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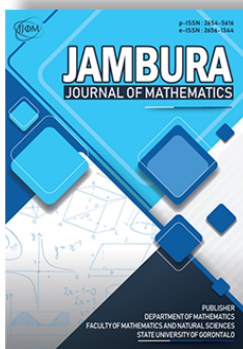
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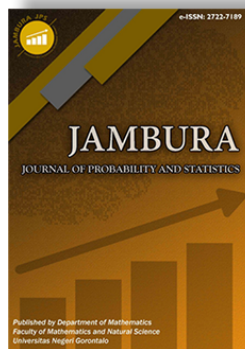
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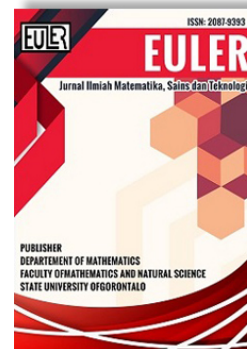
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**ABSTRACT.** Malaria disease increases the mortality rate of HIV patients. In this work, a mathematical model incorporating an infected, undetected, and treated set of people was developed. The analysis showed that the model is well-posed, the disease-free equilibrium for the model was obtained, and the basic reproduction number of the HIV-malaria co-infection model was calculated. The 14 compartmental models were analyzed for stability, and it was established that the disease-free equilibrium of each model and their co-infections were locally and globally asymptotically stable whenever the basic reproduction number was less than unity or endemic otherwise. Based on the sensitivity analysis, the parameter that has the greatest impact is the contact rate; therefore, it is recommended for public health policies aimed at reducing the burden of these diseases in co-endemic regions.



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## 1. Introduction

The use of mathematical models enables us to address various physical phenomena, including crises in biology and epidemiology. Some of the applications found way back are in [1] and [2]. Till date, researchers continue the rigorous applications of the models, and some recent studies like [3–6] are examples. Co-infection with HIV and malaria is common, particularly in developing countries where malaria is already endemic. Malaria caused about 438,000 deaths in 2015, and the HIV virus claimed 11,310 lives [7]. The literature and development of mathematical epidemiology are well documented and can be found in [8]. Two of the prevailing infections in sub-Saharan Africa are malaria and HIV. Important results on the transmission dynamics of malaria have only been revealed in the last decade; for instance, see [9]. In their paper, a mathematical model is formulated using a system of differential equations to understand the co-dynamics of two diseases: HIV/AIDS and malaria. The entire human population (ages 16–45) is divided into six compartments, and the mosquito population into two. The model is analyzed, and steady-state conditions are derived. It is shown that the disease-free equilibrium is stable if the basic reproduction number,  $R_0$ , is less than unity. Sensitivity analysis and simulation results prove that malaria makes people move faster from HIV to AIDS and reduces their lifespan [10]. They proposed and investigated a deterministic model for the co-infection of HIV and malaria in a community.

The available literature reviewed did not consider the HIV infected undetected group of people and the treated group.

Hence, a new fourteen 14-compartmental model that incorporated these classes was formulated to gain insight into the transmission dynamics of the spread of HIV-malaria co-infections. To effectively control and stop the spread of HIV and malaria, it is imperative to understand the dynamics of co-infection [11]. Researchers can use mathematical models to examine the impacts of various parameters on disease transmission and to forecast the consequences of interventions like vaccination or treatment plans. In the instance of HIV-malaria co-infection, identifying sensitive variables that significantly influence disease transmission might direct the creation of focused interventions to lower the burden of disease. As a result, this research on the mathematical analysis of delicate parameters on the dynamical transmission of HIV-malaria co-infection is very important for public health and has the ability to influence decisions about measures for disease control and prevention [12, 13]. To gain a better knowledge of the disease's transmission dynamics and control, many models have been developed and studied using various methodologies. These studies include the following [14–25].

The model of HIV-malaria co-infection was analyzed for the positivity and boundedness of solutions, to determine if the model was well-posed. The disease-free equilibria for the models were obtained. Also, the basic reproduction numbers for the models were computed using the next-generation matrix method. Moreover, the stability of the disease-free equilibria was determined, and bifurcation analysis of the sub-models was carried out using center manifold theory. Sensitivity analysis of the basic reproduction numbers of HIV, malaria, and the full model was examined, and optimal control analysis was carried out to identify the best strategies for the control of the disease. Nu-

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merical simulation was carried out using Maple 17 software.

## 2. Methods

### 2.1. Model description and Formulation

In order to model the dynamics, the total homogeneous mixing population at time  $t$ , denoted by  $N(t)$ , is divided into fourteen compartments: susceptible ( $S(t)$ ) individuals, exposed ( $E_H(t)$ ) individuals, HIV-infected undetected ( $I_U(t)$ ) individuals, HIV-infected detected ( $I_D(t)$ ) individuals, treated ( $T_H(t)$ ) individuals, recovered ( $R_M(t)$ ) individuals, latently HIV and malaria ( $L_H(t)$ ) individuals, active HIV and malaria ( $A_{HM}(t)$ ) So that

$$N(t) = S_H(t) + L_H(t) + I_U(t) + I_D(t) + T_H(t) + E_M(t) + I_M(t) + T_M(t) + R_M(t) + E_{HM}(t) + A_{HM}(t). \tag{1}$$

