

# Supporting Information

Effectiveness of antifungal treatments during chytridiomycosis epizootics in  
populations of an endangered frog

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## 33 **General Methods**

### 34 **Visual encounter surveys**

35 We counted *R. sierrae* of all life stages (adults:  $\geq 40$  mm snout-vent length (SVL);  
36 subadults:  $< 40$  mm; tadpoles) using diurnal visual encounter surveys (VES) of the entire

37 water body shoreline and the first 100 m of inlet and outlet streams. VES is commonly  
38 used in studies of MYL frogs to estimate the abundance of all life stages present at a site  
39 (e.g., Knapp & Matthews, 2000; Vredenburg et al., 2010; Knapp et al., 2016). Counts are  
40 highly repeatable (Knapp & Matthews, 2000), but underestimate the number of animals  
41 present.

## 42 **Itraconazole treatment**

43 For all itraconazole treatments, we held animals assigned to the “treated” group in large  
44 mesh pens (2 m x 2 m x 0.75 m) for the duration of the multi-day treatment period  
45 (Figure S1). Holding animals in pens assured that each animal could be captured and  
46 treated on each day of the treatment period; this would not have been possible if animals  
47 needed to be recaptured from the ponds each day. Pens were anchored in the littoral  
48 zone of the study lakes, and contained shallow water and shoreline habitats for basking as  
49 well as deeper water habitat (up to 0.7 m). Animals assigned to the untreated “control”  
50 group were held in pens only 3-24 hr and then released back into the lake; temporarily  
51 holding these individuals, rather than releasing them immediately, guaranteed they were  
52 not recaptured and resampled.

53 Although it would have been ideal to hold animals from both the treated and control  
54 groups in pens for the duration of the capture and treatment periods, doing so could have  
55 produced spurious and misleading results. Bd transmission is expected to increase with  
56 frog density (Rachowicz & Briggs, 2007), and holding untreated control animals in pens  
57 at relatively high density could therefore have increased their Bd loads more than would  
58 be expected for animals in the treated group that were given daily antifungal baths. This  
59 would have biased the outcome toward lower post-treatment survival of control animals  
60 compared to treated animals even if the antifungal treatment itself had no effect on  
61 post-treatment survival. Assuming that holding animals in pens for several days has some

62 negative effect (due to increased Bd transmission even in treated frogs, and lack of feeding  
63 opportunities), if our study design caused biases they should be conservative, i.e., reducing  
64 the survival of treated animals relative to control animals. Including a second control  
65 group, in which untreated animals were held for the entire treatment period, could have  
66 been informative, but would have substantially reduced the number of animals included  
67 in the existing treated and control groups and potentially affected our ability to detect  
68 treatment effects (due to reduced statistical power).

69 To conduct the antifungal treatments, on each day during the multi-day treatment  
70 period we transferred all animals in the treated group from pens to small plastic tubs  
71 that contained a dilute solution ( $1.5 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ ; Garner et al., 2009) of the antifungal drug  
72 itraconazole (trade name = Sporonox). We treated frogs in batches of approximately 50,  
73 and tadpoles in batches of approximately 100. The volume of itraconazole solution varied  
74 between 2 and 5 L, and was varied between batches based on the number and life stage  
75 of animals being treated to allow all individuals to submerge fully. After 10 minutes of  
76 itraconazole exposure, animals were transferred from the tubs back to the pens. After  
77 the final treatment, we released all animals from the pens back into the study lakes. To  
78 determine treatment effectiveness, we swabbed all animals or a subset (depending on the  
79 experiment) following their initial capture and at the end of the treatment period.

### 80 *Janthinobacterium lividum* qPCR assay

81 The *J. lividum* used to develop the real-time PCR assay was a strain provided by Reid  
82 Harris, Department of Biology, James Madison University. *J. lividum* DNA was extracted  
83 from a pure culture of this strain using a Qiagen DNeasy blood and tissue kit following  
84 the manufacturer's protocol. The DNA collected was amplified using methods in Harris  
85 et al. (2009). The PCR product was viewed on a 1% agarose gel, and the 500 bp product  
86 was sequenced.

87 Primers were designed to be specific to *J. lividum* and sequences were:

- 88 • Jliv\_For3 ATGCCACCGACGGCTACCA
- 89 • Jliv\_Rev1 ACGGCGGGATGGTCATCAC

90 The minor groove binder probe sequence was:

- 91 • JLIVT 6FAM AACATCGTTTGCTGTCCGTTGA MGBNFQ

92 After assay optimization, the 25  $\mu\text{L}$  reaction volumes included 0.5  $\mu\text{L}$  of each primer at  
93 a concentration of 10  $\mu\text{M}$ , 0.375  $\mu\text{L}$  of MGB probe at a concentration of 250 nM, 12.5  
94  $\mu\text{L}$  of Taqman MasterMix (Applied Biosystems), 1.25  $\mu\text{L}$  BSA, and 5  $\mu\text{L}$  of template.

95 The amplification conditions consisted of an initial cycle of 2 min at 50°C and 10 min at  
96 95°C, followed by 50 cycles at 95°C for 15 s, 58°C for 30 s, and 65°C for 45 s. To create  
97 standards, DNA was extracted from pure cultures of *J. lividum* with an UltraClean  
98 microbial DNA isolation kit (MoBio), and diluted to  $10^4$ ,  $10^3$ ,  $10^2$ , and  $10^1$  *J. lividum*  
99 genome equivalents. A standard curve was generated for each 96-well plate to estimate the  
100 number of *J. lividum* genome equivalents in sample extracts.

