect human health and ecological equilibrium. Prevention emphasizes a proactive approach to parasitic eco-immunological issues rather than reactive treatment.

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows: In Parasitic Eco-Immunological Challenges, the state of the art and research gaps are emphasized in a literature review presented in Section II. Section III details our proposed A-ISA's network architecture and pre-processing procedures. Section IV presents the results and analysis of the experiments, as well as debates and comparisons to earlier approaches. Section 5 concludes with a summary and analysis.

LITERATURE REVIEW

These links have been investigated in a wide variety of organisms, from wild ungulates to geotropically non-human primates and beyond, revealing important information on the interplay between infection, immunity, and evolutionary processes. During these investigations, sophisticated methods are needed to model and examine the complex interplay between immunity and infection in a range of organisms and settings.

Eco-immunological investigations (E-IS) in wild ungulates, as proposed by Jolles, A. E. et al., give new insights into the interplay between environmental and genetic elements in shaping immunity [11]. While the impact of environmental stress on the body's physiological systems has been measured, the impact on the immune system has not. We address opportunities for future research in ungulates that could make important contributions to our knowledge of immunity and infection in wild populations and between species.

When allocating resources to competing life-history demands including growth, survival, and reproduction, living creatures face phenotypic and/or genetic trade-offs, as proposed by Jacqueline, C. et al. in their theory of evolution (ET) [12]. First, there is evidence to imply that neoplastic cells, like all living things susceptible to natural selection, are governed by trade-offs such as those between survival and proliferation. Here, we summarize the several scale-specific trade-offs and discuss why they are important for grasping cancer dynamics.

In neotropical non-human primates (NHP), three species of bot fly responsible for cutaneous myiasis have been described; Silvia, R. et al. *Cuterebra* sp. was morphologically confirmed in the Amazonian birds *Aotus vociferans* and *Aotus nancymae* from Colombia [13]. All PCR results were analyzed by running them on an agarose gel before being sequenced. In order to use them in a BLAST search and alignment, sequences were modified by hand. The best BLAST match showed that all of the specimens belonged to the same species, *Cuterebra baeri*.

When incorporated into preexisting mathematical frameworks, Morris, S. E.'s Modeling the Impact of Pathogen and Host Life (MIPHL) takes into account aspects of the life histories of pathogens and hosts that cause substantial heterogeneity, both within and between infected individuals, and greatly improves our understanding of population dynamics [14]. It is sometimes difficult to collect the fine-scale geographical information needed by mathematical models that incorporate dispersal, which is especially true for wildlife populations.

West, Significant selective pressures can cause rapid evolution of morphological, physiological, and life cycle features, which is called the genetic basis of behavior during invasion (GBBI) [15]. Both environmental and behavioral heterogeneity within the population have been hypothesized to affect an invading species' capacity to adapt to and rapidly expand its range in unknown habitats. This invasion, then, presents a once-in-a-lifetime chance to learn more about the molecular mechanisms that are behind range extension.

Our suggested method, Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis (A-ISA), seeks to meet these obstacles by providing a comprehensive means of comprehending the complex dynamics both inside and between

species. To model the relationship between host and pathogen, genetic variability, immune response, and infection dynamics, we can use A-ISA to simulate the behavior of individual agents. This novel approach paves the door for more nuanced insights into the complex world of ecological immunology by providing a platform from which to investigate immunological processes at various spatial and temporal scales and across different species.

PROPOSED METHOD

The intersection of public health and ecology is centrally represented by parasitic eco-immunological issues. Parasitic organisms, immunological responses of hosts, and ecological dynamics all play a part in creating these difficulties. Parasites, with their dynamic life cycles and flexible strategies, have a significant impact on the wellbeing of both humans and animals. Parasitic interactions may set off domino effects across whole ecosystems, thus the connection goes beyond mere infections. The precarious equilibrium between population health, environmental stability, and disease transmission is brought into sharp focus by these threats.

Disease prevention, animal protection, and ecosystem resilience all depend on a firm appreciation of these interactions. Parasitic eco-immunological challenges can be studied in order to gain a better understanding of complex ecological relationships and to develop novel public health interventions that benefit both human communities and the environment as a whole.