The total vector (mosquito) population at time  $t$ , denoted by  $N_V(t)$  is subdivided into susceptible mosquitoes ( $S_V(t)$ ), exposed mosquitoes ( $E_V(t)$ ), and infected mosquitoes ( $I_V(t)$ ) so that

$$N_V(t) = S_V(t) + E_V(t) + I_V(t). \tag{2}$$

The susceptible humans are recruited into the population at the constant rate  $\pi_H$ . Susceptible individuals acquire HIV infection following effective contact with HIV-infected individuals (at a rate  $\lambda_H$ ) and acquire infection with malaria following effective with infected mosquitoes (at a rate  $\lambda_M$ ) and also acquire HIV-malaria co-infection following effective contact with HIV-infected individuals and infected mosquitoes (at a rate  $\lambda_{HM}$ ). The population increases by recovered individuals who loss immunity (at a rate  $\phi_1$ ) and the natural death occurs in all human sub-population (at a rate  $\mu$ ) decreases the population. The force of infection associated with HIV-infection, denoted by  $\lambda_H$  is given by;

$$\lambda_H = \frac{\beta_H(L_H + \eta_U I_U + \eta_D I_D + T_H)}{N_H} \tag{3}$$

In eq. (3) above  $\beta_H$  represents the effective contact rate (contact sufficient to result in HIV infection),  $\eta_U$  is a modification parameter comparing the individual transmissibility of undetected infected individuals in relationship to latently infected. Also,  $\eta_D$  is a modification parameter comparing transmissibility of infected detected.

The rate of change of susceptible population is given by

$$\frac{dS_H}{dt} = \pi_H \lambda_H S_H - \lambda_M S_H - \mu S_H + \phi_1 R_M - \lambda_{HM} S_H. \tag{4}$$

A fraction  $\varepsilon_1$  of the newly infected individuals are assumed to show no disease symptoms initially. These individuals (known as “slow progressor”) are moved to latently HIV class ( $L_H$ ). The remaining fraction  $(1 - \varepsilon)$  move to infected undetected class (fast progressor)  $I_U$ . The population of latently infected class is further increased by the individuals who are successfully treated (at the rate  $\phi_2$ ) and by fraction of individuals who are treated for active HIV-malaria (at a rate  $(1 - \ell)\phi_3$ ), since malaria can only be cured. The population decreases by progression to HIV-detected

class (at rate  $\kappa_H$ ) and natural death (at the rate  $\mu$ ).

$$\frac{dL_H}{dt} = \varepsilon_1 \lambda_H S_H - (\kappa_H + \mu)L_H + \phi_2 T_H + (1 - \ell)\phi_3 A_{HM}. \tag{5}$$

The population of undetected infected individuals is increased by the fraction of the newly infected individuals low immunity (at the rate  $(1 - \varepsilon_1)\lambda_H$ ) and those that develop symptoms by latently infected individual at the rate  $(1 - \omega_1)\kappa_H$  where  $\omega_1$  is the fraction of latently infected individuals who are not detected,  $\omega_1\kappa_H$ . Furthermore, it decreases by the detection of the infection (at the rate  $\gamma_{UH}$ ), natural death (at the  $\mu$ ) and disease induced death (at a rate  $\delta_{UH}$ ).

$$\frac{dI_U}{dt} = (1 - \varepsilon_1)\lambda_H S_H + \omega_1\kappa_H L_H - (\gamma_{UH} + \mu + \delta_{UH})I_U. \tag{6}$$

The population of detected infected individuals is increased by a fraction latently infected individuals who are detected upon showing symptoms (at the rate  $(1 - \omega_1)\kappa_H$ ) also, the population increases due to HIV exposed malaria individuals that are treated (at the rate  $\tau_1$ ), and by the detection rate of undetected individuals (at the rate  $\gamma_{UH}$ ). The population is decreased by treatment (at the rate  $\tau_1$ ), natural death (at the rate  $\mu$ ) and disease induced death (at a rate  $\delta_{DH}$ ). Hence;

$$\frac{dI_D}{dt} = (1 - \omega_1)\kappa_H L_H - (\tau_1 + \mu + \delta_{dH})I_D + \gamma_{UH} I_U + \tau_4 E_{HT}. \tag{7}$$

The population of treated HIV individuals is increased by those that have recovered treatment from HIV detected infected individual at the rate ( $\tau_1$ ) this population reduces by fraction of treated individual that moved back to latently HIV individuals at the rate ( $\phi_2$ ) since treatment does not completely clears the bacteria and finally reduced by natural death rate ( $\mu$ ). Hence,

$$\frac{dT_H}{dt} = \tau_1 I_D - (\phi_2 + \mu)T_H \tag{8}$$

the population of latent malaria and HIV is increased by infection, which can acquired following effective contact with infectious individuals in the latent malaria and HIV ( $L_{TH}$ ), Active induced HIV ( $\eta_U A_{HM}$ ) or recovered malaria induced HIV

$$\lambda_{HM} = \frac{\beta_{HM}(E_{HM} + \eta_{AHM} A_{HM})}{N_{HM}} \tag{9}$$

Where  $\beta_{HM}$  represents the effective contact rate.