## 101 **Statistical analyses**

### 102 **Simple and multilevel models using the brms package**

103 When using the brms package, we started with models that included all relevant  
104 population-level (“fixed”) effects and their interactions (“full model”), then checked model  
105 fit using visualizations of leave-one-out (“LOO”) probability integral transformations  
106 (Gelman et al., 2013; Vehtari, Gelman & Gabry, 2017). When data contained possible  
107 hierarchical structure (which could result in non-independence), we included group-level  
108 (“random”) effects in the full model. Bd load and frog counts were the most commonly

109 modeled response variables, and models that used a negative binomial family generally  
110 produced the best fit. However, when appropriate, we also evaluated the fit of models  
111 that used other model families, including Poisson and zero-inflated negative binomial. We  
112 compared fits of models using LOO cross-validation and the *loo* package (Vehtari, Gelman  
113 & Gabry, 2017). For all models, we used brms defaults for priors, number of chains (4),  
114 and warmup and post-warmup iterations (1000 for each). We evaluated the adequacy  
115 of posterior samples using trace plots, Gelman-Rubin statistics (Rhat), and measures  
116 of effective sample size (“bulk-ESS”, “tail-ESS”). When using negative binomial models  
117 (most analyses), the Bd load data were rounded to integer values to produce count data.

118 When necessary, we developed distributional models in which predictor terms  
119 are specified for other parameters of the response distribution instead of only  
120 the mean (e.g., negative binomial overdispersion (“shape”), zero-inflation (“zi”);  
121 see brms vignette, “Estimating distributional models with brms”: [https://paul-  
122 buerkner.github.io/brms/articles/brms\\_distreg.html](https://paul-buerkner.github.io/brms/articles/brms_distreg.html)). The overdispersion parameter  
123  $\phi$  controls the variance of the negative binomial distribution relative to the expected value  
124  $\mu$ , such that the variance of the negative binomial distribution is  $\mu + \mu^2/\phi$ . Modeling  
125 effects on overdispersion and zero-inflation can be important for improving model fit. For  
126 example, itraconazole treatment can reduce not only mean Bd load, but also the variation  
127 around the mean (i.e, overdispersion) and amount of zero-inflation. Improving model fit  
128 was our primary interest in using distributional models, and not gaining insights into the  
129 causes of overdispersion or zero-inflation. Therefore, when we used distributional models,  
130 we limit our descriptions of model results largely to effects of predictors on the mean.

# 131 **Treatment-specific Methods and Results**

## 132 **Estimating the zoospore pool from water samples – Dusy Basin**

### 133 **Methods**

134 As part of the Dusy Basin itraconazole treatment experiment (Table S1), we sampled the  
135 zoospore pool in each of the five study ponds before and after the treatments (July 23-25  
136 and August 21-24, respectively). Water samples (six per pond) were collected by filtering  
137 pond water through a 0.22 mm pore polyethersulfone filter (Sterivex-GP; Millipore),  
138 until the filter clogged. Filters were immediately amended with sucrose lysis buffer (40  
139 mmol/l 1 EDTA, 50 mmol/l 1 Tris-HCl, 750 mmol/l sucrose, pH adjusted to 8.0). We  
140 extracted DNA using the DNEasy Blood and Tissue kit (Qiagen). Bd concentrations in  
141 water samples (environmental “Bd loads”) were quantified using qPCR (see Jani, Knapp  
142 & Briggs, 2017 for details), and Bd load was normalized to a 1-liter sample volume. For  
143 each sample, we ran three technical replicates, each from an independent sample dilution  
144 and on an independent PCR run. To minimize PCR inhibition, we diluted DNA extracts  
145 50-fold based on pilot tests using undiluted, ten-, fifty-, and one hundred-fold dilutions.  
146 Finally, we included 21 negative controls: nine no-template-controls (three per PCR plate)  
147 and 12 field-collected negative controls (six water samples collected from a pond where all  
148 frogs were Bd-negative, each with two technical replicates).

149 The 21 negative controls yielded no false-positive PCR reactions. However, it is  
150 common for technical replicates of environmental DNA samples to have a high rate  
151 of false-negatives due to low quantities of target DNA or PCR inhibitors in samples  
152 (Mosher, Huyvaert & Bailey, 2018), and this was the case in our study. Despite the fact  
153 that all five study ponds contained relatively large numbers of early life stage *R. sierrae*  
154 characterized by high Bd loads, of the 180 total replicates (5 ponds x 6 water samples x  
155 3 technical replicates x 2 time periods (before and after treatment)), 49% had a Bd load

156 = 0. Because the five ponds in the experiment were clearly Bd-positive, we considered  
157 replicates with Bd load = 0 to be false negative replicates, which we excluded from the  
158 analysis of the effect of itraconazole treatment on the Bd zoospore pool. This resulted in  
159 one pond assigned to the treated group being dropped from the analysis due to a lack of  
160 any Bd-positive replicates. The effect of itraconazole treatment on Bd concentrations on  
161 filters was evaluated using the model  $bd\_load \sim (pre\_post \times treatment) + (1 | sample\_id)$   
162 (family = negative binomial, pre\_post = [before treatment, after treatment], treatment  
163 = [treated, control], sample\_id included as a group-level effect to account for technical  
164 replicates).