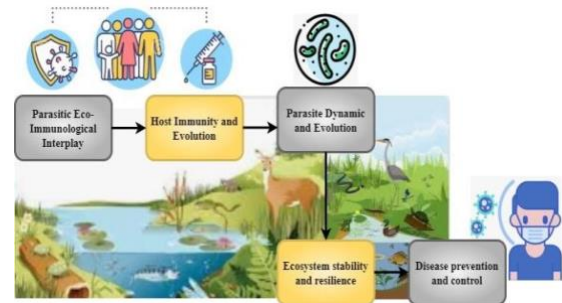


Fig. 1. Parasitic Eco-Immunological Interplay

Figure 1 explains how parasitic diseases, host immunity, and ecological dynamics form a complex system with far-reaching effects on human and environmental health. An interdisciplinary discipline has developed to study these interrelationships between parasite eco-immunological issues

Y_{mA} , which bodes well for future advances in illness prevention P , animal protection $Y=st$, and ecological resilience U as a whole is expressed in equation (1),

$$\sum_{Y_{mA}} P = \prod_{Y=st} U - \left[\frac{E_s}{\sum(F_A + w_{stA})} \right] + \quad (1)$$

Parasite evolution and host immunity are at loggerheads in the "Parasitic Eco-Immunological Interplay as a E_s " at the center of this intricate system F_A . The evolutionary paths of both hosts and parasites are heavily influenced by host immunity $[w_S t]_A$, which is formed by the selection pressures imposed by parasitic threats fy . An continual arms race exists between hosts who gain immunity and parasites who adapt to avoid being detected and neutralized. The ramifications of this interaction for disease dynamics in populations σ_n and ecosystems are substantial is expressed in equation (2),

$$\sigma_n = Y_1 - \sum_{l=1} (\mu_{nm} \times T_k) \quad (2)$$

Parasite infections are dynamic systems Y_1 , and "Parasite Dynamics and Evolution" captures this evolution. Parasites have intricate life cycles μ_{nm} and a wide variety of transmission T_k and survival methods i , which may result in unexpected interactions l with their hosts. The effects of these interactions might vary widely, from symptomless carriage to life-threatening illness. Disease occurrence and severity may be affected by parasites' evolutionary responses to host immunity $\rho_{(y+1)}$ is expressed in equation (3),

$$\rho_{y+1} = U_2 + \sum_{l=1} (\xi_{ak} \times \sigma_e) + (gw) \quad (3)$$

Parasitic threats have a substantial impact U_2 on ecosystem stability ξ_{ak} and resilience σ_e . The complex interactions between host populations gw , parasites, and other ecological elements are reflected in the term "ecosystem stability and resilience." Community architecture and trophic relationships may be affected by parasitic infections on their host populations. The stability of an ecosystem is threatened when these connections are disturbed, which may have far-reaching consequences for things like biodiversity and the functioning of food webs THn is expressed in equation (4).

$$THn = \frac{1}{2} \sum_a ((\psi_x - 1) + \sigma_m FG)^2 \quad (4)$$

Parasitic diseases a must be managed for the sake of public health and environmental sustainability ψ_x , and this is something that "Disease Prevention and Control as a σ_{mn} " initiatives recognize. Strategies for preventing FG the spread of illness that are likely to be successful will take into account both the human hosts and the larger ecological setting. Interventions should be developed to lessen the detrimental effects on animal populations and the ecological functions they play, given that disease dynamics are not limited to human populations.

Innovative approaches are needed to tackle the difficult problems brought on by parasite eco-immunological interactions. One such technique is the "Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis (A-ISA)," a holistic strategy that brings together a number of different fields. This approach integrates immunological research, ecological modeling, and empirical data to clarify the relationship between host defenses and those of parasites, as well as the dynamics of the ecosystem as a whole. The possible effects of various treatments on disease dynamics may be studied using "Dynamic Ecological Models" to simulate the spread of parasites. With "Simulation Analysis" included in this method, researchers may investigate what-if situations and estimate the results of potential treatments. To better understand immune-pathogen interactions, "Omics Technology" is useful since it reveals molecular insights into host immunological responses.