The population of HIV exposed malaria is generated by fraction  $\varepsilon_3$  of the newly infected individuals with low immunity who moved to HIV exposed malaria class. The remaining fraction are moved to Active HIV-malaria class. The population decreases due to progression to active HIV-malaria (at the rate  $\kappa_{HM}$ ) treatment of the population (at the rate  $\tau_4$ ), natural death ( at the rate  $\mu$ ) and death due to the disease (at the rate  $\delta_{EHM}$ ).

$$\frac{dE_{HM}}{dt} = \varepsilon_3 \lambda_{HM} S_H - (\kappa_{HM} + \mu + \delta_{EHM})E_{HM} - \tau_4 E_{HM}, \tag{10}$$

the population of active HIV-malaria class contains the remaining individuals with low immunity (at the rate  $1 - \varepsilon_3$ ) and those that progresses from HIV exposed malaria class (at the rate  $\kappa_{HM}$ ). The decreases by those that are successfully treated (at the rate  $\phi_3$ ), natural death (at the rate  $\mu$ ) and death due to disease (at the rate  $\delta_{AHM}$ ), hence

$$\frac{dA_{HM}}{dt} = (1 - \varepsilon_3)\lambda_{HM}S_H + K_{HM}E_{HM} - (\phi_3 + \delta_{AHM} + \mu)A_{HM}, \quad (11)$$

the population of exposed HIV and malaria is increased by infection, which can be acquired following effective contact with infectious individuals in expose HIV and malaria ( $E_{HM}$ ), or active HIV induced malaria ( $\eta_U A_{HM}$ ) categories at a rate  $\lambda$  given by

$$\lambda_{HM} = \frac{\beta_{HM}(L_{HT} + \eta_U A_{HM})}{N_{HM}}, \quad (12)$$

where  $\beta_{HM}$  represents the effective contact rate. The population reduced by progression firm exposed stage to active stage at the rate ( $\kappa_{HM}$ ) and by natural death rate.

A fraction  $\varepsilon_2$  of new infected individuals with low immunity move to exposed class ( $E_M$ ) and the remaining fraction  $(1 - \varepsilon_2)$  move to the infected class ( $I_M$ ). The exposed population decreases when individuals become infected (at the rate  $\rho\phi_3$ ). The exposed class decreases by progression to infected individuals (at rate  $\kappa_M$ ), them who are treated at the rate  $\tau_2$ ), natural death (at the rate  $\mu$ ). Hence, we have,

$$\frac{dE_M}{dt} = \varepsilon_3\lambda_M S_H - (K_M + \mu)E_M - \tau_2 E_M + \ell\phi_3 A_{HM}. \quad (13)$$

The population of individual infected with malaria is generated by a fraction of the new infected individuals with low immunity (at the rate  $1 - \varepsilon_2$ ) and progression to infected individual from the exposed class. The population decreases by treatment of the infected individuals (at the rate  $\tau_3$ ), those who are successfully treated recovered (at the rate  $r$ ), natural death (at the rate  $\mu$ ) and disease induced death (at the rate  $\delta_{IM}$ ). Therefore,

$$\frac{dI_M}{dt} = (1 - \varepsilon_2)\lambda_M S_H + K_M E_M - (\tau_3 + \delta_{IM} + \mu)I_M \quad (14)$$

The population of treated class increases by treatment of detected individuals (at the rate  $\tau_1$ ), since, HIV has no cure, treated individuals will move to latently infected class (at the rate  $\phi_2$ ). Furthermore, the population also decreases by natural death (at the rate  $\mu$ ).

$$\frac{dT_M}{dt} = \tau_3 - (r + \mu)T_M. \quad (15)$$

The recovered population is generated by treatment (at the rate  $\tau_2$  and  $\tau_3$ ), of the exposed and infected class respectively and those who are successfully treated and recovered (at the rate  $\mu$ ) and those that loss immunity (at the rate  $\phi_1$ ) hence

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \tau_2 E_M + rT_M - (\phi_1 + \mu)R_M \quad (16)$$

Susceptible mosquitoes ( $S_V$ ) are generated at a constant rate (recruitment  $\pi_r$ ) and acquire malaria infection following effective

contacts with human infected with malaria at a rate  $\lambda_V$ , where the force of infection  $\lambda_V$  is given

$$\lambda_V = \frac{\beta_V b(I_M + \eta_{HM} E_{HM} + \eta_{AHM} A_{HM})}{N_H}, \quad (17)$$

where  $\eta_{HM}$  and  $\eta_{AHM}$  are the modification parameters number of human bites one mosquito has per unit time,  $\beta_V$  is the transmission probability from human to mosquito. Newly infected mosquitoes move to exposed class and they are assumed to suffer death (at the rate  $\mu_V$ ). Hence,

$$\frac{dS_V}{dt} = \pi_V - \lambda_V S_V - \mu_V S_V \quad (18)$$

The expose mosquitoes consist of newly infected mosquitoes and their population diminishes by progression into infected class (at the rate  $\sigma_V$ ) and death of the mosquitoes (at the rate  $\mu_V$ ) therefore.

$$\frac{dE_V}{dt} = \lambda_V S_V - (\sigma_V + \mu_V)E_V \quad (19)$$

The infected mosquitoes have those that progress from exposed class and diminish by the death of the mosquitoes (at the rate  $\mu_V$ ), hence