## 165 **Results**

166 Prior to the itraconazole treatment, zoospore pools (measured as Bd load on collected  
167 filters) in the ponds assigned to the control and treated groups were similar (Figure  
168 S2). After treatment, zoospore pools in control ponds may have increased slightly, but  
169 remained relatively constant in treated ponds (Figure S2). Model results indicated that  
170 the estimated effects of treatment, basin, and the (treatment x basin) interaction term  
171 were all unimportant (Table S5). Therefore, assuming that the sampling method was  
172 adequate to accurately quantify pond-wide zoospore concentrations, the treatment of even  
173 a relatively large fraction of the resident *R. sierrae* in the study ponds did not measurably  
174 alter the zoospore pools. To avoid the high number of false-negative filters obtained using  
175 our methods, future studies attempting to quantify zoospore pools should consider using  
176 methods that allow filtering of larger volumes of water.



## 177 Itraconazole treatment of adults – LeConte Basin

### 178 Methods – Hidden Markov model

179 We tracked the fates of individual animals in the LeConte population using a multi-state  
180 hidden Markov model. We consider three possible observations for each individual  $i =$   
181  $1, \dots, M$  in primary period  $t = 1, \dots, T$ , on secondary period  $j = 1, \dots, J_t$ , where  $T$  is the  
182 total number of primary periods and  $J_t$  is the number of secondary periods in primary  
183 period  $t$ :

- 184 •  $y_{i,t,j} = 1$  detected in the upper basin
- 185 •  $y_{i,t,j} = 2$  detected in the lower basin
- 186 •  $y_{i,t,j} = 3$  not detected

187 We use parameter-expanded data augmentation to account for the fact that the total  
188 number of adults in the population is unknown (Royle & Dorazio, 2012). Across the entire  
189 time period of the study, we assume  $N_s$  unique individuals have been alive in either basin.  
190 We observe  $N$  unique individuals across all surveys, where  $N \leq N_s$ . An estimate of  $N_s$   
191 can be acquired by augmenting the observed capture histories with additional capture  
192 histories that consist entirely of non-detections, thus modeling a large number  $M > N_s$   
193 of individuals,  $M - N_s$  of which never existed (Royle, 2009). Here,  $M$  was chosen to be  
194 2182 (1212 observed unique individuals plus 970 augmented individuals). We verified that  
195 posterior estimates of  $N_s$  were much less than  $M$  to avoid problems on the boundary of  
196 this augmented parameter space (Dennis, Morgan & Ridout, 2015).

197 We denote the true state of individual  $i$  in primary period  $t$  as  $s_{i,t}$ . We assume that  
198 within a primary period, the state of each individual does not change. This assumption  
199 is justified by the short time intervals between secondary periods within primary periods.  
200 Four states are possible:

201 •  $s_{i,t} = 1$  alive in the upper basin

202 •  $s_{i,t} = 2$  alive in the lower basin

203 •  $s_{i,t} = 3$  not recruited

204 •  $s_{i,t} = 4$  dead

205 The “not recruited” state applies to individuals that have not yet entered the population,  
206 including individuals that haven’t reached adulthood or pseudo-individuals created via  
207 data augmentation (as described above).

208 *Observation model.* An emission matrix  $\mathbf{\Omega}^{(t)}$  links observations to hidden states for  
209 primary period  $t$ . The rows in  $\mathbf{\Omega}^{(t)}$  correspond to the state of an individual in primary  
210 period  $t$ , and the columns correspond to observation probabilities such that the entry in  
211 the  $m^{th}$  row,  $n^{th}$  column is  $Pr(y_{i,t,j} = n \mid s_{i,t} = m)$ :

$$\mathbf{\Omega}^{(t)} = \begin{array}{ccc} \text{Detected: upper} & \text{Detected: lower} & \text{Not detected} \\ \left( \begin{array}{ccc} p_t & 0 & 1 - p_t \\ 0 & p_t & 1 - p_t \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) & \begin{array}{l} \text{Alive: upper} \\ \text{Alive: lower} \\ \text{Not recruited} \\ \text{Dead} \end{array} \end{array}$$

212 Here,  $p_t$  is the probability of detection for an individual if it is alive in primary period  $t$ .

213 We allowed detection probabilities to vary over time (Joseph & Knapp, 2018):

$$\text{logit}(p_t) = \alpha_0 + \epsilon_t^{(p)},$$

214 where  $\alpha_0$  is an intercept parameter, and  $\epsilon_t^{(p)}$  is an adjustment on detection probability for  
215 primary period  $t$ .

216 *State model.* The hidden states of each individual evolve as a Markov process  
 217 with transition matrix  $\Psi^{(i,t)}$ , where the element in the  $m^{\text{th}}$  row,  $n^{\text{th}}$  column is  
 218  $\Pr(s_{i,t+1} = n \mid s_{i,t} = m)$ :

$$\Psi^{(i,t)} = \begin{array}{cccc} \text{Alive: upper} & \text{Alive: lower} & \text{Not recruited} & \text{Dead} \\ \left( \begin{array}{cccc} \phi_{i,t}(1 - \nu^{(l)}) & \phi_{i,t}\nu^{(l)} & 0 & 1 - \phi_{i,t} \\ \phi_{i,t}\nu^{(u)} & \phi_{i,t}(1 - \nu^{(u)}) & 0 & 1 - \phi_{i,t} \\ \gamma_t\rho^{(u)} & \gamma_t(1 - \rho^{(u)}) & 1 - \gamma_t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) & \begin{array}{l} \text{Alive: upper} \\ \text{Alive: lower} \\ \text{Not recruited} \\ \text{Dead} \end{array} \end{array}$$

219 Here,  $\phi_{i,t}$  is the probability of survival,  $\nu^{(l)}$  and  $\nu^{(u)}$  are the probabilities of moving to  
 220 the lower or upper basin respectively (conditional on survival),  $\gamma_t$  is the probability of  
 221 recruitment, and  $\rho^{(u)}$  is the probability of recruiting into the upper basin conditional on  
 222 recruitment.

