

Supplementary Materials

Gut microbiota profiles as potential indicators of irradiation-induced quality loss in mass-reared *Aedes albopictus* males

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Supplementary Table 1. Primer sequences and annealing temperatures used for bacterial qPCR assays

Bacterial taxon	Primer name	Sequence (5'-3')	Annealing temperature (°C)
<i>Delftia</i>	Delftia-F	5'-AAAGCTTACCAAGCCGACGA-3'	55.3
	Delftia-R	5'-CAAAATTCCCCACTGCTGCC-3'	57.35
<i>Achromobacter</i>	Achrom-F	5'-TTGTAAAGCACTTTTGGCAG-3'	56
	Achrom-R	5'-CCAGTAATTCCGATTAACGC-3'	58
<i>Stenotrophomonas</i>	Ste-F	5'-CCTTCGGGAACTCGAACACA-3'	59.8
	Ste-R	5'-AGGGCCATGATGACTTGACG-3'	59.8
<i>Leucobacter</i>	Leucob-F	5'-GTGAGGTAGTGGCTCACCAA-3'	57.35
	Leucob-R	5'-AGAGGTTTACAACCCGAAGGC-3'	57.59

<i>Pseudomonas</i>	Pseu-F	5'-ATACAGAGGGTGCAAGCGTT-3'	54.93
	Pseu-R	5'-GGATGCAGTTCCCAGGTTGA-3'	53.25
<i>Deinococcus</i>	Deioc-F	5'-AGCGTTACCCGGAATCACTG-3'	57.35
	Deioc-R	5'-TCCAGAGGTCAAGACACCCA-3'	57.35
<i>Comamonas</i>	Comam-F	5'-GAGTAGCTAATACCGCATGAGA-3'	55.94
	Comam-R	5'-TCCTCTCAGACCAGCTACAG-3'	57.35
<i>Sphingobacterium</i>	Sph-F	5'-GATGGGCTCGCGTGACATTA-3'	57.35
	Sph-R	5'-AGTCTGGTCCGTGTCTCAGT-3'	57.35

Supplementary Table 2. Cage-level restricted mean survival time (RMST) analysis

Condition	Control cage1	Control cage2	Control cage3	Irradiation cage1	Irradiation cage2	Irradiation cage3	<i>P</i>
sugar	28.00	28.10	27.00	13.69	13.68	14.41	< 0.0001
sterilized water	3.03	3.00	3.23	3.34	3.21	3.33	0.0840

Restricted mean survival time (RMST) was calculated for each replicate cage. P values were obtained using Welch's *t*-test.

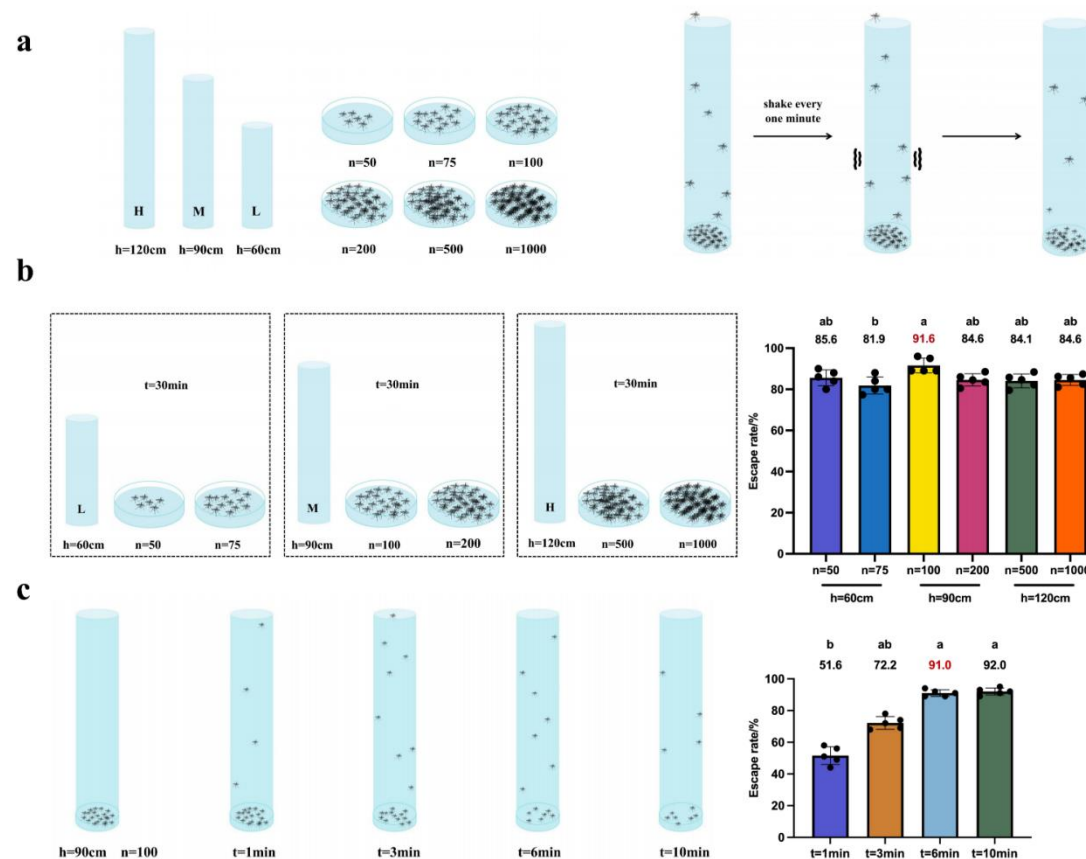
Supplementary Table 3. List of cultivable gut bacterial and fungal taxa of irradiated and control *Aedes albopictus* males, including their taxonomic classification (phylum to genus), culture media, and isolation sources