$$\frac{dI_V}{dt} = \sigma_V E_V - \mu_V I_V \quad (20)$$

In summary, the above formulations and assumptions together give the following system of differential equations. By following [10], we designed a new deterministic compartmental model as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dS_H}{dt} &= \pi_H - \lambda_H S_H - \lambda_M S_H - \mu S_H \\ &\quad + \phi_1 R_M - \lambda_{HM} S_H, \\ \frac{dL_H}{dt} &= \varepsilon_1 \lambda_H S_H - (K_H + \mu) L_H + \phi_2 T_H \\ &\quad + (1 - \ell)\phi_3 A_{HM}, \\ \frac{dI_U}{dt} &= (1 - \varepsilon_1) \lambda_H S_H + \omega_1 K_H L_H \\ &\quad - (\gamma_{UH} + \mu + \delta_{UH}) I_U, \\ \frac{dI_D}{dt} &= (1 - \omega_1) K_H L_H - (\tau_1 + \mu + \delta_{dH}) I_D \\ &\quad + \gamma_{UH} I_U + \tau_4 E_{HT}, \\ \frac{dT_H}{dt} &= \tau_1 I_D - (\phi_2 + \mu) T_H, \\ \frac{dE_M}{dt} &= \varepsilon_2 \lambda_M S_H - (K_M + \mu) E_M \\ &\quad - \tau_4 E_M + \ell\phi_3 A_{HM}, \\ \frac{dI_M}{dt} &= (1 - \varepsilon_2) \lambda_M S_H + K_M E_M \\ &\quad - (\tau_3 + \delta_{IM} + \mu) I_M, \\ \frac{dT_M}{dt} &= \tau_3 I_M - (r + \mu) T_M, \\ \frac{dR_M}{dt} &= \tau_2 E_M + r T_M - (\phi_1 + \mu) R_M, \\ \frac{dE_{HM}}{dt} &= \varepsilon_3 \lambda_{HM} S_H - (K_{HM} + \mu + \delta_{EHM}) E_{HM} \\ &\quad - \tau_4 E_{HM}, \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dA_{HM}}{dt} &= (1 - \varepsilon_3)\lambda_{HM}S_H + K_{HM}E_{HM} \\ &\quad - (\phi_3 + \delta_{AHM} + \mu)A_{HM}, \\ \frac{dS_V}{dt} &= \pi_V - \lambda_V S_V - \mu_V S_V, \\ \frac{dE_V}{dt} &= \lambda_V S_V - (\sigma_V + \mu_V)E_V, \\ \frac{dI_V}{dt} &= \sigma_V E_V - \mu_V I_V, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_E &= \beta_H \left( \frac{L_H + \eta_D I_D + \eta_U I_U + \eta_T T_H}{N_H} \right), \\ \lambda_{HM} &= \beta_{HM} \frac{(E_{HM} + \eta_{EM} A_{HM})}{N_H}, \\ \lambda_M &= \frac{\beta_M b I_V}{N_V}, \\ \lambda_V &= \frac{\beta_V b (I_M + \eta_{HM} E_{HM} + \eta_{AHM} A_{HM})}{N_H}. \end{aligned}$$

### 2.2. Boundedness Solutions of the model

For the system (21) to be epidemiological meaningful, it is important to prove that all solutions with non-negative initial data will remain non-negative i.e.  $t \geq 0$ .

**Theorem 1.** If  $S_H(0), L_H(0), I_U(0), I_D(0), T_H(0), E_M(0), I_M(0), T_M(0), R_M(0), E_{HM}(0), I_{HM}(0), S_V(0), E_V(0)$ , and  $I_V(0)$  be non-negative, then the solutions  $S_H, L_H, I_U, I_D, T_H, E_M, I_M, T_M, R_M, E_{HM}, A_{HM}, S_V, E_V$ , and  $I_V$  are non-negative for all  $t > 0$ .

*Proof.* Consider the biologically- feasible region  $\Omega = \Omega_H \times \Omega_V \subset \mathbb{R}_+^{14}$  with

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_H &= \left\{ (S_H, L_H, I_U, I_D, T_H, E_M, I_M, T_M, \right. \\ &\quad \left. E_{HM}, A_{HM}, R_M) \in \mathbb{R}_+^{11} : N_H \leq \frac{\pi_H}{\mu} \right\}, \text{ and} \\ \Omega_V &= \left\{ (S_V, E_V, I_V) \in \mathbb{R}_+^3 : N_V \leq \frac{\pi_V}{\mu_V} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

is positively invariant. From this theorem, this can be concluded that it is sufficient to consider the dynamics of (21) in  $\Omega$ . In this region, the model can be considered as being epidemiological well-posed [26].  $\square$

The total human population  $N_H$  is calculated as:

$$N_H = S_H + L_E + I_U + I_D + T_H + E_M + I_M + T_M + E_{HM} + A_{HM} + R_M$$

Therefore upon simplifications obtain the following

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dN_H}{dt} &= \pi_H - \mu(S_H + L_H + I_U + I_D + T_H \\ &\quad + E_M + I_M + T_M + E_{HM} + A_{HM} + R_M) \\ &\quad - (\delta_{UH} I_U + \delta_{DH} I_D + \delta_T T_H + \delta_{IM} I_M \\ &\quad + \delta_{HM} E_{HM} + \delta_{AHM} I_{HM}). \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

If there is no death from HIV and malaria infections, eq. (22) become

$$\frac{dN_H}{dt} \leq \pi_H - \mu N_H. \quad (23)$$

After evaluating eq. (23) as time approaches infinity, obtain

$$N_H(t) \leq N_H(0)e^{-\mu t} + \frac{\pi_H}{\mu}, (1 - e^{-\mu t}) \quad (24)$$

where  $N_H(0)$  represents the value of total population of human evaluated at the initial values of the respective variables.

Similarly, the rate of change of the total population of vectors (mosquitoes)  $N_V$  is calculated as:

$$N_V = S_V + E_V + I_V$$

Thus obtain

$$\frac{dN_V}{dt} = \pi_V - \mu_V (S_V + E_V + I_V). \quad (25)$$

Then,

$$\frac{dN_V}{dt} \leq \pi_V - \mu_V N_V. \quad (26)$$

After, solving eq. (25) and evaluating it as time tends to infinity, obtain

$$N_V(t) \leq N_V(0)e^{-\mu_V t} + \frac{\pi_V}{\mu_V} (1 - e^{-\mu_V t}), \quad (27)$$

where  $N_V(0)$  represents the value of total population of the vectors (mosquitoes) evaluated at the initial values of the respective variables. Thus as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , equations (27) become  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N_H(t) \leq \frac{\pi_H}{\mu}$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N_V(t) \leq \frac{\pi_V}{\mu_V}$  if  $N_H(0) \leq \frac{\pi_H}{\mu}$  and  $N_V(0) \leq \frac{\pi_V}{\mu_V}$ . Therefore, all the solution set of (21) is bounded in  $\Omega$ .