223 Survival probabilities were modeled as a function of Bd load:

$$\text{logit}(\phi_{i,t}) = \beta_0 + \beta_{g[i]}^{(g)} + \beta_{g[i]}^{(z)} z_{i,t},$$

224 where  $\beta_0$  is an intercept parameter,  $\beta_{g[i]}^{(g)}$  is an adjustment for group  $g$ ,  $g[i]$  is the group  
 225 that individual  $i$  belongs to,  $\beta_{g[i]}^{(z)}$  is the effect of Bd load on group  $g$ , and  $z_{i,t}$  is the Bd load  
 226 of individual  $i$  in primary period  $t$ .

227 We treat the field experiment in 2015 as the first primary period, for which states  
 228 are known for experimental animals. For example, if individual  $i$  was captured and  
 229 released at the upper basin, then we know that  $s_{i,t} = 1$ . Initial states are not known for  
 230 non-experimental animals, which could have been alive in either basin (states 1 or 2), or  
 231 in the not recruited class (state 3). Note that we are only interested in modeling the state  
 232 and capture histories of animals that might have been alive. We assigned a Dirichlet(1, 1,

233 1) prior for the initial state distribution for non-experimental frogs, which assigns equal  
234 prior density to each initial state.

235 *Bd load model.* We modeled Bd loads as being normally distributed on a transformed  
236 scale. Raw Bd loads were transformed using a  $\log_{10} + 1$  transformation, then centered  
237 and scaled to have mean zero and unit standard deviation (in an attempt to avoid  
238 ill-conditioning, as expected Bd load is used in the detection and survival model  
239 components). Let  $z_{i,t}^{\text{obs}}$  represent the observed transformed Bd load, and  $z_{i,t}$  represent the  
240 expected value for individual  $i$  on primary period  $t$ . The observation model for Bd loads of  
241 detected individuals was Gaussian on the transformed scale:

$$z_{i,t}^{\text{obs}} \sim \text{Normal}(z_{i,t}, \sigma),$$

242 where  $\sigma$  is an observation-level standard deviation parameter.

243 Expected Bd load was modeled as a function of treatment, primary period, and individual  
244 identity:

$$z_{i,t} = \mu_t + \beta_{\text{trt}[i]} + \epsilon_i,$$

245 where  $\mu_t$  is a time-varying intercept,  $\beta_{\text{trt}[i]}$  is an adjustment for the treatment group of  
246 individual  $i$  (denoted  $\text{trt}[i]$ ) to account for differences in mean Bd loads between treated,  
247 control, and non-experimental animals, and  $\epsilon_i$  is an individual-level adjustment.

248 *Prior distributions.* We expected movement among basins to be rare, so both movement  
249 parameters ( $\nu^{(l)}$  and  $\nu^{(u)}$ ) were assigned Beta(2, 20) priors. Primary period and  
250 individual-level adjustments were modeled using zero-mean normal distributions with  
251 unknown standard deviations specific to the process of interest, e.g., for the probability of  
252 entering the population:  $[\lambda_{1:T}] = \prod_{t=1}^T \text{Normal}(\lambda_t | 0, \sigma^{(\lambda)})$ . Standard deviation parameters  
253 were given unit scale half normal priors, and all remaining parameters were given unit

254 scale normal priors.

255 *Inference.* We sampled from the posterior distribution of this model using dynamic  
256 Hamiltonian Monte Carlo in Stan. We drew 3000 iterations for each of four chains, using  
257 a maximum treedepth of 11 and an adapt\_delta value of 0.99. Convergence was checked  
258 by visual inspection of traceplots and with Rhat values, using  $Rhat < 1.1$  as a threshold.  
259 Models were fit using the rstan R package, version 2.21.2 (Stan Development Team, 2020).

## 260 **Results**

261 Based on CMR modeling, across the entire duration of the experiment (2015-2018), the  
262 1206 unique individuals included in the study were estimated to represent approximately  
263 80% (posterior median) of the adults that existed in the LeConte population during this  
264 time (CI: 75% – 88%). Between frog release in 2015 and the final survey in 2018, seven  
265 recaptured individuals moved between the two basins. All seven were in the treated  
266 group and moved from the upper to the lower basin. These individuals were included in  
267 counts of unique individuals in the basin in which they were captured. In CMR surveys  
268 conducted during 2016-2018, a total of 2208 adult frogs were captured, representing 831  
269 unique individuals. Of the 745 unique frogs captured in the lower basin, 132 were in  
270 the treated group, two were in the control group, and 611 were not part of the original  
271 treatment experiment (“non-experimental” frogs). In the upper basin, 89 unique frogs  
272 were captured, of which 81 were in the treated group and eight were non-experimental. No  
273 control frogs were captured in the upper basin.

274 Frog detection probabilities in the study populations varied over time, but overall were  
275 comparable to estimates previously reported from other populations (Joseph & Knapp,  
276 2018). The primary period with the highest detection probabilities had a posterior median  
277 detection probability of 0.52 (CI: 0.49, 0.56). In contrast, the primary period with the  
278 lowest detection probabilities had a posterior median of 0.1 (CI: 0.05, 0.17). On an average

279 primary period, posterior median detection probability was 0.28 (CI: 0.17, 0.44).