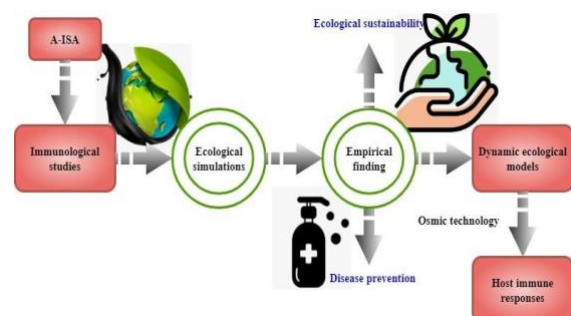


Fig. 2. Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis (A-ISA)

Figure 2 shows the Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis (A-ISA) technique is an all-encompassing strategy

for connecting immunological research, ecological simulations, and empirical results. The complex relationships between host immunity, parasite behavior, and ecological stability may be better comprehended with the help of this novel approach. The basis of A-ISA is the interdisciplinary integration of knowledge from fields such as immunology (to better understand host immune responses), ecology (to better capture complex interactions within populations and ecosystems), and empirical science (to better ground the analysis in real-world data). This synthesis allows for a more complete appreciation of the dynamics at play between host immunity, parasite evolution, and the surrounding environment.

The approach is implemented by a chain of related procedures. To begin, research in the field of immunology delves into the nitty-gritty of host responses to parasite challenges, providing insight into the adaptive processes that fuel immune replies. This information is then used in dynamic ecological models to simulate the transmission of parasites across populations and ecosystems. These models are more realistic than others since they use data from actual research. Understanding host immune responses is greatly aided by omics technology, which encompasses genomics, proteomics, and other 'omics' sciences. In this method, biomarkers, genetic variables, and molecular pathways that influence immune responses to parasites may be identified and characterized. Incorporating omics data allows A-ISA to get a more nuanced comprehension of the underlying immunological mechanisms.

The contextualization of host immune responses within broader ecological dynamics is essential to A-ISA. This requires thinking about how the ecosystem as a whole affects host immunity and parasite adaptability. By using dynamic ecological models, we can see how immune responses and parasite activity co-evolve in an ecosystem and understand the feedback loops between them. The use of A-ISA in predictive analysis and evaluation of treatments has great promise. This technology makes it possible to explore different situations and their potential consequences by modeling complex events and interactions. In turn, this helps evaluate the efficacy of various intervention options,

which in turn guides choices about disease management and ecological sustainability.



Fig. 3. Design of ecosystem system

Figure 3 shows the services provided by Nonhuman Nature and Ecosystems. Humanity relies on many species and the ecosystems they depend on for survival. Provisioning services like food and water, regulating services like climate and disease management, cultural services like leisure and spiritual enrichment, and sustaining services like maintaining important natural processes are all examples of ecosystem services.

Environmental ethics is the study of the moral principles by which we should interact with the natural environment. It recognizes that the natural world outside of people has worth apart from the benefits it provides to humans and is thus worthy of respect. Our ethical duty as stewards, rather than dominants, of the environment compels us to safeguard the rich variety of life on Earth.

The term "environmental justice" refers to the equitable distribution of environmental costs and benefits across different groups of people in society, regardless of their wealth, race, or ethnicity. It deals with the inequitable distribution of environmental risks and of the benefits provided by ecosystems. The goal of environmental justice is to level the playing field and give underrepresented groups a greater say in policymaking.

Health in the community refers to people's emotional, mental, and social states. There are deep ties between ecosystem services, nonhuman nature, and public health. Clean air and water, disease control, and healthy food are just a few of the many benefits that humans get from healthy ecosystems. There is mounting evidence that spending time in

the great outdoors is beneficial to your physical and mental wellbeing.

Several examples may help clarify the relationship between these ideas:

- The relationship between ecosystem services and public health is direct and important. For instance, wetlands lessen the severity of flooding and other water-related hazards that threaten human settlements. By absorbing excess carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, forests reduce the negative health effects of global warming.
- Conservation of nonhuman nature for its own sake is motivated by a strong environmental ethic. This involves doing everything we can to save threatened species and maintain healthy ecosystems for the next generation. These actions guarantee the maintenance of ecosystem services vital to human health and prosperity.
- The importance of reducing inequalities in access to ecosystem services is highlighted by the intersection between environmental justice and this concept. Marginalized communities in urban areas generally lack access to green spaces and clean settings, which has a negative impact on residents' health. Better public health in neglected communities is possible with more equitable distribution of these services.
- Recognizing the worth of non-human nature is consistent with efforts to improve public health. Protecting ecosystems and biodiversity helps to maintain access to the natural resources necessary for human health and well-being. On the other side, air pollution has been linked to respiratory disorders and hazardous exposures.