### 2.3. Equilibrium analysis of HIV-Malaria co-infection model

The disease free equilibrium of eq. (21) is obtained by equating all equations of the model to zero and then set  $L_H = I_U = I_D = T_H = E_M = I_M = T_M = R_M = E_{HM} = A_{HM} = E_V = I_V = 0$ . Then obtain:  $E_0 = \left( \frac{\pi_H}{\mu}, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{\pi_V}{\mu_V}, 0, 0 \right)$ .

### 2.4. The basic reproductive number of model of HIV-Malaria co-infection

Following [27] principle of next generation matrix, from the above model equation, the non-negative matrix  $F$  (new infection terms) and the non-singular matrix  $V$  (i.e other transferring terms) can be partition as follow

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 & F_2 \\ F_3 & F_4 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } V = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \\ V_3 & V_4 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (28)$$

where  $F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4$  and  $V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4$  are  $6 \times 6$  matrices. Therefore, from the model equation the non-negative matrices  $F_1$  to  $F_4$  (new infection term rate) are as follows.

$$F_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & F_{12}^1 & F_{13}^1 & F_{14}^1 & F_{15}^1 & 0 \\ 0 & F_{22}^1 & F_{23}^1 & F_{24}^1 & F_{25}^1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

**Table 1.** Definitions Of Parameters And Variables Used In The Model Formulation

Parameters and variables	Definition
$S_h$	Susceptible individuals
$L_H$	HIV Latently infected individuals
$I_U$	Undetected HIV individuals
$I_D$	Detected HIV individual
$T_H$	Treated HIV individuals
$T_M$	Treated malaria individuals
$E_M$	Malaria exposed individuals
$I_M$	Malaria infected individuals
$R_M$	Malaria recovered individuals
$E_{HM}$	HIV exposed malaria individuals
$A_{HM}$	Active HIV-malaria individuals
$S_V$	Susceptible vectors (mosquitoes)
$E_V$	Exposed vectors (mosquitoes)
$I_V$	Infected vectors (mosquitoes)
$\pi_h, \pi_V$	Recruitment rate of human and vectors respectively
$\lambda_H, \lambda_{HM}$	Forces of infection in HIV and HIV- malaria individuals
$\mu$	Human natural death rate
$\mu_V$	Death rate of vectors (mosquitoes)
$\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, \tau_4$	Treatment rate for malaria exposed, infected, HIV-detected and HIV exposed malaria individuals
$\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3$	Fraction of individuals with low immunity, infected with HIV, malaria and HIV-malaria co-infection
$\gamma_{UH}$	Detection rate for undetected HIV
$\delta_{EM}, \delta_{IM}$	Malaria induced death rate for classes $E_M$ and $I_M$
$\delta_{UH}, \delta_{dH}, \delta_j, \delta_{E_{HM}}, \delta_{A_{HM}}$	HIV induced death rate for classes $H_U, H_D, J, E_{HM}$ and $A_{HM}$ respectively
$\kappa_H, \kappa_M, \kappa_{HM}$	Progression rate for HIV, malaria and HIV-malaria
$\sigma_1, \sigma_2$	Isolation rate for classes $L_H$ and $H_D$ respectively
$\beta_H, \beta_{HM}$	Effective contact rate for HIV and HIV-malaria respectively
$\beta_M, \beta_V$	Transmission probability from mosquito to human and human to mosquito respectively
$\omega_1$	Fraction of latently infected class that moves to HIV undetected class
$\sigma_V$	Progression rate of vectors (mosquitoes)
$\rho$	Fraction of active HIV-malaria that is treated which moves to malaria exposed class
$\phi_2$	Progression rate HIV treated class to latent class
$\phi_3$	Progression rate active HIV-malaria individual after treatment
$R$	Recovery rate of malaria
$A$	Number of mosquito bites per unit time
$B$	Number of human bitten by mosquito per unit time
$\lambda_M, \lambda_V$	Force of infection from mosquito to human and from human to mosquito respectively
$\phi$	Rate of loss of immunity

$$F_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & F_{66}^2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$F_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and}$$

$$F_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & F_{16}^4 \\ 0 & F_{22}^4 & F_{23}^4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & F_{32}^4 & F_{33}^4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F_{24}^1 = (1 - \varepsilon_1) \beta_H \eta_D, \quad F_{25}^1 = (1 - \varepsilon_1) \beta_H \eta_T,$$

$$F_{66}^2 = \frac{\varepsilon_2 \beta_M b \pi_H \mu_V}{\mu \pi_V}, \quad F_{16}^4 = \frac{(1 - \varepsilon_2) \beta_M b \pi_H \mu_V}{\mu \pi_V},$$

$$F_{22}^4 = \varepsilon_3 \beta_{HM}, \quad F_{23}^4 = \varepsilon_3 \beta_{HM} \eta_{HM},$$

$$F_{32}^4 = (1 - \varepsilon_3) \beta_{HM}, \quad F_{33}^4 = (1 - \varepsilon_3) \beta_{HM} \eta_{HM}.$$

Other transferring terms  $V_1$  to  $V_4$  are given as follows.