## 280 **Itraconazole treatment of adults – Treasure Lakes Basin**

### 281 **Methods**

282 In 2018, we detected a Bd epizootic in the only Bd-naive *R. sierrae* population remaining  
283 in the Treasure Lakes Basin (Table S1), providing another opportunity to test the  
284 effectiveness of antifungal treatment on adult frogs. The treatment was conducted as a  
285 management action instead of an experiment because relatively few adults remained in  
286 this population at the time of the treatment. As such, dividing the frogs into treated and  
287 control groups would have provided little statistical power to detect between-group  
288 differences. Although the lack of an experimental design limits the generality of  
289 our findings, the treatment is included here because of the additional insights the  
290 results provide. Specifically, the greater range of treatment days to which frogs were  
291 exposed (compared to the LeConte treatments) provided an opportunity to evaluate the  
292 effectiveness of itraconazole treatment on Bd loads as a function of the number of daily  
293 treatments frogs received.

294 We used the same methods as described for the LeConte treatments, with two important  
295 differences: (1) all frogs were treated (there was no control group), and (2) new frogs  
296 were captured from the lake and added to the pens during the first five days of the 7-day  
297 treatment period. We captured and treated 28 frogs on 16 July 2018, then added and  
298 treated an additional 24, 7, 7, 4, and 4 frogs on July 17 through 21, respectively. Although  
299 we captured and treated a total of 74 frogs, we released only 33 live frogs at the end  
300 of the treatment due to chytridiomycosis-caused mortality throughout the treatment  
301 period (mortality rate = 55%). In addition to swabs collected from all frogs immediately  
302 following their initial capture, we also collected swabs from each surviving frog after the  
303 final itraconazole treatment. To describe post-treatment frog-Bd dynamics, we conducted

304 VES and CMR surveys one month after the 2018 treatment (August 21-23), and again in  
305 2019 (August 15-16) and 2020 (June 23-25).

306 We assessed treatment effectiveness by comparing Bd loads measured before and  
307 after treatment, using the model  $bd\_load \sim trt\_period$  (family = negative binomial,  
308  $trt\_period = [begin, end]$ ). To evaluate the effectiveness of itraconazole treatment on  
309 Bd loads as a function of the number of daily treatments frogs received, we calculated  
310 treatment effectiveness for individual frogs as the negative log ratio of pre-treatment  
311 to post-treatment Bd loads (hereafter, “LRR”):  $-\log_{10}((load_{pre} + 1)/(load_{post} + 1))$ .  
312 Larger absolute values of LRR indicate a larger reduction in Bd load. To evaluate the  
313 factors influencing treatment effectiveness on individual frogs, we used the model  $LRR \sim$   
314  $(capture\_bdload\_std \times days\_inside)$  (family = gaussian,  $capture\_bdload\_std =$  Bd load  
315 prior to treatment standardized to mean = 0 and standard deviation = 1,  $days\_inside =$   
316 number of treatments a frog received).

## 317 **Results**

318 Similar to the situation in LeConte Basin, in the Treasure Lake study population Bd loads  
319 on adult frogs were very high prior to itraconazole treatment. Itraconazole treatment  
320 reduced Bd loads by more than two orders of magnitude, and model results affirmed this  
321 effect (Table S9). The number of itraconazole treatments a frog received (“days\_inside”)   
322 increased treatment effectiveness (Table S10). Initial Bd load (“capture\_bdload\_std”) and  
323 the (days\_inside x capture\_bdload\_std) interaction term were both unimportant (Table  
324 S10).

325 Of the 33 frogs that were released back into the lake following treatment, 16 were  
326 recaptured in the CMR survey conducted one month later (Figure S3). In addition, one  
327 non-experimental adult frog was captured, and one dead tagged (i.e., treated) adult was  
328 found. Bd loads of most recaptured frogs were low compared to those of frogs at the start

329 and end of the treatment period (Figure S3). There was no obvious relationship between  
330 the number of treatments a frog received and whether or not it was recaptured one month  
331 later (Figure S3). In surveys conducted in 2019 (the year following treatment) and 2020,  
332 we observed no *R. sierrae* of any life stage. Therefore, despite the substantial reduction  
333 in Bd loads caused by the 2018 treatment and the relatively large fraction of treated frogs  
334 recaptured one month later, few or no frogs survived overwinter until summer 2019.

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374 **Tables**

375 **Table S1:**

376 **Characteristics of all sites used in the antifungal treatment experiments.**

Basin	Site ID	Experiment	Life stage	Category	Elevation (m)	Depth (m)	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )
Barrett	11469	itraconazole	early	treated	3383	2.7	3875
Barrett	11491	itraconazole	early	treated	3530	5.0	2316
Barrett	11493	itraconazole	early	treated	3459	0.6	269
Barrett	11470	itraconazole	early	control	3383	5.0	3998
Barrett	10222	itraconazole	early	control	3554	5.2	10568
Barrett	11495	itraconazole	early	control	3459	1.0	970
Dusy	11518	itraconazole	early	treated	3408	1.0	2002
Dusy	11526	itraconazole	early	treated	3219	1.9	2966
Dusy	11506	itraconazole	early	treated	3469	1.8	1414
Dusy	11517	itraconazole	early	control	3395	0.8	816
Dusy	11525	itraconazole	early	control	3158	1.2	2604
LeConte	10101	itraconazole	adult	treated	3213	1.5	5187
LeConte	10100	itraconazole	adult	treated	3298	14.9	25974
Treasure	50839	itraconazole	adult	treated	3410	11.0	34317
Dusy	11518	itracon + Jliv	subadult	treated	3408	1.0	2002

Life stage = “early” indicates tadpoles and subadults

Treatment = “itracon + Jliv” indicates the use of itraconazole and *J. lividum*

377 **Table S2:**

378 **Timelines for antifungal treatment experiments conducted in the lower and**  
 379 **upper basins of the LeConte study area in 2015.**