Phylum	Class	Order	Family	Genus	Medium	Resource
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Proteobacteria	Alphaproteobacteria	Hyphomicrobiales	<i>Xanthobacteraceae</i>	<i>Xanthobacter</i>	NA	CON: Adult4/Adult7
			<i>Brucellaceae</i>	<i>Pseudochrobactrum</i>	TSA/LB/CBA	CON: Adult4
		Rhodospirillales	<i>Acetobacteraceae</i>	<i>Asaia</i>	CBA/NA/LB/T SA/BHI	CON: Adult4; Irra: Adult4/Adult7
	Betaproteobacteria	Burkholderiales	<i>Comamonadaceae</i>	<i>Delftia</i>	NA/LB	Irra: Adult1
				<i>Comamonas</i>	CBA/NA/LB/T SA/BHI	CON: Adult1/Adult4; Irra: Adult1/Adult4
				<i>Rahnella</i>	CBA/NA/LB/T SA/BHI	CON: pupae/Adult1/Adult4/Adult7; Irra: pupae/Adult1/Adult4/Adult7
				<i>Serratia</i>	CBA/NA/LB/T SA/BHI	CON: pupae/Adult1; Irra: pupae/Adult1/Adult4/Adult7
				<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	CBA/NA/LB/T SA/BHI	CON: Adult4; Irra: Adult1/Adult4/Adult7
				<i>Leclercia</i>	BHI	CON: Adult4
	Gammaproteobacteria	Aeromonadales	<i>Aeromonadaceae</i>	<i>Aeromonas</i>	CBA/NA/BHI	CON: Adult1; Irra: Adult1
		Moraxellales	<i>Moraxellaceae</i>	<i>Acinetobacter</i>	CBA/NA/LB/T SA/BHI	CON: Adult1; Irra: pupae/Adult1/Adult4/Adult7

Firmicutes	Bacilli	Xanthomona dales	<i>Xanthomonada ceae</i>	<i>Stenotrophomonas</i>	BHI	Irra: Adult1			
		Pseudomona dales	<i>Pseudomonad aceae</i>	<i>Pseudomonas</i>	NA	Irra: Adult1			
		Bacillales	<i>Bacillaceae</i>	<i>Bacillus</i>	BHI	CON: Adult4			
				<i>Lysinibacillus</i>	LB	CON: Adult7			
				Lactobacillal es	<i>Enterococcace ae</i>	<i>Enterococcus</i>	CBA/NA/LB/T SA/BHI	CON: pupae/Adult1/Adult4/Adult7; Irra: pupae/Adult1/Adult4/Adult7	
	Sphingoba cteriia	Sphingobact eriales	<i>Sphingobacteri aceae</i>	<i>Sphingobacterium</i>	NA	Irra: Adult1			
				<i>Flavobacteriac eae</i>	<i>Flavobacterium</i>	NA/TSA	Irra: Adult1		
				Flavobacte riia	Flavobacteri ales	<i>Chryseobacterium</i>	CBA/NA/LB/T SA/BHI	CON: Adult1/Adult4; Irra: Adult1/Adult4/Adult7	
						<i>Weeksellaceae</i>	<i>Elizabethkingia</i>	CBA/NA/LB/T SA/BHI	CON: Adult1; Irra: Adult1/Adult4/Adult7
						Actinomyceto ta	Actinomyc etes	Mycobacteri ales	<i>Gordoniaceae</i>
<i>Microbacterium</i>	NA/LB	Irra: pupae/Adult1/Adult4							

Ascomycota	Eurotiomycetes	Micrococcales	<i>Microbacteriaceae</i>	<i>Leucobacter</i>	CBA/NA/LB/BHI	Irra: Adult1/Adult4
		Eurotiales	<i>Aspergillaceae</i>	<i>Penicillium</i>	LB	CON: Adult4
		Saccharomycetales	<i>Debaryomycetaceae</i>	<i>Kurtzmaniella</i>	CBA/NA/LB/BHI	Irra: Adult4/Adult7
Basidiomycota	Tremellomycetes	Tremellales	<i>Rhynchogastromycetaceae</i>	<i>Papiliotrema</i>	BHI	Irra: Adult4



Supplementary Figure 1. Optimization on the flight ability evaluation for male *Aedes albopictus*. (a) Experimental setup. Transparent flight cylinders of different heights (60 cm, 90 cm, and 120 cm) were tested using mass-reared male *Aedes albopictus* at varying mosquito densities per Petri dish (50, 75, 100, 200, 500, and 1000 males). The number of individuals was manually counted in a cooling room with temperature set at 10-12 °C. During the test, the flight cylinder was gently shaken for 30 seconds approximately every 2 min to stimulate movement. (b)

Determination of optimal mosquito density and cylinder height: Mosquitoes from dishes with 50 and 75 males were tested in the 60 cm cylinder, those with 100 and 200 males in the 90 cm cylinder, and those with 500 and 1000 males in the 120 cm cylinder. For each combination, five biological replicates were conducted, and the escape rate was measured after 30 min. Statistical analysis was performed using the Kruskal-Wallis test to compare differences in escape rates across groups. (c) Determination of optimal release duration: Under the condition of 100 males per dish in a 90 cm high cylinder, escape rates were recorded at 1, 3, 6, and 10 min to identify the most suitable flight test duration. For each combination, five biological replicates were conducted, with the Kruskal-Wallis test used for statistical comparison of escape rates across different durations. The optimal setup for evaluating flight ability was determined to be 100 males per Petri dish in a 90 cm high cylinder, with escape rates recorded over a 6-minute period.