$$V_1 = \begin{bmatrix} V_{11}^1 & 0 & 0 & -\phi_2 & -V_{15}^1 & 0 \\ -\omega_1 \kappa_H & V_{22}^1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -V_{31}^1 & -\gamma_{UH} & V_{33}^1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\tau_1 & V_{44}^1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sigma_1 & 0 & -\sigma_2 & 0 & V_{55}^1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & V_{66}^1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$V_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -V_{13}^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\tau_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\rho \phi_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$V_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\kappa_M \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\tau_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and}$$

where

$$F_{12}^1 = \varepsilon_1 \beta_H, \quad F_{13}^1 = \varepsilon_1 \beta_H \eta_U,$$

$$F_{14}^1 = \varepsilon_1 \beta_H \eta_D, \quad F_{15}^1 = \varepsilon_1 \beta_H \eta_T,$$

$$F_{22}^1 = (1 - \varepsilon_1) \beta_E, \quad F_{23}^1 = (1 - \varepsilon_1) \beta_H \eta_U,$$

$$V_4 = \begin{bmatrix} V_{11}^4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V_{22}^4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\kappa_{HM} & V_{33}^4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -V_{41}^4 & 0 & 0 & V_{44}^4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & V_{55}^4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\sigma_V & \mu_V \end{bmatrix},$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} V_{11}^1 &= \kappa_H + \mu + \sigma_1, & V_{15}^1 &= (1 - \alpha)\theta, \\ V_{13}^2 &= (1 - \rho)\phi_3, & V_{22}^1 &= \gamma_{UH} + \mu + \delta_{UH}, \\ V_{31}^1 &= (1 - \omega_1)\kappa_H, & V_{33}^1 &= \tau_1 + \mu + \delta_{DH} + \sigma_2, \\ V_{44}^1 &= \phi_2 + \mu, & V_{55}^1 &= \mu + \theta, \\ V_{66}^1 &= \kappa_M + \mu + \tau_2, & V_{11}^4 &= \tau_3 + r + \delta_{IM} + \mu, \\ V_{22}^4 &= \kappa_{HM} + \mu & V_{33}^4 &= \phi_3 + \delta_{AHM} + \mu, \\ & & & + \delta_{AHM} + \tau_4, & V_{41}^4 &= \tau_3 + r, \\ V_{44}^4 &= \phi_1 + \mu, & V_{55}^4 &= \sigma_V + \mu_V. \end{aligned}$$

From the above matrix,  $V_2$  and  $V_3$  are singular matrices. Then  $(F_1V_1^{-1})$  and  $(F_4V_4^{-1})$  will be considered for the calculation of the reproduction number. Therefore, the reproduction number  $R_1$  of the matrix  $F_1V_1^{-1}$  is

$$R_1 = \frac{\beta_H \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 a_1 a_7 a_8 \eta_D \gamma_{UH} + \varepsilon_1 a_1 a_7 a_8 \eta_T \gamma_{UH} \tau_1 \\ -\varepsilon_1 a_2 a_7 \eta_D \gamma_{UH} \sigma_1 - \varepsilon_1 a_2 \eta_T \gamma_{UH} \sigma_1 \tau_1 \\ + \varepsilon_1 \eta_T \gamma_{UH} \phi_2 \sigma_1 \tau_1 - a_4 a_5 a_7 a_8 \varepsilon_1 \eta_D \\ - a_4 a_5 a_7 \varepsilon_1 \eta_T \sigma_2 - a_4 a_5 a_8 \varepsilon_1 \eta_T \tau_1 \\ - a_4 a_6 a_7 \varepsilon_1 \eta_T \sigma_1 - a_1 a_7 a_8 \eta_D \gamma_{UH} \\ - a_1 a_7 \eta_T + \gamma_{UH} \sigma_2 - a_1 a_8 \eta_T \gamma_{UH} \tau_1 \\ + a_2 a_7 \eta_D \gamma_{UH} \sigma_1 + a_2 \eta_T \gamma_{UH} \sigma_1 \tau_1 \\ - \eta_J \gamma_{UH} \phi_2 \sigma_1 \tau_1 + \varepsilon_1 a_1 a_6 a_7 a_8 \\ - \varepsilon_1 a_2 + a_5 a_7 \sigma_2 - \varepsilon_1 a_2 a_6 a_7 \sigma_1 - \varepsilon_1 a_5 a_8 \phi_2 \tau_1 \\ - a_1 a_6 a_7 a_8 + a_2 a_5 a_7 \sigma_2 + a_2 a_5 a_7 \sigma_1 + a_5 a_8 \phi_2 \tau_1 \\ - \varepsilon_1 \omega_1 + \kappa_E a_6 a_7 a_8 - \varepsilon_1 a_7 a_8 \eta_D \gamma_{UH} \kappa_H \omega_1 \\ - \varepsilon_1 a_7 \eta_T \gamma_{UH} \kappa_H \omega_1 \sigma_2 - \varepsilon_1 a_8 \eta_T \gamma_{UH} \kappa_H \omega_1 \tau_1 \end{pmatrix}}{\begin{pmatrix} a_2 a_7 \gamma_{UH} \kappa_H \omega_1 \sigma_2 + a_8 \gamma_{UH} \kappa_H \omega_1 \phi_2 \tau_1 - a_1 a_4 a_6 a_7 a_8 \\ + a_2 a_4 a_5 a_7 \sigma_2 + a_2 a_4 a_6 a_7 \sigma_1 + a_4 a_5 a_8 \phi_2 \tau_1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