380 (a) Lower basin

Day 1 (24-Aug)	Day 2 (25-Aug)	Day 3 (26-Aug)	Day 4 (27-Aug)	Day 5-7 (28-30 Aug)	Day 8 (31-Aug)	Day 9 (1-Sep)
Captured 50 frogs for "treated" group, Day 1 frogs swabbed and treated.	Captured 157 frogs for "treated" group, Day 2 frogs swabbed, Day 1 & 2 frogs treated.	Captured 152 frogs for "treated" group, Day 3 frogs swabbed, Day 1-3 frogs treated.	Captured 102 frogs for "control" group, swabbed and released. Day 1-3 frogs treated.	Day 1-3 frogs treated.	Day 1-3 frogs treated. Swabbed subset of Day 1, 2, and 3 frogs.	Day 1-3 frogs treated, released back into lakes.

381 (b) Upper basin

Day 1 (8-Sep)	Day 2 (9-Sep)	Day 3 (10-Sep)	Day 4-6 (11-13 Sep)	Day 7 (14-Sep)	Day 8 (15-Sep)
Captured 45 frogs for "treated" group, Day 1 frogs swabbed and treated.	Captured 161 frogs for "treated" group, Day 2 frogs swabbed, Day 1 & 2 frogs treated.	Captured 74 frogs for "control" group, swabbed and released, Day 1 & 2 frogs treated.	Day 1 & 2 frogs treated.	Day 1 & 2 frogs treated. Swabbed subset of Day 1 & 2 frogs.	Day 1 & 2 frogs treated, released back into lakes.

382 **Table S3:**

383 **For the itraconazole treatment experiments in Barrett and Dusy basins,**  
 384 **results of model comparing Bd loads on frogs in ponds assigned to control and**  
 385 **treated groups immediately before the treatment period.**

386 Model family is negative binomial.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	11.99	0.55	11.05	13.21	1.00	2273	1948
treatment(treated)	0.15	0.77	-1.39	1.64	1.00	1956	1993
basin(dusy)	-1.36	0.70	-2.81	-0.02	1.00	2058	1797
treatment(treated):basin(dusy)	1.36	0.93	-0.54	3.17	1.00	1842	1705
<b>Family-specific parameters</b>							
overdispersion	0.30	0.04	0.23	0.39	1.00	2777	2617

387 **Table S4:**

388 **For the itraconazole treatment experiments in Barrett and Dusy basins,**  
 389 **results of model comparing Bd loads on frogs assigned to the treated group**  
 390 **from before versus the end of the treatment period.**  
 391 Model family is negative binomial.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	13.46	0.27	12.96	14.00	1.00	3780	3096
overdispersion-Intercept	-1.59	0.12	-1.84	-1.35	1.00	4561	3194
stage(tadpole)	-2.28	0.29	-2.87	-1.74	1.00	3248	3010
trt_period(end)	-2.56	0.22	-2.98	-2.11	1.00	3179	2841
basin(dusy)	1.71	0.19	1.35	2.06	1.00	3680	3357
trt_period(end):basin(dusy)	-4.82	0.45	-5.68	-3.88	1.00	3125	2537
overdispersion-stage(tadpole)	1.36	0.14	1.10	1.64	1.00	4018	2923
overdispersion-trt_period(end)	-1.11	0.11	-1.34	-0.90	1.00	3478	3082
overdispersion-basin(dusy)	-0.83	0.12	-1.05	-0.59	1.00	4047	2579

392 **Table S5:**

393 **For the Dusy Basin itraconazole treatment experiment, results of model**  
 394 **comparing zoospore pools of ponds assigned to the control and treated groups**  
 395 **before and after treatment.**  
 396 Model family is negative binomial.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Group-level effects</b>							
sd(Intercept)	1.98	0.28	1.46	2.55	1.01	471	618
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	8.65	0.64	7.42	9.89	1.00	558	987
pre_post(post)	1.74	0.94	-0.13	3.54	1.01	467	727
tmt(treated)	1.19	1.02	-0.87	3.20	1.01	627	886
pre_post(post):tmt(treated)	-2.54	1.28	-5.07	0.00	1.01	525	947
<b>Family-specific parameters</b>							
overdispersion	3.04	0.64	1.87	4.42	1.00	787	703

397 **Table S6:**

398 **For the LeConte Basin itraconazole treatment experiment, results of model**  
 399 **comparing Bd loads on frogs assigned to the control and treated categories**  
 400 **immediately before the treatment period.**

401 Model family is negative binomial.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	17.01	0.13	16.75	17.27	1.00	2262	2396
location(upper)	0.03	0.20	-0.36	0.44	1.00	1663	2309
group(treated)	-0.90	0.16	-1.21	-0.60	1.00	2185	2317
location(upper):group(treated)	0.51	0.25	0.00	1.01	1.00	1679	2222
<b>Family-specific parameters</b>							
overdispersion	0.54	0.03	0.49	0.59	1.00	3333	2393

402 **Table S7:**

403 **For the LeConte Basin itraconazole treatment experiment, results of model**  
 404 **comparing Bd loads on frogs assigned to the treated group from before versus**  
 405 **the end of the treatment period.**

406 Model family is negative binomial.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	16.11	0.11	15.90	16.32	1.00	4204	3258
location(upper)	0.54	0.19	0.16	0.93	1.00	3486	3216
trt_period(endtreat)	-2.66	0.22	-3.07	-2.23	1.00	3170	3162
location(upper):trt_period(endtreat)	1.15	0.38	0.41	1.89	1.00	3040	2980
<b>Family-specific parameters</b>							
overdispersion	0.31	0.01	0.29	0.34	1.00	3988	2862