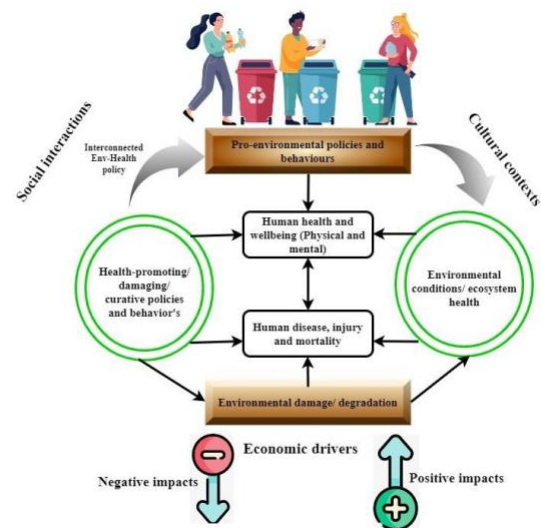


Fig. 4. Environment-health interactions

Figure 4 explains the planetary health, a growing public health and environmental science idea, is a holistic and interrelated view of human and environmental health. This strategy acknowledges that the well-being of persons and the environment is mutually connected, and it emphasizes the significance of treating both sides of the equation to produce sustainable and equitable results. The awareness that the status of human health is inextricably connected to the condition of the natural world is at the core of the Planetary Health paradigm. There is a growing knowledge of the more subtle and indirect linkages between environmental conditions and health, even though the direct effects of environmental conditions on health are well-documented, such as the respiratory disorders produced by air pollution or the waterborne infections transmitted through polluted water sources. In addition to protecting against potential injury, settings may also provide chances to promote health and well-being. It has been shown that access to green areas, for instance, is associated with lower stress levels, higher mental health, and increased levels of physical activity. In a similar vein, living in close vicinity to natural bodies of water may have positive effects on both one's mental and physical well-being. However, the worldwide desire for economic expansion, urbanization, and the exploitation of resources has often resulted in a disdain for the long-term viability of the environment. This not only worsens the health disparities that already exist but also keeps societal inequities and injustices

across generations alive. The effects of environmental degradation and the health risks it brings are disproportionately felt by vulnerable people, who often have limited access to resources and political power. In light of this fact, Planetary Health argues for policies that give equal weight to human and environmental health to achieve a more fair distribution of benefits and responsibilities across different cultures. Figure 4 demonstrates, by its depiction of interconnection, that the worlds of environmental policy and health policy are not separate. Instead, they are connected by feedback loops, meaning that actions taken in one sphere might benefit the other. For instance, encouraging individuals to travel shorter distances on foot or by bicycle is beneficial to one's cardiovascular health and the reduction of air pollution and emissions of greenhouse gases. This demonstrates how policies that are supportive of the environment may positively impact public health while reducing the negative effects of their implementation on the environment. On the other hand, efforts meant to improve health outcomes might unintentionally cause damage to the environment. Growth in the usage of pharmaceuticals is leading to an increase in the number of pharmaceutical compounds and their byproducts released into wastewater systems as healthcare systems continue to improve and the population as a whole continues to age. These compounds have the potential to have far-reaching effects, including impacting aquatic ecosystems and perhaps making their way back into the food supply of humans through the water cycle. It is very necessary to use a systems thinking approach to balance the protection of the environment and efforts to improve people's health. Recognizing the complex web of interrelationships that influence the health of people, communities, and the natural world is necessary to achieve this goal. The importance of developing integrated policy plans should not be underestimated, and decision-makers must know the potential for short-term remedies to result in unintended effects.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Understanding complicated difficulties like parasite eco-immunological processes, for example, requires novel techniques due to

the complex relationship between public health and ecology. As the backbone of scientific inquiry, collecting empirical data and working with experts from many fields is essential for understanding the spread of illness and maintaining ecological balance. Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis (A-ISA), a unique methodology that bridges the gap between empirical approaches and classic modeling techniques, is becoming increasingly important for tackling the complex interactions within these issues.