The associated reproduction number  $R_4$  for  $F_4V_4^{-1}$  given by  $\rho(F_4V_4^{-1})$ , where is the spectral radius of the dominant eigenvalue of the next generation matrix  $(F_4V_4^{-1})$  is

$$R_4 = \frac{\beta_{HM} ((\phi_3 + \delta_{AHM} + \mu)\varepsilon_3 + (\kappa_{HM} + \mu + \delta_{AHM} + \tau_4)\eta_{HM}) + \varepsilon_3 \eta_{HM} \kappa_{HM} - \varepsilon_3 \eta_{HM} (\kappa_{HM} + \mu + \delta_{AHM} + \tau_4)}{(\kappa_{HM} + \mu + \delta_{AHM} + \tau_4)(\phi_3 + \delta_{AHM} + \mu)}$$

So, that the basic reproduction number of the HIV- malaria co-infection model is obtained to be

$$R_{(HM)} = \max \{R_1, R_4\}.$$

### 2.5. Sensitivity analysis of HIV-Malaria co-infection model

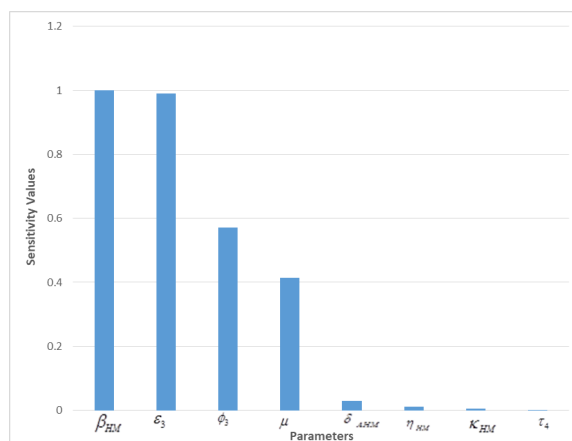
Sensitivity analysis was carried out to determine the model's robustness to parameter values. This helps identify the parameters that have a high impact on the reproductive number. Moreover, sensitivity indices help in developing efficient and effective intervention strategies for the control of HIV-malaria co-infection in the community.

This was calculated using the normalized forward sensitivity method, which is defined as the ratio of the relative change in  $R_{HM}$  to the relative change in the parameter: ' $P$ ':

$$Z_P^{R_{HM}} = \frac{\partial R_{HM}}{\partial P} \times \frac{P}{R_{HM}}$$

**Table 2.** Sensitivity values on the basic reproduction number  $R_{HM}$  of HIV-malaria co-infection model

Parameters	Sensitivity indices
$\beta_{HM}$	1.000000000
$\varepsilon_3$	0.9907058877
$\phi_3$	0.5720364764
$\mu$	0.4145191860
$\delta_{AHM}$	0.02901634301
$\eta_{HM}$	0.01119409061
$\kappa_{HM}$	0.004653570032
$\tau_4$	0.0002042987416

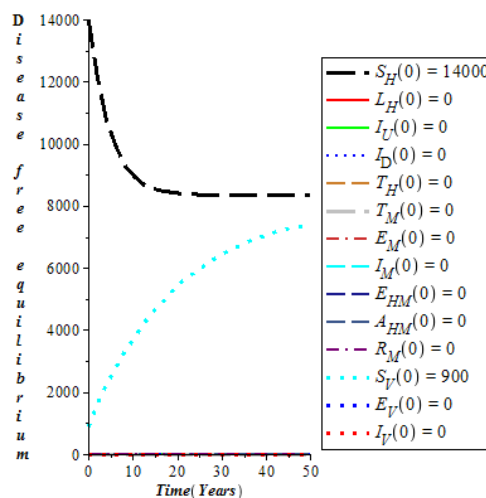


**Figure 1.** Chart on sensitivity indices of basic reproduction number of HIV-Malaria co-infection

## 3. Results and Discussion

### 3.1. Results

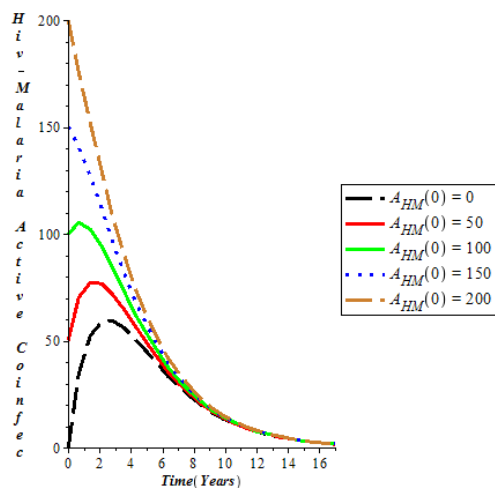
The analytical results of this study are illustrated by carrying out numerical simulations of the models using parameter values in **Table 3** with initial values  $S_H(0) = 14000$ ,  $L_H(0) = 2000$ ,  $I_U(0) = 200$ ,  $I_D(0) = 300$ ,  $T_H(0) = 350$ ,  $E_{HM}(0) = 700$ ,  $A_{HM}(0) = 100$ ,  $E_M(0) = 2000$ ,  $I_M(0) = 9000$ ,  $T_M(0) = 180$ ,  $R_M(0) = 7500$ ,  $S_V(0) = 900$ ,  $E_V(0) = 700$ , and  $I_V(0) = 500$ . The simulations are carried out with the help of MAPLE 17 software and the results are given below