407 **Table S8:**

408 **For the LeConte Basin itraconazole treatment experiment, results of model**  
 409 **comparing Bd loads on frogs in the treated group that survived versus died.**  
 410 Model family is bernoulli.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	-1.90	0.90	-3.70	-0.20	1.00	2120	2090
lbd_load	0.09	0.14	-0.18	0.36	1.00	2050	2081
location(upper)	0.11	2.02	-3.85	4.15	1.00	1460	1663
lbd_load:location(upper)	0.11	0.29	-0.48	0.68	1.00	1434	1693

411 **Table S9:**

412 **For the Treasure Lakes Basin itraconazole treatment, results of model**  
 413 **comparing Bd loads on frogs before versus the end of the treatment period.**  
 414 Model family is negative binomial.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	15.45	0.22	15.05	15.91	1.00	3452	2500
trt_period(after)	-1.35	0.41	-2.10	-0.50	1.00	3817	2448
<b>Family-specific parameters</b>							
overdispersion	0.29	0.03	0.23	0.35	1.00	3580	2946



415 **Table S10:**

416 **For the Treasure Lakes Basin itraconazole treatment, results of model**  
 417 **evaluating predictors of treatment effectiveness.**

418 Model family is gaussian.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	3.13	2.68	-2.15	8.40	1.00	1800	2078
capture_bdload_std	-5.93	4.88	-15.25	4.22	1.00	1357	1773
days_inside	-1.42	0.43	-2.26	-0.57	1.00	1820	2119
capture_bdload_std:days_inside	0.56	0.75	-0.99	1.99	1.00	1351	1549
<b>Family-specific parameters</b>							
sigma	3.10	0.43	2.40	4.07	1.00	2484	2221

419 **Table S11:**

420 **For the Dusy Basin microbiome augmentation experiment, results of model**  
 421 **comparing Bd loads on frogs assigned to the control and treated groups**  
 422 **immediately before the itraconazole treatment period.**

423 Model family is negative binomial.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	13.97	0.22	13.57	14.42	1.00	3514	2409
expt_trt(treated)	0.17	0.27	-0.37	0.68	1.00	3111	2460
<b>Family-specific parameters</b>							
overdispersion	0.82	0.12	0.61	1.07	1.00	3564	2992

424 **Table S12:**

425 **For the Dusy Basin microbiome augmentation experiment, results of**  
 426 **model comparing Bd loads on frogs assigned to the treated category from**  
 427 **immediately before versus at the end of the itraconazole treatment.**  
 428 Model family is zero-inflated negative binomial.

	Estimate	Est. Error	lo95%CI	up95%CI	Rhat	Bulk ESS	Tail Ess
<b>Population-level effects</b>							
Intercept	14.15	0.13	13.90	14.42	1.00	5206	2934
days(0)	-8.92	0.22	-9.35	-8.47	1.00	3798	2834
<b>Family-specific parameters</b>							
overdispersion	1.10	0.16	0.79	1.43	1.00	3980	2962
zi	0.21	0.04	0.13	0.29	1.00	3980	2480

429 **Figures**

430 **Figure S1**

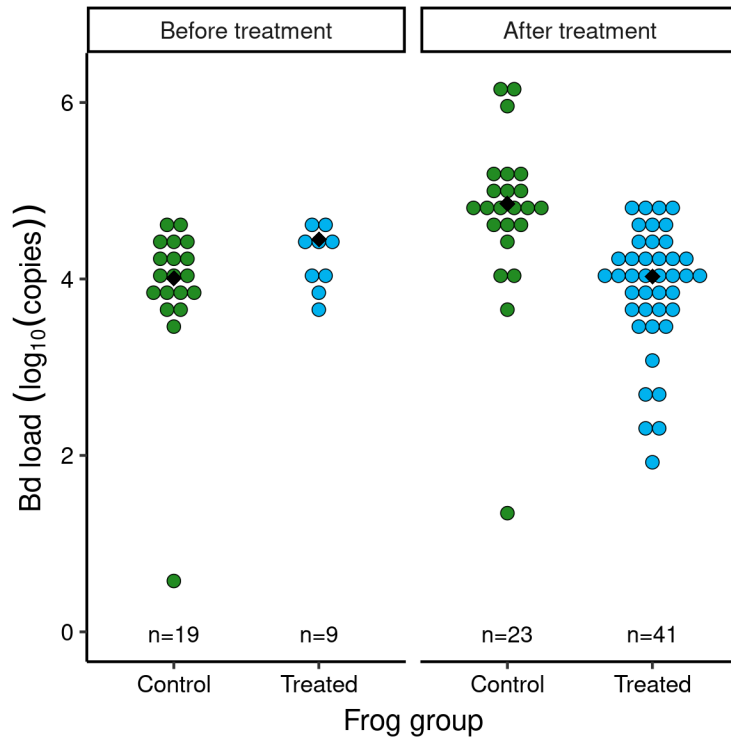


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432 **Photograph showing mesh pens used to hold subadult *R. sierrae* during the**  
433 **2012 microbiome augmentation experiment in Dusy Basin.**