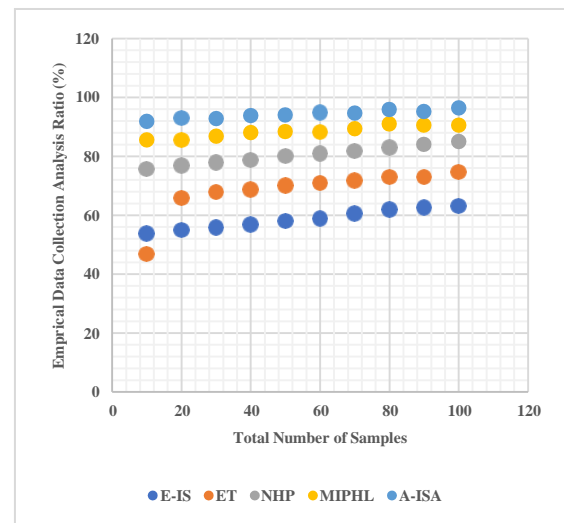


Fig. 5. (a) Empirical Data Collection compared with A-ISA

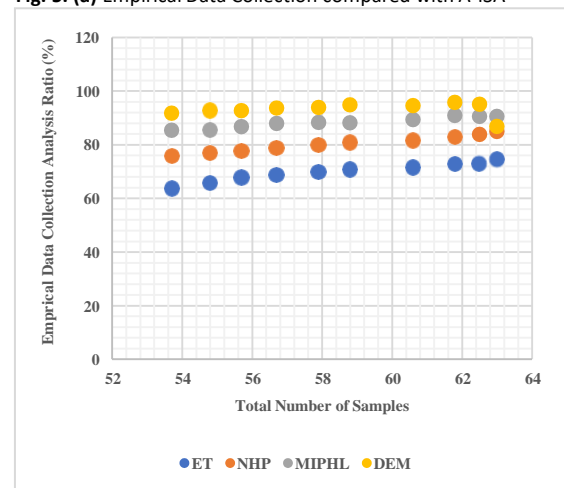


Fig. 5. (b) Empirical Data Collection compared with DEM

For the purposes of testing hypotheses, improving models, and expanding human understanding, empirical data collection is a crucial step in the scientific method. It comprises using a methodical, organized approach to gathering information from a variety of sources like experiments, surveys, and observations in the field. Protocols for data collection, sampling strategies, and the

use of any necessary instruments or techniques are frequently developed and put into practice at this phase. By providing concrete evidence for or against theoretical concepts, empirical data allows researchers to draw well-informed conclusions and propose effective solutions. Researchers in fields as varied as medicine, the environmental sciences, sociology, and more can benefit from the collection of empirical data since it allows them to better understand complicated events and make more informed decisions. Figure (5a) shows that as compared to empirical data gathering, the scope and depth of Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis (A-ISA) is much greater. By combining immunological investigations, ecological simulations, and empirical findings, A-ISA is a cutting-edge methodology that not only makes use of real-world data. Figure (5b) compares A-ISA with conventional Dynamic Ecological Modelling (DEM) and shows the advantages of using Empirical Data Collection. A-ISA adds the crucial feature of host immunity and pathogen interactions to DEM's emphasis on ecological simulations, which is essential for a complete understanding of disease dynamics. When applied to the intricate connections between hosts, parasites, and ecosystems, A-ISA provides a more complete picture by integrating immunological insights with ecological models.