**Figure 2.** Graph showing disease free equilibrium point at different time

**Table 3.** Parameters values used for the numerical simulation

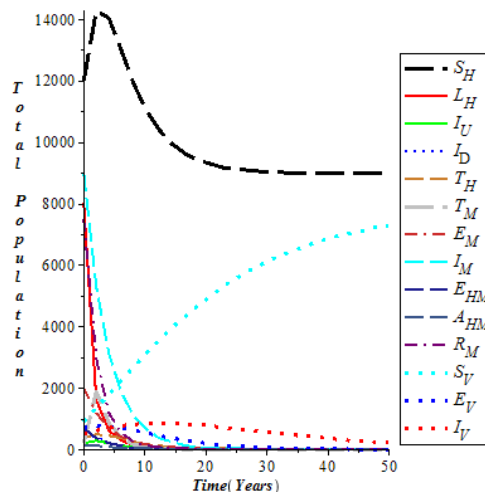
Parameters	Values	Sources
$\delta_{TM}$	0.05	[28]
$\beta_{HM}$	0.8	Estimated
$\kappa_{HM}$	0.093	Estimated
$\kappa_M$	0.071	[29]
$\beta_M$	0.03	[30]
$\varepsilon_3$	0.69	Estimated
$\varepsilon_2$	0.6	Estimated
$\tau_4$	0.0069	[31].
$\tau_3$	0.0013	[32]
$\tau_2$	0.0018	Estimated
$\pi_V$	400	Estimated
$\pi_H$	1800	Estimated
$\mu$	0.2	Estimated
$\mu_V$	0.05	[33]
$\tau_1$	0.3143	[26]
$\varepsilon_1$	0.92	[34]
$\gamma_{UH}$	0.2	Estimated
$\delta_{HM}$	0.093	[10]
$\kappa_H$	0.2	[35]
$\sigma_2$	0.6	[35]
$\sigma_1$	0.712	[35]
$\beta_H$	0.8	Estimated
$\beta_V$	0.09	[36]
$\omega_1$	0.2	[35]
$\sigma_V$	0.1	[37]
$\phi_2$	0.02	[35]
$\phi_3$	0.28	[32]
$r$	0.02	[38]
$b$	0.4	[39]
$\theta$	0.8	[35]
$\delta_{UH}$	0.01	Estimated
$\delta_{DH}$	0.008	Estimated
$\delta_{AHM}$	0.014	[40]
$\eta_U, \eta_D, \eta_T, \eta_{HM}$	0.01	Estimated



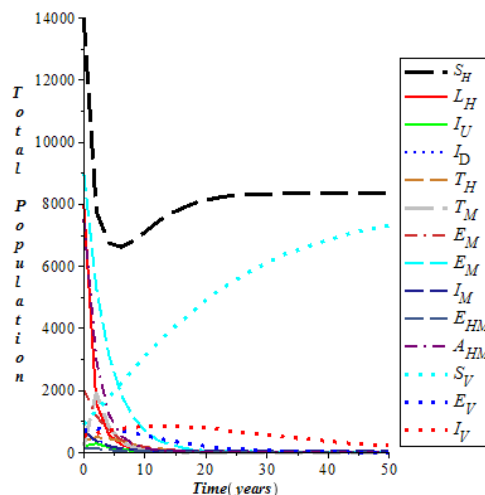
**Figure 3.** Graph shows the global stability of endemic point at different time

### 3.2. Discussion

Figure 2 shows the disease-free equilibrium point of HIV-malaria co-infection, as it shows that there is always someone susceptible in the population while infected individuals tend to zero. Also, Figure 3 shows the global stability of endemic, which indicates that whatever the initial values, the system will converge to the same point as time goes on. Figure 4 depicts the



**Figure 4.** Graph of behavior of total population with initial value at different time



**Figure 5.** Graph of increasing the most positive sensitive value which is HIV-malaria contact rate on total population at different time

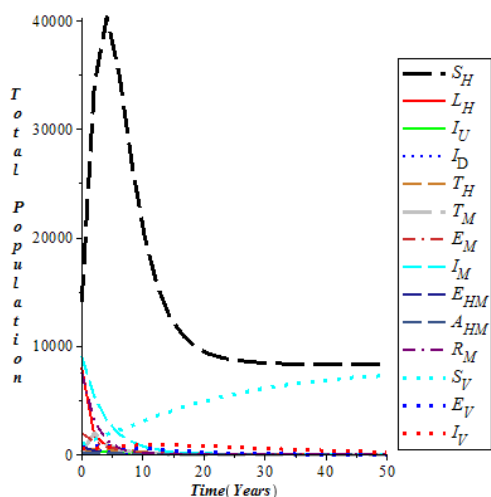
behavior of the HIV-malaria co-infection model, displaying the dynamics with different times of susceptible, HIV latently, infected undetected, infected detected, infected treated, isolated, exposed malaria human, infected malaria human, HIV-malaria exposed, HIV-malaria infected, susceptible vector, exposed vector, and infected vector population.

In Figure 5, the susceptible population decreases initially until the contact rate increases while the susceptible vector increases and the co-infection trajectories increase. Also, the dynamics of their trajectories remain the same. As it shows in Figure 6, when the contact rate was eliminated from the entire co-infection model, the susceptible population increased to its peak but later dropped due to malaria endemicity in the population, while the co-infection trajectories decreased and remained the same.

### 4. Conclusion

This work presents a comprehensive mathematical analysis of a model that incorporates the biological characteristics of





**Figure 6.** Graph of eliminating the most positive sensitive value which is HIV-malaria contact rate on total population at different time

HIV and malaria diseases. The analysis confirms that the model is well-posed, and the disease-free equilibrium for the model is obtained. The basic reproduction number of the HIV-malaria co-infection model is calculated, and the model stability is analyzed. It is shown that the disease-free equilibrium of each model and their co-infections are locally and globally asymptotically stable when the basic reproduction number is less than unity or endemic otherwise. The sensitivity analysis of the basic reproduction number in Table 3 and Figure 6 indicates that controlling the co-infection contact rate of HIV-malaria disease in the population is crucial in controlling HIV-malaria co-infection.

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