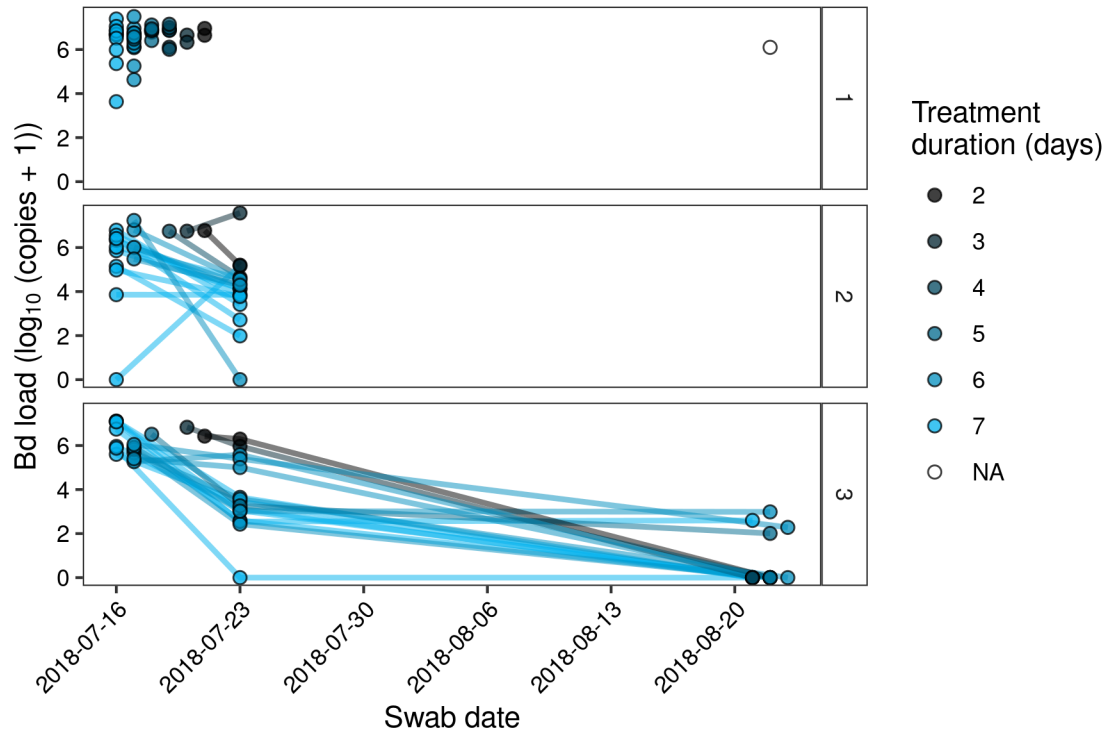
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435 **Figure S2**



436 **In the Dusy Basin study ponds assigned to the control or treated groups,**  
437 **zoospore pools measured before and after itraconazole treatment of *R. sierrae*.**  
438 The y-axis displays Bd load per water sample, normalized to a 1-liter sample volume.  
439 Each dot represents a single sample, and median values for each treatment period are  
440 indicated with a black diamond. The number of samples included is displayed above the  
441 x-axis.

442 **Figure S3**

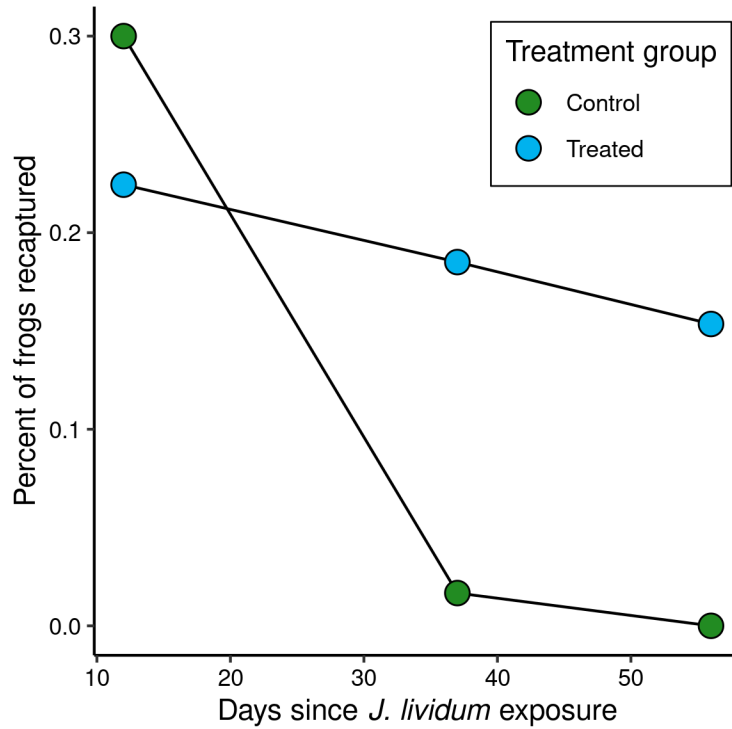


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444 **For all adult *R. sierrae* in the 2018 Treasure Lakes itraconazole treatment, Bd**  
445 **loads over a two month period that includes the July treatment (16 July to 23**  
446 **July 2018) and August follow-up surveys.**

447 Points from the same frog are connected by a line. Panel labels are as follows: 1 = frog  
448 that died during the treatment period, 2 = survivor that was not recaptured during the  
449 post-release survey in August, and 3 = survivor that was recaptured during the August  
450 post-release survey. The single non-experimental frog captured in August was not included  
451 in the treatment (treatment duration = “NA”) and is included in panel 1.

452 **Figure S4**



453 In the Dusy Basin *J. lividum* augmentation experiment, the percent of frogs in  
454 the treated and control groups recaptured during the two months following *J.*  
455 *lividum* exposure.

456 The number of subadults captured during each survey is given in Figure 6.