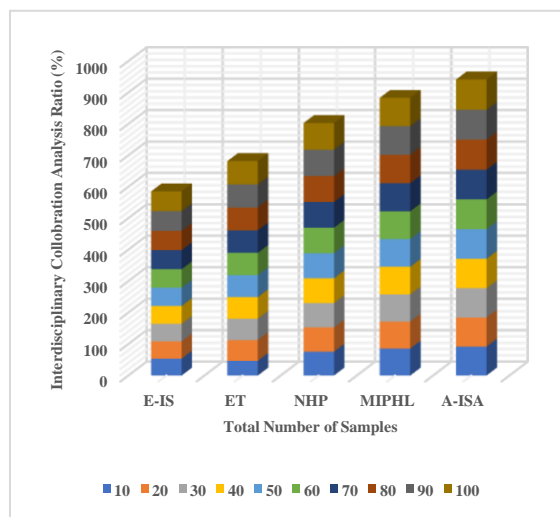


Fig. 6. (a) Interdisciplinary Collaboration compared with A-ISA

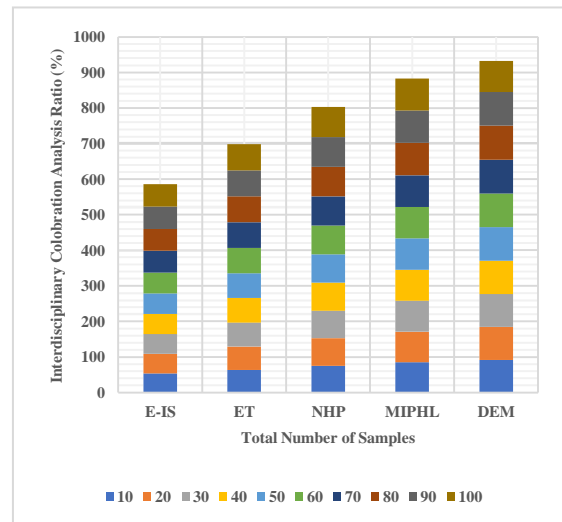


Fig. 6 (b) Interdisciplinary Collaboration on compared with DEM

Interdisciplinary collaboration is a dynamic process in which specialists from a variety of professions work together to handle complex challenges by integrating the unique views, approaches, and knowledge domains that they each bring to the table. In order to encourage a holistic approach to problem-solving and innovation, it requires crossing traditional disciplinary boundaries. Researchers are able to confront difficulties with multiple facets, which cannot be fully addressed within the boundaries of a single subject without the assistance of other experts. Interdisciplinary collaboration fosters creative thinking, the generation of novel insights, and the development of comprehensive solutions by drawing on the knowledge and experience of specialists from a variety of disciplines. It is essential to have good communication, mutual respect, and common goals in order to succeed in this mission. Interdisciplinary collaborations have the potential to drive ground-breaking discoveries, advance research frontiers, and offer practical solutions to real-world problems, ultimately contributing to the enrichment of knowledge and the improvement of society across a wide spectrum of challenges and opportunities. Figure (6a) shows how A-ISA improves multidisciplinary efforts by placing multidisciplinary Collaboration and Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis side by side. In contrast to interdisciplinary work, in which specialists from different domains share their expertise, A-ISA combines immunological understanding with ecological modelling and empirical evidence. The differences between

Interdisciplinary Collaboration and conventional Dynamic Ecological Modeling (DEM) for A-ISA are highlighted in Figure (6b). Bringing together immunology, ecology, and modeling under a single umbrella, A-ISA provides a more structured and methodical approach than interdisciplinary collaboration in solving difficult challenges. A-ISA includes the function of the immune system in disease dynamics, whereas DEM focuses largely on ecological dynamics. Through these analogies, students can see how A-ISA has the ability to alter research landscapes by providing a more comprehensive strategy for addressing difficult problems. As the next sections will show, A-ISA's combination of empirical data, immunology, and ecological modelling provides novel opportunities for understanding the complexity of parasitic eco-immunological systems and designing effective disease prevention and ecological preservation policies.

CONCLUSION

The interwoven difficulties of parasite eco-immunological processes highlight the necessity for an approach that is comprehensive and links the fields of public health and ecology. Because of the intricate nature of the relationships that exist between parasites, hosts, and ecosystems, it is necessary to approach this topic from a multidisciplinary standpoint that goes beyond the conventional confines of the field. As parasite infections continue to represent substantial dangers to both human health and the stability of the environment, the Agent-Based Immunological Simulation Analysis (A-ISA) that has been developed emerges as a potentially useful way to address these difficulties. A-ISA offers a dynamic platform for understanding, predicting, and reducing the effects of parasite infections. This is accomplished by the seamless integration of immunological insights, ecological simulations, and empirical data. A-ISA highlights the relevance of collaboration between public health and ecological research because of its potential to both enhance ecological sustainability and improve proactive disease prevention methods. With such concentrated efforts, we may pave the path for a cohabitation that is healthier and

harmonious between humans, wildlife, and the surroundings in which they both live.

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